

Exquisite Capitals of Scandinavia
8 days - 7 nights
Helsinki, Stockholm, Oslo, Copenhagen
Discovery, Culture, Relaxation

This program may be operated for individual or for groups
This is a suggested itinerary – Please call us to customize

Nature is open to you, but it's for you to take the first step. Between forests, gentle hills, green meadows, high rocky mountains bordering fjords with emerald waters. Scandinavia offers some of the most beautiful landscapes in the world. In turn grandiose and wild, or idyllic and tamed. But Scandinavia is also a certain art of living. Combining comfort, design, respect for others and civic sense. Stockholm, Oslo and Copenhagen are three capital cities with a rich historical heritage that is fascinating to visit one after the other.

Built on a peninsula surrounded by a large number of islands, the city of Helsinki is a tourist destination with many faces. At the same time European and Russian, rural and ultramodern, Helsinki will surprise you in particular by the diversity of the architectural styles which meet there.

Day 1: Helsinki

Arrive in Helsinki, the capital of Finland, a modern city situated on the shore of the Gulf of Finland. It is unique among Northern European cities with its mixture of cultural influences from both East and West. Feel welcomed by the friendly Finnish people. A private car will transfer you from the airport to your hotel. Overnight in Helsinki.

Day 2: Helsinki, Stockholm

After breakfast at your hotel, it's time for a sightseeing tour of Helsinki. This tour will take you to see the Senate Square, Uspenski Cathedral, the Parliament Building and the Olympic Stadium. Stops are also made at the Sibelius Monument and, when possible, at the Temppeliaukio Church. *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own. After lunch, we recommend you to take a boat to Suomenlinna, one of Finland's most popular tourist attractions. The 250-year old fortress, which has been preserved intact because of its military use, was included in UNESCO's World Heritage List. You can experience the fortress, which was built during the period of Swedish and Russian rule. Enjoy the parks, the sea, and the nature of the archipelago. Take a boat back to city. In the afternoon it is time to board a Viking Line overnight cruise to Stockholm. Transfer to the pier on your own. When on board, there is a wide selection of restaurants and the sumptuous Scandinavian buffet will be served. After dinner, you can dance the night away in the nightclub, linger in the various shops, or simply enjoy the scenery. Overnight on board. [B/D]

Day 3: Stockholm

Enjoy your breakfast on board while approaching Stockholm, cruising through the picturesque surroundings. With its 24 000 islands, the Stockholm archipelago is quite unique. The view from the ship entering the city in the early morning light is a magnificent experience. Welcome to Stockholm, the Capital of Scandinavia! Self-transfer to the hotel for check in. Stockholm is often called the "Beauty on Water" being built on 14 islands. Take a look at the City Hall, constructed in the National Romantic style, where each year on December 10th, the Nobel Prize Banquet takes place. See the Old Town, which is in direct contrast with today's modern city center. A panoramic sightseeing tour is included today. *Transfer to departure point on own. The afternoon is free, and you may take one of the suggested activities. Overnight in Stockholm. [B]

Option [1]: Vasa Museum

*The Vasa Museum is a maritime museum in Stockholm, Sweden. Located on the island of Djurgården, the museum displays the only almost fully intact 17th century ship that has ever been salvaged, the 64-gun warship Vasa that sank on her maiden voyage in 1628. The Vasa Museum opened in 1990 and, according to the official web site, is the most visited museum in Scandinavia. *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own.*

Option [2]: Ice Bar

*In the evening, take the opportunity to visit Absolut Ice Bar where the temperature is 23 degrees Fahrenheit all year round, and everything is made of ice – even your glass! (includes warm clothes, 1 ice drink and entrance fee for 45 min). *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own*

Day 4: Stockholm

Breakfast served at your hotel. Free time to explore Stockholm or enjoy shopping or take one of the following optional activities. Overnight in Stockholm. [B]

Option [3]: Drottningholm Tour (3 hours)

*Take a boat to Drottningholm Palace, which is the present residence of the royal family (45 min.). Public guided tour is included (The tour has limited capacity so be there on time or you may not get in). Spend some time in the beautiful park before you go back to the city center. Take the boat back to the city, and upon arrival in the city, transfer back to you hotel at own arrangement. *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own.*

Option [4]: Skansen

*Skansen is the world's first open-air museum, founded in 1891. Here you can stroll through five centuries of Swedish history, from north to south, with a real sense of the past all around in the historical buildings and dwellings, peopled by characters in period dress. *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own*

Day 5: Stockholm, Oslo

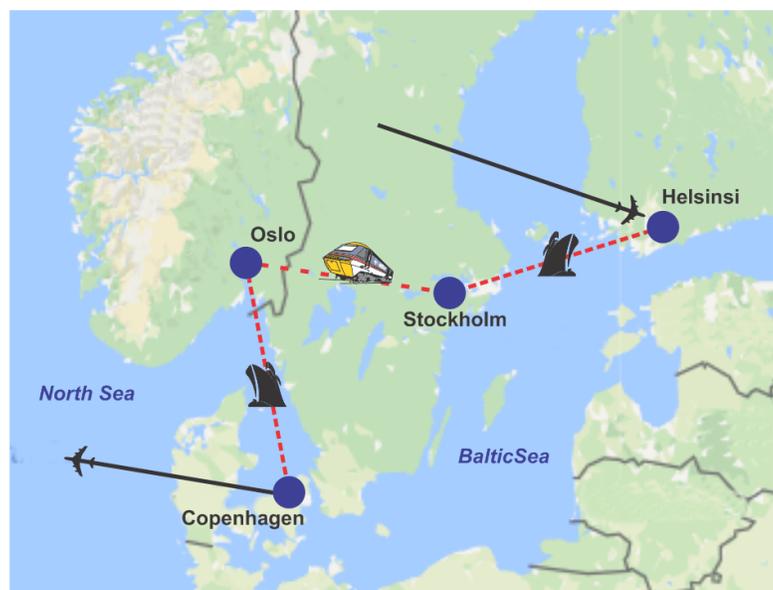
Have breakfast at your hotel before checking out. Now, transfer on your own to the train station to embark your train (2nd class) which will take you to Oslo, Norway! It's a beautiful journey and you will note how the landscape is changing outside the window. After about 6/7 hours you will arrive in Oslo. Go by your own to check in to your hotel. In the evening, there is some free time to spend in Oslo. Enjoy the waterfront at Aker Brygge, and the Akerhus Fortress. In this area there are a lot of nice restaurants and we can highly recommend you to have a nice dinner with fresh Norwegian salmon. Overnight in Oslo. [B]

Day 6: Oslo, Copenhagen

Breakfast served at your hotel. Depart for 3-hour sightseeing tour of Oslo selected highlights, including the famous Vigeland Park, Holmenkollen Ski jump and Oslo City Centre and the Viking Ship Museum (entrance included). *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own. In the afternoon, transfer to the pier, on your own, for the DFDS Seaways overnight cruise to Copenhagen. Entertainment, restaurants, and shops on board offer a fantastic range of things to do for kids and adults. Dinner buffet on board is included. Overnight on board DFDS Seaways. [B/D]

Day 7: Copenhagen

Breakfast onboard before arriving in Copenhagen. Arrive in Copenhagen in the morning. Self transfer to the hotel for check in. Join your sightseeing tour, an extensive tour covering all the major sights of the Danish capital, including outside look of Carlsberg Glyptotek, canal district, the National Museum, Christiansborg Palace, the Old Stock Exchange, Kongens Nytorv, Royal Theatre, Nyhavn, Amalienborg Palace, Gefion Fountain, and the Little Mermaid. *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own. Overnight in Copenhagen. [B]



Option [5]: Tivoli gardens in the evening

We recommend that you visit Tivoli Gardens, which is an oasis with over four million visitors a year. It has wonderful gardens, amusements, restaurants and rides. *Transfer to the departure point for sightseeing tour on own

Day 8: Copenhagen

Breakfast served at your hotel. After breakfast, a private car will pick you up at the hotel for you transfer to Copenhagen Airport; it's time to leave Scandinavia for now, unless you prefer an add-on trip in one of these beautiful and inviting countries. [B]

[B] = Breakfast | [B/D] = Breakfast and buffet dinner

Your Tour includes:

- Airfare USA-Helsinki//Copenhagen-USA
- Coach service for Airport transfer for arrival and departure
- 7 nights' accommodation
 - Helsinki – 1 night
 - Stockholm - 2 nights
 - Oslo – 1 night
 - Copenhagen – 1 night
 - On ferry – 2 nights
- Meals:
 - Breakfast daily
 - 2 buffet dinners
- Train ticket in 1st or 2nd class Stockholm-Oslo
- Sightseeing and entrance fees as mentioned in the program:

- Audio sightseeing tour in Helsinki.
- Panorama sightseeing in Stockholm.
- Selected Highlight sightseeing in Oslo.
- Panorama sightseeing in Copenhagen.

Tour does not include:

- Taxes or surcharges related to airline tickets
- Visas
- Travel Insurance
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks
- Other meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Extras and gratuities
- Early check-in, late check-out
- Expenses of personal nature
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary
- Tips to driver and guide

Recommended hotels in your Tour:

Location	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
Superior Tourist Class		
Helsinki	Hellsten Helsinki Senate	4.5
Cruise HEL-STO	Viking Line	4
Stockholm	Clarion Collection Tapto	4.5
Oslo	Guldsmeden	4.5
Cruise OSL-CPH	DFDS Seaways	5
Copenhagen	Bertrams Guldsmeden	4.5
First Class		
Helsinki	Hilton Helsinki Kalastajatorpp	4.5
Cruise HEL-STO	Viking Line	4
Stockholm	Hotel Skeppsholmen	4.5
Oslo	Christiania Teater	4.5
Cruise OSL-CPH	DFDS Seaways	5
Copenhagen	Crowne Plaza	4.5
Deluxe		
Helsinki	Hilton Helsinki Strand	4.5
Cruise HEL-STO	Viking Line	4
Stockholm	Grand	4.5
Oslo	Continental	4.5
Cruise OSL-CPH	DFDS Seaways	5
Copenhagen	D'Angleterre	4.5

Hotels will be confirmed at time of booking

Tour Prices:

From: \$2,235 including airfare

Add-ons available from all US gateways.

Prices are per person and may change without notice

These programs can be customized for individuals and for groups

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

• **Airfare**

We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

• **Program**

You may add or remove;

- o Trip days
- o Cities and sites
- o Meals

• **Other options**

- o The program was designed with private services, however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- o If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

• **Quotation**

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

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Options:

- The options suggested in the itinerary will be quoted at time of booking
- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

Optional sightseeing:

Description	Price
[1] Vasa museum Stockholm	\$20
[2] Ice Bar Stockholm	\$35
[3] Drottningholm Tour Stockholm	\$75
[4] Skansen Stockholm	\$25
[5] Entrance Tivoli Gardens	\$20

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Group Quotations

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the land journey.
- Booking both air and land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and

longtime relationship with the airlines.

- We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.