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Legends of the North

Finland, Estonia, Sweden, Norway, Denmark

13 Nights / 14 Days

**1N Helsinki / 1N Tallinn / 1N Tallinn - Stockholm in Cruise Ship / 2N
Stockholm / 1N Hamar / 1N Geiranger / 1N Balestrand / 1N Bergen / 1N Geilo
/ 1N Oslo / 1N Oslo - Copenhagen in Cruise ship / 1N Copenhagen**

DAY 01: ARRIVE IN HELSINKI

Arrive in Helsinki. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel. At 1800 hrs, meet your tour escort who will stay with you for the rest of the tour.

Overnight in Helsinki.

DAY 02: HELSINKI – TALLINN

In the morning, you will do a city tour of the Finnish capital with a local guide and see the colourful harbour market, the neo-classical Senate Square, the Cathedral, the Sibelius monument, the Russian orthodox Uspenski Cathedral and the famous Church in the Rock - Temppeliaukio. Later in the afternoon you will be transferred to the pier for embarkation of the ferry to Tallinn. Upon arrival in Tallinn you will be transferred to your hotel. (B)



Overnight in Tallinn.

DAY 03: TALLINN – STOCKHOLM

In the morning you will do a city tour of the Estonian capital with a local guide admiring the Alexandre Nevsky Church, Dome Church, and the 13-14th century Castle, where the Estonian Parliament is seated today. Later in the afternoon you will be transferred to the pier for embarkation of the overnight cruise to Stockholm. Buffet dinner on board with wine/beer and soft drinks. (BD)

Overnight on cruise (sea view rooms).

DAY 04: STOCKHOLM

After breakfast you sail through the breath-taking Stockholm archipelago. Then you will do a morning city tour of the Swedish capital with a local guide. Visit Fjällgatan, Gamla Stan, the old city with its narrow cobbled-stoned lanes, charming small squares, medieval buildings in happy colours, Cathedral and the Royal Palace. Afternoon is at leisure. (B)



Overnight in Stockholm.

DAY 05: STOCKHOLM

After breakfast, day is at leisure in Stockholm or you can do an **Optional** tour to visit the City Hall where the annual Nobel Prize banquet is held and the fascinating Vasa Ship museum with the unique wooden warship that sank in Stockholm's harbour on its maiden voyage and was salvaged intact 333 years later. (B)

Overnight in Stockholm.

DAY 06: STOCKHOLM - HAMAR

After breakfast, you start the journey by coach towards Norway passing open landscapes, dense forests and glittering lakes. You stop in the city of Karlstad, the capital of the province of Värmland beautifully located on the shores of Lake Vänern, the largest of Sweden's lakes. After crossing the border into Norway you continue to Hamar located by Norway's largest Lake Mjøsa. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. (BD)



Overnight in Hamar.

DAY 07: HAMAR – LOM - GEIRANGER

After breakfast, your first stop is Lillehammer, where the 1994 winter Olympics took place. You continue north through the green, fertile farmland of Gudbrands Valley. In Lom you stop to see the amazing wooden stave church dating back to the 12th century. Your route continues via Grotli to Geiranger. A photo-stop is made before descending the hairpin curves to the village by the fjord. The fjord and the surrounding mountains give a unique and fabulous backdrop to your stay. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. (BD)



Overnight in Geiranger.

DAY 08: GEIRANGER - BRIKSDAL GLACIER - BALESTRAND

After breakfast, take a morning cruise on the UNESCO listed Geiranger Fjord with the impressive waterfalls – “the Bridal Veil” and “the Seven Sisters”. Continue to Briksdal Glacier. The last part of the journey up to the glacier will be in the motorized open Troll Cars, allowing you to enjoy the full panoramic view. After the glacier experience sit back in the coach and enjoy the views of mountains and fjords passing by as you drive towards Balestrand. Your route will take you through the Gaular Mountain National Park. In the late afternoon, you reach the beautiful resort at Balestrand located on the shores of the fjord and surrounded by high mountains. This unique spot is a good candidate for the most beautiful place on earth. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. (BD)



Overnight in Balestrand.

DAY 09: BALESTRAND - BERGEN

After breakfast, take a ferry across to Hella and continue along the scenic coastal route to Manheller for a short ferry crossing to Fodnes. You then continue to Gudvangen, where you board a 2 hour mini-cruise of the Sogne Fjord, the longest and deepest fjord in the world. Marvel at the landscape as you sail into the Nærøy fjord – a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with small farms scattered on the steep hillsides of the fjord, cascading waterfalls and towering snow-clad mountains. Disembark in Flåm and you continue with one of the most exceptional rail road trips in the world, the Flam Railway. With breath-taking views at every curve it will take



you up to the mountain station of Myrdal where you will connect to your train to Voss where the coach awaits your arrival and take us to Bergen. (B)

Overnight in Bergen.

DAY 10: BERGEN – GEILO

After breakfast, you will be taken on a guided tour of Bergen to see the famous open air fish market, stroll across to Bryggen where the traditional wooden medieval buildings still remain as in the times of the Hanseatic League. Time is at leisure for shopping, having lunch and maybe taking the funicular to the top of Mount Fløyen for a stunning view of Bergen. In the afternoon, you continue towards the Hardanger Fjord with its romantic landscape of fruit orchards and rounded mountains. You make a stop at the impressive Vøringsfoss waterfall with a vertical drop of 180 meters, before ascending the Hardanger Mountain Plateau and reaching the resort town of Geilo. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. (BD)



Overnight in Geilo.

DAY 11: GEILO – OSLO

After breakfast, in the morning, you head for Oslo - the capital of Norway, with arrival around noon. You will have some free time for lunch before going on the guided tour of Oslo, which takes you to the Frogner Park with the controversial sculptures of the famous Norwegian Gustav Vigeland. Other highlights of the tour are the Royal Palace, the medieval fortress Akershus, the modern Opera house, the City Hall etc. Remainder of the day is free to explore Oslo, the pedestrian street Karl Johan and the lovely shopping and restaurant wharf Aker Brygge. (B)



Overnight in Oslo.

DAY 12: OSLO – COPENHAGEN

After breakfast, morning is free to continue exploring Oslo; maybe you can do an Optional visit to some of the famous maritime museums such as the Viking Ships or the Polar ship Fram. In the late afternoon, you will be transferred to the pier for embarkation of the overnight cruise to Copenhagen. Enjoy the view heading out through the Oslo Fjord from the deck or one of the cafés or bars on board. Enjoy dinner that is the famous Scandinavian Smorgåsbord buffet on board. (BD)

Overnight on cruise (sea view rooms).

DAY 13: COPENHAGEN

After breakfast on board, directly upon arrival in Copenhagen, meet your local guide showing you some of the highlights of Copenhagen; the little Mermaid, the Gefion fountain, the royal residence Amalienborg Palace, Christianshavn and Nyhavn with its charming canals etc. Afternoon is free to enjoy the fairy-tale city on your own. (B)



Overnight in Copenhagen.

DAY 14: DEPARTURE DAY

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight back to home. (B)

INFORMATION

INCLUSIONS:

- ❖ 4* Accommodation as per itinerary (subject to availability) at the time of booking or similar.
- ❖ Includes 13 Breakfasts and 6 Dinners, meals as per itinerary (B= breakfast, L= lunch, D= dinner).
- ❖ English-speaking tour escort throughout the whole program
- ❖ City tours of the capitals with local English-speaking guides
- ❖ Transportation by modern coach with reclining seats, seatbelts, toilet and free Wi-Fi on board the long distance coach and Scandinavian driver
- ❖ 2 Mini cruises on the Norwegian fjords of Geiranger Fjord and Nærøy Fjord- Sogne Fjord
- ❖ Scenic rail road trip with Flam Railway
- ❖ Tour with motorized open Troll Cars to Briksdal Glacier
- ❖ Luggage handling at the piers for the overnight cruises

Highlights :

- 1) Helsinki city tour
- 2) Gamla Stan, the old city with its narrow cobbled-stoned lanes, charming small squares, medieval buildings in happy colours, the Cathedral, and the Royal Palace in Stockholm
- 3) Lillehammer, wooden stave church in Lom, Briksdal Glacier
- 4) Mini-cruise of the Sogne Fjord
- 5) Vøringsfoss waterfall
- 6) Frogner Park, Royal Palace, the medieval fortress Akershus, the modern Opera house, the City Hall in Oslo
- 7) The little Mermaid, the Gefion fountain, the royal residence Amalienborg Palace, Christianshavn and Nyhavn with its charming canals in Copenhagen

COST: From **EUR 2695 onwards Per Person in standard double room**

EXCHANGE RATE: 1 EUR = 71 INR (exchange rate as on the day of payment applicable)

VALIDITY: 9th May 2017 – 25th September 2017

DEPARTURES: 2017 – May 9, 23; June 6, 20; July 4, 18; August 1, 15; September 12

At times there may be special deals - enquire at the time of booking.

HOTELS:

REGION	4* HOTELS OR SIMILAR
Helsinki	Scandic Grand Marina Hotel
Tallinn	Sokos Viru Hotel
Stockholm	Clarion Stockholm Hotel
Hamar	Scandic Hamar Hotel
Geiranger	Union Hotel
Balestrand	Kvikne's Hotel
Bergen	Zander K Hotel
Geilo	Bardøla Hoyfjellshotell
Oslo	Thon Hotel Opera
Copenhagen	Radisson Blu Scandinavia Hotel

EXCLUSIONS:

- ❖ All flights, excess baggage fees, airport departure taxes and other relevant taxes
- ❖ Airport transfers
- ❖ Optional activities and excursions
- ❖ All meals and drinks not specified in inclusions
- ❖ Drinks, tips, laundry, bottled drinking water and other personal expenses
- ❖ Medical, Travel and Baggage Insurance
- ❖ Porterage at airport and hotels
- ❖ Items of a personal nature (i.e. internet, curio, laundry, beverages, etc.) unless specifically quoted for above
- ❖ Tips and gratuities
- ❖ Passport and Visa fees
- ❖ International Airfare
- ❖ Anything not specifically quoted in the inclusions
- ❖ GST extra as applicable

NOTES:

- 1) All prices are correct at the time of printing and subject to availability.
- 2) All prices are subject to change without notice. Though care has been taken to put appropriate prices, our suppliers may increase their price depending on the availability and season. We therefore request you to allow for changes to occur before the confirmation of the final price. We will inform you about the increase or decrease in prices at the time of booking.
- 3) No reservations have been made and accommodation is subject to availability. In case of non-availability, alternate accommodation will be recommended.
- 4) Due to the event in Bergen on 20 September, the hotel will be located outside of city center for tour departing on 12 September.
- 5) For the overnight ferries the suitcases will go in containers on the ship without access to them during the sail. All clients should therefore prepare an overnight bag to take to the cabins with the necessary items for the cruise.
- 6) All outdoor activities are weather permitting.
- 7) Smoking is not allowed in the vehicles. Comfort stops will be made en route.
- 8) All distances and travelling times are approximate.
- 9) Peak Season Surcharge may be applicable during Xmas, New Year or during any special events.
- 10) [Namaste Tourism Terms & Conditions Apply](#)
- 11) All Payments to be made in INR, USD or EUR as per rate of exchange at the time of booking.
- 12) Any payments automatically mean adherence to the terms & conditions of Namaste Tourism and our statute.



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