

Highlights of Norway and Sweden

including vists to: Bergen, Sognefjord Cruise, Lillehammer, Oslo, Stockholm and more!

12 Days ~ July 5 - 16, 2025

Tour Coordinators -

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St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Oviedo, Florida



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Program Cost †

- \$5,998.00 per person double occupancy
- [†] A limited number of single rooms may be available at a supplemental cost of \$989.
- [†] Price is based on a minimum of 25 group members. Space is limited.
- [†] Price is estimated, based on rates and airfares in effect as of June 20, 2024.

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Program Highlights

- Round trip air transportation from Orlando, including taxes and fees in effect as of June 20, 2024
- 10 nights accommodations in first class (4 star) hotels
- Breakfast daily; 5 dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Professional tour manager to accompany the group in Europe
- Transportation via private motorcoach
- Comprehensive sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary, including applicable entrance fees
- Porterage of one bag per person at hotels (*if available*)

Deposit Schedule

- \$500 per person due with reservation
- Additional \$2500 per person due by October 1, 2024

• Final payment is due by March 1, 2025

RESERVATION FORM

Please make your check payable to Trans World Travel, Inc. and return to: Arp Norway/Sweden tour, c/o Trans World Travel, Inc., 734 Central Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035

* Couples living at the same address may use the same form. Individuals living at separate addresses should use two forms.

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Enclosed is my (our) completed reservation form for the tour to Norway and Sweden departing on July 5, 2025 and a deposit check in the amount of \$500 per person. I understand that the completed form and deposit indicates my (our) acceptance of the General Conditions and Cancellation Policies stated on the back of this brochure and the understanding that there can be future increases by the air carrier for fuel and/or government related taxes. All payments must be made by check. We strongly recommend all passengers consider optional travel protection insurance that can include pre-existing conditions. You will receive information about the NTA Travel Protection Plan in your welcome packet.

NAME(S) AS SHOWN ON YOUR PASSPORT(S): PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Name 1		Birth Date:	
Name 2		Birth Date:	
First name(s) as you would like them to appear on your name ta	ag(s): 1	2	
Address:			
Street	City	State	Zip
Daytime Phone:	Cell Phone:		
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If available, I prefer a single room at the supplementa	al cost listed in this to	our brochure.	
I do not yet have a roommate. Please notify me if anyone is looking for a roommate for this trip. <i>TWT does not assign roommates, but we will put you in touch with others searching for a roommate. If a roommate is not found, you will be charged for a single room.</i>			
Airline Seating Request (<i>not guaranteed</i>):Window	Aisle		
Dietary restrictions (if applicable) (not guaranteed):			
E-mail address:	_ Signature:		

Important: Please include a copy of the photo page of your passport and send to Trans World Travel! SCa070525 - 2163

Saturday, July 5, 2025 – Depart Orlando: Today we depart from Orlando International Airport to begin our journey to Norway. Meals and beverages will be served during the overnight flight.

Sunday, July 6 – Stockholm: Upon arrival in Stockholm, we will be met by our tour manager and coach driver, escorted to our motor coach and en route to our hotel, we will be oriented to our tour. Dinner at our hotel this evening. (D)

Monday, July 7 – Stockholm: Following breakfast we will enjoy a sightseeing tour of Sweden's capital city, which will include all its iconic highlights. Sometimes called the Venice of the North, Stockholm is truly wedded with the sea, built across 14 islands and the mainland, at the point where Lake Mälaren flows out to the Baltic Sea. We will see the City Hall, where the Nobel Prize banquets are held before driving to the Vasa Museum for a fascinating visit of the salvaged warship, which sank on her maiden voyage in 1628. Later we will see the Stockholm Palace, which is the official residence and office of King Carl Gustaf XVI, before walking through the Old Town with its original mediaeval street plan, to see the Storkykran Cathedral, venue for Royal coronations, weddings and funerals. The remainder of the afternoon and evening are free for individual sightseeing. (B)

Tuesday, July 8 – Stockholm: This morning we will visit Skansen Park, which is the world's oldest open-air museum founded in 1891 and showcases the whole of Sweden, its history, culture and traditions, with houses, farmsteads, farm buildings and chapels from all over the country. The afternoon and evening are again free for individual sightseeing. (B)

Wednesday, July 9 - Stockholm / Karlstad / Oslo: Following breakfast, we will depart Stockholm to drive through scenery so typical for Sweden – through dark green forests and fertile valleys, we will pause for lunch in Karlstad, which is located midway between Oslo and Stockholm. This is where the agreement to dissolve the union between Norway and Sweden was signed, granting Norway her independence as a separate kingdom. In the afternoon we will continue our journey past glittering Lake Vänern, which is the largest of Sweden's almost 100,000 lakes to the border with Norway and on to the Norwegian capital of Oslo for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Thursday, July 10 - Oslo: Following breakfast we will begin our exploration of Oslo and the treasures of its museums. During our city tour we will see the Holmenkollen Ski Jump, walk through the Vigeland Sculpture Park, the largest collection of sculptures in the world by one artist. We will take the ferry back to the city centre to see the City Hall where the Nobel Peace Prize is presented each year, the Royal Palace and the Storting, home to the Norwegian Parliament. The afternoon and evening are free for individual pursuits. (B)

Friday, July 11 - Oslo / Lillehammer: This morning we will depart our hotel to visit two of the museums which bear witness to that Scandinavian spirit of adventure, which saw the

Vikings land in Newfoundland in the 11th century. The Fram Museum tells the story of Norwegian polar exploration, with the ship which carried Amundsen in the race to be first to reach the South Pole. Next door is the Kon Tiki Museum with the original balsawood raft on which Thor Heyerdahl crossed the Pacific and the papyrus boat Ra II, which he built to cross the Atlantic. Following our visit of the museums and free time for lunch, we will continue to the Winter Olympic town of Lillehammer for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Saturday, July 12 – Lillehammer: Today's sightseeing will include the open-air Maihaugen Museum, where our local guide will bring to life the traditions of the Gudbrandsdal through its farmhouses, workshops, tools and utensils. We will see the ancient Garmo Stave Church, as well as reminders of more recent history in the Olympic ski jumping arena and Olympic Park. The remainder of the day and evening are free for individual exploration and relaxation. (B)

Sunday, July 13 – Lillehammer / Borgund / Laerdal: This morning we depart Lillehammer to journey through green valleys and past snow-capped mountain peaks. We will pause along the way to absorb the spectacular scenery and landscapes and to visit the medieval Borgund Stave Church. In the afternoon we arrive to the breathtaking scenery of the fjords and to Laerdal for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Monday, July 14 – Laerdal / Sognefjord Cruise / Stalheim / Bergen: Today will be a day full of highlights, as we experience the quintessential scenery of Norway, dominated by fast flowing rivers, glittering fjords, thundering waterfalls and snow-capped mountain peaks. We will cruise the Sognefjord and Naeroyfjord from Flam to Gudvangen, then we drive through the Naerdal Canyon to Stalheim, for some of the most spectacular panoramic views in all Norway. In the late afternoon we will arrive in Bergen for our overnight. (B)

Tuesday, July 15 - Bergen: This ancient Hanseatic port has been trading with the known world for 1000 years and that legacy can be seen in the colourful remains of the merchants' warehouses along the docks in the oldest part of the city at Bryggen. Our morning city tour will include this atmospheric quarter and the lively Fish Market, which is still a living reminder of Bergen's ancient trading history; we will see Haakon's Hall, the banqueting and ceremonial hall of the old royal residence, when Bergen was the capital of Norway and the remainder of the afternoon will be free to continue exploring the City of Seven Mountains. Perhaps take a funicular train up Mount Floyen, visit Troldhaugen, the home of Edvard Grieg or just sit in a streetwalk cafe and watch the world go by. In the early evening we will enjoy our farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Wednesday, July 16 – Bergen / Orlando: This morning we begin our journey home. Welcome home!

B - Breakfast, D - Dinner

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Trans World Travel, INC (TWT)

CANCELLATIONS per person: All requests for cancellations must be submitted in writing and acknowledged by TWT. A \$250.00 administrative fee will be assessed for any cancellation for any reason. In addition, all acknowledged cancellations will be subject to the following terms:

1) Cancellations postmarked within 180 days of tour departure, penalty up to 20% of tour cost per person.[†]

2) Cancellations postmarked within 120 days of tour departure, penalty up to 30% of tour cost per person.†

3) Cancellations postmarked within 90 days of tour departure, penalty up to 50% of tour cost per person.†

4) Cancellations postmarked within 45 days of departure, penalty up to 100% of tour cost per person.†

†Additionally, unless a replacement is found, a cancelling tour member can also be charged for the single supplement fee of one's noncancelling roommate. TWT shall process such refunds, subject to the above terms offset by applicable penalties as soon as reasonably practicable.

PARTIAL OR COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL AFTER TOUR BEGINS: Once the tour is in progress, no refund will be made for any unused portion of the tour.

CANCELLATION BY TWT: TWT reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure for any reason, including insufficient number of participants, in which case a full refund will be given less any charges of fees assessed by hotels, motor coach companies, airlines or other third party vendors. TWT shall be excused from the performance of its obligations under this Agreement to the extent that such performance is prevented by a fire or other casualty, strike, pandemic, Act of God, other cause beyond the control of the Parties. TWT also has the right to withdraw your membership at any time if your actions impose upon or disturb the other members of the tour. All additional costs to send a tour member home will be borne by the tour member.

INSURANCE: An optional insurance plan is available. We strongly urge all tour members to have insurance in the event of illness or death occurring prior to departure or during the tour. Please note that all insurance policies will be subject to all terms and conditions applicable to the respective insurance policies and participants should review all terms and conditions. Such policies may not cover preexisting conditions unless enrollment for the insurance is done within a specified number of days of TWT registering you for the tour.

DEVIATIONS: Deviations from the group itinerary will be quoted separately and require completion of a "Request for Deviation" Form. Changes are subject to a TWT deviation fee of \$200 per person plus any other travel related fees from airlines, hotels, etc. AIR TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip in Economy Class. Individual seating requests cannot be guaranteed due to airline seating policies. TWT must have your legal name as it appears on your passport. Ticket reissue fees are subject to the policies of the individual airline contracted for your tour. Passengers not traveling on the group's air itinerary are responsible for arranging their own transfers from their arrival airport to the group's first hotel or cruise ship and from the group's last hotel or cruise ship to their departure airport.

HOTELS: We exercise our best efforts to use mostly 3 & 4-star hotels that are chosen on the basis of location, cleanliness, services and, when possible, are typical of the local area. Hotels do not allow credits if passenger chooses to depart earlier than the scheduled group departure.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED: Excluded is any item or service not specifically indicated as included - such as cost of passports, visas where required, porterage at airports and/ or ship docks, gratuities on all cruise ships, tips to tour manager, motor coach driver or guides, optional tours, and any other items of a personal nature including beverages with included meals. No responsibility is incurred by TWT for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the passenger's belongings. Baggage, health and trip cancellation insurance is recommended.

ITINERARY CHANGES: Occasionally, a change in a portion of your tour, accommodations, services, etc. may be necessitated due to: altered transportation schedules/equipment, weather conditions, labor strikes, road construction, or for other unforeseen reasons outside the control of TWT. Any resultant expenses shall be borne by the passengers.

RATES: All rates in this brochure are based on applicable tariffs in effect at the time of printing. Tour price can be increased due to the occurrence of currency fluctuations, the increase in fuel, increase in air tickets, various taxes, or any other increase connected with the tour package. Any cancellation due to any of the above changes is subject to the cancellation policy stated above.

LEGAL / **HEALTH DOCUMENTS:** For international travel, all U.S. citizens must have a current passport with at least 6 months validity remaining from your return date. For certain countries, you might also need a properly dated visa. These documents are your responsibility, and we urge you to apply for these documents as soon as possible.

RESPONSIBILITY

The responsibility of Trans World Travel, Inc. is strictly limited. As a tour operator, TWT organizes, promotes and sells tour programs consisting of certain travel services, including, but not limited to, surface transportation, sightseeing excursions and hotel accommodations which TWT purchases or reserves from various suppliers. The suppliers providing travel services for TWT's tour programs are independent contractors and are not agents or employees of TWT or any subsidiary company. To the extent that TWT is involved in the sale of air transportation to you, TWT acts as an agent of the air carrier. For all other purposes, TWT does not act as agent for any party.

TWT is not responsible for the willful or negligent acts and/or omissions of such suppliers or any carrier or their respective employees, agents or representatives including, without limitation, their failure to deliver or their partial or inadequate delivery of services. All coupons, receipts and tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions specified by the suppliers and/or carriers. By utilizing the travel service of the suppliers, you agree that neither TWT nor any subsidiary company or representative shall be liable for any accident, injury, property damage or personal loss to you or to those traveling with you in connection with any accommodations, transportation or other travel services or resulting directly or indirectly from any occurrences or conditions bevond its control, including, but not limited to, acts of terrorism, defects in vehicles, breakdown in equipment, strikes, theft, delay or cancellation of or changes in itinerary or schedules.

Except as specifically set forth herein, TWT does not make any representations or warranties with respect to the services performed under this Agreement and hereby specifically disclaims all other representations and warranties with respect to the services, whether expressed or implied.

Any action commenced arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be resolved by arbitration in Cook County, Illinois, unless another location is mutually agreed upon, in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association. The award rendered by the arbitrator(s) shall be final, and judgment upon the award may be entered by any court located in Cook County, Illinois.

These tour programs are planned in advance. If, between planning time and the actual tour operation, circumstances beyond TWT's control require changes, TWT reserves the right to vary itineraries, change the departure date and substitute components of tour programs, which could also include replacing the tour host due to sickness, etc. Remember that all travel documents, as well as compliance with customs regulations, are your (the tour member's) responsibility.

The payment of the required deposit or any other partial payment for a reservation on a tour constitutes consent to all provisions of the conditions and general information contained in this brochure. The terms under which you agree to take these tours cannot be changed or amended except in writing signed by an authorized officer of TWT. TWT is not responsible for typographical errors or errors of omission. If you should have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please call TWT prior to registering for the tour.

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