WFSU Public Media presents...

Discover Spectacular Scandinavia

with Optional 3-Night Iceland Post Tour Extension **June 13 – 27, 2025**





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15 Days • 22 Meals: 13 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 7 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Stockholm, Choice on Tour: Vasa Museum or ABBA Museum, Sofiero Palace, Copenhagen, Tivoli Gardens, Choice on Tour: National Museum of Denmark or Explore Nyhavn, Oslo, Borgund Stave Church, Flam Railway, Geirangerfjord Cruise, Bergen

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Scandic Grand Central, Stockholm
Day 4	Elite Hotel Park Avenue Gothenburg , Gothenburg
Days 5, 6	Scandic Copenhagen, Copenhagen
Day 7	DFDS A/S , Copenhagen
Days 8, 9	Hotel Bristol Oslo, Oslo
Day 10	Fretheim Hotel, Flam
Days 11, 12	Alexandra Hotel, Loen
Days 13, 14	Radisson Blu Hotel Royal Bergen, Bergen

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Friday, June 13, 2025 Overnight Flight Set out to explore Scandinavia by land and experience one of the world's most incredible regions.

Day 2: Saturday, June 14, 2025 Stockholm, Sweden Arrive in the beautiful city of Stockholm. Take some time to venture out on your own and get to know this relatively small city, built on 14 islands and connected by 57 bridges. Tonight, meet your fellow travelers for dinner. (D)

Day 3: Sunday, June 15, 2025 Stockholm Join a local expert to see Stockholm's greatest vistas and attractions, including Gamla Stan (Old Town), Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace, and the Parliament, on an historic and cultural walking tour. Enjoy a visit inside Stockholm's stunning City Hall, which displays towering brick walls paired with an opulent interior. This afternoon, it's your choice! Explore the Vasa Ship Museum and learn about the vessel's shocking maiden voyage, when it sank in a single nautical mile (the perfectly preserved ship, commissioned in the 1600s by King Vasa, was raised from the bottom of the harbor 334 years later) -OR- visit the ABBA Museum, an interactive exhibition about the Swedish pop sensation. The remainder of the day is yours to explore Stockholm independently. Discover its strikingly colorful architecture and sample its innovative cuisine. (B)

Day 4: Monday, June 16, 2025 Stockholm - Orebro - Gothenburg Bid farewell to Stockholm and set off by motor coach for a relaxing journey to Orebro. Situated between Stockholm and Gothenburg, this compact little city offers a wealth of intriguing history and contemporary appeal. Take some free time for lunch and exploring independently before continuing your journey to Gothenburg. Tonight, why not take an after-dinner stroll through the friendly and laid-back city streets before settling in for the night. (B, D)

Day 5: Tuesday, June 17, 2025 Gothenburg - Copenhagen, Denmark After a short morning walk around Gothenburg, set out into the country to visit Sofiero Palace, once a summer residence of the Swedish royal family. After a guided tour of the castle and included light lunch, continue to Denmark, ending the day in the cosmopolitan city of Copenhagen. (B, L)

Day 6: Wednesday, June 18, 2025 Copenhagen Join a local expert and set off on an engaging three-hour walking tour of Denmark's capital city. See Nyhavn, the picturesque harbor lined with colorful facades and charming cafes, as well as Amelienborg Palace, the residence of the Danish Royal Family. Visit the worldfamous Little Mermaid statue, and finish at Tivoli Gardens, the world's second oldest amusement park. (B)

Day 7: Thursday, June 19, 2025 Copenhagen - Overnight Ferry Crossing This morning, it's your choice! Visit the National Museum of Denmark for an audio-guided visit at your own pace - OR- take time on your own to explore the fascinating harbor front of the pretty Nyhavn district and soak in the *hygge* culture of the Danes. This afternoon, head to the ferry terminal for an overnight crossing to Oslo. After joining together for dinner on board, enjoy this local way of travel, taking advantage of the ferry's amenities or simply relaxing, and later settle in for some rest in your overnight cabin. (B, D)

Day 8: Friday, June 20, 2025 Oslo, Norway After disembarking the ferry mid-morning, your tour of Oslo begins. Travel by motor coach along Karl Johan Street and view the Royal Palace and city hall in quaint downtown Oslo. Visit Vigeland Park, home to the collection of statues and sculptures that comprise Gustav Vigeland's life's work. After lunch in one of Oslo's oldest restaurants, continue on foot with your local guide to explore one of Europe's fastest growing cities. (B, L)

Day 9: Saturday, June 21, 2025 Oslo Enjoy the entire day at leisure to discover Oslo independently. Or you may wish to join an optional excursion to Frederikstad, one of the best-preserved fortified towns in northern Europe. Steeped in history, this cozy little town offers a peek into old Norway, with museums, galleries, antiques, and local delicacies to try. (B)







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Day 10: Sunday, June 22, 2025 Oslo - Flåm Travel north from Norway's capital to the majestic fjord region. Visit Borgund Stave Church, the intricate structure built in dedication to the Apostle Andrew in 1180. Arrive in the quaint village of Flåm, nestled at the entrance to the stunning Aurlandsfjord and visit the Railway Museum before settling in for the evening. (B, D)

Day 11: Monday, June 23, 2025 Flåm - Flåm Railway - Loen Embark on the renowned Flåm Railway, one of the world's steepest train rides, and ascend 3,000 feet past mighty waterfalls, towering mountains, and amazing valleys. Journey to the mountain plateau of Myrdal and cascade down to the fjord of Flåm, taking in the breathtaking views each way. Continue onto

the village of Loen, for a relaxing stay in the heart for Norway's fjord region. (B, D)

Day 12: Tuesday, June 24, 2025 Loen - Fjord Cruise - Loen An enchanting day in Norway's fjord region begins. In Geiranger, a UNESCO World Heritage site, embark on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise, soaking in some of Norway's most beautiful scenery along the way. One of the most famous fjords in the world, Geirangerfjord is where you'll find Norway's mightiest waterfalls: the Seven Sisters, the Bridal Veil, and the Suitor. Marvel at homesteads along the steep sides of the mountains, where farms have been kept for centuries. The day's relaxed pace offers the opportunity to soak up the nature and stunning scenery of the region. (B, D)

Experience It! Norwegian Fjords

The evolution of the fjords began some three million years ago, when Norway was covered by an ice cap thinner along the coast than inland. With the arrival of a milder climate, the ice began to melt and produce great waterfalls that logged the soil and descended to the sea. Valleys were filled in by the ocean, creating the fjords. Surrounded now by steep, rocky mountains, dissected by cascading waterfalls, and decorated with thriving fruit trees, the fjords are among Earth's most inspiring landscapes. You'll often find the fjords of western Norway at the top of annual must-see lists alongside the Pyramids of Egypt and the Grand Canyon. This dramatic masterpiece of nature is a true wonder of the world where the air is pure, the water is clear, and nature is unspoiled. No photograph can ever do justice to the Norwegian fjords. It is a place that must be seen to be believed.

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Day 13: Wednesday, June 25, 2025 Loen - Bergen Be inspired by Norway's most impressive landscapes en route to Bergen – the gateway to the fjords. A visit to the Nordfjord Folk Museum tells the story of local enterprise and community spirit. Founded with Viking roots, the Bergen of today is known for its old-world charm and scenic landscapes. *(B)*

Day 14: Thursday, June 26, 2025 Bergen Join a guided walking tour of Bergen and stroll along the historic and iconic harbor front, known as the Bryggen (UNESCO). Take a ride on the Floibanen funicular for spectacular views over the city. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure before reuniting with your fellow passengers for an atmospheric farewell dinner in the historic Bryggen neighborhood. (*B, D*)

Day 15: Friday, June 27, 2025 Bergen - Tour Ends Depart for home today with incredible memories of your Scandinavian journey. *(B)*

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Dec 14, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an onthe-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

Some of the older properties and attractions in Scandinavia may not have elevators.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Museums may close unexpectedly or for the observance of holidays.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability. Triple accommodations are not available.

This trip includes an overnight ferry crossing, during which you will have a basic, comfortable cabin for sleeping. Please be aware that your main luggage will be placed in the ferry's luggage storage area and will not be accessible until the next day. You will keep only a small overnight bag with you on the ferry.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel in May 2025, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS visa waiver, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit https://www.etiasvisa.com/

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of December 07, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by March 15, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until December 14, 2024.

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Day 15: Bergen - Fly to Reykjavík, Iceland

Discover Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Steaming lava fields reflect a volcanic nature. Massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and breathtaking landscapes. After having the day to yourself, gather with your fellow travelers for an included Icelandic dinner at a local restaurant. *Today dinner will be included*.

Day 16: Reykjavík

This morning, join a local expert for a walking tour of the city's old section featuring Hallgrimskirkja church, city hall, the harbor, and Reykjavík's oldest building – home of the Kraum Icelandic design center. Enjoy the remainder of your day at leisure. Perhaps you will choose to relax on a scenic whale watching cruise, venture out on a horseback riding excursion, or travel to the Reykjanes peninsula to spend quality time relaxing in the geo-thermal waters of the famed Blue Lagoon. *Today breakfast will be included*.

Day 17: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Reykjavík

Travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation's most historic area. Here, Icelanders gathered in A.D. 930 and established what is considered to be one of the world's first parliaments. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes, Thingvellir's rugged rift valley (UNESCO), that marks the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Return to Reykjavík and have time to explore the city on your own. *Today breakfast will be included*.

Day 18: Reykjavík - Extension Ends

Your extension ends today. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 2. This means you can partake in a two-hour walking tour covering up to 2 miles (including breaks), over a variety of terrains. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease and handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

During this extension, you can expect to have a **hosted** experience or two, with a local representative revealing more of what this destination has to offer. Enjoy a mix of independent exploration and guided sightseeing and experiences. A transfer service will be available at the airport upon arrival in Reykjavik.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 6 passengers is not met to operate.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Due to flight schedules, a post night may be required in some Icelandair gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

The purchase of an additional air segment is required. Please inquire for air rate at time of booking.