Summer in Scandinavia (Group Tour) 2025

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NORWAY – DENMARK – SWEDEN - *ICELAND**

August 5-13 (or 16 w/ ext.), 2025

9-12 days

*Cost: **$3495** Total (based on double occupancy)*

*Extension to Iceland: **$1195** extra**

**$995 extra for single supplement if you require a private room for the Scandinavia Portion Only.*

**$1325 extra for single supplement if you require a private room for both the Scandinavia Tour and Iceland Extension*

***Includes**: Multi-city international airfare, roundtrip shuttle transportation to Detroit or Chicago airport (if not flying out of GR), nightly 3-star accommodations, all ground transportation, overnight ferry from Oslo to Copenhagen w/ bedroom, train from Bergen to Oslo, 2 full-time tour directors, & all listed admissions & fees. Other expenses **not included** are: most meals, checked baggage, optional excursions, and travel insurance.*

Travel Insurance available through our affiliate program at World Nomads. More information at https://percussive.org/insurance

Signup Deadline: March 5, 2025 - checks made payable to Percussive Tours, LLC – Cash, Venmo (@percussive), & Credit Card also accepted. 3.95% processing fee added to all credit card transactions

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DAY 1, Tuesday, August 5 - Fly to Bergen

This morning, we will meet in West Michigan and our private coach will transfer us to the Chicago O'Hare airport for our flight across the Atlantic to Bergen, Norway! Our flight will include all meals, beverages, and entertainment.

Overnight: Airplane

DAY 2, Wednesday, August 6 - Explore Bergen

This morning, we will arrive to the coastal town of Bergen, Norway! After we clear customs and collect our baggage, our private coach will escort us to our centrally-located hotel in Bergen. We will have time to relax and unwind, before we meet our local guide for a walking tour of the city. We will see sights such as:

- Old Town Hall
- Fish Market
- Fortress
- Seafarers Monument
- And so much more!

Afterwards, our guide can give us excellent recommendations of shopping, attractions, and restaurants nearby. Enjoy free time in the city at your own pace.

Overnight: Bergen, Norway

DAY 3, Thursday, August 7 – Fjords of Norway Tour

Adventure through the untamed beauty of the magical fjords of Norway on this half-day cruise tour! Board your high-speed catamaran and experience the magnificent landscape in Bergen's nearby fjords.

When sailing out from Bergen's inner harbor, enjoy amazing views of some of the oldest historical sites in the city, including the medieval fortress Bergenhus, St Mary's Church, and the colorful Bryggen Hanseatic Wharf, which is a UNESCO's World Heritage site.

Next, we set sail through beautiful Western-Norwegian scenery in the Cityfjord, Salhusfjord, and Osterfjord towards the dramatic Mostraumen Channel. Explore through narrow the isles, a maze of islands, deep fjords, and beautiful waterfalls.

Afterwards, our group will proceed to the Fløbanen Funicular for fantastic panoramic views of the city, fjords, and landscape from Mount Fløyen!

Overnight: Bergen, Norway

DAY 4, Friday, August 8 - Transfer to Oslo

This morning, we will proceed to the train station for an incredibly scenic train journey across Norway to the capital city of Oslo! In fact, this is said to be one of the most scenic train routes in the entire world!

When we arrive, we will transfer to our centrally-located hotel.

After we check-in, there will be time to freshen up before we meet our guide for a walking tour of the city. We will see sights such as:

- Jernbanetorget
- The Oslo Opera House
- Christiania Torv
- Aker Brygge
- The Norwegian Parliament Building
- And so much more!

Afterwards, there is free time to explore on your own.

Overnight: Oslo, Norway

DAY 5, Saturday, August 9 - Explore Oslo & Ferry to Denmark

Today, is a free day to adventure in Oslo or join us for one of these fun excursions!

Later after lunch, we will walk to the ferry terminal from our hotel and take the ferry across the North Sea to the amazing city of Copenhagen, Denmark! This fantastic ferry provides comfortable bedrooms & amazing views, as well as plenty of activities to do (and restaurants to enjoy) on this relaxing overnight journey.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- **Oslo E-Bike Tour**

  Ride through the heart of Oslo with the wind in your hair on this awesome electric bike tour. During this gentle bike ride your guide will stop at fascinating locations throughout the town to take pictures, learn about the culture of the city, and try local treats on this 3-hour tour.

- **Royal Palace Tour**

  Experience the grandeur of the Royal Palace in Oslo! Stroll through gilded ballrooms, stunning parlors, and view priceless art during this amazing tour!

- **Norwegian Museum of Cultural History**

  Explore and learn the history of Norway as you walk through an open-air Medieval Village with exhibits and artifacts that span from the 1500's to the present.

Overnight: Ferry

DAY 6, Sunday, August 10 – Explore Copenhagen

This morning, we will disembark from the ferry. Our private coach will meet us at the ferry terminal and transfer us to our hotel in downtown Copenhagen. After settling into our rooms, we will meet our local guide in downtown Copenhagen. They will take us on an in-depth walking tour and explain the history and culture of Denmark's amazing city! Visit sights such as:

- The Little Mermaid Statue
- The Round Tower
- Amalienborg Palace
- City Hall
- The Opera House
- And so much more!

Afterwards, we will head to the beautiful Nyhavn Harbor area, famous for its colorful buildings. From here, we will enjoy a live-guided harbor cruise visiting all of the coastal highlights of Copenhagen!

Free Time Afterwards in Nyhavn

OPTIONAL EXCURSION:

- **Tivoli Gardens Amusement Park**

  Tivoli Gardens, in central Copenhagen, is the world's second oldest amusement park. It blends the old-world carnival charm with modern rides and concerts. Stroll through lush, manicured gardens and twinkling 19th century pavilions to world-class restaurants. This park has it all!

Overnight: Copenhagen, Denmark

DAY 7, Monday, August 11 - Free Day in Copenhagen

Enjoy a free day today, or opt for one of our optional excursions!

This would be a good day to climb to the top of Our Saviour Church for an amazing panoramic view of Copenhagen!

OPTIONAL EXCURSION:

- **Castles of Denmark Half-Day Tour**

  Enjoy a full-day Royal Castle Tour all around Denmark. See three royal castles as you travel from Copenhagen on the beautiful Riviera road, with views of Øresund Strait with the Swedish coast beyond. Visit UNESCO World Heritage-listed Kronborg Castle, the setting for Shakespeare's Hamlet, and then Frederiksborg Castle, the largest Renaissance-era castle in Scandinavia. After a tour of the fortresses, head to stunning Roskilde Cathedral, the burial spot for more kings and queens than any other place in the world!

DAY 8, Tuesday, August 12 – Malmo, Sweden

Today, we will take a short train ride across the Oresund Bridge to the country of Sweden, where we will have a free day to explore this charming town! Malmö, Sweden is a vibrant city known for its mix of modern innovation and historical charm. One of the must-see sights is the Malmö Castle, dating back to the 16th century, which offers a glimpse into the region's history and houses museums with diverse exhibits. Lilla Torg is a picturesque square filled with cobblestone streets, quaint cafes, and vibrant nightlife. For nature lovers, Kungsparken and Slottsparken provide serene green spaces perfect for a peaceful stroll.

After your time in Sweden, we will take the train back together to Copenhagen in the early evening.

Overnight: Copenhagen, Denmark

DAY 9, Wednesday, August 13 – Fly Home or Extension to Iceland

Today we will say goodbye to the passengers flying home and the rest of us will continue our adventure on to Iceland!

This unique island nation has a remarkable landscape full of glaciers, volcanoes, geysers, and thousands of waterfalls.

When we arrive in Keflavik, Iceland, our coach will transfer us to our centrally located hotel in Iceland's capital city, Reykjavik. After we check-in to our hotel, we have the evening to relax and unwind, or you can opt to relax at the world-famous Blue Lagoon! (extra cost).

Later, enjoy free time in the area and opt to take the elevator to the top of Hallgrimskirkja Church for an amazing panoramic view of Reykjavik!

OPTIONAL EXCURSION:

- **Blue Lagoon**

  Soak up in the warm and comfortable geothermal waters at the Blue Lagoon, one of National Geographic's 25 wonders of the world. It is Iceland's most famous attraction, and considered by many to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. It offers a giant hot spring to bath in, peaceful lava and moss filled scenery, state of the art facilities indoors, and silica masks that make your skin extra firm, yet incredibly soft. There is even a swim-up bar to enjoy drinks! Your comfort admission will include locker access, a towel, silica mud mask at the mask bar, and 1 drink from the swim-up bar.

Overnight: Reykjavik, Iceland

DAY 10, Thursday, August 14 – Iceland's Golden Circle

Immerse yourself in the beauty of Icelandic landscapes on a full day tour of the Golden Circle. The tour starts with a visit to Fridheimar greenhouse, where you learn how to grow delicious tomatoes in a eco-friendly way with the aid of geothermal heat which Iceland has in abundance.

After Fridheimar, you will stop at Geysir geothermal area. The Stokkur geysir shoots a column of water up to 98 feet into the air every 4-8 minutes in a thrilling display of nature's forces.

The visit continues with Gullfoss waterfall, created by the Hvítá river, which tumbles and plunges into a crevice 105 feet deep.

Lastly, visit the historical and geological wonder that is Thingvellir National Park. Here the American and Eurasian tectonic plates are pulling apart at a rate of a few centimeters per year. Thingvellir is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and you will have time to walk the beautiful nature trails here before returning back to Reykjavik this evening.

Overnight: Reykjavik, Iceland

DAY 11, Friday, August 15 – Explore Iceland

Today is a free day to explore Iceland on your own or join us on one of these awesome excursions!

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- **<u>South Shore Tour – Full Day</u>**

  Enjoy a full day excursion into the Southern Coast of Iceland, one of the country's most scenic regions, as far as Vík, a charming village surrounded by high beautiful bird cliffs. South Iceland is special for that it is one of the

flattest regions on the island. Because of that, most of all grain farming in Iceland is done there. Among the stops on this tour are at the gorgeous Seljalandsfoss and Skógafoss waterfalls. Seljalandsfoss is part of the Seljandsá river, which has its origins in Eyjafjallajökull glacier. What makes Seljalandsfoss so famous and interesting is that you can walk behind it. Skógafoss, another famous Icelandic waterfall, is the starting point of the Fimmvörðuháls walk over to Þórsmörk. The waterfall was also used in the films Thor: The Dark World, and The Secret Life of Walter Mitty. You will also stop at Reynisfjara black sand beach, with the Reynisdrangar rock formations and columnar basalt. It is one of the most spectacular beaches in Iceland. Additionally, you will stop by Sólheimajökull glacier and walk up to a small lake, which has formed in front of the retreating glacier.

- **Whale Watching Tour**

  Sail out to discover the amazing wildlife along the coast! Bring your camera to capture images of various whales, porpoises, dolphins, and more on this fantastic voyage.

- **Horseback Ride through Lava Fields**

  Experience the wild landscapes while on a gentle ride through the countryside on horseback.

DAY 12, Friday, August 16 – Fly Home

Transfer back to Reykjavik airport for your flight back home

*Percussive Tours reserves the right to modify this itinerary if certain activities become unavailable.