

NORWAY DREAM VACATION

14 DAY TOUR OSLO TO OSLO * JUNE 25 – JULY 8, 2018

Deep-blue fjords, breathtaking mountains, glimmering glaciers, and flowing waterfalls...these are natural wonders you expect to see in Norway. Highlights include a breathtaking ride on the Flåm railway, one of the world's most scenic train rides. Witness hypnotic waterfalls cascading down the side of steep, snowcapped mountains; rivers winding through deep gorges; and views of Sognefjord. Stay at the historic Hotel Ullensvang, which offers views over Hardangerfjord. Travel on the Hardanger National Tourist Road, carefully developed to take you through some of Norway's most stunning scenery, walk behind the cascading waterfall without getting wet. Enjoy a cruise along the Norwegian coast across the Arctic Circle with stops at Tromsø, gateway to the Arctic; Hammerfest, the world's northernmost town; Kirkenes, close to the Russian border; and more.



What's included

- Round-trip airfare from Burlington, VT
- Full-time tour manager
- 22 Superb dining with meals.
- OSLO- Welcome dinner; guided sightseeing, walk through Frogner Park and visit City Hall, GOL - See the medieval stave church, BORGUND - Admire the stave church, FLÅM - Ride the spectacular Flåm train, MYRDAL-VOSS - By train, HARDANGERFJORD - Overnight stay at the Ullensvang Hotel, UTNE - Ferry crossing, STEINSDALSFLOSS - Marvel at the spectacular waterfalls, BERGEN - Orientation; walking tour of Bryggen; ride the Fløybanen funicular

What's not

- Airport meals
- Gratuities (Tour Manager)
- Optional traveler's insurance

All inclusive per person starting at **\$8499**

ITINERARY

- Day 1** Fly to Oslo, Norway
- Day 2** Oslo Norway
- Day 3** Oslo – Gol – Borgund Flåm
- Day 4** Flåm–Myrdal–Voss–Hardangerfjord
- Day 5** Hardangerfjord–Utne–Steinsdalsfoss–Bergen
- Day 6-7** Bergen
- Day 7** Harbor cruise in Rotterdam
- Day 8** Florø–Molde
- Day 9** Kristiansund–Rørvik
- Day 10** Brønnøysund–Svolvær
- Day 11** Stokmarknes–Skjervøy
- Day 12** Øksfjord–Berlevåg
- Day 13** Båtsfjord–Kirkenes (
- Day 14** Oslo

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BEST OF NORWAY WITH CRUISE

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DAY 1 Arrive In Oslo, Norway

Welcome to Oslo, ancient capital of Norway! At 6 pm, meet your traveling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel.

 Dinner

DAY 2 Oslo

Today gives you a proper introduction to Oslo, the country's hub of trade and industry. **Sightseeing with a Local Guide** features the National Theater, considered the home for Ibsen's plays; the unique Storting building, seat of Parliament; and the Royal Palace, residence of Norwegian monarchs since 1849. Stroll through magnificent FROGNER PARK with Gustav Vigeland's extraordinary sculptures; and visit the CITY HALL, where the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony is held each year. Afterwards, an optional excursion is available to see relics of Norway's glorious seafaring past—including 1,000-year-old Viking ships!

 Breakfast

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DAY 3 Oslo–Gol–Borgund–Flåm

Depart the city and drive northwest through Hallingdal, a large valley with rich traditions in iron production, cattle trade, and traditional folk art, music, and dance. See the medieval stave church of Gol, then, via Hemsedal, continue to Borgund, and admire one of Norway's best preserved stave churches, dating back to 1180. Travel through the world's longest road tunnel (15 mi./24.5 km.) to Aurland, and arrive in the picturesque village of Flåm, situated at the head of Aurlandsfjord. You may wish to join an exciting optional cruise on the famous Nærøyfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

☕ Breakfast

🍴 Dinner

DAY 4 Flåm–Myrdal–Voss–Hardangerfjord

This morning, experience a breathtaking ride on the FLÅM RAILWAY, which passes through 20 tunnels and climbs to an elevation of 2,833 ft./864 m. Along the way, you'll pass directly in front of the Kjosfossen waterfall. At Myrdal mountain station, change trains and continue on the scenic Bergen Railway to Voss. Here, board your coach and head south, crossing Hardanger Bridge, one of the longest suspension bridges in the world. Continue along the shore and arrive at the historic

Ullensvang Hotel in its idyllic setting between the mountains and the Hardangerfjord. It was here that composer Edvard Grieg wrote his most famous pieces—and his cabin still stands in the hotel gardens.

☕ Breakfast

🍴 Dinner

DAY 5 Hardangerfjord–Utne–Steinsdalsfoss–Bergen

Nature's splendor is on full display today, as you travel south around Sørfjord and then north to the peaceful village of Utne. Cross the fjord by ferry, and continue your journey on the Hardanger National Tourist Road to Norheimsund and stop at the majestic Steinsdalsfoss waterfall, where a trail leads you behind the cascading falls without getting wet. Later, arrive in lovely Bergen, the "City of Seven Mountains." An orientation drive introduces you to this city that was founded in 1070. See Bergenhus Fortress with its medieval Hakon's Hall and Rosenkrantz Tower; the charming Bryggen Hanseatic Wharf, a UNESCO World Heritage Site; the harbor; and the famous Fish Market. Tonight, why not sample regional dishes at a traditional restaurant?

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DAY 6 Bergen

Step back in time and explore Bryggen on foot along narrow, cobblestone alleyways past colorful wooden houses. Also see the 12th-century St. Mary's Church, where Hanseatic merchants attended religious services until the 1870s. For a bird's-eye view of Bergen and its magnificent surroundings, ride the Fløibanen funicular up to Mount Fløyen. Tonight, toast your unforgettable vacation at an included farewell dinner at your hotel.

☕ Breakfast

🍴 Dinner

DAY 7 Bergen (Embarkation)

Morning at leisure before embarkation.

☕ Breakfast

🍴 Dinner

DAY 8 Florø–Molde

Cruise north to Ålesund, a beautiful town with perfect examples of Art Nouveau architecture.

☕ Breakfast

🍴 Lunch

🍴 Dinner

DAY 9 Kristiansund–Rørvik

The architecture and surroundings in Trondheim create a beautiful and almost-mythical setting, whether you are exploring the city by foot, bike, or boat. Why not take a guided tour to discover the city's most striking features.

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DAY 10 Brønnøysund–Svolvær

The Arctic Circle marks the border of the Arctic region. In summer, this means 24-hour daylight—often referred to as the “Midnight Sun.” During fall and winter, being above this degree of latitude gives you the best chance of experiencing the Northern Lights.

 Breakfast

 Lunch

 Dinner

DAY 11 Stokmarknes–Skjervøy

Get ready for a day full of exciting activities! Visit Risøyhamn, Harstad, Finnsnes, and the capital of the Arctic, Tromsø. Several optional excursions are available, such as whale watching, polar history walks, and mountain hikes.

 Breakfast

 Lunch

 Dinner

DAY 12 Øksfjord–Berlevåg

Enjoy the magnificent sub-Arctic landscape when crossing the 71st parallel on your journey towards the North Cape, the northernmost point on the continent. In summer, you might see herds of reindeer and campsites belonging to the indigenous Sámi people.

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 Lunch

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DAY 13 Båtsfjord–Kirkenes (Disembarkation)–Oslo

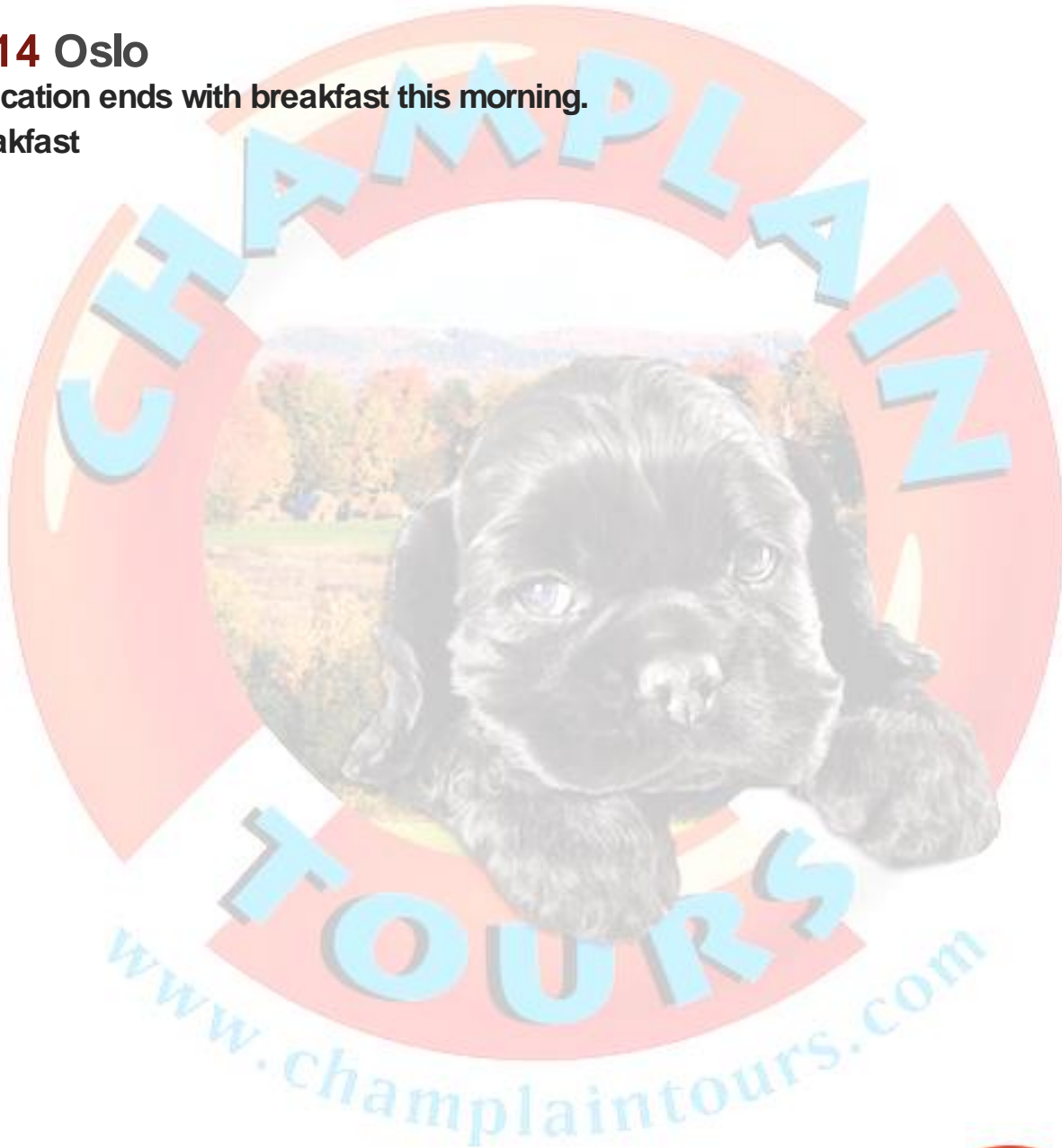
The vistas become more dramatic when approaching Kirkenes, just a few miles from the Russian border. This is Hurtigruten's turning point, and the end of the northbound voyage. Kirkenes is known as the capital of the Barents region and the gateway to the east. Disembark, and transfer to the airport to board your flight back to Oslo.

 Breakfast

DAY 14 Oslo

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast



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