



NORWAY & DENMARK: A FJORDLAND JOURNEYS - A LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEY (2024)

Discover two bustling Scandinavian capitals,
Oslo and Copenhagen, and venture to the heart
of Norway's rugged Fjordland.

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Europe, Norway, Denmark



10 days from AU\$24,755 pp



18 Guests

Journey Overview

Venture to the heart of Norway's rugged Fjordland, roaming along stunning, glacier-carved coastlines and visiting small villages alive with history. Discover two bustling Scandinavian capitals, exploring the culture and culinary treasures of both Oslo and Copenhagen, visiting renowned art museums, dining on fine cuisine and learning the principle of hygge.

Journey Highlights

- Cruise majestic Naeroy Fjord by RIB boat, disembarking at an authentically recreated Viking settlement for an A&K-exclusive Viking-style lunch
- Dine in a traditional lavvo (Norwegian tent) overlooking the picturesque shores of a stunning fjord
- Privately explore the innovatively designed Oslo Opera House
- Explore picturesque Bergen, ancient trading port of the Hanseatic League
- Meet a Danish family in their home for conversation over an afternoon tea on an A&K-exclusive experience



Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Oslo, Norway

Arrive in Oslo, the capital of Norway, where you are met and privately transferred to your hotel. Later, enjoy a welcome dinner at your hotel's restaurant.

Grand Hotel Oslo | Meals: D

Day 2: Oslo | Treasures of Christiania

Experience life along the scenic Oslo fjord, starting with a guided visit to Vigeland Park, a Scandinavian cultural treasure comprising over 200 granite, bronze and wrought-iron sculptures created by Gustav Vigeland. Then, explore the Munch Museum to peruse its vast collection of artworks, texts, letters, photos and personal possessions bequeathed to the city by Norwegian artist Edvard Munch, best known for his iconic modern Expressionist work, *The Scream*. Proceed to privately tour the cutting-edge Oslo Opera House and opt for a walk along its mountain-inspired sloping roof. Then, enjoy some time at leisure to discover the city on your own, perhaps stopping for lunch at the Sanguine Brasserie with its views of the stunning fjord. Later this afternoon, walk with your Resident Tour Director to Telthusbakken — one of oldest streets in this city once known as Christiania — to see where factory workers built small wooden houses that are now a protected cultural heritage.

Grand Hotel Oslo | Meals: B

Day 3: Oslo | Godoya Island Village Visit

Rise early for a flight to Kristiansund, on Norway's rugged coast. Upon arrival, begin your explorations of stunning Fjordland, starting with a drive along the Atlantic Ocean Road. View breathtaking scenery en route to charming Alnes on the island of Godoya, which you reach via underwater sea tunnels. Marvel at the village's classic boathouses and lighthouse and note how dwellings were built close together for protection against the sometimes-fierce coastal climate. Stop into the lighthouse's charming on-site café to savour a Norwegian vafle (waffle) or svele (pancake) with coffee and peruse the local artworks on display before continuing to your hotel.

Storfjord Hotel | Meals: BD

Day 4: Alesund | Design Your Day

Begin your day by enjoying one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- **Kayak a Tranquil Fjord** accompanied by an expert instructor, stopping in bays and inlets, and watching for seabirds and other aquatic life.
- **Hike the Mountainous Terrain of the Fjord** with a guide who reveals the flora and fauna of the Nordic forest.
- **Learn Traditional Norwegian Baking** from a local chef, creating lefse (flatbread) and sampling the tasty results.

Afterward, set out on an excursion to Alesund, a fishing town on Norway's west coast, to view its distinctive architectural style born of devastation. On a stormy night in January 1904, a fire raged through the town, destroying 850 houses and leaving 10,000 people homeless. Over the next four years, the dwellings were rebuilt in an Art Nouveau style with a local folkloric twist, sporting turrets, spires and medieval ornamentation, including dragons. After lunch in a local restaurant, enjoy a guided walk of the city followed by free time to explore on your own. This evening, enter a traditional Norwegian lavvo (tent) to savour dinner made from local ingredients and served al fresco around a roaring fire.

Storfjord Hotel | Meals: BLD

Day 5: Geirangerfjord | Panoramic Fjord Cruise

Journey along Storfjord, taking in the extraordinary scenery and traversing the winding Eagle Road, which carries you up for views over rugged coastal terrain. View Seven Sisters Falls and gaze down on the many cruise ships that traffic the fjord far below. Listen as your guide explains how glaciers created the fjords over countless centuries. Next, board a vessel for a panoramic cruise along the wondrous Geirangerfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Disembark in Hellysilt and continue toward the picturesque village of Loen, where you enjoy lunch accompanied by stunning views at a skylift restaurant. Then, check in to your waterside hotel and enjoy an afternoon at leisure.

Hotel Alexandra | Meals: BL

Day 6: Naeroyfjord | Meet the Vikings

Rise early for a drive along a route that includes a ferry crossing of the Sognefjord and a jaunt through the Laerdal tunnel. Arrive in the tiny village of Flam, located on the shores of the Aurlandsfjord, which you experience by RIB (rigid inflatable boat), and then cruise into the spectacular Naeroyfjord to Laegdafossen — a breathtaking waterfall in the heart of this UNESCO-listed natural wonder — the perfect vantage point for views into the spectacular fjord. Along the way, enjoy tales of the region's history shared by your personal guide. Disembark in Gudvangen and enter the historic Viking village of Njardarheimr to view reconstructed Viking-style houses built using the tools and techniques of the Viking Age. Stop at the home of the resident Viking chieftain, your host for a private meal prepared with traditional Viking methods, such as spit roasting and smoking, on an A&K-exclusive experience. First, look on as the Viking style of combat is recreated for your enjoyment, and then savour dishes flavoured with the kinds of herbs and spices the Vikings brought back to the region from their seafaring forays. Afterward, drive to Voss, where you board a train to Bergen, a UNESCO World Heritage City. Upon arrival, set out on a guided walk that reveals the hidden gems of this enchanting city.

Opus XVI | Meals: BL

Day 7: Bergen | Hanseatic City

Travel outside Bergen to visit Fantoft, a stave church dating to the 13th century. Proceed to the Hanseatic Museum and Schotstuene in Bergen, two museums where you see how the merchants from the Hanseatic League traded stock, fish and grains from the 14th through 18th centuries. Continue to the Bergen Fish Market to enjoy a sampling of traditional local products. This evening, gather for dinner at a local restaurant.

Opus XVI | Meals: BD

Day 8: Copenhagen, Denmark | Seaside Capital

Fly to Copenhagen, enchanting capital of Denmark, to discover its elegant contrast of medieval and modern architecture and examples of world-famous Danish design. Upon arrival, enjoy a typical Danish lunch at iconic Nyhavn Harbour, followed by a boating experience through the canals of the city, listening as your local guide introduces you to the Danish capital and its history. Settled as a small stone-walled fishing village in the 11th century, learn how Copenhagen grew into a sea-trading port city often in conflict with the powerful Hanseatic League and later a centre for elegant architecture throughout the Renaissance.

Hotel d'Angleterre | Meals: BL

Day 9: Copenhagen | Exclusive Danish Family Visit

Venture outside Copenhagen to discover Frederiksborg Castle, home to the Museum of National History. Discover five centuries of Danish history through its rich collection of paintings, furniture and applied art. Continue to the internationally known Louisiana Museum of Modern Art. View its 4,000-plus pieces, mainly paintings and sculptures, in a minimalist but inviting space filled with art juxtaposed with windows offering views onto the lovely Danish landscape. Then, enjoy some time at leisure, free to explore the museum's lovely garden and on-site restaurant. This afternoon, savour a relaxing "hygge Sunday" on a private visit with a local Danish family. Share afternoon tea and conversation with them, and find out how the Danes learn early in life to protect their social customs, on this A&K-exclusive experience. Return to your hotel and later enjoy a farewell dinner at iconic Tivoli Gardens.

Hotel d'Angleterre | Meals: BD

Day 10: Depart Copenhagen

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departing flight.

Meals: B

Journey Details

Internal air included: Oslo/Kristiansund; Bergen/Copenhagen

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 10.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Included with every Luxury Small Group Journey

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy Luggage Handling
- Breakfast in Bed on Select Days
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Your Choice of Activity on Design Your Day
- Traveller's Valet Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

Please note that alternative accommodations will be featured on the following departure date:

Aug 24 - Sep 2, 2024: This departure stays at Sommerro in Oslo on Days 1 & 2.

Customise this Journey

Talk to one of our expert Journey Designers or your travel agent about booking this tour as a private journey for your own small group with family or friends. Or, if you would prefer to travel privately, find out more about creating the perfect bespoke Tailor-Made Journey based on this itinerary.

Map



Dates & Pricing

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

May 25, 2024 - Jun 3, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$24,755 pp	AU\$8,145	AU\$0	Call for Availability

Jun 15, 2024 - Jun 24, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$24,755 pp	AU\$8,145	AU\$0	Call for Availability

Jul 13, 2024 - Jul 22, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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Aug 10, 2024 - Aug 19, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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Aug 24, 2024 - Sep 2, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$24,755 pp	AU\$8,145	AU\$0	Call for Availability

Sep 7, 2024 - Sep 16, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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Sep 14, 2024 - Sep 23, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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