

FJORD DELUXE PANORAMA

TOUR 401 / KIEL - KIEL / 9 NIGHTS, 10 DAYS / MINIMUM 15 PERSONS

Enjoy the most magnificent and hidden locations of Norway on this exclusive fjord tour, including panoramic views from above, at Geiranger Skywalk and Loen Skylift. Experience the stunning scenery of the majestic Geirangerfjord and the Nærøyfjord, which both figure on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Go sightseeing in Oslo, stroll along the Hanseatic Wharf in Bergen and visit the heart of the beautiful Hardangerfjord.



DAY 1 | KIEL - OSLO

Drive to Kiel according to your own itinerary.

Board the **Color Line** ship for an overnight cruise from Kiel to Oslo, accommodation in outside cabins. Check in at latest 12.00, and departure from Kiel is at 14.00.

Scandinavian dinner buffet on board.

DAY 2 | OSLO - LILLEHAMMER

Breakfast buffet on board and arrive in Oslo at 10.00.

Explore Oslo on a 3 hours city sightseeing tour with a local guide. Panoramic views of: Opera house, Karl Johans gate – Oslo's main street, Old town Christiania, Akershus Castle and Fortress, and the Royal Palace. Picturesque ride through some of Oslo's prettiest neighborhoods to the Vigeland Park with its more than 200 sculptures.

The tour includes a visit the Viking Ship Museum, as well as the Fram Museum with the Polar Ship Fram, the strongest wooden ship ever built and still holds the records for sailing farthest north and farthest south.

Continue by coach to the Olympic town of Lillehammer. The charming and historically important buildings in the city of Lillehammer serve as the backdrop for a modern and vibrant shopping environment. The town also has a rich offering of museums and cultural centres.

Half board accommodation at **Scandic Lillehammer**.

DAY 3 | LILLEHAMMER - MOLDE

Drive north through the Gudbrandsdal valley, rich in culture and traditions, then further on to Dombås and along the Romsdal valley, with views of the impressive Troll Wall and majestic mountain peaks. Arrive in Molde, strategically located close to the Norwegian Scenic Routes Geiranger-Trollstigen and Atlanterhavsvegen. The "Town of Roses" also has various educational facilities as well as offering many cultural activities, including an international literature festival and the famous annual Molde International Jazz Festival.

Half board accommodation at **Scandic Seilet**.

DAY 4 | MOLDE – GEIRANGER - LOEN

Ascend the Trollstigen route, then drive down the Eagles road. Enjoy a cruise on the Geirangerfjord, one of the narrowest fjords in Norway. Discover romantic mountain farms and snow-capped mountain peaks. The Geirangerfjord is one of the most famous fjords, with deep blue water, surrounded by green valleys. You will also experience magnificent waterfalls such as the "Seven Sisters" and the "Bridal Veil". After the cruise, drive up to Geiranger Sky Walk. Enjoy the view over the UNESCO world heritage site Geiranger and its surrounding areas from 1500 metres above sea level.

Continue by coach to Loen, a small town in the region of Nordfjord. Nordfjord's cultural heritage, with its longstanding folk music and arts and crafts traditions, is well preserved.

Half board accommodation at **Hotel Alexandra Loen**.

DAY 5 | LOEN - BALESTRAND

Take the Loen Skylift cable car to experience the view of the area from 1011 metres above sea level. The cable car is among the steepest of its kind in the world. Round trip included.

Drive to Balestrand, beautifully situated by the Sognefjord, Norway's longest and deepest fjord, with its famous arm the Nærøyfjord – classified on the UNESCO World Heritage List. The surrounding mountain areas are amongst Norway's most popular hiking areas. The mild climate, fresh air and abundance of lush mountain pastures mean that the Sognefjord area produces fresh ingredients of high quality.

Half board accommodation at **Kvikne's Hotel**.

DAY 6 | BALESTRAND – SOGNEFJORD - BERGEN

Board a ferry for a crossing through steep mountains on the beautiful Sognefjord from Balestrand to Flåm. The Sognefjord is the longest fjord in Norway, and is 1300 metres at its deepest.

Continue by coach to Bergen, Norway's second largest city, known as the capital of the west and gateway to the fjords. It is a UNESCO world heritage city with Bryggen Hanseatic Wharf, mount Fløyen and the fish market as central attractions. A stroll through bryggen takes you back to the middle ages as a lot of the architecture is preserved. We also recommend a visit to Edward Griegs villa, Troidhaugen (entrance not included).

In the evening, you'll go on a ride on the Bergen Funicular to the top of mount Fløyen. Enjoy great views over the fjords and mountains surrounding the city of Bergen. Enjoy **3 course dinner included coffee at Fløyen Folkerestaurant**. Travel with the funicular back down to Bergen.

Bed and breakfast accommodation at **Clarion Hotel Admiral**.

DAY 7 | BERGEN – HARDANGERFJORD - LOFTHUS

2 hours city sightseeing in Bergen with a local guide. Bergen is a UNESCO world heritage city with Bryggen Hanseatic Wharf, mount Fløyen and the fish & flower market as central attractions. Travel by coach along the romantic Hardangerfjord to Lofthus.

Lofthus is a small village in the region of Hardanger, a region with a living cultural heritage. The Hardanger fiddle, the traditional Hardanger folk costume and Hardanger embroidery are all well known in Norway and regarded as national symbols. During the 13th century growing apples was introduced in Hardanger by monks from England. Today 40% of all Norwegian fruit is grown in the Hardangerfjord region.

Half board accommodation at **Hotel Ullensvang**.

DAY 8 | LOFTHUS – EIDFJORD - GEILO

After a relaxing morning in beautiful surroundings, travel to Eidfjord where you can see the splendid Vøringsfoss Waterfall, which has a free fall of 145 metres and a total fall of 182 metres, and is one of the most visited tourist attractions in Norway.

Possibility to visit Hardangervidda Nature Centre in Eidfjord, which is an exciting experience centre for Norwegian nature, climate and environment (entrance not included).

Continue to Geilo. Here you are close to two national parks; Hallingskarvet national park and Hardangervidda national park. Geilo offers a wide range of activities, a variety of accommodations, shopping, quality restaurants and cozy cafes - and several local food producers.

Half board accommodation at **Vestlia Resort**.

DAY 9 | GEILO – OSLO - KIEL

Travel down the Hallingdal valley to Oslo and board the **Color Line** ship for an overnight cruise from Oslo to Kiel, accommodation in outside cabins.

Check in at latest 12.00, and departure from Oslo is at 14.00. You can relax on board and enjoy the views while cruising along on the Oslofjord.

Scandinavian dinner buffet on board.

DAY 10 | KIEL - HOME

Breakfast buffet on board and arrive in Kiel at 10.00. Disembark and drive home according to your own itinerary.

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SERVICES INCLUDED

Accommodation and meals:

- 7 nights accommodation in double rooms with shower/WC incl. breakfast
- Dinner at hotel all nights except day 6
- Dinner at Fløyen Folkerestaurant, day 6

Overnight cruises:

- Overnight cruises for coach and passengers Kiel - Oslo and Oslo - Kiel, accommodation in 2-berth ocean view cabins with shower/WC, dinner and breakfast on board included both ways.

Guided tours:

- Oslo (3 hours)
- Bergen (2 hours)

Entrances:

- Viking Museum (Oslo)
- Fram Museum (Oslo)

Other activities:

- Fjordcruise on the Geirangerfjord, 1 ½ hours roundtrip, start and end in Geiranger
- Fjordcruise on the Sognefjord from Balestrand to Flåm for passengers only
- Toll fee for coach and passengers for access to Geiranger Sky Walk
- Roundtrip cable car excursion with Loen Skylift
- Excursion on Fløybanen in Bergen, return ticket

PRIVATE COACH

- Coach transport is not included, tour is based on group arriving with own coach