

## PEARLS OF THE FJORDS

TOUR 105 / BERGEN – OSLO / 8 NIGHTS, 9 DAYS / MINIMUM 15 PERSONS

See the most magnificent and hidden pearls of Norway on this exclusive fjord tour. Check in at historical hotels sitting on the edge of each fjord, visit the heart of the beautiful Hardangerfjord and experience the stunning scenery of the majestic Geirangerfjord and the Sognefjord. Explore Bergen and the capital, Oslo. Enjoy train rides as the famous Flåmsbana as well as cruises on all three fjords. Get a closer look at the Briksdal glacier in Olden and drive through the stunning scenery of Valdresflya before arriving in the typical Norwegian mountain village Beitostølen.



### DAY 1 | ARRIVAL IN BERGEN

Arrival at Bergen Airport according to your own itinerary (flight reserved by your agency).  
Transfer to your hotel in Bergen city center.

Bergen is known as the Fjord capital. The Bergen region has the ideal combination of nature, culture and exciting urban life all year around for tourists to explore.

**Half board** accommodation at **Radisson Royal Hotel Bergen**, or similar, located in the city center.

### DAY 2 | BERGEN

Enjoy a 4 hours city sightseeing tour of Bergen with a private coach and local city guide. Learn about Fantoft Stave church and its history, walk through the streets of Bryggen Hanseatic wharf and the fish market, taking you back to the middle ages as most of the architecture has been preserved.

In the evening, walk to the departure point for an excursion on the funicular railway to Mount Fløyen to get a full panoramic view of Bergen. Dinner at Fløyen Folk restaurant, with the view of the city and the spectacular scenery. The funicular will take you back to the city center. Walk back to your hotel.

**Bed and breakfast** accommodation at **Radisson Royal Hotel Bergen**.

### DAY 3 | BERGEN - LOFTHUS

Depart by private coach from Bergen after breakfast. Cross the Hardangerfjord by ferry from Kvanndal to Kinsarvik, arrive in Lofthus, the heart of beautiful Hardanger, known for its fruit farming area. In springtime, thousands of fruit trees are breathtakingly white during blossom. First cherries and plums blossom, after follows the pear and apple blossoms. Check in and relax at Hotel Ullensvang and its beautiful surroundings. Here you will get to see amazing views of the Hardangervidda mountain plateau, the Folgefonna glacier and the Hardangerfjord.

**Half board** accommodation at **Hotel Ullensvang** in **fjord view rooms**.

### DAY 4 | LOFTHUS – FLÅM – BALESTRAND

Leave Lofthus and drive to Voss. In Voss, board the Oslo/Bergen Railway and continue to Myrdal by train. Change trains in Myrdal for the famous Flåm Railway, ranked as one of the top 20 train rides in the world. Enjoy beautiful views and the thundering sound of waterfalls as you descend 2800 feet within 13 miles from Myrdal to the Flåm Valley.

When arriving in Flåm, cruise the mighty Aurlands- and Sognefjord from Flåm to Balestrand. The Aurlandsfjord is surrounded by steep mountains and snow-covered peaks that rise 1,800 metres above sea level. Balestrand is known for its magnificent nature and for being one of the most typical fjord villages of Norway.

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

### DAY 5 | BALESTRAND – LOEN

Drive to Olden and enjoy a roundtrip with the so-called "open Troll cars" to the Briksdal Glacier. On tour, you will be able to walk even closer to the glacier and into the Jostedal Glacier Nationalpark. From Olden, continue towards Stryn and arrive in Loen, the heart of Fjord Norway. Loen is known for its dramatic and spectacular landscape as well as its calm and relaxing environment.

*Optional Excursion:*

Take the new, steep and adventurous cable car "Loen Skylift" right by the fjord, to Hoven Mountain (1011 meters above sea level) for an unforgettable experience.

When arriving at the Mountain Station you will have a wide 210-degree panoramic view overlooking Mt. Skåla and Lake Lovatnet in the east, Jostedalsbreen Glacier and Olden Village in the south and the Nordfjord that winds its way towards Stryn.

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

## DAY 6 | LOEN – GEIRANGER

After breakfast, drive up to Dalsnibba - Geiranger skywalk to check out Europe's highest fjord view point reachable by road, 1500m above sea level. Enjoy the view of snow-covered mountains and the Geiranger Fjord. Descend the road to Geiranger, where you'll experience the UNESCO World Heritage site Geiranger Fjord during a cruise on board a sightseeing boat.

During the cruise you can appreciate one of the very best and most dramatic fjord scenery anywhere in Norway. Get a closer look at the famous waterfalls "The Seven Sisters", "The Bridal Veil" and "The Sutor", the majestic fjord cliffs and abandoned mountain farms.

**Half board** accommodation at **Union Hotel Geiranger**.

## DAY 7 | GEIRANGER – BEITOSTØLEN

Depart Geiranger and drive to Lom, where we recommend a photo-stop to admire the beautiful Lom Stave Church. Continue across the Valdresflya Mountain Plateau on a panoramic route through the Jotunheimen National Park, a unique largely undisturbed mountain area, covering thousands of square kilometers with majestic mountains, valleys, waterfalls, rivers and glaciers. Get the opportunity to see the local mountain animals and wildlife close by.

**Half board** accommodation at **Radisson BLU Mountain Resort Beitostølen** or similar.

## DAY 8 | BEITOSTØLEN – OSLO

After breakfast, leave Beitostølen and drive to Oslo, the capital of Norway. Upon arrival in Oslo, go for a 4-hour city sightseeing with local guide. Your tour takes in some of Oslo's most important and popular sights as well as entrance to the Fram Museum and the Holmenkollen Ski Museum and Tower. The observation deck on top of the jump tower offers panoramic views of Oslo

**Half board** accommodation at **Scandic Holmenkollen Park** in **superior rooms**, or similar.

## DAY 9 | OSLO - DEPARTURE

Enjoy breakfast before your transfer to Oslo airport for your return flight according to your own itinerary. (Flights reserved by your agency). End of our services.

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## SERVICES INCLUDED

### Accommodation and meals:

- 8 Nights accommodation in double rooms with shower/WC incl. breakfast
- Dinner at hotel all nights except day 2
- Dinner at Fløien Folkerestaurant, day 2

### Guided tours:

- Oslo (4 hours)
- Bergen (4 hours)

### Domestic ferries in Norway:

- Geiranger Fjordcruise | 1,5 hour, roundtrip
- Flåm – Balestrand
- Kvanndal - Kinsarvik

### Entrances:

- Fantoft Stavechurch
- Fram Museum
- Holmenkollen Ski jump

### Train rides:

- NSB Incoming Voss - Myrdal
- The Flåm Railway / Myrdal – Flåm
- The funicular of mount Fløien, both ways

### Other activities:

- Excursion in Troll cars to the Briksdal Glacier
- Dalsnibba toll fee

### PRIVATE COACH

- Transfer from and to airport
- Coach hire & driver for 4 hours city sightseeing in Bergen day 2, and day 3 to day 8