



Dear Traveler

Greetings from Horizon Holidays

Thank you for choosing us for your travel needs. The travel plan is totally customizable. Please reach your tour planner and ask for changes that you would like to incorporate in your vacation.

WHEREVER YOU GO

We at **Horizon Holidays** genuinely appreciate your business, and we're grateful for the trust you've placed in us.



Welcome to Norway

Impossibly steep-sided **Norwegian Fjords** of extraordinary beauty cut gashes from a jagged coastline deep into the interior. **Glaciers**, grand and glorious, snake down from ice fields that rank among Europe's largest; the **Mountainous Terrain** resembles the ramparts of so many natural fortresses, and yields to rocky coastal islands that rise improbably from the waters like apparitions. Then, of course, there's the primeval appeal, the spare and staggering beauty of the **Arctic**. Wherever you find yourself in this most extraordinary country, these landscapes serve as a backdrop for some of **Europe's Prettiest Villages**.

Inclusions

- Accommodation in Hotels as customized.
- Airport Transfers as per customization.
- Meals: Breakfast Only
- All applicable Transfers & Sightseeing as per customization.
- Vehicle Type: As per Pax Size or customization. OU GO
- All Taxes.

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Exclusions

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- All International and Domestic Airfares.
- VISA.
- Travel Insurance.
- Any Entry Fees Applicable.
- Any Meals not specified in the itinerary above.
- Hotel mini-bar, snacks, beverages, laundry, telephone calls and all other similar incidentals.
- Any items or services not specified in the itinerary above.
- Pre-registration or late check-out of rooms.
- Personal items.
- Cost incurred due to mishaps, strikes, political unrest etc.
- Anything not mentioned under Inclusions.



8 Days in Norway (Regular) - Highlights

Day 1: Arrival at Oslo.

Day 2: Oslo City Tour.

Day 3: Oslo - Mydral - Flam - Voss (Train & Cruise).

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Detailed Itinerary

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Day 2: Oslo City Tour

After breakfast, enhance your sightseeing experience of **Oslo** on a half-day city tour of Norway's capital. With a guide, travel to top sights by comfortable coach while delving into the rich history of the city. See the sculptures of **Gustav Vigeland**, stop for photos at **Holmenkollen Ski Jump**, and tour either the **Fram Museum or Kon-Tiki Museum**, as well as the **Viking Ship Museum**. **Overnight in Oslo**.

- Half-day Oslo city tour by coach with an expert local guide.
- Walk around Frogner Park to see bronze and granite sculptures by Gustav Vigeland.
- Stop for photos at the Holmenkollen Ski Jump.
- Visit Bygdøy Peninsula for several of Oslo's top attractions and cultural museums.
- Learn about famous Norwegian boats on tours of the Fram Museum or Kon-Tiki Museum.

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After breakfast, you shall catch the Train to **Flam** from **Voss** near your Hotel.

Today, while in **Flam**, join in on an exciting three-hour sea kayak adventure and along the beautiful **Aurlandsfjord**!

This trip starts from the beach in **Flåm** where you meet your guide and get an introduction to kayaking. It is important that you feel safe and comfortable during the tour, therefor experienced guides will take good care of you before you push out from the beach. Once the trip is underway you paddle past **Otternes Bygdetun** with its old buildings and rich history, before continuing out towards **Fronnes**. Here you can see ancient **Viking age gravemounds** and remains! The trip is just long enough to give you a real feel of the peaceful fjord landscape and your guide will supply you with information about the history of the area. This trip is suitable for everyone and no previous kayaking experience is needed. Later, visit **Stegastein Viewpoint** to experience spectacular view of **Aurlandsfjord**. It's a sight to take your breath away and a perfect place for memorable holiday photos. In the evening, take a stroll around some of the most mind-blowing vistas. Later, stroll around the beautiful environs of **Flam**. Catch the Train back to **Voss. Overnight in Voss.**

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Day 6: Intercity Bus Transfer from Bergen to Stavanger.

After breakfast, you shall be transferred to **Bergen Bus Station** for an **intercity Bus to Bergen**. Upon arrival at **Stavanger Bus Station**, you shall be picked up in your exclusive vehicle and transferred to your hotel in **Stavanger**. There's a reason this coastal town has been twinned with Houston and Aberdeen: it's sometimes known as **Norway's 'Oil City'** for its importance in oil exploration in the North Sea since the 1970s. But while much of the outskirts are modern, you won't find too many skyscrapers - **Stavanger's** old centre has some of the most beautiful and best-preserved wooden buildings anywhere in Norway, many dating back to the 18th century. It's all very pretty, and in summer the waterfront comes alive in the best port-town style. **Overnight in Stavanger**.

Day 7: Lysefjord in a Nutshell with Pulpit Rock.

After breakfast, explore the famous **Preikestolen Rock (Pulpit Rock)** formation while gliding through the water on a quiet electric fjord cruise on the majestic **Lysefjord**. Located in the southwest of Norway, **Preikestolen** is one of Norway's most famous cliffs and look out points. The fjord landscape and towering mountains often inspire visitors to begin whispering. Gliding through the water on a quiet electric vessel is truly the best way to open all your senses to the awesome nature all around you. Many visitors say there is something unique about taking a quiet cruise on the fjord. **Overnight in Stavanger.**

Cruise the Lysefjord - the home of Preikestolen

- An idyllic 42-km-long fjord in Ryfylke in Rogaland, in southwestern Norway.
- Stunning views of the iconic Preikestolen
- Waterfalls cascading straight into the fjord

Visit Preikestolen - Pulpit Rock

- One of Norway's most famous hikes
- Over 300,000 people visit the 604-meter-high Pulpit Rock plateau every year
- The hike takes about two hours each way and has a moderate degree of difficulty



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Day 8: Fly to Oslo & Onward Flight Home.

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8 Days in Norway (Offbeat) - Highlights

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Transfers to Bergen Airport for Night Flight (Pre Booking) to Svalbard.

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Day 3: Flam to Bergen (Train)

After breakfast, proceed to Bergen. Departing from **Flam Central Station**, the train covers a distance of 11 km in 30 minutes and arrives at **Myrdal Station**, where you will have a train change. From there the train will take you to Bergen in 2 hours of picturesque landscapes and changing Riverside panoramas. Upon arrival in Bergen, you shall be transferred to your hotel. Surrounded by Seven Hills and Seven Fjords, **Bergen** is a beguiling city. It's a heritage that can still be glimpsed in the beautifully preserved

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wooden buildings of **Bryggen**, now protected as a <u>Unesco World Heritage Site</u>. Chocolate-box, clapperboard houses creep up the hillsides, ferries flit around the fjords, and a cluster of excellent art museums provide a welcome detour. Today, you are at leisure; <u>you could buy (On Own / Optional)</u> **a Bergen Card (24hr Free Pass)** and explore this beautiful town all at your own pace. **Overnight in Bergen**.

Day 4: Full Day Cruise to Sognefjord

After breakfast, proceed on a **Full Day Cruise to Sognefjord**. On this trip from Bergen, you get to experience the transition from coast to fjord landscape with narrow straits and mighty currents and snow-capped mountain peaks. Travel along Norway's longest and deepest fjord: the **Sognefjord**, also known as the **'King of the Fjords'**. On board, you can enjoy the views through panoramic windows in the lounge, or go out on to the large sun deck for an invigorating experience at the very **'Heart'** of Fjord Norway.

Overnight in Bergen.

Day 5: Cabel Car to Mt Ulriken & Fløibanen Funicular to Mt Fløyen. Transfers to Bergen Airport for Night Flight (Pre Booking) to Svalbard.

After breakfast, leave your luggage at the hotel lobby & checkout from your rooms. Later, take the New Ulriken Cable Car to the highest of Bergen's 7 Mountains. The trip gives you a spectacular nature and mountain experience 643 meters above sea level. From the top you have magnificent views of Bergen and the region with Sea, Skerries, Fjords and Mountains. Later, ride on the Fløibanen Funicular; one of Norway's bestknown and most visited attractions. The journey up to **Fløyen** (320 m above sea level) takes about 5-8 minutes. It takes you to a fantastic area of beautiful natural surroundings with innumerable opportunities for walking and hiking. From Mount **Fløyen** there are walks on gravel roads and paths to fantastic viewpoints where you can enjoy views of the fjord, mountains and the city below. You can also walk from Mount Fløven to Mount Ulriken. This hike is called **Vidden** and is one of Bergens most popular mountain hikes. You can walk in either direction, but a lot of people prefer to start at Ulriken and finish at Fløyen which is right in the city center. The hike takes approximately 5 hours. Later, along with your luggage from hotel you will be transferred to Bergen Airport for your flight to the northernmost town before the Artic Cirlcle - Svalbard. Overnight in Transit.

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Day 6: Arrive at Longyearbyen Airport, Svalbard by Noon.

Arrive Longyearbyen Airport, Svalbard by Noon & grab your luggage from the conveyor belt, where you'll spot your first Polar Bear Sculpture watching over the suitcases. You shall be transferred to your hotel. Svalbard is an archipelago in the Arctic Ocean. Its main town, Longyearbyen, sits at 78-degrees north, making it the northernmost year-round inhabited town on Earth. It's a jurisdiction of Norway, but allows anyone of any nationality to live there so long as they can prove they have the means to support themselves. The main settlement in Svalbard is Longyearbyen; with the only passenger Airport in the area. If you want to see staggering Mountains, amazing Wildlife and Polar Bears, then this is the place; a place of vast **Tundra**, of epic polar feats and a wild, elemental beauty. In fact, Svalbard is the last stop before the North Pole and acts as a harbinger of its untamed spirit. Visiting Svalbard is a once-in-alifetime adventure that feels truly off-the-beaten track. Today you shall go Dog Sledding on Wheels. The dogs' eagerness and enthusiasm for working will surprise you. The musher will introduce you to the dogs. Moreover, you will learn how to prepare them and how to build your team. The dogs are ready and barking, it is time to go. Together we choose our teams, get them harnessed and put them on the line in front of our **Troll Carts**. As soon as the last dog is in place, we are ready to go. 2 or 3 guests are driving together on each Troll Cart and you can each drive half the way or switch places along the way just as you like. Along the way we will have short breaks where there will be plenty of opportunities to take photos. **Overnight in Longyearbyen.**

Day 7: Day Cruise to Ny-Ålesund - The Northernmost Town in the World

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the harbor for a **Boat Trip** that will take you all the way up north to the former mining town **Ny-Ålesund**, commonly known as the gateway to the **Arctic**. Ny Ålesund is considered to be the northernmost settlement in the world. The site was originally established for coal mining, which was the main activity here until 1962. A major accident in the mine led the coal mining operations to shut down. Since then, Ny Ålesund has developed into a scientific research base and holds a state-of-the-art research center in the High Arctic. Many famous adventurers started their expeditions from here, for example, **Roald Amundsen**, who was the first person to explore the North and the South Pole. He landed with the **Airship Norway** on its way to the North Pole in May 1926. You can still see the high mast that moored the

Airship during its stay. Today, it is home to a small community of just under 40 people, many of whom are seasonal researchers at the town's international research institutions. Later by evening, back to your hotel. **Overnight in Longyearbyen**. **Note:** <u>The boat is heated inside, but it will be possible to go out on deck. We recommend</u> <u>you to wear warm and windproof clothes and good shoes. You can bring extra gear, but</u> <u>make sure it is packed waterproof.</u>

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