

**PREMIUM**

# 13D10N SIGHTS OF SCANDINAVIA + ICELAND

TOUR CODE: ENSCIS

As a country famed for its geological contrasts of fire and ice, Iceland mesmerises you with its natural wonders and gorgeous sceneries. From visiting the iconic capital city of Iceland, Reykjavik, to taking a dip in the popular Blue Lagoon, there are numerous things that you can see and do while exploring this magnificent Nordic beauty.



GEIRANGERFJORD, NORWAY

## HIGHLIGHTS

### NORWAY

#### BERGEN

- Fish Market
- Bryggen
- Fløibanen Funicular Railway

#### FLÅM

- Nærøfjord cruise (UNESCO World Heritage Site)

#### GEIRANGER

- Geirangerfjord cruise (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Eagle Road
- Seven Sisters Waterfall
- Trollstigen Platform

#### NORWAY FJORDS

- Geirangerfjord
- Hardangerfjord
- Nærøfjord

#### LILLEHAMMER

- Ski Jumping Arena

#### OSLO

- Vigeland Sculpture Park
- Oslofjord
- City Hall
- Royal Palace

### SWEDEN

#### KARLSTAD

- Old Stonebridge
- Karlstad Domkyrkan Cathedral

### STOCKHOLM

- City Hall (entrance included)
- Cathedral
- Royal Palace
- Old Town

### DENMARK

#### COPENHAGEN

- Tivoli Gardens
- City Hall Square
- Hans Christian Andersen Statue
- Christiansborg Palace
- The Little Mermaid sculpture
- Gefion Fountain
- Carlsberg

#### ARHUS

- Den Gamle By
- Skagen

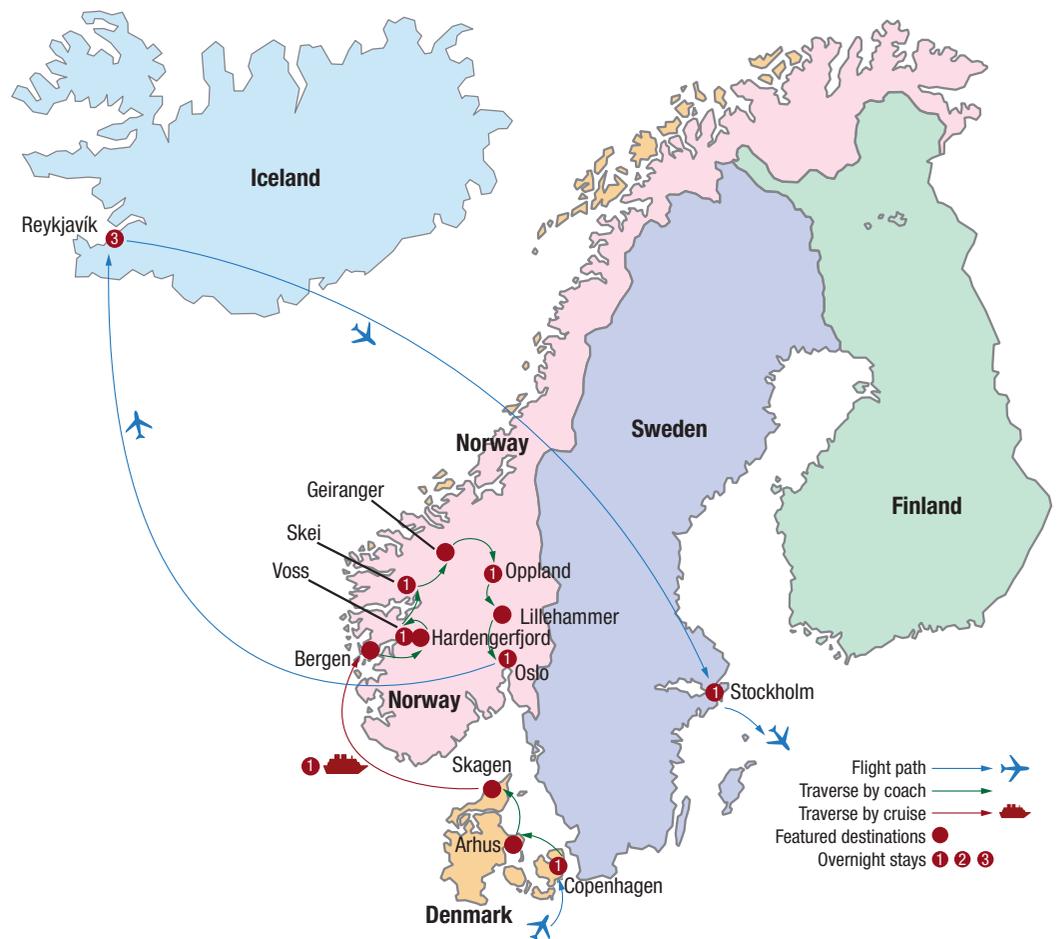
### ICELAND

#### REYKJAVIK

- Hofi House
- Hallgrímskirkja Church
- Blue Lagoon

#### GOLDEN CIRCLE

- Thingvellir National Park
- Strokkur geyser
- Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall



#### DAY 1

### HOME > COPENHAGEN

#### Meals on Board

Assemble at the airport and depart for **Copenhagen**, Denmark's capital, that sits on the coastal islands of Zealand and Amager.

#### DAY 2

### COPENHAGEN

#### Meals on Board, Dinner

Upon your arrival, find out why people call it 'wonderful Copenhagen' by going on a city tour and take in the sights of the famous amusement park **Tivoli Gardens**, the **City Hall Square**, **Hans Christian Andersen Statue**, and **Christiansborg Palace**. Stop by **The Little Mermaid** sculpture, which was inspired from the fairytale and the mystical **Gefion Fountain**. If traffic conditions are fair, we will make an additional pit stop at **Nyhavn** for some picturesque photos. After which, we will visit the **Carlsberg** for the copenhagen exBEERience and explore the heritage site, where J. C. Jacobsen brewed the very first Carlsberg beer.

#### DAY 3

### COPENHAGEN > ARHUS > SKAGEN > OVERNIGHT CRUISE

#### Breakfast, Dinner

Leave for **Arhus** and visit **Den Gamle By**, which holds a fascinating collection of completely furnished old Danish

town houses. Proceed to **Skagen**, the northernmost point in Denmark and spot where the Baltic Sea meets the North Sea. Then is time to board an overnight cruise that will take you to **Bergen**, a city on Norway's southwestern coast. It's surrounded by mountains and fjords, including **Sognefjord**, the country's longest and deepest fjord.

*Note: If the overnight cruise is not available, it will be replaced by domestic flight to Bergen - Copenhagen and stay an additional night in Copenhagen without extra charges.*

#### DAY 4

### OVERNIGHT CRUISE > BERGEN > HARDANGERFJORD

#### Breakfast, Dinner

Arrive at **Bergen**, a large Norwegian city with a small-town charm. Your exploration begins with a Bergen city tour – soak up the sights and sounds of the bustling **Fish Market** in the heart of the city; wander along the narrow alleyways and step into the smorgasbord of shops and galleries in **Bryggen**; and take the **Fløibanen** funicular to the top of **Mount Fløyen** for a fantastic bird's-eye view of the city. Continue to the **Hardangerfjord** region, the second longest fjord in Norway. The Hardangerfjord is 179 km long and greatest depth is 900 meters. The definition of a fjord is a long, narrow inlet from the sea with steep sides or cliffs, created by glacial erosion during the ice age.

## DELICACIES

#### Meal Plan

10 Breakfasts, 9 Dinners

## 3-4★ HOTELS

**COPENHAGEN** First Hotel

**HARDANGERFJORD** Myrkdalen Hotel

**SKEI** Thon hotel Jølster

**OPPLAND REGION** Thon Hotel Otta

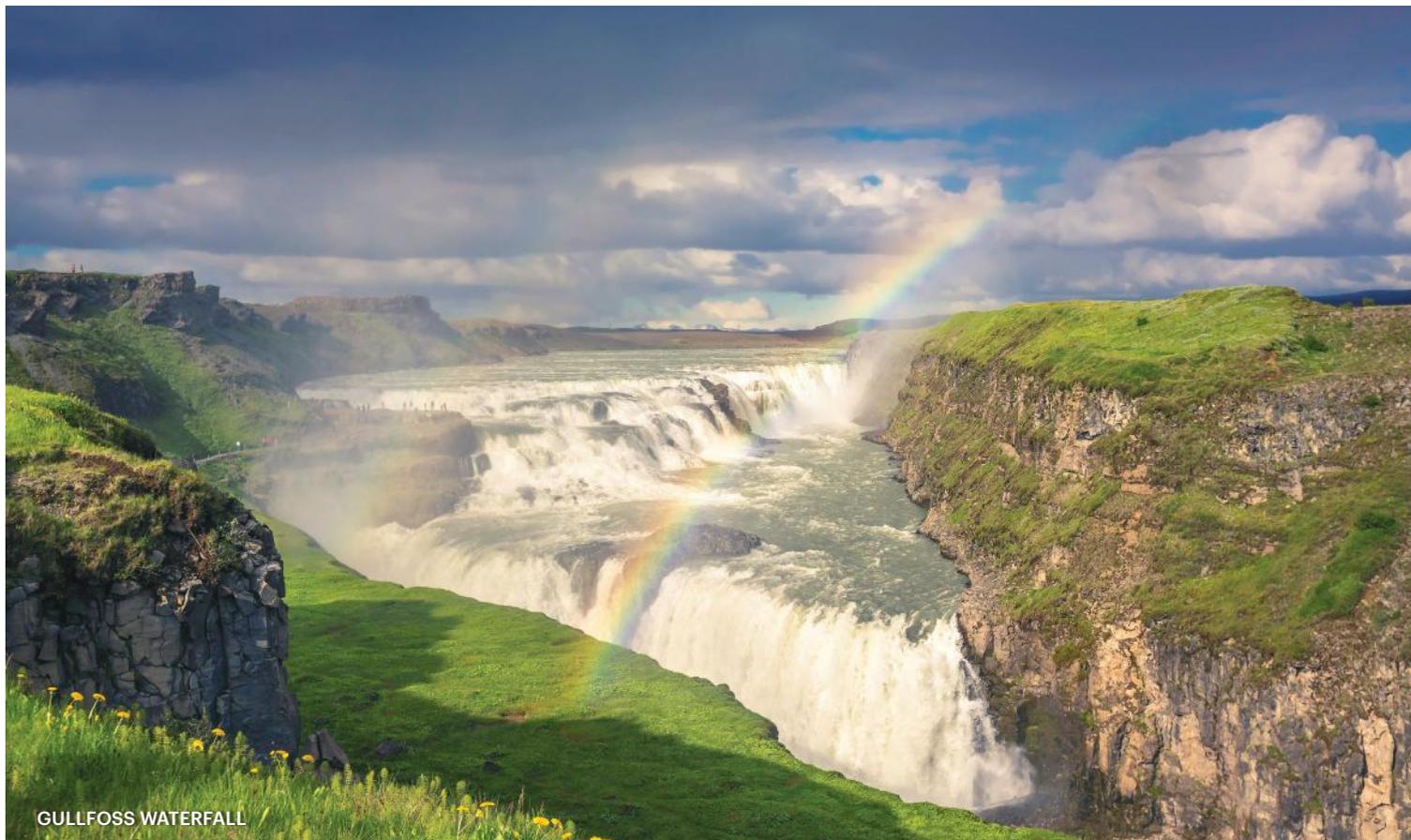
**OSLO** Quality Hotel

**REYKJAVIK** Grand Reykjavik Hotel

**STOCKHOLM** Quality Hotel

\*Note: Hotels subject to final confirmation. Should there be changes, customers will be offered accommodation similar to this list.

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GULLFOSS WATERFALL

## DAY 5 HARDENGERFJORD > VOSS > SKEI

*Breakfast, Dinner*

Travel to the region of Voss, consider an optional train ride by the Flåm Railway, and embark on the most incredible train journey where you will be treated to endless panoramas of placid rivers, deep ravines, cascading waterfalls, and mountain farms clinging precariously to snow-capped peaks. We will embark on a **2-hour sightseeing cruise** within **Gudvangen and Flam** on the pristine waters of **Nærøyfjord** and prepare to be blown away by that spectacular vistas displayed before your very eyes. Nærøyfjord, is the world's narrowest fjord and is included in the UNESCO World Heritage List. Transfer to Skei for an overnight stay.

## DAY 6 SKEI > GEIRANGER > OPPLAND COUNTY

*Breakfast, Dinner*

We will take a **scenic sightseeing cruise** across the deep blue waters of this UNESCO World Heritage Site, **Geirangerfjord**. The fjord offers archetypal scenery, encircled by high mountains, where abandoned farms cling to the hillsides. The trip between Geiranger and **Hellesylt** takes in the **Knivsflå Waterfalls**, known as the Seven Sisters and **Friaren** (the Suitor). You will also sail close to

the **Brudesløret (Bridal Veil) falls**. Along the Geirangerfjord, you will experience the very best of Norwegian nature, close up. Drive along **Ørnevegen ("the Eagle Road")**, a name given to the steepest part of the road up the mountainside from Geiranger to **Eidsdal**, 620 metres above sea level. Here, the road twists through eleven hairpin bends as it climbs up to **Stigjørøra**, 858 metres above sea level. The road is carved into the mountain and supported by stone walls. An impressive bridge carries the road across the **Stigfossen waterfall**. On this road, even the bravest can feel the adrenaline pumping through their veins. The **Trollstigen platform** and the two viewpoints are designed by Reiulf Ramstad Architects. From the top, well protected against the elements by steel and glass, you can see all the way down the mountainside. The structure is designed so that it blends in with the surroundings. Some parts are carved into the rock, whilst other parts are built on stone walls. Transfer to **Oppland County** for a pleasant night in the Norwegian countryside.

## DAY 7 OPPLAND COUNTY > LILLEHAMMER > OSLO

*Breakfast, Dinner*

Winter sports enthusiasts will rejoice as we head to the site of the 1994 Winter

Olympics, **Lillehammer**. Make a pit stop at the **Lynggårdsbakkene Ski Jumping Arena** for some magnificent photos from the top of the tower, before enjoying some free time at leisure to explore Lillehammer on your own. After arriving in **Oslo, the capital of Norway**. Begin your exploration of the city by visiting the **City Hall** that is covered with a rainbow of motifs depicting the Norwegian history, culture and lifestyles, as well as the neo-classical structure of the Royal Palace. Last but not least, the Vigeland Sculpture Park is one attraction worth seeing, it is the life's work of sculptor Gustav Vigeland that features more than 200 life-sized sculptures in bronze, granite and cast iron.

## DAY 8 OSLO > REYKJAVIK

*Breakfast, Dinner*

Take a flight to **Reykjavik**, Iceland, the country on many traveller's bucket list. Start off the day with a dip in the amazing **Blue Lagoon** geothermal spa, famous for its healing mineral-rich waters surrounded by jet-black basalt lava. After reaching the city, start off with the sights of Perlan (The Pearl) – a fantastic dome-shaped glass building supported by six massive water tanks, with an impressive water feature that runs from the basement into the atrium. Then, visit the beautiful **Höfði House** and

the **Hallgrímskirkja Church**, where you can view the novel exterior of the Lutheran parish church tower along with the statue of **Leifur Eiríksson** situated at its front.

## DAY 9 REYKJAVÍK

*Breakfast, Dinner*

Today we will cover the **Golden Circle**, which will allow you to visit some of Iceland's most stunning sights, starting with the Geysir geothermal area where the **Strokkur geyser** shoots a column of water up to 30 metres into the air every 4-8 minutes in a thrilling display of nature's forces. The visit continues

with **Gullfoss (Golden Falls) Waterfall**, created by the river Hvítá, which tumbles and plunges into a crevice some 32m deep. This also includes the historical and geological wonder that is **Thingvellir National Park**, where the American and Eurasian tectonic plates are pulling apart at a rate of a few centimetres per year and the **Friðheimar greenhouse** cultivation centre, where we learn about the magic behind growing delicious, pesticide-free tomatoes.

## DAY 10 REYKJAVÍK

*Breakfast*

Enjoy your day at your leisure or choose to join an optional tour to the **Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon**, with its enormous and ancient icebergs breaking off from **Vatnajökull Glacier**, this natural wonder of Iceland is a sight you absolutely cannot miss.

## DAY 11 REYKJAVÍK > STOCKHOLM

*Breakfast, Dinner*

Take a flight to **Stockholm, capital of Sweden**. Visit the **Stockholm City Hall**. The three crowns perched atop the 106-metre-tall tower forms a silhouette that is instantly recognisable within the city. This romantic structure also hosts the prestigious **Noble Prize** banquets in its **Blue and Golden Halls**, with the latter featuring 18 million gold mosaic tiles. Continue to the **Old Town** to view the magnificent structures of the **Cathedral** and the **Royal Palace**.

*Note: Should the main building of Stockholm City Hall be closed for conference, we will only stop for a photo of the exterior.*

## DAY 12 STOCKHOLM > HOME

*Breakfast*

Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure till it is time to transfer to the airport for your flight home.

## DAY 13 HOME SWEET HOME

We hope you enjoyed your vacation with EU Holidays and we look forward to seeing you again for your next trip.

*Suggested Excursion:*

- **Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon Day Tour: €200**

*These additional activities enrich your experiences; however it is entirely optional and will be at your own discretion. Minimum group size may apply and subject to schedule.*

*Tipping Guideline: (based on 13D10N)*

- **€104 per person**

*Note:*

- *A minimum group size of 15 passengers is required for a confirmed departure.*
- *The sequence of the itinerary, flight schedules and hotels are subject to change without prior notice in the event of unforeseen circumstances.*
- *All activities are subject to weather conditions.*
- *During major events and festivals, accommodation may be re-located to outside of the city or in another city without prior notice.*



ERUPTION OF STROKKUR  
GEYSER IN ICELAND