



# THE SCANDINAVIAN CAPITALS COPENHAGEN - OSLO - STOCKHOLM

**8 DAYS/6 NIGHTS**

**(2) COPENHAGEN • (1) SHIP • (1) OSLO • (2) STOCKHOLM**

**LAND/AIR FROM JFK - OTHER GATEWAYS AVAILABLE**

## THE SCANDINAVIAN CAPITALS TOUR FEATURES



## DESTINATION HIGHLIGHTS

Copenhagen • Strøget • Tivoli Gardens • Little Mermaid • Royal Palace Amalienborg • Overnight Cruise to Oslo • Oslo Fjord • Oslo • Karl Joan's District • Vigeland Sculpture Park • Train Ride to Stockholm • Stockholm • Gamla Stan • Blue and Golden Nobel Prize Rooms • Overnight Cruise to Helsinki • Helsinki • Senate Square • Uspenski Cathedral • Parliament House • Finlandia Hall • Sibelius Park and Monument

- **ROUND TRIP AIR TRANSPORTATION** Air transportation from New York
- **FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS** Hotel/ship accommodations for 6 nights
- **SHIP PASSAGE** From Copenhagen to Oslo
- **TRAIN PASSAGE** Train ride from Oslo to Stockholm
- **SUPERB CUISINE** 9 included meals consisting of 6 buffet breakfasts and 3 dinners
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM** Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows: City tour of Copenhagen, City tour of Oslo, and City tour of Stockholm. Optional tours available
- **CULTURAL DISCOVERY SERIES** Our program encompasses cultural connections, in-depth learning on the local economy and social systems, and interaction with locals, and sampling delicious local food in one of Stockholm's trendiest restaurants
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour upon arrival in Copenhagen
- **DELUXE MOTORCOACH** Touring by private deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

## OPTIONAL HELSINKI EXTENSION TOUR FEATURES

- **FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS** Hotel/ship accommodations for 3 nights
- **SHIP PASSAGE** From Stockholm to Helsinki
- **SUPERB CUISINE** 4 included meals consisting of 3 buffet breakfasts and 1 dinner
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM** Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows: Half day tour of Helsinki
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport



**DAY 1 DEPART USA**

Today you begin a wondrous adventure as you depart the USA on an overnight flight to Copenhagen, Denmark. Meals and refreshments served on board.

**DAY 2 ARRIVE COPENHAGEN, DENMARK** ———— 🍴📍 (D)

Welcome to Copenhagen. Not only is it the trendiest city of Scandinavia, but it also gets constantly ranked as the happiest city in the world. Upon arrival, you will be met at the airport by your Tour Director and transferred to a hotel in the city center. Rest of the day is at leisure - walk along the streets and explore the city of the royal family, and the main street Strøget, with many shops, bars and cafes. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner in Tivoli Gardens. Tivoli Gardens is an amusement park in Copenhagen that is a must for all visitors to the city. It was founded in 1843 and has become a national treasure and an international attraction. Fairytale writer Hans Christian Andersen visited many times, as did Walt Disney and many other celebrities, who all fell in love with the gardens.

**DAY 3 COPENHAGEN - PANORAMIC CITY TOUR** 🍴📍 (B)

This morning, following breakfast, you head out on a guided panoramic city tour of Copenhagen. Enjoy the famed charms from the past and present, including the infamous Little Mermaid and the rococo Royal Palace Amalienborg. Walk around Nyhavn, originally a busy commercial port, but nowadays a vibrant hub of city life and shopping. Don't forget to notice the house, which was home to the famous writer Hans Christian Andersen. Next, as part of our Cultural Discovery Series - visit from the outside, the Hellerup School and its distinctive architectural design featuring a central auditorium-style stairway which provides an environment that encourages teaching and learning in teams.

**DAY 4 COPENHAGEN/OSLO** ———— 🍴📍 (B,D)

After breakfast at your hotel, enjoy the rest of the morning at leisure to shop for Viking souvenirs, relax or take an optional tour to Rosenborg Castle and the Glyptotek Museum. Visit the Rosenborg Castle which hosts an important collection of the Danish crown jewels. Next, you'll visit Glyptotek with its Egyptian and Greek collections but also several rooms dedicated to French impressionists including one dedicated to Gauguin's work. You'll remember that he maintained a close relationship with painter Willumsen, which enabled Danish people to discover the man who started modern art. This afternoon you will be transferred to the DFDS Seaways terminal for your ferry ride to Oslo, departing early evening. Enjoy your first Scandinavian smorgasbord dinner as you cruise gently up the Kattogat. The Kattogat is a narrow bay in southern Scandinavia. From the Oresund and Danish Straits, the Kattogat takes the waters of the Baltic Sea to the Skagerrak, which connects to the North Sea. Dinner and overnight on board.

**DAY 5 OSLO, NORWAY - CITY TOUR** ———— 🍴📍 (B)

A delicious buffet breakfast will be served as you cruise along the enchanting Oslo Fjord. Welcome to the Kingdom of Norway - a country with the most beautiful fjords on Earth. Upon arrival, you will board your coach and head out on a guided tour of the Norwegian capital, including the impressive Royal Palace, the main Karl Joan's district, and the Vigeland Sculpture Park. This afternoon is at leisure or take an optional tour to the Norske folk museum. Visit one of the biggest outdoor museums in Europe where you'll discover several traditional houses from different regions of Norway. This museum hosts 150 authentic buildings, especially one of Norway's oldest constructions: a wooden church from the 12th century. Inside traditional art, period costumes and ancient toys are exhibited while outside folkloric dance shows are held. Overnight at the hotel.

**DAY 6 OSLO/STOCKHOLM** ———— 🍴📍 (B)

After breakfast you head for the station to board the train to Stockholm. Relaxing from the comfort of your seat you will see spectacular scenery, a fairylad of wooden houses, rolling green hills, small towns and villages before you arrive to Stockholm. Here you will check into your hotel and relax. The rest of the day is at leisure.



ROSENBERG CASTLE



**DAY 7 STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN - CITY TOUR** 🍴 (B,D)

After breakfast, enjoy a guided tour of Stockholm. Famous sights on the tour include the Royal Palace, the Parliament Buildings, the island of Djurgarden and the Old Town (Gamla Stan), with its narrow-cobbled streets and numerous antique shops. The highlight of the tour is a visit to City Hall with its famous Blue and Golden Rooms, where the Nobel Prize Banquet is held each year. As part of our Cultural Discovery Series - sample local delicacies in one of the Stockholm's trendiest restaurants and learn about the Nordic food and culture. Continue your walk through the Sodermalm neighborhood and experience a multicultural mix of chic restaurants and shops. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure or take an optional tour to the impressive Skansen Park and Vasa Museum. Visit Skansen Park, an outdoor museum which explores the Scandinavian housing evolution. Built in 1891, it's the oldest museum of this kind in the world, with 150 houses, bungalows, churches, farms and manors coming from all over Sweden and brought to life by staff in period costume. One can also find a reconstitution of a Lapp village. Continue on to visit the Vasa museum to see the Vasa ship which was built in 1628 and sank during its launching in Stockholm Harbor. Refloat in 1961, he was remarkably refurbished and gives a great vision of the naval life in the 17th century. The seven-floor museum enables you to admire this unique ship from every angle. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner.

**DAY 8 STOCKHOLM TO USA OR EXTEND YOUR STAY WITH AN OPTIONAL HELSINKI EXTENSION** 🍴 (B)

Today after breakfast you will be transferred to Stockholm International Airport for your return flight home.



**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL EASY 1 2 3 4 5 ACTIVE**

**Mobility Advisory:**  
This trip is listed as a 4 out of 5, for active physical mobility. On a daily basis, travelers will be expected to walk, unassisted, at a moderate steady pace, occasionally over difficult terrain such as uneven cobblestones. Travelers will also be expected to be able to get on and off various means of transportation, unassisted.

**OPTIONAL HELSINKI EXTENSION**

**DAY 8 STOCKHOLM/HELSINKI** 🍴 (B,D)

After breakfast, depending on schedules, enjoy some free time. This afternoon you will be transferred to the pier for a delightful cruise aboard a Silja Line ship. Sail slowly through the lovely archipelago past numerous small islands. Dinner and overnight on board.

**DAY 9 HELSINKI, FINLAND - CITY TOUR** 🍴 (B)

Enjoy your buffet breakfast as you arrive in Helsinki. Helsinki, the capital of Finland, is located on an archipelago of 330 islands and the sea is a significant part of the personality of the city. This morning enjoy a half day guided city tour of Helsinki. Famous sights include the Senate Square, Uspenski Cathedral, Parliament House, Finlandia Hall, Sibelius Park and Monument, the Underground Temple, and much more. Then check into your hotel and relax. During the afternoon, you can explore the busy marketplace or the many souvenir shops close to the harbor during your free time. Finnish crystal and leather goods are an excellent buy.

**DAY 10 HELSINKI** 🍴 (B)

The day is yours to relax. Head out for last minute shopping or maybe relax in the last public spa in Helsinki. Sauna is such a big part of Finnish culture that the country counts one private sauna out of every three inhabitants!

**DAY 11 HELSINKI TO USA** 🍴 (B)

Today you will be transferred to Helsinki International Airport for your homeward flight.

🍴 (B) - BREAKFAST (L) - LUNCH (D) - DINNER

Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels and adjust itineraries at the guide's discretion due to local conditions.


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