

Scandinavia Northern Lights and Christmas Markets



TRAVEL WITH ME EXCLUSIVE JOURNEY

Join Travel with Me on this spectacular journey to see the Northern Lights. Plenty of opportunities on our Norwegian Coastal Cruise or maybe during our stay at the Snow hotel in a Glass Igloo, to witness this incredible phenomenon

**Price from \$13400 pp Twin Share and
from \$17300 Solo**

18 Days/17 Nights

29 Nov to 16 Dec 2025

Inclusions

- Exclusive/Private Travel with Me Journey
- 6 night coastal cruise with brand new, Havila Voyages
- 2 Nights Wilderness Hotel in Aurora Cabin
- 1 night Arctic Snow hotel in glass igloo
- Visit Santa Claus Village
- Stunning Train Journey on Flam Railway
- Husky Sled Ride
- \$1000 Dep in 7 days and 2nd Deposit of 25% due 28 April 25. Finals due 15 July 2025

Price and Itinerary are subject to change at any time



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ITINERARY

Day 1: 29 Nov - Oslo

Group transfer from Oslo Airport and a welcome dinner tonight

 *Clarion Hotel The Hub (D)*



Day 2: 30 Nov - Oslo

Your tour of Oslo will begin in the city's centre, where you'll see the Parliament building, the National Theatre, the new Opera House, and the Royal Residence. You'll also see the City Hall where the Nobel Peace Prize is presented each year. Next, you'll proceed to the Vigeland Sculpture Park where the work of Norway's famous sculptor, Gustav Vigeland, is on display. Next the Kon-Tiki Museum and afternoon free.

 *Clarion Hotel The Hub (B/D)*

Day 3: 1 Dec - Oslo, Sognefjord Area

Transfer to the railway station to begin our Norway in a Nutshell tour. Rail from Oslo to Myrdal and then join on of Norway's major and most spectacular tourist attractions, the Flam Railway. On the 20 km-long train ride, you can see rivers that cut through deep ravines, waterfalls, snow-capped mountains and mountain farms clinging dizzily to sheer slopes. The train makes a photo stop at the beautiful Kjosfossen waterfall.

 *Flamsbrygga Hotel Flam (B/D)*

Day 4: 2 Dec - Sognefjord Area, Bergen

This morning we take a ferry from Flam to Gudvangen. The boat tour winds around precipitous mountains, mighty waterfalls and small homesteads that cling to the mountain sides. Along the way you can see Aurland's stone church from the 1200's and the village of Undredal. You will reach the Nærøfjord, a minor fjord branching off from the Sognefjord, which is the world's narrowest fjord and which was also added to UNESCO's World Heritage List in 2005. More stunning scenery as we transfer via coach to Voss and our last train to Bergen.

 *Clarion Admiral Bergen (B/D)*



Day 5: 3 Dec - Bergen - Board Ship at 5pm

A guided tour of the city, including a visit to the famous Fish and Flower Market, the old Bryggen Harbour with its gabled pack houses, the popular Hanseatic Quarter and the ancient Maria Church. Bergen was founded in 1070 A.D. During the 12th and 13th centuries, when the Kingdom of Norway was at the peak of its power, Bergen was the capital of Norway. The Norwegian kings resided here, and many historical events took place in this busy port, which in those days had no fewer than 27 churches and abbeys. Bergen owed wealth and prominence to the fish export trade – mainly dried fish which was one of the most important products of the Middle Ages.

Take the funicular railway, one of Norway's most famous attractions. The trip starts from the city centre of Bergen and takes you 320 metres above sea level. In just 6 minutes, you'll find yourself on top of Mount Fløyen where you can enjoy the magnificent view of Bergen and its surroundings. There's also a restaurant, cafeteria, souvenir shop and children's playground. You can also explore the area and go on a hike, there are many trails to discover Fløyen.

 *Havila Coastal Cruise (B/D)*

Voyage from Bergen to Kirkeness over 7 days and 34 Ports.

- Geirangerfjorden*
- Ålesund
- The arctic circle
- North Cape
- Tromsø

On the northbound voyage from Bergen to Kirkenes, you will visit some of the world's most beautiful fjords, cross the Arctic Circle and sail around the North Cape plateau, at the very top of Europe, during the daytime.



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Day 6: 4 Dec Florø – Måløy – Torvik – Ålesund – Geiranger*/Hjørundfjorden* - Ålesund – Molde

After the first night on board, you can start your day by waving to the Havila Voyages headquarters just off Torvik. Ålesund, is renowned for its art nouveau architecture with beautiful brick houses and warehouses. In the summer, you can continue to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Geiranger Fjord, which has steep mountainsides and dramatic waterfalls.

 *Havila Coastal Cruise (B/L/D)*

Day 7: 5 Dec - Kristiansund – Trondheim – Rørvik

It is morning when we dock in the historic city of Trondheim, which was founded over a thousand years ago. Nidaros Cathedral is the landmark of the city; it is Norway's national shrine and one of the largest cathedrals in Northern Europe. After our visit here, the voyage continues out into the fjord, into an abundant archipelago and heads for northern Norway.

 *Havila Coastal Cruise (B/L/D)*

Day 8: 6 Dec - Brønnøysund – Sandnessjøen – Nesna – Ørnes – Bodø – Stamsund – Svolvær

On this stretch, we mark crossing the Arctic Circle with a ceremony and continue onward into the Arctic regions. It means midnight sun in the summer, while winter days are merely a shade less dark than night-time and, possibly, Northern Lights in the evenings. Nature is powerful with northern Scandinavia's largest glacier, the world's strongest tidal current and encounters with the majestic sea eagle. In the evening, Lofoten's fishing villages, steep mountains and Vikings await.

 *Havila Coastal Cruise (B/L/D)*



Day 9: 7 Dec - Stokmarknes – Sortland – Risøyhamn – Harstad – Finnsnes – Tromsø – Skervøy

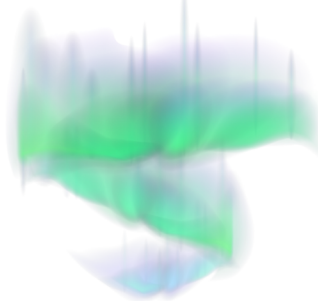
The voyage continues on through narrow fjords and past wild mountains to Tromsø, a city characterised by hunting and fishing, polar expeditions and courage. Now you have also reached the land of the Sami, Norway's indigenous people. Meeting the Sami and their reindeer while hearing about the Sami culture is a unique experience you will remember.

 *Havila Coastal Cruise (B/L/D)*

Day 10: 8 Dec - Hammerfest – Havøysund – Honningsvåg – Kjøllefjord – Mehamn – Berlevåg

As far north as you can get – by land and sea. For many, the visit to the North Cape is a high point and a goal for voyages along the Norwegian coast. Up here in the polar landscape, nature is at its harshest and most desolate, but between bare plains and rugged cliffs people cling on and reap nature's bounty. You can also have a taste of the catch. How about some king crab?

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Day 11: 9 Dec - Båtsfjord – Vardø – Vadsø – Kirkenes

You are now as far east on your voyage as you can go. The border with Russia is only a few kilometres away, and the road signs in Kirkenes are in Norwegian and Russian. You can go as far as the border on one of our excursions, or how about a visit to the Snow hotel where everything is made of ice and snow?

Disembark in Kirkenes and depart to Inari

 *Havila Coastal Cruise (B/L/D)*

Day 12: 10 Dec - Ivalo

Visit a husky kennel and meet these happy animals. The owner of the dogyard will present the team of dogs, explain how they leave and how they are trained. It will be possible to spend time with the huskies and pet them. Afterwards, try a short dogsled tour to experience the thrill!

Afternoon at leisure for possible optional activities

We have a list of the activities but in this moment it is hard to promise that all these will be available for the group: these activities follow a certain schedule that the hotel decides so not all of them are available on individual basis for that afternoon/evening. Though, if we have several people interested in the same activity we can ask the hotel to operate it only for us:

 *Inari Wilderness Hotel in Aurora Cabin (B/L/D)*

Day 13: 11 Dec Ivalo - Rovaniemi

Today we visit the world famous Santa Claus Village, where you will have free time to explore, and maybe see Santa!

Check in at Arctic Snow Hotel

Full board overnight in Glass igloo 1-2 pax at Arctic Snow Hotel

20m² in size and suitable for 1-3 persons. Each glass igloo has its own toilet and shower as well as refrigerator, electric kettle, hairdryer. There are two twin beds as due to the motorization feature of the beds there can't be a double bed.

The glass-roofed igloos provide you the opportunity to sleep beneath the starry skies and the Northern Lights when they appear. Each igloo is extremely well heat insulated.

 *Arctic Snow Hotel in a Glass Igloo (B/D)*

Day 14: 12 Dec Rovaniemi

Depart hotel, and transfer to the workshop and home of two artisans Irene and Ari Kangasniemi. The Artisan Studio & Home visit: Explore with us the versatile use of reindeer antlers as a material used in handicrafts and the fascinating history of working antlers. We will demonstrate for you how antler is worked while telling you stories about reindeer and living in the vast expanses of Lapland. As we reveal to you some of our professional skills, you will have the opportunity to make your own souvenir of your visit. We will also tell you about other materials collected from Lapland's nature for use in handicrafts.

The SECRET OF THE ANTLER is one of our most popular handicraft programs. At our handicraft workshop, you get the chance to make your own small object made from reindeer antler.

Transfer to Rovaniemi Train Station for our overnight rail journey on the Santa Claus Express

 *Sleeper Train with private cabin and ensuite (B)*



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Day 15: 13 Dec - Rovaniemi - Helsinki

Transfer in the morning to our hotel for Breakfast. Guided tour of Helsinki with free time in the afternoon, a good opportunity to visit the Christmas Markets.

Helsinki is one of Europe's most modern and culturally progressive cities, yet it remains in touch with an intriguing history stretching back over 450 years. On this tour, you'll see the city's most significant and impressive landmarks such as the Senate Square and the Lutheran cathedral, the elegant Uspenski Cathedral, the unique Temppeliaukio Rock Church, the Sibelius Monument and many more

 *Hotel St George (B/D)*

Day 16: 14 Dec - Helsinki - Tallinn

Breakfast at the hotel before heading to Porvoo, the second oldest city in Helsinki and a magnet for many artists who have lived and worked in the town.

Depart 430 pm on our ferry to Tallinn (2 hours)

 *Telegraaf (B/D)*

Day 17: 15 Dec Helsinki - Tallinn

Breakfast then a 3 hour walking tour in Tallinn before free time in the afternoon to visit the famous Christmas Markets.

Farewell Dinner tonight at Medieval Restaurant, Olde Hansa.

 *Telegraaf (B/D)*

Day 18: 16 Dec Transfer to Helsinki Airport

Our tour finishes this morning after breakfast. Transfer to Ferry and transfer to Helsinki Airport. Do not book flights departing before 3.30pm.



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