

# Norwegian Splendor

with Copenhagen June 29-July 14, 2023

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(\$6,495 air & land inclusive plus \$499 airline taxes and fees)

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An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Alumni and Friends of The University of North Carolina



#### Dear Carolina Alumni and Friends,

Join fellow Tar Heels and friends on an exclusive 16-day journey to Norway and Denmark. From the cosmopolitan capitals of Copenhagen and Oslo to magnificent fjord country, your small group will encounter the lands of the Midnight Sun at their most vibrant.

Your tour begins in the delightful Danish capital, Copenhagen. See the city's highlights, including a visit to Rosenborg Castle. Explore Elsinore, made famous by Shakespeare's Hamlet. Take an overnight ferry to Oslo, Norway, and transfer to Gaala your entry into the region of magnificent Norwegian fjords. Tour charming Bergen and visit Trolhaugen, the home of Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg. Continue on to Lofthus in the heart of Norway's Western Fjord District. En route back to Oslo, visit the mighty Voringfoss Waterfall. Your tour ends in Oslo, where you will visit the Museum of Cultural History, which houses Norway's largest collection of cultural artifacts. For those who wish to extend this Scandinavian adventure, an optional 4-day/ 3-night post-tour extension to Stockholm, Sweden, is available.

With room for only 24 guests, we expect the limited space will fill quickly. Plus, your deposit is fully refundable up until 95 days prior to departure, providing you flexibility should your plans change. Call us at (877) 962-3980 today to book this experience.

Yours at Carolina,

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Douglas S. Dibbert '70 President, UNC General Alumni Association

#### THE UNC RESERVATION FORM: NORWEGIAN SPLENDOR

To reserve your place on tour, **please call UNC GAA at 1-877-962-3980.** If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and mail it to the GAA at the address below, or email it to <u>enrichment@unc.edu</u>.

Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: General Alumni Association University of North Carolina PO Box 660 Chapel Hill, NC 27514-0660

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Membership Requirements: Tour participants who are not members of The UNC General Alumni Association must join the Association (\$50 for singles; \$60 for couples) or pay a \$50 surcharge to participate. Please pay by separate check made payable to The UNC General Alumni Association and mail the check with this reservation form.

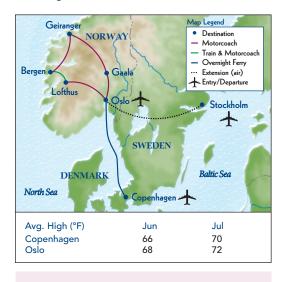
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As the Midnight Sun turns night into day, Scandinavia shines. It's the perfect time to visit, with the majestic countryside at its loveliest, and the cities at their liveliest. From the cosmopolitan capitals of Copenhagen and Oslo to Norway's magnificent fjord country, our small group encounters Scandinavia at its best, both on and off the beaten path.



## **Small Group Tour Highlights**

Copenhagen sightseeing, including Rosenborg Castle and Christiansborg Palace • Excursion to Elsinore • Karen Blixen House and Museum • Overnight ferry to Oslo • Norway's stunning Western Fjord District: Hardangerfjord, Sognefjord, Geirangerfjord • Thrilling Flåm Railway excursion • Picturesque Bergen • Oslo touring, including Cultural History and Kon-Tiki museums • Norway's outstanding natural scenery

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. fo	r Copenhagen	
2-4	Copenhagen	Scandic Copenhagen	First Class
5	Overnight ferry	DFDS Ferry	Not rated
6	Gaala	Wadahl Hotel	Not rated
7-8	Geiranger	Hotel Union	First Class
9-10	Bergen	Radisson Blu Royal	Sup. First Class
11-12	Lofthus	Hotel Ullensvang	Sup. First Class
13-15	Oslo	Thon Hotel Opera	First Class
16	Depart Oslo for U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels may be too small, too new, or too remote to be listed.

#### Day 1: Depart U.S. for Copenhagen, Denmark

**Day 2: Arrive Copenhagen** After arriving in the Danish capital today, this evening we meet our fellow travelers and tour director at a welcome dinner and briefing about the journey ahead at Copenhagen's festive Tivoli Gardens. *D* 

**Day 3: Copenhagen** A half-day tour introduces us to this most livable of cosmopolitan cities. We visit Christiansborg Palace, seat of the Danish Parliament; visit the popular Little Mermaid statue; and stroll along the narrow, historic streets of downtown to City Hall Square. The remainder of the day is free to explore independently. *B* 

**Day 4: Copenhagen** We embark this morning on a full-day excursion, first to Elsinore (*Helsinger* in Danish), site of Kronborg Castle – the infamous setting of Shakespeare's *Hamlet* – where our tour includes the Royal Chambers and Ballroom. This afternoon we visit the Karen Blixen House and Museum in coastal Rungsted. Save for her years in Africa, the writer known as Isak Dinesen (*Out of Africa*) spent most of her life here where she was born in 1885. The house boasts its original furniture and décor; the site itself comprises the house, a museum, bird sanctuary, and park. *B*,*L* 

**Day 5: Copenhagen/Oslo, Norway** After a morning at leisure, we set off mid-day for Rosenborg Castle, where we see the dazzling crown jewels; and the cozy fishing village of Dragor, with its historic buildings and cobblestone streets. Later we board the overnight DFDS ferry to Oslo, settling in our private outside cabins and enjoying dinner on board. *B*,*D* 

**Day 6: Oslo/Lillehammer/Gaala** Upon disembarkation this morning, we board our coach for the journey north to ski country. We stop along the way in Lillehammer (site of the 1994 Winter Olympics) to visit the open-air museum at Maihaugen, among Norway's most visited cultural attractions. Midafternoon we depart for the village of Gaala and our ski lodge hotel. *B,L,D* 

Cover photo: We spend several days enjoying Norway's scenic fjord country, including Geirangerfjord.



Copenhagen's lively Nyhavn waterfront area

**Day 7: Gaala/Geiranger** A day of beautiful scenery is in store as we travel from Gaala to Geiranger, en route negotiating hairpin bends to the summit of Mount Dalsnibba (alt. 4,900 feet) for stunning views of Geirangerfjord and the mountains, lakes, and waterfalls beyond. We reach the popular village of Geiranger mid-afternoon and get our first up-close look at Norway's most dramatic fjord. A UNESCO site, it measures 10 miles long and 960 feet deep. *B*,*D* 

**Day 8: Geiranger** Today's excursion on Eagle Road to Herdalssetra promises abundant thrills as we ride along 11 hairpin turns through mountain passes, catching glimpses of the dramatic fjord along the way. We visit a local farm for lunch then return to Geiranger mid-afternoon. Before dinner at our hotel tonight, we enjoy a reception there to view a private vintage car collection.  $B_{,L,D}$ 

**Day 9: Geiranger/Bergen** We can expect scenic overload on our full-day journey to Bergen from Geiranger. A series of ferry rides takes us across Geirangerfjord, past tiny villages, tumbling waterfalls, and amid steep mountains plunging into the fjord's placid waters. Upon arrival in Bergen this evening, we enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. *B*,*D* 

**Day 10: Bergen** We see the highlights of this beautiful city, Norway's second largest, on a morning tour, including Trolhaugen, country home of composer Edvard Grieg; the lively fish market; the colorful 14<sup>th</sup>century Hanseatic merchants' quarter of Bryggen (a UNESCO site); and 16<sup>th</sup>-century Bergenhus fortress. The afternoon is free to enjoy Bergen as we wish. *B* 

**Day 11: Bergen/Lofthus** On today's journey to Lofthus, we travel through the breathtaking scenery of Norway's Western Fjord District. Along the way, we stop to see the 150-foot Steindal Waterfall then at a floating salmon farm in this premier fish farm region. Last, we visit Steinstoe, one of the country's largest orchards, where we enjoy a tour led by the family of the owner then get to know them over cake and coffee. Mid-day we reach our hotel, with the remainder of the afternoon at leisure. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. B,D

Day 12: Lofthus/Flåm It's a day of extreme beauty and diverse transportation as we travel by coach to Gudvangen, where we board a ferry for Flåm, traversing stunning Naeroyfjord, a UNESCO site. After free time in Flåm, we embark the storied Flåm Railway for a thrilling hour-long, 12-mile route ascending the 2,900-foot-deep Flåm Valley. Our exhilarating excursion ends in Myrdal, where we

#### Post-Tour Extension

# July 14-17, 2023 Stockholm – On Your Own

4 days/3 nights for \$995 total price Single Supplement: \$345

Add an independent stay in the delightful Swedish capital to your Scandinavian sojourn.

#### Your Tour Price Includes

- Air transportation Oslo/Stockholm, inclusive of airline taxes and fees
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- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport

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– Tar Heel Traveler

board another train for the brief trip to Voss. Here we meet our coach for the return journey to our hotel via the 4,600-foot Hardanger Bridge, one of the world's longest suspension bridges. *B*,*L*,*D* 

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**Day 13: Lofthus/Oslo** En route to Oslo, we stop in Eidfjord where we tour the Hardanger Nature Center showcasing the natural and cultural worlds of fjord country. Later we stop for photos at Vøringfossen Waterfall, considered Norway's most beautiful. We reach Oslo early this evening. *B* 

**Day 14: Oslo** This morning we visit the Museum of Cultural History, Norway's largest collection of cultural artifacts, featuring fascinating Viking Age exhibitions, as well as Egyptian mummies and several



ethnographic displays. We also tour the nearby Kon-Tiki Museum, with the original vessels and artifacts from Thor Hyerdahl's 1947 voyage across the Pacific. This afternoon is free for independent exploration. *B* 

**Day 15: Oslo** A half-day tour of the pastoral Norwegian

capital features the

Bergen's Bryggen district

Munch Museum, housing an extensive collection of works by the Norwegian Modernist; and Vigeland Sculpture Park, with its intriguing bronze and granite sculptures of human figures by artist Gustav Vigeland. Then this afternoon is free to explore on our own; tonight we gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *B*,*D* 

**Day 16: Depart for U.S.** We transfer to the airport this morning for our return flight to the U.S. *B* 

## **Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 14 nights' accommodations: 13 nights in Superior First Class, First Class, and unrated hotels; 1 night aboard DFDS ferry
- 27 meals: 14 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 9 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Ferry, rail, and private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers



The sun sets over Stockholm, Sweden, as seen on optional extension.

### Tour Departs: June 29, 2023

Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.		
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Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston,		
Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati,		
Cleveland, Detroit, Miami,	\$7,294	
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Washington, DC		
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Denver, Los Angeles,		
Phoenix, Portland (OR),	\$7,494	
San Francisco, Seattle		
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$6,095	

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$499, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,395. Your \$500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days from departure. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – \$3,595 per person; Premium Economy – \$1,595 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change). Upgrades are in addition to the costs above.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking – between 1-3 miles per day, unassisted – up hills or stairs, and on uneven or cobblestone streets. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

For reservations and information, please call The UNC General Alumni Association toll-free at

#### 1-877-962-3980

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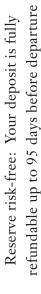
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# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions. Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas, if required; immunizations, incoulations, and COVID-19 testing; personal expenses such as beverages, landry, room offervice, and meals not peecified; anoth transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication changes; gratuities to your Ohsseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities; 510-515, per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure. Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes: If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Initimet, Inc.: sceepior for your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 55 days more before departure: full refund; cancel 34-65 days before departure: 25% of four price; cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund. If you make any changes to your creation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure. Obsesps Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per preson administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any resent, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue. **Begonsibility:** The liability of The University of North Carolina General Alumin Association (UNC GAA), as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are turned are stored and and the services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent, or other suppliers in the serve only as agents for these suppliers in a securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these not independent or these suppliers in the secure and the ordenedender to the second suppliers becaused by events with the UNC GAA and Odysseys Unimited, Inc. are not independent or dependent, or dependent or dependent, are dependent or depited and be caused by events not within our control. MIC GAA and Odysseys accelents or depited and be caused by events not within our control inducing without limitation. The out itable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or depited may be caused by events not within our control independent repetits. And the restricts curves interval with an arc independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make intervary changes as necessary. If unforesend will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make intervary changes as necessary. If unforesend efforminations are obtained and unditions of the same or better quality.

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