

# ***NORWAY CRUISE & SCANDINAVIA TOUR***



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## MSC Cruise & Scandinavia Tour with Flights

Duration: 18 days

Departs: 2024 select dates

Stay: 8 nights hotels, 1 night ferry, 7 nights cruise

Travel style: Cruise & coach tour with flights from Australia

Booking code: SCMSC19M

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## About the holiday

Breathtaking natural scenery, vibrant cities and Viking villages - this is Scandinavian travel at its best!

Visiting Denmark, Norway and Sweden promises many unforgettable experiences. Marvel at the famously beautiful fjords of Norway on a spectacular MSC cruise. While on the coach tour, embrace the bustling atmosphere of capital cities Oslo and Stockholm. See centuries-old towns and charming villages. Relax on an overnight ferry and try local cuisines. Discover Scandinavia in all its splendour on this Northern Europe trip!

## Why you'll love this trip...

- Visit Scandinavian countries - Denmark, Norway, Sweden
- Explore Copenhagen, Stockholm and Bergen with free days in each
- Experience the majestic Norwegian fjords during the cruise & tour
- Enjoy an overnight ferry cruise to Norway
- Guided tours of Copenhagen, Oslo and Stockholm

## Travel dates

Departures from June to August - please see our website for dates

*Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price may vary depending on your travel date.*

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## **Cruise & escorted tour package includes:**

### **Flights**

- Return economy class airfares to Copenhagen
- Fly from Australian capital cities with checked luggage included

### **Cruise**

- 7 nights Norwegian Fjords Northern Europe Cruise
- Choice of cabin aboard MSC Euribia
- All meals & non-chargeable entertainment on board the ship
- Basic drinks package is included on the cruise

### **Tour Accommodation**

- 8 nights accommodation in twin rooms with private en-suite facilities
- 1 night on a ferry from Denmark to Norway
- *Single travellers can opt to pay a single supplement for private rooms*

### **Tour Meals**

- 9 breakfasts, 3 dinners
- Vegetarian options available for all meals on request*

### **Tour Transport**

- Modern air-conditioned coach with reclining seats and toilet on board
- An overnight ferry
- Any public transport used as part of the tour (excludes free days)

## **Package excludes:**

Airport transfers

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Optional tours & activities

Shore excursions & cruise gratuities

Tips for guides & drivers

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc.

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

***Subject to confirmation by airlines, cruise line, hotels, tour company & local operators.***

***Cancellation fees & booking conditions apply.***

## **Experiences on tour:**

- Enjoy a guided tour of Copenhagen; Denmark's capital city
- Explore Odense; hometown of Hans Christian Anderson
- Visit Aarhus; a captivating Danish city
- Catch an overnight ferry to Norway
- Cruise through Norway's magnificent fjords
- Explore Bergen; known as "the city among the seven mountains"
- Marvel at Norway's spectacular natural scenery
- Visit Gudvangen near Norway's most famous fjord
- Enjoy a photo stop at Borgund's Stave Church
- See the highlights of Oslo with a local guide
- Visit Sigtuna; Sweden's oldest town
- Explore Stockholm with a local guide
- Tuck into Swedish meatballs in Stockholm

## **Itinerary:**

### ***Day 1: Depart Australia***

### ***Day 2: Arrive in Copenhagen***

Upon arrival at the airport, make your way to the cruise terminal in time for the departure of MSC Euribia this evening.

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Day 2	Copenhagen, Denmark		6:00pm
Day 3	At Sea		
Day 4	Nordfjordeid, Norway	8:00am	7:00pm
Day 5	Alesund, Norway	7:00am	5:00pm
Day 6	Flam, Norway	7:00am	5:00pm
Day 7	At Sea		
Day 8	Kiel, Germany	9:00am	6:00pm
Day 9	Copenhagen, Denmark	7:00am	

## ***Day 9: Start tour in Copenhagen***

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After disembarking the cruise, head to the hotel and get set to start of one of the most exciting Scandinavia tours! Meet up with your tour leader and your group this morning. Later this afternoon, join a local guide for a walking tour of the highlights of the Danish capital. To round off the first day of the tour, enjoy an included dinner to get to know your new travel companions.

### **Experiences**

**Guided tour of Copenhagen:** Enjoy a walking tour of Copenhagen with a local guide. Highlights include the famous Nyhavn Waterfront, Rosenborg Castle, the Town Hall, the Little Mermaid statue and Amalienborg Palace.

### **Meals**

Dinner

## ***Day 10: Copenhagen: Free Day***

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Experience the city at your own pace - there are many exciting options! Enjoy a few hours at Tivoli Gardens, Copenhagen's famous amusement park, and visit the Rundetaarn - this astronomical observatory offers amazing views of the city and is home to a unique equestrian staircase, which was used years ago to allow a horse and carriage to access the library at the top of the tower. For an in-depth way to discover Copenhagen's unique history and culture, choose to join today's optional excursion. This guided tour includes a canal cruise, a visit to the Freedom Museum, free time for lunch at Reffen market and more!

### **Meals**

Breakfast

### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

#### **Copenhagen: Learn, Eat & Explore**

Discover Danish history at the Freedom Museum, admire the sights on a canal cruise through Copenhagen and visit vibrant Reffen for lunch.

## ***Day 11: Copenhagen - Odense - Aarhus - Hirtshals (ferry port)***

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Travel to the coastal town of Hirtshals this morning and enjoy the beautiful views of the Danish countryside along the way! Today's first stop is Odense. This is Denmark's third-largest city and the birthplace of famous fairytale author Hans Christian Andersen. Embark on an orientation tour of the city and enjoy free time to explore. Next up is Aarhus - the second-biggest city in Denmark. Aarhus is home to an old town open-air museum and Viking museums as well as contemporary artwork and architecture. See the highlights of the city on an orientation tour. Arrive in Hirtshals and board the overnight ferry which will transport the tour to Norway! Arrive in Bergen tomorrow.

## Experiences

**Orientation tour of Odense:** Explore the highlights of Odense, the hometown of Hans Christian Andersen. Join your tour leader and learn more about Odense's history as well as its most famous inhabitant. Try and see if you can identify some of the inspiration for his fairytales!

**Orientation tour of Aarhus:** Enjoy a tour and learn more about the bustling city of Aarhus. Aarhus is home to Den Gamle By, an Old Town that doubles as an open-air museum offering insight into the Danish way of life from centuries ago.

**Overnight ferry to Norway:** Arrive in Hirtshals seaport and hop aboard the ferry. Get ready to enjoy an overnight cruise to Bergen, Norway.

## Meals

Breakfast

### ***Day 12: Overnight ferry - Bergen***

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*Hei* Norway! Arrive in Bergen, a charming destination known as “the city among the seven mountains”. Bergen is also the gateway to exploring Norway's magnificent fjords. Seeing the incredible natural splendour of the fjords is a highlight of any Norway tour package! Embark on an orientation tour of the city and see the highlights. Bergen is home to Bryggen Quay - a UNESCO World Heritage Site and top attraction in the city. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city as you wish. Or, choose to join the optional excursion to some of the charming fishing villages which surround Bergen. This excursion ends with a delicious Norwegian dinner at an old trading post turned café!

## Experiences

**Cruise through Norway's fjords:** Cruise to Norway on the overnight ferry and marvel at views of the country's famous fjords as you arrive in Bergen. Norway is home to over 1,000 fjords! The striking, winding waterways offer views which are guaranteed to leave you speechless!

**Orientation tour of Bergen:** Become familiar with this city that is known as “the city among the seven mountains” on an orientation tour with your tour leader. There are great things to see and do in Bergen including an acclaimed aquarium as well as a UNESCO World Heritage Site-listed quay.

## Meals

Breakfast

### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

#### **Coastal Norway: Fishing Villages & Norwegian Dinner**

Discover some hidden coastal gems around Bergen to get a taste of peaceful village life. Enjoy an authentic Norwegian dinner at a historic restaurant.

### ***Day 13: Bergen: Free Day***

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Today, look forward to a full free day to explore beautiful Bergen! This is Norway's second-biggest city and offers so many great things to see and do! To tick multiple sights off your Bergen bucket list, join the Bergen+ optional excursion! This includes a guided tour of Bryggen before a ride on the Fløibanen, the Bergen funicular railway. Travel one thousand feet up Fløyen mountain and enjoy amazing views of the city from the top! Once back down in the city, enjoy a drink at Bergen's quirky Magic Ice Bar! Norwegian adventures abound today!

#### **Meals**

Breakfast

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

##### **Bergen+**

Explore Bergen with your tour leader. Enjoy a scenic ferry ride, a Bryggen tour, a ride on the Fløibanen funicular and a drink at the Magic Ice Bar!

### ***Day 14: Bergen - Gudvangen - Flam - Borgund - Oslo***

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Head into the scenic heartland of Norway today! Wave goodbye to Bergen and travel to Gudvangen. This charming village is a popular spot located at the end of Nærøyfjord - one of Norway's most famous fjords! Arrive and choose to join the optional excursion to a nearby Viking village, which will be followed by a sightseeing cruise. Expect sparkling blue waters, waterfalls plummeting hundreds of metres and dramatic cliffs - breathtaking scenes! Sail along the Nærøyfjord and Aurlandsfjorden fjords to Flam, to meet up with the coach. Departing Flam, make a stop at Borgund's famous Stave Church. Afterwards, continue to Oslo. Arrive later on this evening and sit down for an included dinner with the group at the hotel.

#### **Experiences**

**Experience Norway's scenery:** Enjoy a scenic trip through the Norwegian countryside. Look forward to views of mountains, forests and fjords!

**Visit Gudvangen:** Make a stop in Gudvangen, a village nestled at the end of one of the most famous fjords in Norway. When you arrive in Gudvangen, you will have the opportunity to join the Viking Village and Sightseeing Fjord Cruise optional excursion.

**See Borgund's Stave Church:** Enjoy a stop at this famous Norwegian church. Have your cameras ready as the striking building offers great opportunities for photos.

#### **Meals**

Breakfast, Dinner

## Optional On Tour Excursions

### Viking Village and Norwegian Fjords Cruise

Travel back in time and visit the Viking village Njardarheimr in Gudvangen. Then, cruise along the UNESCO World Heritage fjords to Flam!

### ***Day 15: Oslo - Karlstad***

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Discover Oslo, Norway's capital city, this morning! Join a local guide for a walking tour and see the highlights of the city which is also home to Norway's royal family. Top sights include Akershus Castle and the Royal Palace. Afterwards, enjoy free time or join the Oslo + optional excursion which visits some of Oslo's beautiful green spaces and fascinating museums. Later, it's time to travel to a new country! Head to Karlstad in Sweden which is the overnight destination for this evening. Karlstad is located halfway between Oslo in Norway and Stockholm in Sweden, and sits on the shores of Lake Vänern, offering great outdoor activities, culture and Swedish cuisine - making it a popular spot for locals and visitors!

### Experiences

**Guided tour of Oslo:** Join a local guide for a walking tour of Oslo. On the tour, gain deeper insight into the city and its history. Highlights include the Oslo Opera House, Kvadraturen, the Parliament building, Akershus Castle and the Royal Palace.

### Meals

Breakfast

## Optional On Tour Excursions

### Oslo+

Explore top Oslo sights with your tour leader! Visit Vigeland Sculpture Park, the scenic Bygdøy peninsula and the Fram and Kon Tiki museums.

### ***Day 16: Karlstad - Sigtuna - Stockholm***

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Get ready to see more of Sweden! Today's first stop is Sigtuna, a picturesque medieval town which is the oldest in Sweden! Arrive and set off on an orientation tour. Enjoy free time to explore and enjoy lunch. Next, continue towards Stockholm! Arrive in Sweden's lively capital city and join a local guide for a driving and walking tour of the city. See the Royal Palace as well as the AF Chapman ship followed by a walk through Gamla Stan which is Stockholm's Old Town. Tonight, there is an included group dinner on the menu! Sit down at a restaurant in the city centre and enjoy Swedish meatballs before checking into the hotel for tonight.

### Experiences

**Visit Sigtuna:** Enjoy a visit to Sweden's oldest town! Founded by King Erik the Victorious in 970 AD, Sigtuna is home to the oldest Main Street in the country.



**Guided tour of Stockholm:** Join a local guide and see the top sights of Sweden's capital city. Highlights of this cosmopolitan Scandinavian city include the Royal Palace, the AF Chapman ship as well as the old town Gamla Stan which is the beating heart of the city.

**Swedish meatballs for dinner:** It's time to tuck into a Swedish classic - meatballs! Join the group and enjoy this included dinner tonight.

### **Meals**

Breakfast, Dinner

### ***Day 17: Stockholm: Free Day***

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Stockholm is yours to explore on this free day in the city! Join today's optional excursion for deeper insight into the city's history - enjoy a scenic drive on the way to Drottningholm Palace, embark on a guided tour and explore the palace's lush gardens before visiting the world-famous Vasa Museum. Alternatively, explore on your own! See more of Gamla Stan and wander the historic cobblestone streets. Explore Stockholm's numerous islands which offer great walks - Djurgården is home to Skansen, the open-air Swedish history museum. Why not take a trip to one of the city's fascinating museums? They cover topics including Vikings, Nordic history and ABBA of course!

### **Meals**

Breakfast

### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

#### **Royal Sweden & Vasa Museum**

Experience Sweden's royalty and history! Visit Drottningholm Palace, including the Chinese Pavilion, and the Vasa Museum to see the warship Vasa.

### ***Day 18: End of tour in Stockholm - Fly to Australia***

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After discovering the highlights of Scandinavia, the time has come to say farewell! This morning, the tour comes to an end after breakfast and it's time to make your way to the airport for flights home. We hope you had an incredible time on tour!

### **Meals**

Breakfast

**Please note: The day by day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.**

## About MSC Euribia

MSC Euribia is named after the goddess Eurybia who harnessed the winds, weather and constellations to master the seas. The ship is dedicated to the preservation of the marine ecosystem, and features state-of-the-art sustainable technologies. The vessel boasts exclusive amenities and entertainment for its cruise guests. A stroll along the central promenade of the Galleria Euribia allows guests to discover shops, restaurants, live music, and more throughout each voyage. Those looking to relax and unwind can lounge by one of the 5 outstanding pools or visit the MSC Aurea Spa for various treatments that leave you feeling refreshed.

Burn off some energy at the gym, or take a ride down one of three twisting slides at the Coral Reef Aquapark. With a range of pools and other water activities, the Aquapark is fit for guests of all ages. Some other activities and entertainment destinations include the Sportplex, casino and a TV Studio & Bar. In the evening, dine at one of the many elegant restaurants, then retire in comfort. MSC Euribia offers a variety of cabin options ranging from Interior Studio to Duplex Suites with private whirlpool bath and more.

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