

11 Days Scenic Scandinavia with Iceland optional

Highlights

COUNTRY	CITIES	NIGHTS	SIGHTSEEING – NO ENTRANCES	PAID ATTRACTION / ENTRANCES
FINLAND	<u>Helsinki</u>	1	Guided City tour, The Uspenski Cathedral, Sibelius Park	Suomenlinna
Cruise		1	Overnight Cruise	
SWEDEN	<u>Stockholm</u>	2	Guided City tour: Fjallgatan Viewpoint, Kings Garden, Old Town, Ice Bar, City Hall - Nobel Prize Banquet	Vasa Museum, Drottningholm Palace, Skansen Park, Ride the Sky View – On Top of the Globe
NORWAY	<u>Oslo</u>	1	Guided City tour, Spend time on Karl Johan Street	Viking Ship Museum, The majestic Akershus fortress, Vigeland Sculpture Park
	<u>Geilo</u>	1		Norway in Nutshell, Sognefjord Cruise, Flam Train ride
	<u>Bergen</u>	2	Guided City tour, Visit - Harbor	Funicular train
DENMARK	<u>Copenhagen</u>	2	Guided City tour, The Parliament Building, Geffen Fountain, Little Mermaid Statue, Christiansburg Palace, The Amalienborg Palace	Tivoli gardens, The Carlsberg Brewery, Enjoy Canal Cruise
<u>EXTENSION TOUR (OPTIONAL)</u>				
ICELAND	<u>Reykjavik</u>	4	Black Sand Beach, Seljalandsfoss , Skogafoss waterfall, Diamond beach	Blue Lagoon Geothermal Spa, The Golden Circle, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Perlan, Museum Fly over Iceland

Day 1: Helsinki

Helsinki, Finland's southern capital, sits on a peninsula in the Gulf of Finland. Upon arrival we will visit – **Suomenlinna** (UNESCO's World Heritage) - is an 18th-century sea fortress and nature area with centuries-old artillery and defensive walls, spread across 6 linked islands. Take a ferry ride to visit this unique place. Later drive back and hotel check-in followed by dinner. Overnight in Helsinki.

(Meals: D)

Day 2: Helsinki – Stockholm by Cruise

Check out and proceed to **Guided city tour** of Helsinki. See Senate Square, the Lutheran Temppeliaukio Church or ‘Rocky church of Helsinki’, which is quarried out of natural bedrock, the Uspenski Cathedral, the marvelous Sibelius Park, the Presidential Palace, Finland a Hall, the Opera House, and many more interesting sights. Later, board your luxury cruise. Cruise across the Baltic Sea and through the Swedish archipelago to Stockholm.

Overnight on a luxury cruise.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 3: Stockholm

Today, visit the famous **Vasa Museum**, housing the majestic 17th century royal warship Vasa. Later visit **Drottningholm Palace**, a former royal summer residence, the home of the Swedish Royal family and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Overnight in Stockholm.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 4: Stockholm

Today, visit Skansen Park, an open-air museum and zoo spread over 75 acres. Later proceed for a Guided city tour - **City Hall**, Royal Palace, the Cathedral, the Old Town, Kings Garden, and many more interesting sights. Later, **Ride the Sky View** – a new world-class attraction that takes you on a breathtaking journey, along the outside, to the top of the world’s largest spherical building, the Ericsson Globe, a Stockholm landmark. Overnight in Stockholm. Later you can visit the **Ice Bar** (inside visit not included). Overnight in Stockholm.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 5: Stockholm – Oslo

Early morning proceed to Oslo (approx. 7 hrs. drive). Upon arrival, proceed for a guided city tour – Visit the majestic Akershus fortress or Akershus Castle, a medieval castle built to protect Oslo, the capital of Norway. It has also been used as a palace and as a prison. Later Visit Karl Johan Street. Overnight in Oslo.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 6: Oslo – Geilo

Tour the Viking Ship Museum which presents ships from the Viking periods such as Gokstad, Oseberg, and Tune. Visit the unique **Vigeland Sculpture Park**. After lunch, proceed to Geilo (approx. 3.5 hrs. drive). Overnight in Geilo.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 7: Geilo – Bergen - Norway in Nutshell

Transfer to Geilo railway station. Take a train to Myrdal. Take the train to **Flam**. We cruise to Gudvangen one of Norway’s most famous and splendid Fjords called “Norway in Nutshell”. Meet the coach in Gudvangen and transfer to Bergen where we continue our journey. Overnight in Bergen.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 8: Bergen

Take a city tour of Bergen ‘the Gateway to the Fjords’ we pass through charming villages. Visit the **Harbor**, Next, take a fun-filled ride on the **Funicular train**, to the top of the mountain and enjoy the panoramic and uninterrupted views of the city and its surroundings. Overnight at Bergen.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 9: Bergen - Copenhagen

After breakfast, proceed to the airport to take a flight to Copenhagen. On Arrival We will visit the famous **Tivoli Gardens** - the second-oldest amusement park in the world. Overnight at Copenhagen.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 10: Copenhagen

Today, we proceed for a guided city tour of Scandinavia’s largest and liveliest metropolis- the city Hall, the Parliament building, the Amalienborg Palace, which is the home of the royal family, the Stock Exchange, Geffen fountain, the **Little Mermaid Statue**, and The Christiansburg. Later we will visit one of the most famous Danish beer makers – **Carlsberg Brewery**. Here you will learn about the brewing process, see the collection of over 21,000 beer bottles from all over the world and visit the stables with the “brewery horses”. and later in the afternoon will cruise along the canals of Copenhagen. Overnight in Copenhagen.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 11: Departure

After breakfast, we will proceed to the airport for the flight back home or your next destination is Iceland.

(Meals: B)

Extension of Iceland (Optional)

Day 11: Reykjavik (Iceland)

Today, on arrival Visit the Blue Lagoon, it’s situated within a 20 minutes’ drive from the airport. This famous geothermal spa is an amazing sight where you can relax by bathing in warm water surrounded by mysterious black lava fields. The Blue Lagoon’s warm water and natural active ingredients; mineral salts, silica, and blue-green algae help you relax and escape the stress and strain of daily life. After the spa visit, we will proceed to Reykjavik and Overnight in Reykjavik. (40 minutes’ drive). Overnight in Reykjavik.

(Meals: D)

Day 12: Reykjavik - The Golden Circle

Today visit Golden Circle; we start by driving to **Thingvellir National Park**. This is a historical area where the Icelandic Parliament was held for several centuries. It is also considered one of the world's geological wonders; at Thingvellir, you will witness the effects of the tectonic plate movements which opened various cracks and fissures in the earth's crust. After taking a walk in the unique landscape of Thingvellir, we continue to the famous geothermal area of Geysir. There the **Strokkur hot spring** ejects its water column high into the air every 5 – 10 minutes or so and numerous other small springs are boiling and bubbling. Then we only have a short drive to reach **Gullfoss**, a magnificent waterfall that Icelanders refer to as the "Golden" waterfall, surely one of the most beautiful in Iceland. Overnight in Vik / Jokulsarlon.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 13: South Coast

Today proceed to stop at **Black Sand Beach**. *Later cross Eldhraun, the largest mass of lava ever to flow on the face of the earth before reaching the Skaftafell National Park. Here you'll also start seeing the largest glacier in Iceland, the Vatnajökull that covers more than 8% of the island. Continue to the spectacular Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon and see the birthplace of icebergs. You'll even have the option to take a trip on an amphibian boat and get close to the icebergs for a different kind of view.* later we proceed to Vik, overnight in Vik/ Jökulsárlón.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 14: Vik to Reykjavik to Keflavik

Our final day has you retracing your steps on the way back to Reykjavik visit Skógafoss Falls after that Seljalandsfoss waterfall, this is a beautiful sixty-meter-high waterfall that you can walk behind and is a stunning photography opportunity. Easily one of the most impressive waterfalls in Iceland. Return to Reykjavik. Enjoy visit to Perlan Museum and Fly over Iceland. Overnight in Keflavik.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 15: Departure

Today after breakfast proceed to the airport to take your flight back home. **(Meals: B)**

Package Cost & Details

<p>Scandinavia: Cost based on min 25 people Land Package cost: Per person on twin share USD 3,150.00 (Single Occupancy Additional Supplement – USD 795 per person)</p>
<p>(Optional) Iceland Cost: Cost based on min 15 people Land package cost: Per person on twin share USD 2095.00</p>
<p>Departure Date 2025: Aug 5 / Aug 20 / Sept 10 / Sept 25</p>

<u>Inclusions:</u>	<u>Exclusions:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deluxe 4 * Hotel Accommodation • Internal Airline Bergen to Copenhagen • All Transfers, Sightseeing, and Entrance Tickets as Per the Itinerary • Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (Indian) • Jain meals upon request • Services of Maxim Tour Escort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Airfare • Expenses of a personal nature such as laundry, shopping, drinks, Baggage Portage at hotels • Any incidental Charges at the Hotel • Cost of Visa • Tips USD 5 Per Person Per Day mandatory

Location	Nights	Hotel Name or Similar [Deluxe Category]
Helsinki	1	Hotel Sokos Presientti or similar
Cruise	1	Silja / Viking Line Cruise or similar
Stockholm		Hotel Quality Globe or similar
Oslo	1	Hotel Park Inn or similar
Geilo	1	Vestlia Resort or similar
Bergen	1	Hotel Scandia or similar
Copenhagen	2	AC Hotel by Marriott or similar
Optional Victoria Falls hotel		
Reykjavik	2	Foss Hotel or similar
Glacier lagoon/Vik	2	Hotel Katla or similar



TERMS & CONDITIONS

- ❖ We reserve the right to change any information, route or attractions before or after your booking due to events beyond our control like bad weather, natural Calamity, accident, and or logistic issues. Hotels are subject to change without prior notice based on availability and citywide events.
- ❖ All payments must be made by check/Cashier's check/Money order. Payment done by credit card will be charged 3.5% processing fees. Please send a copy of the check, money order or deposit confirmation upon payment.
- ❖ There will be no refund for any unutilized services (e.g., meals, entrance fees, optional tours, hotel and sightseeing) on the tour due to unavoidable circumstances.
- ❖ Airline rates are approx. and subject to change at the time of booking. Any payments made to Maxim Tours towards any airline are non-refundable. Flights and schedules are subject to change even after booking. Confirmed tour itinerary will be adjusted accordingly. No additional services or compensation will be provided.
- ❖ Please note that Airline seats, wheelchair assistance, meals, frequent flyer & other special requests are request only. We do not guarantee any seating preferences as seating arrangements is airline discretion
- ❖ The tour will operate with a min. group size of 25 passengers. Please note that Group operating less than 25 passengers may incur a supplement cost of Approx. 5-10% on the original land tour package. Also, local tour manager assistance upon arrival to the destination country for group size less than 25 passengers.
- ❖ The package price is subject to change if there is fluctuation in currency exchange.
- ❖ Passengers joining this tour must travel to/from the hub city at their own expense.
- ❖ We advise to book 60 days prior to the date of Departure as the internal ticket rate may increase closer to the departure date, result an increase in the tour cost.
- ❖ Any damages caused to the hotel/coach during your stay shall be payable by the passengers. Maxim is not responsible for the same.
- ❖ We reserve the right to substitute a hotel of similar class if it is deemed advisable or necessary.
- ❖ The management is not responsible for delay or changes in schedules of train, flight, bus, cruise or other services. The management also reserves the right to claim any additional expenses incurred due to delay or changes in schedules of train, flights, bus, cruise or other services.
- ❖ Children 2-11 years of age must share a room. Passengers 12 years or above are considered as adults.
- ❖ Full airline deposit is required at the earliest to confirm airline booking as quotes are subject to change within 24 hours.
- ❖ Maxim Tours shall not be liable for damage occasioned by delay in the carriage by air of passengers or baggage.
- ❖ There will be a charge of USD 100 per person for any cancellation/refund or exchange request.
- ❖ Visa information is subject to change.
- ❖ Jain and Special Meals may be limited.
- ❖ Published packages and prices are valid for our fixed departures only. Rates quoted for any other travel dates are subject to change based on availability, blackout dates, major holidays, trade fairs, sporting events, citywide or nationwide events, special event periods, or other peak travel seasons.
- ❖ Hotel confirmation and airline reservation will be provided 7-15 days prior to the departure.



- ❖ In case of a triple room, the 3rd person in the room will get a rollaway bed. The room size may be the same as the double room.
- ❖ The standard check in time at all hotel is 3:00 pm and check out time is 11:00 am.
- ❖ Due to major international events and convention the hotels may be blocked out in advance. In view of this you may have to stay in hotels further away from the cities/different city and the itinerary may have to be altered/amended.
- ❖ Luggage compartment of coach and internal flight regulations, we strongly recommend you to carry 1 medium size bag of 20 kg for check-in and 1 carryon bag of 7 kg per person.
- ❖ It is extremely important to possess an overseas travel insurance policy before you travel on your tour.
- ❖ Please refer to our detailed "Terms & Conditions" on our website at <http://www.maximtours.net/tos/>

Payments:

At the time of booking: USD 1000/- Per Person as a Non-Refundable Deposit.

Nonrefundable airline payment upon confirmation.

Balance Payment: 60 Days prior to the departure date.

Cancellation Charges:

Cancellation 45 days or more prior to the departure date: Non-Refundable Booking deposit, airline charges and cancellation fees.

Cancellation 44-31 days prior to the departure date: 50% of the land package cost after deducting deposit.

Cancellation 30 days or less prior to the departure date or a 'NO SHOW' on the tour: 100% of the total tour cost.