Agenda

Post-Tour to Norway

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Norway is known as one of the most beautiful countries in the world. It is a land famous for its mountains, forests, fiords, rivers and waterfalls. There are some amazing gardens and rose gardens in Norway too. Experience a most spectacular tour where unexpected and unmemorable meetings between nature and culture will take place. You will be greeted by very kind and gentle people and meet a calm and cozy atmosphere in small cities and villages.

Day 1, Sunday, July 7

08.30 am Departure from Kalmar to Gothenburg for a visit to the Gothenburg Rosarium in the Garden Society of Gothenburg. A public 19th century park in the city center with a collection of over 1 200 different varieties of roses, making it one of the world's largest rosariums. Start with a lunch buffet in one of the many historical buildings of the park, and then our guides will tell the story of the Rosarium that's been organically maintained for almost a quarter of a century, and about this very popular park which has been Gothenburg's favorite for many years.

06.00 pm Check-in at Elite Park Avenue Hotel, close to the Art Museum of Gothenburg. Evening at leisure.

Day 2, Monday, July 8

08.30 am

Departure for Oslo. Lunch stop in the lovely village of Son, south of Oslo. After lunch visit in the world famous Frogner Park/Vigeland Park with the impressive sculptures by Gustav Vigeland. After the visit departure to Brumunddal, a small city close to the beautiful lake Mjösan where we will check in at Wood Hotel by Frich's. This building is one of the worlds tallest wooden buildings. Outside you find a recently created park with an interesting history. Dinner at the hotel in the evening.

Day 3, Tuesday, July 9

08.30 am

Today we are going further into the magical mountain world of Norway and into Gudbrandsdalen. After around 2 hours we have our first stop, Ringebu Stave Church & Rectory. Ringebu Stave Church was built in approximately 1220 and is one of just 28 stave churches which remain in Norway. Set amongst hills and farmland the cemetery is very beautiful. The Rectory with its garden has also a beautiful setting. It is built in 1741 and was in full use until 1991. Today, this listed and restored rectory is an historic experience with five different and listed buildings. In the garden you find an old orchard, flowerbeds and meadows, a collection of 150 roses and a special collection with Nordic roses. Guided tours and lunch with coffee.

02.00 pm

Drive into Romsdalen and the great walls of "Trollveggen". Continue to Molde, the "city of roses".

07.00 pm Check-in at hotel Alexandra in Molde. Dinner in the evening.

Day 4, Wednesday, July 10

After our breakfast buffet and check out we will meet our guides in Molde city. They will tell us the story how Molde became known as "The city of Roses in Norway". We will have a walk amongst the borders, arrangements and climbing trellis on the pavements of Molde. After lunch our bus will take us to Aalesund, another beautiful city on the West Coast. Aalesund is known as the Jugend city in Norway. After a fire in the early 2000th century, the town was rebuilt, by many craftsmen from Germany,

Austria, and Belgium. We will have a guided afternoon tour around the beautiful Art Noveau neighborhoods of Aalesund and get the opportunity to visit the Jugend Museum and Galleri Artifax.

06.00 pm Dinner at Quality Hotel where we also may spend the evening before going to our ship with Hurtigruten to Bergen late evening.

Day 5, Thursday, July 11

Breakfast on board Hurtigruten. Enjoy the beautiful views from the ship. Lunch is additional for those who would like that.

03.00 pm Arrival in Bergen, Norway's second largest city and a heritage city. Checkin at Hotel Norway. Evening at leisure to enjoy the city with its cozy streets and squares, surrounded by seven mountain peaks and having a dinner on your own.

Day 6, Friday, July 12

After breakfast at the hotel there will be an excursion to Milde Botanical Garden 15 km south of Bergen. We will have a guided tour by Professor Per Harald Salvesen in the Rosarium. Lunch will be served outdoors if the weather allows. The walk will be 1 km long. After lunch we will head back via the Botanical Garden, and the Japanese Garden where our bus will take us back to Hotel Norge. Evening at leisure.

Day 7, Saturday, July 13

Excursion by bus to Baroniet Rosendal, a baroque castle that lies between mountains and fjords and has become famous for its romantic rose garden and landscape park. We will have a guided tour in the park and castle. Lunch will be served before going back to Bergen and Hotel Norge.

06.30 pm Our bus will take us from the hotel to Ulriken Cable Car to restaurant Skyskraperen with a spectacular view over Bergen. Dinner is included.

Day 8, Sunday, July 14

Last day of Post tour and last day in Bergen. Choose to take small tours in the city in for example to the Public City Garden, The Museum Garden or an historical tour around the buildings in Bergen. There will also be time for some shopping and lunch.

02.30 pm Bus departs from Hotel Norge to Bergen Airport.

We make reservations for any changes in the program.