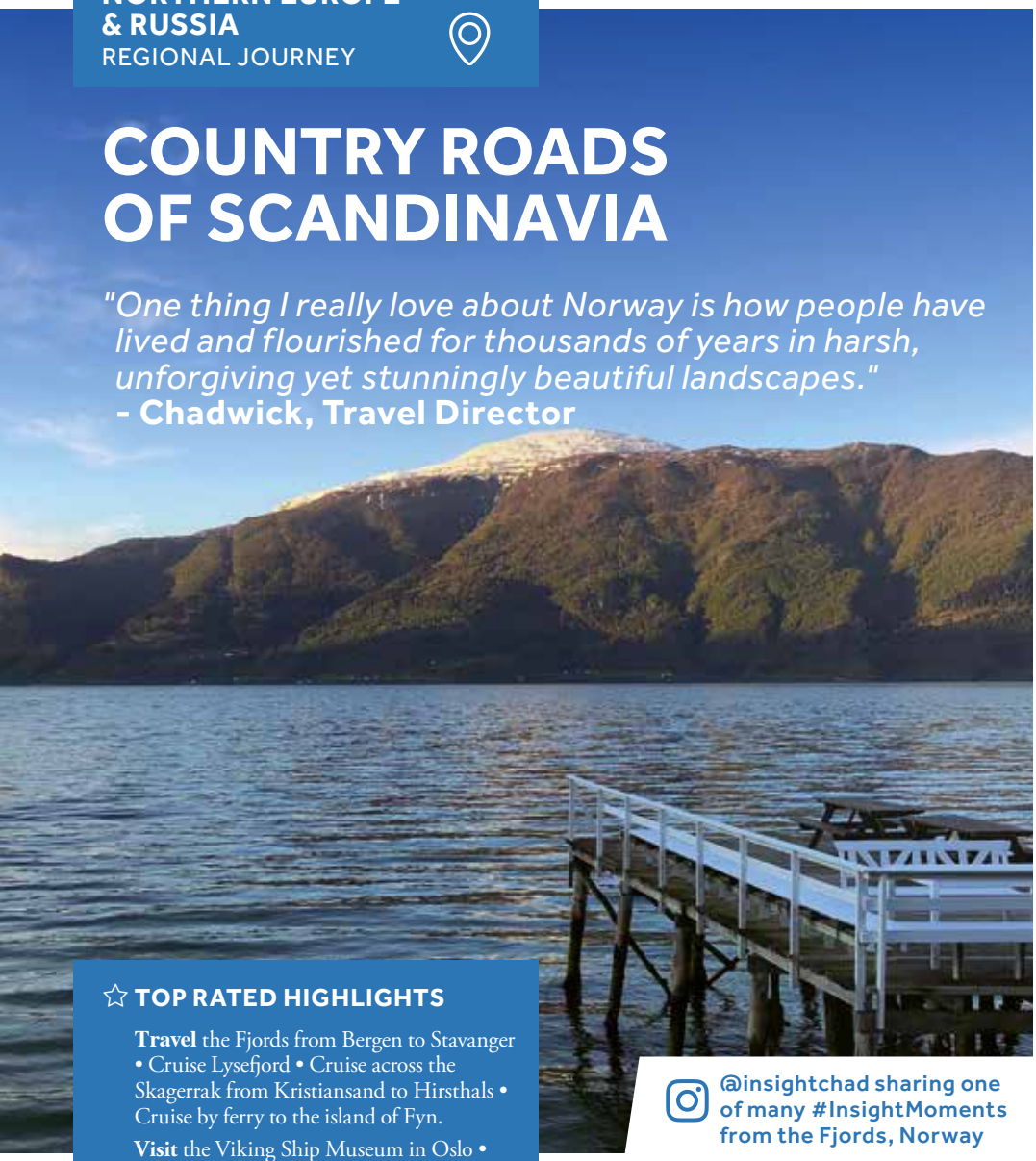
NORTHERN EUROPE & RUSSIA
REGIONAL JOURNEY

COUNTRY ROADS OF SCANDINAVIA

"One thing I really love about Norway is how people have lived and flourished for thousands of years in harsh, unforgiving yet stunningly beautiful landscapes."
- Chadwick, Travel Director



TRIP PLANNER - 12 DAYS

EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT SAVE UP TO $558 pp

TRIP CODE: E340

STARTS	ENDS	TWIN	STARTS	ENDS	TWIN
Wed 13 May	Sun 24 May	$5525	Wed 22 Jul	Sun 02 Aug	$5495
Wed 27 May	Sun 07 Jun	$5575			
			Wed 05 Aug	Sun 16 Aug	$5495
Wed 10 Jun	Sun 21 Jun	$5575	Wed 12 Aug	Sun 23 Aug	$5495
Wed 24 Jun	Sun 05 Jul	$5495	Wed 19 Aug	Sun 30 Aug	$5525
Wed 08 Jul	Sun 19 Jul	$5495	Wed 02 Sep	Sun 13 Sep	$5525
Wed 15 Jul	Sun 26 Jul	$5495	Wed 09 Sep	Sun 20 Sep	$5525

NOTES: Twin prices are per person.

FURTHER SAVINGS UP TO: Young Traveller $550 | Triple Room Reduction $240 | 2nd Trip $139 | Past Guest $279

ROOMING OPTIONS: Single Supplement from $1440 p.p. to $1450 p.p.

PREPAID GRATUITIES OPTION: For your Travel Director and Driver $191 p.p.

WHY NOT COMBINE THIS TRIP WITH **GRAND SCANDINAVIA** TO FULLY EXPERIENCE THE REGION? SEE **SCANDINAVIAN HERITAGE** ON PAGE 179.

☆ TOP RATED HIGHLIGHTS

Travel the Fjords from Bergen to Stavanger • Cruise Lysefjord • Cruise across the Skagerrak from Kristiansand to Hirsthals • Cruise by ferry to the island of Fyn.

Visit the Viking Ship Museum in Oslo • Den Gamle By in Aarhus • Hans Christian Andersen Museum in Odense.

City tours of Oslo, Bergen, Aarhus and Copenhagen, all with Local Experts.

See Akershus Castle, Frogner Park and Royal Palace in Oslo • Hardangervidda National Park • Haakon's Hall and the market stalls of Bergen • Pulpit Rock above Lysefjord • Kristiansand's Dom Kirke and Nupen Fountain • City Hall and modern art museum, ARoS Aarhus Art Museum in Aarhus • Christiansborg Palace, Rosenborg Castle, Amalienborg Palace, Renaissance Stock Exchange and Round Tower in Copenhagen.

AUTHENTIC DINING

Dinner with Wine at Zupperia Matbørsen in Bergen • Farm-to-Table Dinner in Aarhus • Celebration Dinner in Copenhagen.

@insightchad sharing one of many #InsightMoments from the Fjords, Norway

Key:
- Join/Leave Options
- 1 Central Hotels + Nights
- ● Place Visited

FROM **$458** PER DAY

COACH WITH EXTRA LEGROOM

SMALLER GROUPS

YOUR ITINERARY - AT A GLANCE

12 DAYS | 2 COUNTRIES | 11 BREAKFASTS | 4 DINNERS | 15 INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

DAY 1

WELCOME TO OSLO.

On arrival at Oslo airport, your transfer will leave for the hotel at 09:30, 12:00 or 14:30.

Join your Travel Director and fellow guests at 17:30, to enjoy a Welcome Dinner with wine. (DW)

Scandic St Olavs Plass Hotel, Oslo.

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DAY 2 · RELAXED START

COSMOPOLITAN OSLO.

- Sightseeing with a Local Expert includes views of Akershus Castle and the Royal Palace.
- Visit the Viking Ship Museum. Stand beneath the scrolled prows and handcut hulls of 9th century ships that carried Viking nobles to the afterlife and learn about their traditions and culture.
- Wander through Frogner Park, with its intriguing sculptures by Gustav Vigeland. The afternoon is at your leisure to continue exploring as you wish. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to the most modern ski jump in the world? (B)

DAY 3

OSLO CITY TO COASTAL BERGEN.

Journey across the Hardanger Plateau, the largest national park in the Nordic countries, to arrive at the historic port of Bergen.

- Join your Travel Director in a city orientation and hear about the seafaring traditions of this beautiful harbour side town.

Savour a delicious dinner at Zupperia Mathørsen, a local restaurant offering traditional Norwegian and European flavours with an Asian fusion. (B) (DW)

Thon Hotel Rosenkrantz, Bergen.

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DAY 4 · RELAXED START

ANCIENT HANSEATIC PORT OF BERGEN.

- A Local Expert introduces you to Bergen. Visit UNESCO Bryggen and its wooden houses, see the 14th century Haakon's Hall and lively fish market with its many stalls. Enjoy free time to explore all that this exciting town has to offer. Perhaps spend a leisurely afternoon on the traditional-style train of the Flåm Railway? (B)

DAY 5 · RELAXED START

A COASTLINE LIKE NO OTHER.

Travel along this incredible coastline and sail across fjords to reach Stavanger, founded almost 900 years ago. Now the headquarters of the Norwegian oil industry, Stavanger is a fusion of old world charm and cosmopolitan flair. (B)

Radisson Blu Atlantic Hotel, Stavanger.

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DAY 6 · RELAXED START

THE WONDERS OF LYSEFJORD.

Cruise through Lysefjord, one of Norway's most breathtaking fjords and be charmed by its stunning natural beauty. See Preikestolen, Pulpit Rock, a plunging cliff face and one of the most iconic places in Norway. You will also see the mysterious Vagabond's Cave and enjoy the fjord landscape through panoramic windows or from the sundeck. The afternoon is at your leisure to relax or continue exploring Stavanger. (B)

DAY 7

ONWARDS TO KRISTIANSAND.

Your scenic drive round the southern cape of Norway brings you to Kristiansand.

- An orientation walk will show you the Dom Kirke and Nupen Fountain. (B)

Hotel Norge, Kristiansand.

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DAY 8

KRISTIANSAND TO AARHUS.

Sail across the Skagerrak to Hirtshals, Denmark. Continue to Aarhus, one of Europe's cultural treasures with world-class museums and modern art.

- Visit Den Gamle By with your Local Expert. Learn about the city's Viking Heritage as you explore this open-air museum of urban history and culture. (B)

Comwell Hotel Aarhus.

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DAY 9 · RELAXED START

HISTORIC AARHUS.

- Join your Local Expert for an exploration of the city centre. See the City Hall, ARoS Aarhus Art Museum topped with an immense, interactive artwork and Dokk1, the largest public library in Scandinavia. Walk through the area surrounding the cathedral and visit the new township for splendid views of Aarhus Bay. The afternoon is free for you to explore at your own pace.

Join your fellow travellers for a Farm-to-Table Dinner where you will enjoy delicious Danish dishes made from locally sourced, seasonal ingredients. (B) (D)

DAY 10

ODENSE AND THE FAIRYTALES OF FYN.

Cross the Jutland Peninsula to the town of Odense, on the island of Fyn.

- Visit the Hans Christian Andersen House, a museum dedicated to his life and works. Learn about his career, travels and love life. (B)

Radisson Blu Scandinavia Hotel, Copenhagen.

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DAY 11 · RELAXED START

WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL COPENHAGEN.

- With your Local Expert, meet Hans Christian Andersen's Little Mermaid and see Christiansborg Palace, Rosenborg Castle, Amalienborg Palace, the Renaissance Stock Exchange, Copenhagen Cathedral and the unusual Round Tower.

The afternoon is at your leisure. Perhaps explore the Tivoli Gardens for an evening of lights, flowers and sensory delights.

This evening, toast to the end of your Scandinavian adventure as you enjoy a delicious Celebration Dinner with your newfound friends. (B) (DW)

DAY 12

DEPART COPENHAGEN.

Departure transfers arrive at Copenhagen airport at 06:30, 09:00 and 12:00. (B)

ALL INCLUDED EXPERIENCES & DINING WORTH APPROXIMATELY $658