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# NORWAY & DENMARK: A FJORDLAND JOURNEY - A LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEY (2025)

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18 Guests

Europe, Norway, Denmark 10 days from AU\$26,355 pp

## Journey Overview

Venture to the heart of Norway's rugged Fjordland, roaming along stunning, glacier-carved coastlines and visiting small villages alive with history. Discover two bustling Scandinavian capitals, exploring the culture and culinary treasures of both Oslo and Copenhagen, visiting renowned art museums, dining on fine cuisine and learning the principle of hygge.

#### **Journey Highlights**

- Cruise majestic Naeory Fjord by RIB boat, disembarking at an authentically recreated
  Viking settlement for an A&K-exclusive Viking-style lunch
- Dine in a traditional lavvo (Norwegian tent) set in the woods overlooking a stunning fiord
- Privately explore the innovatively designed Oslo Opera House
- Explore picturesque Bergen, ancient trading port of the Hanseatic League
- Meet a Dane in their home for conversation over afternoon tea on an A&K-exclusive experience



## **Itinerary**

#### Day 1: Arrive Oslo, Norway

Arrive in Oslo, the capital of Norway, where you are met and privately transferred to your hotel. Later, enjoy a welcome dinner at your hotel's restaurant.

#### Grand Hotel Oslo | Meals: D

#### Day 2: Oslo | Treasures of Christiania

Experience life along the scenic Oslo fjord, starting with a guided visit to Vigeland Park, a Scandinavian cultural treasure comprising over 200 granite, bronze and wroughtiron sculptures created by Gustav Vigeland. Then, explore the Munch Museum to peruse its vast collection of artworks, texts, letters, photos and personal possessions bequeathed to the city by Norwegian artist Edvard Munch, best known for his iconic modern Expressionist work, *The Scream*. Proceed to privately tour the cutting-edge Oslo Opera House and opt for a walk along its mountain-inspired sloping roof. Then, enjoy some time at leisure to discover the city on your own, perhaps stopping for lunch at the Sanguine Brasserie with its views of the stunning fjord.

#### Grand Hotel Oslo | Meals: B

#### Day 3: Oslo | Into the Fjords

Rise early for a flight to Kristiansund, on Norway's rugged coast. Upon arrival, begin your explorations of stunning Fjordland, starting with a drive along the Atlantic Ocean RoadStop in Alesund, a fishing town on Norway's west coast, to view its distinctive architectural style born of devastation. On a stormy night in January 1904, a fire raged through the town, destroying 850 houses and leaving 10,000 people homeless. Over the next four years, the dwellings were rebuilt in an Art Nouveau style with a local folkloric twist, sporting turrets, spires and medieval ornamentation, including dragons. After lunch in a local restaurant, enjoy a guided walk of the city before continuing to your hotel.

#### Storfjord Hotel | Meals: BD

#### Day 4: Storfjord | Design Your Day

Begin your day by enjoying one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- **Kayak a Tranquil Fjord** accompanied by an expert instructor, stopping in bays and inlets, and watching for seabirds and other aquatic life.
- **Hike the Mountainous Terrain of the Fjord** with a guide who reveals the flora and fauna of the Nordic forest.
- **Sample Tasty Cuisine With Your Hotel's Chef** as he explains his culinary philosophy and shares some of his favourite cooking techniques.

Afterward, relax and soak up the atmosphere of this idyllic fjordland retreat. This evening, enter a traditional Norwegian lavvo (tent) to savour dinner made from local ingredients and served all fresco around a roaring fire.

#### Storfjord Hotel | Meals: BLD

#### Day 5: Geirangerfjord | Panoramic Fjord Cruise

Journey along Storfjord, taking in the extraordinary scenery and traversing the winding Eagle Road, which carries you up for views over rugged coastal terrain. View Seven Sisters Falls and gaze down on the many cruise ships that traffic the fjord far below. Listen as your guide explains how glaciers created the fjords over countless centuries. Next, board a traditional ferry for a panoramic cruise along the wondrous Geirangerfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Disembark in Hellysylt and continue toward the picturesque village of Loen, where you enjoy lunch accompanied by stunning views at a skylift restaurant. Then, check in to your waterside hotel and enjoy time at leisure before sampling one of Norway's most sumptuous buffets.

Hotel Alexandra | Meals: BLD

#### Day 6: Naeroyfjord | Meet the Vikings

Rise early for a drive along a route that includes a ferry crossing of the Sognefjord and a jaunt through the Laerdal tunnel, the world's longest road tunnel. Arrive in the tiny village of Flam, located on the shores of the Aurlandsfjord, which you experience by RIB (rigid inflatable boat), and then cruise into the spectacular Naeroyfjord to Laegdafossen — a breathtaking waterfall in the heart of this UNESCO-listed natural wonder — the perfect vantage point for views into the spectacular fjord. Along the way, enjoy tales of the region's history shared by your personal guide. Disembark in Gudvangen and enter the historic Viking village of Njardarheimr to view reconstructed Viking-style houses built using the tools and techniques of the Viking Age. Stop at the home of the resident Viking chieftain, your host for a private meal prepared with traditional Viking methods, such as spit roasting and smoking, on an A&K exclusive experience. First, look on as the Viking style of combat is recreated for your enjoyment, and then savour dishes flavoured with the kinds of herbs and spices the Vikings brought back to the region from their seafaring forays. Afterward, continue to Bergen, a UNESCO World Heritage City, and check in at your hotel.

#### Opus XVI | Meals: BL

#### Day 7: Bergen | Hanseatic City

Travel outside Bergen to visit Fantoft, a stave church dating to the 13th century. Proceed to the Hanseatic Museum and Schotstuene in Bergen, two museums where you see how the merchants from the Hanseatic League traded stock, fish and grains from the 14th through 18th centuries. Continue to the Bergen Fish Market to enjoy a sampling of traditional local products. This evening, gather for dinner at a local restaurant.

#### Opus XVI | Meals: BD

#### Day 8: Copenhagen, Denmark | Seaside Capital

Fly to Copenhagen, enchanting capital of Denmark, to discover its elegant contrast of medieval and modern architecture and examples of world-famous Danish design. Upon arrival, enjoy a typical Danish lunch at iconic Nyhavn Harbour, followed by a boating experience through the canals of the city, listening as your local guide introduces you to the Danish capital and its history. Settled as a small stone-walled fishing village in the 11th century, learn how Copenhagen grew into a sea-trading port city often in conflict with the powerful Hanseatic League and later a centre for elegant architecture throughout the Renaissance.

#### Hotel d'Angleterre | Meals: BL

#### Day 9: Copenhagen | Exclusive Danish Family Visit

Venture outside Copenhagen to discover Frederiksborg Castle, former home of Denmark's royal family. Discover five centuries of Danish history through its rich collection of paintings, furniture and applied art. Continue to the internationally known Louisiana Museum of Modern Art. View its 4,000-plus pieces, mainly paintings and sculptures, in a minimalist but inviting space filled with art juxtaposed with windows offering views onto the lovely Danish landscape. Then, enjoy some time at leisure, free to explore the museum's lovely garden and on-site restaurant. This afternoon, savour a relaxing "hygge Sunday" on a private visit with a local Dane's family. Share afternoon tea and conversation with them, finding out how the Danes learn early in life to protect their social customs, on this A&K-exclusive experience. Return to your hotel and later enjoy a farewell dinner at iconic Tivoli Gardens.

#### Hotel d'Angleterre | Meals: BD

#### Day 10: Depart Copenhagen

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departing flight.

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#### **Journey Details**

Internal Air Included: Oslo/Kristiansund; Bergen/Copenhagen This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 9.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### **Included with every Luxury Small Group Journey**

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director® and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy® Luggage Handling
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

#### **Customise this Journey**

**Talk to one of our expert Journey Designers** or your travel agent about booking this tour as a private journey for your own small group with family or friends. Or, if you would prefer to travel privately, find out more about creating the perfect bespoke Tailor-Made Journey based on this itinerary.

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## Accommodation

#### **Opus XVI Hotel, Bergen**



Music is never far away when you stay at the aptly named Opus XVI. The now-trendy former bank is owned by the descendants of Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg, famous for his work on Ibsen's Peer Gynt.

Here you will find 65 rooms and suites christened in honour of his compositions. Each of the suites are individually designed with modern interiors, and a subtle classic touch. The décor consists of muted colours, dark cabinetry and gold accents. Some rooms enjoy views towards Mount Fløyen while others look down over the quiet plaza of Vågsallmenningen.

Close to the coast, you can expect inventive seafood dishes in the delightful Restaurant XVI. The chef and his team are passionate about local ingredients and create a three- and five-course menu which includes everything from langoustine and monkfish to goats' cheese.

Just a short walk from this heritage hotel guests can find the famous fish market, the bustling pier and the Fløibanen funicular which travels high above the city and shows why Bergen is known as the 'capital of the fjords'.

## **Dates & Pricing**

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

May 10, 2025 - May 19, 2025

Price Single Supplement Internal Air (From) Availability

AU\$26,355 pp AU\$9,175 Included Call for Availability

May 24, 2025 - Jun 2, 2025

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Jun 14, 2025 - Jun 23, 2025

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Jul 12, 2025 - Jul 21, 2025

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Aug 2, 2025 - Aug 11, 2025

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Aug 16, 2025 - Aug 25, 2025

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Sep 13, 2025 - Sep 22, 2025

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Sep 27, 2025 - Oct 6, 2025

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