

EXPLORING SOUTHERN NORWAY

with Vennelag, Sons of Norway Lodge, Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin

August 6 - 18, 2026

PRELIMINARY ITINERARY

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Bergen, Stavanger, Oslo, Telemark, and the fjords

Cruise the fjords, dine at a tropical island, travel the breathtaking North Sea Highway, meet a talented rosemaling artist, tour Lindesnes Lighthouse, cruise a segment of the Telemark Canal, and learn more about the occupation of Norway during WWII



ITINERARY | 13 DAYS



To request pre- or post-tour extensions, alternative travel dates, or flights from other cities, please note on application.

DAY 1 THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

Chicago O'Hare—Bergen: Depart on your transatlantic flight.

DAY 2 FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

Bergen: Arrive at Bergen Flesland Airport. Transfer to hotel. Balance of day free to adjust to time change. Welcome dinner and overnight at the Hotel Norge by Scandic.

DAY 3 SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

Bergen: Morning sightseeing tour of Norway's second largest city includes a walk through the historic Hanseatic Wharf (UNESCO World Heritage Site). Afternoon and evening free to visit the famous Fish Market or ride the funicular to the top of Mount Fløyen for a magnificent view of Bergen. Dinner on own. Overnight at hotel.

DAY 4 SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

Bergen—Flåm—Lofthus: Drive to Voss. Transfer to the Oslo/Bergen Railway and continue to Myrdal. Board the famous Flåm Railway, ranked as one of the top 20 train rides in the world. Descend 2800 feet within 13 miles from Myrdal to Flåm. Cruise the dramatic Aurlandfjord and Nærøfjord from Flåm to Gudvangen. Meet the motorcoach in Gudvangen and proceed to Lofthus, located in the heart of Norway's cherry, apple, and pear orchards. Dinner and overnight (fjord-view rooms) at Hotel Ullensvang along the Sørkjord.

DAY 5 MONDAY, AUGUST 10

Lofthus—Stavanger: Morning drive from Lofthus to Ølen. Visit a local rosemaling artist and enjoy a light lunch. Ferry from Arsvågen to Mortavika and drive the underwater tunnels from Rennesøy to Randaberg en route to Stavanger, the hub of North Sea oil exploration and development operations. Short sightseeing tour upon arrival. Dinner on own. Overnight at Radisson BLU Atlantic Hotel.

DAY 6 TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

Stavanger: Day free to explore Stavanger independently. This modern Norwegian city is a charming mixture of old and new, retaining much of its 18th century charm. Depart in late afternoon on a 20-minute ferry ride to a tropical island with beautiful flowers, palm trees and sea views. Tour the gardens and dine at the island restaurant. Return to hotel for overnight.

DAY 7 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

Stavanger—Spangereid: Pass through Jæren, one of Norway's leading agricultural districts. Breathe in the sea air as you drive the scenic North Sea Highway, passing fields and ocean views, deserted beaches, and rugged landscapes. Stop in the village of Vanse, where you'll get a taste of America. Many Norwegians from this area emigrated to America to follow the American dream. There were many who also returned, bringing with them a love for American lifestyle, along with objects and traditions that have shaped the local culture. Possibility of connecting with members of a local Sons of Norway lodge. Dinner. Overnight in Spangereid for along the rocky coastline at the Lindesnes Havhotell.

DAY 8 THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

Spangereid—Grimstad: Excursion to Norway's southernmost tip, Lindesnes. Learn about lighthouse history and coastal culture when touring the Lindesnes Lighthouse, the first lighthouse in Norway. (There are over 2000 lighthouses in Norway and at most there have been 150 in operation.) Since 1863, it has been the keeper's duties at Lindesnes to report around-the-clock observations of the weather for the Norwegian Meteorological Institute. Here, where two seas meet and currents, winds, and weather reign over life and death, seafaring history is full of dramatic tales of shipwrecks in the foul waters. When bad weather hits with full force, the waves can reach a height of 82 feet. Proceed to Kristiansand, Norway's 5th largest city and continue to the charming coastal town of Grimstad, known for its maritime atmosphere, picturesque white wooden houses, and narrow cobblestone streets. Dinner and overnight in Grimstad at Home Hotel Grimstad.

ITINERARY INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from Chicago O'Hare, including taxes, fees & fuel surcharge
- 11 nights accommodations, double occupancy, with private facilities
- Daily breakfast [B] and 8 dinners [D], including Flor og Fjære
- 1st-class touring coach, train & ferries per itinerary
- City sightseeing in Bergen, Stavanger, and Oslo
- Cruise on a section of the Telemark Canal
- Entrance fees to all sites including: Lindesnes Lighthouse, West Telemark Museum, Norwegian Industrial Museum, and Norwegian Ski Museum
- Luggage handling at hotels for 1 suitcase (subject to availability)
- Tour Director for Days 2 – 13

ESTIMATED TOUR PRICING

Price with air/taxes/fuel from..... \$6995

ESTIMATED price is based on a minimum of 35 paying participants. Price includes airfare from Chicago O'Hare plus taxes/fees and fuel surcharge. Fuel and all taxes are subject to change and if needed, will be re-assessed in your statement prior to final payment.

Single Room Supplement..... \$1375

ESTIMATED PRICING - As pricing has not yet been received from all suppliers for 2026, prices are estimated, based on an average increase. Please be advised that the Norwegian government is considering introducing a tourist tax. Should a political decision be made in favor of this measure, any additional costs will be added to the tour package.

For more information, contact:

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DAY 9 FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

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Grimstad—Vrådal: Depart for Telemark, an area referred to as "Norway in Miniature." Enjoy a cruise on a segment of the Telemark Canal, one of the most beautiful waterways in the world, connecting the coast of Telemark with the interior through a system of 8 locks at a distance of 67 miles. Continue to Vrådal for dinner and overnight at the Straand Hotel.

DAY 10 SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

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Vrådal—Rjukan: Visit the West Telemark Museum in Eidsborg, one of Norway's largest outdoor museums and tour the Eidsborg Stave Church. In Morgedal, tour the Norwegian Ski Adventure Center offering an exciting adventure through the history of modern skiing. Proceed to Rjukan for dinner and overnight at Gaustablikk Hotel.

DAY 11 SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

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Rjukan—Oslo: Visit the Industrial Museum and Vemork Power Station, where the Nazis produced "Heavy Water" for their atomic bomb experiments during the war. Photo stop at Heddal Stave Church, the largest of Norway's 28 remaining stave churches. Continue to Oslo. Dinner on own. Overnight at the Thon Bristol Hotel.

DAY 12 MONDAY, AUGUST 17

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Oslo: Morning sightseeing tour of Norway's capital city includes a visit to Vigeland Sculpture Park. Balance of day free. Farewell dinner and overnight at hotel.

DAY 13 TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

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Oslo—Depart: Tour ends following breakfast. Transfer to Oslo Gardermoen Airport for return flight.

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BREKKE'S ESCORTED TOURS EARLY REGISTRATION PROCESS

GENERAL INFORMATION

EARLY REGISTRATION:

To secure a seat on *Exploring Southern Norway with Vennelag, Sons of Norway Lodge of Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin* (August 6 – 18, 2026), please complete and return the Early Registration Form which also entitles you to a reduced deposit of \$400 per person (payable by check). As we are unable to secure airfare until a later date, pricing on the tour package is currently estimated. Once airfare is confirmed and pricing is finalized, you will receive a confirmed, priced itinerary, the applicable terms and conditions and information pertaining to travel insurance. To reconfirm your participation, you will also be asked to complete our Tour Registration Form. You will then have two weeks to cancel; should you cancel, you will receive a full refund of your trip deposit.

PLEASE NOTE: upon acceptance of the confirmed itinerary and price, your deposit of \$400 per person becomes non-refundable.

AIR TRAVEL:

A limited number of group seats will be requested from the departure city specified in the itinerary. Options to fly from an alternate city may be available at the time of confirmation. A quote can be requested on your confirmation form. The supplemental cost will be based on published rates at that time.

If you prefer to make your own air arrangements, please ensure that the tour is guaranteed to operate, before committing to non-refundable/non-changeable airfare.

CONFIRMATION OF AIR AND TOUR SERVICES:

You can expect to hear from our office approximately 8-9 months prior to departure with the confirmed priced itinerary, the applicable terms and conditions, possible pre- and post-tour extension options, and information pertaining to travel insurance. Airfare upgrades will also be offered at this time. You will be asked to complete our Tour Registration Form to confirm your registration. Tour extensions and upgrades can be requested on this form. Should you choose to cancel, you will receive a full refund of your early registration deposit provided your cancellation notification is received within two weeks following receipt of this information.

EARLY REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete (print or type) and return to the address below.

NAME OF TOUR: EXPLORING SOUTHERN NORWAY WITH SON MT. HOREB

REGISTRATION TYPE (Please select one):

- ☐ **Air & Land:** Group seats will be requested from Chicago O'Hare Airport (as indicated on the itinerary) and will include airport transfers upon arrival / departure. Groups seats are assigned in economy at the discretion of the airline. Seat numbers may not be advised until check-in at the airport. Seating requests will be submitted, however, specific seat assignments cannot and will not be guaranteed. Tour extension options and/or seating upgrades may be requested on your tour confirmation form. Supplemental costs will be based on published rates at that time.
- ☐ **Land Only:** If you prefer to make alternative air arrangements, please ensure that the tour is guaranteed to operate, before committing to non-refundable/non-changeable airfare.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAMES EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS / WILL APPEAR ON YOUR PASSPORT

PLEASE NOTE: NAME CHANGES / CORRECTIONS WILL INCUR A MINIMUM \$250 CHANGE FEE

NAME #1: _____ / _____ / _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____
(Last Name as it appears on passport) (First Name as it appears on passport) (Middle Name as it appears on passport) (mo / day / year)

Gender: ☐ M ☐ F How do you want your badge to read _____

NAME #2: _____ / _____ / _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____
(Last Name as it appears on passport) (First Name as it appears on passport) (Middle Name as it appears on passport) (mo / day / year)

Gender: ☐ M ☐ F How do you want your badge to read _____

Additional travelers: _____

Final documents for all passengers listed will be sent to the address provided below unless otherwise indicated:

ADDRESS: _____ / _____ / _____
(No. & Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

E-MAIL: _____ PHONE: (_____) _____ /Home (_____) _____ /Cell _____

TYPE OF ROOM: ☐ Single ☐ Double (1 double bed) ☐ Twin (2 twin beds) NAME OF ROOMMATE/S: _____

If requested a double room with 2 twin beds: Brekke Tours will forward your request to the hotel; however, on some occasions, rooms with one double bed may be the only choice available.

SINGLES: Do you wish to room with another single person requesting a roommate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please note that you will be charged a single supplement fee. If you request a roommate and one is found, you will receive a refund of this fee upon acceptance of roommate.

I/we understand that the enclosed check with the early deposit of \$ _____ (\$400 per person) will secure my/our place on this tour. Once package details and final pricing have been confirmed, I/we understand that I/we will receive a detailed itinerary with confirmed prices and services. I/we will then have two weeks to complete an official application form to finalize my/our reservation or cancel my/our reservation for a full refund. Upon acceptance of the confirmed itinerary and price, your deposit of \$400 per person becomes non-refundable. Should I/we wish to cancel prior to completion of the official registration, I/we will receive a full refund.

Signature _____ Date _____

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