

## "What We'll See and Do in Norway – June 2019"

Presentation at the Hadeland Lag's Høst Samling
Broadcast as a Webinar
Saturday, October 20, 2018
11 a.m.

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#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

#### OSLO

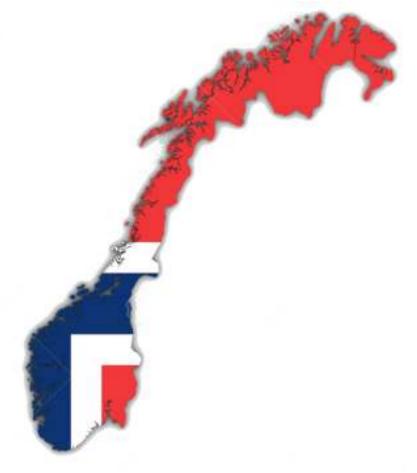
Arrive Oslo Sunday, June 16
Tour begins Monday morning, June 17
Bus Transport to Hadeland – Wednesday afternoon, June 19

#### HADELAND

Arrive Sanner Hotel Wednesday, June 19 Depart Tuesday, June 24

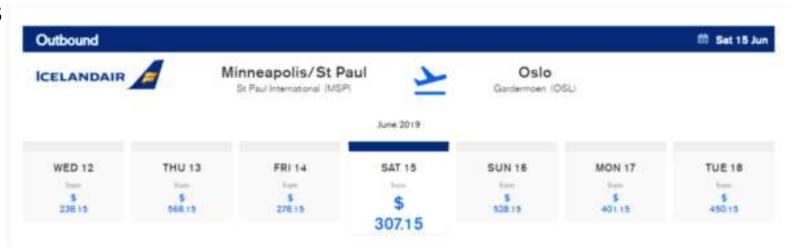
#### EXTENDED TOUR

Arrive Sanner Hotel Monday, June 23
Tour begins Tuesday morning, June 24
Arrive Bergen, Saturday evening, June 29
Arrive at Oslo Airport Hotel on Tuesday evening, July 2
Depart Wednesday, July 3

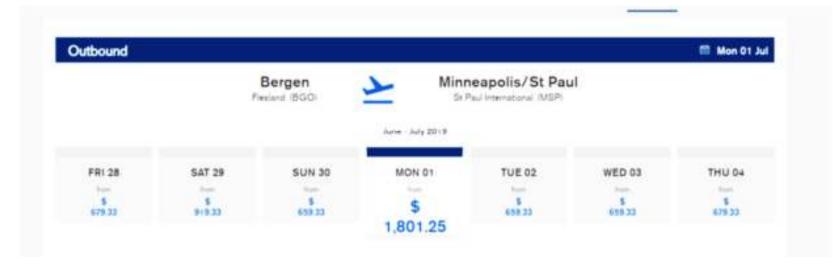


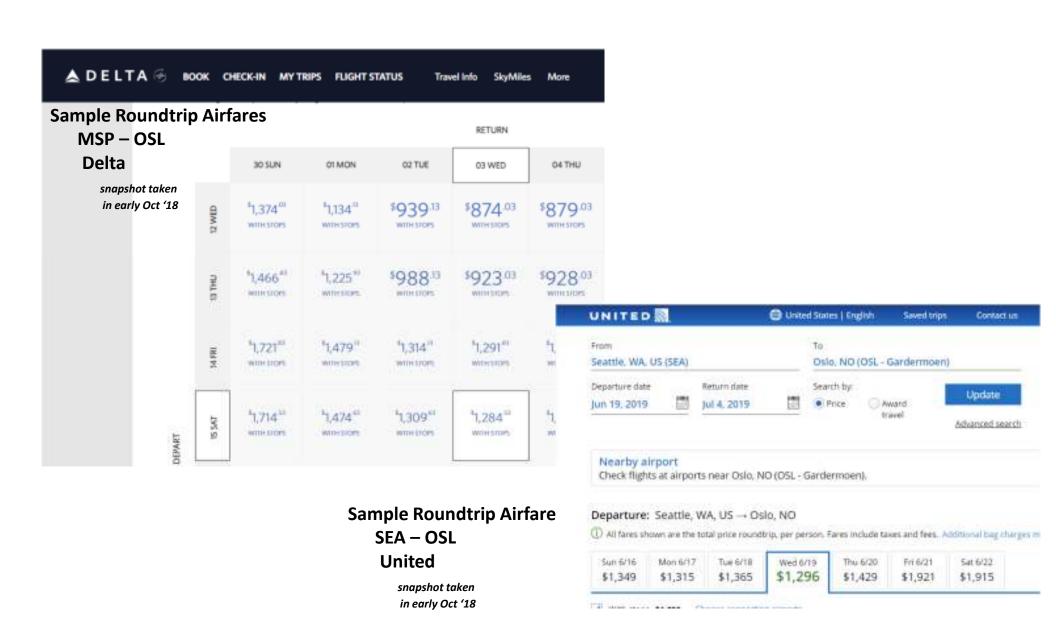
# Sample Airfares MSP – OSL Icelandair

snapshot taken in early Oct '18



# BGO – MSP Icelandair snapshot taken in early Oct '18







- October 20, 2018: Registration officially begins; deposit required
- January 2019: First "2019 Travel Tip Newsletter" will include costs for optional activities and a revised estimated cost for the Oslo leg of the tour based on actual participation.
- February 1, 2019: Second payment due; second newsletter distributed
- March 15, 2019: Last day for cancellation with full refund; third newsletter
- April 2019: Fourth newsletter will be personalized to include the amount of each registrant's final payment
- April 30, 2019: Final trip payment due
- May, 2019: Fifth newsletter
- June 2019: Hjem til Norge!



#### Exchange Rate

- Because we will be traveling in Norway, all expenses are charged in kroner (NOK). The exchange rate determines how many Norwegian kroner a US/Canadian dollar can buy. It changes over time.
- The rate on October 1 was 8.23 NOK:1 USD That means that right now each US dollar is the equivalent of about 8 ¼ kroner.
- Because of specific market concerns, professionals in the field forecast that when we pay for the trip next spring, the exchange value may have dropped to around 7.5 NOK: 1 USD



#### Exchange Rate Example

- We have already signed a lodging contract with the Sanner Hotel, so that cost is fixed ... in Norwegian kroner.
- You will pay for your stay at the Sanner at check-out. The exchange rate for that day will be used. Here is an
  example of how the exchange rate makes a difference in the cost, using the package price for double
  occupancy (6195 NOK)
- At the rate on October 1, the cost in US dollars would be

• At the predicted rate of 7.5, the cost in US dollars would be

- The Hadeland Lag is not a travel agency. We attempt to offer this tour at or near actual cost. We are not financially able to pay for this tour in advance of your payments, and expect to pay tour costs in full in the spring when all planning is complete and all of your payments have been received.
- We do not know what the actual exchange rate will be next spring. We believe that by estimating costs at 7.5 NOK:1 USD we will best assist our members in successfully budgeting for the trip.
- Around March 31, we will look at the actual exchange rate and adjust the tour cost either up or down based on that rate and send you the amount of your final payment.

All Dollar Figures in this presentation are calculated at 7.5 NOK to 1 USD



### Canadian Exchange Rate

• All payments to the Lag are received in USD. Current USD:CAD exchange rate applies at time of transaction. As of October 1, that rate was 1.3 CAD: 1 USD

Estimated Hadeland tour cost: 400 USD = 520 CAD

- On October 1, the exchange rate was 6.39 NOK:1 CAD. The forecast is that the exchange rate will remain fairly stable over the next year.
- Your Sanner hotel bill will reflect the exchange rate at time of check-out. The current example of actual cost in Canadian dollars:

Sanner Hotel (double occupancy) 6195/6.39 = 969.48 CAD

#### Roommates



- If you are traveling by yourself but are interested in sharing a room in Oslo, Hadeland, and/or the Extended Tour, we will put your name and contact info (email/phone) on a list that will be sent to those of your gender who are also looking for a roommate.
- You can make contact with others on the list to discuss sharing accommodations during the tour.
- Let Barb or Anne know if you find your "tour match." We will assign you together upon approval from both potential roommates.
- If you are unable to find a roommate or there is no one available, you will be required to switch to single occupancy. Single occupancy supplements will be due as part of your final (April 30<sup>th</sup>) tour payment.



## **Optional Activities**





- We have identified some activities that, for various reasons, may or may not be of interest to many of our participants. Rather than guess, we need your input to decide if/how to include them so that we can plan and ensure the best experience for everyone.
- Each will be discussed as it occurs during the presentation.



## OSLO: Arrive Sunday, June 16



#### Bygdøy Museums

- \*Norwegian Museum of Cultural History
- \* Viking Ship Museum
- \* Kon-Tiki

Fram Museum – The Polar Ship Fram

Oscarshall

**Holocaust Center** 

Norwegian Maritime Museum

\*Morning tour stops

## Hotel Thon Panorama (per person/double occupancy included in tour price)

Sunday Evening: Optional evening harbor cruise with dinner

Monday: The museums at the bygdøy in the A.M. followed by lunch.

In the afternoon, take the bus to Vigeland Park *or*Remain on the bygdøy to visit other museums

Dinner and (hopefully) a tour of Holmenkollen ski jump and museum

Tuesday: A full tour of Akershus fortress in the A.M.

Bus returns to hotel

On-your-own for lunch, afternoon, and dinner

Optional evening performance of the opera Cinderella at the Opera House

Wednesday: City Hall and other Oslo landmarks, light lunch,

Arrive at the Sanner Hotel by 4:30 p.m.

Itinerary is subject to change

#### OSLO: June 16 – June 19



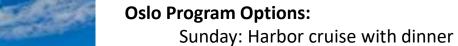
Estimated Cost: \$900 (per person, double occupancy)

Because we've never done this before, the estimate does not include *any* hotel or group discounts. **Depending on participation, the price** <u>in kroner</u> **could drop by a significant amount**.

Hotel provides breakfast; 3 nights included in tour price

On-your-own meals: Sunday dinner

Tuesday lunch & dinner



estimated cost \$50-\$75

Tuesday: Performance at the Opera House estimated cost \$80-\$90

100% payment for Opera House due February 1

no guaranteed refunds

We have reserved row 8 in the orchestra (up to 30 seats)

- We could make a dinner reservation at a nearby restaurant – individuals would pay for their own meals



## HADELAND: Arrive Wednesday, June 19



Highlights in the kommuner
Lunner Church
Jevnaker Church
Hadeland Glassworks
Kistefos Museum & Sculpture Park
New Tingelstad Church
Nes Church
Grinaker Weavery
Aschim Farm, Dåpstradisjon
Sister Churches/Stone House Tour

Sanner Hotel – pay your own bill at check-out

Wednesday, June 19: Welcome dinner & reception

Thursday, June 20: Tour of sites in Lunner and Jevnaker

Friday, June 21: Tours of sites in Gran

Manskorr KK concert in the evening

Saturday, June 22: Farm visits *or s*hopping at Gran Sentrum Banquet

Sunday, June 23: Church service/tour at St. Nicolai in the a.m. Hadeland Folkemuseum in the p.m.

Monday, June 24: Lillehammer: 1992 Olympic venues and Maihaugen Museum Farewell dinner

Tuesday: June 25: Departure

Itinerary is subject to change

#### HADELAND: June 19 – June 24





Tour Price: Estimated cost \$400 includes all lunches

Arrangements for travel between Oslo Airport and the Sanner Hotel, Hadeland, will be provided. An additional fee may be required at time of travel.

**Sanner Hotel** - Individual payment upon check-out (that day's exchange rate) Standard accommodations – 6 nights, includes all breakfasts and dinners:

Double Occupancy per person: 6195 NOK (\$825) Single Occupancy: 7395 NOK (\$985)

#### Per Person:

Extra night (double occupancy) with breakfast: 895 NOK (\$120/night) Extra night (single occupancy) with breakfast: 1095 NOK (\$145/night) Extra bed in double room with breakfast: 495 NOK (\$66/night)

Adult Dinner: 395 NOK (\$53) Adult Banquet: 595 NOK (\$80) Meals for children under 12 are ½ price



### EXTENDED TOUR: Arrive Monday, June 24

**Tuesday, June 25** Kongsberg Silver Mine, Heddal Stave Church, Rjukan/Vemork

Overnight at Gaustiblikk

**Wednesday, June 26** Coffee at Nutheim Hotel/Gallery, Telemark Canal, Setesdalsbanen

Overnight at Thon Hotel Kristiansand

**Thursday, June 27** Gestapo Museum, 3 Swords Monument, Iron Age Farm

Overnight at Thon Hotel Stavanger

Friday, June 28 Stavanger City Walking Tour - Oil Museum *or* Hike Pulpit Rock

Overnight at Thon Hotel Stavanger

Saturday, June 29 Utstein Monastery, Trollhaugen

Overnight at Thon Hotel Bristol in Bergen

**Sunday, June 30** Walking Tour of Old Byrggen ending at Fløibanen

Rest of the day on your own

Overnight at Thon Hotel Bristol in Bergen

Monday, July 1 Cruise the Nærøyfjord, Ride the Flåm Railroad

Overnight at the Stalheim Hotel

**Tuesday, July 2** Return to Oslo; Tour of the Royal Palace

Overnight at Gardermoen Airport hotel (optional)

Itinerary is subject to change

## EXTENDED TOUR: June 25 – July 3





#### **Estimated Cost:**

Per Person, Double Occupancy: \$1750

Single Occupancy: \$2050

All hotels provide breakfast; 7 nights lodging included in tour price

On-your-own meals: Lunch every day

Dinner: Friday, Sunday, Tuesday (July 2)

#### Not included in tour price:

Monday night, June 24 – Sanner Hotel:

Per Person Double Occupancy with breakfast: 895 NOK (\$120)

Single Occupancy with breakfast: 1095 NOK (\$145)

Monday night dinner: 395 NOK each (\$53)

Travel from Oslo Airport to Sanner Hotel will be arranged. An additional fee

may be required at time of travel.

Tuesday night, July 2 – Hotel at Gardermoen Airport TBD

This will be an additional charge added to your tour package price

## EXTENDED TOUR: Optional Activities





#### **Stavanger:**

Friday, June 28

Guided Pulpit Rock Climb ("challenging"): All day Cost: TBD

3-Hour Cruise on Lysefjord to Pulpit Rock: Noon – 3 pm Cost: 480-520 NOK (\$64-\$70)

Flor og Fjære Cruise & Dinner: 5 pm to 9:30 pm Cost: 1290 NOK (\$172)





Bergen:

Sunday, June 30

Dinner at Ulriken: 6 pm to 9:30 pm If 10 or more are interested, we will make the reservation but individuals will be responsible for their own bills.

For those leaving the tour in Bergen tour price will be reduced by \$150 (per person double occupancy) \$200 (single occupancy)

(You are responsible for making your own Hurtigruten cruise reservations)





## REGISTER!

Registration forms are available on the website. Click on "2019 Norway Tour" on the homepage.

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breakfasts and some lunches & dinners.



#### THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION ....

#### **HOPE TO SEE YOU IN NORWAY NEXT JUNE!**

