



12 Days 9 Nights Scandinavia & Finland

Tour Code: SFN12D

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- **Denmark, Norway, Sweden + Finland**
(Copenhagen, Oslo, Stockholm & Helsinki)
- **<EXCLUSIVE INCLUSIONS>**
 - Denmark Frederiksborg Castle - 500 years of Danish History in a Castle on the Lake
 - Norway Flam Railway - A train journey along Europe's longest and deepest Sognefjorden
 - Sweden Old Town (Gamla Stan) - Nostalgic cobblestone streets and beautifully preserved imperfect buildings
 - Finland – Gateway to The Midnight Sun (May – Aug) and The Northern Lights Aurora Borealis (Sep – Nov)
- **4* Hotels Throughout**
- **70% Meals Provided (include Cruise Buffet, Swedish Meatballs etc)**
- **Chinese Speaking Group**

DAY 1

SINGAPORE – COPENHAGEN (Meals on Board)

Assemble at Singapore Changi Airport for your flight to the capital of Denmark – **Copenhagen**.

DAY 2

COPENHAGEN (Chinese L)

Embark on a sightseeing tour to **Christiansborg Palace** which holds the seat of the Danish Parliament since 1918. View the iconic **Little Mermaid** sculpture by Edvard Eriksen established since 1913 and inspired by the fairy tale of Hans Christian Andersen. Bypass the magnificent **Gefion Fountain** and drive around the beautiful waterfront of **Nyhavn**, one of most famous entertainment streets in Copenhagen. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure in the shopping precincts of **Stroget** and the **City Hall Square**.

DAY 3

COPENHAGEN – OSLO (B/Cruise Buffet D)

After breakfast, continue to Hillerod to visit the **Frederiksborg Castle**, the finest and biggest Renaissance edifice in northern Europe since the 16th century. Well-known for its architectural extravaganza and high artistic quality which spells of absolute royal dignity, this palace was used for many ceremonial events including the crowning of some Danish Absolute Monarchs in the Chapel and the signing of Treaty of Frederiksborg in 1720 which ended the Great Northern War between Sweden and Norway. In the late afternoon, transfer to Copenhagen Pier to board an overnight cruise to Oslo. Enjoy the sumptuous Scandinavian seafood buffet dinner served on board.

DAY 4

OSLO – GEILO (B/Hotel D)

Upon arrival in Norway's capital - Oslo, take in the **Sculpture Park** with 212 life-sized sculptures made by Gustav Vigeland, who devoted his career to the project. Visit the **Viking Ship Museum**, featuring three well-preserved Viking ships dating back to 800AD, found in royal burial mounds with fascinating artifacts. Carry on our tour with a photo stop at the **Akershus Castle** and **The Royal Palace** followed by a visit to the **Holmenkollen Ski Jump Area**. In the afternoon, travel along the lovely Hallingdal Valley to reach the ski resort of Geilo for dinner.

DAY 5

GEILO – BERGEN – VOSSESTRAND (B/Hotel D)

This morning, we travel across the Hardangervidda Plateau to western Norway, to see the most beautiful and classical **Norwegian fjords**. Continue our drive to Bergen and upon arrival, immerse in the bustling crowds at the **Fish Market**, continue to UNESCO World Cultural Heritage old wharf site of **Bryggen** and proceed to 12th century **Maria Church**. In the evening, take an optional tram ride to Mount Floien (320m above sea level) for a panoramic view of Bergen at nightfall.

DAY 6

VOSSESTRAND - VOSS - GJOVIK

(B/Hotel D)

Today, we transfer to Voss to board the spectacular **Flam Railway**, ascending from sea level to 3,000 feet, with views of mountain scenery and roaring waterfalls. Disembark and transfer to **Sognefjord**, which is Norway's longest and deepest fjord. We shall embark on a **scenic cruise** and marvel at the sights along the way before we disembark and drive to Hemsedal with a brief photo stop at Borgund's famous **Stave Church**.

DAY 7

GJOVIK – FALUN (B/Local L/Chinese D)

We continue deep into the forested heart of Sweden, passing **Salen**, the starting point for the annual cross country skiing marathon. Driving along the very scenic shores of **Lake Siljan**, we will reach the ski resort of **Falun** for a photostop at the UNESCO world heritage site of the copper mine before proceeding to hotel for your overnight stay.

DAY 8

FALUN – STOCKHOLM (B/Swedish Meatballs L)

Travel through rural Dalecarlia to Lake Malaren. Make a photo stop before continuing to the capital of Sweden – Stockholm.

Embark on a sightseeing tour beginning with the **City Hall**, prestigious venue where the Nobel Prize banquets are held. Thereafter, take a stroll through the nostalgic **Old Town** formed in the 16th to 18th centuries and finally bypass **The Royal Palace**.

DAY 9

STOCKHOLM – HELSINKI (B/Cruise Buffet D)

Today, you may wish to participate in an optional excursion to **Drottningholm Palace**. This World Heritage UNESCO listed site built in the 1600s is Sweden's most well-preserved royal castle, representative of the European architecture of their time. Built by architect Nicodemus Tessin the Elder by commission of Queen Hedvig Eleonora, this palace remains to date the residence of the Royal Family. In the late afternoon, transfer to the pier for overnight cruise to Helsinki.

DAY 10

HELSINKI (B/Local L)

Begin our city tour to visit **Senate Square**, Helsinki's administrative centre, the **University and library**, **White Cathedral**, **Senate Council** and **Sederholm House**, city's oldest stone building. Continue to the residential and diplomatic quarters of Kaivopuisto. View the outdoor sculpture, **Sibelius Monument**, created by Eila Hiltunen in honour of composer Jean Sibelius and the **Tempeliaukio Church** made of solid rock. Continue to the colorful and busy **Market Square**, one of most famous tourist attractions in the city filled with vendors selling fresh Finnish food and souvenirs.

DAY 11

HELSINKI – SINGAPORE (B)

This morning, you may consider to participate in an optional tour to **Tallin** before bidding farewell to Finland with our departure transfer to the airport for our flight back to Singapore.

DAY 12

ARRIVE IN SINGAPORE

We hope that you have had an enjoyable time with Hong Thai Travel.

Remarks

- * If a place of visit is closed to visitors, it will be replaced with an alternative.
- * During major events, accommodation may not be in the city mentioned.
- * Sequence of itinerary is subject to change without prior notice

