





# 2025 SCANDINAVIA & **BALTIC HIGHLIGHTS**

Including Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Latvia & Lithuania

15 Nights / 18 Days • Escorted from Honolulu September 09 – 26, 2025 • Tour Manager: Cora Kinney

#### **Overview:**

Discover the capital cities and unique treasures of Scandinavia and the Baltic states while visiting Copenhagen, Bergen, Oslo, Stockholm, Helsinki, Tallinn, Riga, and Vilnius. This tour also includes Norway's famous Nærøfjord and the scenic Flåm Railway.

#### Featuring:

Copenhagen • Odense • Aalborg • Hirtshals • Overnight Ferry Cruise to Norway Bergen • Stalheim • Flåm Railway • Fjord Cruise • Stalheim • Borgund • Oslo • Stockholm Skansen • Overnight Cruise to Finland • Helsinki • Tallinn • Pärnu • Riga • Vilnius

#### Your Scandinavia & Baltic Highlights Land Tour Includes:

Roundtrip Economy Airfare from Honolulu Accommodations in Superior Tourist Class and First Class Hotels 14 Daily Breakfasts – Either Continental or Buffet • 9 Dinners Services of a Europe-based Tour Manager Land Transportation – Deluxe, Air-Conditioned Motorcoach Airport Transfers • Baggage Handling • All Taxes, Transfers and Fees

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Day 1: Tue, Sept 09 - HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu.

Day 2: Wed, Sept 10 - IN TRANSIT.

Day 3: Thur, Sept 11 – COPENHAGEN, DENMARK. Upon arrival, clear passport control and collect your luggage. Meet your Europe-based Tour Manager. Board your deluxe motorcoach for the transfer to your Copenhagen Airport area hotel. During the Welcome to Scandinavia Dinner, get acquainted with your fellow travelers. RADISSON BLU SCANDINAVIA COPENHAGEN or similar (2 Nights) (D)

Day 4: Fri, Sept 12 – COPENHAGEN. This morning, a Local Guide will introduce you to the treasures of Copenhagen, including Amalienborg Palace (residence of the queen and royal family), Frederiks Kirke (also known as the Marble Church), and Copenhagen's trademark statue of the Little Mermaid. Following your city tour, Copenhagen's Nyhavn district is the perfect setting for an independent lunch amid the colorful townhouses and historic wooden ships that line the canal. The afternoon is free to continue your exploration of Copenhagen or join your Tour Manager for an optional *Danish Castles* excursion. This evening, entrance to the Tivoli Gardens, Copenhagen's famous amusement park and pleasure garden, is included. Take in the vibrant nightlife during an independent dinner at one of the park's many restaurants. (B)

Day 5: Sat, Sept 13 - COPENHAGEN - ODENSE - AALBORG -HIRTSHALS - OVERNIGHT FERRY CRUISE TO NORWAY. Denmark is made up of the Jutland Peninsula as well as more than 400 islands, with Zealand and Funen as the largest. Upon departing the Danish capital, located on Zealand, travel west to Funen via the 18 kilometer (11.25 mile) Storebælt (Great Belt) Fixed Link, consisting of two bridges and a tunnel. By late morning, arrive in Odense for an included visit to the Hans Christian Andersen Museum. Born in 1805, from humble beginnings, Andersen went on to enormous fame for his beloved fairy tales including The Uqly Duckling, The Princess and the Pea, and The Emperor's New Clothes. The afternoon stop is in Aalborg, one of Denmark's oldest towns. Continue north on the Jutland Peninsula to the port city of Hirtshals, where you will embark on an overnight cruise to Bergen, Norway. Dinner will be served onboard. FJORDLINE: HIRTSHALS - BERGEN FERRY (1 Night) (B, D)

**Day 6: Sun, Sept 14** – BERGEN, NORWAY – STALHEIM. Wake up to the invigorating breeze of the North Sea and **arrive in Bergen's harbor by mid-day**. Bergen is one of Europe's oldest port cities, established as a center of trade in the 12<sup>th</sup> century. Bergen's old wharf, known as Bryggen, is a reminder of the town's importance as part of the Hanseatic League's trading empire. Wander among the historic row houses where you will find potters, jewelers and leather crafters, as well as restaurants and cafés. Departing Bergen, take in the pure Norwegian scenery on the way to your hotel in Stalheim. Before your included dinner, explore the grounds and take photos of the hotel's aesthetically unique location. STALHEIM HOTEL or similar (2 Nights) (B, D)

**Day 7: Mon, Sept 15** – FLÅM RAILWAY – FJORD CRUISE – STALHEIM. Spectacular vistas abound today! Experience a one-hour journey on the scenic **Flåm Railway**, taking you past mountains, waterfalls, and stunning landscapes. The railway itself is an engineering marvel, descending 2,844 feet as you approach Flåm. Pause in Flåm to enjoy a relaxing independent lunch and explore the village shops or the railway museum. This afternoon, **board a fjord steamer** for a two-hour cruise through the Aurlandsfjord and the Nærøyfjord, the **world's narrowest fjord** and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Disembark at Gudvangen where the motorcoach will be waiting to return you to the Stalheim Hotel for dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Tue, Sept 16 – BORGUND – OSLO. This morning, visit the Borgund Stave Church. Made of wood and coated in a unique natural tar, stave churches dotted the countryside of Norway during the Middle Ages. Built around 1180, Borgund is exceptionally well preserved and is one of the most distinctive stave churches still standing. From Borgund, lush wooded areas, hills, lakes, and resort villages complement the journey towards Oslo. Make an afternoon stop before reaching your Oslo hotel for check-in and an included dinner. ANKER HOTEL OSLO or similar (2 Nights) (B, D)

Day 9: Wed, Sept 17 – OSLO. A local city guide will accompany you and provide insight into Oslo's scenic waterfront, fjordinfluenced landscape and Norwegian culture. The fascinating Vigeland Sculpture Park is included in your orientation tour. You'll also see landmarks such as the Parliament building, Royal Palace, and Oslo City Hall – venue for the Nobel Peace Prize Ceremony. The rest of the day is yours to discover all that Oslo has to offer. Aker Brygge, the revitalized waterfront district, is a pleasant place for an independent lunch and for further exploration. Considerations for how to spend your afternoon leisure time include touring the Akershus Fortress, studying intriguing works of art at the Munch Museum, or joining the optional Bygdoy Peninsula excursion, including the Fram and the Norwegian Museum of Cultural History. Dinner is independent this evening, providing the opportunity to experience Oslo's rich culinary culture. (B)

**Day 10: Thur, Sept 18** – STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN. Today is a full day of travel from Oslo to Stockholm. Take in the beautiful scenery as you pass by rich farmlands, expansive pine forests, rustic terrain and pristine lakes. Stop for an independent lunch in one of the small towns along the way. Dinner will be served after check-in at your Stockholm area hotel. SCANDIC HOTEL ALVIK or similar (2 Nights) (B, D)

**Day 11: Fri, Sept 19** – STOCKHOLM. Start the day with an overview of city landmarks by motorcoach, followed by a walking tour through **Gamla Stan**, Stockholm's Old Town. Situated on Stadsholmen Island and two islets, Gamla Stan dates back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century and consists of medieval alleyways, cobbled streets, and well-preserved Gothic buildings including the **Royal Palace**, **Stockholm Cathedral**, and the **Riddarholmen Church** (one of the oldest buildings in Stockholm). For your independent lunch in Gamla Stan, try a Swedish smörgåsbord at one of the many restaurants. The afternoon is free for independent sightseeing or join your Tour Manager for an optional *Drottningholm Palace* excursion. This evening, return to the Stockholm city center for an independent dinner in the lively and bustling Swedish capital. (B)

**Day 12: Sat, Sept 20** – STOCKHOLM – SKANSEN – OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO FINLAND. Stroll along Stockholm's harbor or join your Tour Manager for the optional *Vasa Museum* excursion. By lunchtime, transfer to **Skansen, the world's first open-air museum**. Founded in 1891, Skansen features **150 Swedish farms and dwellings** illustrating the different social conditions in which people lived between the 16<sup>th</sup> and the early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Staff members are **dressed in period clothing** and provide **insight into daily life over the past 500 years**. The museum is also home to the **Stockholm Zoo**, which features native Nordic animals. Enjoy an independent



lunch in Skansen before transferring to the harbor to check-in for the **overnight cruise to Helsinki, Finland**. Explore the ship before dining on a lavish buffet dinner. Spend the rest of your evening experiencing all that the ship has to offer including tax free shopping, musical entertainment and dancing. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO FINLAND (1 Night) (B, D)

Day 13: Sun, Sept 21 – HELSINKI, FINLAND. While you have breakfast on deck, the island-dotted shores of Finland come into view. The cruise ship will dock in Helsinki by mid-morning. Board the motorcoach and proceed to the city center where a Local Guide will join you to share some of the city's most attractive sites including the **Rock** Church, Senate Square, Uspenski Cathedral, and Helsinki Cathedral. For your free time this afternoon, Helsinki's open-air markets sell traditional foods and local treats, as well as handicrafts and souvenirs. After check-in at your hotel, continue your exploration of the city during an independent dinner. HOLIDAY INN HELSINKI or similar (1 Night) (B)

**Day 14: Mon, Sept 22** – TALLINN. Transfer to the **Helsinki Ferry Terminal for a two-hour crossing** over the Gulf of Finland to Tallinn, Estonia. Tallinn's Old Town is one of the best maintained medieval cities in Europe. A Local Guide will take you on a walking tour through the winding cobbled streets of the Old Town. This well-preserved 13<sup>th</sup> century city is divided into two distinct parts: **Toompea Hill**, which was home to the gentry that lorded over the countryside; and the **Lower Town**, where merchants traded goods from around the world on the Town Hall Square. Find a quiet restaurant in the Old Town for an independent dinner or participate in the optional *Olde Hansa Dinner* excursion. HESTIA HOTEL EUROPA or similar (1 Night) (B)

Day 15: Tue, Sept 23 – TALLINN – PÄRNU, LATVIA – RIGA. Depart Tallinn and travel to Pärnu, a medieval city which also happens to be Estonia's ultimate summer holiday destination due to its romantic laid-back atmosphere, sandy beaches, spas and restaurants. Stop at a local market to purchase snack items for a picnic along the beach promenade, or enjoy lunch at one of the sidewalk cafés. This afternoon, continue your journey into Latvia, where you will spend the next two nights in the capital city of Riga. RADISSON BLU LATVIJA or similar (2 Nights) (B, D)

Day 16: Wed, Sept 24 – RIGA. Riga is the largest of the three Baltic capitals and boasts a skyline of Gothic spires mingled with one of the world's richest collections of Art Nouveau architecture. A Local Guide will point out some of the highlights of Riga including the Castle, St. Peter's Church, and Dome Cathedral. Following the city tour, the remainder of the day is at your leisure. For lunch, wind your way through the enormous Central Market offering savory sausage, cheese, black bread, smoked fish and other local favorites. Or, enjoy a hearty meal at a friendly bistro. You may wish to try the mysterious Riga Black Balsam, a traditional Latvian herbal liqueur made with natural ingredients mixed in pure vodka. The Old Town is within walking distance and is an excellent place to soak up the local sights and flavors during an independent dinner. (B)

**Day 17: Thur, Sept 25** – VILNIUS, LITHUANIA. Your mid-day destination today is Lithuania's capital city. The Old Town of Vilnius bustles with fairy-tale charm and offers quaint cafés and restaurants for an independent lunch. Begin your afternoon on a walking tour with a Local Guide who will provide valuable insight into the city's history and culture amid Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, and Neoclassical architecture. Following the city tour, take some additional time to browse the boutiques and flower vendors before transferring to the hotel for a **Farewell Dinner** with your fellow tour participants. COURTYARD BY MARRIOT VILNIUS CENTRE or similar (1 Night) (B, D)

Day 18: Fri, Sept 26 – VILNIUS – HONOLULU. Your Scandinavia and Baltic Highlights Tour has come to an end. Return flight back to Honolulu. Aloha and welcome home!