

SCANDINAVIAN CAPITALS!

Day 1 Arrive Stockholm

Individual transfer from airport to hotel under own arrangements. Welcome to Stockholm, Sweden's Old capital. Laced with canals and bridges, unique in its blend of tradition and innovation. Some of Scandinavia's finest museums and restaurants are found in the city. The afternoon will be at leisure to relax and enjoy Stockholm. This evening you will join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner.

Hotel: Clarion or similar

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Day 2 Stockholm

After breakfast, depart for a morning sightseeing tour of Stockholm. Your tour includes a visit to the famous **City Hall**, with its elegant Golden Hall, site of the Nobel Prize Banquet. Stroll through the Old Town with its cobblestone streets and medieval buildings. We will walk past the Royal Palace and Stock Exchange before boarding the coach for a visit to the Southern Island. You will have splendid views over the city and the harbour. The remainder of the afternoon is at leisure.

Hotel: Clarion or similar

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Day 3 Stockholm - Vaexjoe

After breakfast depart Stockholm, travel south to the picturesque old town of Vadstena. Visit **Vadstena** on foot as we learn more about the Swedish history. Continue south to Vaexjoe, the main town of the province of Kronberg for overnight.

Hotel: Scandic Hotel Vaexjoe or similar.

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Day 4 Vaexjoe to Copenhagen

Depart hotel after breakfast, a stop will be made at **Smaland Museum**, with its interesting art collection, coins and a glass collection illustrating the history of glass making in Sweden.

Continue on to the university town of Lund, where we will visit the **Lund Cathedral**. The cathedral houses fascinating treasures including intricately carved chairs from the year 1300, which were reserved for the Monks from the monastery next door. Travel across the Oeresund Bridge linking Sweden with Denmark for a two night stay in Copenhagen.

Hotel: First Hotel Vesterbro or similar

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Day 5**Copenhagen**

After breakfast, enjoy a morning tour of Copenhagen. Drive down Hans Christian Andersen Boulevard, which runs past world famous Tivoli, the Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek with its incredible collection of works of art and past the National Museum. Cross the picturesque canal and arrive at Christiansborg Palace, the seat of the Danish Parliament. View the Old Stock Exchange, which was built in the 17th century, and continue past the Naval Church where many grand Royal events take place. Drive past the Amalienborg Palace, the Queens residence as we travel to see the world famous statue of the Little Mermaid. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Hotel: First Hotel Vesterbro or similar.

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Day 6**Copenhagen/DFDS Seaways Cruise to Oslo**

Breakfast at hotel, the day at leisure to enjoy Copenhagen on your own. A late afternoon transfer to the DFDS Seaways pier where you will board the overnight ship to Oslo.

Overnight: DFDS Seaways

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Day 7**Arrive Oslo**

Enjoy breakfast on board the ferry as you sail up the Oslo Fjord. Upon arrival in Oslo, you will be treated to a 3 hour city tour. The first stop is the **Frogner Park** with the Vigeland Sculpture Park. 650 statues made of bronze, granite and wrought iron depict the cycle of life. The next stop is the **Holmenkollen Ski jump** with an impressive view over Oslo.

Continue to the **Viking Ship Museum** with the 1000 year old Viking Ship that makes history come alive. Proceed past the medieval fortress of Akershus, the Royal Palace and the Town Hall. The remainder of the day at leisure.

Hotel: Scandic Edderkoppen or similar

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Day 8**Oslo – Depart**

Breakfast at hotel.

Airport transfer under own arrangement

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