

# Scandinavia - 2025

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## *Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo – 12 days*

Departure: April 25, 2025

Return: May 6, 2025

### ***Opera Extravaganza: Copenhagen, Oslo, and Stockholm take center stage!***

*Unveil the mesmerizing world of opera as we invite you to embark on an enchanting journey through the cultural tapestries of Stockholm, Copenhagen, and Oslo. Each city presents its captivating opera performances that will leave you spellbound.*

***Luxurious Accommodations:*** *Indulge in a journey of luxury and culture as you traverse these Scandinavian cities. In Copenhagen, find comfort and elegance at the **Admiral Hotel**, where modern amenities merge seamlessly with classic sophistication. In Oslo, the iconic **Bristol Hotel** offers a haven of luxury, promising an unforgettable stay. Lastly, in Stockholm, the **Grand Hotel** beckons you with its regal ambiance, ensuring your visit is steeped in grandeur.*

***Cultural Exploration:*** *While the opera performances will captivate your senses, our journey extends beyond the stage. In Copenhagen, wander through charming streets and immerse yourself in the city's maritime history. Oslo invites you to discover its rich Viking heritage and embrace the beauty of its fjords. As for Stockholm, the city's blend of modern innovation and historical allure offers a unique perspective on Scandinavian culture. Your voyage through these cities becomes a symphony of cultural exploration, weaving together the threads of tradition, art, and history into a harmonious narrative that resonates with your soul.*

## ***Opera Performances***

In Copenhagen:

April 27 – **Die Meistersinger Von Nürnberg** by **Wagner**

April 29 – **Merry Widow** by **Franz Lehar**

In Oslo

April 30 – **Così fan tutte** by **Mozart**

In Stockholm:

TBD



## Friday, April 25. (D)\*. DEPART FOR COPENHAGEN

Depart this evening, aboard any airline of your choice to Copenhagen, Denmark. Dinner and light breakfast served on the plane.

## Saturday, April 26. (B,D). COPENHAGEN

Upon arrival at Copenhagen International Airport. Take a taxi to the centrally located ADMIRAL hotel, where we stay four nights. This evening, we will have our Briefing with cocktails, followed by Gala Welcome dinner at a gourmet restaurant

## Sunday, April 27. (B). COPENHAGEN

Morning sightseeing of this charming and colorful city. Among the famous sights are, the Little Mermaid, the Gefion Fountain, Tivoli Gardens, the winter residence of Queen Margrethe II and the New King Frederik X Amalienborg, and Christiansborg Palace - where the Danish Parliament meets. This evening, we will see the opera **Die Meistersinger Von Nürnberg** by **Wagner** at the Copenhagen stunning opera house.

## Monday, April 28. (B,L). COPENHAGEN

Full-day excursion along the Danish Riviera, passing by the home of Karen Blixen, author of "Out of Africa" and "Babette's Feast" which were made into movies. See Kronborg Castle. Lunch en-route.

### ***Copenhagen: A Historic Trading Hub by the Øresund Shore***

*The city of Copenhagen, or København in Danish, has a rich history that is pre-historic in its origins, as a bustling trading town along the Øresund shore. It served as a vital hub during the Viking era and played a significant role during the peak of the Hanseatic League's reign over the Baltic territories. Its name, "the merchants' harbor," reflects its strong maritime heritage.*

*Today, Copenhagen is a metropolis that blends its medieval origins with contemporary allure, making it a captivating destination. It boasts a remarkable architectural legacy, with many iconic landmarks that highlight its historical and cultural significance. The city's unique charm and beauty are evident in structures such as the Old Stock Exchange, the Round Tower, and Rosenborg Castle, which were constructed during the reign of King Christian IV (1588-1648).*

*As the capital of Denmark, Copenhagen is home to the world's oldest monarchy, with roots dating back to its establishment in 1167 by Bishop Absalon. With a population of 1.5 million, it is Scandinavia's premier metropolis, with a vibrant culture that continues to thrive.*

*Copenhagen's fascinating history and modern vitality make it a destination that inspires awe and wonder.*



## Tuesday, April 29. (B). COPENHAGEN

Today is free to visit any of the many museums in the city. This evening, we will see the opera *Merry Widow* by Franz Lehar at the Copenhagen opera.

## Wednesday, April 30. (B). COPENHAGEN – OSLO

Today we fly to Oslo, Norway. We transfer you to the deluxe, centrally located BRISTOL HOTEL where we stay three nights. This afternoon is free. This evening, we will see the opera *Così fan tutte* by Mozart at new Oslo Opera.

## Thursday, May 1. (B). OSLO

Morning sightseeing tour of this laid-back city will include a visit to the Vigeland Sculpture Park and the Museum of the Viking Ships. This evening, we will have our dinner at a gourmet restaurant.

### *Oslo's Viking Heritage and Nobel Legacy at the Fjord-Set Capital.*

*Oslo, a city established by the Norske Vikings during the 10th century, is at the end of a stunning fjord. Rising to prominence as Norway's capital, the city's evolution unfolded as the Danish and, subsequently, Swedish monarchs relinquished their dominion in 1905. A significant annual event, Oslo's City Hall hosts the prestigious Nobel Peace Prize ceremony each December, a profound homage to its citizenry characterized by their commitment to non-aggression.*

## Friday, May 2. (B). OSLO

Today is free to visit any of the fine museums nearby including the Edvard Munch Museum, to see the famous painting “The Scream.” Afternoon free.

## Saturday, May 3. (B). OSLO – STOCKHOLM

Today we fly to Stockholm, Sweden. We transfer you to the deluxe, centrally located GRAND HOTEL where we stay three nights. This afternoon is free.

## Sunday, May 4. (B). STOCKHOLM

Our sightseeing tour of the capital of Sweden, will pass by the main historical buildings and the many canals and bridges of the city. A visit is made to the unique City Hall, one of the great architectural works of the past century, where you will see the Golden Hall with brilliant mosaic tiles where the Nobel-prize banquets are held every year. This evening, we will see the opera **TBA.**

*Experience the Evolution of STOCKHOLM, from Viking Stronghold to Stunning Metropolis.*



*Discover the captivating journey of STOCKHOLM, which has transformed from its Viking origins as a modest fortress town into a vibrant modern metropolis, proudly accommodating over a million inhabitants. Embracing its moniker as the "Venice of the North," STOCKHOLM is an exquisite urban masterpiece spanning fourteen interconnected islands. Immerse yourself in the allure of this remarkable city, adorned with a plethora of exceptional museums and verdant parks, with the iconic Museum Island of Skepsholmen taking center stage.*

### Monday, May 5. (B,D). STOCKHOLM

Morning sightseeing tour of this laid-back city will include a visit to the Vigeland Sculpture Park and the Museum of the Viking Ships. This evening, we will have our Gala Farewell dinner at a gourmet restaurant.

### Tuesday, May 6. (B). STOCKHOLM – BACK HOME

Depart from the hotel to the Stockholm Airport for departure aboard your airline back home arriving the same afternoon. See you on another H.A.T. Tour.

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\* B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner (including wine)



## LAND COST

DOUBLE: \$11,950 PER PERSON

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$1,550 PER PERSON

DEPOSIT: \$2,500 PER PERSON

BALANCE DUE: JANUARY 25, 2024

## TOUR INCLUDES

- 1<sup>st</sup> Category Orchestra Level seats in theaters
- Business Class Airfare from Copenhagen to Oslo and Oslo to Stockholm
- Three operas
- Deluxe centrally located hotels
- Buffet breakfast daily, three dinners with wine in gourmet restaurants and one lunch
- Welcome reception with drink
- Private sightseeing in each city
- English speaking local guides
- Entrance fees to museums
- Transport to and from theaters
- Baggage handling
- Guide, driver and bellboy's gratuities
- Complete package with details of operas listed

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