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### EXOTIC SCANDINAVIA & RUSSIA

**TOUR START FROM: 24TH JULY 2019 TO 08TH AUGUST 2019**

#### DAY 01 : 24TH JULY

**DEPARTURE FROM JFK AIRPORT AT 19:35hrs TO COPENHAGEN ARRIVAL AT 09:50hrs ON 25TH JULY 2019 - NO EARLY CHECK IN AVAILABLE. TRANSFER FROM ADDISION TO JFK AIRPORT PROVIDED.**

#### Day 02 : 25TH JULY : Welcome to Copenhagen – the Danish Capital!!! Canal Cruise, Visit the Tivoli Gardens.

Today, embark on your vacation to Scandinavia& Russia. Arrive at Copenhagen International airport meet the tour manager at 1400hrs on arrival area and proceed to your hotel and check in. Kindly make your own arrangement if you are unable to meet Tour Manager at designated time. Enjoy a canal cruise and see the interesting sights and attractions in the city - a great way to experience the city. The canal tour sails through the harbour and idyllic canals and passes by Copenhagen's beautiful churches, castles, old listed houses, new buildings and all other sights of interest. Later, visit the famous Tivoli Garden – a world class amusement park in the center of Copenhagen. The Tivoli Gardens is a must see in Copenhagen which has fun for all ages with great rides, activities, shops, etc. Tonight, enjoy a dinner. **Overnight in Copenhagen. (D)**

#### Day 03 : 26TH JULY : Guided city tour of Copenhagen. Visit the Christiansborg Palace. On to Bergen.

After a buffet breakfast, proceed on a guided city tour with a local English speaking guide. Visit the Christiansborg Palace - the most important building in Denmark. The Christiansborg Palace is the seat of the Danish Parliament, the Danish Prime Minister's Office and the Danish Supreme Court. Also, See the City Hall, the Amalienborg Palace - the winter home of the Danish royal family, the Stock Exchange, Strøget Shopping Street and many more sights. After lunch, visit the Gefion Fountain - the largest monument in Copenhagen which is also used as a wishing well and the Little Mermaid - an icon and major tourist attraction of Copenhagen. Later, Proceed to Bergen. Tonight, enjoy a dinner. **Overnight in Bergen (B,LL, D)**

#### Day 04 : 27TH JULY : Gateway to the Fjords. Bergen – Norway in a nutshell. Guided City Tour. Ride the Funicular to Mt. Floyen.

After a buffet breakfast, drive to Voss, board your train on the Flam railway line, a masterpiece of engineering set amidst wild and wonderful scenery. Enjoy the views of huge mountains and thundering waterfalls as the train passes through the Flam valley and arrives at Myrdal.

After lunch, embark on Norway's most popular trip 'Norway in a nutshell'. A combination of impressive trips by bus, boat and spectacular train rides. embark on an enchanting boat ride into the Naeroyfjord – an UNESCO's World Heritage area, one of the narrowest fjords in Europe and surrounded by towering mountains. The trip takes you through some of Norway's most beautiful fjord scenery and arrives into the picturesque village of Flam, situated innermost in the Aurlandsfjord. Arrive Gudvangen and drive to Bergen.

Proceed on a guided city tour with a local English speaking guide. Bergen is an international city with small-town charm and atmosphere, surrounded by seven rounded, lush mountains. The Hanseatic wharf Bryggen with its pastel-colour wooden houses, winding cobblestone streets and Old Bergen are just a few of many attractions that make Bergen a real place of enchantment. Ride the Funicular to Mt. Floyen for great views of the city. Evening is at leisure to explore the city on own or visit the flea markets for some bargain shopping. Tonight, enjoy a dinner.

**Overnight in Bergen.**

**(B,LL, D)**

**Day 05 : 28TH JULY : Onto Oslo – the Nordic Capital.**

After a buffet breakfast, drive to Oslo – the capital of Norway, via Hardanger Bridge & Voringfossen water for (short photo shop). Enjoy Lunch. Enjoy a dinner.

**Overnight in Oslo**

**(B,LL, D)**

**Day 06 : 29TH JULY : Oslo - Guided City Tour. Visit the Viking Museum & Holmenkollen Ski Jump. Visit the Vigeland Sculpture Park.**

After a buffet breakfast, proceed on a guided city tour with a local English speaking guide. Visit the Viking Ship Museum which presents ships from the Viking periods such as Gokstad, Oseberg and Tune. The exhibits also include the world's two best-preserved wooden Viking ships built in the 9th century, as well as small boats, sledges, a cart with exceptional ornamentation, implements, tools, harness, textiles and household utensils, etc. On your city tour, also drive past the City Hall, the House of Parliament, the Royal Palace and the majestic Akershus fortress. After lunch, visit the magnificent and unique Vigeland Sculpture Park and Karl Johan Street. Norway is often called the 'Cradle of Skiing'. Encounter this when you visit the Holmenkollen Ski Jump and admire the dizzying panorama. Enjoy these sights and many more on your guided tour.

Tonight, enjoy a dinner. **Overnight in Oslo**

**(B,LL, D)**

**Day 07 : 30TH JULY : Onto Karlstad. Onto Stockholm - Jewel of the Swedish Archipelago.**

After a buffet breakfast, check out and drive to Karlstad. On arrival, enjoy lunch. Karlstad is situated on the river delta where Sweden's longest river, Klarälven, runs into Sweden's largest lake, Vänern. It is reputed to be one of the sunniest towns in Sweden and hence the symbol for Karlstad is a happy sun. Later, drive to Stockholm, the capital of Sweden, often called the Venice of the North due to its numerous canals and waterways. The city offers many interesting cafes and restaurants and has become an Eldorado for shoppers. Tonight, enjoy a dinner.

**Overnight in Stockholm**

**(B, LL, D)**

**Day 08 : 31ST JULY : Stockholm - Guided city tour. Visit the City Hall the famous Vasa Museum. Visit the Fjällgatan viewpoint.**

After a buffet breakfast, proceed on a full day guided city tour with a local English speaking guide.

Visit the impressive City Hall, where every year the Nobel Prize banquet takes place. Next, see the Royal Palace, the Cathedral, the Old Town, Kings Garden and many more interesting sights. After lunch, make a stop at Fjällgatan viewpoint from where you can enjoy a splendid view of the city and the inner harbor. Later, visit the famous Vasa Museum, housing the majestic 17th century royal warship Vasa. Tonight, enjoy a dinner.

**Overnight in Stockholm**

**(B,LL, D)**

**Day 09 : 01ST AUGUST : Visit the Drottningholm Palace. Ride the Sky View. Onto TallinkSilja Cruise across the Baltic.**

After a buffet breakfast, check out and proceed on a guided city tour with a local English speaking guide. Visit the Drottningholm Palace - a former Royal summer residence and today home to the Swedish Royal Family. The palace contains magnificent rooms dating back to the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries, beautiful Baroque Park, Palace Theater, Chinese Pavilion, etc. Later, Ride the Sky View – a new world-class attraction that takes you on a breathtaking journey, along the outside, to the top of the world’s largest spherical building, the Ericsson Globe, a Stockholm landmark. From the top at 130 meters above sea level, you get an unbeatable view of Stockholm. Enjoy lunch. Later, board your luxury cruise across the Baltic, on board the ‘TallinkSilja Line’. Cruise across the Baltic Sea and through the Swedish archipelago to Helsinki. Tonight, enjoy a Scandinavian buffet dinner on board the cruise. Later, you can dance the night away in the nightclub, linger in the various shops as you enjoy the night on this luxury cruise.

**Overnight on board Cruise Liner.**

**(B,L, LD)**

**Day 10 : 02ND AUGUST : Onto Helsinki – the Finnish Capital. Guided city tour of Helsinki.**

After a buffet breakfast on board, disembark in Helsinki and proceed on a guided city tour with a local English speaking guide. Enjoy the sights of this beautiful city. See the Tempelaa Church (the church in the rock), the Uspenski Cathedral and the marvelous Sibelius Park. Also, see the Senate square, the Presidential Palace, Finlandia Hall, and many more interesting sights. Later, after lunch to the train station to board the new high-speed train ‘Allegro’ to St Petersburg. This train, which was introduced on December 12, 2011, gets you to St. Petersburg in 5.30 hours. **Overnight in St. Petersburg.**

**(B, PL, D)**

**Day 11 : 03RD AUGUST : City tour of St. Petersburg. Visit Peterhof palace & gardens**

After a buffet breakfast at the hotel, proceed on a guided city tour with a local English speaking guide. See the St. Isaacs Cathedral, Nevsky Prospekt, the Rastrelli esque Stroganov Palace, the neoclassical Kazan Cathedral, the Russian National Library, the Statue of Peter the Great, the Peter & Paul Fortress, Summer Garden, Smolny cathedral and many more sights. Enjoy lunch.

After Lunch, proceed to Peterhof - It is famous for its series of palaces and gardens known as the Peterhof Palace, laid out on the orders of the Russian Tsar, Peter the Great and sometimes called the ‘Russian Versailles’. The park holds numerous fountains and few monumental cascades which are one of Russia’s most famous tourist attractions. Later, visit the Grand Palace entering by the ornate Ceremonial Staircase and see the Ballroom, Throne Room, the Western Chinese Study, the

Drawing Room, the Imperial Suite, the Oak Study Room and the Crown Room. Later, drive back to St. Petersburg. Tonight, enjoy a dinner. **Overnight in St Petersburg** (B, LL, D)

**Day 12 : 04TH AUGUST : Visit the Hermitage Museum .Cruise on River Neva, Russian Ballet.**

After a buffet breakfast, visit the Hermitage Museum, a museum of art and culture in St. Petersburg. It is the largest and oldest museums in the world with collections comprising of nearly three million items including the largest collection of paintings in the world. After lunch, enjoy a cruise on the Neva River. It is one of the best ways to view the majesty of the St. Petersburg's 18th century architecture and craftsmanship. The cruise will expose you to the magnificent panorama and stunning sights of this great city. It will pass under the main bridges of St. Petersburg which will unfold the city's history and its legends connected with the waterways. Later, get set to enjoy the spectacular world famous Russian Ballet. Tonight, enjoy a dinner.

**Overnight in St Petersburg.** (B, LL, D)

**Day 13 : 05TH AUGUST : Moscow - the Capital city. Enjoy the world famous Russian Circus.**

After a buffet breakfast, check out and proceed to the train station to board the high speed train 'Sapsan'. This train gets you to Moscow in 3 hours 30 minutes. Arrive into Moscow – the financial and political centre of Russia and the former Soviet Union. It also boasts the largest community of billionaires in the world. On arrival enjoy lunch & later drive to your hotel and check in. Evening, see the world famous Russian Circus. For over two centuries circus has been an important part of Russia's rich cultural heritage. It is a truly universal form of entertainment enjoyed by all, regardless of race, religion, language, social class, education or age. Tonight, enjoy a dinner.

**Overnight in Moscow.** (B, LL, D)

**Day 14 : 06TH AUGUST : Guided city tour. See the magnificent Kremlin and the Red Square. Experience Metro Ride.**

After a buffet breakfast, proceed on a guided city tour with a local English speaking guide. Explore the Kremlin Grounds, Cathedrals and see the Patriarch's Palaces in Moscow. The small city in the center of Moscow, once the residence of Czars and Patriarchs, contains Russia's main Cathedrals, Assumption Cathedral, Archangel's Cathedral and the Deposition of the Robe Cathedral. Later enjoy lunch and experience the Metro, the most reliable and rapid transport system, connecting the central part of the city with industrial, residential areas and neighboring towns. Moscow metro is the world's leader in the volume of traffic and reliable transportation. Tonight, enjoy a dinner. **Overnight in Moscow.** (B, LL, D)

**Day 15 : 07TH AUGUST : Visit Patriarch Palace.**

After a buffet breakfast, visit the Patriarch’s Palace - a museum of seventeenth-century life and applied art, displaying ecclesiastical regalia, period furniture, gold and silver ware from Russia and Western Europe. The palace dates back to 1640 and incorporates the Church of the Twelve Apostles, which was the private place of worship for the patriarchs. After Lunch day is free to explore on your own. Tonight, enjoy a dinner. **Overnight in Moscow.** (B, LL, D)

**Day 16 : 08TH AUGUST : Farewell!!!**

**DEPARTURE FROM MOSCOW (SVO) AT 08:45HRS TO PARIS ARRIVAL AT 11:50HRS.**

**PARIS DEPARTURE AT 14:00 TO NEW YORK (JFK) ARRIVAL AT 16:25hrs.**

This morning, after a buffet / boxed breakfast, check out and proceed to the airport for your flight back home. (B)

**TOUR PRICE:**

Passengers traveling together	Per person on twin share	Per person in a single room
	<b>WITHOUT INTERNATIONAL/INTERNAL FLIGHTS</b>	
<b>35 Pax Min/Max</b>	USD 4075	USD 5175
	<b>WITH INTERNATIONAL/INTERNAL FLIGHTS EX. JFK</b>	
<b>35 Pax Min/Max</b>	USD 5225	USD 6325

**NOTE:**

- ❖ There will be no reduction for Triple Sharing.
- ❖ **Selection of With or Without flight option cannot be changed after 15th April 2019.**
- ❖ Single Room Supplement charges will be applicable in case of any one member sharing room with other cancel their reservations.

**WHAT YOUR TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:**

**SIGHTSEEING AND EXCURSIONS**

**DENMARK**

- Copenhagen : Guided City tour
- : Visit the Gefion Fountain - the largest monument
- : See the Little Mermaid - an icon
- : Visit the Christiansborg Palace
- : Visit Tivoli Gardens – Scandinavia’s best Amusement Park
- : Enjoy a Canal Cruise

**NORWAY**

- Bergen : Guided City tour
- : Funicular ride to Mt. Floyen
- : Norway in a Nutshell
- : Cruise on the Aurlandsfjord and Naeroyfjord
- : Ride the Flam Railway
- : Visit Myrdal

- Oslo** : Guided City Tour

- : Visit the Viking Museum
- : Visit the Hollmenkollen Ski Jump
- : Visit the magnificent and unique Vigeland Sculpture Park
- : Spend time at Karl Johan Street

## **SWEDEN**

- Karlstad : Orientation tour of the city
- Stockholm : Guided City Tour
  - : Visit the impressive City Hall, famous for Nobel Prize banquet
  - : Visit the Vasa Museum
  - : Visit the Drottningholm Palace
  - : View from Fjällgatan View Point
  - : Ride the Sky View – On top of the Globe
  - : Cruise on the TallinkSiljaLine - Stockholm to Helsinki –ocean view cabins

## **FINLAND**

- Helsinki : Guided City Tour
  - : Visit the Uspenski Cathedral
  - : Visit the Tempelliauki Cathedral
  - : Visit the marvelous Sibelius Park

## **RUSSIA**

- St. Petersburg :Cruise on the Neva River
  - : Guided city tour
  - : Visit the Hermitage Museum
  - : Spectacular Russian Ballet
  - : Visit Peterhof Palace & Gardens
- Moscow : See the stunning Russian Circus
  - : Guided city tour
  - : Visit the Kremlin and the Red Square
  - : Visit the Patriarch’s Palace
  - : Experience the Metro - a mass rapid transport system

## **ACCOMMODATION**

- 01 night at AC hotel Bella Sky or similar in Copenhagen
- 02 nights at Hotel or similar in Bergen
- 02 nights at Quality Hotel Expo / Radisson Alna / Radisson BluNydalen or similar in Oslo
- 02 night at Clarion Stockholm / Courtyard by Stockholm or similar in Stockholm
- 01 night board TallinkSilja Line (Ocean view cabins) Cruise Liner
- 03 nights at hotel Park Inn by Pibaltiyaskaya or similar in St Petersburg
- 03 nights at hotel Park Inn by Radisson or similar in Moscow

## **MEALS**

- Daily Scandinavia buffet breakfast& American buffet breakfast in Russia
- Daily Local / Western /Indian -Vegetarian /Non Vegetarian Lunch (Except Departure Day)

- 01 packed lunch
- Daily Local/Indian - Jain/Vegetarian/ Non Vegetarian dinners
- A Scandinavian buffet dinner on board the 'TallinkSilja Line' overnight cruise

### **TRANSFERS**

- All transfers and extensive excursions with entrance fees (as specified in the itinerary) by deluxe air conditioned coach
- The new 'TallinkSiljaLine' cruise across the Baltic Sea from Stockholm to Helsinki
- The new high-speed train 'Allegro' from Helsinki to St Petersburg
- Superfast "SAPSAN" train from St Petersburg to Moscow

### **TIPS, PORTERAGE & WATER**

- Tips to Driver & Guide
- Portage of 1 bag (20 kg) per person at hotels only.
- Portage of 1 bag (20 kg) per person at Railway Station / Cruise Port only.
- Two bottles of 500 ml mineral water per person per day

### **WHAT YOUR TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE**

- **Cost of deviation** - In case you wish to deviate from the group departure dates mentioned in the brochure i.e. either travel before the departure date of your tour or would like to come back on a later date after the tour ends, there will be an additional charge that will be applicable which will be advised to you by our sales team. The same is subject to availability of seats & class for the given dates & ticket validity. Kindly also note, the deviation request is to be made at the time of booking.
- **Cost of Transfer:** The individual arrival & departure transfer in case you have opted for deviation or purchase on separate ticket & not traveling under group ticketing.
- Cost of visas to travel on this tour
- Early Check in / Late Check out.
- Medical/Travel Insurance
- Any expenses of personal nature such as porter age, laundry, wines, mineral water, food and drink not in the regular menu provided by us, mini bar, telephone calls, pay channels etc.
- Meals other than what is mentioned in your itinerary
- Cost of excursions, city sightseeing, entrance fees and local guides availed of by the passengers, other than that mentioned in 'What your tour price includes'
- Group is operated subject to a minimum of 35 full paying guests travelling together.

### **Important**

- **Individual seating will be assigned at the airport while check in, please note this to avoid any disappointment at later date as this is group booking restriction.**
- **Online Check in Facility is not available in Group Booking/Flight Option given.**
- Updating of Mileage is subject to Airlines terms & conditions in group fare.
- Keeping in view of Luggage compartment of coach & Internal Flight regulations, we strongly recommend you to carry only medium size Bag of 20kg and 1 carryon bag of 5 kg per person.

- The dates and granting of Visas is at the sole discretion of the concerned consulate. Air Tours / IASONJ are not responsible for granting of visas and are only a facilitator in the visa application process.

**POINTS TO BE NOTED**

- Air Tours / IASONJ shall not accept any liability or responsibility for any delay in flights or change in Schedule by the airline and any situations arising out of the same.
- Guests are allowed to select without flight option for this Tour and make own flight arrangement in case group flights is not suitable to them.
- Any damages caused to the hotel rooms/coach during your stay, shall be payable by the passengers. Air Tours / IASONJ will not be liable for the same.
- Air Tours / IASONJ shall not accept any liability or responsibility for any damages, loss, injury, accident, death, delay, breakdown or irregularity which may occur in carrying out of the tour arrangement.
- Air Tours / IASONJ Management reserves the right to claim any additional expenses due to delay or changes in train, plane, bus, ship or other services, weather conditions, strikes, war, quarantine and any other cause whatsoever and all such loss or expenses must be borne by the passengers.
- Air Tours / IASONJ We reserve the right to amend, alter, vary or withdraw any particular departure, excursion advertised or substitute a hotel of similar class if deemed advisable or necessary.
- For the convenience of our passengers, Air Tours / IASONJ will sometimes amend the itinerary; however all the other services will remain the same.
- Air Tours / IASONJ will not be liable in any loss of baggage by the Airline.
- The Tour Cost is combination of all the arrangement and hence cannot be calculated on individual service basis. Tour cost is one component and not calculated on individually.
- Single Room Supplement charges will be applicable in case any of the guest cancel the reservations sharing room together.
- Please refer to the booking form for detailed 'Terms and Conditions'.

**VISAS REQUIRED TO TRAVEL ON YOUR TOUR**

USA citizens : Single Entry Russian Visa  
 Green Card Holders : Single Entry Russian Visa  
 : Multiple Entry Schengen Visa  
 Indian Nationals : Single Entry Russian Visa  
 : Multiple Entry Schengen Visa

Cost of visas is **NOT INCLUDED** in your tour price

The Schengen visa is valid for travel into Denmark, Norway, Sweden & Finland

**MEDICAL INSURANCE:**

It's very important to find out BEFORE you leave whether or not your medical insurance will cover you overseas. Your regular U.S. health insurance may not cover doctors' and hospital visits in other countries. ALWAYS LOOK INTO THE ASPECTS OF COVERING YOUR TRIP FOR UNFORSEEN EVENTS.