



Norway: Myrkdalen – Ski, Cruise & Rail Cultural tour



HOLIDAY TYPE: Flexible Dates

VISITING: Norway

BROCHURE CODE: 6223

DURATION: 3 nights

In Brief

Embark on a thrilling 3-night Nordic adventure as you head to the small ski village of Myrkdalen, home to Myrkdalen Hotel. Venture onto the slopes for a day of skiing, admire the beautiful mountains and waterfalls during a stunning cruise of Naeroyfjord and journey through the snow-kissed mountaintops on board the iconic Flåm Railway. The tour will conclude with time in Bergen, the "City of the Seven Mountains." Both hotels included in this trip offer international standard accommodation, local-inspired dining, and uniquely spectacular locations. This 4-day itinerary blends thrilling activities with cultural exploration for an unforgettable Nordic escape.

Our Opinion

“This Nordic trip really does squeeze the most out of 4 days. Not many short breaks offer the opportunity to engage in three truly thrilling experiences; skiing, cruising and a unique and historical journey on board the Flåmsbana railway line. Great things come in small packages as they say!”



What's included?

- **Transfers:** all airport and activity transfers are included
- **Accommodation:** 2 nights in a standard double room at the Myrkdalen Hotel, 1 night in a standard double room in the Zander K Hotel
- **Meals:** 3 breakfasts, 2 dinners
- **The following activities are included in the holiday price:** Myrkdalen Ski package (skis, boots and 1 day lift pass), Naeroyfjord Fjord Cruise, Flåm Railway journey
- Fully qualified guides and instructors during activities
- 24/7 assistance from our UK-based operations team and in-destination support from our local partners

Trip Overview

Immerse yourself in an active short break, tailored for those seeking a Nordic winter escape. Your journey begins in Bergen, where a private transfer will whisk you to the enchanting Myrkdalen Hotel in the small ski village of the same name. Known for its stunning natural beauty, Myrkdalen is a charming village surrounded by mountains and fjords. Spend the evening exploring this snow-covered haven and enjoying your first taste of the hotel's inviting restaurant. You will have the opportunity to ski through breathtaking landscapes before returning to the hotel for a much deserved dinner showcasing local cuisine. Day 3 unfolds with a private transfer to Gudvangen for a small ship cruise through the world-famous Naeroyfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, taking in the soul lifting nature around you. This is followed by a journey along the iconic Flåm Railway where you will traverse through the snow covered mountain passes, offering panoramic views of the stunning valley and river below.

The accommodation on this trip includes a two-night stay in the Myrkdalen Hotel, featuring international standard rooms, local produce-inspired dining, and stunning mountain views. Your final night will be at the Zander K in Bergen; often referred to as the "City of the Seven Mountains," Bergen is a vibrant and historic city on the southwestern coast of Norway. Renowned for its stunning natural surroundings, rich maritime history, and cultural charm, Bergen offers visitors a unique blend of modern amenities and traditional Norwegian allure.

This packed itinerary, blending skiing, cruising, and unique rail excursions, delivers unmatched value in just 4 days—an exhilarating and cultural Nordic adventure.

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Agenda

Please note the order of activities is subject to change

DAY
1

ARRIVAL IN BERGEN

After arriving in Bergen, you will be transferred to Myrkdalen Hotel, approximately two and a half hours drive away, located in the heart of Fjord Norway. Once you're checked in, your evening is free to explore the surrounding nature set amongst a crisp snow-covered backdrop. Rest up from your travels and re-charge ready for your ski adventure tomorrow.

Included Meals: Dinner

DAY
2

MYRDALEN SKI PACKAGE

Today you can enjoy a day on the ski slopes, your package includes the rental of ski equipment and a 1 day ski pass. Myrkdalen boasts an impressive annual snowfall of approximately seven meters, providing an ideal setting for a ski adventure. Your hotel sits next to the slopes and main chairlift, as well as the nearby beginner's area. Myrkdalen is a small ski resort, however, it offers some fantastic terrain, from tree-lined slopes to open expanses of rolling mountains. The local ski school provides fantastic tuition and thanks to its relatively small size, the lift queues are far shorter than those in the European Alps.

After a day enjoying the pistes, return to the hotel to enjoy an evening of après ski consisting of a delicious dinner celebrating local produce in the slope-side restaurant.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY
3

NAEROYFJORD FJORD CRUISE & FLÅM RAILWAY TOUR

After a short private transfer to the beautiful village of Gudvangen, you will have some time to visit the wonderful café and gift shop on the shores of the fjord, before boarding the boat for your small ship cruise to Flåm. The modern, electric boat has plenty of seating, a small cafe area and large

windows providing panoramic views of the surrounding scenery. The boat also has a series of unique walkways and ramps influenced by the winding trails of the local mountain pathways; these provide ample space for outside viewing opportunities. You can enjoy the magnificent surroundings consisting of snow-covered mountains, frozen waterfalls and the dark colours of the deep, wintry sea as you cruise along this incredible UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Fjord cruise will last approximately two hours.

The adventures don't stop there! After your mesmerising cruise along the fjord, you will disembark at Flåm and take a short walk to the nearby train platform for your next leg of the journey on one of the world's most spectacular (and also steepest!) train journeys; the Flåm Railway (Flåmsbana.) The tracks will meander through the towering, snow-covered mountains heading from the station through the Flåm Valley and up to the top of the mountain, where you will disembark at the small station of Myrdal. On this hour-long journey, take in the spectacular, panoramic views of pure, undisturbed, stunning Norway!

At Myrdal train station, you will connect with a direct train that will take you to Bergen, taking approximately 2.5 hours. The beautiful journey takes you across the high mountain peaks that surround Flåm, gradually descending through tunnels and along river valleys to the charming city of Bergen. Upon arrival in Bergen, your hotel, the Zander K, is a short 2-minute walk away.

Please note, if you would like your luggage to be transferred directly from Myrkdalen to your hotel in Bergen, this can be arranged for a supplement – please speak to our Travel Experts for further information.

Included Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4	DEPARTURE
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Unfortunately, it is time for this Nordic adventure to come to an end. After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight home.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Included Accommodation

Myrkdalen Hotel (Nights: 1-2)



Located in the heart of Fjord Norway, Myrkdalen is surrounded by breathtaking surroundings and nature in its rawest form. All rooms inside are of international high standard with fresh colour schemes and intricate detailing. Facilities are amazing here, with a conference room, playroom, 2 bars and 3 tasty restaurants to choose from. Myrkdalen prides itself on using local and fresh produce in all its eateries. Situated on the second floor, Nuten restaurant overlooks the stunning snow kissed mountain range outside the hotel. Breakfast in the Nuten provides the perfect start to your day fuelling guests for local exploration. Enjoy homemade sausages, liver pate or local smoked salmon made in the hotels very own smokehouse! In the evenings sit down for a three-course meal, each course using local, seasonal produce as the star ingredient. One guest quoted that "the food tastes very much like the landscape, wild and clean - with hints of fresh surprises."

Hotel facilities

The hotel has a range of facilities that have been designed to make your stay here as enjoyable as possible.

- There is free Wi-Fi throughout for guest use, in our experience, we have found it works best in the main reception and dining area
- All accommodation units have ski-in ski-out proximity to the ski slopes
- The hotel also three different restaurants covering everything from pizza and pasta to fondue (a skiing necessity!) and a la carte dining.
- Room types

Standard double/twin rooms:

Myrkdalen Hotel offers a comfortable and inviting standard double room accommodating up to two guests. Enjoy modern conveniences, with a private bathroom with shower and toilet, a flat-screen TV for entertainment, a practical desk and chair setup, and hair dryer. Take in the fresh mountain air and scenic views from the balcony, a tranquil addition to your room. Rooms come with Wi-Fi access. Myrkdalen's standard rooms are designed for a cozy and relaxing retreat after a day of exploring the stunning surroundings of Myrkdalen.

Zander K Hotel (Nights: 3)



Zander K Hotel, which opened in March 2017, has quickly become one of the trendiest hotels in Bergen, even earning a nomination from *Wallpaper* as one of the world's most urban hotels. Known for its chic Nordic design and emphasis on local produce, it offers guests a unique, modern experience. Its lively lobby attracts both locals and visitors, making it a social hub.

Room types:

Standard double room

Inspired by stylish Nordic design, your modern room will be fitted with a double bed, desk, smart tv, telephone and free Wi-Fi provided.

The Specifics

Group Size

We always try to provide an approximation of the group size you can expect to be with for the duration of each of our holidays. It may be that you are joined by others for parts of your holiday (such as transfers and particular activities) but the above number reflects those you can normally expect to be with from beginning to end. If group size is something which is particularly important to you, please speak to our Travel Experts and they can suggest the best holidays for you.

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Itinerary amendments

The order of activities listed in this agenda is provided for guidance only, your final and detailed itinerary will be provided either with your final travel documents (which are uploaded into your online account around a week prior to departure) or upon arrival.

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