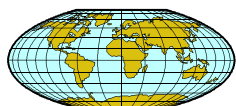


Jim Gold International Folk Tours



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Folk Dancing, Folk Music, Art, History, Culture, Adventure !

June 12-22, 2010

**Oslo, Bergen, Hovin (Telemark),
Fjord Cruise, Voss, Midsummer in Norway!**

Led by Lee Otterholt

- ★ **Dramatic fjords, incredible vistas, local farm visit, fjord cruises, dance classes, historic cities, folkloric villages !**
- ★ **Learn authentic Norwegian folk dancing from the masters !**
- ★ **Price includes city tours, all transfers, breakfasts, and a private deluxe motorcoach.**

ITINERARY:

Day 1: Saturday, June 12: Depart for Oslo on airline of your choice.

Day 2: Sunday, June 13: Arrive at **Oslo Airport (OSL)**. Take “Flybussen” to downtown Oslo. Ask to get off at Radisson Blu Scandinavia Hotel and walk one short block to Hotel Rainbow Europa. Lee will meet you in the hotel at 6:00 p.m. Short walking tour of Oslo and welcome dinner. Overnight at the Hotel Rainbow Europa.

Day 3: Monday, June 14: Morning sightseeing of Oslo includes **Vigeland Sculpture Park**, Holmenkollen Ski Jump, and the Royal Palace. Drive to town of **Drøbak** where Lee lived before moving to the USA. He’ll give us a guided tour. Evening dancing in Oslo.

Day 4: Tuesday, June 15: Depart Oslo. Drive through scenic Telemark past mountains, farmlands and stave churches. Arrive at **Karin Brennesvik’s house and dance center in Hovin**. Dance instruction, walking tours and visits to local folk artists. Lunch, dinner and overnight in dance center

Day 5: Wednesday, June 16: Meet local folk artists and dance with local dance experts. More local excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

Day 6: Thursday, June 17: Leave Hovin and drive over snowy mountains to Rauland folkemusikkakademi. Dance in the evening. Dinner included.

- Day 7: Friday, June 18:** Leave Rauland **Breathtaking ferry ride across Hardanger Fjord.** Continue past gorges, rivers, and waterfalls. Arrive and register at the Hotel Bergen Brygge. Possibly meet and dance with local dancers (or local sightseeing or shopping.)
- Day 8: Saturday, June 19:** Sightseeing tour of Bergen including Hanseatic warehouses, and Viking Hall. **Visit Troldhaugen, home of composer Edvard Grieg.** Later in the day drive to **Voss** along the Vosso River, one of the finest salmon rivers in Norway. Possible program at **Sigbjørn Osa Folk Music Center** (folk dance lecture, dance lessons and live music) or ...possibly a very special surprise! Overnight: Hotel Park Vossevangen.
- Day 9: Sunday, June 20:** Visit dramatic “Eagles’ Nest” Hotel. **Two-hour fjord cruise! A photographer's dream!** an optional Flåm railway trip up the mountain with incredible views of gorges, rivers, and waterfalls, or drive over mountains through spectacular and historic landscape to overnight at Thon Hotel in Aal.
- Day 10: Monday, June 21:** Drive to Lee’s wife’s family cottage on Tyrifjorden. Eat, drink, and celebrate Midsummer in traditional fashion with a huge bonfire
- Day 11: Tuesday, June 22:** Back to USA. Drive to Oslo Airport (OSL) for tear-filled farewell. (Book a flight leaving in the afternoon, if possible.)

About Lee Otterholt:

Lee Otterholt, born in the USA of Norwegian-American parents, has lived and worked most of his life in Norway as a professional dancer, teacher, and choreographer. He founded the Center for International Folk Dance in Oslo; he was also professor of dance folklore at the Norwegian National College of Ballet, and University College of Oslo. Lee established folk dance and performing groups in Norway, taught at festivals and workshops throughout Europe, United States, and East Asia, and is the author of folk dance and instructional manuals used in Norwegian schools. Lee was one of the choreographers for the Opening Ceremony of the Winter Olympic Games in Lillehammer.

Land Only: \$2995

REGISTRATION

I can't wait to go! Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person. Single supplement: \$695. Hotel taxes and service charges: \$85. **Gratuities not included.** Cancellations 30 to 45 days prior to departure: Refund 50% of total price. Cancellations less than 30 days: No refund. Travel insurance recommended.

Total balance due February 10, 2010.

Name _____
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