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**Jim Gold International Folk Tours
and Lee Otterholt present:**

Norway, Denmark, Sweden!

June 18-July 1, 2024

**Oslo, Gothenburg,
Helsingborg (Elsinore),
Copenhagen!**

Led by Lee Otterholt

- ★ See ALL THREE Scandinavian countries!
- ★ Dance with local groups in all three countries!
- ★ For dancers, non-dancers, and anyone with a love of travel and culture!
- ★ Ferries from Sweden to Denmark and from Skjælland to the Jutland Peninsula. Cruise from Denmark to Norway!
- ★ Midsummer festivities in Sweden!
- ★ Price includes city tours, hotels, breakfasts, 4 dinners, cruise and all dance events!
- ★ [29 Reasons Norway Is The Most Beautiful](#)

ITINERARY:

Day 1: Tuesday, June 18: Fly to Oslo on airline of your choice.

Day 2: Wednesday, June 19: Arrive Oslo. Take train to Oslo Central Station ("Oslo S"). Walk to Comfort Hotel Børsparken, Tollbugt. 4, Oslo. Check in. Lee meets you in lobby at 6 PM. Welcome dinner. Visit Vigeland sculpture Park.



- Day 3: Thursday, June 20:** Sightseeing in Oslo including new Opera House, Folk Museum, Akerhus Fortress and Norwegian Resistance Museum. Possible meeting with Norwegian folk dance group. Overnight Comfort Hotel Børsparken.
- Day 4: Friday, June 21:** Drive to Gothenburg and take part in huge Midsummer Celebrations in Gothenburg together with 2 Swedish folk dance groups. Then drive to Nääs Palace and attend Swedish folk dance party including recreation of a Medieval Torch Dance Ceremony at midnight! Overnight either in a wing of the Palace itself or at a nearby hotel.
- Day 5: Saturday, June 22:** Witness a recreation of a 19th Century “bondböllo” (“farmer’s wedding”) at Nääs Palace. Again Overnight either in a wing of the Palace itself or at a nearby hotel.
- Day 6: Sunday, June 23:** Drive down the beautiful Swedish West Coast to Helsingborg, Sweden. Take ferry to Helsingør, Denmark and visit Shakespeare’s “Elsinore” Castle of Hamlet fame. (Actually name: Kronborg Slott.) Drive on to Høje Taastrup just outside of Copenhagen and overnight there.
- Day 7: Monday, June 24:** Take train into Copenhagen. Guided city tour in the morning. Free in the afternoon. (Visit Tivoli?) Train back to our hotel in Høje Taastrup.
- Day 8: Tuesday, June 25:** Ferry ride from Sjælland, the island that Copenhagen is on, to Aarhus on the Jutland peninsula. Continue up the Jutland peninsula to picturesque Skagen at the very tip of the Jutland peninsula. Possible meeting with Danish folk dance group. Overnight in Skagen.
- Day 9: Wednesday, June 26:** Nature walk to where the Skagerrak meets the Kattegat Straight. (You can stand with a foot in each sea!) or visit museum of famous local artists. Overnight in Skagen again.
- Day 10: Thursday, June 27:** Ferry across the Skagerak Strait from Denmark to Norway. Explore idyllic small towns on the beautiful south coast of Norway (Risør, Kragerø and Larvik, birthplace of Thor Heyerdahl). Overnight in Larvik.
- Day 11: Friday, June 28:** Explore wild and idyllic “Verdens Ende” (“Land’s End”) near Tønsberg and the Whaling Museum in Sandefjord. Begin weekend workshop at Skiringssal College: Join 50-70 other international folk dancers from all over Norway in a weekend of dancing, live music and instruction, led by Lee Otterholt. Dinner and overnight at Skiringssal College
- Day 12: Saturday, June 29:** Weekend Workshop continues. All meals included from Friday dinner to Sunday lunch.
- Day 13: Sunday, June 30:** Weekend Workshop concludes with lunch at Skiringssal College. After tearful farewell to new folk dance friends, drive back to Comfort Hotel Børsparken in Oslo. Farewell Dinner at Café Skansen in Oslo.
- Day 14: Monday, July 1:** Fly back to US. (The Comfort Hotel Børsparken is very close to the

Oslo S train station. Trains run from there to the OSL airport all day and night.)

Land Only: \$4995

Extension: "Norway in a Nutshell"

Extension is SELF-GUIDED. You can book and pay for various alternatives through www.norwaynutshell.com/original-tour/ One possible tour is:

Day 14: Monday, July 1: Morning train to Bergen, over the top of the Norwegian mountains. Explore Bergen afternoon and evening. Overnight in hotel.

Day 15: Tuesday, July 2: Take morning train to Voss, then bus to Gudvangen to fjord cruise through spectacular scenery to Flåm. Then take Europe's steepest railroad from sea level at Flåm to the snowy mountain tops at Myrdal to catch the train back to Oslo. Overnight at Comfort Hotel Børsparken in Oslo.

Day 15: Wednesday July 3: Fly back to US. (The Comfort Hotel Børsparken is very close to the Oslo S train station. Trains run from there to the OSL airport all day and night.)

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.

There are NO COVID RESTRICTIONS when traveling to Norway. See:

<https://www.visitnorway.com/plan-your-trip/coronavirus-and-travelling-to-norway>

REGISTRATION: I can't wait to go! Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person.

Single supplement: \$795. Hotel taxes and service charges: \$185.

Gratuities not included. Program subject to change without notice. Program subject to change without notice. Cancellations 90 days prior to departure: Total refund: Less than 90 days: No refund. **Total balance due March 1, 2024.**

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