

The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts presents

NORWEGIAN SPLENDOR

with Copenhagen

June 2-17, 2016

16 days for \$6,574 total price from Washington, DC
(\$5,895 air & land inclusive plus \$679 airline taxes and fees)



**An Exclusive Small Group Tour for
Members of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts**

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VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS


Dear VMFA Members,

We invite you to travel with us to Scandinavia. From the cosmopolitan capitals of Copenhagen and Oslo to magnificent fjord country, our small group will encounter the lands of the Midnight Sun at their most vibrant.

Our 16-day tour begins in the delightful Danish capital, Copenhagen. See the city's highlights including a visit to Rosenborg Palace. Spend a full day in Elsinore, made famous from Shakespeare's *Hamlet*. Take an overnight ferry to Oslo, Norway, and transfer to Gaala, our entry into the region of magnificent Norwegian fjords. View some of Norway's finest scenery at famed Geirangerfjord. Tour charming Bergen and visit Trolhaugen, the home of Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg. Continue on to Lofthus in the heart of Norway's Western Fjord District. En route back to Oslo, visit the mighty Voringfoss Waterfall. Tour Oslo, including a visit to the Viking Ship museum, a highlight of this nautical Norwegian city. We also enjoy a special treat with John Ravenal, curator of the upcoming Jasper Johns/Edvard Munch exhibit at the Munch Museum. Extend your journey in Scandinavia with a 4-day/3-night "On Your Own" extension in Stockholm, capital of Sweden.

Space on this program is limited to only VMFA members, friends, and family. We expect it will fill quickly; your early reservations are encouraged.

Sincerely,



Adele "Hutch" Livingston
Coordinator of Member Travel

VMFA RESERVATION FORM: NORWEGIAN SPLENDOR

Enclosed is my/our deposit of \$_____ (\$500 per person) for _____ person/people on **Norwegian Splendor** departing **June 2, 2016**. I/we understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard or VISA or by personal check. **Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and mail check to: Odysseys Unlimited, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. Or call Odysseys Unlimited toll-free at 888-370-6765, or fax reservation to 617-454-9199.**

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Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

E-mail _____ Badge Name(s) _____

Please book my/our air from _____ I/we request a Business Class upgrade

I will share a room with _____ I request a single room (limited availability)

Post-Tour "Stockholm – On Your Own" Extension: Please sign me/us up

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for **Norwegian Splendor, June 2-17, 2016**, and agrees that his/her signature below represents his/her acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) _____ Date _____

Method of Payment Check American Express Discover MasterCard VISA

Account # _____ Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

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Signature _____

Final invoicing will be sent by Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure and is payable by check or credit card.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not included in tour price

Airfare when purchasing a Land Only tour package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities, \$10-\$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing or shore excursions; travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline.

Cancellations, refunds and changes

If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited's receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: **cancel 95 days or more before departure: \$200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund.** If a guest makes any changes to his/her reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure.**

Upon reservation you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, your date of birth, and your gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

Responsibility

The liability of the VMFA, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant, and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, their employees, agents, servants or representatives. The VMFA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary, if unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and medical issues

We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a reasonable amount of walking, and **you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches on your own.** We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, Odysseys Unlimited and the VMFA assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air transportation – important information

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown and contracts with those airlines they feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignments on your international flight are usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.** Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and departure fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. **Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.**



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As the Midnight Sun turns night into day, Scandinavia shines. It's the perfect time to visit, with the majestic countryside at its loveliest, and the cities at their liveliest. From the cosmopolitan capitals of Copenhagen and Oslo to Norway's magnificent fjord country, our small group encounters Scandinavia at its best, both on and off the beaten path.



Day 1: Depart U.S. for Copenhagen, Denmark

Day 2: Arrive Copenhagen After arriving in the Danish capital today, this evening we meet our fellow travelers and Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director at a welcome dinner and briefing about the journey ahead at Copenhagen's festive Tivoli Gardens. **D**

Day 3: Copenhagen A half-day tour introduces us to this most livable of cosmopolitan cities. We visit Rosenborg Palace, where we see the dazzling crown jewels; visit the popular Little Mermaid statue; and stroll along the narrow, historic streets of downtown to City Hall Square. The remainder of the day is at leisure. **B**

Day 4: Copenhagen We embark this morning on a full-day excursion, first to Elsinore (*Helsingør* in Danish), site of Kronborg Castle – the infamous setting of Shakespeare's *Hamlet* – where our tour includes the Royal Chambers and Ballroom. This afternoon we visit the Karen Blixen House and Museum in coastal Rungsted. Save for her years in Africa, the writer known as Isak Dinesen (*Out of Africa*) spent most of her life here where she was born in 1885. The house boasts its original furniture and décor; the site itself comprises the house, a museum, bird sanctuary, and park. **B,L**

Day 5: Copenhagen/Oslo, Norway After a morning at leisure, we set off mid-day for Christianborg Palace, seat of the Danish Parliament; and the cozy fishing village of Dragør, with its historic buildings and cobblestone streets. Later we board the overnight DFDS ferry to Oslo, settling in our private outside cabins. **B,D**

Day 6: Oslo/Lillehammer/Gaala Upon disembarkation this morning, we board our coach for the journey north to ski country. We stop along the way in Lillehammer (site of the 1994 Winter Olympics) to visit the open-air museum at Maihaugen, among Norway's most visited cultural attractions. Mid-afternoon we depart for our ski lodge hotel in the village of Gaala. **B,L,D**

Avg. High (°F)	May	Jun
Copenhagen	60	66
Oslo	61	68

Your Small-Group Tour Highlights

Copenhagen sightseeing, including Rosenborg Castle and Christianborg Palace ... Excursion to Elsinore ... Karen Blixen House and Museum ... Overnight ferry to Oslo ... Norway's stunning Western Fjord District: Hardanger Fjord, Sognefjord, Geirangerfjord ... Thrilling Flam Railway excursion ... Picturesque Bergen ... Oslo touring, including Viking Ship and Kon-Tiki museums ... Norway's outstanding natural scenery

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Copenhagen		
2-4	Copenhagen	Tivoli Hotel	Sup. First Class
5	Overnight ferry	DFDS Ferry	Not rated
6	Gaala	Wadahl Hotel	Not rated
7-8	Geiranger	Hotel Union	First Class
9-10	Bergen	Radisson Blu Royal	Sup. First Class
11-12	Lofthus	Hotel Ullensvang	Sup. First Class
13-15	Oslo	Hotel Bristol	Sup. First Class
16	Depart Oslo for U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels may be too small, too new, or too remote to be listed.

Cover Photo: Geirangerfjord, one of Norway's most visited sites



Typical scene of coastal houses in Norway

Day 7: Gaala/Geiranger A day of beautiful scenery is in store as we travel from Gaala to Geiranger, en route negotiating hairpin bends to the summit of Mount Dalsnibba (alt. 4,900 feet) for stunning views of Geirangerfjord and the mountains, lakes, and waterfalls beyond. We reach the popular village of Geiranger mid-afternoon and get our first up-close look at Norway's most dramatic fjord. A UNESCO site, it measures 10 miles long and 960 feet deep. **B,D**

Day 8: Geiranger Today's excursion on Eagle Road to Herdalssetra promises abundant thrills as we ride along 11 hairpin turns through mountain passes, catching glimpses of the dramatic fjord along the way. We visit a local farm for lunch then return to Geiranger mid-afternoon. Before dinner at our hotel tonight, we enjoy a reception there to view a private vintage car collection. **B,L,D**

Day 9: Geiranger/Bergen We can expect scenic overload on our full-day journey to Bergen from Geiranger. A series of ferry rides takes us across Geirangerfjord, past tiny villages, tumbling waterfalls, and amid steep mountains plunging into the fjord's placid waters. Upon arrival in Bergen this evening, we enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. **B,D**

Day 10: Bergen We see the highlights of this beautiful city, Norway's second largest, on a morning tour, including Trollhaugen, country home of composer Edvard Grieg; the lively fish market; the colorful 14th-century Hanseatic merchants' quarter of Bryggen (a UNESCO site); and 16th-century Bergenhus fortress. The afternoon is free to enjoy Bergen as we wish. **B**

Day 11: Bergen/Flåm/Lofthus It's a day of extreme beauty ("Norway in a nutshell") and diverse transportation as we travel by coach this morning to Voss, where we board the storied Flåm

Railway for a thrilling hour-long excursion through 2,000-foot deep Flåm Valley. The train hurtles through 20 tunnels that spiral in and out of mountains, past the mighty Kjosfossen Waterfall, and across the Flåm River three different times. Along the way we experience the grandeur of Naeroyfjord, and the Aurland fjords in the Flåm Valley. We change trains in Myrdal then continue on to Flåm, where we board a ferry to Gudvangen. Then we travel by coach and ferry to Lofthus, nestled on Hardangerfjord in Norway's captivating Western Fjord District. **B,L,D**

Day 12: Lofthus Today we travel through more breathtaking scenery to one of Norway's largest orchards, where we meet the family who runs it over cake and coffee. Then we visit the salmon farm next door, tracing the salmon's path from farm to tables around the world. **B,D**

Post-Tour Extension

June 17-20, 2016

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- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport

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Day 13: Lofthus/Oslo En route to Oslo today, we stop in Eidfjord where we tour the Hardanger Nature Center showcasing the natural and cultural worlds of Norway’s fjord country. Later we stop for photos at mighty Voringfoss Waterfall, considered Norway’s most beautiful cataract. We continue on to Oslo, arriving early this evening. **B**



Mermaid statue in Copenhagen

Day 14: Oslo

A half-day tour of the pastoral Norwegian capital features the National Gallery, with Norway’s largest collection of fine arts, including Edvard Munch’s “The Scream;” and Vigeland Sculpture Park, with its intriguing bronze

and granite sculptures of human figures by artist Gustav Vigeland. This afternoon is free to explore independently. **B**

Day 15: Oslo This morning we visit the Viking Ship Museum, housing the well-preserved remains of wooden ships that crossed the ocean in search of new lands more than a thousand years ago. We also tour the nearby Kon-Tiki Museum, with the original vessels and artifacts from Thor Hyerdahl’s 1947 voyage across the Pacific. Then this afternoon we have a special visit to the Munch Museum. Tonight we gather for a farewell dinner. **B,D**

Day 16: Depart for U.S. We transfer to the airport this morning for our return flight to the U.S. **B**



Viking Ship Museum, Oslo

Tour Departs: June 2, 2016

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

New York	\$6,274
Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Miami, Philadelphia, Washington, DC	\$6,574
Dallas, Houston, Minneapolis, Orlando, Tampa	\$6,674
Denver, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle	\$6,774
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$4,895

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in an outside cabin and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$679, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,195.

All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class - \$3,495 per person; Premium Economy - \$795 per person (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

For reservations and information, please call Odysseys Unlimited toll-free at (888) 370-6765

Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-7:00 PM, Eastern Time

For further information contact VMFA Member Travel at 804-340-1519

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 14 nights’ accommodations: 13 nights in Superior First Class, First Class, and unrated hotels; 1 night aboard DFDS ferry
- 27 meals: 14 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 9 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Ferry, rail, and private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters and all drivers