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With Dr. Lincoln Pratson P’14, P’20,
Gendell Family Professor of Energy and Environment, Duke University

Norwegian Splendor
with Copenhagen
June 27-July 12, 2022

16 days from $6,694 total price from New York
($6,195 air & land inclusive plus $499 airline taxes and fees)

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Dear Duke Travelers,

Travel on an exclusive 16-day journey to Norway and Denmark. 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.

Duke Travels is pleased to have engaged Odysseys Unlimited to operate this educational tour that begins in the delightful Danish capital, Copenhagen. See the city’s highlights, including a visit to Rosenborg Castle. Explore Elsinore, made famous by Shakespeare’s Hamlet. Take an overnight ferry to Oslo, Norway, and transfer to Gaala, your entry into the region of magnificent Norwegian fjords. 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. Your tour ends in Oslo, where you will visit the Viking Ship Museum. For those who wish to extend this Scandinavian adventure, an optional 4-day/3-night post-tour extension to Stockholm, Sweden, is available.

Your Duke study leader is Dr. Lincoln Pratson P’14, P’20, Gendell Family Professor of Energy and Environment. Space on this exclusive departure is limited to 24 guests and may sell out quickly. Your deposit is fully refundable up until 95 days before departure. Call to reserve your space today at (919) 684-2988.

Forever Duke,

Beth Ray-Schroeder ’83
Director, Duke Travels
Duke Alumni Engagement and Development

DUKE TRAVELS RESERVATION FORM: NORWEGIAN SPLENDOR

To reserve your place on tour, please call Duke Travels at (919) 684-2988 (preferred registration method) or email duketravels@duke.edu. Please have the information outlined below available to share with a Duke Travels representative. If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and mail it to Duke Travels’ office. Please alert Duke Travels to your pending reservations request.

Once this request is received by Duke Travels (either by phone, email, or mail), a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure.

For trip information only, please contact Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. at (888) 370-6765.

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NORWEGIAN SPLENDOR • JUNE 27-JULY 12, 2022

I/We would like to request __________ place(s). (Deposit amount is $500 per person.)

Full Passport Name ____________________________________ Date of Birth ______________ Gender _____

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E-mail(s) _______________________________________ Badge Name(s) ___________________________________

Please book my/our air from ______________________ I/We request an air upgrade to __________________

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 ❑
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.

Tour membership limited to 24 alumni and friends

Norwegian Splendor with Copenhagen

16 days from $6,694 total price from New York
($6,195 air & land inclusive plus $499 airline taxes and fees)

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 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 Christiansborg Palace, seat of the Danish Parliament; 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 free to explore independently. B

Day 4: Copenhagen  We embark this morning on a full-day excursion, first to Elsinore (Helsinger 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 Rosenborg Castle, where we see the dazzling crown jewels; and the cozy fishing village of Dragor, with its historic buildings and cobblestone streets. Later we board the overnight DFDS ferry to Oslo, settling in our private outside cabins and enjoying dinner on board. B,D

Day 6: Gaala Wadahl Hotel  Not rated

Day 7-8: Geiranger  Hotel Union  First Class

Day 9-10: Bergen  Radisson Blu Royal  Sup. First Class

Day 11-12: Lofthus  Hotel Ullensvang  Sup. First Class

Day 13-15: Oslo  Thon Hotel Opera  First Class

Day 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.
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.  

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. 

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.

Day 10: Bergen  We see the highlights of this beautiful city, Norway’s second largest, on a morning tour, including Trolhaugen, 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.

Day 11: Bergen/Lofthus  On today’s journey to Lofthus, we travel through the breathtaking scenery of Norway’s Western Fjord District. Along the way, we stop to see the 150-foot Steindal Waterfall then at a floating salmon farm in this premier fish farm region. Last, we visit Steinstoe, one of the country’s largest orchards, where we enjoy a tour led by the family of the owner then get to know them over cake and coffee. Mid-day we reach our hotel, with the remainder of the afternoon at leisure. Dinner tonight is at our hotel.

Day 12: Lofthus/Flåm  It’s a day of extreme beauty and diverse transportation as we travel by coach to Gudvangen, where we board a ferry for Flåm, traversing stunning Naeroyfjord, a UNESCO site. After free time in Flåm, we embark the storied Flåm Railway for a thrilling hour-long, 12-mile route ascending the 2,900-foot-deep Flåm Valley. Our exhilarating excursion ends in Myrdal, where we...

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**Post-Tour Extension**

- **July 12-15, 2022**
- **Stockholm – On Your Own**
- 4 days/3 nights for $995 total price
- Single Supplement: $345

- *Add an independent stay in the delightful Swedish capital to your Scandinavian sojourn.*

**Your Tour Price Includes**

- Air transportation Oslo/Stockholm, inclusive of airline taxes and fees
- 3 nights’ accommodations at Scandic Continental (First Class)
- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport
board another train for the brief trip to Voss. Here we meet our coach for the return journey to our hotel via the 4,600-foot Hardanger Bridge, one of the world’s longest suspension bridges. B,L,D

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

Day 14: 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 Heyerdahl’s 1947 voyage across the Pacific. This afternoon is free for independent exploration. B

Day 15: Oslo A half-day tour of the pastoral Norwegian capital features the Munch Museum, housing an extensive collection of works by the Norwegian Modernist; and Vigeland Sculpture Park, with its intriguing bronze and granite sculptures of human figures by artist Gustav Vigeland. Tonight we gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. B,D

Your Tour Price Includes
- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 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
- Dr. Pratson as faculty, with a minimum number of travelers
- 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
- $100 frequent traveler credit towards your next Duke/Odysseys Unlimited tour ($200 after 3 tours; $300 after 10 tours)

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Tour Departs: June 27, 2022
Prices include int’l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

New York $6,694
Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, $6,994
Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Miami, Philadelphia, Raleigh-Durham, Washington, DC $7,094
Dallas, Houston, Minneapolis, Orlando, Tampa $7,194
Denver, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle $7,194

Land Only (transfers not included) $5,795

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $499, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add $1,395. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days from departure. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – $3,595 per person; Premium Economy – $1,495 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change). Upgrades are in addition to the costs above.

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Duke Faculty
Lincoln Pratson P’14, P’20 is a Professor in the Nicholas School of the Environment’s Division of Earth & Climate Sciences at Duke University. Lincoln holds a bachelor’s degree in geology from Trinity University (San Antonio, TX), a master’s degree in oceanography from the University of Rhode Island, and a Ph.D. in marine geology & geophysics from Columbia University. He joined the Duke faculty in 1998, serving as ECS/EOS Director of Graduate Studies for three years and Division Chair for five years. In addition to teaching Nicholas School courses on energy and the environment, Lincoln has authored over 85 technical articles on subjects ranging from the geologic evolution of continental shelf and slope seafloor morphology to international trade in energy. In 2011, Lincoln was made a Bass Fellow at Duke for excellence in teaching and research, and in 2017 was awarded the Gendell Family Professorship of Energy & Environment.

Day 16: Depart for U.S. We transfer to the airport this morning for our return flight to the U.S. B
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 package; costs of passports and visas, if required; immunizations, inoculations, and COVID-19 testing; 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; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes: If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 95 days before departure: full refund; cancel 44-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; cancel 44-65 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 you make any changes to your 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 administrative fee is non-refundable. 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, as well as your date of birth and 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 Duke University (DUKE), as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and 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, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. DUKE 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 lines, 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 and boats 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 many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. 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, DUKE and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. 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 the company feels 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 assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. 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 fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available to any participant. 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.

PLEASE NOTE: A minimum number of participants is needed to have a Duke University faculty or host accompany this trip. We make every effort to send a faculty lecturer on each departure, as our travelers tell us this greatly enhances their experience. However, due to faculty schedules, this may not always be possible; and due to group size, we may not qualify to send a host. COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols: The well-being of our guests and staff members on tour will continue to be our highest priority. To maintain a healthy environment for travel, we will be establishing and adhering to a detailed set of health and safety protocols for all facets of your tour. We are committed to following the guidelines of the State Department, CDC, WHO, and authorities of respective countries regarding travel to a particular destination. Detailed protocols for this tour, based on conditions at the time, will be provided approximately 115 days prior to departure.