

*lights of arctic*  
**NORWAY**



# TROMSØ - ALTA - SAARISELKA - KIRKENES

7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS



**WINTER GUARANTEED DEPARTURES**  
**2019**

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JANUARY	01, 08, 15, 22, 29
FEBRUARY	05, 12, 19, 26
MARCH	05, 12

EXPERIENCE THIS UNIQUE JOURNEY TO LAPLAND AND BE AMAZED BY A BLEND OF FIRST CLASS TRAVEL, WITH THE MOST FASCINATING AND INVIGORATING WINTER ACTIVITIES IN THE REGION. A LOCAL GUIDE WILL TAKE YOU ON A 3-HOUR TOUR OF TROMSO CITY FOLLOWED BY HUSKY SAFARI AND THE SEARCH FOR THE AURORA BOREALIS. IN ALTA YOU WILL VISIT THE AWARD-WINNING LOCAL MUSEUM AS WELL AS THE IMPRESSIVE NORTHERN LIGHTS CATHEDRAL. IN KIRKENES CHOOSE TO TRY ONE OF THE DELICACIES OF THE NORTH ON A KING CRAB SAFARI.

#### HIGHLIGHTS:

- Activities everyday
- A visit to the award-winning Alta Museum & and the Northern Lights Cathedral in Alta
- King Crab Safari
- Husky farm visit with sledge drive

#### RATES

Per person in double/twin room:

- **EUR 1.990,00**

Supplement for single room:

- **EUR 490,00**

3<sup>rd</sup> adult in extra bed sharing double/twin room:

- **EUR 1.835,00**

\*Child (7-12 years), per child when sharing room with parents:

- **EUR 1.695,00**

*The Northern Lights are weather dependent and cannot be guaranteed as they are a natural phenomenon.*

#### TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- ✓ 6 nights in First Class hotels in standard double/twin rooms with private facilities
- ✓ 6 breakfasts, buffet style
- ✓ 1 dinner & 1 lunch, as mentioned in the program
- ✓ Guided 3-hour City sightseeing in Tromso
- ✓ Arrival transfer in Tromso by public service Flybussen
- ✓ Departure from Kirkenes by public service Flybussen
- ✓ Bi-lingual Tour Escort (English & Spanish or Portuguese) from Day 1 to Day 6 inclusive
- ✓ The long-distance coach from day 2 – 6 offers WIFI
- ✓ All tours and transportation, as mentioned in the program
- ✓ Visits, excursions and entrances as mentioned in the program
- ✓ Outdoor clothing for winter activities/safaris mentioned in the program. For further information please consult the general conditions

*Please note! Arrival and departures transfers from Tromso and Kirkenes are by a regular (public) airport bus service Flybussen. For passengers who require private transfers – for a supplement, private transfers can be reserved.*

**ITINERARY:**

<b>DAY</b> <b>1</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>Arrival – Tromso</b>
	Radisson Blu Tromso ****

Arrival to Tromso airport. Upon exiting the airport, please proceed to the Flybussen bus stop (regular airport express bus) and present your voucher to the driver. Your voucher is valid for both the arrival and departure transfers so please be sure to keep it safe. The Flybussen will transfer you the 5 km distance to the center of Tromso and drop off is within walking distance of your hotel. Check-in at your hotel (guaranteed from 15:00). Please consult the Borealis Destination Management welcome letter, which you will receive upon check-in to your hotel, and kindly note where and when to meet your Tour Director. The rest of the day at leisure.



<b>DAY</b> <b>2</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>Tromso</b>	<b>Breakfast &amp; Dinner</b>
	Radisson Blu Tromso ****	

Breakfast at the hotel. This morning we depart by private coach for a 3-hour city sightseeing tour. This tour will be the perfect introduction to Tromso where you will visit the world’s most northern Botanical gardens. Here you can enjoy the views of the mountains to the east and south. Tromso enjoys a subarctic climate, its location corresponding to the northern coast of Alaska. Visit the Tromso University Museum where you will learn fascinating facts on nature and culture in northern Norway. Learn about the indigenous Sami people, their traditional culture and recent history. Following this, you will continue on a tour around the island, passing Lake Prestvatn where the Meteorological Institute is situated. Travel across the bridge to the Arctic Cathedral for a visit to this masterpiece by Jan Inge Hovig. Built in 1965, the cathedral reflects north Norwegian nature, culture, and faith with a monumental stained-glass window.



**AURORA HUSKY VISIT**

**DINNER INCLUDED**

DURATION: 18:30-23:00

Be ready for a pick-up right outside your hotel at 18:30 where you will be met by a representative from Tromso Villmarkssenter and taken on a 25-minute bus ride to the Aurora Camp. At the camp you will be equipped with thermal overalls and boots to keep you nice and warm all evening. 300 friendly Alaskan huskies are waiting to greet you and enjoy some cuddles, followed by an affectionate and playful visit to the puppy enclosure. Once you have filled up on puppy love, it is time to enjoy a traditional Norwegian dinner in our cosy Gamme-hut (turf home). You will be served Norwegian Bacalao, prepared with locally sourced cod and tomato sauce, and for dessert their savoury signature chocolate cake.



As it is impossible to predict when the Aurora will appear during the evening, your guide will keep a close eye on the sky for you and the program will be adjusted accordingly. For those of you who wish to sit outside and wait for it to appear, a bonfire will set the mood and keep you toasty.

<b>DAY</b>	THURSDAY	Breakfast
<b>3</b>	<b>Tromso - Alta</b>	
	Thon Alta ***+	

Breakfast at the hotel. On your bus trip to Alta you will get to see the most magnificent and stunning nature and this trip will be something you will remember just a little longer. The distance between Tromso and Alta is about 300 km, the trip will take around 8 hours and include two ferry rides. The tour will make a stop to enjoy lunch (not included) at the Bios Café in Storslett. Arrival in Alta and check in at your hotel. Evening at leisure.



**OPTIONAL: NORTHERN LIGHTS TOUR - Storytelling**

PRICE: 155  
EUR/PERSON

19:30– 23:30

Min 2 persons/  
max 15 persons

Includes: transfers between Alta and Sorrisniva, guide, sweets and hot drink during the trip

This adventure begins with a pick up from the Scandic Hotel and a 20-minute bus ride into the countryside. The family owned Sorrnisniva adventure facility is perfectly located to maximize your chances of seeing the magnificent Aurora Borealis in the time between September and March. In the company of a knowledgeable local guide you will take on the Northern Lights chase. Along the way you will have an excellent opportunity to learn more about the natural phenomenon as well as the local history of Alta. Your guide will also be very happy to help you catch some beautiful images with your own camera. During the trip you will be served sweets and a warm drink. You will return to Scandic Hotel around midnight. **REQUIRES PRE-BOOKING**



<b>DAY</b>	FRIDAY	Breakfast
<b>4</b>	<b>Alta</b>	
	Thon Alta***+	

Breakfast at the hotel before departing for the prestigious EMYA award-winning Alta museum. The museum is situated at the site of early settlement of Finnmark dating from around 11,000 years ago and presents exhibitions on local culture and historic industries. A must-see for anyone visiting the area. Afterwards we will pay a visit to the modern Northern Lights Cathedral located in the central part of town.

<b>ALTA MUSEUM</b>	Included
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Experience the Northern Europe’s largest and richest rock carving site, inscribed on the UNESCO’s World Heritage List. Here you can walk on pathways arranged around the rock carving area while having a fantastic view over the Alta Fjord. The 2000 to 6200 years old rock carvings show the life of hunters and fishermen. You will have a guided tour at the museum with some free time afterwards to walk around in your own pace.



<b>NORTHERN LIGHTS CATHEDRAL</b>	Included
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The impressive Nordlyskatedralen is a result of an architectural competition launched in 2001. Designed by Schmidt Hammer Lassen Architects in collaboration with architect Kolbjorn Jenssen of Link Arkitektur, the elegant and modern construction features concrete and wood with external cladding of titanium sheets. The central feature being the towering spiral with belfry. Inside the church you will find art work by Danish artist Peter Brandes.



**OPTIONAL: SLEIGH RIDE UNDER THE NORTHERN LIGHTS**

PRICE/PERSON: 215 EUR  
Min 2 persons/Max 8  
persons

20:00 – 24:00

Dinner included

Includes: Transfer, traditional dinner including dried meat chips w/dip, reindeer meat, lingonberry sauce, homemade cinnamon rolls, bonfire-coffee and glogg

This tour offers you an evening of cozy adventure. You will be picked up in Alta and driven to a farm in the nearby countryside where you will climb aboard a sleigh and get bundled up in warm blankets. Your sleigh is then pulled by a Norwegian Fjord Horse through the forest and along the Alta River, all you need to do is sit back and enjoy the peace and beauty all around you. Near the end of the ride, you will stop at a wilderness shelter where a light dinner will be served around a warm fire. Under the right conditions you might also be able to captures some beautiful images of the Northern Lights. **REQUIRES PRE-BOOKING**



<b>DAY</b>	SATURDAY	Breakfast
<b>5</b>	<b>Alta - Saariselka</b>	
	Santa's Tunturi Hotel****	

Breakfast at the hotel before departure. In the comforts of our coach you will make your way south from Alta to Saariselka. The journey takes approximately 6 hours, during which you will have the opportunity to take in the breath-taking beauty of the changing Nordic landscape. The tour will make a stop along the way to enjoy lunch (not included).



<b>DAY</b> <b>6</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>Saariselka - Kirkenes</b>	Breakfast & Lunch
	Thon Hotel Kirkenes ****	

Breakfast at the hotel followed by an early departure. You will be traveling the 270 km north to Kirkenes by coach, an approximately 4-hour journey transporting you through the beautiful northern Lapland. Your eyes will feast on breathtaking nature as you make your way up north. The tour makes a stop along the way to enjoy lunch. After check-in at Thon Hotel Kirkenes you will enjoy the amazing experience of the “KING CRAB SAFARI”, departing from your hotel at 13:00 hours.



<b>KING CRAB SAFARI</b>	<b>INCLUDED</b>
DURATION: APPROX 3-4 HOURS	

***“Rated one of the best 25 excursions in the World by National Geographic”***

One of the highlights of Northern Norway with the chance to taste one of the local delicacies known worldwide. Heading out on the Kirkenes Fjord you will come face to face with this giant of the sea on the King Crab safari. The red king crab found in the Barents Sea can reach up to two meters from claw to claw and weigh up to 15 kilos. Depending on the weather and ice the trip might be by boat or snowmobile drawn sleigh. Once your king crab has been caught, you are transferred to a remote cabin where the crab will be prepared for a delicious lunch. All equipment and clothing will be provided. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure.



<b>DAY</b> <b>7</b>	<b>MONDAY</b> <b>Kirkenes – Departure</b>	Breakfast
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Breakfast and the rest of your day at leisure until your transfer to Kirkenes airport in good time for your departure flight.

**END OF SERVICES**  
**THANK YOU FOR TRAVELLING WITH VIAHANSA & BOREALIS**

**LIGHTS OF ARCTIC NORWAY 2019***Tromsø to Kirkenes 07 days/ 06 nights.*

BOOKING CODES:	DATES:
- BDMAN01:	01 JAN – 07 JAN
- BDMAN02:	08 JAN – 14 JAN
- BDMAN03:	15 JAN – 22 JAN
- BDMAN04:	22 JAN – 28 JAN
- BDMAN05:	29 JAN – 04 FEB
- BDMAN06:	05 FEB – 11 FEB
- BDMAN07:	12 FEB – 18 FEB
- BDMAN08:	19 FEB – 25 FEB
- BDMAN09:	26 FEB – 04 MAR
- BDMAN10:	05 MAR – 11 MAR
- BDMAN11:	12 MAR – 18 MAR
- BDMAN12:	19 MAR – 25 MAR

**THE RATES DO NOT INCLUDE:**

- Beverages or any extras
- Porter Service
- Any services not mentioned in the program

**HOTEL DESCRIPTIONS:**

Hotel Radisson Blu Tromsø

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With 269 rooms and suites, it offers modern amenities. Many rooms offer stunning views of the city and the surrounding natural grandeur of its mountains and bay. Guests can also take in views of the fjord and the landmark Arctic Cathedral from the hotel's 10th-floor fitness center. Here guests can work out or unwind in the sauna or solarium after a full day of outdoor activity. There are the Restaurant Aurora, Yonas Pizzeria or pub fare at Rorbua Pub. Both Rorbua Pub and the Lobby Bar offer atmospheres and drinks to warm you inside and out. In winter, guests can experience the magic of the Northern Lights from the hotel's glass bridge.



Scandic Ishavshotel Tromsø

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Stay right by the quayside with a picturesque waterside location in Tromsø and enjoy the fantastic views from the hotel. See the northern lights in the winter and the midnight sun in the summer. There is fresh seafood on offer at the Roast restaurant. The hotel has 214 rooms and most rooms are located at the very end of the quay and provide panoramic views of the surroundings.



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**Clarion the Edge**

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Opened in May 2014, this central Tromso hotel is located at the harbor, overlooking Tromso Sound and the Arctic Cathedral. It features modern rooms and on-site dining. Contemporary furnishings are featured in all of the 300 rooms, as well as a large flat-screen TV and desk. The bathrooms include a shower and hairdryer. Kitchen & Table by Marcus Samuelsson restaurant serves New York-style dishes made from local ingredients.



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**Thon Hotel Alta**

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Featuring free WIFI throughout the property, Thon Hotel Alta offers accommodations in Alta. Guests can enjoy the on-site restaurant. Some accommodations feature a sitting area to relax in after a busy day. For your comfort, you will find free toiletries and a hairdryer. You will find a 24-hour front desk at the property. Bike rental is available at this hotel and the area is popular for biking. The nearest airport is Alta Airport, 4 km from the property.



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**Thon Hotel Kirkenes**

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Thon Hotel Kirkenes is located right on the quay in the town center, with a view of the fjord and within minutes from Andersgrotta Bomb Shelter, dated from the Word War II. The hotel is one of the largest hotels in Kirkenes. It has modern designed rooms and a restaurant, which offers a broad selection of food and beverages.



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**Santa's Tunturi Hotel**

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Santa's Hotel Tunturi offers cozy accommodation with 260 rooms and apartment suites. Sweet dreams in the silence of arctic wilderness. All rooms and apartments are located in six different blocks, reception being in the main building. The main building has a long history and its facade has functionalism features and was designed by awarded Finnish architect, Kurt Moberg.

Santa's Hotel Tunturi has something to offer for all tastes. At their restaurants you can dine and dance from dusk till dawn. Whether you are fond of Lappish a la carte or Scandinavian fine dining you'll find something for your taste.

## Conditions – Winter Guaranteed Departures 2019

### 1) RATES

All rates are retail sales rates and given per person in Euro. The rates include all service taxes and reservation charges as well as the VAT percentage known on day of issuing the program of each country included in the respective programs. We reserve the right to amend the rates in case of governmental interference beyond our control.

### 2) RESERVATIONS

We kindly ask you to send your reservations by e-mail to [Guaranteed.Departures@bdm-info.com](mailto:Guaranteed.Departures@bdm-info.com) stating the tour code.

The following information is needed to confirm the reservations: *Booking code, type of room, full name, sex, date of birth, nationality, passport number and expiry date.*

Confirmation is subject to availability and therefore to confirmation. Our confirmation will be returned within 48 hours during weekdays (Mon-Fri).

We should be glad to sign you up for a free sales agreement, information and requirement thereto to be forwarded separately.

### 3) PAYMENTS

The rates are based on full pre-payment prior to departure. Invoices will be forwarded in due time prior to the traveler's arrival to destination.

### 4) GRACE PERIOD FOR RESERVATIONS

\* Reservations made more than 45 days prior to the beginning of the tour, may be cancelled within 10 working days (weekdays) from date of booking without cancellation charges.

\* Reservations made between 45 days and 36 days prior to the beginning of the tour, may be cancelled within 5 working days (weekdays) without penalties.

\* Reservations made between 35 and 21 days prior to the beginning of the tour, may be cancelled within 3 working days (weekdays) without cancellation charges.

\* Penalty will be imposed for cancellation of reservations made less than 20 days prior to the beginning of the tour, no matter the time of cancellation as follows.

### 5) CANCELLATION CONDITIONS FOR TOURS IN LAPLAND

After confirmation the reservation cannot be cancelled or changed without penalty. All cancellations will be charged with a minimum cancellation fee of EUR 75.00 per person.

The following cancellation charges apply:

\* Cancellations until 91 days prior to the arrival of the passenger are subject to a fee of EUR 75.00 per person for tours excluding overnight in Glass Igloos, and EUR 275,00 for tours including overnight in Glass Igloos.

\* Cancellations between 90 – 45 days prior to the arrival of the passenger are subject to a charge, per person, of 50 % of the total cost of the reservation.

\* Cancellations between 44 – 15 days prior to the arrival of the passenger are subject to a charge, per person, of 75% of the total cost of the reservation.

\* Cancellations made within less than 14 days of arrival of the passenger are subject to a charge, per person, of 100% of the total cost of the reservation.

**Name changes are considered as cancellation and rebooking and can only be done up to 21 days prior to arrival. Name changes will be charged with a fee of EUR 75.00 per name change.**

### 6) VISA & PASSPORT

It is the travelers own responsibility to hold and present valid documents (passport & visa) to the immigration authority of each

country. Borealis Destination Management is pleased to provide a visa support letter as basis for the travelers' application to the Embassy of his or her home country should a visa be required for the travelers in question. In order for us to supply such a support letter we must receive the following information: *full name, sex, date of birth, nationality, passport number and expiry date.*

### 7) FORCE MAJEURE

Borealis Destination Management Aps shall not be liable for any delay or failure in its performance of any of the services when such delay or failure arises beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation, acts of terrorism, civil insurrection, revolution, blockade, labor disputes and strikes, material shortages, supplier failure, embargoes, rationing, acts of local, state or national governments or public agencies, utility or communication failures or delays, fire, acts of war, floods, epidemics, and riots.

### 8) ITINERARY AMENDMENTS

We reserve the right to amend the itinerary and/or included entrances without notice due to weather conditions or interference of local authorities, which is out of the control of Borealis Destination Management Aps and its suppliers. The weather in Norway, especially on fjords area, can be unpredictable during the season and road closures are sometimes enforced by local authorities, therefore some of the activities on this tour are subject to change or cancelation without notice. Should the itinerary be amended due to unforeseen circumstances then we will endeavour to find suitable alternative activities.

### 09) HOTELS

Hotels confirmed for the respective dates are as per the program, there however might be a variation on some of the tours due to a difficult booking situation or similar. Should the actual hotel vary from the program, the tour operator will always be notified in advance and prior to the arrival of the passenger.

The Hospitality in Scandinavia is not officially classified by the international star system. The classification of the hotels described in our programs are as for the official classification, when existing, or with the number of stars based on the professional evaluation of Borealis Destination Management Aps.

The classification/evaluation used in our programs are based on the date of print of the program and could vary from the date of print to the date of the start of the actual tour.

### 10) CHILD POLICY – WINTER PROGRAMS

Borealis Destination Management ApS cannot be held responsible if the equipment or facilities provided by its suppliers does not ideally suit or fit to the needs of young children. Due to the nature of the tours and the destination, we are unfortunately not able to accept children younger than 7 years old on these programs. Children between 07-12 years, when sharing room with adults, receive a reduction.

### 11) IMPORTANT NOTE:

It is important to note that in all our winter programs can be physically demanding and the passenger may be exposed to different kinds of physical strain. Uneven grounds during walking tours, snow and ice are common surface in our destinations. All activities involving sailing, snowmobiling, reindeer sleighs, husky sleighs, igloo dinners & ice breaker will include appropriate thermal equipment.