



Cabo Norte y Laponia

8 days / 7 nights

Guaranteed departures 2012

Dep. July 28 & August 4+11

Experience
Scandinavia
& the Baltics





Day 1

Arrival - Helsinki



Transfer to the hotel upon arrival. You will be welcomed in Helsinki by your Tour leader from V.O.S. Transfer to your Hotel depending on arrival time. 2 Transfer times to the city centre will be provided. Should you arrive outside these hours, transfer will be on your own account: **Transfer times: 13.00 – 17.00 (these will be changed accordingly)**

Welcome to Helsinki! Surrounded by the sea it is called The Daughter of the Baltics. It is the city where Eastern and Western cultures meet. The architecture of the capital reflects a charming mix of Scandinavian and Russian influences.

Dinner and Overnight: Scandic Grand Marina or similar

Day 2

Helsinki – Ivalo - Saariselka

Breakfast at the hotel. Afterwards 3h sightseeing of the city including the splendid cathedral Tuomiokirkko, the colorful market, the astonishing church carved into the rock and the Sibelius monument evoking the giant organ. Lunch at leisure.

Transfer to the airport in Helsinki for departure to Ivalo – the capital of the Finnish Lapland.

Upon arrival in Ivalo transfer to Saariselka. You are in the heart of Lapland; however Sami Land should be the correct name for the region. The Sami's originally come from Central Asia and they live their lives in a vast area of extreme beauty where reindeer are the main activity and source to survival.

Dinner and Overnight: Holiday Club Saariselka or similar





Day 3

Saariselka - Honningsvåg



After breakfast we are heading towards Karasjok, located on finish/norwegian border to **visit The Sapmi Park**. It is a theme park that will teach you everything about the Sami culture. In addition to outdoor activities, you can also tour craft studios where they make silverware, woven fabrics and other goods.

Afterwards the tour continues to the island of North Cape. In the evening we will leave for an **excursion to the North Cape**. This black rock, being the most northerly point in Europe, offers an unforgettable view over the Arctic Ocean and all the colors of the midnight sun.

Dinner and Overnight: Rica Nordkapp or similar

Day 4

Honningsvåg – Alta

Breakfast at the hotel. Passing through the tunnel under Kåfjord we arrive in Alta.

Alta is the largest town in Finnmark and northern lights, midnight sun, mountains, Sami culture, reindeer and UNESCO-protected rock carvings.

Visit the rock carvings in Alta Museum.

Dinner and Overnight: Thon Hotel Alta or similar





Day 5

Alta - Tromsø



After breakfast the tour continues to Tromsø – Gateway to the Arctic and a capital of Northern Norway.

On our way we are going to be ferried through the crossing Olderdalen – Lyngseidet and Svensby – Breidvikeidet.

Arrived in Tromsø 2h sightseeing including - The Arctic Cathedral - city's most recognizable feature.

Overnight: Grand Nordic Tromsø or similar

Day 6

Tromsø - Enontekiö

Breakfast at the hotel.

We continue towards Kipsisjärvi situated between the 3 borders of Norway, Sweden and Finland.

In the afternoon departure to Enontekiö - the land of reindeer herding. Reindeer husbandry is still an important livelihood and lifestyle handed down from generation to generation. *Visit a Reindeerfarm where you learn about Lappish tradition*

Dinner and Overnight: Hetta Hotel or similar





Day 7

Enontekio – Rovaniemi



Breakfast at the hotel. Continuation to Muonio and visit the arctic Sleddog center. There are over 300 friendly husky dogs waiting for you in different home-yards from. Guided tour in the kennel with information about the history, the training and the life of the huskies. Afterwards we head towards the heart of Lapland – Rovaniemi, located at the northern Arctic Circle.

We will stop at **Santa Claus Village** with its many souvenir shops and Santa's Main Post Office.

Dinner and Overnight: Scandic Rovaniemi or similar

Day 8

Rovaniemi – Helsinki - Italy

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the airport according to the flight schedules and an assistance with the check-in.

Transfer time: 11.00 – 15.00 (these will be changed accordingly)





Welcome to
North Cape &
Lapland