



Scandinavia

WITH
WSHU
AND HOST SUZANNE BONA

~ August 18 – 29, 2027 ~



Join *Sunday Baroque* host **Suzanne Bona** and friends of **WSHU Public Radio** for an unforgettable journey through Scandinavia. Immerse yourself in Scandinavia's enchanting fjords, castles, glaciers, and Viking heritage. Traverse Sweden, Denmark, and Norway by train, ferry, and coach, experiencing each country's essence. Ride the world's most scenic railway to Bergen, tour Danish castles and palaces, attend the Oslo and Copenhagen Classical Music Festivals and enjoy a concert in the home of Edvard Grieg. Our 12-day classical Scandinavia journey has it all!

TRIP AT A GLANCE

- 3 Nights Stockholm, Sweden
- 3 Nights Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1 Overnight ferry ride to Oslo, Norway
- 2 Nights Oslo, Norway
- 2 Nights Bergen, Norway





JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

The Oslo Chamber Music Festival ❖ A concert in the home of Edvard Grieg ❖ The awe-inspiring scenic rail journey from Oslo to Bergen ❖ Traditional dining experiences ❖ Viking Church of Bergen ❖ Backstage tour of the Oslo Opera House ❖ A fjord cruise in Norway ❖ Travel with like-minded classical music enthusiasts and supporters of public radio and WSHU!

IT'S INCLUDED

- ❖ Travel with Suzanne Bona of *Sunday Baroque*
- ❖ Fully guided by an expert Earthbound Expeditions guide
- ❖ Walks with knowledgeable, fascinating local guides
- ❖ Transport by private air-conditioned motor coach
- ❖ 10 nights in centrally located, four-star hotels
- ❖ Overnight ferry, outside facing cabins from Copenhagen to Oslo
- ❖ All breakfasts, plus 10 additional meals featuring regional specialties
- ❖ Scenic train from Oslo to Bergen
- ❖ The Oslo Chamber Music Festival and a concert in the home of Edvard Grieg

TRIP FACTS

12 Days/11 Nights (*not including air travel*)

\$7495 per person, double occupancy

\$1995 single supplement (*waived if willing to share & roommate is found*)

Trip begins: August 18, 2027 in Stockholm, Sweden

Trip ends: August 29, 2027 in Bergen, Norway, after breakfast

WAYS TO SAVE \$300

Pay your final balance by check and save \$100 * Reserve your space by January 1, 2027 and save \$100 * WSHU, Earthbound Expeditions, and Sunday Baroque alumni save \$100



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Visit the Royal Palace, Stockholm

Your Classical Music Journey Begins!

Day 0: Depart the US for Stockholm

Remember you'll need to depart no later than August 17 to arrive in Stockholm by the start of the tour.

Day 1: Wednesday, August 18 - Välkommen till Sverige! Welcome to Sweden!

Plan to meet your WSHU host Suzanne Bona, your guide, and fellow travelers this evening at the group hotel in Stockholm. Enjoy a traditional Swedish welcome dinner and orientation this evening. *Sleep in Stockholm (D)*

Day 2: Thursday, August 19 - Discover Stockholm!

After breakfast, begin your discovery of Sweden's capital with a guided visit to the impressive City Hall, where the annual Nobel Prize festivities take place. Tour the Vasa Museum, featuring the impressive *Vasa* ship, an ornate royal warship that sank in Stockholm's harbor following its launch in 1628. With your free afternoon, you may want to take a canal tour or stroll the cobbled streets of medieval *Gamla Stan* (Old Town). *Sleep in Stockholm (B, L)*



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Day 3: Friday, August 20 - Drottningholm Royal Palace and Opera House Tour

Drottningholm Palace, on UNESCO's World Heritage list, is the most well-preserved royal castle built in the 1600s in Sweden and at the same time, representative of all European architecture for the period. The opera theatre was built in 1766 for Queen Lovisa Ulrika, and is one of the best-preserved theaters in the world from this time period. You'll also be treated to lunch in a local restaurant and a relaxing boat cruise this afternoon.

Sleep in Stockholm (B, L)

Day 4: Saturday, August 21 - Onward to Copenhagen!

Depart Stockholm for Copenhagen today. You'll arrive just in time to stroll through the old harbor. Stretch your legs and enjoy a short stroll along the waterfront to view the Little Mermaid sculpture and the Amalienborg Palace before dinner. This evening, enjoy a "Welcome to Denmark" dinner together. *Sleep in Copenhagen (B, D)*



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Attend the Oslo Chamber Music Festival

Day 5: Sunday, August 22 - Explore Charming Copenhagen

Join a knowledgeable local guide this morning for a fascinating walk through the old alleyways of Copenhagen. We'll visit the city's most photographed location: the harbor of Nyhavn and the *Stroget*, Copenhagen's main pedestrian avenue.

Our walking tour of the old town center will end right before lunch and your local guides will be available to offer you restaurant suggestions, as well as ideas for how to spend your free afternoon. *Sleep in Copenhagen (B, L)*

Day 6: Monday, August 23 - Towering Royal Castles and the Danish Riviera

Today we journey to North Sealand, filled with quaint villages, historic palaces, lovely lakes, and dense forests. We'll visit 17th-century Frederiksborg Castle, built by Christian IV in Danish Renaissance style. Stop to admire Hamlet's castle in Helsingor, then savor regional fare at local restaurant and drive the Yellow Roads along the "Danish Riviera" back to Copenhagen. Time permitting, we will visit the award-winning Louisiana Museum of Modern Art en-route to Copenhagen. *Sleep in Copenhagen (B, L)*

Day 7: Tuesday, August 24 - Cruise to Oslo, Norway

Sleep in and rest or enjoy a morning on your own to explore Copenhagen. Rent a bike, stroll through a market or visit a museum. In the early afternoon, plan to meet your guide and fellow travelers and depart your hotel for the Danish ferry terminal. Once on board, enjoy the fresh air and an included dinner. *Sleep aboard the overnight ferry to Oslo (B)*



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Discover Bergen!

Day 8: Wednesday, August 25 - Welcome to Oslo!

Enjoy awe-inspiring scenery as you cruise up Oslo Fjord. Upon arrival in Norway's capital city, we'll have a private tour of Oslo's highlights, including the renowned Oslo Opera House. You'll also have time to see the Vigeland Sculpture Park, with its 212 life-sized sculptures by Norwegian sculptor Gustav Vigeland, who devoted his career to the project. *Sleep in Oslo (B, L)*

Day 9: Thursday, August 26 - Free Day in Oslo and the Opera House

Enjoy free time this morning to enjoy the many sights of Oslo. We suggest a visit to the Fram Polar Ship Museum or the Edvard Munch Museum. This afternoon, meet your fellow travelers for an exclusive tour of the Norwegian National Opera House. Attend the Oslo Chamber Music Festival this evening. *Sleep in Oslo (B, L)*

Day 10: Friday, August 27 - Scenic Train to Bergen and the Grieg Music Festival

Today we travel west past the gorgeous fjords and mountains aboard the Oslo to Bergen scenic train. Bergen is located on the Byfjord and is famous for its ancient harbor and open-air fish market. Your hotel is located right on the harbor in the city's old wharf district, featuring traditional wooden buildings and a medieval atmosphere. Founded in 1070 during the days of the Hanseatic League, it is one of the oldest large trading ports in Northern Europe and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Upon arrival in Bergen, we'll tour the home of Edward Grieg and enjoy a concert. *Sleep in Bergen (B, L)*



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Enjoy a half-day cruise to the fjords of Norway

Day 11: Saturday, August 28 - The Fjords of Norway

Today, sailing out from the city center gives us a great view of Bryggen in Bergen, which is on UNESCO's world heritage list. From there, we sail through magnificent scenery in the Osterfjord towards Modalen, Norway's second smallest municipality. The crew takes us safely through powerful currents of the shallow and narrow Mostraumen straits. The further into the fjord we venture, the steeper and more powerful the mountain landscape becomes, and we pass several waterfalls along the way. The captain steers the boat so close to one of these waterfalls that you risk feeling its refreshing mist!

The beautiful fjord landscape is rich in bird and animal life, and, with a little luck, we might see seals sunbathing on the rocky shore or even eagles soaring over us.

Return to Bergen and enjoy a farewell feast. *Sleep in Bergen (B, D)*

Day 12: Sunday, August 29 - Return Home with a Lifetime of Memories!

Your Scandinavia tour ends after breakfast in Bergen, Norway. You may wish to stay on and further explore the fjords and enjoy the beauty of Norway. (B)

– Itinerary Details Subject to Change –



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Edvard Grieg composed masterpieces in his plush lakeside cabin

Meet Your Host



Suzanne Bona is the host and executive producer of *Sunday Baroque*, a syndicated weekly radio show of Baroque and early music. She originated the program in 1987 on **WSHU Public Radio** in her hometown of Fairfield, CT. *Sunday Baroque* has been distributed nationally since 1998, and is currently heard by approximately a half million listeners every week on 300+ public radio stations and networks across the U.S., and across the world at www.SundayBaroque.org. Suzanne is also a classically trained flutist who earned her Bachelor of Music degree from The University of Connecticut. She continues to

perform frequently as a soloist and chamber musician, and has especially enjoyed collaborating with some of her musically talented public radio colleagues in performances for listeners across the country. When she is not making radio, playing her flute, or traveling the world, Suzanne's hobbies include reading, running, cooking, and baking. She is also passionate about the cause of literacy, and has for decades has volunteered for several non-profit organizations that offer free tutoring and mentoring. Suzanne believes that travel, music and reading are among life's most transformational experiences.



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