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# Majestic Fjords of Norway

For any questions or concerns about your upcoming tour not addressed here, please call 1-800-826-2266

## WEATHER & DESTINATION SPECIFIC INFORMATION

**Time Zone:** Norway is in Central Europe Time (CET). CET is 6 hours ahead of the United States EST and 7 hours ahead of CST.

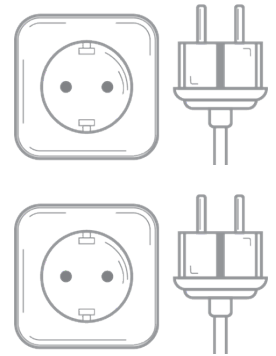
**Weather:** Average High/Low

City	June	July	Aug.
Oslo	70°F/52°F	73°F/56°F	70°F/54°F
Geirangerfjord	63°F/48°F	67°F/53°F	65°F/52°F
Bergen	63°F/50°F	64°F/53°F	63°F/54°F

**Currency:** The unit of currency in Norway is the Krone. Currency exchange rates fluctuate on a daily basis.

A helpful website for referencing current rates is [oanda.com](http://oanda.com). Guests may want to exchange a minimum of \$200-300 USD into NOK at the Oslo airport or at home.

**Electrical Current:** Electric outlets and plugs are different from those in North America. Norway's electric current runs at 220 volts, 50 cycles. An adapter is required to plug your device into an electrical socket. However, a voltage converter is only required if your device is not compatible with 220 volts. Check the voltage of any device that you are thinking of bringing. If the tag on your device lists 110-220 volts then you will not need a converter. Adapters and converters are available at luggage, department, and electronics stores.



**International Driver & Guide:** Your Driver and Guide will be with you for much of your tour. Should they meet your expectations, it is suggested you tip them to show your appreciation. The suggested gratuity for your Norwegian driver is 60 Norwegian krone per person per day and 60 Norwegian krone per person for your Norwegian guide. Any tipping is on a voluntary basis and is given directly to the driver and guide.

**Meal Expenses:** For the meals not included with the tour you can expect to spend the equivalent of an average of \$20 – \$35 US dollars per person, per day.

**Packing Note:** Washcloths are not standard in European hotels. Feel free to bring them with you. If you use them regularly, packing a washcloth may be helpful as Europe does not use washcloths and will not have them at the hotels.

**Public Facilities:** Outside of your hotel room some of the restrooms will have pay toilets or attendants collecting at the door. You may wish to have local coins available for these situations. All tap water is safe to drink. The hot and cold water faucets may be the opposite of North America and hot water can be extremely hot.

**Value Added Tax (VAT):** There is a Value Added Tax in Norway. This tax is levied on most goods with the exception of food and many services. In certain cases, the Value Added Tax on goods that are exported to the United States can be reimbursed to you upon completion and submission of a special form. There may be a service charge for the forms deducted from your reimbursement.