



## **A Norwegian Week, from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, 2025**

### **Go Nordic Skiing on the High Plateau of Lillehammer**

The network of ski trails—perfectly groomed for both classic and skating—situated above Lillehammer extend more than 300 km. And all of this in a countryside that will take your breath away. These immense plateau have a network of trails that link the small villages of Sjusjøen to Nordsetter while passing through Pellestova. All in all, the magnificence that you will experience here will give you a sense of liberty that you have rarely experienced before. The two villages just mentioned lay at a distance of 22 km from Lillehammer. The transport system allows you to visit Lillehammer when you wish.

We will start our week in a family hotel called Rustad in Sjusjøen, situated in the mountains outside Lillehammer (Lillehammerfjellet in Norwegian). The start of the trails is right in front of our hotel. From there, you have an almost infinite choice, either classic or skating. You will be able to have resting points, short or long, along the network of trails. All of the trails are groomed from the beginning of November to the end of April. The famous Birkebeiner race goes right in front of our hotel and takes place during the third weekend in March. Every day we will leave the hotel as we go on a trip of discovery of the region. We will pass by Nordsetter and then Pellestova going in the direction of the Rondane National Park. Some of the days that we ski will take us to the world-famous Olympic stadium in Lillehammer where the Olympic Games occurred in 1994. On those days, we will return to the hotel by bus, but not before we will have visited the Storgatta, a pedestrian-only shopping street in Lillehammer. We might even visit the Olympic museum or perhaps the Swix factory.





**Minimum Requirements:**

We start every day at around 10:00 in the morning and we come back to our hotel between 3 and 4 in the afternoon. That means you have to be able to ski at least 20 to 25 km each day, either classic or skate. Each day there will be choices so that if you are super tired, you can pick an easier and shorter trail. Also, there are numerous possibilities along the trails for you to stop to rest. The highest-level groups will ski up to 40 km each day, but you certainly do not have to. Everybody gets to take their lunch with them.





## Hotel Rustad at Sjusjøen

Located just a few meters away from the beginning of the ski trails. There is a new supermarket in the village and even a sporting goods store, which are only a few minutes by foot from your hotel. Each of the 46 hotel rooms are decorated in typical Scandinavian style and are very comfortable. Some offer views of the frozen lake of Sjusjøen. They each have a separate bathroom with a shower and toilet. Each room has a television and a telephone. The hotel offers separate men's and women's saunas. There are several reading rooms where you can rest or have a tea or coffee after meals. There is also a super spacious wax room. We take care of getting you to and from the Oslo Airport to your hotel.



**Date: March 16<sup>th</sup> to March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025** (Sunday to Sunday)

**Your Prepaid Tour Is Comprised of:**

- ✓ Transfer from Oslo Airport to your hotel and back
- ✓ 7 nights in the Hotel Rustad in a standard room
- ✓ 7 days at half pension with a breakfast buffet, plus an evening dinner meal
- ✓ A prepared picnic for you every day for your lunch on the trails
- ✓ All of the bus transfers during the week
- ✓ A guide from Sandoz Concept who will accompany you for 6 days of touring

Minimum number of participants: 10 persons

**The price per person in a double room: 1890,- euros, or 1890,- Swiss francs**

Individual rooms upon request but note that there are a limited number available.

**What Is Not Included in Your Prepaid Tour:**

- ✓ Your flights between Oslo and from wherever you are coming
- ✓ Trip insurance
- ✓ Personal expenses

**Air Transportation:**

Your flight is not included in the arrangement. We do, however, provide travel bookings at the absolute best places from the airport of your choice.

**The tour can be combined with our short trip to the Birkebeiner race on March 12-16, 2025.**

**Visiting Oslo is a Possibility:**

We can book a hotel if you wish to visit Oslo. Here is just one example in the center of town:

- ✓ Hotel Thon Europa (3 stars). This is a medium quality hotel in the center of town.
- ✓ The price per person in a double room, breakfast included, is only 120 euros, or 120 Swiss francs.

