

## The Unique Birkebeinerrennet in Norway

**March 17<sup>th</sup> through March 21<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 – Guided Trip for 5 Days**

Welcome to the legendary Birkebeiner Ski Race! The Birkebeinerrennet is one of the oldest and most challenging races in the Worldloppet series with 18'000 participants. This cross-country course is 54 km long crosses two mountains, the track takes you through breathtaking sceneries. The start is at Rena; the finish is reached at the Birkebeiner area at Lillehammer, the famous stadium from the 1994 Olympic Games. All competitors must carry a backpack that weighs at least 3.5 kg. This backpack weight is supposed to mirror the weight of the baby who became the future King Hakon.



## Specific Dates during Your Trip

You can start your trip any day before Wednesday or stay longer after Sunday to visit Oslo or come earlier at Lillehammer! Please ask for more specific details.

### Wednesday, March 17, 2021

You can take any international flight you wish. The bus departs from Oslo-Gardermoen Airport heading for Lillehammer, approximately two hours' drive. Arrival time approximately at 18.00h. Then you can check-in and the dinner will be served.

### Thursday, March 18, 2021

Starting at 7.30h in the morning, you can have breakfast at your hotel. Then you can take our bus that departs from the hotel and goes to the 1994 Lillehammer Olympic stadium for a first 10 to 15 kilometers "warm-up" ride. In the afternoon, you'll pick up your individual bibs and race packets at Hakon Hall. Then you can visit the town and especially the main street called «Storgatta». We will eat a specially prepared menu for diner. You'll want to prepare your skis for the then-current snow conditions.



Team Sandoz 2019



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### Friday, March 19, 2021

Starting at 7.30h in the morning, you can have breakfast at your hotel. Then you can take our bus that departs from the hotel and goes to Sjusjøen. During the ride, you can take a look at the last 15 to 18 kilometers of the race. You can go as far as the arrival stadium. Then you can return to the hotel, which only takes a few minutes. In the afternoon, you'll want to wax your skis. And you may wish to visit the town on your own. Dinner will be at 7 in the evening. After dinner, we'll provide you with a briefing about the next day's race.

New is a skating race on the original tracks of the Birkebeiner from Rena to Lillehammer – the «Fredags Birken». This race in the free technique has already been added to the Worldloppet Pass. The buses to the start run only five minutes from the hotel. For the skating race holds the same rules for the backpack of 3.5 kg which you have to carry with you.

### Saturday, March 20, 2021

The big race day. You will get up at the crack of dawn and eat as big a breakfast as you can. There will be a bus to take you from the hotel to the start of the race in Rena, which is 8:00 in the morning. The bus will be waiting at the parking lot in Rena so if you have a later start, you can wait in the bus. All luggage can be left in the bus and will be transported back to the hotel after the race, you can walk back to the hotel by yourself. In the evening, you will have the last

celebratory dinner with all of the other tour group members. By now you will have made lots of friends, to be sure.

**Sunday, March 21, 2021**

You will go by bus to Oslo-Gardermoen Airport or back to downtown Oslo if you've decided to extend your trip to visit this fantastic city.

**Your Lodgings, Hotel Scandic \*\*\*\***

The hotel is situated centrally in Lillehammer, 300 meters from the «Maighaugen Museum» and the Olympic Stadium and 500 meters from the main street. You have a swimming pool, a sauna, and two restaurants in the hotel. And there is a place to wax your skis.

Every room is a double with two twin beds, shower, WC, and TV, plus Internet connection.



**Possible Dates:**

You can either go from **Wednesday to Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> to March 21<sup>nd</sup> 2021** or extend your trip as long as you want before or after this date. Please ask for more details.

**What You Get for Your Money:**

- ✓ Bus transfers to and from the airport
- ✓ 4 nights in Scandic Hotel\*\*\*\*
- ✓ 4 days and evenings of half pension with buffet breakfasts and a dinners
- ✓ The bus transfer to the course during the day of the race (Saturday)
- ✓ The bus transfer to the stadium (Tuesday) and to Sjusjoen (Friday)
- ✓ Free use of sauna and swimming pool
- ✓ A place to wax your skis
- ✓ Full guiding and advice with Daniel Sandoz

**Prices Birkebeiner 2021 per Person**

Date	Double room	Dbl room for single use
<b>4 days (Wednesday – Sunday)</b> March 17 <sup>th</sup> to March 21 <sup>nd</sup>	Euro 990,- / CHF 1140,-	Euro 1270,- / CHF 1450,-

**What You Have to Pay For Yourself in Addition:**

- ✓ Race inscription fees Birbebeinerrennet: Euro 170,- / CHF 190,-
- ✓ Race inscription fees Fredags Birken, Skating + Transfer : Euro 130,- / CHF 145,-
- ✓ Air transportation

## Registration Birkebeinerrennet 2021

One form per person

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First name, last name

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Date of birth

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Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town, country

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Mobile phone

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E-mail

Registration for:

54 km **classic** on 20.03.2021

54 km **skating** on 19.03.2021

I only travel with the group and don't participate at the race.

Double room

Double room single use

Airport, please contact us for flight details \_\_\_\_\_

### Start number (BIB)

The Organization of the Birkebeinerrennet decides about your start block. Therefore we need 3 of your results during the last two winters. Worldloppet races and long races over 42 km in classic or skating.

Please give us your time and rang to get the best possible start block.

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