Scandinavian Adventure

Arrive at Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport and transfer to one of the 36 hotels located throughout the heart of Bloomington, each with its own special charm, all of which are just minutes away on a complimentary hotel shuttle.

**Day One**
10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Step into the heart of Swedish America. Visit the American Swedish Institute, a historic house, museum and cultural center. The mansion was founded in 1929 by Swedish immigrant Swan J. Turnblad and is a 33-room institute is a blend of period rooms and exhibit galleries. Exhibits change regularly at the institute and there is a big celebration surrounding Sweden’s National Day and Midsommar, so plan accordingly for both and visit americanswedishinst.org for the latest information.

Stop into Ingebretsen’s Scandinavian Gifts & Deli on Lake Street in Minneapolis to shop for fine Scandinavian gifts, food, needlework and clothing. A staple in Minnesota since 1912, you will find unique, Minnesota-themed items.

**Day One Evening**
Stay on Lake Street and dine at one of the many restaurants, from trendy to casual, in this hip area. The ethnic diversity of the food options is endless or you can find ribs at Famous Dave’s Bar-B-Que. For your evening entertainment, stop into Comedy Sportz improvisational theatre, bowl at Bryant Lake Bowl or take in a stage production at the Jungle Theatre.

**Day Two**
10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Take a twenty mile trip south of Bloomington to Hastings, MN to visit the Scandinavian Marketplace. Here you will find is the best place to shop for crystal and glass, dinnerware, flatware and home decor as well as Scandinavian books, food and gifts. While in Hastings, take in the rugged and colorful scenery of the Mississippi, St. Croix and Vermillion rivers. Or, visit one of 63 building on the National Register for Victorian Architecture. And, dine at one of the quaint restaurants on Main Street in historic downtown Hastings.

**Day Two Evening**
Head back to your hotel to freshen up after your road trip for your evening at the Chanhassen Dinner Theatres. Enjoy an evening of sheer entertainment, a perennial group favorite for American classic productions. The theatre is the nation’s largest professional dinner theatre where nearly 200 plays have been performed on the stage. For the most current production information, visit chanhassentheatres.com.

**Day Three**
Sleep in, but do not eat breakfast before you head over to IKEA Swedish Home Furnishing. Grab one of their .99 breakfast plates and build up your energy for shopping through this gigantic store by Mall of America. IKEA offers a wide range of well-designed, functional home furnishing products at low prices. Head over to Mall of America to experience over 520 stores, 50 restaurants and numerous group-friendly attractions. Grab a shopping bag and a coupon book at a Guest Service desk and enjoy the rest of your stay in Bloomington, MN!

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