

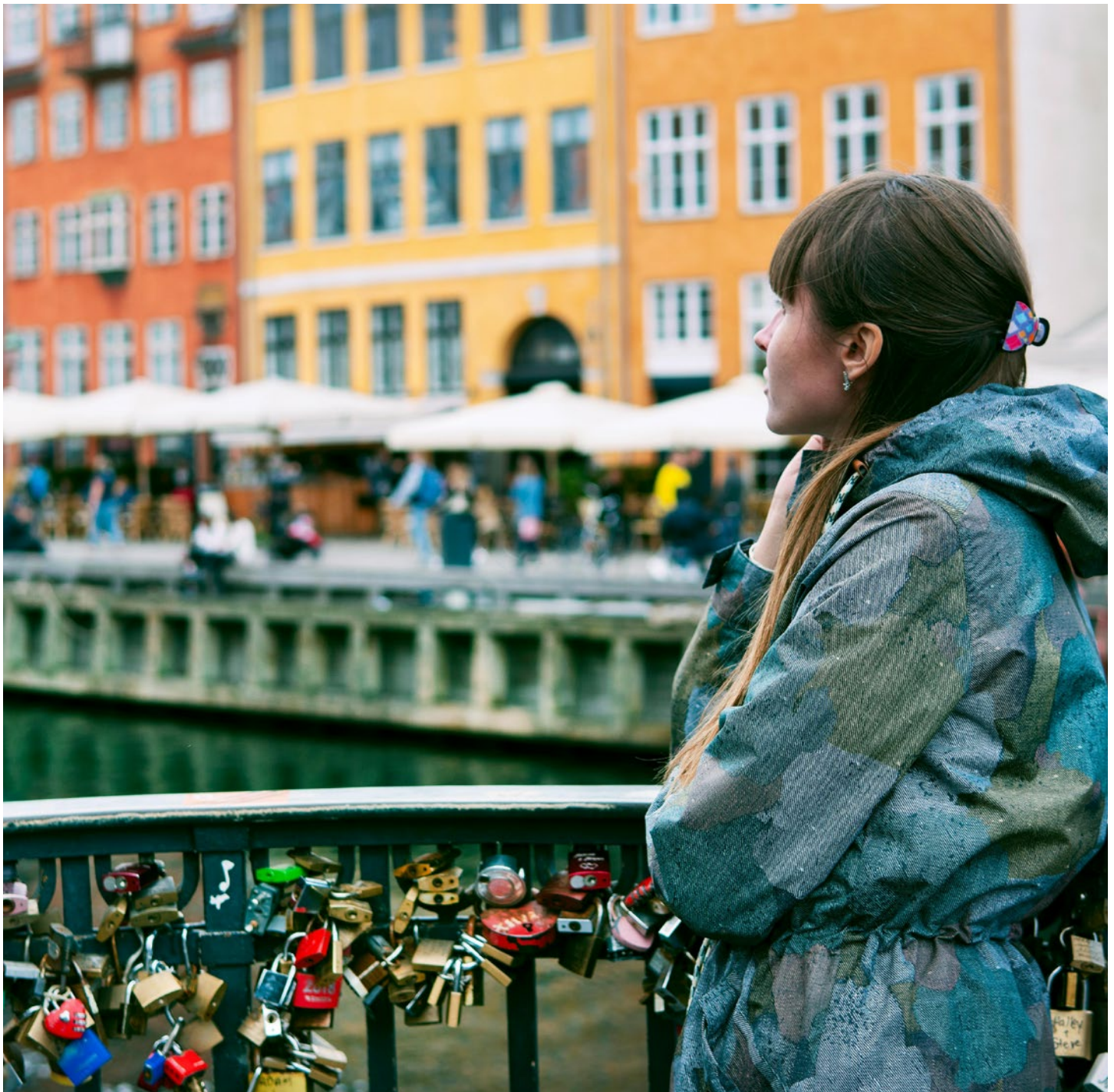
# COPENHAGEN ESCAPE



Copenhagen, Denmark

US departure date: **November 24, 2027** |  
Copenhagen land tour start date: **November 25, 2027** |  
Copenhagen return date: **November 28, 2027**

5 Days from: **\$1645**



# START YOUR ADVENTURE

## Dear Young Alumni and Friends!

Can you think of a better way to travel than with fellow Iowa State University young alumni?

The Traveling Cyclones young alumni travel program, designed for recent grads in their 20s and 30s, offers you this opportunity by bringing you together with individuals in the same age range, with similar backgrounds and experiences, while enriching you on well-designed, hassle-free tours of the world.

These programs provide social, cultural, and recreational activities and many opportunities for learning, enrichment and enjoying a connection back to Iowa State. Our journeys are of great quality and value, operated by a travel company with over 50 years of experience in the young travel market.

In this brochure you will find a detailed itinerary, travel dates and pricing.

If you have any questions about this tour, please contact our tour operator, AESU Alumni World Travel, by calling 800-638-7640 or email [alumni@aesu.com](mailto:alumni@aesu.com).

To make an online booking, please visit our young alumni tour landing page [www.aesu.com/iastate](http://www.aesu.com/iastate) and select this tour to be directed to the tour web site.

We are looking forward to traveling with you this coming season.

Sincerely,



Lainey Heck  
Associate Director of Travel  
Iowa State University Foundation

Travel insurance is compulsory. Iowa State offers travel insurance. To learn more or secure your own travel insurance, visit: <https://select.travelinsure.com/?pcode=32230>

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

Swap turkey and pumpkin spice for cobblestone streets, twinkling Christmas lights, and craft beer vibes this Thanksgiving, Copenhagen is calling. Imagine strolling through festive markets with gløgg in hand, walking past colorful canals, and diving into a city that blends history, design, and nightlife in equal measure. From epic castles to modern art with seaside views, Copenhagen offers the perfect mix of culture, adventure, and cozy holiday magic — all wrapped up in a long weekend that's anything but ordinary.

## 5-DAY PACKAGE

### Transportation and Lodging

- 3 nights in a 3 or 4-star hotel with private bath/ shower, 2-share rooms
- 96-hour Copenhagen Discover Card providing unlimited use of public transportation including metro, buses, trains (S-trains and regional trains), and harbor buses, covering zones 1-99 – including to and from Copenhagen Airport

### Meals

- 3 breakfasts
- 2 specialty dinners

### Activities & Admissions

- Guided tour of Copenhagen neighborhoods with canals, cobblestone streets and historic buildings dating back to the 12th century
- Tivoli Gardens – One of the world's oldest amusement parks, full of rides, gardens, and performances.
- Carlsberg Brewery tour and tasting
- Unlimited access to over 80 attractions, museums, and landmarks with the Copenhagen discover card

### Sights & Highlights

- The Little Mermaid – The famous statue inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale.
- Amalienborg Palace – The royal family's residence; watch the changing of the guard.
- Rosenborg Castle – Historic castle with crown jewels and royal artifacts.
- Christiansborg Palace – Houses Denmark's Parliament, Supreme Court, and royal reception rooms.
- Iconic Danish Royal Life Guards
- Nyhavn, 17th-century waterfront, canal and entertainment district
- Meatpacking District

### Also Included

A private tour director for the entire duration of the land tour. All service charges and local taxes are covered. Airfare is an additional cost.

## EXPERIENCES

This trip has been carefully designed for young travelers and features fantastic inclusions and highlights. For a glossary of these key aspects, visit: [www.aesu.com/experiences](http://www.aesu.com/experiences)



## ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE

This tour requires standing and walking for some extended periods of time during city or nature tours, museum visits, and/or outdoor activities.



## HOTELS

Hotels are centrally located and many offer great extra amenities such as pools, gyms or rooftop bars. All land package rates are based on two people sharing a room. If a single room is desired, a supplement of \$398 applies. If traveling solo and not wanting to pay the single supplement, AESU will attempt to arrange a share with a same-gender traveler. If a share cannot be arranged the single supplement will apply.

## TOUR DIRECTORS

Our qualified tour directors and staff of local experts mean a trouble-free journey with the added security of group travel. Show your tour director and driver your appreciation with a tip. We suggest \$8-10 per person/per day for your tour director and \$4-5 per person/per day for your driver. To learn more visit [www.aesu.com/tour-directors](http://www.aesu.com/tour-directors)

# ITINERARY

## DAY 1 – TRAVEL TO DENMARK

Wheels up, our Nordic adventure begins. Let the anticipation build — Christmas lights, cozy cafés, and Danish hygge are waiting to welcome us. Sleep, dream, and get ready to hit the streets of Copenhagen in style.

Meals: In-flight

## DAY 2 – LAND TOUR START DAY: COPENHAGEN

Hello Copenhagen! Step off the plane and into a city dressed in festive cheer. Our Copenhagen Discover Card provides us with an airport transfer whisking us straight to the heart of Copenhagen, unlocking four days of seamless exploration. By evening, the magic truly begins at Tivoli Gardens' Christmas Market. Stroll through twinkling lights, enjoying thrilling rides, and feasting on festive treats before settling into a welcome dinner amid the sparkling holiday wonderland. The scent of cinnamon, roasting almonds, and mulled wine is irresistible — our first taste of Danish hygge.

Inclusion: Airport transfer with Copenhagen Discover Card | Welcome orientation | Welcome dinner

Meals: Dinner

*Note: The Copenhagen Discover Card is a comprehensive all-inclusive city and regional pass designed for visitors in Copenhagen and the surrounding Capital Region. It provides unlimited access to over 80 attractions, museums, and landmarks, combined with free unlimited use of public transportation including metro, buses, trains (S-trains and regional trains), and harbor buses, covering zones 1-99. This includes travel to and from Copenhagen Airport and nearby towns like Roskilde, Helsingør (Elsinore), Hillerød, Køge, and more.*

## DAY 3 – COPENHAGEN

Wake up ready to explore with a local guide, who will show us Copenhagen's iconic sights. Feel the city hum as we weave through historic streets, colorful waterfronts, and hidden alleys. For lunch, embrace the city's street food scene — grab a smørrebrød, a hot dog, or a creative snack from one of the bustling food halls (on our own). Afterward, we go to the Carlsberg Brewery for a tasting and behind-the-scenes stories of this iconic Danish beer. As evening falls, let the city's festive spirit guide us on a Christmas Market crawl: starting at Højbro Plads, snapping photos at Nyhavn's canals, and sipping gløgg at the Hans Christian Andersen Market. Danish pastries, mulled wine, and twinkling lights — it's a feast for the senses and our Instagram feed.

Inclusions: Copenhagen Discover Card | Guided walking tour of Copenhagen with a local English-speaking guide | Carlsberg Brewery visit including exhibition and a beer tasting

Sights to see: Charming neighborhoods with canals, cobblestone streets and historic buildings dating back to the 12th century | Nyhavn, 17th-century waterfront, canal and entertainment district | Amalienborg Castle | Queen's Palace | Iconic Danish Royal Life Guards | Rosenborg Castle featuring 400 years of royal art treasures, including the Crown Jewels | Stroget, one of Europe's longest pedestrian shopping streets | City Hall Square

Meals: Breakfast



## DAY 4 – COPENHAGEN

Today is all about independent adventure, and our Copenhagen Discover Card gives us the key to exploring the city on our own terms. We can channel our inner Shakespeare at Kronborg Castle in Helsingør, the legendary setting of Hamlet, wandering the ramparts where history and drama collide. If modern art and seaside views call, visit the Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, enjoying cutting-edge exhibits paired with stunning vistas over the Øresund. History buffs among us can dive into royal stories at Rosenborg Castle, home to the Crown Jewels, or climb the Round Tower for panoramic city views. To soak up Copenhagen’s vibrant city life, spend the afternoon wandering Strøget, the bustling shopping street filled with quirky boutiques, Danish design, and inviting cafés. As evening falls, the city’s nightlife comes alive: we gather for dinner in the Meatpacking District (Kødbyen), where creative cuisine and lively energy give us a true taste of Copenhagen. Later, explore local bars, breweries, or a live music venue—savoring craft beer or dancing to the rhythm of the city as we make the most of our farewell evening.

Inclusions: Copenhagen Discover Card | Farewell dinner in the Meatpacking District

Meals: Breakfast | Dinner

## DAY 5 – TRAVEL HOME

Our last morning is ours to savor. Time permitting, grab a coffee, fresh pastries, and foodie souvenirs at Torvehallerne Market — the perfect spot for a final taste of Copenhagen before heading home. Airport transfer with our Copenhagen Discover Card ensures a stress-free departure, but we will leave with memories of colorful streets, festive cheer, and a taste of Danish culture that will linger long after takeoff.

Inclusion: Airport transfer with Discover Card

Meals: Breakfast



# TOUR MAP

