



Central Norway

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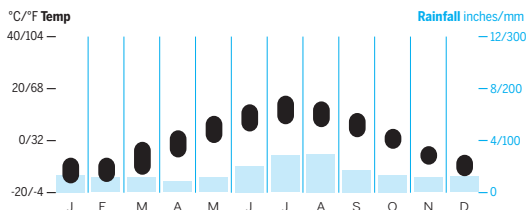
Why Go?

National parks and dramatic mountain massifs at seemingly every turn, charming villages, stave churches, fascinating wildlife and arguably Norway's best hiking and white-water rafting – with so much going for it, Central Norway more than matches the fjords.

Here on the roof of Norway, trails snake their way past glaciers, waterfalls and snow-bound peaks. Jotunheimen National Park is king of Norway's protected areas and one of Europe's premier hiking destinations, and is bisected by one of Norway's most beautiful drives. But Rondane, Dovrefjell-Sunndalsfjella and the desolately beautiful Hardangervidda are also superb national parks. Within the parks' boundaries you may find wild reindeer, elk and the decidedly prehistoric musk ox. At the gateway to the parks, Unesco World Heritage-listed Røros, a centuries-old mining town of timber houses and turf-roofed cottages, and Lom with its gorgeous location and extremely beautiful stave church, are two of inland Norway's most attractive villages.

When to Go

Røros



February The Rørosmartnan (Røros Market) and skiing at Trysil. Be prepared to be very cold.

May & June Generally fine weather without the crowds of midsummer.

July & August Hiking trails are passable, rafting is in full swing and wildlife safaris are possible.

Central Norway Highlights

- 1 Return to the past in Unesco World Heritage-listed **Røros** (p132)
- 2 Trek along the high trail in the endless beautiful **Jotunheimen National Park** (p147) or drive or maybe cycle over **Sognefjellet Road** (p147)
- 3 Search for the prehistoric musk ox in **Dovreffjell-Sundalsfjella National Park** (p140)
- 4 Spot your first reindeer on **Hardangervidda** (p150)
- 5 Wet your pants while white-water rafting in **Sjøa** (p143)
- 6 Admire the floodlit stave church against a backdrop

