

AIP 021: Active Winter in Alta

<i>Location:</i>	<i>Alta, Norway</i>
<i>Airport:</i>	<i>Arrive and depart Alta (ALF)</i>
<i>Duration:</i>	<i>4 nights, 5 days</i>
<i>Minimum/Maximum</i>	<i>1 – 6 people</i>
<i>Clothing and gear:</i>	<i>Layers of wool – thermal underwear, light shirt, sweater, insulated trousers, wool socks, gloves, hat, buff/scarf, sturdy and snowproof boots, heavy outer jacket. Temperatures can range from -0C to -25C in winter.</i>

Your Tour

Come play in the arctic! Whether you're under the dim sky of early winter, the brighter daylight of midwinter, or the night sky with the Northern Lights, you will find plenty to do here in Alta, Norway. Alta is delightfully removed from the well-worn tourist circuit in the Scandinavian north, so your tours will be more personal and more authentic here.

On this itinerary, you'll spend much of your time as an active participant in outdoor activities. Nothing extreme – you don't need to be a mountain climber or marathon runner! – but a little less of the "sit and see" type of tour.

Your Itinerary

Day 1: Welcome to Alta!

- You'll be met in the afternoon by a North Adventure representative at the airport to ensure that everything is in order with your arrival. Once you collect your luggage, you will head out by taxi to one of Alta's downtown hotels and check in. Relax, grab a bite to eat, and get ready for your evening adventure.

- **19:00 – 23:30: Northern Lights Safari with Pæskatun**
We will leave behind us the artificial lights from the town, and according to the weather forecast and our specific knowledge of the landscape and nature surrounding Alta we will search for the clearest sky and the best photo location. Tour starts by first visiting Northern Lights Camp Alta at Pæskatun where guests will be provided with warm winter clothing and shoes. We'll stay at Pæskatun if conditions are right, or we will head out to other locations. We will provide stories and history, and help with your camera if needed.



Day 2: Snowmobiles and Fatbikes

- **10:30-14:30: Arctic Light Experience- Snowmobile Tour and Visit to the Sorrnivva Igloo Hotel**

Experience the arctic light and nature while driving your own snowmobile. The sun and the arctic light vary during the winter season. Around noon the arctic light is brightest and can provide a wonderful light on the horizon. This special light can be seen in a better way once we go up on the Finnmarksvidda plateau with its wide, white snow covered expanse.



- **18:00 – 21:00: Fatbike Evening Trip**

Fatbikes -- mountain bikes with oversized wheels for driving in the snow -- are cool, fat and playful! Join us for an evening fatbike trip along the many scenic dog sledding and snowmobile trails in the Alta Valley. This is an unforgettable nature-based experience with a large portion of exercise included for good measure. On this trip we use powerful head torches that light up the forest and trails. If we switch off the torches, there's a good chance we will spot the majestic Northern Lights dancing in the sky above us!



- **Overnight: Downtown Alta Hotel**

Day 3: Reindeer and Husky Dogs

- **11:00 – 13:00: Reindeer and Sami Culture**

This is a unique and intriguing experience that will bring you closer to the old days of the Sami. The family that operates Boazo Sami Siida will guide you along through unforgettable events that highlight their past and present culture. You will meet reindeer, drive your own reindeer sled, and hear stories of the old days and joiking, the special singing that is a cornerstone of Sami culture. After the sled ride, you will warm up by the fire in a traditional Sami tent, or "lavvo", and enjoy traditional Sami bullion, hot coffee, tasty cake and other small snacks.



- **16:00 – 10:00 (overnight): Dogsledding and Northern Night**

Combine a fun afternoon of dogsledding with an overnight adventure at Holmen Husky Lodge! Enjoy a well-deserved hot shower and dinner after your ride; then relax in the sauna or outdoor Jacuzzi. When it's time for bed, you'll head to your special tipi bungalow with double bed, fireplace and a floor-to-top window to look out at the night sky. Breakfast in the morning will get you ready for your next adventure!



Day 4: Snowshoes and Fjord Cruise

- **10:00 – 14:30 Snowshoe Hike and Ice Fishing with Arctic Lunch**
It's the classic Norwegian outdoor experience! Strap on snowshoes and head out into the forest, along with an Alaskan husky pulling a pulka with extra gear. Look for animal tracks and enjoy the crisp forest air. Drill into the ice of a frozen river or lake, and see what you can catch. Take time out for lunch at a lavvo (herdsman's tent) around an open fire, and then hike back. Remember your camera - there are plenty of photo opportunities!
- **Evening: Adventure Cruise on Alta Fjord**
Motor along through the dark waters of Alta Fjord in the winter evening on a small, sturdy fishing boat. There are a number of different places to find a clear night sky – if you are lucky enough to see the Northern Lights, it is an extra special experience to glide the water underneath them. If there are no lights, the coastline with looming mountain shadows and twinkling lights provides a fun backdrop for an unusual arctic experience.
- **Overnight: Downtown Alta Hotel**



Day 5: Farewell!

- **Transfer to airport by taxi, and depart**



Booking Terms and Conditions

All services provided by North Adventure are provided to the customer on the following terms and conditions.

All prices quoted by North Adventure are indicative only and are subject to dates of travel and availability. The offers are based on the group travelling together and one total invoice, unless otherwise agreed upon beforehand. Any other possibilities can be arranged upon request.

No allotment for any part of this tour has been held or pre-booked.

A name list must be provided to hotels used for this tour at least one month before arrival.

Price:

The price on all tours and offers includes only what is stated in the accompanying itinerary. North Adventure reserves the right to alter prices in the event of circumstances beyond North Adventure's control.

Payment:

Upon confirmation of a tour, a deposit will be required for 30% of the total amount, unless otherwise agreed. The remaining balance must be paid one month before arrival. Normal banking fees for processing the payments will be added to the invoice.

Changes after confirmation:

Individual changes/adjustments made after a tour has been confirmed will be charged, unless otherwise agreed, an additional 100,- NOK plus VAT per person per change.

After a tour has been confirmed, program changes/adjustments made that require additional work will be charged, unless otherwise agreed, 650,- NOK plus VAT per hour during office hours and 1050,- NOK plus VAT per hour on weekends and holidays, and after 17:00 on weekdays.

All changes to the cost of the trip will be identified and presented for approval before the changes are made.

Activity provider cancellations:

Providers of activities and transport may cancel excursions due to weather conditions and safety concerns for the clients. If an alternative activity is offered and the client accepts this alternative, there will be no refund for the activities. Additional costs may be imposed for back-up solutions with a higher cost than the original program.

Customer cancellations:

In the event of cancellation of the itinerary by the customer, North Adventure must be notified in writing and the following charges are immediately due and payable by the customer to North Adventure based on the time of notification:

0-3 days prior to scheduled arrival date of itinerary: Full amount payable

4-7 days prior to scheduled arrival date of itinerary: 50% of total amount payable

7-30 days prior to scheduled arrival date of itinerary: 10% of total amount payable

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