

The Photographic trip of a Lifetime!!

Announcing a new Photo Tour to Norway to Photograph White tailed Eagles and other seabirds with Awards winning wildlife Photographer Mike Brown in July 2012

A trip to the fjords of Norway to photograph the amazing White-tailed Sea Eagle. The trip are for **5 nights and 4 days**, set in the spectacular landscape of the Flatanger region of Norway. Just below the Arctic circle, this is a most beautiful area of mountains and fjords which is home to the worlds largest population of these fantastic birds. These Eagles were reintroduced to Ireland in the summer of 2007 but it will be a few years before we will get the chance to photograph wild Irish birds - certainly with no wing tags or radio transmitters!!

Two boat trips each day with local guide Ole Martin Dahle, we will be photographing the eagles taking fish from the water. Ole Martin has massive experience with the eagles and has been taking photographers out to photograph these birds for a number of years now.

This trip will offer photographers a fantastic chance to photograph a truly amazing bird. Mike will be with you at all times and will assist you as much as you need with your photography and photographic technique. We will also have some interesting photo experiences with the local gull population - flight shots, "Black Light" shots and "Artistic" shots - anything is possible!! When not out in the boat photographing, he will give you instruction in the best Photoshop practices, so you can make the most of your digital images. During the boat trips we will also have the chance to photograph various gull species and Mike will guide you through many possibilities for artistic images such as slow shutter speed work etc.

On our last trips in 2010 we had a pair of young foxes visiting our lodge every evening!!

Your accommodation is a brand new wooden Norwegian lodge overlooking the scenic harbour. Accommodation is in twin rooms with singles available by special arrangement with Mike. Two excellent bathrooms, a fully fitted kitchen, a spacious and comfortable living room with a bookshelf full of books by the best of Europe's wildlife and bird photographers [for extra inspiration if needed]. Wireless internet is available in lodge plus TV and DVD player should we get the time!!

Jari Peltomäki, Fritz Polking, Brutus Ostling, Vincent Munier, Bence Mate, Andy Rouse, Niall Benzie, Mark Hamblin, Pete Cairns - Oh and **Mike Brown!!** - this is THE Who's Who of European nature photography and they've all been there to experience this wonderful place and these wonderful birds. **Now its your turn!!!**

Trip Dates:

First Trip: 11th July to 16th July 2012

11th July Be picked up Trondheim Airport and taken to Flatanger

12th, 13th, 14th and 15th July Photography, photography, photography!!!

16th July Return to Trondheim airport for plane home.

Second Trip: 16th July to 21st July 2012

16th July Be picked up Trondheim Airport and taken to Flatanger

17th, 18th, 19th and 20th July Photography, photography, photography!!!

21st July Return to Trondheim airport for plane home

What you get:

Transfers from and to Trondheim airport.

All your accomodation.

All your food - Breakfast and lunch are self catering at the lodge but all the food will be provided and dinner is at the local motel/restaurant.

Transport to and from boat trips and to restaurant etc.

Expert guiding by Ole Martin.

Photographic tuition/advice from Mike.

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What you don't get:

Flights to and from Trondheim are not included in the price.

Travel and holiday insurance. Each participant must have their own travel and holiday insurance for this trip. More details on this if you are booking.

Alcohol and drinks at restaurant.

Cameras are not provided although Mike may let you use some of his equipment on the boat trips!

What you need:

A good autofocus camera is recommended with a fast focusing lens in the region of 200mm to 400mm. In my experience a 200mm on a digi body which is not full frame will suffice but a 300mm may give you slightly fuller images. A 500 is too difficult for the boat work as it is all done hand held and these birds are lightning fast!!

Clothing for boats. Although this is summer and the weather should be warm it might be advisable to bring something warm for the early morning and late evening shoots [early starts and late evenings looking for nice light will be the order of the day]. Also something waterproof, to protect you against possibility of spray or rain [hopefully not!].

Cost for these 5 night, 4 day trips is **2,100 euros**. See what's included and excluded above. This is cheaper than 2010 and cheaper than other operators!!!
Booking deposit of €500.00 required to secure a place.

There are only four places available for each of these tours!

For all further info and booking forms please contact Mike:

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Cheers and hope to see you there!

Mike