INTRODUCTION TO SKIING-NORWAY

Over the past 30 years I have skied many destinations throughout Europe, Canada and America. This was the first time I have ventured to Scandinavia for ski- although I have visited this beautiful country during the summer months. On a ski holiday, I have always found it worthwhile paying for the privilege to stay in accommodation which is ski in/ski out. It is less stressful especially if travelling with young children!



TRYSIL- NORWAY

Trysil is a pretty town in Norway suitable for both summer and winter holidays. It's only a short flight of 2 hours from London to Oslo then a transfer of 2 hours by road through scenic countryside and quaint villages. It is possible to fly from Stansted to Norway but the downside being a transfer of nearly 4 hours in Norway. It is a good resort for families - whether you want an active or peaceful holiday.



Trysil is Norway's largest ski resort, the Snow season starts in November and has a long season compared to other European resorts as it finishes at the end of April. The conditions always seam to be perfect with powder snow- even on the lower slopes, which is ideal for beginners. Trysil caters for all levels of skier- the Beginners have their own area with first class tuition and English speaking instructors. Intermediate skiers have a choice of challenging slopes and Advanced skiers can choose from 11 black runs with Moguls and nearby off piste runs. An added extra in this resort is the floodlit skiing until 8 p.m. three times per week.





The two main hotels are Radisson Blu and the Mountain resort hotel, they are both ski-in/ski-outwhich is a massive benefit for those wanting th hit the slpoes straight away and skis are stored in the heated locker rooms at the hotels.

The Radisson Blu Resort Hotel is situated at the base of the mountain and is steps away from the children's ski activity area and lifts. Even the laziest can stand on the travelator which takes you to the lifts! Both hotels offer half board and self- catering -there is a small shopping complex with a supermarket, ski rental and a few bars nearby. I would advise half board basis as the food was excellent and the prices in the supermarket seemed quite expensive. A frozen pizza regular size was approx £8



The **Radisson Blu Resort Hotel** at the base of the Mountain and the **Mountain Resort Hotel** at the top both typically Scandinavian in style with large open fires, stylish seating creating a cosy warm atmosphere. The rooms and apartments were tastefully furnished and of high quality- a joy to come back to after a day's skiing... If you want a bath in the en suite this must be requested as most rooms offer showers in a wet room.



These are perfect hotels to offer for large family groups. They have large self- catering luxury apartments and interconnecting bedrooms- some apartments can hold 10 people! Both hotels have swimming pools and the Radisson Blu has a bowling Alley which payable locally.



I had the misconception that Norway would be very cold and short days for skiing- Trysil is not too far north and in fact is not far from Scotland, yet the snow is far superior. If you are looking for a quality resort with good snow conditions, peaceful slopes and no long queues this is the place for you. Families should consider this during peak holiday season, half term and April. Prices are similar to good resort hotels in Europe so give Norway a try-you won't be disappointed.

I travelled with <u>www.ski-norway.co.uk</u>

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