

NORWAY, SWEDEN & FINLAND

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Historical Facts

Norway & Sweden was settled 10,000 years ago by the "Sami" chasing reindeer north of Arctic Circle. The original people of Finland came from Siberia.

700-800 AD The "Vikings", the native people of southern Scandinavia, settled Norway & Sweden and traded with the rest of Europe.

1000 AD - Norwegians, led by Leif Ericson, explore North America.

1000AD - 1600AD - Vikings controlled Finland.

1387 AD - Norwegians came under the rule of Denmark from across the North Sea.

1523 AD - Sweden separates from Norway/Denmark, & becomes an independent nation.

1600's - Sweden controlled most of the area around the Baltic Sea.

1809 AD Finland is controlled by Russia until 1917.

1814 AD - Norwegians came under the rule of Sweden.

1800's - An agricultural crisis forced many Norwegians & Swedes to EMIGRATE (leave their native country) to Europe and North America.

1866—Sweden becomes a Constitutional Monarchy with a Parliamentary Republic.

1905 AD Norway becomes a Constitutional Monarchy with a Parliamentary Republic.

1917—Finland becomes a Parliamentary Republic.