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Why are Norwegians so Grim?

Norwegians. Wonderful folk. Yet so grim.

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USPA NEWS - Norwegians are a truly wonderful people. But why are they so darn grim? I am the proud son of a proud native Norwegian. Over the years I have learned that Norwegians are fundamentally a nice, polite people. And decidedly grim. Please allow me to explain...

My Dad moved from Norway to the U.S. at four, but didn't leave his love of the old country behind, passing the affinity for his heritage on to me. I've found Norwegians to be a nice, polite people. And decidedly grim. Norwegians are descendants of The Vikings. Tracing your lineage directly back to marauding barbarians who'd just as soon lop your head off with a battle ax as look at ya clearly perpetuates a dour demeanor. And just how joyful can one be subsisting largely on a diabolical diet of lutefisk and pickled herring? Norwegians frown upon self-recognition, inherently breeding a repressively morose mood. Now excuse me, I've got to work on my scowl. I've only been able to muster a frown lately. For a Norwegian, that's not gonna cut it.

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