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COASTAL NORWAY

BOOK BY OCT 31, 2026
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HURTIGRUTEN | MS NORDNORGE
APR 29-MAY 15, 2027 | 17 DAYS | 42 MEALS
JOURNEY LEADER: LYNDA & PETER FALCONE

The incredible Lofoten Islands, Norway

Join us on an immersive journey along Norway's dramatic coastline, where the spirit of Nordic heritage meets the raw majesty of the Arctic. This voyage invites you to witness the legendary Seven Sisters mountains, navigate the jagged peaks of the Lofoten Islands, and cross the Arctic Circle into the heart of the north. Beyond the breathtaking fjords, you'll discover the soul of the region through its historic coastal cities, ancient Viking roots, and the timeless traditions of the local people. Expect a seamless blend of natural wonder and cultural discovery, designed to showcase the very best of Norway's rugged, seafaring identity.

Our Cruise Ship • MS Nordnorge

Named for the region of Northern Norway, most of which lies within the Arctic Circle, *MS Nordnorge* features a modern, Arctic-inspired interior. The ship hosts up to 452 guests and offers a panoramic lounge, a bakery, a sauna, a fitness room, and an observation deck with twin hot tubs. To enhance your journey, a dedicated Expedition Team provides engaging lectures and activities focused on local nature and culture. Accommodations range from cozy interior cabins to spacious suites with seating areas and TVs; all cabins include private bathrooms. Enjoy free Wi-Fi, meeting rooms, and laundry services. Onboard dining reflects Norwegian cuisine across three venues. Torget serves varied daily meals with buffet or set-menu dinners. Kysten offers à la carte dishes featuring premium local ingredients, while Brygga provides a casual bistro setting for Nordic-inspired salads, pizzas, and more.



Inclusive Features

- 2 nights in Oslo and 2 nights in Bergen at first-class hotels as indicated or similar
- Rail and ferry journey from Oslo to Bergen
- 11-night cruise aboard Hurtigruten's *MS Nordnorge*
- 42 meals included as noted in the itinerary (B - 15 breakfasts, L - 13 lunches, D - 14 dinners)
- 6 shore excursions: Trondheim, Tromsø, Kirkenes, North Cape, and two in the Lofoten archipelago
- Services of your journey leader and/or cruise director and local guides
- Baggage handling at hotels and shipside
- Gratuities for included services, taxes and fees

Air-inclusive rates also include:

- Return economy class airfare
- Transfers between airports and hotels
- Airport transfers in Canada or equivalent value
- All current air taxes, fuel surcharges and fees



Journey Leaders

Lynda and Peter Falcone share a passion for music, golf, and travel. Their adventures have taken them across Canada, the United States, the Caribbean, the United Kingdom, and Italy, as well as on a memorable Mediterranean cruise. Lynda recently retired after a 45-year career in the travel industry and continues to share her love of travel as a journey leader with Craig Travel. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Mississauga Symphony Orchestra supporting her deep appreciation for music and the arts. Peter has worked in merchandising and marketing for more than 30 years. A lifelong sports enthusiast, he enjoys hockey, baseball, and football. They look forward to welcoming you and exploring together.



APR 29, Thursday

Group members gather in Toronto for the flights to Oslo.

DEPART CANADA

APR 30, Friday

Upon arrival we are met by a local representative and transferred to our hotel. **Clarion Hotel The Hub** (2 nights) D

ARRIVE OSLO

MAY 1, Saturday

Our Norwegian adventure begins at the Fram Museum, where we learn about the legendary wooden vessel that survived the crushing ice of both poles. At the Kon-Tiki Museum, we witness the original balsa raft used by Thor Heyerdahl during his daring 1947 expedition. A tour of the capital brings us to the Royal Palace, the elegant National Theatre, and the Stortinget (Parliament). After admiring the sleek, marble slopes of the Opera House, we end at the 13th-century Akershus Fortress. This medieval sentinel remains a powerful symbol of national resilience. BL

OSLO

MAY 2, Sunday

Leaving Oslo by train, we traverse the rugged mountain plateau to witness Norway's breathtaking highlands. In Myrdal, we transfer to the world-famous Flåm Railway for a magnificent descent through dramatic valley landscapes to the village below. Our travel continues by water as we cruise the Sognefjord, the nation's deepest fjord, before arriving in Bergen. **Hotel Bryggen Bergen** (1 night) BLD

OSLO / BERGEN

MAY 3, Monday **BERGEN / EMBARKATION**

Enjoy a morning city tour to explore Bergen, the nation's second-largest city and the historic gateway to the fjords. Founded in 1070 AD, this vibrant port showcases a unique architectural heritage shaped by the Hanseatic League, a 14th-century German trading organization. Once aboard, we savour the first of many meals featuring fresh coastal produce as we depart, tracing the ancient Viking route along the scenic Hjeltefjord. **MS Nordnorge** (11 nights) BD

MAY 4, Tuesday **ÅLESUND / MOLDE**

We spend some time in the serene Nordfjord before sailing past the West Cape toward Ålesund. This city is famous for its Art Nouveau architecture and the Atlanterhavsparken, a saltwater aquarium. Our day continues in Hjørundfjord, hidden within the jagged Sunnmøre Alps. We pause at the picturesque village of Urke to admire thousand-year-old farms nestled against the mountainside. Our final call is Molde, where we hope to witness the spectacular "Molde Panorama," a view of 222 snow-capped peaks. BLD

MAY 5, Wednesday **TRONDHEIM**

Traversing the rolling farmsteads of the Trøndelag region we reach Trondheim, the historic capital founded by Viking King Olav Tryggvason in 997 AD. Today, Norway's third-largest city serves as a vibrant university hub. Our included excursion features the Ringve Museum, showcasing a unique collection of historical musical instruments, and the Nidaros Cathedral, an ornate Gothic masterpiece. Back on board, we sail northwest past the ochre Kjeungskjær Lighthouse, until we reach the port of Rørvik. BLD

MAY 6, Thursday **ØRNES / BODØ / LOFOTEN ISLANDS**

As we cross the Arctic Circle, we mark our entry into the Arctic with a traditional ceremony. Next, we dock in Ørnes near the Svartisen, Norway's second-largest glacier. We then sail to Bodø, a city framed by the jagged Børvass peaks. Here, you may explore its street art or join an optional boat excursion to Saltstraumen. In the afternoon, we navigate the Lofoten Archipelago, where the massive Lofoten Wall rises over 3,200 feet from the sea. We end the day in Svolvær, known for its picturesque harbour. BLD

MAY 7, Friday **TROMSØ**

After a peaceful morning stroll in Harstad, we sail toward Finnsnes, gateway to Senja Island via the Gisund Bridge. We keep a lookout for local puffin colonies before reaching Tromsø, the "Paris of the North." Our included excursion features a stop by the Arctic Cathedral and a cable car ascent for panoramic fjord views. We depart north past the Lyngen Alps toward the trading post of Skjervøy. BLD

MAY 8, Saturday **HONNINGSVÅG**

We sail past Kvaløya Island and the wind turbines of Havøygvæn farm on our way to Honningsvåg, the gateway to the North Cape. Our excursion takes us to the iconic globe monument at the top of continental Europe, followed by a visit to the North Cape Hall for immersive nature exhibits and a stop at a traditional Sami Camp. Later, we reach Mehamn, our northernmost port, then sail toward Berlevåg, passing the Slettnes Lighthouse, the most northerly mainland lighthouse on the planet. BLD

MAY 9, Sunday **VADSØ / KIRKENES / VARDØ**

We dock in Vadsø today, a premier Arctic birdwatching hub situated directly beneath a major migration path. We watch for sea eagles and hooded crows before continuing toward Kirkenes. Visit the Borderland Museum to learn about the frontier history of this remote region before the ship turns south. In Vardø, we visit the moving Witches' Monument



Ålesund at golden hour



The world-famous Flåm Railway. Photo courtesy of Øyvind Heen / fjords.com



The colourful Bryggen waterfront



Cruise the majestic Sognefjord

and the 1737 star-shaped Vardøhus Fortress, the northernmost military fortification of this kind. We return to the small port of Båtsfjord and then head for Berlevåg tonight. BLD

MAY 10, Monday HAMMERFEST

After early morning visits to Honningsvåg and Havøysund, we spend the afternoon in Hammerfest, one of the world's northernmost major settlements. You may choose to visit the UNESCO-listed Meridian Column, shop for souvenirs, or hike Mount Salen for panoramic views. Our journey continues south to Øksfjord and the vital fishing port of Skjervøy. As we sail toward Tromsø, keep a watch for the Lyngen Alps, featuring the highest peaks in Norway. BLD

MAY 11, Tuesday SVOLVÆR

Spend the day exploring the Lofoten and Vesterålen archipelagos, undisputed highlights of our scenic route. Following a morning call at Finnsnes, we reach Harstad to see the Trondenes Church, the northernmost medieval stone church. We continue to Risøyhamn, our smallest port, where we disembark for an excursion to Melbu. Here, we learn about Vesterålen's local culture and enjoy a unique concert at the Royal Neptun Hall. A spectacular coastal tour through the Lofoten Islands takes us from Svolvær to Stamsund to close the evening. BLD

MAY 12, Wednesday BRØNNØYSUND

Today, we cross back over the Arctic Circle and pause at Nesna before reaching Sandnessjøen, the heart of the Helgeland Coast. Admire the dramatic Seven Sisters mountain range, whose highest peak rises more than 3,500 feet above the sea. According to local legend, the jagged summits are petrified troll princesses, turned to stone as they fled the rising sun. Nearby, we pass by the legendary Torghatten Mountain. At Brønnøysund we discover the Neo-Gothic Brønnøy Church and the lively marina. Our last stop is the cozy fishing port of Rørvik. BLD

MAY 13, Thursday TRONDHEIM / KRISTIANSUND

Explore Trondheim at your own pace. Perhaps visit the sacred Nidaros Cathedral or walk to the Gamle Bybro bridge for views over the Nid River. We then sail past small island villages to Kristiansund, Norway's "Bacalao Capital," famous for klippfisk (salted cod) dried on the cliffs. Wander the old town's cobblestone streets or climb to the Varden watchtower for panoramic vistas. We conclude in Molde, where the Romsdal Alps dominate the horizon. BLD

MAY 14, Friday BERGEN / DISEMBARKATION

This morning, we glimpse the Nordfjord beneath the Jostedal Glacier, mainland Europe's largest. After docking at Florø to enjoy its charming harbour, we sail past the photogenic Stabben Lighthouse. Navigating the final islands and skerries of our scenic route, we arrive in Bergen. After disembarking, we are transferred to our hotel to enjoy the rest of the day at leisure before we gather for dinner. **Hotel Bryggen Bergen** (1 night) BLD

MAY 15, Saturday BERGEN / CANADA

After breakfast, our voyage comes to an end as we transfer to the airport for our return flights to Canada. B

CT Rating 2/5 - Moderately Easy: While the cruise itself is relaxing, the accompanying shore excursions feature fast-paced walking tours. The transit across Norway involves a long travel day using both rail and ferry.

Important information regarding ETIAS: Starting in late 2026, Canadians travelling to Europe will need to complete an online application for the European Travel Information and Authorization System (ETIAS). This is a pre-travel screening for visa-exempt visitors entering the Schengen Area. The authorization costs about €20 and is each traveller's responsibility. For details and to apply, visit the official ETIAS website well before departure.

 **Book by October 31, 2026 and save \$300 per person** 

Cruise Cost in Canadian Dollars Per Person

Category / Deck (Description)	Twin or Double
Polar Inside I2 / Deck 3 (inside)	\$9,945
Polar Outside L2D / Deck 3 (outside)	\$10,525
Polar Outside N2D / Deck 3 (outside)	\$11,295
Polar Outside O3 / Deck 5 (outside)	\$11,495
Arctic Superior P2D / Deck 5 (outside)	\$12,025
Arctic Superior U2D / Deck 6 (outside)	\$12,645

Above rates are per person based on the chosen category. Cabin categories are subject to availability at the time of booking. See deck plan for full details on the categories available. Singles are limited. Please ask for rates or visit our website. Cruise only members join at the hotel in Oslo and leave the group at the hotel in Bergen. Prices are based on rates, taxes and fees effective Feb 2026 and are subject to change due to factors beyond our control. This cruise will be escorted with a minimum of 20 members.

Estimated Air Add-Ons Per Person

Toronto	\$1,795
Ottawa / Montreal	\$1,945
Halifax / Saint John.....	\$2,035
Winnipeg / Thunder Bay.....	\$2,035
Saskatoon / Regina / Victoria	\$2,145
Calgary / Edmonton / Vancouver.....	\$2,085

Airfares from other gateways are available on request. Airfares and air carrier are subject to change and will be confirmed prior to final payment. Refer to our inclusive features for more details.

Insurance is NOT INCLUDED but is highly recommended. Premiums are calculated based on the individual's age, destination, trip length, and trip booking window. Please contact our staff to receive a quote, and discuss your insurance coverage prior to booking. Check our website for the most current information and for terms and conditions.

Deposit for twin accommodation is \$2,000pp
Deposit for single accommodation is \$3,000pp
Final payment is due December 17, 2026

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