

# **Itinerary**

# **2FOR1: 12 Day Classic Northern Lights Cruise**

\*IMPORTANT NOTE: Any extra nights, optional tours or other amendments, will not be visible on this itinerary.

### **DAY 1: Arrive Bergen, Norway ~ Embark Cruise**

Today, you will make your own way to the Hurtigruten cruise terminal in Bergen. The terminal is 17 kilometers from the airport, and there is a regular shuttle service available that you can book and pay for upon arrival. Alternatively, MyHoliday2 can arrange the shuttle transfer for you at a cost of \$60 per person one way.

Your voyage starts in Bergen, Norway's second-largest city and the gateway to the fjords. Founded in 1070 AD, Bergen showcases architecture influenced by the prosperous 14th-century Hanseatic League, a German trading organization that left a lasting mark on the city.

If you have time before your ship departs, make sure to visit the UNESCO-listed wharfs of the colorful Bryggen district. This historic area has transformed into an artisan quarter, featuring charming cobblestone streets. Just across the street, you'll find the famous Fish Market, where you can indulge in delicious seafood. Another must-see is the Fløibanen funicular, which takes you up to the top of Mount Fløyen, offering stunning views of the city.

To make the most of your visit to Norway, remember that we can assist in arranging tours before or after your voyage, such as the popular Norway in a Nutshell program.

As your voyage begins, you can relax in our comfortable guest lounge at the terminal before boarding. Once aboard, you will be treated to the first of many delectable meals made from fresh coastal produce as we depart Bergen and sail the old Viking route along Hieltefjord.

Onboard, you'll meet your ship's Coastal Experience Team, who will be your guides as we cruise along Norway's stunning coastline. They will organize lectures, onboard activities, and optional hikes, ensuring an enriching and enjoyable experience throughout your journey.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Depart Bergen: 20:30

**MEALS:** Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

### DAY 2: Florø ~ Molde

Start your day with the breathtaking scenery of Nordfjord near Torvik, as the early morning light casts a magical glow over the landscape. From here, we sail past the West Cape, making our way towards the

charming city of Ålesund.

Ålesund is renowned for its stunning Art Nouveau architecture, which gives the city a unique and enchanting atmosphere. One of the highlights of this picturesque town is Atlanterhavsparken, one of Northern Europe's largest saltwater aquariums. If you're traveling with us in the spring or winter, you'll have most of the day to explore Ålesund and immerse yourself in its beauty and culture.

In the summer, our journey continues to the UNESCO-listed Geirangerfjord. This pristine fjord is a protected paradise, featuring towering mountain cliffs and spectacular waterfalls such as the famous Seven Sisters, which cascade dramatically into the fjord below.

During spring and autumn, your ship will sail to the hidden gem of Hjørundfjord, nestled in the Sunnmøre Alps. This serene fjord offers a more secluded experience, allowing you to appreciate its untouched beauty. We will also visit the scenic village of Urke, where you can take in views of ancient farms, the fjord, and the lush mountainsides. Note that visits to Hjørundfjord are exclusive to voyages departing in 2025-26.

Our final port of the day is Molde. In summer, you might still have enough daylight to witness the awe-inspiring Molde Panorama, a view of 222 mountain peaks across the fjord. From mid-June to late August, the streets and gardens of Molde are adorned with vibrant roses in every shade, earning the city its nickname, "The City of Roses." The sight and scent of these blooms provide a delightful end to your day of exploration and wonder.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Florø: 02:45 - 03:00

Måløy: 05:15 - 05:30

Torvik: 08:20 - 08:30

Ålesund: 09:45 - 20:00

Molde: 22:35 - 23:05

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

### DAY 3: Kristiansund ~ Rørvik

As we continue our voyage, we enter the Trøndelag region of Norway, characterized by its rolling hills, fields dotted with farmsteads, and picturesque coastal settlements. This area offers a glimpse into the traditional Norwegian way of life, with its scenic landscapes and charming rural communities. Founded by Viking king Olav Tryggvason in 997, Trondheim is now Norway's third-largest city. It seamlessly blends historic charm with a vibrant modern atmosphere, thanks in part to its large student population.

During our stop in Trondheim, you'll have three hours to explore the city and its many highlights. You can wander the streets on your own or join one of the optional excursions we offer. A must-see site in Trondheim is Nidaros Cathedral, often referred to as "Norway's Notre Dame" for its impressive Gothic

architecture. It is considered the most sacred building in Norway. Adjacent to the cathedral is the Archbishop's Palace, where you can view Norway's crown jewels.

A short walk from the cathedral will take you to the old city bridge, Gamle Bybro, which spans the Nid River and marks the entrance to the historic Hanseatic district of Bakklandet. This neighborhood, with its colorful wooden wharves perched on stilts by the river's edge, is now home to a variety of eateries and shops. For panoramic views of the city and the fjord, head up to Kristiansten Fort, which offers stunning vistas and a rich historical background.

In the afternoon, we set sail northwest, passing the distinctive ochre-colored Kjeungskjær Lighthouse, as well as numerous islets and rocky reefs. Our journey continues towards the charming town of Rørvik, providing more opportunities to take in the breathtaking coastal scenery. As we navigate these waters, you'll have plenty of time to relax and enjoy the ever-changing views from the comfort of our ship.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Kristiansund: 02:45 - 03:00

Trondheim: 09:45 - 12:45

Rørvik: 21:40 - 22:00

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

## DAY 4: Brønnøysund ~ Svolvær: Welcome to the Arctic!

Early in the morning, we cross the Arctic Circle, marking the start of your Arctic adventure in Norway. To celebrate this momentous occasion, we hold a traditional ceremony that's sure to wake you up and set the tone for the exciting journey ahead.

Above the Arctic Circle, the sun remains visible for 24 hours a day during the summer, creating the phenomenon of the midnight sun. In the winter, the extended darkness significantly increases your chances of witnessing the awe-inspiring Northern Lights, a truly magical experience.

At 10 am, we make a stop in Ørnes, a town located near Svartisen, Norway's second-largest glacier. Ørnes is known for its picturesque pier, which features the Love Bench—a spot where sweethearts declare their lasting romance by attaching padlocks.

Our next destination is Bodø, the second-largest city in Northern Norway, set against the backdrop of the majestic Børvass peaks. In Bodø, you can admire impressive street art or join an optional boat excursion to Saltstraumen, the world's most powerful maelstrom, where the natural forces of the sea create swirling tidal currents.

In the afternoon, we enter the Lofoten archipelago. The approach is marked by the dramatic sight of the Lofoten Wall, a series of mountains that rise 1,000 meters high and seem to stretch endlessly along the horizon.

We then arrive in Stamsund, home to one of the largest fishing fleets in the Lofoten Islands. The town is busiest between January and April when Arctic cod, locally known as skrei, migrate from the Barents Sea to the Vestfjord to spawn, creating a bustling scene of fishing activity.

By evening, you'll spot rows of traditional fishermen's huts on stilts, known as rorbuer, indicating that we've reached the charming harbor of Svolvær, the main town of the Lofoten Islands. Svolvær's pretty setting and rich maritime heritage make it a delightful destination to explore and end your day.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Brønnøysund: 01:35 - 01:45

Sandnessjøen: 04:35 - 04:50

Nesna: 06:00 - 06:10

Ørnes: 10:00 - 10:10

Bodø: 13:05 - 15:20

Stamsund: 19:15 - 19:40

Svolvær: 21:20 - 22:15

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

### DAY 5: Stokmarknes ~ Skjervøy: In the Footsteps of Polar Heroes

We dock in Harstad just after 07:00, giving you the opportunity to enjoy a peaceful early morning stroll around this charming town. Take in the serene atmosphere as the day begins, exploring the local sights at your own pace.

After departing Harstad, the ship will continue to Finnsnes, a town that serves as a gateway to the beautiful island of Senja, connected by the impressive Gisund Bridge. As we sail, keep an eye out for a variety of seabirds, including puffins, as there are several colonies nearby. The scenic journey offers ample opportunities for birdwatching and appreciating the natural beauty of the area.

Next, we sail to Tromsø, the historic capital of Arctic exploration. You'll have four hours to explore this vibrant city or join one of the optional excursions. Along the waterfront, visit Polaria, a center dedicated to Arctic environmental research, featuring engaging exhibits and a small aquarium.

The city center offers a variety of shops and restaurants. Don't miss the chance to visit Mack Brewery, one of the northernmost breweries in the world, and its popular pub, Ølhallen. For a sweet treat, try the local cafés known for their delicious cinnamon buns and innovative coffee art.

Across the fjord from where the ship docks, you'll see the iconic Arctic Cathedral, renowned for its stunning stained-glass mosaic. The cathedral is a symbol of Tromsø and offers a striking contrast against the Arctic landscape.

Leaving Tromsø in the early evening, we head north towards the historic trading post of Skjervøy, founded in 1622. On our way, we'll pass the majestic Lyngen Alps, which rise dramatically from the sea, offering a breathtaking backdrop as we continue our Arctic journey.

## TIME IN PORT:

Stokmarknes: 01:30 - 01:40

Sortland: 02:55 - 03:10

Risøyhamn: 04:35 - 04:50

Harstad: 07:10 - 07:45

Finnsnes: 11:00 - 11:30

Tromsø: 14:15 - 18:15

Skjervøy: 22:10 - 22:25

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

## DAY 6: Øksfjord ~ Berlevåg: Top of the World ~ North Cape

Early in the morning, the ship reaches the town of Hammerfest on the island of Kvaløya. In the summer, this island is a haven for thousands of migrating reindeer, creating a spectacular sight as herds move across the landscape.

As we continue our journey, you'll recognize our approach to Havøysund by the sight of the wind turbines of the landmark Havøyglaven wind farm. This innovative facility generates enough electricity to power 6,000 local homes, showcasing the region's commitment to sustainable energy.

By mid-morning, we arrive at Honningsvåg, the gateway to the North Cape. This remarkable location features a globe monument marking the northernmost point of continental Europe. An optional excursion is available, taking you to the North Cape by bus. Along the way, you'll pass herds of reindeer, depending on the season, adding to the Arctic charm of your journey.

As we near the entrance of Kjøllefjord village, keep an eye out for the striking rock formation known as Finnkirka. This ancient sacrificial site was once used by the indigenous Sámi people. During the summer, you can join an optional excursion to meet local Sámi, learn about their reindeer herding lifestyle, and listen to traditional joik folk songs. This unique cultural experience offers deep insight into the rich heritage of the Sámi community.

In the evening, we reach our northernmost port of call, Mehamn. If you visit during February or March, you'll witness the fascinating sight of cod drying on outdoor wooden racks called hjell, a traditional practice primarily aimed at preparing the fish for export.

As we set off for Berlevåg, we pass the tall Slettnes Lighthouse, the northernmost mainland lighthouse on Earth. This iconic beacon stands as a testament to the rugged beauty and remote allure of Norway's Arctic coast, marking the end of another day filled with extraordinary sights and experiences.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Øksfjord: 01:50 - 02:00

Hammerfest: 05:05 - 05:45

Havøysund: 08:30 - 08:45

Honningsvåg: 10:55 - 14:30

Kjøllefjord: 16:40 - 17:00

Mehamn: 18:55 - 19:15

Berlevåg: 22:00 - 22:10

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

## DAY 7: Båtsfjord ~ Berlevåg

Embark on a captivating journey along Norway's eastern coastline, beginning with nighttime calls at Båtsfjord and Vardø before arriving at Vadsø early the next morning.

As we approach Vadsø, nestled amidst some of the Arctic's most scenic landscapes, you'll discover why it's a favored destination for birdwatchers. Positioned directly beneath the migratory path of birds traveling from east to west, including hooded crows and majestic sea eagles, the area offers unparalleled opportunities for avian enthusiasts.

Continuing our voyage, we reach Kirkenes after breakfast, having ventured further east than both St. Petersburg and Istanbul. Here, optional excursions await, inviting you to delve into the local culture and immerse yourself in the unique surroundings.

Kirkenes marks a pivotal point in our coastal expedition, where the ship turns southward, unveiling the sights we sailed past during the night in the brilliant light of day.

Returning to Vardø, you can explore its rich history, visiting landmarks such as the solemn Witches' Monument and the enduring star-shaped Vardøhus Fortress, a testament to its military significance since its construction in 1737.

Our journey concludes with a return to the lively port of Båtsfjord and an evening arrival in Berlevåg, where we cross paths with the northbound ship, adding an intriguing dynamic to our maritime adventure.

Join us on this unforgettable exploration of Norway's eastern edge, where each port of call promises scenic splendor, cultural insights, and memorable experiences along the way.

### TIME IN PORT:

Båtsfjord: 00:00 - 00:30

Vardø: 03:30 - 03:45

Vadsø: 06:55 - 07:10

Kirkenes: 09:00 - 12:30

Vardø: 16:05 - 17:00

Båtsfjord: 20:00 - 20:30

Berlevåg: 22:25 - 22:35

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

## DAY 8: Mehamn ~ Tromsø: Unmatched Arctic Scenery

During the night, we make stops at Mehamn and Kjøllefjord before early morning visits to Honningsvåg and Havøysund, each offering unique glimpses into the life and landscape of the far north. In the early afternoon, we reach Hammerfest, the northernmost city in the world with the largest population among the settlements in this extreme latitude. Here, you can explore several notable attractions. Visit the UNESCO-listed Meridian Column, which commemorates the first precise measurement of a meridian's length. For a unique souvenir, stop by the Polar Bear Society. If you're up for a bit of adventure, take the path behind the town to the viewpoint atop Mount Salen, offering panoramic views of the surrounding area.

Our journey continues as we cruise south along Norway's coastline to Øksfjord and then to Skjervøy, a vital fishing port we have been docking at since 1896. This area is surrounded by majestic mountain peaks, creating a dramatic backdrop for your voyage. If you are visiting in winter, keep an eye out for orcas and humpback whales that gather here to feast on herring, providing a spectacular wildlife viewing opportunity.

As we make our way to Tromsø, you might also catch glimpses of the Lyngen Alps, known for their towering peaks, some of the highest in Norway. The sight of these snow-capped mountains is truly aweinspiring and adds to the natural beauty of the region.

We dock at Tromsø just before midnight. During the summer months, you can enjoy a stroll around the city under the enchanting 24-hour daylight. Tromsø remains lively even at this late hour, offering a unique opportunity to experience the midnight sun and the vibrant atmosphere of one of Norway's most captivating cities.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Mehamn: 01:20 - 01:30

Kjøllefjord: 03:25 - 03:35

Honningsvåg: 05:45 - 06:00

Havøysund: 08:00 - 08:15

Hammerfest: 11:00 - 12:45

Øksfjord: 15:50 - 16:05

Skjervøy: 19:30 - 19:45

Tromsø: 23:45 - 01:30

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

## DAY 9: Tromsø ~ Stamsund: Where Nature Amazes

Today, you'll embark on an unforgettable journey through the stunning archipelagos of Lofoten and Vesterålen, highlights of our scenic Norway route. The day begins with an early morning stop at Finnsnes, followed by a visit to Harstad, where you'll find the white-washed Trondenes Church, the northernmost medieval stone church in the world, perched on a picturesque peninsula.

Our next port of call is Risøyhamn, the smallest on our route, offering a quaint and intimate glimpse into coastal life. Following Risøyhamn, we arrive in Sortland, where the landscape gradually shifts from rolling hills to towering mountains that reach heights of up to 1,000 meters. The dramatic scenery provides a captivating backdrop as we continue our voyage.

In Stokmarknes, you'll visit the birthplace of The Coastal Express, founded by Captain Richard With in 1893. Here, you can explore the Hurtigrutemuseet, a unique museum housed in a ship-in-a-bottle building that chronicles our rich legacy. The museum is centered around the retired ship MS Finnmarken from 1956, offering a fascinating insight into our maritime history.

As we sail along Raftsund, the Captain may decide to navigate into the tiny Trollfjord, weather permitting. The fjord's narrow passage is flanked by steep mountain walls so close that you'll feel you can reach out and touch them. To exit this dramatic fjord, the ship performs a remarkable 180-degree rotation on the spot before sailing back out. Keep an eye out for sea eagles soaring above, adding to the fjord's mystical allure.

In the evening, we reach Svolvær, where the imposing mountain known as the Svolvær Goat looms above the town, named for its supposed resemblance to the animal. See if you can spot the likeness yourself! The ship then sails onward to Stamsund, passing the giant granite cliffs of the Lofoten Wall. These rugged formations stretch along the horizon, providing a stunning farewell to the Lofoten archipelago.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Tromsø: 23:45 - 01:30

Finnsnes: 04:20 - 04:40

Harstad: 08:00 - 08:30

Risøyhamn: 10:45 - 11:00

Sortland: 12:30 - 13:00

Stokmarknes: 14:15 - 15:15

Svolvær: 18:30 - 20:30

Stamsund: 22:15 - 22:30

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

DAY 10: Bodø ~ Rørvik: Across The Arctic Circle

In the small hours of the morning, our ship makes a stop at Bodø, followed by a visit to Ørnes at 07:00. Shortly after breakfast, we cross the Arctic Circle, marking this significant moment with the traditional tasting of a spoonful of good ol' Norwegian cod liver oil!

Our journey continues with a brief stop at Nesna before sailing on to Sandnessjøen, the gateway to the magnificent Helgeland Coast.

As we cruise along, admire the stunning Seven Sisters mountain range, with peaks soaring up to 1,100 meters high. According to legend, seven beautiful troll princesses, fleeing from an unwanted suitor, were caught by the rising sun and transformed into the seven majestic mountains you see today.

Another highlight is Torghatten Mountain, notable for its distinctive hole. Local lore explains the creation of this natural wonder, so be sure to ask your Coastal Experience Team for the full story!

By mid-afternoon, we reach Brønnøysund. Take a stroll along Havnegata to explore the bustling marina. In the heart of town, visit Brønnøy Church, a beautiful stone church in the Neo-Gothic style dating back to 1870. Its historical charm and serene surroundings make it a must-see landmark.

Our last stop of the day is the cosy fishing port of Rørvik, nestled in the picturesque Vikna archipelago. Here, you can soak in the tranquil atmosphere and appreciate the idyllic coastal scenery that characterizes this charming port town. As the day comes to a close, enjoy the serene beauty of Rørvik before we continue our journey along Norway's stunning coastline.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Bodø: 02:30 - 03:30

Ørnes: 06:25 - 06:35

Nesna: 10:25 - 10:35

Sandnessjøen: 11:45 - 12:15

Brønnøysund: 15:00 - 17:25

Rørvik: 21:00 - 21:30

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

## DAY 11: Trondheim ~ Ålesund: Rich History and Living Culture

Begin your day in Trondheim, immersing yourself in the capital of the Viking Age. Wander through the awakening city, starting with a visit to the sacred Nidaros Cathedral, the final resting place of St. Olav. Capture a picturesque moment on Gamle Bybro bridge, offering stunning views over the tranquil Nid River.

Indulge in a quality coffee and Nordic patisserie at one of Bakklandet district's stylish cafes, then ascend to Kristiansten Fort for panoramic views of Norway's vibrant third-largest city.

In the late afternoon, we arrive at Kristiansund's harbor, spread across three islands and renowned as Norway's "Bacalao Capital" for its production of klippfisk—salted cod dried on the surrounding cliffs.

Explore the cobblestone streets of the old town, visit the bustling port, and ascend to Varden viewpoint atop the old watchtower for a breathtaking panorama of the surrounding coastal landscape.

ur journey continues to Molde, where you can admire the peaks of the Romsdal Alps towering in the distance. Known as "The City of Roses," Molde blooms with vibrant flowers from mid-June to late August, adding to its picturesque charm. Take in the beauty of the floral displays as you explore this serene coastal town nestled between mountains and fjords.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Trondheim: 06:30 - 09:30

Kristiansund: 16:30 - 17:30

Molde: 21:15 - 21:45

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Hurtigruten Coastal Vessel

## DAY 12: Alesund - Bergen: A Fjord Farewell ~ Disembark

As our unforgettable Norwegian coastal cruise draws to a close today, we reflect on the journey we've shared, filled with breathtaking scenery and cultural discoveries. During the previous night, we made stops at Ålesund and Torvik, adding to our memories of this scenic voyage. Keep an eye out on our approach to Måløy; if you're up early enough, you might catch a glimpse of the northbound Coastal Express, a reminder of the bustling maritime traffic in these waters.

In the morning, we sail past Nordfjord, offering glimpses of the magnificent Jostedal Glacier, the largest on mainland Europe. This awe-inspiring natural wonder provides a fitting backdrop as we continue our journey.

We dock at Florø, where you can explore the charming harbor and marina, soaking in the coastal atmosphere of this picturesque town.

Leaving Florø behind, keep your camera ready to capture the iconic Stabben Lighthouse, a favorite subject for photographers due to its scenic location. Enjoy stunning views as we cross the mouth of Sognefjord, the longest and widest fjord in Norway, a majestic farewell to the fjord landscapes that have defined our voyage.

In the afternoon, our ship navigates through the final islands and skerries of our Norway scenic route, sailing down Hjeltefjord to arrive back in Bergen, where our journey began. Reflecting on the beauty and diversity of Norway's coastline, we conclude our cruise with memories of fjords, villages, and cultural treasures that have made this journey truly unforgettable.

### TIME IN PORT:

Ålesund: 00:30 - 01:20

Torvik: 02:35 - 02:45

Måløy: 05:45 - 06:00

Florø: 08:15 - 08:30

Arrive Bergen: 14:45

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch

## \*\*\*NORWAY IN A NUTSHELL EXTENSION\*\*\*

## DAY 12: Alesund - Bergen: A Fjord Farewell

As our unforgettable Norwegian coastal cruise draws to a close today, we reflect on the journey we've shared, filled with breathtaking scenery and cultural discoveries. During the previous night, we made stops at Ålesund and Torvik, adding to our memories of this scenic voyage. Keep an eye out on our approach to Måløy; if you're up early enough, you might catch a glimpse of the northbound Coastal Express, a reminder of the bustling maritime traffic in these waters.

In the morning, we sail past Nordfjord, offering glimpses of the magnificent Jostedal Glacier, the largest on mainland Europe. This awe-inspiring natural wonder provides a fitting backdrop as we continue our journey.

We dock at Florø, where you can explore the charming harbor and marina, soaking in the coastal atmosphere of this picturesque town.

Leaving Florø behind, keep your camera ready to capture the iconic Stabben Lighthouse, a favorite subject for photographers due to its scenic location. Enjoy stunning views as we cross the mouth of Sognefjord, the longest and widest fjord in Norway, a majestic farewell to the fjord landscapes that have defined our voyage.

In the afternoon, our ship navigates through the final islands and skerries of our Norway scenic route, sailing down Hjeltefjord to arrive back in Bergen, where our journey began. Reflecting on the beauty and diversity of Norway's coastline, we conclude our cruise with memories of fjords, villages, and cultural treasures that have made this journey truly unforgettable.

Upon arrival in Bergen at 14:45, you'll have the opportunity to disembark and make your own way to your hotel. The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure, allowing you to explore this captivating city further. Bergen, the second-largest city in Norway and gateway to the fjords, offers a rich history dating back to its founding in 1070 AD. Its architectural charm reflects the influence of the prosperous 14th-century German trading organization, the Hanseatic League.

#### TIME IN PORT:

Ålesund: 00:30 - 01:20

Torvik: 02:35 - 02:45

Måløy: 05:45 - 06:00

Florø: 08:15 - 08:30

Bergen: 14:45

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch

**OVERNIGHT:** Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Bergen or similar

## DAY 13: Bergen ~ Voss

After enjoying breakfast, head to the Bergen train station to embark on the first leg of your Norway in a Nutshell extension. Board the train and relax as you journey through the stunning Norwegian landscape, soaking in the scenic views of fjords, mountains, and picturesque villages. Upon arrival in Voss, you will need to make your own way to your hotel. Once you have checked in, the rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure. Take some time to explore the charming town of Voss, known for its beautiful surroundings and outdoor activities. Whether you choose to wander through the local shops, enjoy a meal at a cosy restaurant, or simply relax and take in the serene atmosphere, your day in Voss promises to be a delightful experience.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Park Hotel Vossevangen, Voss or similar

## DAY 14: Voss ~ Gudvangen ~ Flåm

After breakfast, make your way to the Voss bus terminal. Here, you will board a comfortable bus bound for the picturesque village of Gudvangen. The scenic bus ride will take you through stunning landscapes, providing a preview of the natural beauty that awaits you.

Upon arriving in Gudvangen, you will be dropped off conveniently close to the ferry terminal. From here, embark on an unforgettable cruise along the UNESCO-listed Nærøyfjord. As you glide through this breathtaking fjord, marvel at the towering mountains, cascading waterfalls, and quaint villages dotting the landscape. The serene beauty and majestic views make this cruise a highlight of your journey.

Once you arrive in Flåm, make your own way to your hotel to check in. After settling in, you have the rest of the day to explore at your own pace. Spend your time leisurely exploring the charming village of Flåm, visiting local shops, or simply relaxing and taking in the stunning fjord views. Enjoy the tranquility and natural splendor of this beautiful destination.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Flåmsbrygga Hotell, Flåm or similar

## DAY 15: Flåm ~ Flam Railway ~ Mydal ~ Oslo

After breakfast, make your way to Flåm Train Station to begin the first leg of your journey on the spectacular and world-famous Flåm Railway. This incredible train ride will take you through some of Norway's most stunning landscapes, offering views of deep ravines, cascading waterfalls, and picturesque fjord scenery. As the train winds its way up the mountains, you'll marvel at the engineering feat that created this steep and scenic railway. The journey includes a brief photo stop at the breathtaking Kjosfossen waterfall, where you can capture the beauty of this natural wonder. Upon reaching Myrdal, you'll transfer to the Bergen Railway, one of the best train journeys in the world, for the next leg of your trip. This segment of your journey takes you from the mountains to the vibrant city of Oslo. The train will traverse Northern Europe's highest stretch of railway, passing through the wild mountain terrain of the Hardangervidda plateau and offering views of the Hardangerjøkulen glacier. As you descend into the wooded valleys and open countryside, the scenery gradually changes, showcasing Norway's diverse landscapes. Enjoy the comfortable and relaxing ride as you approach Oslo.

Once you arrive in Oslo, make your way to your hotel to check in. After settling into your accommodations, you have the rest of the day to spend at your leisure. Explore the vibrant city of Oslo, take a stroll along the waterfront, visit local shops and cafes, or simply relax and unwind after your scenic journey. The day is yours to enjoy the capital's rich culture and attractions at your own pace.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Comfort Hotel Xpress Central Station, Oslo or similar

## **DAY 16: Depart Oslo**

After breakfast, check out of your hotel where services end. If you prefer to extend your stay and explore more of what Oslo has to offer, MyHoliday2 can arrange additional nights for you.

**MEALS:** Breakfast