# JOURNEY TO NORTHERN NORWAY

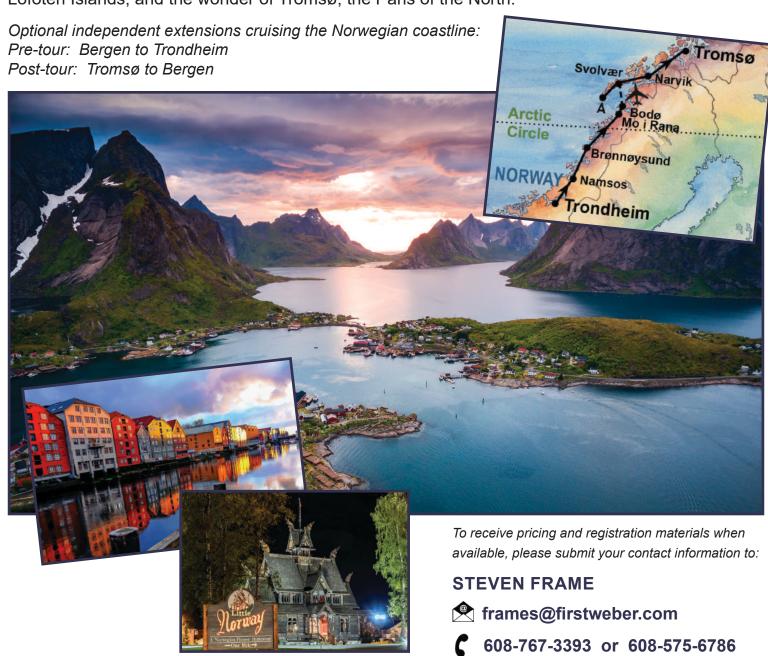
September 12 - 24, 2021

Sponsored by Vennelag, Sons of Norway lodge of Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin

#### **EXPERIENCE THE RICH HISTORY & LOCAL LORE OF NORTHERN NORWAY**

Travel north from Trondheim, past the Arctic Circle to Tromsø

This 13-day tour features Thamspaviljongen (The Norway Building) which in 2017, after 150 years, was moved back to Orkanger; historic Trondheim; the beautiful Helgeland Coast; the majestic Lofoten Islands; and the wonder of Tromsø, the Paris of the North.



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#### PRELIMINARY ITINERARY

Trondheim, Namsos, Vega, Mo i Rana, Bodø, the Lofoten Islands, Narvik and Tromsø

Travel north of the Arctic Circle, city sightseeing in Trondheim & Tromsø, full day exploring the breathtaking Lofoten Islands, cable car excursion in Narvik, Polar Park (the world's northernmost wildlife park) and more



[B,D]

#### ITINERARY | 13 DAYS



#### DAY 1 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

**Chicago – Trondheim:** Depart on your transatlantic flight. To request alternate dates or for estimated airfare supplements from other US cities, please note on application.

#### DAY 2 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 ID

**Trondheim:** Arrive at Værnes Airport Trondheim. Transfer to hotel. Balance of day free to adjust to time change. Dinner and overnight at Scandic Nidelven.

#### DAY 3 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 [B,D]

**Trondheim—Orkanger:** Sightseeing tour of Trondheim features the Nidaros Cathedral, one of Scandinavia's most splendid cathedrals. Depart for Orkanger. Tour Thams Pavilion (formerly Little Norway Building). Evening entertainment pending local arrangements. Dinner and overnight at Bårdshaug Manor.

DAY 4 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 [B,D] Orkanger—Stiklestad—Namsos: Drive to Stiklestad, site of the battle of 1030 which led to the death of King Olav Haraldson (later St. Olav) and the acceptance of Christianity in Norway. Proceed to Namsos, an important trade center. Dinner and overnight at Scandic Rock City.

DAY 5 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 [B,L,D] Namsos—Brønnøysund: Enjoy the coastal scenery of Helgeland as we drive north. Lunch and learn about aquaculture at the Norwegian Aquacenter. Dinner and overnight at the Thon Hotel Brønnøysund.

DAY 6 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 [B,D] Brønnøysund—Mo i Rana: Ferry and drive along the Norwegian coastline to Sandnessjøen. As we proceed north, we may possibly get a glimpse of Sweden. Dinner and overnight at Scandic Meyergården Hotel.

#### DAY 7 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

**Mo i Rana—Arctic Circle—Bodø:** Drive to the Arctic Circle, which marks the boundary of the midnight sun of the Arctic summer and the sunless winters of the north. The Arctic Circle Center provides a visual presentation of the flora, fauna and countryside north of the Arctic Circle. Visit the Blood Road Museum, portraying the plight of prisoners of wars under the German regime from 1942-45. Proceed to Bodø. Dinner and overnight at the Scandic Havet Hotel.

DAY 8 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 [B,L,D] Bodø—Svolvær: Depart Bodø for flight to Leknes on the spectacular Lofoten Islands. Arrive in Leknes and drive to the fishing village of Å at the southernmost point of Lofoten. Lunch. Visit the Stockfish Museum, which provides an insight into the production of Norway's oldest export commodity, stockfish. Proceed north past Reine, once selected as the most beautiful village in Norway. Continue to Svolvær. Dinner and overnight at Thon Hotel Lofoten.

#### DAY 9 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 [B,L,D]

**Excursion in Lofoten:** Sightseeing in the Lofoten Islands includes the Viking Museum at Borg including lunch; the Galleri Lofotens Hus in Henningsvær with an exhibition of classical painters from Northern Norway; and the Lofoten Aquarium in Kabelvåg. Dinner and overnight at hotel.

#### DAY 10 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 [B,D]

**Svolvær—Narvik:** Drive to Narvik, established as an ice-free port for the iron ore mines in Kiruna, Sweden. A visit the WWII Museum provides information about that time period in history. A late afternoon excursion by cable car takes us to 2200 feet for an awesome view of the area. Dinner and overnight at Scandic Narvik Hotel.

DAY 11 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 [B,D]

Narvik—Tromsø: Depart for Gratangen. Tour the
North Norway Boat Museum. Visit the Polar Park, the
northernmost wildlife park in the world. Proceed to Tromsø,
the capital city of Arctic Norway. Dinner and overnight at

#### DAY 12 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 [B,D]

**Tromsø:** Sightseeing tour of Tromsø includes a visit to the Arctic Cathedral and Polar Museum. Balance of day free. Farewell dinner and overnight at hotel.

#### DAY 13 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Clarion Hotel the Edge.

**Tromsø—Depart:** Tour ends following breakfast. Transfer to Tromsø Airport for return flight. Longer stays may be requested upon registration for a minimum charge of \$150.

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Please note this 2021 itinerary is pending final confirmation. Itinerary subject to change.

#### **ITINERARY INCLUDES**

- Estimated roundtrip airfare from Chicago O'Hare, including taxes, fees & fuel surcharge
- Estimated one-way airfare from Bodo to Leknes, including taxes, fees & fuel surcharge
- 11 nights accommodations, double occupancy, with private facilities
- Daily breakfast [B], 3 lunches [L] and 11 dinners [D]
- · 1st-class touring coach & ferries per itinerary
- · City sightseeing in Trondheim and Tromsø
- · Cable car excursion in Narvik
- Entrance fees to all sites including: Nidaros
  Cathedral, Thams Pavilion, Stiklestad, Norwegian
  Aqua Center, Arctic Circle Center, Blood Road
  Museum, Stockfish Museum, Viking Museum,
  Galleri Lofotens Hus, Lofoten Aquarium, War
  Museum in Narvik, Boat Museum, Polar Park,
  Arctic Cathedral and the Polar Museum
- Luggage handling at hotels for 1 suitcase (subject to availability)
- Tour Director for Days 2 13

## PRICING AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION IS PENDING FINAL CONFIRMATION

If you are would like to participate in this "Journey to Northern Norway," and receive pricing and registration materials when available, please submit your contact information to:

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