

# Viking Shores & Fjords



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## Day 1 — Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Embark your ship in Amsterdam, city of charming canals, elegant gabled houses and Dutch painting masters. This elegant city was born from the Dutch Golden Age, when merchants fed their coffers from the Indonesian spice trade and commissioned great works of art. Settle in and explore your ship, perhaps enjoying lunch at the World Café or stretching your legs after your walk along the ship's Sun Deck.

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## Day 2 — Cruise the North Sea

Cruise the North Sea today. Vikings sailed these waters to establish colonies on Scottish islands, coastal France and beyond. In medieval days, the North Sea became a busy thoroughfare for trade as goods were exchanged between Scandinavia and the Mediterranean, with the powerful Hanseatic League controlling much of the traffic. As you sail, you might find your inner calm with yoga on the Sports Deck. Lounge by the Main Pool with its retractable roof and enjoy a cocktail at the Aquavit Bar.

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## Day 3 — Skagen, Denmark

Discover one of the Baltic's most romantic ports today when you visit Skagen at the northernmost point of Denmark's peninsular mainland, Jutland. This charming old fishing village, nestled amid pristine dunes, picturesque moors and long sand beaches, prospered on the herring trade in its early days. The small town, inspiration to generations of artists, is best explored on foot, so you will accompany a local guide past colorful wooden houses on the waterfront and admire traditional fishing boats in the harbor. During a visit to the Coastal Museum, sample some herring and a glass of aquavit.

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## Day 4 — Oslo, Norway

Discover the cultural riches of Norway's compact capital. Oslo enjoys a stunning setting at the head of the Oslofjord and boasts a rich history and a museum and arts scene that rivals that of much larger cities. See the once-mighty Akershus Fortress, the splendid Royal Palace, and more before strolling through Vigeland Park. With ample time here, you can learn the secrets of aquavit during a distillery visit, marvel at the best preserved Viking ships in the world, or enjoy an excursion to the Munch Museum.

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## Day 5 — Kristiansand, Norway

Call on Kristiansand today, a charming small city near the tip of Sørlandet, Norway's southland. Its strategic location on the Skagerrak strait long made it both a military stronghold and the royal residence of Harald Fairhair, the first King of Norway. Discover this remarkable city during a panoramic drive, featuring the impressive 17th-century Christiansholm Fortress, the fish market at Fiskebrygga wharf, the Old Town with its picturesque wooden houses and the splendid neo-Gothic cathedral. Alternately, you can visit its fascinating Kristiansand Cannon Museum, a remarkable collection of coastal artillery.

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## Day 6 — Stavanger, Norway

From the heart of the Old Town, where your ship berths, you will have the morning and early afternoon to explore. Start here in the old quarter, Gamle Stavanger, which has Europe's highest concentration of wooden buildings from the 17th and 18th centuries. Or consider a cruise along the Lysefjord to see the famous Preikestolen, or Pulpit Rock, jutting out nearly 2,000 feet above—it is one of Norway's most famous natural attractions. Offshore oil drilling is an important industry for the local economy, and the award-winning Norwegian Petroleum Museum tells the story of the dangers faced in extracting this precious fuel. While ashore, don't forget to indulge in waffles with cream and sweet jams with a steaming cup of hot tea.

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## Day 7 — Flåm, Norway

Through breathtaking fjords, your ship glides into the village of Flåm. Spend the day soaking up majestic views—from Vassbygda Lake to picturesque Vassbygdi and Aurland. Board the famous Flåm Railway for a train ride that climbs nearly 3,000 feet. Stop at the Kjosfossen waterfall and continue to the Mølstertunet open air museum, in Voss. Lunch on the famed Hotel Stalheim's veranda, and gaze at the Naerøyfjord, a UNESCO Site.

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## Day 8 — Bergen, Norway

Awake in Bergen, where you will be departing your ship. If you wish, you may explore more with Viking: Stay on in this fascinating old mercantile city, visit Norway's cosmopolitan capital of Oslo or journey to Iceland.

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*\* One shore excursion included per port as indicated (included); all others available at an extra charge. Depending on your stateroom category, shore excursions may be reserved beginning 90 days before your cruise sails. Not all excursions will be available for all sailings. Full details of the excursions available on your specific departure date can be viewed at My Viking Journey once your cruise booking has been made.*