

LOFOTEN & 71° NORTH CAPE

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DAY 1: WELCOME TO LOFOTEN

Welcome to **Svolvær**, the “Capital of the Lofoten Islands” a small, picturesque fishing village with a charming Scandinavian atmosphere. Here you will find a variety of small galleries, shops and cultural attractions nestled under the town’s landmark mountain, **Svolvæргеita** (the Svolvær Goat), a popular challenge for climbers.

If you arrive early, we recommend a walk to the nearby island of Svinøya for a visit to the local art museum and fish racks or you could take a stroll around town for excellent views of the sea and surrounding islands.

Spend the night in Svolvær.

Attractions: Lofoten Islands & Svolvær, Svolvæргеita

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DAY 2: LEISURE DAY IN SVOLVÆR

Today you can explore Svolvær as you wish. This a great opportunity for photographers to experiment with Lofoten’s unique lighting conditions or for nature lovers to enjoy activities like hiking, taking a rib boat safari to Trollfjord, fishing, kayaking or going on a day tour to one of the nearby villages. We recommend ending the day with a visit to the “Magic Ice bar” with its many magnificent ice sculptures.

Spend the night in Svolvær.

Attractions: Lofoten Islands & Svolvær, Svolvæргеita

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DAY 3: SVOLVÆR & CRUISE DEPARTURE

Enjoy another day at your leisure in this beautiful environment, which is a great place for hiking and exploring the town. We recommend a leisurely stroll between stockfish racks and traditional fishermen huts called ‘rorbuer’ to soak in the local culture.

After enjoying dinner in Svolvær, you will begin the next leg of your journey, the **Hurtigruten Coastal Voyage**. Boarding begins at 21:00 and departs for its northbound journey at 22:00.

Spend the night on board Hurtigruten.

Attractions: Hurtigruten Coastal Voyage, Svolvær

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DAY 4: TROMSØ, "PARIS OF THE NORTH"

In the morning, on your Hurtigruten ship, you'll pass Risøyhamn, Harstad, and Finnsnes before sailing across the Vagsfjord to a magnificent archipelago in the north. Later today, the ship stops in **Tromsø**, where you can explore the lively town in northern Norway. Nicknamed "the Paris of the North", this city was a major port of call for Arctic expedition and hunting ships in the 19th century. Throughout the year, you can join guided hikes and discover more of Tromsø and its surroundings. After an exhilarating 4-hour stop in Tromsø, you will board the ship and continue your journey north.

Spend the night on board Hurtigruten.

Attractions: Tromsø

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DAY 5: THE BEAUTY OF THE NORTH CAPE

Finnmark's landscape and wildlife is not to be missed as you may see scores of puffins and gannets along the cliffs and pods of Orca hunting for herring. The ship stops at **Honningsvåg** today, where you will board a bus for a short optional excursion to the famous **North Cape**. You may see herds of grazing reindeer and small camps belonging to the indigenous Sámi people. After this shore stop, the ship navigates east toward picturesque fishing villages.

Spend the night on board Hurtigruten.

Attractions: Honningsvåg, North Cape

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DAY 6: KIRKENES - LAND OF THE MIDNIGHT SUN

Enjoy one last breakfast at sea before the ship docks in **Kirkenes** this morning. This Arctic town lies on the borders of Russia and Finland and is home to some 3,300 inhabitants, including the Sámi, the native people of Lapland. For such a small town, Kirkenes offers an impressive range of things to do and see, and the rest of the day is free for you to try out an optional excursion or two or to just relax in town. It is here that your cruise to the great north comes to an end.

Spend the night in Kirkenes.

Attractions: Kirkenes

DAY 7: RETURN TO OSLO & DEPARTURE

After an incredible time in Norway, it's time to head home today. Your tour ends in Kirkenes, from where you will make your way home.

Note: If you do not have enough time between flights, or you would like more time to explore the capital, an additional night in Oslo can be added to your package. Please contact your travel consultant for details.

Whatever your needs, we are here to help. If you have any questions about our packages or services, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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