

Bygdelaenes Fellesraad and Norwegians Worldwide present...

# Norway 2017 featuring Hurtigruten

August 31 – September 16, 2017



**\$100 DISCOUNT**  
for the first 15 registrants!  
Cabin availability is limited and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.



## DAY 1 THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

**Mpls / St. Paul – Bergen:** Depart the USA on your transatlantic flight. To request alternate dates or for estimated airfare supplements from other US cities, please note on application.

## DAY 2 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 [D]

**Arrive Bergen:** Arrive at Flesland Airport Bergen. Transfer to hotel in city center. Balance of day free to relax and adjust to time change. Welcome dinner and overnight at the First Hotel Marin.

## DAY 3 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 [B]

**Bergen:** Breakfast at hotel. Day free in Bergen or join an optional Norway in a Nutshell excursion. Dinner on own. Overnight at hotel.

**Optional Independent Norway in a Nutshell Excursion (from \$235 per person):** Independent transfer to the train station. Depart by train to Voss. Arrive in Voss and proceed to Gudvangen by bus, ascending the 13-hairpin bends of the Stalheim Road. Cruise the Nærøyfjord and Aurlandfjord to Flåm. Depart Flåm on board the Flåm Railway to Myrdal. Change to the Oslo/Bergen Railway and return to Bergen.

## DAY 6 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 [B,L,D]

**Trondheim – Rørvik:** Trondheim, Norway's third largest city, was founded by the Viking King Olav Trygvason back in 997 A.D. Trondheim's architecture and surroundings create a beautiful, almost mystical atmosphere for any outing. Join an optional tour of the Nidaros Cathedral or simply explore the beautifully restored wooden buildings in the Baklandet district on your own.

## DAY 7 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 [B,L,D]

**Brønnøysund – Svolvær:** On this day we cross the Arctic Circle. This invisible border at 66° 33' North marks the southernmost point for the midnight sun, which shines 24 hours a day in the summer. North of this line, you will see the midnight sun in summer and the magical northern lights in winter. This is where the Arctic begins. Norway's second largest glacier, Svartisen, is located near Ørnes, the old trading village and port of call. The journey continues along the beautiful Helgeland coast, considered by many to be just as spectacular as Lofoten. In the afternoon, we sail from Bodø across Vestfjord. Then the 3,280-ft high mountain of Lofotveggen will appear on the horizon, marking our arrival to Lofoten.

## DAY 8 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 [B,L,D]

**Harstad – Tromsø – Skjervøy:** Stop in Tromsø, the capital of the Arctic. Get ready for a fun-filled day packed with exciting activities, no matter what time of year you travel. Choose from whale watching, hiking, kayaking or learn about the country's fascinating polar history.

## DAY 9 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 [B,L,D]

**Øksfjord – Berlevåg:** Enjoy the magnificent landscape as we continue our journey toward the North Cape. In Honningsvåg, you can join an optional cultural walk through the town and be charmed by the colorful buildings. Then sail through the heart of the Sámi homeland to the port of Kjøllefjord, an area famous for its rich birdlife. Enjoy the sub-Arctic landscape as we cross the 71st parallel north, and be sure to take this opportunity to experience the North Cape - the northernmost point on the continent.

## DAY 4 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 [B,D]

**Bergen – Coastal Voyage:** Morning free in Bergen for independent exploration. In the afternoon, transfer to the Hurtigruten pier for embarkation on the 12-day Classic Roundtrip Voyage. Depart at 8:00pm and enjoy dinner on board. Overnight in selected cabin category.

## DAY 5 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 [B,L,D]

**Flørø – Molde:** If you wake up early you'll have the opportunity to see Hornelen before enjoying a delicious breakfast. Rising 2,820 ft. high to the west, this is the mountain that according to the ancient Norse saga, was climbed by Viking King Olav Trygvason. Experience a rare venture into open ocean as we sail past the West Cape, where the Norwegian Sea opens to the North Atlantic Ocean. We then set course toward the idyllic Hjørundfjord, where only Hurtigruten ships sail.

### AIR & LAND ITINERARY INCLUDES: Days 1 - 4 and 15 - 17

- Roundtrip airfare from Mpls / St. Paul, including all taxes, fees and fuel surcharge
- 4 nights accommodations, 1st class/superior tourist class, double occupancy
- Daily breakfast [B] and 3 dinners [D] at hotel
- Bergen airport and city transfers on Days 2, 4, 15 and 17
- Luggage handling at hotels for 1 suitcase (subject to availability)
- Tour information kit

### HURTIGRUTEN CRUISE ITINERARY INCLUDES: Days 4 - 15

- 12-day / 11-night cruise roundtrip from Bergen in selected cabin category
- Daily breakfast [B], lunches [L] and dinners [D] on board ship
- On-board events and lectures
- Cruise information kit

Upon tour registration, optional excursion information and pricing will be provided.

For more information, contact:

**Brekke Tours & Travel**

**1-800-437-5302**

**Tours@BrekkeTours.com**

**www.BrekkeTours.com**



Join Bygdelagenes Fellesraad and Norwegians Worldwide in Norway on a land and sea adventure featuring the "World's Most Beautiful Voyage"!



**DAY 10 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 [B,L,D]**

**Båtsfjord – Kirkenes:** Kirkenes is known as the capital of the Barents Region and is the gateway to the east. The town is also Hurtigruten's easternmost port and turning point. The landscape and sea along the coast of Finnmark becomes ever more dramatic the closer we get to Kirkenes, which is located just a few miles from the Russian border.

**DAY 14 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 [B,L,D]**

**Trondheim – Molde:** After visiting Trondheim in the morning, the ship heads slowly out of the majestic Trondheimsfjord past Munkholmen, Hitra and thousands of islands and islets before docking in Kristiansund. Often referred to as Norway's 'cured cod capital', Kristiansund boasts a longtime history of exporting the salted, dried fish. From Kristiansund, we cross the open sea on our way toward Molde.

**DAY 11 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 [B,L,D]**

**Mehamn – Tromsø:** Bid Finnmark farewell and continue the journey past some of the world's northernmost fishing villages and Europe's northernmost lighthouse. On Hjelmsøy, you will have a great view of Europe's largest colony of guillemots and razorbills. In Hammerfest, you can join in a mountain trek or a guided tour of the town. In short: You are far north, in an inhabited but also quite unspoiled part of Europe.

**DAY 15 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 [B,L]**

**Ålesund – Bergen – Oslo:** During the night the ship will call at Ålesund, Torvik and Måløy, and on this day, the world's most beautiful voyage draws to a close. But before we dock in Bergen, there are still a few nautical miles of fascinating scenery ahead, such as the picturesque Nordfjord below the enormous glacier of Jostedalbreen. Nordfjord stretches 56 miles inland, all the way to the tiny villages of Loen and Olden. The rugged landscape at the mouth of the fjord is in stark contrast to the fertile landscape found inland. The lush orchards and glacier arms reach out toward sparkling lakes and cascading waterfalls. Be sure to make the most of the last hours on board and enjoy these beautiful sights. Arrive in Bergen at 2:30pm. After disembarkation, transfer to the Bergen Flesland Airport for a 5:30pm flight to Oslo. Upon arrival in Oslo at 6:20pm, transfer to the Scandic Victoria Hotel. Balance of day free. Dinner on own. Overnight at hotel.

**DAY 12 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 [B,L,D]**

**Harstad – Stamsund:** The journey past the beautiful Vesterålen Islands toward the spectacular Lofoten Islands is for many the highlight of the trip. Between Sortland and Stokmarknes, you can see the famous Møysalen mountain, which has inspired numerous artists over the years. As we sail south through Vesterålen, we seemingly head straight toward a mountain wall, but there is an opening there: Raftsundet, which leads to the bewitchingly narrow Trollfjord. We end the day with activities in Lofoten's principal city of Svolvær: Choose from a sea eagle safari, a fishing excursion, a RIB boat ride, horseback riding and more.

**DAY 13 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 [B,L,D]**

**Bodø – Rørvik:** In the morning, we cross the Arctic Circle. Now we head for the Helgeland coast with its abundance of islands, islets, reefs and steep mountain walls. This is the home of the unique rock formations of Hestmannen; Torghatten, with its distinctive hole; and the spectacular Seven Sisters mountain range. All seven mountains are more than 2,950 ft. high, and according to legend, the seven sisters were turned to stone because they forgot to hide from the sun.

**DAY 16 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 [B,D]**

**Oslo:** Breakfast at hotel. Day free for independent explorations or you can choose to join a sightseeing tour. Farewell dinner and overnight at hotel.

**DAY 17 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 [B]**

**Oslo – Depart:** Tour ends following breakfast. Transfer to Gardermoen Airport for return flight. Longer stays may be requested upon registration for a minimum charge of \$100.

**AIR & LAND PRICING:**

**Price with air/taxes/fuel from.....\$1995**  
 Price is per person based on double occupancy and is based on a minimum of 30 passengers. Price includes airfare from Mpls / St. Paul plus taxes/fees and fuel surcharge. Unless paid in full, fuel and all taxes are subject to change and will be re-assessed in your statement prior to final payment. Inquire about airfare from your home city.

**Single Room Supplement.....\$290**

**CRUISE CABIN PRICING:**

**NOTE: Cabin requests will be served on a first-come, first-served basis.** Cabin allotments are limited. If no cabins remain in the requested cabin category, you will be offered the closest cabin category available. Please see *Cabin & Ship Information* page for additional cabin details.

Cabin Category	Cabin Fare	Cabin Allotment
Polar Inside (I2).....	\$3009.....	6
Polar Outside (L2).....	\$3365.....	3
Polar Outside (N2).....	\$3499.....	4
Polar Outside (O2).....	\$3657.....	2
Arctic Superior (P2).....	\$3950.....	5
Arctic Superior (U2).....	\$4245.....	1

All rates are per person based on double occupancy. Single cabin supplement: up to 75% of cabin fare. Price does not include international airfare, travel insurance or optional excursions and gratuities.

**Upon tour registration, optional excursion information and pricing will be provided.**

Hurtigruten

# Cabin and Ship Information

ms Kong Harald

The present King of Norway, a seasoned sailor, gives his name to this ship.



Year built 1993  
Gross tonnage 11,204

Passenger capacity 622  
Length 121.8 m

Beds 469  
Speed 15 knots

## CABIN INFORMATION:

### Arctic Superior (P2 & U2):

Relaxation and comfort are the hallmarks of our Arctic Superior cabins. Situated on both upper and middle deck, they all have bathrooms with shower and WC. They are also equipped with tea and coffee-making facilities. Most of them have separate beds, where one doubles as a sofa, and some have double beds. All the cabins have individual specifications.

P2 - Cabins are on Deck 5

U2 - Cabins are on Deck 6



### Polar Outside (L2, N2, O2):

Our Polar Outside cabins are situated mostly on middle or lower deck and all have bathrooms with shower/WC. Some have double beds, others offer separate beds (where one is a sofa bed) or upper and lower berths. All the cabins have individual specifications.

L2 - Cabins are on Decks 2 and 3 / portholes only, some with limited or no view

N2 - Cabins are on Deck 3

O2 - Cabins are on Decks 3, 5 and 6



### Polar Inside (I2):

Our cosy Polar Inside cabins can be found on all decks. All cabins include bathrooms with shower/WC. Most of the cabins have separate beds where one doubles as a sofa, while some are equipped with a double bed or upper and lower berths. All the cabins have individual specifications.

I2 - Cabins are on Deck 3



## SPECIAL FEATURES

- Sun deck
- Large panorama and observation lounges with great views
- Fitness room
- Restaurant
- Separate a la carte restaurant
- Café
- Shop
- Conference facilities



# GROUP TRAVEL INSURANCE

Available **ONLY** for Brekke's 2017 Group Escorted Tours.

*(Air & Land or Land Only Packages | US & Canadian Citizens Only)*

Protect your travel investment against cancellations due to illness and injury, job loss and the unexpected with travel insurance. Travel insurance will provide the security and peace of mind you need to enjoy your trip to Scandinavia in 2017. **PLEASE NOTE:** Terms & Conditions will be emailed directly to you upon registration and your Confirmation Certificate will be emailed 2-3 weeks prior to departure.

## SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

Benefit:	Maximum Benefit Amount:
Accidental Death and Dismemberment.....	\$25,000
Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance:	
Accident & Sickness Medical Expense.....	\$100,000
Emergency Evacuation & Repatriation.....	Included
One Call 24-Hour Assistance Services.....	Included
Trip Cancellation.....	Trip Cost
Trip Interruption.....	150% of Trip Cost
Missed Connection.....	\$1,000
Travel Delay (Up to \$150 Per Day).....	\$750
Baggage and Personal Effects.....	\$1,500
Baggage Delay.....	\$250

## PREMIUMS

Total Trip Costs:	Per Person Premium:
up to \$3000.....	\$150
\$3001 - \$4000.....	\$170
\$4001 - \$5000.....	\$225
\$5001 - \$6000.....	\$270
\$6001 - \$7000.....	\$310
\$7001 - \$8000.....	\$350
over \$8000.....	Please request quote

## WAIVER OF PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS

The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived provided the insured traveler has paid his/her premium within 15 days of deposit.

## DEFINITIONS & DETAILS

Now that you have arranged your trip, we feel that it is our responsibility to recommend travel insurance to protect your investment. Please read the information below to make an informed decision concerning this matter.

**NOTE: The insurance company requires a minimum of 10 participants to be eligible for this group offer. If numbers are not met, price may increase or if you do not accept the increase, a refund will be granted.**

**Although insurance can be taken out at any time prior to final payment, we urge you to act immediately to receive the benefits outlined.** Please note, however, that the policy exclusion for pre-existing conditions is waived provided the insured traveler has paid his/her premium within 15 days of deposit.

**Group Travel Insurance is only available for US & Canadian citizens.** If you live outside the United States or Canada, please contact our office for additional insurance options. Individuals who are not on an escorted tour, but traveling independently should request a separate brochure with rates for individual travelers. If you wish to receive a quote for additional coverage beyond \$8000, please indicate total coverage amount on tour application.

**Trip Cancellation:** Protects your prepaid travel arrangements for your trip in the event you have to cancel your trip due to covered reasons such as a sickness, injury, terrorist incident, theft of passports or job termination, just to name a few.

**Trip Interruption:** Provides you with a reimbursement for your unused land or water travel arrangements for your trip, plus the additional air cost to return home if your trip is interrupted for a covered reason.

**Missed Connections:** Provides you with a reimbursement for the unused portions of your travel arrangements, plus the additional costs to join your trip if your arrival at the trip destination is delayed for 3 hours or more for a covered reason.

**Travel Delay:** Reimburses you for additional expenses if you are delayed at least 8 hours due to a covered reason. In the event of a delay, you will be reimbursed for additional expenses for hotels, meals and transportation.

**Medical Expense / Medical Evacuation:** Covers you if you become ill or are injured while traveling and need medical treatment. If necessary, you will be evacuated to the nearest qualified hospital and then returned home when you are safe to travel.

**Baggage and Personal Effects:** Provides reimbursement when your baggage or belongings are damaged, lost or stolen during your trip. Personal belongings include items such as: lost luggage, clothing, cameras, jewelry, passports or travel visas.

**Baggage Delay:** Reimburses you for the purchase of necessary personal items such as change of clothes and toiletries if your checked baggage is delayed 12 hours or more.

**One Call Traveler Assistance Services:** Access to 24-hour travel assistance services, along with an emergency number to call for:

- Referral to a doctor, hospital, pharmacy or dentist
- Referral for legal and bail bond assistance
- Medical consultation and monitoring
- Assistance with emergency travel arrangements
- Help in replacing lost travel documents or tickets
- Nurse Helpline
- Prescription assistance
- Language interpretation services
- Emergency messages to and from your home
- Concierge services
- Arrangements for medical evacuation or return of remains, in the event of death

**Although optional, the purchase of travel insurance is strongly recommended to protect against penalties in the case of cancellation. Premiums from \$150 to \$350 are available for US & Canadian citizens traveling on Brekke's Escorted Scandinavian Tours and are based on maximum benefits up to \$8000 per person. If you choose to decline travel insurance, all penalties attached to cancellation and any additional costs incurred by flight delays are your responsibility and can entail considerable expense.**

# TOUR APPLICATION FORM

Please complete and return to Brekke Tours at 802 N. 43rd Street, Grand Forks, ND 58203

NAME OF TOUR: Norway 2017 with Bygdelagenes Fellesraad and Norwegians Worldwide  AIR & LAND  LAND ONLY (Please select one)

DEPART DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (City) TO \_\_\_\_\_ (City)

RETURN DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (City) TO \_\_\_\_\_ (City)

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAMES EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS / WILL APPEAR ON YOUR PASSPORT**

**PLEASE NOTE: NAME CHANGES / CORRECTIONS WILL INCUR A MINIMUM \$250 CHANGE FEE**

NAME #1: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name as it appears on passport) (First Name as it appears on passport) (Middle Name as it appears on passport) (mo / day / year)

Gender:  M  F How do you want your badge to read \_\_\_\_\_

NAME #2: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name as it appears on passport) (First Name as it appears on passport) (Middle Name as it appears on passport) (mo / day / year)

Gender:  M  F How do you want your badge to read \_\_\_\_\_

**Final documents for all passengers listed will be sent to the address provided below unless otherwise indicated:**

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
(No. & Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ /Home (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ /Cell \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ROOM:  Single  Double (1 double bed)  Double (2 twin beds) NAME OF ROOMMATE/S: \_\_\_\_\_

*If requested a double room with 2 twin beds: Brekke Tours will forward your request to the hotel; however, on some occasions, rooms with one double bed may be the only choice available.*

CABIN CATEGORY:  I2  L2  N2  O2  P2  OTHER:

IF YOU ARE TRAVELING WITH ANOTHER PARTY, PLEASE INDICATE NAME/S: \_\_\_\_\_

*To coordinate flights with travel companions coming from different cities, please state your request in writing. Exact flight schedules cannot be guaranteed unless a written confirmation is received from Brekke Tours.*

**SINGLES:** Do you wish to room with another single person requesting a roommate?  Yes  No

Please note that you will be charged a single supplement fee. If you request a roommate and one is found, you will receive a refund of this fee upon acceptance of roommate.

**AIRLINE SEATING:** Groups seats are assigned at the discretion of the airline. Seat numbers may not be advised until check-in at the airport.

**Your seating request will be submitted, however, specific seat assignments cannot and will not be guaranteed:**  Aisle  Middle  Window  Adjacent

**SEATING UPGRADE:** Please send me/us a quote for:  Economy Comfort (from \$800 per person)  Business Class (from \$1500 per person)

**SPECIAL DIET REQUEST:** Your dietary request will be submitted to airlines, hotels and restaurants, however, it cannot be guaranteed. Please reconfirm locally.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  Sugar-free  salt-free  vegetarian  low-cholesterol  other \_\_\_\_\_

Please advise if you have any special needs of which the tour director or airlines should be aware: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of an emergency, notify: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell:(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**GROUP TRAVEL INSURANCE - please select one (see Group Travel Insurance page for more information):**

I/we would like to purchase insurance in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Premium Amount (Insurance Premium x number of people purchasing insurance)

I/we choose to decline the insurance (I/we understand that any costs incurred by cancellations and/or flight delays are my/our responsibility and can entail considerable expense.)

I/we have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions, including the "responsibility" provisions, stated in Brekke's Terms & Conditions.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is payment in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for **tour deposit/full payment** (see Terms & Conditions) PLUS **full payment for group travel insurance** (if requested).

If payment by credit card is preferred, please complete the following information: Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my/our  VISA  MASTERCARD  AMEX

**PLEASE NOTE:** Two charges will be processed to your credit card. The first will be for the Air & Land portion and will be payable to Brekke Tours. The second will be payable to Hurtigruten for the cruise fare in your selected cabin category. Hurtigruten's credit card payments are processed in Norway, thus some credit card companies may charge a Foreign Transaction fee. These fees are strictly a revenue source for the credit card companies. Neither Hurtigruten or Brekke Tours receives compensation from these fees. Please check your credit card company's policy regarding Foreign Transaction Fees. If your credit card company does charge a fee, it is possible to avoid it by submitting payment by check.

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ CVC# \_\_\_\_\_ Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
(No. & Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# BREKKE'S ESCORTED TOURS: TERMS & CONDITIONS

Request "Terms & Conditions" for other tour packages, cruises & independent travel.

## RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT

**Deposit:** \$1000 per person + completed application form or register at [www.brekketours.com](http://www.brekketours.com)

**Final balance:** 90 days prior to departure

**Early departures and/or extended stays:** Must be requested at time of registration and incur a minimum surcharge of \$100

For reservations or final payment made within 21 days prior to departure, there is a \$50 per reservation handling/express fee. Checks, Money Orders, VISA, MasterCard and American Express are accepted as forms of payment. **If submitting payment by credit card, two charges will be processed;**

- Air & Land portion will be payable to Brekke Tours.
- Cruise fare will be payable to Hurtigruten. As Hurtigruten's credit card payments are processed in Norway, some credit card companies may charge a Foreign Transaction fee. Please check your credit card company's policy regarding Foreign Transaction Fees. If your credit card company does charge a fee, it is possible to avoid it by submitting payment by check.

Please review and verify your booking invoice and contact your travel agent or Brekke Tours immediately if your invoice appears to be incorrect or incomplete. Brekke Tours cannot accept responsibility if we are not notified of inaccuracies within 5 days of sending out the invoice. In case of billing error, we reserve the right to re-invoice with correct pricing.

## TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

It is the responsibility of each passenger to obtain proper travel documents, such as passport and visa. Each passenger must be in possession of a passport with a validity of at least six (6) months beyond the conclusion of their trip. A visa is not required for Scandinavia or Western Europe for stays of less than 3 months. A visa is required for passengers traveling to Russia.

It is imperative that your airline ticket matches your name as it reads on your passport. Any changes to your air booking, which include spelling, are subject to a minimum change fee of \$250. With full payment, tour documents are normally sent 14-21 days prior to departure and should arrive within 6 business days. If you request documents earlier, and if it is possible to accommodate you, there is a \$50 per reservation handling/ express fee.

## CANCELLATIONS

The following per person cancellation fee applies: More than 90 days prior to departure: \$300; 90-61 days: \$1500; 60-42 days: \$2000; 41 - 28 days: \$3000; less than 28 days: nonrefundable. Cancellation fees may also apply to any additional services, including accommodations, independently supplied services, cruises and optional excursions reserved prior to, during and after the tour. Cancellations must be in writing. A change of itinerary or traveler name (substitution) after receipt of deposit will be treated as a cancellation and new reservation; standard cancellation fees apply. Trip cancellation insurance is recommended.

## INSURANCE

The client is urged to protect his/her investment with travel insurance. Visit [www.brekketours.com](http://www.brekketours.com) for further information.

## CHANGES

Once deposit has been received, each subsequent change will be subject to a change fee of a minimum of \$50 per person, only if we can accept the change and travel documents have not been issued. If documents are issued and we can accept the change there will be an additional reissue fee minimum of \$350 per person plus any fees assessed by air/land supplier/s.

## AIR TRANSPORTATION

Price is based on scheduled transportation in economy class and nonrefundable airfare on one of our preferred airline partners (if requesting a specific carrier, an additional charge may apply) from the city specified in the itinerary. The tour package price reflects airfare currently in effect & is subject to change until ticketed. Inquire about airfare options from your home city. Passengers coming from different cities, booked or deposited at different times, may be booked on alternate routings/different flights. Passengers are responsible for charges due to delays on domestic flights (purchased as separate tickets) in connection with an international flight.

## NOTE:

- If using frequent flyer miles, participants must book directly with the carrier.
- It is recommended that you do not purchase airline tickets until the land portion of your tour is guaranteed to operate.
- Purchase of a domestic ticket to connect with international flight or purchase of a land only package:

- If booking a domestic flight to connect with the trans-Atlantic flight, an overnight (at least for eastbound travel) or an early flight (with at least one backup flight available) is recommended.
- Carriers will not necessarily allow passengers to check bags through to the final destination with multiple tickets. Thus passengers will only be able to check the bag to the destination on the first ticket(s). The passenger must collect the baggage at baggage claim for their first ticketed destination, and then re-check their baggage with the down-line carrier for the next flight. Various baggage restrictions may also apply subject to carrier guidelines.

## Brekke Tours is not responsible for:

- any costs/fees relating to airline delays, rescheduling or cancellation. If you miss your departure flight, it is your responsibility to work with the airline on which you are ticketed to reach your destination.
- any additional expenses incurred prior to joining the tour package.
- and will not provide any refund for services or portions of trips missed due to cancelled, rescheduled or delayed flights.

## FUEL SURCHARGES AND TAXES

Your initial billing will include the current estimated charge based on your flight itinerary. Final charges for fuel and taxes will be assessed in your statement prior to final payment.

## LAND COSTS

The tour price is based on a minimum of 30 participants. The trip will be feasible with fewer than the minimum, but if the minimum number of participants is not reached, the price may increase or services may be modified to accommodate a smaller group. All rates are based on tariffs in effect at the time the tour was planned and are subject to increase in the event of currency fluctuation.

## LAND TRANSPORTATION

First-class private motorcoach. Other transportation and/or accommodations as indicated.

## LUGGAGE

Size and weight limitations for carry-on and checked baggage on international, inter-European flights and domestic flights vary from airline to airline and are subject to change, so please check with the applicable carrier prior to departure. On the land portion, due to limited motorcoach capacity, we allow only 1 suitcase and 1 carry-on per person. Luggage handling at hotels for 1 suitcase is provided. Airport portage is not included as security regulations require that travelers handle and be responsible for their own luggage. No responsibility is accepted for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the traveler's belongings. Travel insurance is recommended.

## SPECIAL REQUESTS

Special hotel and flight requests, such as "double bed," "room near elevator," "room on lower floor," "meals," "seating on aircraft," etc., should be submitted in writing with final payment. Such requests, however, are outside of our control and therefore cannot be guaranteed. Please note: a quote does not constitute a reservation. All reservation requests outside of the group arrangements outlined in the itinerary, such as additional hotel nights, add-on airfares or date deviations must be explicitly requested by the tour participants and confirmed in writing by Brekke Tours.

## SMOKING

Smoking is not permitted on airplanes or motorcoaches. Most hotels are non-smoking in Scandinavia.

## HOTELS

Accommodations in rooms with private facilities at hotels specified or similar. Brekke Tours reserves the right to substitute hotels. Rooms in Scandinavian hotels may have twin, double or day beds. As Scandinavian hotels generally have small rooms, we advise against requesting triple rooms. Triple rooms are available on request only and no discount applies. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplementary cost shown. Single rooms are generally inferior to double rooms in size and location. Please note that hotel rooms may not be available for check-in before 2:00pm. Requests for special room assignments should be submitted in writing with final payment. If you request a twin bedded room, every effort will be made to honor this request; however, on some occasions, rooms with one double bed may be the only choice available. Room requests cannot be guaranteed as all rooms are assigned by the hotel. Please be advised that not all hotels in Scandinavia are air-conditioned.

## SERVICE CHARGES, TIPS & TAXES

Gratuities to tour director, city guides and driver are customarily left to the discretion of the tour member and are therefore not included in the tour cost. All service charges and taxes at hotels are included, so extra tipping will not be necessary.

## MEALS

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are as specified in the itinerary. Special requests for meals should be submitted in writing with final payment. Special meal requests cannot be guaranteed.

## UNUSED SERVICES

A credit of \$50 per night per person, pending confirmation, will be granted for unused hotel services only upon advance notification to Brekke Tours prior to final payment. No refunds will be given after this time period. If after returning, you wish to inquire about any travel arrangements provided, please ensure that all correspondence relating to those services is received by Brekke Tours within 14 days of the travel completion date.

## ITINERARY VARIATIONS

Brekke Tours constantly strives to improve each itinerary to your benefit. If improvements can be made or unforeseen conditions make changes necessary, we reserve the right to vary itineraries or substitute hotels for operational reasons.

## NOT INCLUDED

1. Airport/hotel transfers if your flight does not coincide with the reserved group air space. Persons on other transatlantic flights should plan to transfer to/from hotel at their own expense; 2. Airport fees and taxes; 3. Passport fees; 4. Visa fees, where required; 5. Personal expenses such as laundry, liquors, wines, phone, valet, etc.; 6. Meals not specifically listed as included; 7. Expenses due to flight delays, strikes, bad weather or other irregularities; 8. Travel insurance; 9. Excess baggage charges; 10. Individual services apart from the group; 11. Refunds for tour services not utilized; 12. Any expenses for à la carte meal items not included in preplanned menus; 13. Gratuities for tour director, city guides and driver.

## PARTICIPATION

Brekke Tours reserves the right to accept or reject any vacation participant and to remove any participant whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the interest of the other participants. Children, traveling with an adult, may be accepted, for participation from the age of 8 years. Travelers must report any disability requiring special attention at the time of registration. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travelers who need assistance (such as walking, getting on and off motorcoach, etc.) and must assume full responsibility for their well being. Motorized scooters are unsuitable for tours outlined in this brochure.

## RESPONSIBILITY

Brekke Tours, its agents, employees, representatives, associated companies and travel agencies through which the tour was booked are not responsible for any damages, accidents, losses, detention, annoyance, consequential damages of any kind; delays, and expenses due to same; quarantine, strikes, force majeure, failure of any means of conveyance to arrive or depart as scheduled; disturbances, government actions, restrictions or regulations, discontinuance or change in transit or hotel services or schedules; and any other causes over which we have no control and which are not caused by any negligence, wrongful action or omission on the part of Brekke Tours, its agents, employees, representatives, associated companies and travel agencies. Without limiting the above, you are hereby given notice, and you hereby understand and agree that all tickets and coupons issued, and all arrangements for transport or conveyance, or for hotel accommodations, and any other arrangements provided herein, are made only on the expressed condition that we (Brekke Tours, etc.) shall not be liable for any death, injury, damage, loss, expense, accident, delay, problem or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason of any defect in any vehicle or aircraft or other means of conveyance, or through the acts, omissions or defaults of any company or person engaged in conveying the passengers herewith, or of any hotel proprietor or servant, or any other person, firm or entity, not under the direct supervision, control or employment of Brekke Tours, its agents, employees, representatives, associated companies and travel agencies. Brekke Tours reserves the right to accept or reject any person as a tour participant, to expel any tour participant from the tour, and to make any changes in the itinerary, whenever, in the sole discretion of Brekke Tours, it deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour participants.

## CANCELLATIONS BY TOUR OPERATOR

Brekke Tours reserves the right to cancel any tour up to 30 days prior to departure. In the event the tour is cancelled, Brekke Tours has no responsibility beyond full refund of monies paid by the participant including any additional costs or fees related to the issuance and/or cancellation of airline tickets or other travel reservations not made by Brekke Tours.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** We request that you read closely and fully understand these terms and conditions since they include limitations of liability.

## **CONTRACT**

Your contract partner is Hurtigruten ASA. When you book travel or a cruise with us the contract is regarded as binding once you or your travel agency requests a confirmation of your booking from us. Hurtigruten ASA is then responsible for delivering the products/arrangements you have booked while you are financially responsible for the booking. The moment you make a booking you are confirming at the same time that you have the authority to accept these terms and conditions on behalf of yourself and any travel companions. You accept responsibility for payment to us for all passengers in your booking. The customer is solely responsible for ensuring that the actual reservation corresponds with the booking made. As the person making the booking you are also responsible for ensuring that the names on all documents are correct and in accordance with the passports of all passengers you are making the booking for.

As the person making the booking you will also be responsible for ensuring that all travel companions in the booking are kept fully informed of what was booked and any changes that may arise. If you are booking your trip via an agent/travel agency, all communication shall take place via the agent/travel agency. Note that travel agencies/agents may have additional terms and conditions that you will be subject to when booking travel through them. Always quote your booking number when contacting Hurtigruten ASA.

## **GUARANTEE**

Hurtigruten ASA at all times provides the statutory guarantee for package tours from: The Norwegian Travel Guarantee Fund, Post box 227, N-4001 STAVANGER, Norway

## **PRICES**

The fare set forth in this contract is stated in U.S. dollars, is per person based on double occupancy and does not include land arrangements or services, unless otherwise expressly agreed in writing by Hurtigruten. The fare does not include items of a personal nature, including but not limited to, laundry, liquor, beer, or wine. The full and correct price of the trip is given before a booking is confirmed, except as set forth below. The fare does not include taxes, fees, port expenses, and charges imposed by governmental or quasi-governmental authorities. Hurtigruten reserves the right to add certain specified additional charges to the price of your booking such as, for example, a fuel surcharge, in the event that there may be increased costs or if an airline raises rates or imposes surcharges up to 30 days before departure. Hurtigruten reserves the right to collect the fare in effect at the time, and as a condition, of embarkation.

Should prices be reduced as a result of the same changes mentioned above, the price adjustment will be credited to you. In the event of price increases of more than 10 percent, you retain the right to cancel your booking at no charge, with a full refund of all amounts paid. Should you wish to cancel your booking as mentioned above, notification of this must be received by Hurtigruten at the below address, at least 14 days from the date of the new invoice showing the increase in price.

## **CHANGES BY CUSTOMER**

Changes to bookings are considered cancellations and incur all associated fees pursuant to section 9 of this contract. Minor adjustments to bookings may be permitted at Hurtigruten's sole discretion, such as upgrades in accommodation or the addition of excursions or add-ons. For any such adjustments Hurtigruten allows that are made within 90 days of your scheduled departure date, Hurtigruten reserves the right to charge you an administrative fee of USD \$ 75 per person per adjustment, payment of which shall be a condition of embarkation. Changes in air travel and other arrangements such as shore excursions may also be subject to change fees and/or increases by the air carrier, for which the customer shall be solely responsible.

## **CANCELLATION**

You or anyone in the booking have/has the right to cancel the booking at any time. All cancellations must be done in writing by the person who has made the booking. The cancellation is the date that Hurtigruten receives the cancellation request. There is no refund on bookings which cost less than \$1,340.

There is no refund for passengers who do not show up at the pier for embarkation or who disembark prior to the end of their ticketed cruise itinerary. Should the customer's cabin include several people, partial cancellation will result in the application of the above penalties to the persons who have cancelled and the remaining passengers being charged the applicable prices for the revised number of passengers in the cabin. If you

have to cancel your booking for reasons that are covered by your insurance, you must apply for a refund from your insurance company for the cancellation fee of your own accord. Insurance premiums are not refundable.

Cancellation charges are calculated based on total fares paid to Hurtigruten for all trip components. No refund will be made for passengers who do not show up for the cruise or who do not complete their cruise. Cancellation charges will apply notwithstanding that the Company is able to rebook the cabin in question. The passenger must submit a claim for refund, in writing, within 20 days of the actual termination date of the voyage in question, failing which the refund claim shall be barred.

## **CANCELLATION / CHANGES BY HURTIGRUTEN ASA**

You agree that Hurtigruten has the sole discretion and freedom to direct the movements of its vessels, including the right to proceed without pilots, tow or be towed, assist other vessels; deviate from the customary or advertised course for any purpose that is sufficient in the judgment of Hurtigruten or the vessel's captain, including but not limited to offering or rendering assistance in an effort to preserve life or property; and put in or back in to or call or stop at any port or place. Hurtigruten shall not be required to provide you prior notice before exercising its discretion on any of these matters, and shall not incur any liability to you for any loss, damage, or delay, whether consequential or otherwise.

Hurtigruten shall at all times have the absolute right, without liability to you, to take all actions necessary to comply with orders, recommendations or directions from any governmental entity or persons purporting to act with such authority, including but not limited to those pertaining to health, security, immigration, customs, or safety.

Hurtigruten reserves the right to cancel any voyage or booking without liability or compensation to you, provided such cancellation is due to circumstances that are beyond Hurtigruten's control, including but not limited to acts of God, war, piracy, terrorism, civil strife, labor conflicts, weather conditions, perils of the sea, mechanical breakdown, or collisions ('force majeure events').

If as a result of a force majeure event, Hurtigruten determines that proceeding to, attempting to enter, entering, or remaining at a port may expose the ship to risk, loss, damage, or delay, the customer and his or her baggage may be disembarked at any port or place at which the ship may be or call, at which time Hurtigruten's responsibility under this contract shall cease and the contract shall be deemed to have been fully performed.

Hurtigruten reserves the right to omit, alter, or curtail any shore excursions at its sole discretion. Hurtigruten reserves the right to substitute any vessel in place of the vessel on which you booked passage for any reason, including reasons based on Hurtigruten's fault, without liability for loss or damage of any kind whatsoever. If a deviation to a voyage is minor, of a kind that the customer should have anticipated occasionally occurring or the occurrence of which is beyond Hurtigruten's reasonable control, then Hurtigruten shall have no obligation to pay a refund to the customer. If a deviation is not minor, or Hurtigruten cancels a voyage, Hurtigruten shall provide a refund commensurate with the portion of the trip that did not take place.

## **COMPLAINTS**

Should you believe that you have grounds to complain about an arrangement, the conditions must be pointed out underway to the applicable travel guide, crew, and/or representatives of hotels/car hire companies, airlines, etc., who will seek to correct any errors. You are also obliged to minimize your own losses as far as possible. If the incident is not addressed satisfactorily on-site, you may send in a written complaint. Any written complaints must be submitted to the travel agency where the booking was made or directly to Hurtigruten within 4 weeks of the end of the trip at the latest, unless special circumstances demand a reasonable extension of the deadline for submitting complaints. The complaint must contain the reservation number and a description of the incident as well as any claims made. Hurtigruten makes no guarantee of any redress or particular response to any complaints.

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## **CUSTOMER'S AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY HURTIGRUTEN'S REGULATIONS & CAPTAIN'S ORDERS**

You agree to abide by Hurtigruten's rules and the ship captain's orders at all times while aboard Hurtigruten's vessels. Hurtigruten reserves the right, without liability of any kind, to refuse passage to, disembark, or confine to a stateroom, any customer who may be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease, refuses to obey this contract or the Captain's orders, endangers the safety of himself or herself, other customers, or crew, or whose presence, in Hurtigruten's sole discretion, may be detrimental to the comfort, enjoyment, or safety of other customers, the vessel, or the crew.

Each customer may bring aboard the ship a reasonable amount of clothing and personal effects without charge, subject to airline restrictions. However, you must not bring or cause to be brought aboard any Hurtigruten vessel any of the following items: illegal or controlled substances, fireworks, live animals (except service or guide animals), weapons, firearms, explosives or other hazardous materials, or any other items prohibited by applicable law. You shall not solicit anyone on board for any commercial, professional, or charitable purposes. Hurtigruten reserves the right to disembark or refuse to embark anyone failing to comply with this provision. In such cases, Hurtigruten shall have no liability whatsoever to the customer for any refund or any other related loss or expense to the customer and any accompanying customers. In any port or any place, we reserve the right to refuse to take on board and the right to disembark customers who, according to the ship's authorized personnel, may be refused permission to land on new ports of call by local authorities or that may be suffering from a contagious or infectious disease, or whose presence could be detrimental to customers or the crew's welfare. In cases where the ship or individual customers are in quarantine (customers may have to remain in the berth or are instructed by authorized personnel on board if he/she or any other person in the berth shows symptoms of illness or can be regarded as a danger to other customers), we do not have liability for any costs that result, and in such cases there will be no rights to refunds or compensation.

## **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

Hurtigruten's liability is limited to you under this contract. Hurtigruten is not liable to you for any loss, injury, death, property damage, delay, or harm of any kind caused by or arising from events outside of Hurtigruten's reasonable control, including but not limited to acts of God, war, piracy, terrorism, civil strife, labor conflicts, weather conditions, perils of the sea, mechanical breakdown, or collisions. Hurtigruten shall not be liable or responsible to the customer in any way for any injury, death, illness, delay, loss, or damage not shown to be caused by Hurtigruten's negligence or fault. Hurtigruten is also not liable for damages for emotional distress, mental suffering, or psychological injury of any kind that does not result from a physical injury to the customer, actual risk of physical injury to the customer, or intentionally inflicted by Hurtigruten.

FOR ALL VOYAGES THAT DO NOT EMBARK, DISEMBARK OR CALL IN A UNITED STATES PORT, HURTIGRUTEN SHALL AT ALL TIMES BE ENTITLED TO ANY AND ALL LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY, IMMUNITIES, AND RIGHTS SPECIFIED UNDER THE 'CONVENTION RELATING TO THE CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE AT SEA' OF 1974 (AS AMENDED BY THE 1976 'PROTOCOL TO THE ATHENS CONVENTION RELATING TO THE CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE BY SEA') (HEREINAFTER 'ATHENS CONVENTION').

In the case of personal injury or death, Hurtigruten's liability shall not exceed 400,000 Special Drawing Rights ('SDR') per customer per occasion (approximately USD \$ 560,000 as of March 4, 2015, which amount fluctuates daily depending on the exchange rate as printed in the Wall Street Journal). If the personal injury or death was caused by a shipping incident (defined as shipwreck, capsizing, collision or stranding, explosion, fire, or defect in the ship), Hurtigruten's liability is limited to 250,000 SDR (approximately USD \$ 350,500 as of March 4, 2015, which amount fluctuates daily depending on the exchange rate as printed in the Wall Street Journal), but can increase to 400,000 SDR unless Hurtigruten proves that the shipping incident occurred without Hurtigruten's fault or neglect. Shipping incidents do not include incidents that result from acts of war, hostilities, civil war, insurrection or natural disasters, or that result from intentional acts or omissions of third parties. Hurtigruten shall not be liable for money, securities, and other valuables such as gold, silver, jewels, watches, ornaments, financial instruments, and works of art unless Hurtigruten has received them for safekeeping. Hurtigruten's liability for loss of or damage to luggage (defined as any article or vehicle carried by Hurtigruten under a contract of carriage, excluding articles and vehicles carried under a charterparty, bill of lading, or contract primarily concerned with the carriage of goods, and live animals), including any items received for safekeeping, shall not exceed 3,375 SDR (approximately

USD \$ 4,372 as of March 4, 2015, which amount fluctuates daily depending on the exchange rate as printed in the Wall Street Journal).

Hurtigruten's liability for loss of or damage to cabin luggage (defined as luggage which the customer has in his or her cabin or is otherwise in the customer's possession, custody, or control), shall not exceed 2,250 SDR (approximately USD \$ 3,150 as of March 4, 2015, which amount fluctuates daily depending on the exchange rate as printed in the Wall Street Journal). Hurtigruten's liability for loss of or damage to vehicles, including all luggage carried in or on the vehicle, shall not exceed 12,700 SDR (approximately USD \$ 17,807 as of March 4, 2015, which amount fluctuates daily depending on the exchange rate as printed in the Wall Street Journal).

IN ALL CASES, LOSSES SHALL NOT INCLUDE PUNITIVE OR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES.

## **NOTICE OF CLAIMS AND TIME TO SUE**

Hurtigruten shall not be liable for any claims for personal injury, death, loss or damage to luggage or personal property, unless suit on such claims is commenced within two years from the date of disembarkation or, in the case of death occurring during the voyage, from the date when the passenger should have disembarked. For all other claims, Hurtigruten shall not be liable unless suit is commenced within one year from the date of disembarkation.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS**

There are certain unavoidable risks to the customer and the customer's property associated with being aboard a vessel and participating in shore excursions. These include, but are not limited to, rough and unpredictable weather and seas; collisions of ships or other vehicles; illnesses caused by consumption of food and beverages; slip and fall due to the motion of the sea or other causes; lack of access to medical services; civil unrest or terrorism; evacuation of the vessel in an emergency; unpredictable behavior of animals in the wild; and breakdown of equipment. The customer warrants that the customer and any passengers for whom the customer is responsible are fit to travel, and warrants that the customer will only engage in those activities that are within the customer's physical ability and experience. The customer agrees to assume all the risks associated with sea travel and shore excursions.

## **TRAVEL DOCUMENTS**

Your specific passport and visa requirements as well as any other immigration requirements are your own responsibility and you must clarify this with the relevant embassies and/or consulates. We do not accept any responsibility in situations where you cannot travel because you do not meet the latest requirements. If you have made independent travel arrangements, you are responsible for boarding the ship in good time, regardless of any changes to the sailing times and dates or travel routes. We cannot refund monies paid to us, or a third party that acts on our or your behalf, or give compensation or make any payments when you, regardless of the reason, do not board the ship. Customers that disembark are responsible for boarding the ship again before departure from the port.

## **SEVERABILITY**

In the event any paragraph, clause or provision of this contract is deemed invalid or illegal in any jurisdiction, such paragraph or provision shall be deemed reformed to the extent necessary to render it enforceable, so long as consistent with the basic purpose of the paragraph, clause, or provision. If the paragraph, clause, or provision is not reformable, it shall be deemed severed from this contract in that jurisdiction only and all remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

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