Scottish Isles and Norwegian Fjords

9-day/7-night cruise from Glasgow, Scotland, to Bergen, Norway, featuring Norway’s iconic fjords

Departure: June 2 to 10, 2023

Trace the legacies of Viking and Celtic clans on this extraordinary voyage across the mist-enshrouded peaks of Scotland and the pristine natural beauty of Norway’s mighty fjords. Cruise into ports accessible only by small ship. Discover the Orkney Islands’ fascinating Neolithic history, featuring a special presentation on the Ness of Brodgar by archaeologist Nick Card. Enjoy a full day scenic excursion into the glens of the Scottish Highlands and a specially arranged ride on Norway’s legendary FLÅM RAILWAY. Enhance your journey with the Edinburgh and Glasgow Pre-Program and/or Wonders of Norway Post-Program Options.
9-Day/7-Night Itinerary

1 Depart the U.S. or Canada

2 Glasgow, Scotland/Embark the ship.

3 Fort William for the Scottish Highlands—In Glenfinnan, see the Glenfinnan Viaduct, immortalized by the Hogwarts Express in the Harry Potter film series, and the Glenfinnan Monument commemorating the Jacobite Highlanders that rallied against King George II. See Neptune’s Staircase, the longest staircase lock in Britain and an incredible feat of engineering. Explore Glencoe, one of Scotland’s most scenic landscapes. Attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception on board the ship this evening.

4 Kyle of Lochalsh/Isle of Skye—Visit the 13th-century Eilean Donan Castle, one of the world’s most recognized castles, and travel through the beautiful Cullin Mountains to the Isle of Skye’s scenic coastal capital of Portree. Enjoy leisure time to explore.

5 Kirkwall, Orkney Islands, for Ring of Brodgar and Skara Brae—This morning, the director and head archaeologist of the Ness of Brodgar site, Nick Card, will provide insight on this impressive ancient compound outside of Kirkwall. Visit the Neolithic Heartland of Orkney, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and view the ceremonial Stones of Stenness, the Ring of Brodgar henge and the nearby Ness of Brogdar site. Continue to the early Orcadian settlement of Skara Brae, then visit St. Magnus Cathedral, known as the “Light of the North.” Hear the iconic sounds of a Scottish bagpiper as you reboard the ship. This evening, enjoy a storyteller’s performance of traditional Scottish tales.

6 Lerwick, Shetland Islands, for Jarlshof—Dock in Lerwick and transfer to the island’s southernmost point. Visit Jarlshof, a site pending UNESCO designation. See the remains of more than 4,000 years of human history, including late-Neolithic stone houses; a Bronze Age village; an Iron Age broch and wheelhouse; Norse longhouses; a medieval farmstead; and a 16th-century laird’s house.

7 Cruising Sognefjord/Flåm Railway—Cruise Sognefjord, passing traditional farmsteads and villages flanked by soaring mountains and glaciers. This afternoon, board the Flåm Railway, one of the world’s most scenic train journeys, travelling 13 miles through 20 tunnels to Myrdal’s mountaintop station. Watch as snowcapped mountains and cascading waterfalls—including the awe-inspiring Kjosfossen—unfold along this branch of the world-renowned Bergen Line alongside intriguing hamlets.

8 Bergen, Norway—In Bergen, stroll the grounds of Trolldhaugen, the summer home of famed Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg. Visit the Fantoft Stavkirke, a 12th century wooden stave church, noted for its durable post and lintel construction. Take a walking tour of the UNESCO World Heritage site of Bryggen, Bergen’s historic waterfront. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure and attend the Captain’s Farewell Reception this evening.

9 Bergen/Disembark ship/Return to the U.S. or Canada
Specially arranged lecture by Nick Card, Ness of Brodgar’s director and head archaeologist.

Excursion to the 5,000-year-old prehistoric site of Jarlshof on Scotland’s remote Shetland Islands, a UNESCO Global Geopark.

Visit to UNESCO World Heritage-designated Bryggen and a specially arranged tour of Trolldalen, home of Edvard Grieg.

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EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED FIVE-STAR, SMALL SHIP

Le Dumont-d’Urville

♦ Only 92 five-star suites and staterooms, each with a private balcony.

♦ All meals included on board the ship, as well as alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages throughout the cruise.

♦ State-of-the-art theater ideal for enriching educational lectures.

PRE-PROGRAM OPTION

Edinburgh and Glasgow

Discover two of Scotland’s greatest cities and their histories of clans, medieval knights and royal intrigue on a three-night itinerary that includes visits to Glasgow and Edinburgh. Accommodations are in the ideally located Sheridan Grand Edinburgh.

POST-PROGRAM OPTION

Wonders of Norway

Our four-night itinerary extension explores the Norwegian highlands and the scenery of Europe’s highest mountain plateau on the BERGEN RAILWAY. Visit Stalheim and Oslo—concluding your tour with a cruise along Copenhagen’s canals. Stay in historic hotels with one night aboard an award-winning SEAWAYS ferry.

2023 DEPARTURE DATE: June 2

Category | LAND/CRUISE RATES including taxes | Early Booking Savings (if booked more than six months prior to departure) | Rate after Early Booking Savings
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**8** Deluxe stateroom with a picture window, single door onto private, partial-wall balcony. Deck 3, midship. (limited availability) | $5,395 | $6,195
**7** Prestige stateroom with sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 4, midship. | $5,895 | $6,780
**6** Prestige stateroom with sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 5, midship and aft. | $6,495 | $7,470
**5** Prestige stateroom with sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 6, midship and aft. | $6,995 | $8,045
**4** Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 3, midship. (limited availability) | $7,995 | $9,195
**3** Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 4, midship. (limited availability) | $8,895 | $10,230
**2** Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 5, midship. | $9,795 | $11,265
**1** Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 6, midship. | $10,695 | $12,295

Prestige Suite II

Two-room suite, expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa. Deck 6, midship. (limited availability) | $11,695 | $13,450

Prestige Suite I

Two-room suite, expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa. Deck 5 and 6, aft. (limited availability) | $12,495 | $14,370

Privilege Suite

Large suite with expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, sitting area with sofa. Decks 5 and 6, aft. (limited availability) | $12,995 | $14,945

Grand Deluxe Suite

Extra-large, one-bedroom suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath. Deck 5, aft. (limited availability) | $13,995 | $16,095

Owner’s Suite

Extra-large, one-bedroom suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace with outdoor Jacuzzi, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath. Deck 5, aft. (limited availability) | $14,995 | $17,145

Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Taxes are an additional $450 per person.

Le Dumont d’Urville has been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or upon request from Gohagan & Company.

The Pre-Program and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided during the reservation process.