

# QUEST FOR THE NORTHERN LIGHTS

including Bergen to Kirkenes aboard ms Nordlys

March 2019



The most spectacular light show on Earth - the stunning Northern Lights - is best seen on one of the world's most beautiful voyages along Norway's wild and wonderful fjords. Ride the famous Flåm Railway high in the snow-clad alps, stay in a hotel made of snow, experience the thrill of husky sledding and journey north across the Arctic Circle all the way to the Russian border by ship. A true winter wonderland straight from a fairytale.

from \$7,990 pp





## MAR 2019 YOUR HOLIDAY ITINERARY

MON 04	Fly from Australia to Oslo, Norway
TUE 05	<b>Oslo</b> - Transfer to your hotel. Afternoon at leisure. Welcome dinner tonight at your hotel Overnight: Thon Hotel Terminus (or similar) (D)
WED 06	<b>Oslo</b> - Half-day sightseeing tour including Holmenkollen Ski-Jump, Vigeland Sculpture Park, Viking Ships and Kon-Tiki raft Overnight: Thon Hotel Terminus (or similar) (B)
THU 07	<b>Oslo to Flåm</b> - Board your Bergen Railway journey to Myrdal. On arrival in Myrdal change trains to Flåm Railway. Overnight: Flåmsbrygga Hotel (or similar) (B,D)
FRI 08	<b>Flåm to Bergen</b> - Your tour continues with a fjord cruise and coach to Voss then rejoin your train to Bergen. Overnight: Radisson Blu Royal Hotel (or similar) (B,D)
SAT 09	<b>Bergen</b> - Half-day walking tour of Bergen including the fish market, St Mary's Church, Hanseatic Museum and Bryggen Harbour. Overnight: Radisson Blu Royal Hotel (or similar) (B)
SUN 10	<b>Bergen</b> - Day at leisure to explore. Afternoon transfer to Hurtigruten terminal. Embark and sail north from Bergen along the Hjeltefjord aboard ms Nordlys. (B,D)
MON 11	<b>Ålesund</b> - Today gives you a chance to admire the breathtaking beauty of the Nordfjord. Sailing past the West Cape, briefly sail into open sea for Ålesund - a town renowned for its Art Nouveau architecture. (B,L,D)
TUE 12	<b>Trondheim</b> - Spend the morning in Norway's third largest city, Trondheim. The afternoon is spent sailing past charming islets and rocky outcrops. After sailing through the narrow Stokksund, arrive at Rørvik. (B,L,D)
WED 13	<b>Arctic Circle and Lofoten Islands</b> - Near Ørnes see Svartisen, Norway's second largest glacier. Visit Bodø then sail through the narrow Raftsund where the Captain will show his skills while sailing into the narrow Trollfjord before carefully turning the ship around and sailing out again. (B,L,D)
THU 14	<b>Tromsø</b> - After sailing on the open sea, set course for Senja, followed by Finnsnes, just in time for lunch. The ship continues to Tromsø for a prolonged stay. After Tromsø, you are now in the area where you have the best chance of seeing the Northern Lights. (B,L,D)
FRI 15	<b>North Cape, Crossing the 71st Parallel</b> - After brief early stops in Hammerfest and Havøysund, arrive in Honningsvåg, the gateway to the spectacular North Cape, the northern most point in Europe. (B,L,D)
SAT 16	<b>Kirkenes</b> - Arrive in Vadsø early in the morning followed by Kirkenes just after breakfast. Disembark ms Nordlys. Transfer to your hotel and enjoy a welcome drink in the ice bar. This afternoon, enjoy a 'Meet the Reindeers Experience' and 'Husky Fun' tour. Enjoy dinner at the hotel and afterwards hunt for the Northern Lights Overnight: SnowHotel (in a unique ice igloo) (B,D)
SUN 17	<b>Kirkenes to Oslo</b> - Transfer to Kirkenes airport for your flight to Oslo. Overnight: Radisson Blu Oslo Airport (B)
MON 18	Oslo - Fly home to Australia. (B)
TUE 19	Arrive Australia



## YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUSIONS

- Return economy-class fares including taxes from SYD, MEL, BNE, ADL and PER to Oslo. Connections from other airports available on request
- 2 nights Oslo accommodation including welcome dinner and breakfast daily
- Half day sightseeing tour of Oslo
- Travel on Bergen Railway, Oslo/Flåm/Bergen
- 1 night Flåm accommodation including breakfast & dinner
- Touring including historic Flåm Railway and a fjord cruise
- 2 nights Bergen accommodation including breakfast & 1 dinner
- Half day walking tour of Bergen
- 6 night voyage on ms Nordlys including all meals
- 1 night accommodation at the SnowHotel Kirkenes including welcome drink, dinner, breakfast & Northern Lights tour
- 'Meet the Reindeers Experience' and 'Husky Fun' dog sledding tour
- Economy-class airfare from Kirkenes to Oslo
- 1 night accommodation Oslo Airport including breakfast
- Train and coach transfers as detailed in itinerary
- Cruise Express souvenir backpack, cap or visor and lanyard

*Earlybird fares* book by 30 April, 2018

MS NORDKAPP	TWIN	SINGLE
Polar Inside	\$7,990	\$9,490
Polar Outside	\$8,490	\$9,990
<b>KIRKENES</b> Upgrade to a Gamme Cabin at SnowHotel	+\$195	+\$290



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