

# Norwegian Coastal Voyage

The World's Most Beautiful Cruise  
on board the MS Kong Harald  
May 11 - 27, 2023



Incredible Fjords



Lofoten Islands Excursion



The 'Atlantic Road'

## Highlights

### MS Kong Harald

Hurtigruten ships are not all the same as quality varies. A recently renovated, handsome vessel with comfortable cabins and ample public space, including the Panorama Lounge to view the spectacular Norwegian scenery.

### Arctic Circle

An awe-inspiring and once in a lifetime experience, venture across one of the five major circles of latitude that mark the Earth. Crossing the magical Arctic Circle is one of the greatest and unmissable life experiences. Make the experience even more memorable by celebrating in an authentic Arctic Circle Crossing Ceremony.

### "Over the Roof of Norway"

Take a spectacular railroad adventure across the longest high-mountain stretch of railway in Europe. Recognized as one of the top twenty railway experiences in the world, your rail voyage to Bergen will take you past mountains covered with snow, green fields clinging to steep hillsides, and rivers tumbling joyfully over rocky basins.

### Lofoten Islands

The Lofoten Islands are a feast for the senses. Feel a rush of emotion as you gaze at the endless mountains, colourful green valleys, brightly coloured houses, and tranquil rippling waters. While in Lofoten, we'll enjoy a concert in an old Herring Oil tank and visit the Lofoten Aquarium.

**Select Your Preferred Cabin today!**

## Your 17-Day Journey

### Day 1 Depart for Oslo, Norway

Start your Journey with us by enjoying a private car pick-up service from your home. Upon arrival at the airport, guests departing from the Toronto airport are assisted with their check-in. Meet your Journey Manager and fellow guests, and board your flights to Norway. Our Journey Manager travels with you to take care of all the details, allowing you to embrace your Journey.

**Overnight:** Flight  
**Meals:**

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### Day 2 Oslo

On arrival in Oslo, we are brought to our hotel. The esteemed Hotel Bristol opened its doors for the first time in 1920. With much history permeating the walls, an upgraded interior, and an elegant atmosphere, it will take you back in time. It is just moments from the Royal Palace, Nobel Peace Building, the harbour, and the peaceful city parks. Explore this ancient city, founded in 1040, at leisure this afternoon. Join us this evening for dinner at the hotel.

**Overnight:** Oslo, Hotel Bristol  
**Meals:** Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 3 Touring Oslo

Surrounded by mountains and sea, Oslo's high rises reveal a bustling metropolis boasting innovative architecture with pockets of quaint historic buildings and peaceful urban parks. This morning, enjoy a tour of this Scandinavian capital. We visit many of the highlights of Oslo including Frogner Park, the harbour area, and downtown Oslo. This afternoon is at your leisure. Tonight we regroup for dinner at our hotel tonight.

**Overnight:** Oslo, Hotel Bristol  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

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### Day 4 Rail Journey to Bergen

Today, we board the train and travel 'Over the Roof of Norway,' to Bergen. This railroad adventure is the longest, high mountain stretch of railway in Europe and is recognized as being one of the top twenty railway experiences in the world. On arrival in Bergen, we are introduced to this beautiful city by our local guide before we board the MS Kong Harald, your home for the next eleven days. All meals will be served on board unless otherwise indicated.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

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### Day 5 Ålesund

Awaken to Norway's fresh sea air. We arrive in Ålesund this afternoon, a small fishing centre. We head ashore to appreciate the art nouveau style of the city that was rebuilt after a devastating fire in 1904.

#### Included Private Excursion – Exploring Ålesund and Fjellsyua

Board our private train to explore Ålesund, we pass Arbeideren, the oldest community house of Ålesund, the old city hall, the marketplace and the prison. After visiting Borgundsvegen, the longest street in Ålesund, we climb towards Fjellsyua where we take in the beautiful views of the city, mountain and ocean.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 6 Trondheim

Founded in 997 and capital of Norway during the Viking Age, Trondheim is steeped in history and culture. The colourful houses, quaint waterways and charming cobbled streets make this town picture-perfect!

#### Included Private Excursion – Experiencing Trondheim

We see the remarkable music history at the Ringve Museum, where local music students play for us. We continue our exploration to Norway's largest medieval church, Nidaros Cathedral, the site of the coronation of the kings of Norway and the home of the crown jewels.

#### Hurtigruten Tradition – Arctic Circle Competition

Sometime tomorrow morning, the MS Kong Harald will cross the Arctic Circle. Participate in the ship-wide competition by placing a guess of what time that will happen.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 7 Crossing the Arctic Circle

Have your cameras ready today as we visit five fantastic ports. This morning, we cross over the Arctic Circle and celebrate with a special ceremony where the winner of the Arctic Circle Competition is announced. After lunch, we call on Bodø in Nordland County, where you can enjoy some free time to explore. Later this afternoon, we may see the majestic Lofoten wall which stretches from Moskenes in the south to the Raftsund in the north.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 8 Tromsø

In Tromsø, our guide takes us to the Arctic Cathedral, a beautiful and modern church inspired by the local Norwegian faith and nature. Tromsø is affectionately known as the Arctic capital. Surrounded by majestic mountains, scenic fjords and picturesque islands, Tromsø's many attractions offer history, daring architecture, wildlife, science, culture and impressive vistas.

#### Included Private Excursion – Tromsø, the Arctic Cathedral and Cable Car

We venture off to explore this fascinating university city affectionately called 'The Paris of the North.' Visit the Arctic Cathedral with its magnificent stained-glass window, and a visit to the Polar Museum which preserves and conveys stories related to the history of Tromsø and the Arctic.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 9 Barents Sea & North Cape

Today, we sail the Barents Sea and travel through the Finnmark region, sailing past many small fishing villages both old and active.

#### Included Private Excursion – North Cape

We go ashore on the island of Magerøya and Journey to visit the North Cape. Here, you have time to explore the North Cape Pavilion and view the 125° panorama film. We continue out into the wilds of northern Norway for a photo stop and the opportunity to purchase some souvenirs. We then rejoin our ship in Honningsvåg.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 10 Kirkenes

Our ship arrives in Kirkenes today. Here we are further north than any part of mainland Canada or the tip of Siberia! Enjoy your free time to explore this remote northern community. We depart Kirkenes to begin our southbound voyage.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 11 Hammerfest – 70° 39' 48"N

Hammerfest is the northernmost town in the world and offers many attractions. Enjoy a morning of leisure where you may choose to visit the Museum of Reconstruction, see the monuments in the town square, or simply wander through the shops. This is also home to the Royal and Ancient Polar Bear Society, 'Isbjørnklubben.'

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 12 Unique Concert & Lofoten Aquarium

This single day is a testament to why the round-trip voyage on the MS Kong Harald cannot be missed. The Lofoten Islands are a feast for the eyes with their countless mountains, colourful green valleys, bright houses and endless rippling waters.

#### Included Private Excursion – Vesterålen to Sortland with Herring Oil Tank Concert

In Risøyhamn, we depart on our sightseeing tour of Vesterålen. Arriving in Melbu, enjoy a concert in an old herring oil tank at the Neptun Herring Oil Factory.

#### Included Private Excursion – Lofoten and the Lofoten Aquarium

In Svolvær, our overland journey continues through the stunning wall of mountains that is Lofoten. This is an evening to remember and includes a visit to the Lofoten Aquarium.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 13 Day at Sea: The Arctic Circle

Today is a day for relaxing as we cross back over six ports of call and take in the spellbinding scenery. We pass the Arctic Circle again and around lunchtime, we call on Sandnessjøen to enjoy an early afternoon stroll. The Helgeland coast has hundreds of islets, fertile farmland and steep granite walls. Do not miss the majestic chain of peaks named the 'Seven Sisters', as well as the characteristic Torghatten, the famous mountain with a hole through it. After dinner we call on the pretty town of Rørvik.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 14 Trondheim & 'The Atlantic Road'

Enjoy free time in Trondheim early today. This afternoon we call on Kristiansund, an ancient town situated on three islands. The people here have lived around this harbour for at least eight thousand years.

#### Included Private Excursion – Kristiansund and 'The Atlantic Road'

We drive the world famous 'Atlantic Road.' Known as one of the most scenic drives in the world, zig zagging over bridges that burst out into the sea. This road was chosen as 'Norway's Construction of the Century' and links many small towns between Kristiansund and Molde. We return to the ship in Molde, well known for its unspoiled views of the Alps of Romsdalen.

**Overnight:** MS Kong Harald  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 15 Exploring Bergen

We disembark the MS Kong Harald and transfer to our hotel, located amidst the historical buildings of Bryggen. The rest of the day is yours to discover this UNESCO World Heritage Site. This evening a light meal is served at our hotel.

**Overnight:** Bergen, Clarion Collection Hotel Havnekontoret  
**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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### Day 16 Free Day in Bergen

Today you are free to explore the beautiful city of Bergen at your leisure. An important seaport and Norway's capital through the early Middle Ages, today Bergen is the 2nd largest city in Norway and is known for its annual International Festival, KODE art museums, and stunning views. This evening enjoy our farewell dinner.

**Overnight:** Bergen, Clarion Collection Hotel Havnekontoret

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

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### Day 17 Home

We bid Norway 'avskjed', and make our way to the airport for our flights home. Enjoy our private car to your home.

**Overnight:** Home

**Meals:** Breakfast

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*Ports of call and shore excursions are subject to change at the discretion of the shipping operator, ground operators or Jerry Van Dyke Travel. While we endeavour not to make changes, when we have to, changes are always intended to improve the journey experience.*



## Norwegian Coastal Voyage

### Your Journey Includes

#### First Class Accommodation

Oslo	Hotel Bristol	2 nights
Bergen	Clarion Collection Hotel Havnekontoret	2 nights

#### Included Flights

Airline:	KLM
Outbound:	Toronto (YYZ) - Oslo (OSL)
Inbound:	Bergen (BGO) – Toronto (YYZ)
Class of Service:	Economy <i>Business Class is available on request</i>
Note:	Fly from select Canadian gateways for only \$100 <i>For additional gateways and further information, contact us for details.</i>

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### Journeys by Van Dyke Inclusions

Journey Manager	Services of a professional Journey Manager throughout the journey
Home-Pickup Service	Private car home pick-up & return service (where available) or a credit or
Hotel Overnight	Hotel overnight near Toronto Pearson International Airport
Gratuities	Tips included for all intermediaries: all ship staff, Journey Managers, local sightseeing guides, coach drivers, porters, etc.
Porterage	Porterage for one piece of baggage
Visas & Fees	All fees, visas, port & service charges
Gift with Every Journey	Branded overnight carry-on bag or backpack
Taxes	All taxes incl. HST, PST, VAT



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### Journey Specific Inclusions & Experiences

- Complete pre-trip information & assistance
- 15 breakfasts, 12 lunches, 15 dinners
- All sightseeing & entrance fees as listed
- City Tour of Oslo
- 'Over the Roof of Norway' Rail Journey
- Bergen City Tour
- Exploring Ålesund, Fjellsyua and Vallehuset
- Visit to the Ringve Musical History Museum and the Nidaros Cathedral in Trondheim
- Cross the Arctic Circle with King Neptune's Arctic Christening
- Tromsø, the Arctic Cathedral & Cable Car
- North Cape
- Excursion to Vesterålen & Sortland with Herring Oil Tank Concert
- Lofoten & the Lofoten Aquarium
- Kristiansand's Harbour from the Stone Age & Driving 'The Atlantic Road'

### Fares

Cabin	Double Occupancy	Single Occupancy
I – Polar Inside	\$10,990 CAD	\$14,390 CAD
N – Polar Outside	\$12,990 CAD	\$16,590 CAD
O – Polar Outside	\$12,390 CAD	\$16,890 CAD
P2D – Arctic Superior	\$12,990 CAD	\$17,890 CAD
U2D – Arctic Superior	\$13,390 CAD	\$18,590 CAD

*Fuel Surcharges - These journey fares include the current known fuel surcharges. Additional supplier fuel charges and or government fees may apply at final payment date.*

## *MS Kong Harald*



Norway's reigning monarch, a seasoned sailor, lends his name to this remarkable vessel.

MS Kong Harald was refurbished in 2016 and now features a modern, Arctic-inspired interior. On board are three different restaurants, the Multe bakery and ice cream bar, a sauna and fitness room. Out on deck you can enjoy the view from one of our two hot tubs. There is a comfortable bar at the front of the ship where you can enjoy a nice traditional drink.

The vessel also has a large compass area where you find the reception, the Expedition Team, conference room and shop. The top deck of the boat features a sun deck, observation saloon and panorama lounge, all of which provide splendid views of spectacular coastal scenery.

- Year built 1993
- Year of refurbishment 2016
- Shipyard Volkswerft (Germany)
- Passenger capacity 590
- Beds 498
- Gross tonnage 11,204
- Length 121.8 m
- Beam 19.2 m
- Speed 17 knots

## Norwegian Coastal Voyage

### Arctic Superior

Category P – Deck 5

Category U – Decks 6

Enjoy these comfortable ocean view staterooms for two travellers, located on the middle and upper decks. Each stateroom has a private bathroom with shower.

*Approx. 118 sq. ft.*



### Polar Outside

Category – Deck 3

These standard ocean view staterooms for two travellers on the middle decks have separate beds, where one can be turned into a sofa and private bathrooms with shower.

*Approx. 121 sq. ft.*

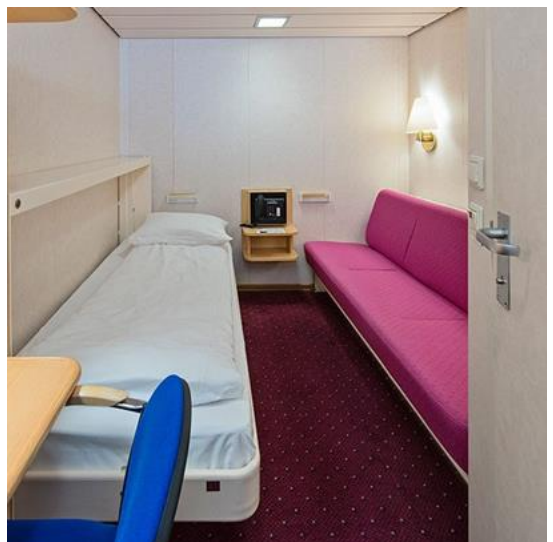


### Polar Inside

Category I – Deck 3

These comfortable, standard inside staterooms for two travellers on the middle decks have separate beds, where one can be turned into a sofa and private bathrooms with shower.

*Approx. 94 sq. ft.*



# MS KONG HARALD



- Expedition team
- Nordic style, refurbished in 2016
- Three restaurants, Multe Bakery, and Panorama bar
- Sauna and fitness room
- Sundeck and two outdoor hot tubs

**CABINS: 218**

YEAR BUILT: 1993

REFURBISHED: 2016

**SHIPYARD:** Volkswerft (D)

**GROSS TONNAGE:** 11,204

**LENGTH:** 400 ft

BEAM: 63 ft

**SERVICE SPEED:** 15 knots

## EXPEDITION SUITES

**M Suite, 318 sq ft.** Two-room suite with queen bed, TV, kettle, bathroom with shower.

## ARCTIC SUPERIOR

**P** Outside cabin, 118 sq ft. Queen bed, TV, kettle, bathroom with shower.

**U** Outside cabin, 118 sq ft. Queen bed, TV, kettle, bathroom with shower.

**POLAR OUTSIDE**

**O Outside cabin, 85-121 sq ft.** Separate beds, where one bed can be turned into a sofa, three-berth cabins with additional upper berth, bathroom with shower.

**N** Outside cabin, 121 sq ft. Separate beds, where one bed can be turned into a sofa, three-berth cabins with additional upper berth, bathroom with shower.

**SD** Outside cabin, 181 sq ft. Separate beds, where one bed can be turned into a sofa, bathroom with shower. Accessible to guests with limited mobility.

**L** Outside cabin, 118 sq ft. With portholes, separate beds, where one bed can be turned into a sofa, bathroom with shower. Some with limited view.

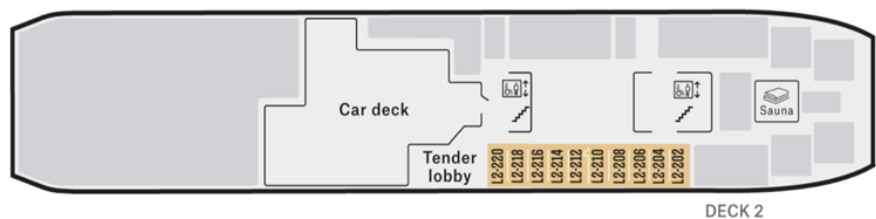
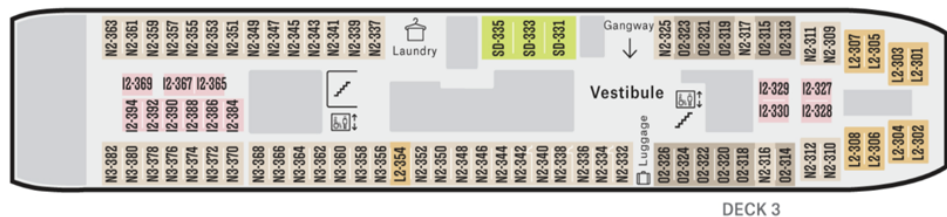
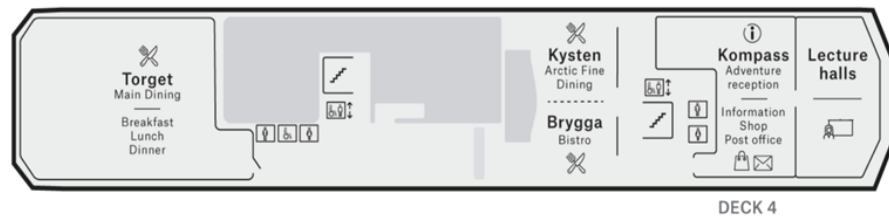
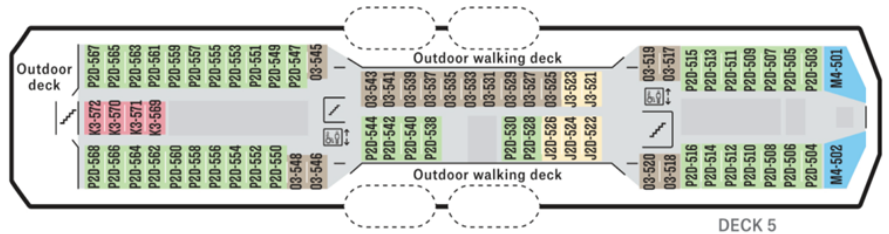
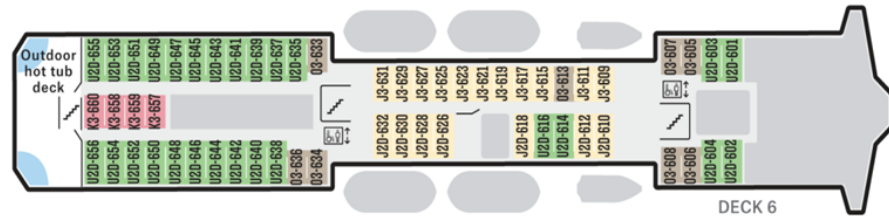
**J** Outside cabin, 96-118 sq ft. With limited/no view. Two-berth cabins with queen bed, three-berth cabins with separate beds, where one is an upper berth, bathroom with shower.

**POLAR INSIDE**

**K** Inside cabin, 94 sq ft. Separate beds, where one bed can be turned into a sofa, and one bed is an upper berth, bathroom with shower.

**I** Inside cabin, 94 sq ft. Separate beds, where one bed can be turned into a sofa, bathroom with shower.

*Subject to change.*





## Norwegian Coastal Voyage

### Outstanding Accommodation

Oslo

2 nights

#### Hotel Bristol

This elegant hotel is a 2-minute walk from the main street, Karl Johans gate and only 3 minutes' walk from the National Theatre and the National Gallery. It offers free Wi-Fi, along with free gym and sauna access. Hotel Bristol's bright rooms have a TV and minibar. All feature charming, antique-style furniture and interiors. Guests can try traditional Norwegian food at the Bristol Grill, which has an English-pub feel. A popular meeting point for politicians, musicians and actors since the 1920s, the Library Bar offers live piano music.



Bergen

2 nights

#### Clarion Collection Hotel Havnekontoret

The hotel is located right in the middle of Bergen's Bryggen area that is characterised by charming streets and historic buildings. Ever since the 18th century, Slottsgatan has been known as an exclusive street with its impressive buildings featuring Baroque and Late Baroque architecture – a true gem!



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## Personal Notes & Questions