

# Norway: Hiking Alesund and the Sunnmore Alps

FROM HJØRUNDFJORD THROUGH GEIRANGERFJORD



Wilderness Travel





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## TRIP DATES

**2024**

June 17-26, 2024

August 31-September 9, 2024

**2025**

June 16-25, 2025

August 30-September 8, 2025

The snow-capped Sunnmøre Alps rise thousands of feet above the cobalt waters of Hjørundfjord, one of the hidden gems of this nature-blessed part of Norway. This region is where deep fjords meet jagged peaks, where the quaint meets the dramatic, and where the hikes are challenging—but with high reward. We'll explore the trails of Hjørundfjord as well as UNESCO-listed Geirangerfjord for panoramas of the fjord's soaring 5,000-foot high walls. We'll also explore the waterways by private boat, visiting villages, and along the way, learn about Norway's rural traditions as we are welcomed by families at their centuries-old farms. We begin and end in charming Ålesund, a city set on small islands in the Atlantic.







## Itinerary

### TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

**Length:** 10 days  
**Arrive:** Ålesund, Norway  
**Depart:** Ålesund, Norway  
**Lodging:** 9 nights hotels  
**Meals:** All meals included except 1 lunch (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)  
**Activity:** Cultural Adventures, Hiking / Trekking, Walking  
**Trip Level:** 1 2 3 4+ 5 6  
 9 hiking days on moderate to steep trails, 3-5 hours a day, altitudes below 4,500 feet.

### DAY 1 ÅLESUND / PANORAMA HIKE / KAYAK EXCURSION

Arrive in Ålesund and transfer on your own to the hotel. We'll meet with Trip Leader Stefano Pozzi later this morning for a short hike to a high viewpoint overlooking the city, fjords, and mountains. After lunch, a kayak excursion will bring us unique perspectives of Ålesund as we paddle through the city's canals. Surrounded by azure fjords, Ålesund sits atop a series of small islands jutting out into the Atlantic. A tragic fire leveled the city in 1904, and it was rebuilt (with help from Germany's Kaiser Wilhelm II) in striking Art Nouveau style. With its harmonious architecture, it stands today as one of Norway's most beautiful cities and has been deemed "a backdrop for a Nordic fairytale." We'll gather for our Welcome Dinner this evening. Overnight at the Brosundet Hotel...LD

Hiking Details: Approximately 1 hour, 1.5 miles, 505' ascent/descent

Kayaking Details: Approximately 2 hours, life jackets and all equipment provided

### DAY 2 SUKKERTOPPEN / BOAT THROUGH HJØRUNDFJORD / TRANDAL FARM AND VILLAGE

We begin with a hike right outside of Ålesund to Sukkertoppen ("The Sugar Top"). This trail is well marked, though it can be wet and muddy, and leads up a ridge to a marvelous view point. From here, you'll enjoy breathtaking panoramas overlooking the fjord, mountains, and coastline that you'll explore in the coming days. After heading back into town, a private boat will pick us up at the hotel's pier for a journey along secluded, steep-walled Hjørundfjord, a neighboring fjord to the more famous Geirangerfjord, which we explore later on the trip. Our destination is the roadless village of Trandal (population 13!), where our host Daniel Storeide and his family have run a farm for generations. The dining room at Daniel's farm dates to the 16th



century and the menu includes wild deer, wild salmon, and other local foods that have been hunted, fished, or sourced by Daniel and his family. After a memorable lunch, we have time to explore the tiny village of Trandal. Overnight at a historic hotel...BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 2 hours, 2.5 miles, 840 feet ascent/descent

### DAY 3 RIDGE HIKE / SUNNMØRE ALPS / EGILBU

A full-day ridge hike with epic fjord scenery makes this a spectacular day, with breathtaking views in all directions of the snow-capped Sunnmøre Alps. Our trail brings us above the fjord to treeline to about 1,200 feet, then higher still along a stunning ridgeline to Egilbu at 3,100 feet. The views on top are breathtaking, and there's a sheltered hut where we can enjoy our packed lunch from the hotel. We'll descend and head back to our fjordside hotel in the late afternoon....BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 5.5 hours, 5 miles, 2,500 feet ascent/1,800 feet descent

### DAY 4 MORNING HIKE / LOEN

This morning we begin an easy day's hike through a narrow valley with stellar views of towering granite mountains,

waterfalls, and alpine lakes. We'll enjoy a packed lunch from the hotel en route. Tonight's accommodation is a modern hotel in Loen, a small village situated in innermost Nordfjord, below the great Jostedalsglacier, the largest glacier in mainland Europe. Loen has a dramatic setting surrounded by towering peaks and the town has been a magnet for visitors for more than a century. Overnight at Hotel Alexandra...BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 4 hours, 7 miles, 500 feet ascent/1,200 feet descent

Driving Details: Approximately 1.5 hours

### DAY 5 LOEN SKYLIFT / MT. STAURINIBBA HIKE / HOVEN SKYLIFT RESTAURANT

The morning is free to enjoy the hotel's spa and sauna options, with lunch on your own. The Trip Leader will be happy to make lunch recommendations, depending on how fancy or local you want to go. This afternoon, we board the famous Loen Skylift for a spectacular cable car ride that carries us 3,000 feet up from the fjord's cobalt-blue waters to the top of Mt. Hoven—in just five minutes. There are grand panoramas along the way of the fjord landscape, the mountains, and Jostedalsglacier National Park. Once we're at the top, we'll set out for a beautiful hike up Point Staurinibba on a well-marked trail. Our dinner in this "top of the world" setting is at the





Hoven Restaurant, a prime spot for sunset viewing. We'll take the Skylift back down to town after dinner. Overnight at Hotel Alexandra...BD

Hiking Details: Approximately 3 hours, 4 miles, 1,300 feet ascent/descent

## DAY 6 HELLESYLT / PRIVATE BOAT RIDE / SKAGEFLÅ HIKE / GEIRANGERFJORD

From the waterside village of Hellsylt, a scenic ride by private boat brings us to the starting point of our hike up to Skageflå, a historic abandoned mountain farm perched 1,500 feet above UNESCO-protected Geirangerfjord. Today's hike is one of the most scenic in all of Norway, with panoramas of the fjord's soaring 5,000-foot high walls, down into the sparkling waters, across to the surrounding mountains, and to the Seven Sisters Waterfall on the other side of the fjord—a photographer's dream. Sections of the trail can be a bit exposed, but there are chains bolted to the rocks to hold on to for stability and the views along the way make it an experience not to be missed. Our trail passes two ancient farms and we'll hike to its highest point at 1,800 feet, stopping at a vista for a packed lunch along the way. From here we hike down the other side and head to our hotel in the quaint town of Geiranger at the head of the fjord...BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 4.5 hours, 4 miles, 2,100 feet ascent/descent

Private Boat Ride: 1 hour

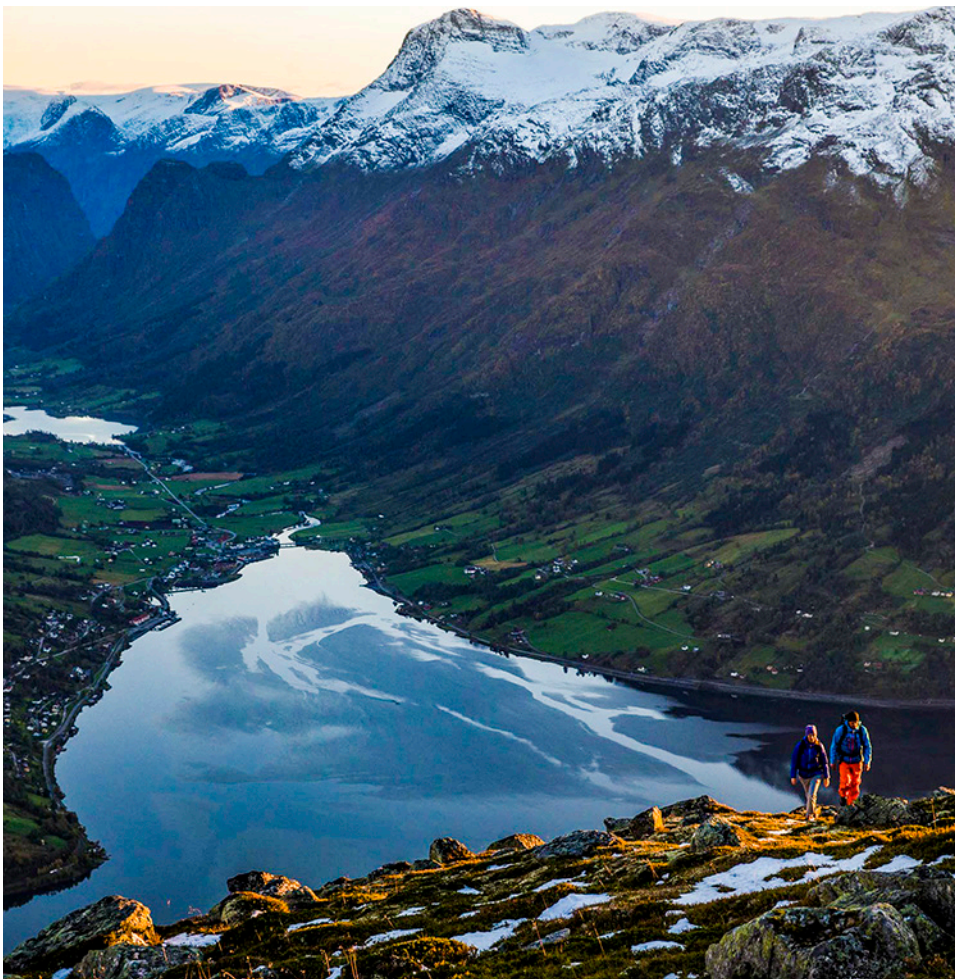
## DAY 7 GEIRANGER MUSEUM / FARM LUNCH / AFTERNOON HIKES

We'll make a short morning visit to the museum of Geirangerfjord to learn a bit about its UNESCO status, fjord geology, and farming history. A hike right from the museum brings us to Løsta, an inlet with commanding views straight down over the cliffs of Geirangerfjord. Lunch today is at a lovely family farm that serves locally sourced specialties, from meat and cheese platters to local-style waffles and rømmegrøt (warmed sour cream with butter, sugar, and cinnamon). Conditions permitting, we have the option after lunch to hike right from the farm up to a beautiful waterfall (it's also possible to walk behind the water of this cascade for a unique perspective), and possibly higher up to visit the farm's old summer houses. The landscape around the farm is superb and it's a thoroughly enjoyable hiking environment. Overnight at hotel...BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 2.5 hours, 5 miles, 1,300 feet ascent/descent







#### Optional Additional Hikes:

to Storsæterfossen Waterfall: 1.5 hours, 3 miles, 600 feet ascent/descent;

to Vesteråssætra Summer Houses, 1.5 hours, 3 miles, 400 feet ascent/descent

#### DAY 8 ØRNSVINGENE / GEITFONNEGGA HIKE

We drive to a spot called Ørnsvingene (“The Eagle’s Wings”) and begin a hike that rewards us with expansive views of Geirangerfjord’s entire bend from atop the rounded peak of Geitfonnegga (4,770’). The trail crosses a stream and a few rock falls but is never very steep. In clear weather, the panoramic views frame the unique bend in this stunning fjord. We’ll have a packed lunch at a beautiful area called the Cirques en route. Overnight at hotel...BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 5 hours, 5 miles, 2,400 feet ascent/descent

#### DAY 9 MEFJELLET HIKE / TAFJORD

Today’s hike brings us to the peak of Mefjellet (3,608’) on a secluded trail with panoramas we haven’t seen on previous

hikes, including hidden, UNESCO-protected Tafjord. We’ll pass some summer farms along the way and enjoy our packed lunch en route. After the hike, we make a stop at a local coffee bar for refreshments, then head to our next hotel by private boat along the fjord. The boat will drop us at a pier for a 15-minute walk to the small, luxurious Stor fjord Hotel, set in forests overlooking the fjord. Tonight we gather for our festive Farewell Dinner. Overnight at the Stor fjord Hotel...BLD

Hiking Details: Approximately 5 hours, 6 miles, 2,400 feet ascent/descent

Private Boat Ride: 30 minutes

#### DAY 10 DEPART

Transfer to the airport and depart on homeward-bound flights...B

Driving Details: Approximately 1 hour

# Trip Details

## DATE AND PRICING INFORMATION

### TRIP COST

**Prices are per person, valid through 2024**

\$8595 (9-11 members)

\$8995 (5-8 members)

Single supplement: \$1735

*2025 Trip Costs: Please call for pricing*

To offer the lowest possible cost, our trips are priced according to the number of participants on the trip. All costs are per person, based on double occupancy. If you wish to have a single room, you must pay the single supplement fee. Please note that Wilderness Travel staff, or guests of Wilderness Travel such as travel writers, photographers, or leaders-in-training, are not included in the tier pricing count.

### CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE

Because the prices published for our program are set so far in advance of the trip dates, we are occasionally faced with exceptional cost increases and/or currency fluctuations that affect the actual cost of running the trip. In most years, no price changes are necessary. However, we do reserve the right to raise or lower the trip price if there is a significant change in costs or exchange rates. If this is the case, your final invoice will reflect the difference in trip cost.

### TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Expert leadership of a Wilderness Travel Trip Leader and local guides
- Accommodations as noted
- All meals included except 1 lunch as indicated in the Detailed Itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- A glass of wine or beer with dinner
- Spa access at Hotel Alexandra
- Land transportation, boat travel, and sightseeing as noted

### TRIP COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

International airfare, airport transfers, any meals not specified after each itinerary day in the Detailed Itinerary, airport departure taxes, optional tipping or gratuities to leaders or staff, additional hotel nights that may be necessitated by airline schedule changes or other factors, expenses such as medical immunizations (if any), travel insurance, or passports and visas, and other expenses of a personal nature (alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, laundry, etc.)

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

At time of reservation: \$600

90 days prior to departure: Balance

### CANCELLATION AND TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Up to 91 days prior to departure: No charge!

61-90 days prior to departure: 25% of trip cost

46-60 days prior to departure: 50% of trip cost

45 days or less: 100% of trip cost

### TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance. You can take advantage of a comprehensive Travel Protection Plan designed for Wilderness Travel by Travelex, or purchase other insurance on your own. See our website for details:

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# Accommodations



## BROSUNDET HOTEL

*Ålesund, Norway*

*Day 1 (1 night)*

The stylish Brosundet was created by converting historic warehouses in the heart of Ålesund. Guest rooms have views across the harbor or along picturesque streetscapes, and the cocktail bar and restaurant are popular local venues. The hotel's lobby has a spectacular fireplace and it's a great place to relax with a glass of wine or local beer.



## UNION ØYE HOTEL

*Hjørundfjord, Norway, Days 2 to 3 (2 nights)*

A hotel since 1891, the Union is nestled into the fjord village of Øye by the shores of Hjørundfjord. Each of the 27 guest rooms are individually furnished with antiques and named for notable former guests, which have included Kaiser Wilhelm, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and Henrik Ibsen. The guest rooms and bathrooms are small, as befits the era in which the hotel was built, but the entire hotel radiates history and has a majestic natural setting.





## HOTEL ALEXANDRA

*Loen, Norway*

*Days 4 to 5 (2 nights)*

The Alexandra is a large, multi-story complex in a great location with spectacular fjord views. Guest rooms are spacious, many with fjord views, and there are a variety of saunas and spa treatments available at the hotel, along with indoor and outdoor pools.



## GRANDE FJORD HOTEL

*Geiranger, Norway, Days 6 to 7 (2 nights)*

One of the newest hotels in Geiranger, the Grande Fjord was built in traditional Norwegian style on cliffs overlooking majestic Geirangerfjord. Almost all of the 48 guest rooms have private balconies with fjord views, and there is an on-site restaurant. The hotel enjoys a tranquil location just a mile outside Geiranger village.



# Accommodations (cont'd)



## HOTELS IN THE LIABYGDA AREA

*Liabygda, Norway, Day 8 (1 night)*

In the *Liabygda* area, we stay at one of the following properties based on availability:

### BLÅTIND MOUNTAIN LODGE

A small family-run hotel with 20 rooms, the Blåtind is a hidden gem in a secluded location. It has Scandinavian-rustic style, with cozy common areas and spacious guest rooms with great views. There's an outdoor hot tub for guests. The dining room offers local cuisine, with choices that may include fresh salmon from the fjord and beef from highland cattle on the property's farm.



### VALLDALL FJORDHOTELL

Set right on the Valldøla fjord, this relatively new hotel has ground-level rooms, each with a small terrace for relaxing. Guest rooms are bright and cozy, and our double rooms have epic views of the fjord. Be sure to spend a little time in the lounge, with its floor-to-ceiling windows boasting stunning panorama of the mountains, waterfalls, and fjord.



### STORFJORD HOTEL

*Skodje, Norway*

*Day 9 (1 night)*

The Storfjord is set on a remote hillside overlooking the waters of spectacular Storfjord and the snow-capped Sunnmøre Alps. It is a luxurious getaway in a tranquil setting, beautifully built of timber in Norwegian traditional design. Guest rooms have balconies for enjoying fjord views, and the restaurant serves meals made with the finest locally sourced ingredients.

These are our signature accommodations for this trip. Although it is highly unlikely, we may make substitutions when necessary. To see more photos and descriptions, please visit our *Norway: Hiking Alesund and the Sunnmøre Alps* webpage and click on "Accommodations."



# Arrival & Departure

Upon confirming your trip reservation, we will send you a Welcome Packet that includes a list of documents (passport, visas, etc.) required for your trip. Please feel free to call if you would like this information before making your air arrangements.

If you have booked extra services before or after the trip, an Extra Services Confirmation will be sent with your Final Documents.

## ARRIVAL & MEETING PLACE

Ålesund, Norway

**Suggested Airport:** Ålesund Airport, Vigra (AES)

**Suggested Date & Time:** Arrive in Ålesund anytime on the day before the trip starts. On Day 1 of the trip, meet in the hotel lobby at 11:00 am.

## DEPARTURE

Ålesund, Norway

**Suggested Airport:** Ålesund Airport, Vigra (AES)

**Suggested Date & Time:** On Day 10, a group transfer is provided from the hotel to the airport for flights departing after 1:30 pm. If your flight departs before 1:30 pm, the Trip Leader or hotel reception can help book a taxi transfer (an “on your own” expense). The cost is approximately \$120-180 depending on time and day of the week, and the transfer takes approximately 50 minutes.

## INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

You are responsible for making your own arrangements for flights to and from Norway. There are many online consolidators for booking travel, but for more personal help arranging air transport, you can contact Exito Travel at 1-800-655-4053 in the US or 1-800-670-2605 in Canada. They are very adept at putting flight itineraries together, to even the most far-flung places. More information can be found at [www.exitotravel.com](http://www.exitotravel.com).

Depending on your routing, it is necessary to depart from the US one or possibly two days prior to Day 1 of the trip itinerary. The name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly, and your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US.

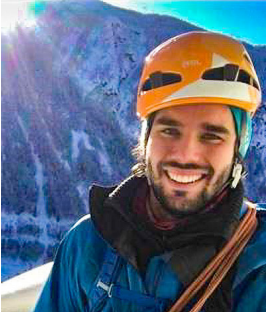
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Our Europe Trip Leaders are the best and most experienced guides on the continent, with a gift for bringing the wild landscapes to life as well as providing “insider” insights on the local culture and cuisine. They focus on all the details, from finding hiking trails you wouldn’t discover on your own to answering your every question. They have a passion and a joy for creating an unforgettable journey, and we are extremely proud of them and the incredible travel experiences they make possible.



### SEBASTIAN NAMORK

Sebastian was raised in Norway and has an affinity for the Nordic outdoor lifestyle. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Norwegian Folk Arts, a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering, and is pursuing a master's in architecture. Sebastian has worked as a ski instructor, climbing instructor, and hiking guide, and enjoys introducing travelers to his home country. When he is not guiding, he puts his education to practice by working with his father to build a house that he designed himself.



### STEFANO POZZI

Originally from Italy, Stefano Pozzi has grown up with a passion for the outdoors. He graduated from the University of Milan and later became a resident of Norway, where he studied Arctic natural history for a year on the island of Spitsbergen. Today he spends several months a year working on expedition vessels between Antarctica and Greenland, and guides trips for us in Norway, Finland, and the Alps. “I love being out in nature and being amazed by its beauty, and my hope is that I can share my knowledge with trip members, and in turn, learn something new every day from them.”



### MATS SOLHEIM

Mats was born and raised in Oslo, Norway, and has a passion for the outdoors, having explored the mountains since he was a young child. He holds a degree in guiding nature-based trips and a B.S. in civil engineering, which has helped him develop a unique perspective on the natural world. He enjoys sharing his love of nature with others and is always eager to learn from his guests. “I feel incredibly lucky to have grown up in Norway, surrounded by such beautiful mountains and natural landscapes. Whether I’m guiding a group on a hike or working on a construction project, I always strive to approach things with a sense of curiosity and appreciation for the natural world.” When not guiding, Mats can be found skiing, hiking, or working on his next construction project.



### SIGRID HÅNDLYKKEN

Sigrid grew up on the remote archipelago of Svalbard, Norway, and developed a passion for nature at a young age. After pursuing adventurous sports including paragliding, speedflying, skydiving, and kayaking after high school, she was a speedflying instructor and later earned a degree in nature guiding. Sigrid currently lives in Sunnmøre, where she shares her knowledge of Norway's land and culture with travelers. When she is not leading trips, you can find her skiing (in the winter) or kayaking (in the summer), as well as pursuing a master's degree in nature-based tourism. “I enjoy showing guests the hidden gems of Norway,” she says, “and I work to tailor the best experiences for each individual guest or group.”



# What the Trip is Like

## WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

This trip is rated a Level 4+ (Moderate to Strenuous) according to our trip grading system. It is aimed at those who have some recent mountain hiking experience. You will need to be able to keep up with the moderate but steady hiking pace of the group.

### Average Hiking Day

- 3-5 hours
- 5 miles
- 2,100 feet gain/loss

### Challenge Day

- Day 3: 5.5 hours, 5 miles, ascent 2,500 feet, descent 1,800 feet

### How Tough is This Trip?

You must feel comfortable and confident being on the trail for 3-5 hours most days, with recent hiking experience at 5+ miles in a day. You carry just a daypack with the essentials: camera, water bottle, rain gear, and your packed lunch. Sturdy, well-broken-in hiking boots are essential. Hiking poles are highly recommended. The daily pacing is flexible and may be

adjusted by the Trip Leader. Trail conditions, weather, and the group's level of fitness can affect hiking times.

## TERRAIN

While the Norwegian mountains are not exceptionally high, they are steep and rugged. The trails in Norway are kept very natural and not maintained beyond necessity. Trails can be uneven, with large rocks or loose scree. Norway is often rainy, so the rocks on the trail will be wet. There are some exposed roots along the way, and there will be muddy spots. You need good balance to be able to hike on these surfaces.

## GETTING IN SHAPE

For your own enjoyment, we recommend you make a special effort to be in good physical condition. Daily brisk walking and/or regular hiking (or using a stair-climbing machine at your gym) are excellent preparatory exercises.

## WEATHER

Temperatures should be in the mid-50s-60s, perfect for hiking. The weather can provide spectacular clear days but can also be very wet and changeable, and we want you to be well prepared for all you may encounter. Trip members need to remain flexible in consideration of inclement weather that may require

HIKING DETAILS BY DAY				DRIVING DETAILS
DAY	HOURS	MILES	ELEV. GAIN/LOSS	HOURS
1	1 hour	1.5 miles	+/- 505'	Kayaking: 2 hours
2	2 hours	2.5 miles	+/- 840'	
3	5.5 hours	5 miles	+2,500' /- 1,800'	1.5 hours
4	4 hours	7 miles	+500' /- 1,200'	
5	3 hours	4 miles	+/- 1,300'	
6	4.5 hours	4 miles	+/- 2,100'	Private Boat Ride: 1 hour
7	2.5 hours	5 miles	+/- 1,300'	
8	5 hours	5 miles	+/- 2,400'	Private Boat Ride: 30 minutes
9	5 hours	6 miles	+/- 2,400'	
10				
				1 hour

AVERAGE DAILY MAX/MIN °F												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Ålesund	40/33	40/32	44/34	50/37	55/42	59/48	62/53	60/54	54/48	47/40	43/35	40/31
RAINFALL - INCHES												
Ålesund	4.7	3.9	3.9	3.0	2.2	2.6	3.3	4.1	6.9	6.7	6.3	6.3

# What the Trip is Like (cont'd)

changes, such as substituting different hiking routes, canceling hikes, or switching the days of certain hikes.

## CUISINE

Packed lunches on the trail will be enjoyed amid the beauty of the surrounding mountains, with two lunches served at local family farms. Most evening meals will be at our hotels. Please note that in Europe, the dinner hour is considerably later than what it is in the US. We do our best to secure early reservations for our groups, but most often, the evening meal will be at 7:30 pm.

## TRANSPORTATION

One of the nice features of this trip is how it takes advantage of taxis, vans, and even small private boats to transfer between locations and some of our hotel accommodations. This is a wonderful way to be immersed in Norway's beauty.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Some accommodations are in small, charming hotels and the rooms are not always of uniform or international size. Our leaders do their best to assign rooms in a fair way so that all participants experience an equal advantage throughout the trip as a whole. Please note that rooms in Scandinavia are smaller than in the US. We stay in two hotels that do not have separate beds, but we can request a comfortable cot for travelers who are sharing rooms but may not wish to share a king bed. Single occupancy rooms can be requested but are not always available, due to the limited space in the hotels. If

you prefer a single occupancy room, please make your request as early as possible.

## CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

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## REFERENCES

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A versatile Wilderness Travel R-1 pullover by Patagonia (\$140 value).

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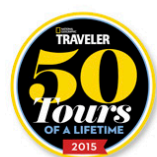
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