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Departing from Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The first port city on Norway's western coast earned its status as the epicenter of "black gold," it was a shipbuilding and fish-canning town. **Stavanger** has managed to hold on to its heritage and soul: Archaeological museums and reconstructed settlements pay due reverence to the city's Viking heritage. The cobblestoned Old Town is a well-preserved core of white wooden cottages near an Anglo-Norman cathedral, the oldest in Norway. Natural beauty abounds, too. Stavanger's proximity to the impressive Preikestolen ("The Pulpit Rock") and the surrounding Lysefjord. In **Eidfjord**, Norway the emphasis is on nature and the outdoors. It's here you'll find the spectacular Vøringsfossen waterfall — one of Norway's most visited natural attractions. For your trekking pleasure, there's Hardangervidda, an alpine plateau offering spectacular views. Or experience the landscape on a less

adventurous scale at the excellent nature center showcasing Norwegian culture, climate and landscape. Then we cruise the Hardangerfjord on the way to **Ålesund**, a quaint fishing town of approximately 45,000 in western Norway, has been called Norway's most beautiful city. A fire in 1904 destroyed much of it, resulting in the town being rebuilt in the Art Nouveau style—also known as Jugendstil—that was popular around the turn of the 20th century. A year after the fire, Norway gained its independence from Sweden, which led to a campaign to build a "Norwegian town" to mark the creation of the new nation. The colorful buildings feature castlelike turrets and spires with intricate facades of ornamental flowers, gargoyles and Viking-inspired decorations. Bordering the Norwegian Sea, this area is also famous for its mountain ranges and fjords. Nearby is the Geirangerfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its beautiful waterfalls. This is also home to Atlanterhavsparken, or the Atlantic Sea Park, one of the largest aquariums in Europe. This picturesque fishing port at the mouth of Stor Fjord spans two islands and features delightful art nouveau architecture, stone towers, spires and medieval facades. **Trondheim** is Norway's third-biggest city. It has plenty to offer those who make the time to explore. The compact city center, enclosed by the Nidelva River, is easy to get around on foot. Within a couple of hours you can explore the main downtown sights and still have time for a bite to eat. The medieval Gothic grandeur of the Nidaros Cathedral is a must-see, as is the historic riverside Baklandet neighborhood just a few steps away. Then we cruise the **Trondheimsfjord** before heading to **Honningsvåg** the sparsely populated settlement that is nothing more than a pit stop en route to the North Cape and the northernmost point of continental Europe. (The **North Cape** is rightly an iconic bucket-list destination with postcard views across the open ocean.) But amidst its colorful buildings, Honningsvåg has a lively cultural life powered by local spirit and an economy driven by shipping through the Barents Sea, which is ice-free year round thanks to the warming

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influences of the Gulf Stream. Honningsvåg is also a terrific base for exploring the rest of rugged arctic Norway, whether on foot, all-terrain vehicle or on the water. Back in town, be sure to stop by the statue of Bamse, the Saint Bernard dog that became the mascot of the Free Norwegian Forces during World War II. The city was destroyed in bombing during the war and the harrowing experiences of that period are documented at the church, which gave temporary shelter to the residents. **Geirangerfjord** is one of the most beautiful spots in Scandinavia—if not the world. These are among the planet’s longest and deepest fjords, with steep walls of rock dropping some 500 meters below the water’s surface and rising 1,400 meters above sea level. Waterfalls tumble down from high above, free-flowing rivers snake through forests and glacial lakes stretch for miles. It's no surprise that these glacially carved masterpieces cut into Norway's western coast were made a UNESCO World Heritage Site, along with the nearby Nærøyfjord, in 2005. The small village of **Geiranger** lies at the head of the Geirangerfjord, and being here is all about being outdoors in the clean, crisp Norwegian air to enjoy the stunning scenery. Cruise ships anchor at the end of the Geirangerfjord and passengers can hike, kayak, bicycle and ski to see the gorgeousness up close. Beautiful **Bergen**, Norway’s second-largest city, is one of the most popular ports of call on a cruise up the fjords. Step off the ship into the medieval Bryggen wharf area, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979, where small boats line the harbor and wooden gabled buildings stand proud along the waterfront. Bergen’s rich maritime tradition goes back nearly 1,000 years, including the years the town played an important part in the Hanseatic League, the trading empire that dominated maritime commerce in the region between the 14th and 18th centuries. The city is one of Europe’s oldest settlements, and its cobblestone streets and narrow alleyways lead to emerald-green parks, medieval cathedrals and stone fortresses that kept enemies at bay centuries ago. It's also eminently walkable, with historic buildings and excellent markets selling everything from fish and produce to trinkets and souvenirs. Surrounded by mountains and thick forest, you’ll be sure to fall in love with Bergen. Aurlandsfjord, a branch of the larger Sognefjorden in southern Norway, **Flåm**—and its surrounding area—is a place to stop, gaze and linger. There are no traffic lights; instead the village has an easy pastoral rhythm. Explore the steep-sided fjords, sweeping valleys and meadows, home to grazing sheep, frozen-in-time churches and architecture and traditional farms where geitost or brown goat’s-milk cheese is made. There are many ways to take in the majestically beautiful landscapes, some designated UNESCO World Heritage Sites and many are easily accessible. You have only to pick and choose: Embark on a wildlife-spotting cruise through the fjords' narrow passageways or go on a kayaking or cycling excursion that passes by gushing waterfalls. The Flåm Railway runs on a winding route on sheer slopes that reach up to 863 meters above sea level. Or see the area at true Flåm pace, with a simple picnic on the shore. The Aurlandsfjord would be a magnificent fjord in its own right, with its glassy waters and snow-frosted peaks towering more than 3,000 over the water. What's even more humbling is that the fjord is just an arm of an even longer, more massive one — the **Sognefjord**. That fjord is the longest in Norway, but your cruise will make the turn south, for Flam. The cliffs crowd ever closer as you near the village and when you get there, it seems there's nowhere to look but up. The town is lovely; the countryside is creased by rivers and waterfalls, and mantled in meadows. Take a ride on the legendary, and steep, Flam Railway.

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Day	Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
0	09 Jul 2017	Amsterdam, The Netherlands		04:00 PM
1	10 Jul 2017	At Sea		
2	11 Jul 2017	Stavanger, Norway	07:00 AM	05:00 PM
3	12 Jul 2017	Eidfjord, Norway & Scenic cruising Hardangerfjord	07:00 AM	05:00 PM
4	13 Jul 2017	Alesund, Norway	10:00 AM	08:00 PM
5	14 Jul 2017	Trondheim, Norway & Cruising Trondheimsfjord	08:00 AM	05:00 PM
6	15 Jul 2017	At Sea		
7	16 Jul 2017	Honningsvåg, Norway & Scenic Cruising North Cape	Noon	07:00 PM
8	17 Jul 2017	At Sea		
9	18 Jul 2017	At Sea		
10	19 Jul 2017	Geiranger, Norway & Cruising Geirangerfjord	07:00 AM	05:00 PM
11	20 Jul 2017	Bergen, Norway	08:00 AM	08:00 PM
12	21 Jul 2017	Flam, Norway & Scenic cruising Sognefjord	07:00 AM	06:00 PM
13	22 Jul 2017	At Sea		
14	23 Jul 2017	Amsterdam, The Netherlands	07:00 AM	



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