

Included Activities

-  Zodiac Cruises
-  Walks & Hikes
-  Photography
-  Expert Lectures
-  Polar Plunge
-  Birdwatching
-  Historical Sites

Optional Activities*

-  Sea Kayaking
-  Stand-up Paddleboarding
-  Paddling

*Optional activities available on select voyages, at additional cost.

Northern Lights Explorer

Norwegian Coast, Jan Mayen, East Greenland, Iceland | 22 Days

Staying close to the Arctic Circle, we skirt the Norwegian Sea and Greenland Sea, exploring remote islands and villages of the region. As night falls, we look skywards hoping to catch the magic of the northern lights. This spectacular natural phenomenon offers a dazzling light show of blue, green, pink and violet dancing across the night sky. Places located near the Arctic Circle, such as northern Norway, Iceland and Greenland, offer superb opportunities to witness this natural phenomenon.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Sail in the prime region to encounter the dazzling aurora borealis
- Discover Vega Island, an important centre for the production of eider duck down and a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Discover the world's largest fjord system in the world at Scoresbysund, a superb place to photograph icebergs
- Iceland's remote Westfjords offers hikes among splendid scenery where you will rarely see another soul





Itinerary Overview

DAY 1 Arrive in Kirkenes and transfer to your hotel.

DAY 2 Embark in Kirkenes.

DAY 3 Enjoy an afternoon hike at Skarsvåg village and witness spectacular views of North Cape in good weather.

DAY 4 After a day at sea, enjoy an afternoon of cruising the wonderfully narrow and impressive Trollfjord.

DAY 5 The Lofoten Islands offer some of Norway's most stunning scenery, including jagged mountain peaks, deep fjords, colourful fishing villages and wildlife-rich waterways.

DAY 6 Explore UNESCO World Heritage-listed Vega Island and learn about its famous duck-down industry. Later, we stretch our legs on a hike at Mount Torghatten, famous for the hole through its centre.

DAY 7 At sea. In the darkness of the night sky, look up and you may glimpse the northern lights splashing across the sky.

DAY 8 At Jan Mayen, we hope to land on the northernmost active volcano in the world, Mount Beerenberg.

DAY 9 At sea. We hope for visions of the northern lights.

DAYS 10–13 In East Greenland we plan to visit Kaiser Franz Joseph and Kong Oscar fjord and aim to reach Scoresbysund, the world's largest fjord system and birthplace of hundreds of spectacular Greenland icebergs. We hope to visit the remote Inuit community of Ittoqqortoormiit. Wildlife sightings may include musk oxen, arctic hares, seals, little auk, puffin, fulmar and ravens.

DAY 14 At sea. Savour every opportunity to glimpse the northern lights whenever you encounter a clear, dark sky.

DAYS 15–17 Iceland's remote Westfjords attract nature lovers to its secluded bays and fjords to walk among its sublime scenery. Explore traditional fishing villages and meet friendly locals and seek out wildlife on Zodiac cruises along deep fjords and hidden bays, where you would be lucky if you came across another soul.

DAY 18 At sea.

DAYS 19–20 The jaw-droppingly spectacular scenery of the Faroe Islands is sure to impress. Witness waterfalls tumbling from clifftops into the sea, see and hear thousands of raucous seabirds breeding in towering cliffs and visit traditional villages with grass roofs.

DAY 21 At sea.

DAY 22 Disembark in Bergen.

You can view the full itinerary on our website.

Dates

Start/Finish	Duration	Dates	Voyage Code	Type of Voyage
Kirkenes/Bergen	22 Days	01 Sep '23– 22 Sep '23	NLE001G	Sail

Voyage Codes: G = Greg Mortimer | S = Sylvia Earle

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