

FROM OSLO: ARCTIC ARCHIPELAGOS, VIKING HERITAGE, AND DRAMATIC NORTHERN COASTLINES

Helgeland & Lofoten UNESCO Expedition

Oslo | Sandnessjøen | Vega Archipelago | Svolvær
6 Days | 5 Nights

Travel style:

Independent travel with immersive small-group expedition experiences



Why You'll Love This Trip

Venture beyond the classic fjord routes and discover Norway's lesser-known coastal treasures. This journey combines a fully hosted UNESCO expedition in Helgeland with the dramatic landscapes of Lofoten, offering wildlife encounters, Viking heritage, and authentic Norwegian coastal living in one seamless Arctic adventure.

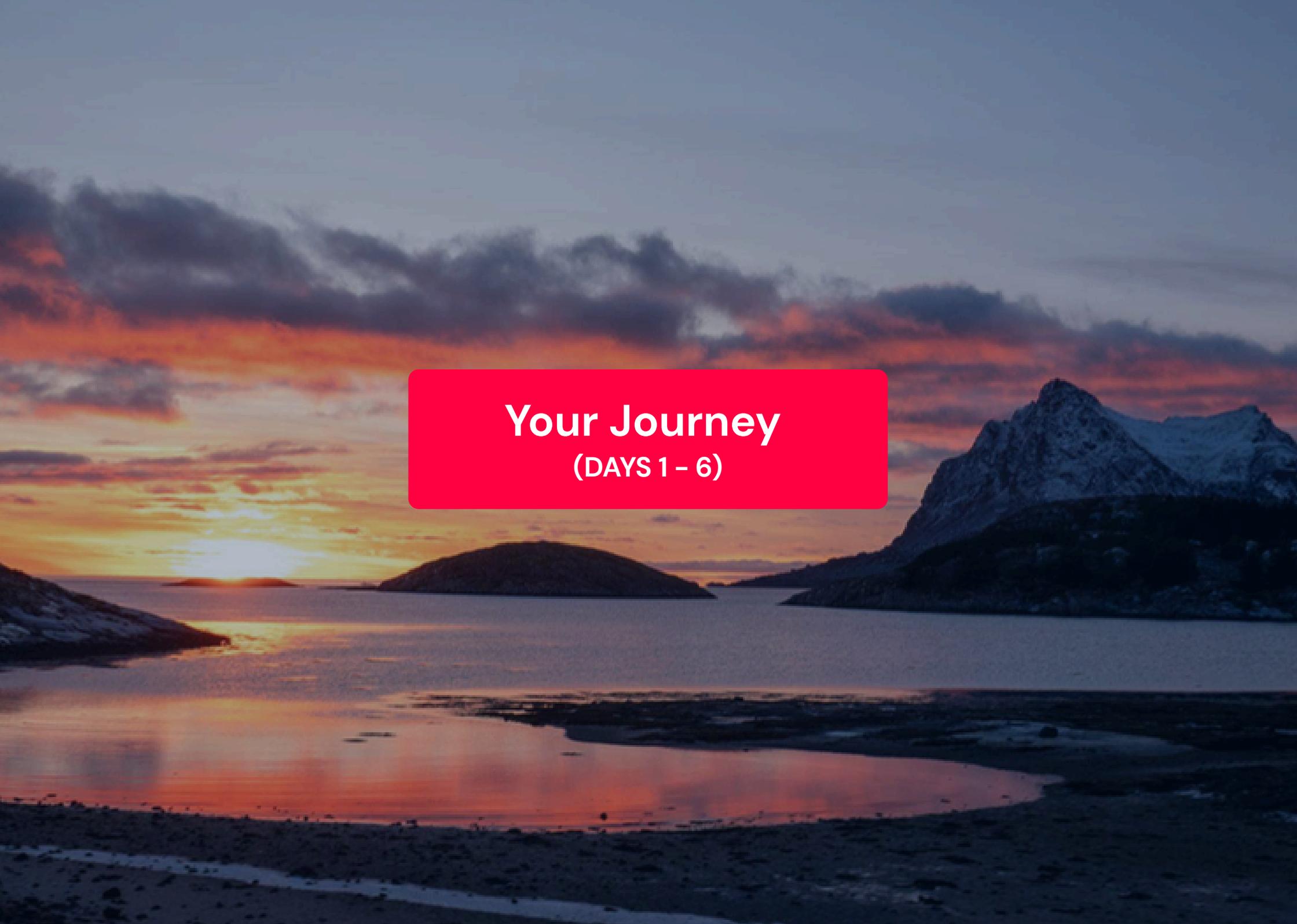
What You'll Experience

Explore remote archipelagos and Arctic coastlines through curated small-group experiences.

You will:

- Three-day Helgeland Heritage Signature UNESCO expedition
- Vega Archipelago UNESCO World Heritage cultural landscape
- Insight into the historic eider duck tradition of the Vega islands
- Sea eagle and coastal wildlife safari
- Kayaking in crystal-clear Arctic waters
- Authentic stays at Skogsholmen Gjestehus and Havkanten Guesthouse
- Viking history visits in Dønna and Alstahaug
- Scenic flight connections across Northern Norway
- Guided photo tour in Lofoten's most iconic locations





Your Journey

(DAYS 1 - 6)



DAY 1 – OSLO

Arrive in Norway's capital and enjoy a relaxed introduction before heading north to the Arctic coast

- Arrive in Oslo and transfer independently to your hotel
- Check in to your centrally located accommodation
- Spend the remainder of the day at leisure



DAY 2 – SANDNESSJØEN

Fly north to Helgeland and begin your immersive UNESCO coastal expedition among thousands of islands and open sea horizons

- Transfer independently to Oslo Airport
- Flight to Sandnessjøen (luggage included)
- Begin the Helgeland Heritage Signature UNESCO Expedition
- Private transfer to the historic Skogsholmen Gjestehus
- Archipelago boat tour through the Vega island realm
- Evening dinner curated from local ingredients under the open sky

DAY 3 – SANDNESSJØEN

Experience the Ocean Passage Signature with Arctic kayaking, wildlife encounters, and authentic coastal hospitality

- Scenic boat transfer to Havkanten Guesthouse
- Sea eagle and coastal wildlife safari through the archipelago
- Kayaking on crystal-clear waters
- Beachside hot tub experience
- Evening dinner featuring regional cuisine



DAY 4 – SVOLVÆR

Discover Viking heritage and the cultural landscape that earned Vega its UNESCO status before continuing north to Lofoten

- Visits to Dønna and Alstahaug
- Tour of the Viking House and Petter Dass Museum
- Insight into the historic eider down tradition of the Vega islands
- Transfer to Sandnessjøen Airport
- Flight to Svolvær (luggage included)
- Transfer independently to your hotel
- Evening at leisure





DAY 5 – SVOLVÆR

Discover Lofoten's dramatic beaches, fishing villages, and iconic Arctic scenery

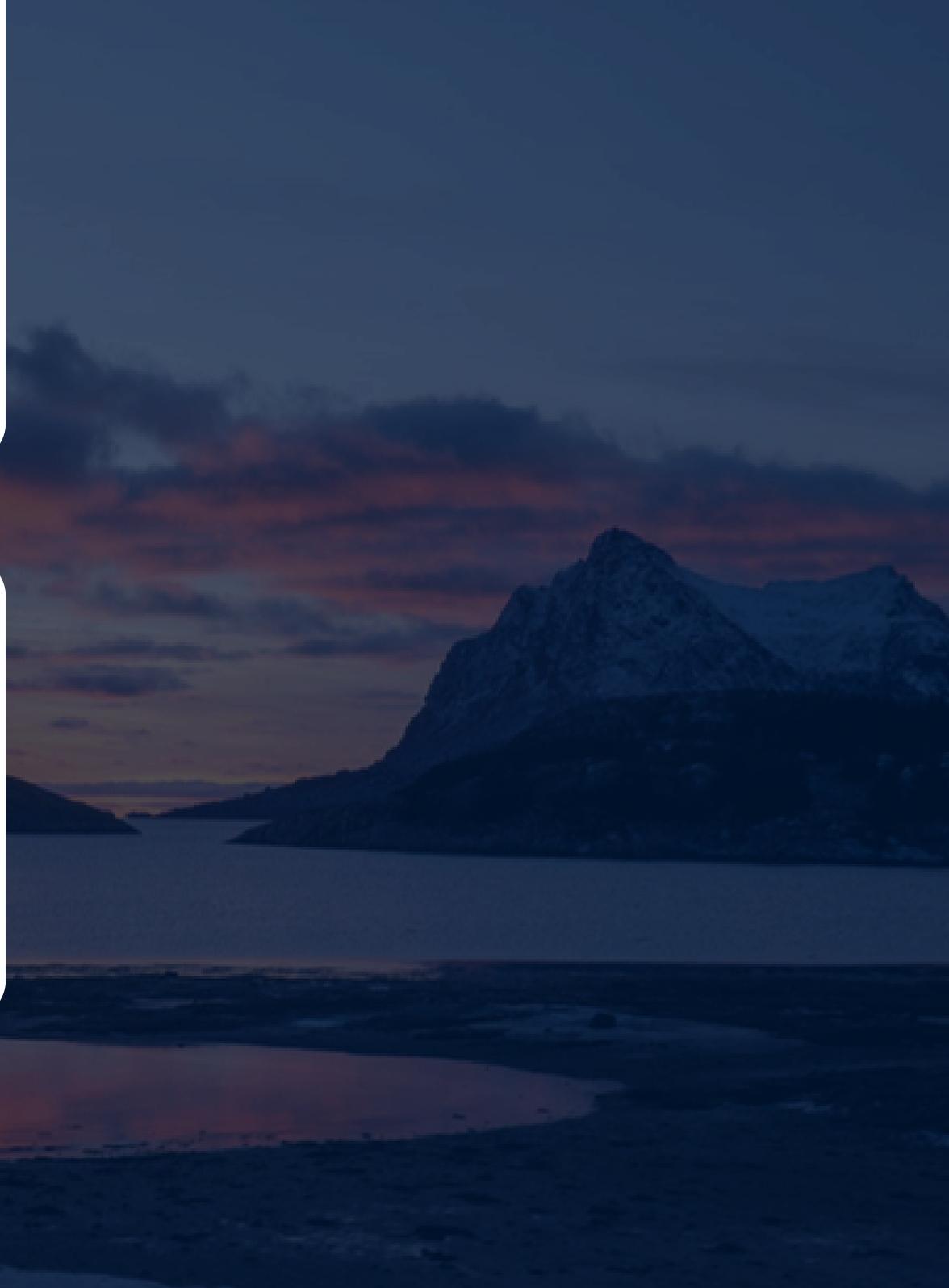
- Guided photo tour to Henningsvær and Haukland Beach
- Small-group experience with professional guidance
- Afternoon and evening at leisure



DAY 6 – DEPARTURE

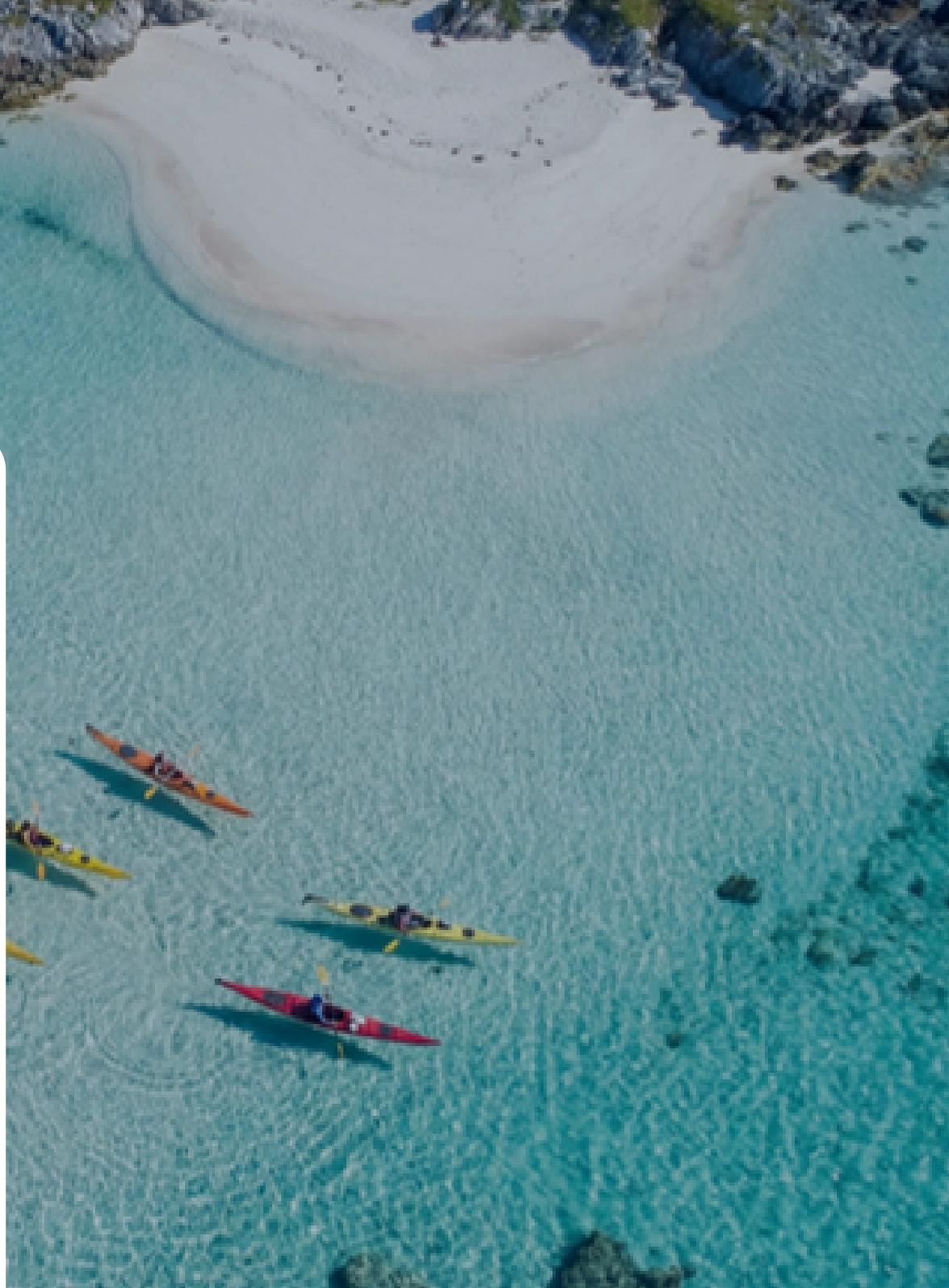
Conclude your Arctic coastal adventure

- Transfer independently to Svolvær Airport
- Departure home



What is Included

- **5 nights accommodation** (hotel stays and 2-night Helgeland expedition accommodation)
- **Daily breakfast**
- **Selected lunches and dinners** during the Helgeland UNESCO expedition
- **Flight from Oslo to Sandnessjøen** (1 x 23 kg checked baggage and 1 x 8 kg carry-on per person)
- **Flight from Sandnessjøen to Svolvær** (1 x 23 kg checked baggage and 1 x 8 kg carry-on per person)
- **Helgeland Heritage Signature – The UNESCO Expedition** (3 days including 2 nights accommodation, selected meals, guided activities, and local transfers)
- **Guided photo tour** to Henningsvær and Haukland Beach



Good to *Know* Before You Go

- Weather conditions along the coast can change quickly
- Boat transfers are subject to sea conditions
- Appropriate outdoor clothing is recommended for kayaking and coastal excursions

Is This Trip *Right* for You?

- Want to explore offbeat coastal Norway
- Enjoy immersive small-group experiences
- Appreciate UNESCO heritage and Viking history
- Seek dramatic Arctic landscapes beyond the classic fjords

General *Information*

Best Time to Travel

- This itinerary is best enjoyed between June and September, when coastal conditions are ideal for boating, kayaking, and Arctic exploration.

Accommodation Style

- Stay in centrally located hotels in Oslo and Svolvær, combined with authentic coastal accommodations at Skogsholmen Gjestehus and Havkanten Guesthouse during your Helgeland UNESCO expedition.

Pace & Physical Level

- This journey includes active outdoor elements such as kayaking and boat transfers. A normal level of mobility and comfort with coastal conditions is recommended.

What is *Not Included*

- Flights, unless otherwise stated
- Airport taxes, city taxes, and local tourism fees payable on-site
- Optional activities and upgrades not listed as included
- Personal expenses such as meals, drinks, and souvenirs not mentioned in the itinerary
- Travel insurance and personal insurance
- Tips and gratuities, unless explicitly stated