

FROM OSLO: EXPLORING NORWAY'S UNESCO FJORDS AND THE VEGA ARCHIPELAGO

Norway **UNESCO** World Heritage Journey

Oslo | Flåm | Bergen | Sandnessjøen | Vega Archipelago
6 Days | 5 Nights

Travel style:

Independent travel with scenic rail and immersive UNESCO expedition experience



Why You'll Love This Trip

This itinerary is designed around Norway's UNESCO World Heritage sites, combining the natural drama of the West Norwegian Fjords with the unique cultural landscape of the Vega Archipelago.

From the UNESCO-listed Nærøyfjord to the centuries-old eider duck traditions of Vega, this journey highlights the landscapes and living heritage that define Norway on the global stage.

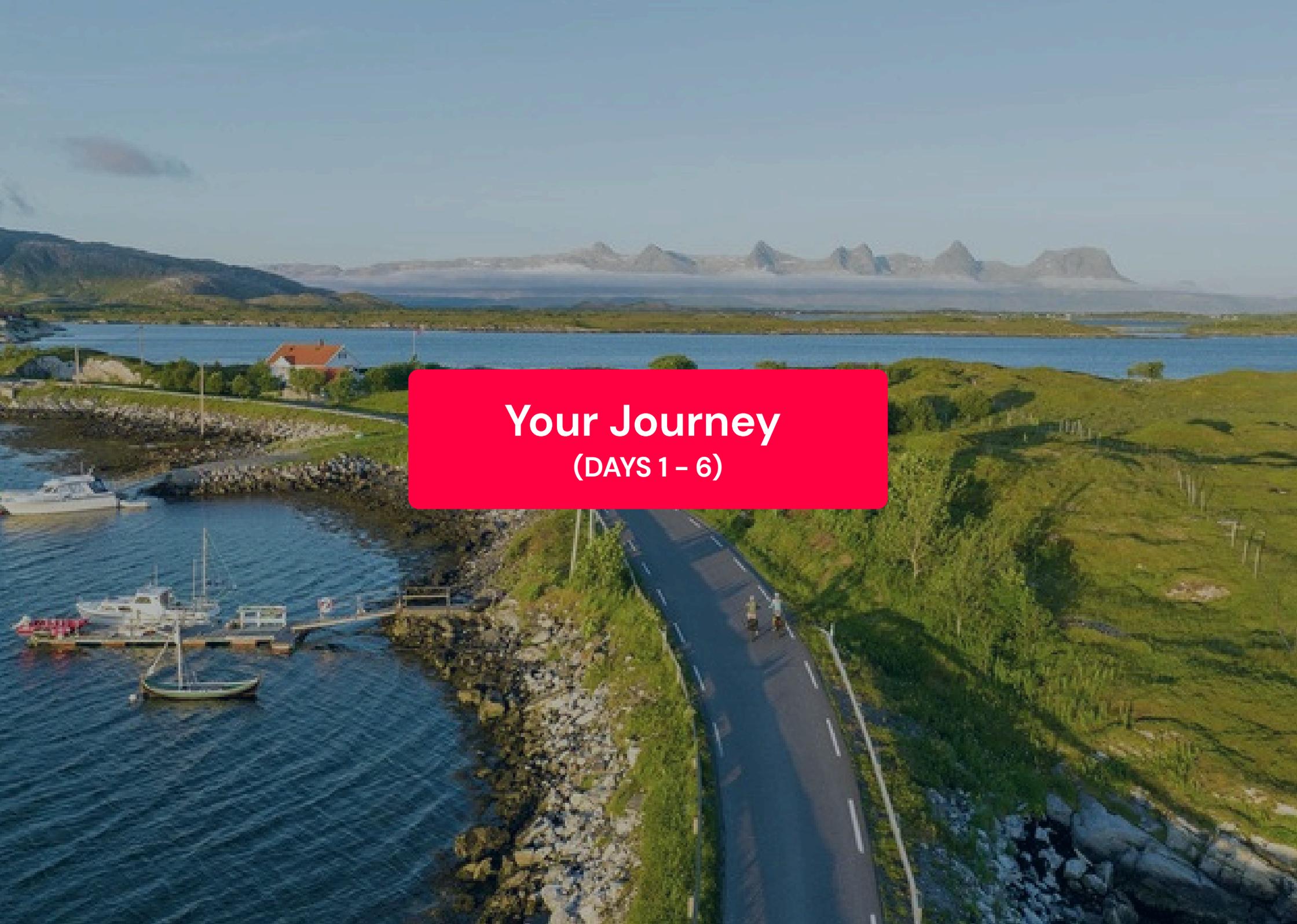
What You'll Experience

Explore Norway's UNESCO World Heritage highlights, where Hanseatic history, dramatic fjord landscapes, and centuries-old coastal traditions meet.

You will:

- Bryggen in Bergen, the UNESCO-listed Hanseatic wharf
- The UNESCO-listed West Norwegian Fjords (Nærøyfjord)
- The complete Norway in a Nutshell scenic route
- Guided walking tour in historic Bergen
- Panoramic views from Mount Fløyen via the Fløibanen funicular
- Scenic flight to the Helgeland coast
- Three-day Helgeland Heritage Signature UNESCO expedition
- Vega Archipelago UNESCO World Heritage cultural landscape
- Insight into the historic eider duck tradition that shaped Vega's UNESCO status
- Sea eagle and coastal wildlife safari in protected archipelagos
- Authentic stays at Skogsholmen Gjestehus and Havkanten Guesthous



An aerial photograph of a scenic coastal road in Norway. The road is paved and curves along a rocky shoreline. To the left, a small harbor contains several boats, including a white motorboat and a green sailboat. In the background, a large body of water stretches towards a range of jagged, rocky mountains under a clear blue sky. A prominent red rounded rectangle is overlaid on the center of the image, containing white text.

Your Journey

(DAYS 1 - 6)



DAY 1 – OSLO

Arrive in Norway's capital, beautifully set between forested hills and the Oslofjord, where contemporary design meets centuries of Nordic heritage

- 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 – BERGEN

Travel across mountain plateaus and deep fjords to experience the UNESCO-listed Nærøyfjord, part of the West Norwegian Fjords World Heritage Site

- Transfer independently to Oslo Central Station
- Begin the Norway in a Nutshell journey to Bergen
- Travel via Myrdal and the Flåm Railway
- Cruise through the dramatic Nærøyfjord
- Continue by coach and train to Bergen
- Transfer independently to your hotel
- Evening at leisure

DAY 3 – BERGEN

Discover Bergen's UNESCO-listed Hanseatic wharf at Bryggen, along with the city's iconic harbour views and mountain scenery

- Join a guided walking tour through Bergen's historic centre, including the Bryggen area
- Ride the Fløibanen funicular for sweeping views over the harbour and fjords
- Afternoon and evening at leisure



DAY 4 – SANDNESSJØEN

Fly north to Helgeland and begin your immersive exploration of the Vega Archipelago UNESCO World Heritage Site, a living cultural landscape shaped by coastal communities for over 1,500 years

- Transfer independently to Bergen 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 5 – SANDNESSJØEN

Experience the Ocean Passage Signature within the protected Vega UNESCO landscape, combining 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 6 – DEPARTURE

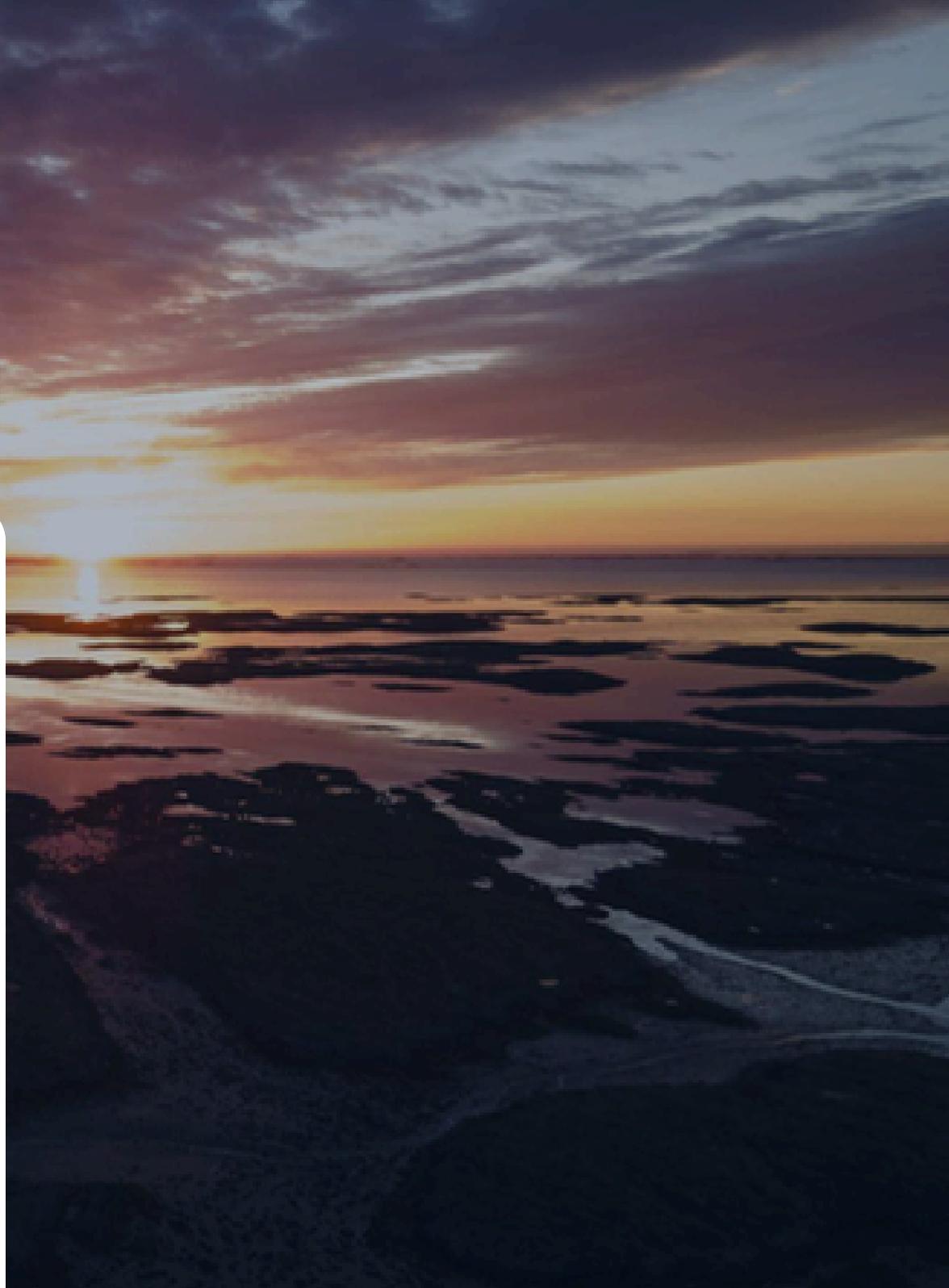
Discover Viking heritage and the unique cultural traditions that earned Vega its UNESCO World Heritage status before concluding your journey

- 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
- Private transfer to Sandnessjøen Airport
- Departure home



What is Included

- **5 nights accommodation** (hotel stays and 2-night Helgeland expedition accommodation)
- **Daily breakfast**
- **Norway in a Nutshell** scenic route from Oslo to Bergen
- **Guided walking tour in Bergen**
- **Fløibanen** funicular tickets
- **Flight from Bergen to Sandnessjøen** (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)



Good to *Know* Before You Go

- Weather conditions along the Helgeland 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 combine Norway's classic fjord route with a unique UNESCO coastal expedition
- Enjoy immersive small-group experiences
- Appreciate Viking history and cultural landscapes
- Seek authentic coastal Norway beyond the main tourist routes

General *Information*

Best Time to Travel

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

Accommodation Style

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

Pace & Physical Level

- This journey combines scenic rail travel with active coastal elements such as kayaking and boat transfers. A normal level of mobility and comfort with outdoor activities 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