

FIT010 / Bodø - Tromsø / 6 Nights, 7 Days

## Lofoten and Midnight Sun



Explore one of the most magnificent areas in the world, the Lofoten Islands, draped across the turbulent waters of the Norwegian Sea and far above the Arctic Circle. This rare wilderness outpost offers an untrammelled landscape of majestic mountains, deep fjords, squawking seabird colonies and long, crystal white beaches. Get the chance to see the spectacular midnight sun during the evenings as well as on a kayaking tour, stay in a famous Rorbu cabin in the village of Reine, cruise through the majestic islands of Lofoten, visit the animals of the north at the Polar Park in Narvik and the check out two of the most northern cities of Norway, Bodø and Tromsø.

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## **DAY 1 | Welcome** to BODØ

Arrive at Bodø Airport according to your own itinerary (Flights booked by your agency). Transfer to the hotel on your own.

**Bed and breakfast** accommodation at **Scandic Havet**.

## **DAY 2 | BODØ - REINE** in Lofoten | 105km

After an early breakfast at the hotel, board the ship with Torghatten for a 3-hour ferry crossing from Bodø to Moskenes - situated on the most southern part of the Lofoten Islands. Relax and discover the mountains and coastal landscape of Northern Norway while crossing the Vestfjord. At arrival in Moskenes, explore the southern area of Lofoten on your own before driving to Reine for overnight.

**Half board** accommodation at **Reine Rorbuer** in **deluxe cabins** with water view.

## **DAY 3 | REINE** in Lofoten

Wake up to the amazing view of mountains and fjords just outside of your cabin. Day free for your own exploration of the area. You can ask the reception at Reine Rorbuer for suggestions of activities and things to do in Reine and the southern part of Lofoten.

In the evening, possibility to join a 3-hours kayaking excursion with a guide on the Reinefjord. Lofoten's pristine environment, sky reaching mountains, deep fjords and still water offer the perfect kayaking experience. Paddling by remote beaches and abundant marine life while the midnight sun occurs is an experience you will never forget (excursion not included, see supplements).

**Half board** accommodation at **Reine Rorbuer** in **deluxe cabins** with water view.

## **DAY 4 | REINE** in Lofoten - SVOLVÆR | 120km

Drive from Reine to Svolvær and make as many stops as you can on the way. Make sure you do not miss the Kvalvika beach and the Lofotr Viking Museum - a museum dedicated to the Viking Age.

The picturesque harbor of Svolvær overlooks the Vestfjord. Enjoy visiting a fishing village where ageold seagoing traditions are still preserved. The surrounding islands, steep mountains, beautiful beaches and sheltered bays offer opportunities to take part in a number of exciting activities. Shops, galleries, cafes and restaurants are scattered throughout the city for you to discover.

**Bed and Breakfast** accommodation at **Thon Hotel Lofoten**





## **DAY 5 | SVOLVÆR - HARSTAD | 210km**

After breakfast at your hotel, drive from Svolvær and board the ferry with Torghatten Nord for a cruise on the Vestfjord to Skutvik and Hamarøy. Drive through the beautiful landscape of Hamarøy to Bognes for another cruise on the Vestfjord in the Lofoten islands to Lødingen. *(NB. The ferry crossings are not included. Payment with credit card on the spot or with AutoPASS toll computer connected to the rental car.)*

Continue the journey north along the fjord to the city of Harstad. If you did not see the midnight sun yet, Harstad has many great viewing points to see the incredible phenomena if the weather is good.

The city of Harstad enjoys a scenic and strategic location on Norway's largest island Hinnøya, serving as the gateway to Vesterålen and Lofoten. Harstad's mix of old and contemporary architecture in combination with the many cafés and restaurants provide a great atmosphere.

**Bed and breakfast** accommodation at **Thon Hotel Harstad**.

## **DAY 6 | HARSTAD - TROMSØ | 310km**

Depart Harstad and the Lofoten region for Bardu. Visit the Polar Park, the worlds northernmost wildlife Park, and home to some of Norway's large predators such as bears, wolves, lynx, wolverines and foxes, as well as their prey such as deer, elk, reindeer and musk. The Polar Park is more than a traditional zoo. They place great emphasis on animal welfare and they give animals large areas to create a habitat as natural as possible. After the visit, continue north to Tromsø.

Tromsø is located 350 kilometres north of the Arctic Circle and is the largest city in Northern Norway. Tromsø is a lively city with a unique history of Arctic explorers, fishing and farm work, mixed with modern culture through food, drinks and events. Shopping is also popular in Tromsø

**Bed and breakfast** accommodation at **Clarion Hotel The Edge**.

## **DAY 7 | TROMSØ - Departure**

After breakfast at your hotel and time on your own for further exploration of Tromsø, depending on your flight. Transfer to Tromsø Airport on your own - for your return flight according to your own itinerary (flight reserved by your agency).

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## SERVICES INCLUDED

### Accommodation:

- 2x hotel accommodation incl half-board. All rooms with shower/WC.
- 4x hotel accommodation incl bed & breakfast. All rooms incl shower/WC.

### Domestic ferry crossings:

- Bodø - Moskenes

### Activities & entrances:

- Midnight kayak, 3 hours
- Entrance Lofotr Viking Museum
- Entrance Polar Park

### Not included:

- Rental car Bodø - Tromsø