

LOFOTEN CRUISE PORT

Events: World Cod Fishing Championship (March), Lofoten Chamber Festival (July), Viking Festival (August)

Cruise Season: February-September **Average temperature:** (Celsius) May: 9°, June: 10°, July /August: 12° **Useful links:** www.lofoten.info

Cruise and Port Information: Leknes: www.vestvagoy.kommune.no Svolvær: www.vaganhavn.no



Hamnøy, Lofoten. Photo: Frithjof Fure/Innovation Norway

LOFOTEN

- magical Islands

Voted by National Geographic as one of the three most appealing destinations in the world, Lofoten is an Arctic island group that has been a cruise ship destination since 1889. Recent years have seen an annual average of 80 cruise calls as well as expansion into a winter cruise season. There are two main ports: Leknes (70%) and Svolvær (15%).

The landscape is striking in its variety: wildly beautiful places of marsh and rock, green fields and still lakes, dramatic mountains and white sand beaches by jade seas. Lofoten is dotted with picturesque villages and fish-drying racks, as stockfish - dried cod - has been the main export since the Middle Ages.

The five main islands are linked by road and you can easily cross all five and return in a day.

Passengers can also disembark at one port and rejoin the ship at another.

ATTRACTIONS/EXCURSIONS

Magic Ice, Svolvær, is the world's first ice gallery and bar. Ice sculptures representing different aspects of Arctic life, especially in Lofoten, are dramatically lit and sound tracked.

Lofoten Aquarium, Lofoten Museum, and Gallery Espolin Jonsson are situated just outside Svolvær. The aquarium shows the islands' fascinating sea life and includes both seal and otter dams. At mealtimes, the seals perform for their food. The museum is dedicated to Lofoten's past. Espolin Jonsson made Lofoten his home for many years, and the gallery is modeled on his grandfather's Icelandic farm. The attractions can be booked separately or collectively.

Gallery Lofotens Hus is in the charming fishing village of Henningsvær. As well as paintings by North Norwegian artists past and present, the gallery shows the multi-media work Magic Island Kingdom, a loving portrait of Lofoten through the year. Henningsvær also offers a new private museum, Full Steam, with a special collection of items connected to the long fishing traditions. It also contains a cod-liver factory that shows the historical production of the cod-liver oil. You can also have the chance to have a taste.

Lofoten Golf Links is a 9-hole course by a white sand beach. Surrounded by a stunning landscape, it is possible to play 24 hours a day in the summer and enjoy magnificent views of the Midnight Sun. Dining is available either in the 70-person capacity restaurant or the 160-capacity lavvo, a traditional Sami tent. Near the golf course you also find a

beautiful beach where smaller groups are offered horse-back riding trips.

Lofotr Viking Museum is a living museum housed in a reconstruction of the biggest Viking longhouse ever found. It is possible to row on a replica of the Gokstad, and the Chieftain is available for banquets. New exhibition and Viking film in 2011.

Vestvågøy Museum is in the old schoolhouse and displays items from many areas of daily life in Lofoten's past. There is also a fisherman's cabin in the grounds. Hauklandstranda, with its turquoise waters, white sand and backdrop of green mountains was voted "the most beautiful beach in Norway". Unstad Viewpoint gives a breath-taking panorama over the fishing village of Unstad, just a few houses



Utakleiv beach. Photo: Sónia Arrepiá Photography/Visit Norway



Reine, Lofoten. Photo: Frithjof Fure/www.visitnorway.com



Lofotr Viking Museum. Photo: Tommy Simonsen

nestled in a classic U-shaped glacial valley on Lofoten's wild north coast.

Nusfjord is Norway's best preserved fishing village. The center is the harbor, surrounded by fishermen's cabins, some over 100 years old. As well as a variety of historic buildings, there is a café, a pub, a shop, a silversmith, and a bird cliff.

Vikten has an attractive beach with some extraordinary rocks sculpted by time and the elements. It is home to a glassblower and a ceramicist, with workshops open to the public.

Flakstad Church is the second oldest in Lofoten. This picturesque red church with its distinctive onion dome is set idyllically by the sea.

Flakstadstranda and Rambergstranda are two stunning white sand beaches on the north coast of Flakstad Island. Both make ideal photo-stops. Sund is home to a blacksmith, famous for his steel cormorants, as well as a fishing boat motor museum and souvenir shop with refreshments.

Reine was voted "the most picturesque village in Norway" by a national paper, while Time Magazine called the view of the mountain-lined fjord beyond "the most beautiful view in the world". Also in Reine is Galleri Eva Harr.

Å Fishing Village Museum boasts the oldest working cod-liver oil refinery in the world. The historic buildings house displays focused on Lofoten's fishing past.

Å Stockfish Museum specializes in educating visitors about stockfish, or dried cod, the islands' main export.

Lofoten Cuisine As well as the wide variety of excellent seafood available all year round, Lofoten is famous for its award-winning lamb and the Barents cod (Skrei). There are also many restaurants specializing in cuisine based on produce sourced locally and from the Arctic region in general.

Outdoor Activities Lofoten is ideal for all kinds of nature-based activities. On land there is hiking, cycling and mountain-climbing. Sea Eagle safaris by RIB can be arranged by Rib Lofoten from Svolvær as well as Leknes. Around the islands there are several good spots for fishing and kayaking. All attractions and activities are available in both summer and winter.

PORTS OF SVOLVÆR (S) AND LEKNES (L)

Distance to nearest pilot station nautical miles/Hours:

S: 2 nm/1 hour. L: 3 nm/1 hour

Visiting address: S: Fiskergata 23 / L: Storgata 37

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L: www.vestvagoy.kommune.no

TOURIST INFORMATION

Visiting address: S: Torget 18 / L: city center

Distance from port: S: 140m East/ 2,3km West / L: 4 km

Mailing address: S: POB. 210, NO-8301 Svolvær

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E-mail: S: info@lofoten.info / L: vt@online.no

Internet: www.lofoten.info

GENERAL INFORMATION

Guide Service: Arctic Guide Service AS,

number of guides and languages required

Terminal/Restrooms in pier area: S: YES, on East / L: YES

Shuttle bus: S: NO / L: YES.

Parking place for buses: S: YES, 50 m. L: YES, max 100 m

Taxi: S: YES / L: YES

Rental cars: S: YES / L: YES

Public transportation: S: YES, 50 m / L: YES, 1 km

Shopping: S: East 140 m, West 2,3 km

L: at pier and city center 4 km

Local currency: NOK

ATM: S: YES, East: 300 m, West: 2 km / L: YES, 4 km

Currency exchange: S: NO / L: YES

Tax refund: NO

Public telephones in pier area: S: NO / L: NO

Internet access in pier area: S: NO / L: YES.

Mailboxes in pier area: YES

Distances - airport: S: East 6,2 km, West 7 km / L: 5.4 km

Distance to city center: S: East 140 m, West 2,2 km / L: 4 km

Nearest hospital: Nordlands Hospital Lofoten,

+47 76 06 01 00. S: 73 km / L: 3 km

PORT SERVICES / FACILITIES & INFORMATION

Bunkers delivery /method: YES, Tanker truck

Supplies: YES

Waste handling: YES

Waste water method: S: Truck / L: N/A

Tugboats: S: RS Stormbull, pulling strength 5.2t.

L: YES, if ordered in advance

Anchorage: S: N68°13.29. E014°33.93 / L: YES

Pontoons: S: NO / L: YES.

Pilot: Channel 13

Emergency: Channel 16

Medical emergency: Phone 113

Charts: S: Number 462 / L: Number 72

Tidal movement: S: 1.86 m average / L: 2 - 2.5 m

ISPS approved: YES

Designated quays for cruise ships: S: NO / L: YES

Ship tenders allowed: YES

Beam: No limit

Max size ship in port: S: 140m East, 165m West / L: No limit

Max number of passenger per day in port: 4000

Max number of ships per day in port: 3

Ships stay min /max: S: East only until 1800

L: No restrictions

Port facilities according to

Cruise Norway's guidelines: YES

Maximum ship length:

S: East 214 m, West: 122 m / L: 290 m

Maximum ship draft and depth in sea:

S: East 6m, West 10 m / L: 10 m

Maximum ship air draft if bridge: No limit

Crew Facilities: No

ANCHORAGE

Type of bottom: S: Sand / L: Sand

Minimum depth: 35 m

Distance from anchorage to tender pier: About 0.75 nm



QUAY:
Leknes
Stamsund
Svolvær East
Svolvær West

LENGTH:
290 m
170 m
214 m
122 m

DRAFT:
10 m
7 m
6 m
10 m

AIRDRAFT:
No limit
No limit
No limit
No limit

BEAM:
No limit
No limit
No limit
No limit

HEIGHT QUAYSIDE:
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