

# SCOTLAND TO SCANDINAVIA



Your first port of call will be Kirkwall, a former Viking trading post with a magnificent cathedral. Then, step ashore in Lerwick, the administrative and financial capital of the Shetland Islands, and visit the remarkable archaeological site of Jarlshof. Located in the southern part of Mainland Island, this site holds the remains of 4,000 years of human occupation. Board *Le Dumont-d'Urville* for a 9-day cruise connecting the Scottish coasts to Scandinavia.



**DATE 2020: MAY 25**

**DURATION: 9-DAYS/8-NIGHTS**

**EMBARK: ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND**  
**DISEMBARK: COPENHAGEN, DENMARK**

**SHIP: LE DUMONT-D'URVILLE**

**FROM: \$3,910**

**\*First Time Ponant Cruisers receive  
\$600 off these fares**

**\*Book and deposit by Mar 31, 2019**

## HIGHLIGHTS

- A brand-new cruise between Aberdeen and Copenhagen.
- Discovering four countries in Northern Europe on the same cruise: United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway, Denmark.
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Bergen and the Hanseatic port of Bryggen.
- Sailing in the Lysefjord, meaning the “fjord of light”, flanked by granite cliffs that are several hundred metres high.
- In Kirkwall, possibility to observe many seabirds, gannets, European shags, grey petrels.
- After your cruise, there will be the possibility to visit Copenhagen, the capital of Denmark.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 — ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND

Arrive Aberdeen, Scotland and embark 1600. Depart 1800.



### DAY 2 – KIRKWALL, SCOTLAND

Capital of the **Orkney archipelago**, **Kirkwall**, which means “church bay”, is an ideal stopover before continuing on to the **Northern Isles**. Sheltered in a wide bay, the lively town welcomes the visitor with its charming paved alleyways edged by old houses and



craft shops. **Tankerness House**, the oldest homestead in the town, is a must-see landmark. But the true architectural treasure of the aptly named Kirkwall is none other than its remarkable red and gold stone cathedral. And because whisky is inseparable from Scotland’s identity, stop at the Highland Park Distillery for a highly instructive visit.

### DAY 3 – LERWICK, SHETLAND ISLANDS

The small and charming **capital of the Shetland Islands**, with its sea front of old houses and narrow streets, offering travellers its old districts and a warm port atmosphere. **Geopark Shetland**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, is located to the north. Incredibly well-preserved archaeological sites and ruins prove that the islands’ occupation dates back to the first Neolithic colonies. **The Shetland Museum** and Archives recounts the Shetlands’ history of heritage and culture: Lerwick’s abundant waters were even fished by the Dutch in the past.

### DAY 4 – BERGEN



Located at the end of Byfjord, Bergen was the capital of Norway in the 12th and 13th Centuries and has preserved some very beautiful monuments from the time when it was home to royalty. Wandering through Bergen’s streets means going back in time, in search of the hidden treasures that have been listed as World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. A veritable openair museum, Bergen is home to a thriving artistic community of painters, potters, jewellers. The Bergen cable car offers you a splendid panorama over the port and the surrounding fjords. Do not miss the visit to the old quarter with its narrow streets, a testimony of the power of the hanseatic League that controlled trade in Northern Europe at the end of the Middle Ages.

### DAY 5 – STAVANGER - SAILING IN LYSEFJORDEN

At the far end of the country, stands the harbour town of Stavanger, with its warm, friendly atmosphere. A friendliness you’ll notice in the little old town cobbled

streets, which has some **170 old wooden houses**, as well as in its modern city centre, always bustling.



You will sail into the heart of one of Norway's most breathtaking fjords, its marvellous décor dominated by pristine nature, between vertiginous granite cliffs, crystal-clear waters and luxuriant vegetation. Very close to Stavanger, the quiet waters of Lysefjorden stretch out over around forty kilometres, beneath impressive rocks. Admire the world-famous site of Preikestolen (Pulpit Rock), a majestic cliff in the shape of a pulpit that rises to more than 600 metres above the waters. A bit further on, Flørli, from the top of its 4,444 steps, is the world's longest wooden stairway, whereas the Kjerag, with its mythical boulder wedged between two rock faces, provides an unusual and unforgettable spectacle.

#### DAY 6 – ARENDAL

This **port town** located on the south coast of Norway is considered to be the locality with the best climate in the entire country. **Arendal** was long reputed for its **iron**



**mines** from which, in the 19th century, it was able to produce a particularly strong earthy iron ore.

#### DAY 7 – GÖTEBORG (GOTHENBURG)

A lively harbour town, Göteborg is located on the west coast of Sweden, at the crossing of the Göta älv river and the bay of Cattégat. In the **old Haga district**, you

can peruse hippy-chic fashion boutiques and bohemian cafés in the ground floors of traditional wood houses. On the majestic **Gustave-Adolphe square**, you'll see elegant neoclassical buildings. Not far from here is the municipal museum dedicated to the town's history. In addition, you will be able to sail along Göteborg's numerous canals. As for eating, it's the **fish and shellfish** which make the gastronomic reputation of this beautiful stopover.

#### DAY 8 – AARHUS



Dynamic, open and forward-looking, Aarhus is also one of the oldest cities in Denmark. Nestling on the Jutland peninsular, the "city of smiles", as its inhabitants have nicknamed it, has a gentle lifestyle and is an invitation to discovery. Voted the European Capital of Culture 2017, it is home to multiple styles of architecture, from traditional Danish houses to the wildest futuristic constructions. During your port of call, make sure you visit the ARoS Museum: one of the largest art museums in Northern Europe, it exhibits many avant-gardist works, such as "Your Rainbow Panorama", a spectacular installation that seems to be floating in the air and offers breathtaking views over the city.

#### DAY 9 – COPENHAGEN

Connected to the far eastern side of Sealand island, a few kilometres away from the Swedish coasts, **Copenhagen** offers you the high colour of Scandinavian capitals. You can discover the city's riches that weaves through the canal networks through the historical districts of **Christiansborg** and **Nyhavn**. Many palaces provide an aperçu of Danish history. For eating, you can try out the *smorebrod*, a traditional dish composed of several kinds of smoked fish.

**NOTE- Pre- and post-cruise activities can be added – let us know what you would like to do and see!**



## ALL SUITES HAVE PRIVATE BALCONIES

Rates are per person, Double Occupancy

Pre- and Post-Cruise tours are available to suit your interests.

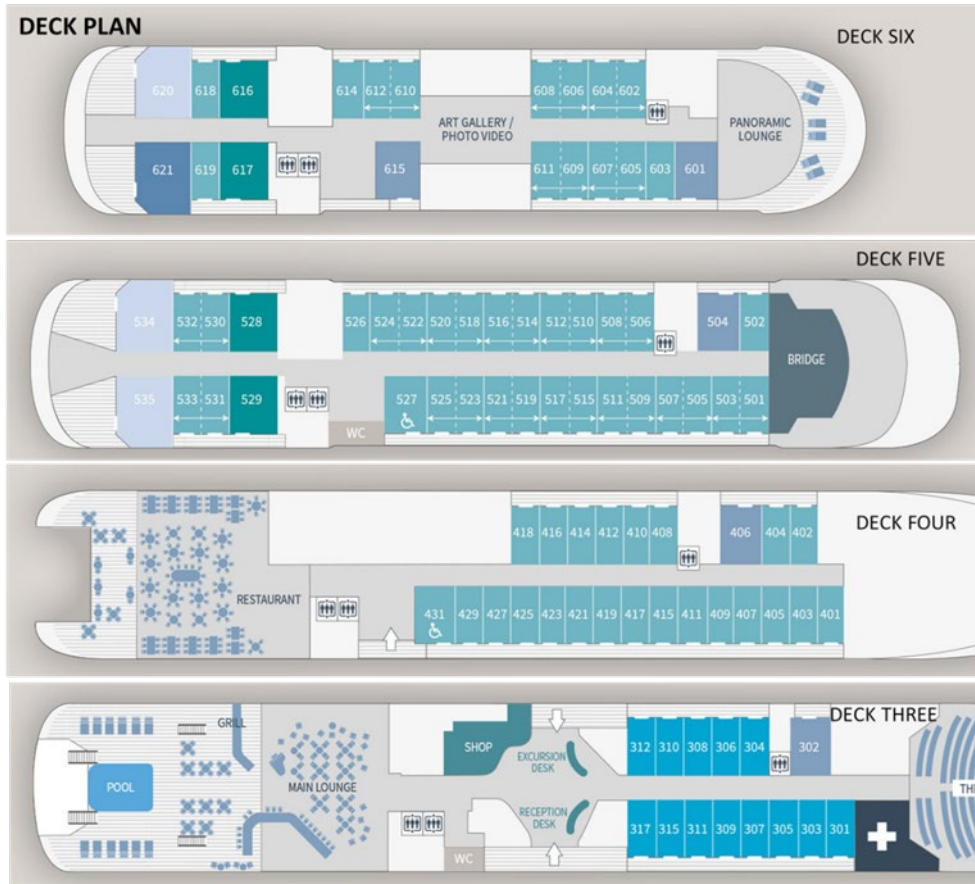
### Included features:

- All accommodations, meals, and excursion described above
- Gratuities to guides and drivers on included excursions
- Comprehensive 8-night cruise aboard the deluxe Le Dumont D'Urville, with all the amenities for which Ponant ships are famous.

### Not included:

- Meals and beverages other than those specified above
- Optional excursions
- Personal expenses (such as laundry, telephone, Internet, etc.)

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SUITE –	2020 Rates
Deluxe – Deck 3	\$3,910
Prestige – Deck 4	\$4,130
Prestige – Deck 5	\$4,240
Presitige – Deck 6	\$4,360
Deluxe – Suite	\$5,810
Prestige Ste – Deck 5	\$6,240
Prestige Ste – Deck 6	\$6,430
Priviledge – Deck 5 & 6	\$6,610
Grand Deluxe – Deck 5	\$6,800
Owners Suite	\$8,600



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