

NORWEGIAN TREASURES



Discover Norway and its fjords on an exceptional itinerary. In Copenhagen, embark aboard *Le Bellot* for an 8-day cruise along the Norwegian coastline, whose vertiginous cliff faces have been sculpted by the wind and the sea, giving rise to many unspoiled fjords.



DATES: 2020 – APRIL 17
APRIL 24 (Reverse Itinerary)

DURATION: 8-DAYS/7-NIGHTS

EMBARK: COPENHAGEN, DENMARK
DISEMBARK: BERGEN, NORWAY

SHIP: LE BELLOT

FROM: \$4,030*

First Time Ponant Cruisers receive \$600 off
***Book and deposit by Mar 31, 2019**

Stavanger, a cosmopolitan and prosperous small town with a perfectly balanced blend of old and new, will be your first port of call. During your stopover, walk the paved streets and admire the wonderfully preserved **fishermen's houses** that date from the 18th century.

Le Bellot will call at **Flam**, one of Norway's most spectacular natural sites. This small village is located along a branch of the **Sognefjord**, the world's second longest fjord and also the deepest, with a maximum depth of 1,308 metres.

You will then visit **Olden**, a small village with two wooden churches and undeniable charm. Nearby you will be able to admire the Briksdal and Kjenndalen **glaciers**, at the heart of **Jostedalbreen National Park**, which is home to one of the last ice caps in Europe.

Your last port of call will be **Alesund**. This historic town near Geirangerfjord is built entirely in Art nouveau style. Finally, you will reach **Bergen**, founded by the Vikings over 900 years ago, and famous for its seven mountains that surround the city centre and its UNESCO-listed Hanseatic port.

HIGHLIGHTS

- From Copenhagen, discovering unusual landscapes, with vertiginous cliffs, crystal-clear waters and luxurious vegetation.
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: the Geiranger fjord and Bryggen, former Hanseatic port of Bergen.
- Sailing in the Lysefjord, meaning the "fjord of light", flanked by granite cliffs that are several hundred metres high.



ITINERARY – As below or Reverse (4/24/20)

We can arrange pre- and post-cruise tour programs for you – see more while you are here! It is always advisable to arrive at least one day early, two or more is preferable.

DAY 1 – 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.

DAY 2 – AT SEA

During your day at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This day without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.



DAY 3 – STAVANGER

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.

SAILING IN LYSEFJORDEN

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 4 – ULVIK

About 150 kilometres from Bergen, the little town of **Ulvik** is one of the rare pearls in the county of Hordaland, in the south-west of the country. You'll find it tucked away in one of the quieter **Hardanger fjords**. Why not spend a quiet interlude in its orchards, between the apple and cherry trees. All around, a spectacular **landscape of mountains** with steep rock-faces culminate in a 1,000 metre high altitude – a paradise for walkers. On the mountainsides, a few scattered farmsteads stand witness to the region's farming activity. At their feet, gentle hills of silky green tumble into the cobalt seas.

DAY 5 – FLAM

Nestled in the heart of the fjord country, less than 200 kilometres from Bergen, the picturesque village of **Flåm** – pronounced Flôm – offers you an experience of **authentic Norway**. You can mosey around the brightly coloured streets and admire the majestic

contours of the surrounding mountains. The town is also the departure point for the mythical train route **Flamsbana**, 20 kilometres long, whose journey offers a superb view of the scenery, as sublime as it is pristine. This attraction makes Flåm one of the country's main tourist destinations.

DAY 6 – OLDEN

With its two wooden churches, one red and the other white, plus its breathtaking view of the mouth of the river Oldeelva, Olden looks just like a picture post card. Located a few kilometres from the Jostedalsgreen park, home to one of the last glacier polar icecaps, this little village is a definite must for exploring the blue languages of the Briksdal or Kjennalen glaciers. Make sure you find some time to visit the Norwegian Glacier Museum. Absolutely amazing. Another gem is lake Lovatn and its turquoise waters inviting you to quiet contemplation.

DAY 7 – ALESUND

SAILING IN THE GEIRANGER FJORD

Surrounded by a multitude of islands, fjords and majestic mountains, the town of **Ålesund** surprises many visitors. In fact, it is internationally renowned for its **Art nouveau architecture**. After the terrible fire of 1904 which reduced a large part of the town to ashes, Norwegian architects inspired by the Art nouveau style contributed to its reconstruction, with a very picturesque result. Not far from Ålesund, you will also discover **Giske**, the native island of Rollon, the great Viking leader who commanded the Norse expeditions to Normandy, or the beautiful island of Godoy and the village of Alnes, which offers a grandiose panorama over the Atlantic Ocean and the surrounding islands.

DAY 8 – 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.



ALL SUITES HAVE PRIVATE BALCONIES

Book early to get UP TO 30% Savings. 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 crew, guides and drivers on included excursions
- Comprehensive 7-night cruise aboard the deluxe LE BELLOT, 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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2020 Rates*		
SUITE –	APRIL 17	APRIL 24
Deluxe Stateroom – Deck 3	\$4,030	\$4,260
Prestige – Dk 4	\$4,880	\$4,740
Prestige – Dk 5	\$4,690	\$4,970
Prestige – Dk 6	\$4,920	\$5,210
Deluxe Ste – Dk 3, 4, 5 & 6	\$6,790	\$7,210
Prestige Ste – Dk 5	\$9,160	\$9,730
Prestige Ste – Dk 6	\$9,600	WL
Privilege Ste – Dk 5 & 6	\$10,080	\$10,710
Grand Deluxe – Dk 5 & 6	\$11,060	\$11,760
OWNER SUITE	\$15,290	\$15,290

DECK 7



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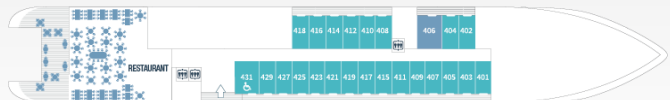
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■ Prestige Stateroom
■ Deluxe Suite
■ Privilege Suite
■ Grand Deluxe Suite
■ Owner's Suite

DECK 5



■ Prestige Suite (Prestige Suites consist of two combined Prestige Staterooms) Not available in 2018
■ Prestige Stateroom
■ Deluxe Suite
■ Privilege Suite
■ Grand Deluxe Suite
■ Owner's Suite

DECK 4



■ Prestige Stateroom
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DECK 3



■ Deluxe Stateroom
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