# CRUISE DESTINATION HARDANGERFJORD - EIDFJORD, ULVIK, ROSENDAL AND JONDAL

A presentation of Norwegian cruise destinations



**CRUISE NORWAY MANUAL 2015/2016** 

#### HARDANGERFIORD - EIDFIORD CRUISE PORT

Events: National Day (May 17th), Midsummer Night (June 23rd), Mini Triathlon (Aug), Norseman Xtreme Triathlon (Aug), Hardangervidda Marathon (Sep), Food Festival (Oct) Cruise Season: All year. Day temperature: May - Sep: 17 - 22 °C Cruise and Port Information: www.visiteidfjord.no, www.cruisehardangerfjord.com



## EIDFJORD - the fjord and mountain adventure

Eidfjord offers a unique natural environment. With large contrasts and short distances you can experience the most and the best that Norway has to offer. Large open spaces and high mountains. Deep valleys and blue-green fjords. Glaciers, mountain lakes, rivers and waterfalls. Our visitors can experience peace and silence in the natural environment in addition to visiting many of our activities and attractions. Eidfjord is the gateway to the Hardangervidda, the largest high mountain plateau in Europe and Norway's largest national park. Eidfjord opened a new cruise port in 2005 and is able to handle ships up to 350 meters in length. Fjord, mountain & waterfalls - all within a 30 minute drive from Eidfiord.

#### ATTRACTIONS/EXCURSIONS

Hardangervidda Nature Centre Eidfiord

Duration: 1.5 hours (incl. 1 hour stay) Distance: 7 km from port Capacity: 168 per half hour Hardangervidda Nature Centre Eidfjord is a modern and wildly exciting nature and cultural historic exhibit centre for Norwegian nature, climate and environment. Live exhibitions on 3 floors, aquariums and interactive stations. View the great panoramic movie, produced by Ivo Caprino, on 5 large screens. You will experience an exciting trip by helicopter above high mountains, deep valleys, breathtaking waterfalls, wild reindeer and untouched glaciers - an experience for the whole family. Cafe/restaurant. gift shop and tourist information.

#### Vøringsfossen

Duration: 1.5 hours (incl. 45-minute stay) Distance: 20 km from port Capacity: unlimited

The most famous waterfall in Norway is an impressive 182m high, with a free fall of 145m. You'll find the most exciting and marvelous viewpoint at Fossli Hotel, which also houses a restaurant and a souvenir shop

#### Svsendammen

Duration: 1.5 hours (incl. 30-minute stay) Distance: 30 km from port Capacity: unlimited Sysendammen is one of Norway's largest stone-filled dams. The total length of the dam is 1 160 m. and it consists of 3.6 million m<sup>3</sup> of stone and moraine. View of the glacier Hardangerjøkulen from the parking lot.

#### Sima Power Plant

Duration: 1.5 hours (incl. 1 hour stay) Distance: 7 km from port Capacity: 50 (100 if coordinated) The power plant is one of the biggest hydroelectric power plants in Europe, 700 m inside the mountain. The station hall is 200 m long, 20 m wide and 40 m high. The guided tour includes a film about the

construction of the power station as well as a visit to the station hall.

#### Kjeåsen

Duration: 1.25-2 hours (incl. 15-60-minute stay) Distance: 15 km from port Capacity: 45

The famous mountain farm lies like an eagle's nest on a mountain ledge 600 m above the Simafjord. "The most inaccessible mountain farm in Norway" has a spectacular view of the fjord. Please notice: traffic up to Kieåsen every full hour, traffic down from Kjeåsen every half hour. One can drive up just to enjoy the view, or groups can book a visit to Bjørg Wilk's farm, she will welcome you in her front yard and play a CD that tells the story of Kjeåsen

### FlatEarth Adventures

Duration: 2.5-3 hours Distance: 7 km from port (kayaking 300 m from port) Capacity: 8-30 per activity The largest outdoor activity centre in Hardanger! Paddling instruction for beginners, sea kayak trips,



rafting, climbing, white water jump. Fun rafting in July and August. All activities incl. instruction and guide. Mountain bike-/canoe rental. We'll give you the best of Norwegian Nature!

#### **Eidfjord Active and Grindaløo**

Duration: 0.5-1 hour Distance: 300 m from port (start at the tourist information) Capacity: 5-10 Have a taste of real Hardangerfood in the atmospheric Grindaløo. Sale of homemade flatbread, baked goods, jam and canned fruit. Enjoy "bake & taste" in the baking basement where you can bake your own traditional cake and eat it too, served with homemade accessories and coffee/tea

#### **Troll Train**

Duration: 1 hour Distance: 30 m from port (start at the tourist information) Capacity: 90 (two trains) The train takes you for a 1 hour sightseeing tour in the centre of Eidfjord. Nice view of the fjord and the

#### **PORT & TOURIST INFORMATION**

#### PORT OF EIDFJORD

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#### TOURIST INFORMATION

Visiting address: Ostangvegen 1, NO-5783 Eidfjord Distance from port: 30 m Mailing address: P.O.B. 74, NO-5786 Eidfjord Phone/Fax: +47 53 67 34 00 / +47 53 67 34 01 E-mail: turistinfo@visiteidfjord.no ernet: www.visiteidfiord.no

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Guide Service: Van der Tuuk Travel & Guide service vandertuuk@reiseogguide.no Terminal/Restrooms in pier area: 30 m from port. at the tourist information office Shuttle bus: YES, to be ordered in advance Parking place for buses: YES, 0 m from pie Taxi: YES, but limited Rental cars: NO Public transportation: YES



church is closed)

Capacity: 80

Free entrance

Art Gallery N. Bergslien

Distance: 30m from port

various visiting exhibitions

Distance: 250 m from the port

Mosstovo cafeteria

Duration 1 hour

Capacity: 50

platter.

Duration: 0.5-1 hour

#### PORT SERVICES / FACILITIES & INFORMATION Bunkers delivery /method: NO

Supplies: YES, by agent Waste handling: YES, to be ordered 24 h in advance Waste water method: None Tugboats: NO Anchorage: YES Pontoons: YES Pilot: Channel 16 Medical emergency: Phone 113 Charts: Norwegian chart 118 Tidal movement: 1 m ISPS approved: YES Designated quays for cruise ships: YES Ship tenders allowed: YES Beam: None





mountains, ride through the Viking burial ground and a photo stop by the old, medieval stone church (the

The Quality Hotel & Resort Vøringfoss hosts a large permanent exhibition of the well-known local artist Nils Bergslien (1853 - 1928). The gallery also stages



#### Lokal traditions, culture and buildings, historical hiking trails Duration: 0.5-2 hours

Experience local traditions, culture and buildings at your own pace. Enjoy a walk on pleasant hiking trails, experience genuine Viking history and a beautiful view.

#### In walking distance from the cruise port:

- Outdoor sculptures (June August) Local handicrafts
- Eidfjord New Church, built in 1981
- Eidfjord Old Church, a St James Church from 1309 (open for groups on request)
- Trebua traditional, local wood carvings and fiddle collection (located right next to Eidfiord Old Church) Farmvards
- Stroll along the river
- Viking burial ground, the largest area of burial mounds from the Iron and Viking ages in Western Norway

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Max size ship in port: None Max number of passenger per day in port: 4000 Max number of ships per day in port: 1 at pier + 2 at anchor Ship's stay min /max: No limitations Environmental limitations /restrictions Normal care of environment Port facilities according to Cruise Norway's guidelines: YES Maximum ship ength: 350 m Maximum ship draft and depth in sea: 10.75 m Maximum ship air draft if bridge: 55 m Crew facilities: Crew service centre with computers and wireless internet zone over the whole port area (on board incl.), free of charge! Beach volleyball court 30 m from pier Discounts at different attractions and activities in Eidfjord, contact the tourist information office

#### ANCHORAGE Type of bottom: Sand imum depth: 40 m Distance from anchorage to tender pier: 300 - 400 m

The brand new "Mosstovo" cafeteria, located next to the Vik Pensjonat (B&B) in the centre of Eidfjord, is built in local, old and authentic building style. There is sale of local food from Hardanger for both cup and

#### HARDANGERFIORD - ULVIK CRUISE PORT

Events: National Day (May 17), Midsummer Night: Children's Mock Wedding (June 23) Cruise Season: April-October. Average temperature: (Celsius) May: 10°, June: 14.5°, August: 15°, September: 11° on a 24 hour basis Useful links: Tourist Information: www.visitulvik.com. Cruise Information: www.cruisehardangerfjord.com. Port Information: (+47) 56 52 61 05



## ULVIK - the pearl of Hardanger

In Ulvik tourism has been a permanent fixture of daily life for more than 150 years. The warm summers, the tranquillity and lush nature have attracted holidaymakers for generations. Ulvik offers an active holiday with a number of outdoor activities. Folklore performances, farm visits and excursions by coach and fjord cruisers are also included in our shorex menu.

Ulvik and Hardanger, being the orchard of Norway, are famous for the fruit blossom in May. From July and until late October we harvest sweet cherries, plums, pears and apples. Why not take a stroll through the compact village centre where you will find public services, shops, hotels and cafes as well as different exhibitions of arts and crafts.

### ATTRACTIONS/EXCURSIONS

#### "A taste of Hardangerfjord"

A half-day excursion from the Port of Ulvik or the Port of Eidfjord. 4 hrs. The guided tour by coach or combined with a fjord cruise to the Hardanger Juice & Cider Factory offers a taste of cider, apple juice and local traditional food, including a guided introduction and history of how the cider and juice is made in Hardanger Distance from port: 3 km. Capacity: 90.

Fjord Cruise with MS Lady Anne Capacity: 100 passengers

**Ulvik Church** is the third in the line of churches in Ulvik. Consecrated in 1859, the interior was decorated in traditional decorative floral style in 1923 by local artist Lars Osa. Church concerts and organ recitals are offered.

The Olav H. Hauge Centre - literary museum In Ulvik the Nynorsk Kultursentrum is now

establishing a research and visitor centre presenting the life amd poetry of one of the most important Norwegian poets, Olav H. Hauge (1908-1994). His works have been translated into more than 25 languages. The centre offers exhibitions Monday-Friday 9am-3pm related to Olay H. Hauge and other poets and literature. Guided tours or a visit outside opening hours can be arranged

SkeiesmyIna was originally built in Bergen and was moved to Ulvik in the 1890s. Grain from the entire Hardanger area was processed here. Today you'll find different exhibitions and activities in the mill.

Hjeltnes Horticultural College is the oldest farming school in Norway, founded in 1901. The lovely gardens have a wide range of flowers, rare trees and bushes. It also has a herb garden and many old apple species.

Osa and its two narrow mountain valleys, rivers and waterfalls are known for their unique flora and offer a unique experience to walkers, hikers and photographers.

The Osa Mountains, a 20 km drive (toll road) from Ulvik at an altitude of 1000-1250 m has a moonlike landscape of cliffs, rocks and snow.

The Hjadlane Gallery of Modern Art presents various exhibitions throughout the year by local artists and often based on a theme of nature or impressions from a journey or an event. Distance from port: 12 km.

#### Hikes and walks Duration 1.5-3+ hours

Ulvik offers a wide range of guided hikes, walks and strolls, ranging from easy guided strolls in and around the village centre to longer and more strenuous hikes and walks in the surrounding hills. Walking distance: 1.5-7 km.

#### **Concerts & Folklore programmes** Duration: 0.5-1 hour

Concerts and Folklore programmes featuring local musicians, singers and dancers can be arranged in various locations. Distance from port: 0.5-3 km.



Farm visits Duration: 1.5 hours Farm visits, including coffee/tea and cakes, can be booked at several farms in the area.

#### The new Hardanger Bridge is the largest

suspension bridge in Norway, 1.380 meters long and the towers are more than 200 meters high. Great engineering art and at both ends there are roundabouts in the tunnels with neon lighting. Coach parking and access for pedestrians to the bridge from both sides - ideal for a photo stop during shore excursions.

#### Local Cider Farms

At local cider farms you have the opportunity to taste apple juice and cider. Your host will tell you about the production and show you around the premises and the orchards. Distance from port: 2-3 km. Duration: 2 hours Capacity: 20-90.

#### Cultural performances and VIP tours

Please contact Ulvik Tourist Information for further information and details of tailor made programmes.

#### **PORT & TOURIST INFORMATION**

#### PORT OF ULVIK Visiting address: Brakanes Hotel, NO-5730 Mailing address: Brakanes Hotel, NO-5730 Contact person: Georg Angell-Hansen Phone/Fax: +47 56 52 61 05/+47 56 52 64 10 E-mail: georg@bhghardanger.no Internet: www.cruisehardangerfjord.com

TOURIST INFORMATION

Visiting address: Tyssevikvegen 15, N0-5730 Ulvik Distance from port: 500 m Mailing address: NO-5730 Ulvik Phone/Fax: +47 56 52 62 80 E-mail: ulvikturist@ulvik.org ternet: www.visitulvik.cor

GENERAL INFORMATION Terminal/Restrooms in pier area: NO Shuttle bus: NO Parking place for buses: 100 m Taxi: YES Rental cars: NO Public transportation: YES, 200 m from port Shopping: 200 m Local currency: NOK

Mailboxes in pier area: YES Distances - airport: 157 km/Bergen Airport Flesland Distance to town centre: 200 m Nearest hospital: Voss Hospital, +47 56 53 35 00- 48 km Other useful information: Full service hotel by the tender pier - free Wi-Fi PORT SERVICES / FACILITIES & INFORMATION Bunkers delivery /method: NO Supplies: NO Waste handling: NO Waste water method: NO Tugboats: NO

Anchorage\*: YES Pontoons: NO Pilot: Channel 16 Emergency: Local surgery- 47567040 - channel 16 Medical emergency: 113 Charts: Norwegian Charts 117-118 Tidal movement: 0.5-1.0 m ISPS approved: YES

Designated quays for cruise ships: NO Ship tenders allowed: YES Beam: NO



ATM: YES 200 m from port

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Osa and the Osa mountains. "Valleys and Rivers". Duration: 3-4 hours. Leave Ulvik by coach passing through the green fields and orchards, including a stop at Hjeltnes Horticultural College. The journey continues along Osafjorden, a wild and narrow branch of the Hardangerfjord, to Osa. There is time to visit the Austdalen river and the Hjadlane Gallery before driving up the winding mountain road to the Osa Mountains. Return to Ulvik along the same route. Distance from port: 20 km (Osa mountains) Voss

short time!

Tax refund: NO

A Cultural Tour to Voss By coach from Ulvik, driving through orchards and forests, passing mountains and spectacular waterfalls. Visit Voss Folk Museum, a cluster farm

Public telephones in pier area: NO



Duration: 15 minutes - in the air Experience the fiords, mountains and glaciers from the air, while the helicopter pilot explains the area to you (Norwegian and English). There is no other way to see so much of the mountain and fjords in such a

Currency exchange: YES, 200 m from port

Internet access in pier area: YES, Brakanes Hotel



situated at Mølster. Then the Voss stone church from 1100. Coffee stop can be included. Return to Ulvik by coach. Duration: 4-5 hours. Distance from port: 48 km (Voss).

#### Geilo

"Across the roof of Norway"

Leave Ulvik by coach and drive to Voss where you board the Bergen Railway Line for a tour across the roof of Norway to Geilo, where lunch is served. Return by coach through the Hardangervidda mountain plateau, Norway's largest national park, to Eidfjord. Duration: 8-10 hours. Distance from port: 132 km (Geilo-Ulvik).

#### The Sognefjord and the Flåm Railway

Various options from Ulvik - for example - bus from Ulvik to Voss-train to Myrdal and Flåm – fjord cruise from Flåm to Gudvangen - bus from Gudvangen to Ulvik - or the opposite way around alternatively - bus from Ulvik to Gudvangen - fjord cruise to Flåm - the Flåm railway to Myrdal - continue by train to Voss bus to Ulvik

Max size ship in port: Max air draft 55 m Max number of passenger per day in port: 4000 Max number of ships per day in port: 2 Ship's stay min /max: No limitation Environmental limitations /restrictions: NO Port facilities according to Cruise Norway`s guidelines: YES Maximum ship length: No limitation Maximum ship draft and depth in sea: No limitation Maximum ship air draft if bridge: 55 m Crew facilities: Full service hotel by the tender pier - free Wi-Fi

\* IF ANCHORAGE Type of bottom: Sand bottom 50 m Distance from anchorage to tender pier: 100-300 m

ULVIK centre HEIGHT OUAYSIDE: Hieltnes 43°m Ulvik fjorde 400 m SCALE

#### HARDANGERFIORD - ROSENDAL AND IONDAL Cruise season: May - September Average temperature: www.met.no Useful links: Rosendal: www.visitsunnhordland.no, www.rosendalhamn.no londal: www.hardangerfjord.com, www.visitjondal.no



## **ROSENDAL AND JONDAL** - villages underneath the Folgefonna glacier

Rosendal is centrally situated in the Hardanger fjord, snugly placed between high mountains and beautiful valleys. The landscape around Rosendal attracts many visitors the whole year round. Most attractions in the village can be reached on foot, or you can experience splendid waterfalls and see part of the glacier on a bus trip to Sundal.

Jondal is situated by the Hardanger fjord, surrounded by dramatic and beautiful mountains and waterfalls. londal is architecturally different, and at the same time cosy and warm with several attractions within walking distance from the village centre. You can also visit the Folgefonna glacier by bus, driving though magnificent landscape with spectacular views over the Hardanger Fjord.

### ATTRACTIONS/EXCURSIONS

#### ROSENDAL

### SUNDAL AND BONDHUSBREA GLACIER

Duration: 3 or 4 hrs Distance: 60 km Capacity: 300 pax This is a popular trip on which local coffee and cakes can be tasted at Olaløo farm restaurant including alt.1: a short walk to a panoramic viewpoint of the Bondhus icefall(1+1 km) or alt. 2: a walk to the Bondhus lake (3+3 km), and a photo-stop at the fantastic roadside waterfall Furebergfossen on the way

#### **ROSENDAL BY FOOT**

Duration: 2.5 hrs Distance: 3 km Capacity: pax pr guide

#### A walking trip from the ship, including a guided tour of the manor, Barony Rosendal, from 1665, a walk through its gardens and a guided visit at the Kvinnherad Church from the 12th century.

#### **ROSENDAL BY HORSE AND CARRIAGE** Duration: 1 hr

Capacity: 4 - 20 pax Enjoy this nostalgic trip by horse and carriage on old roads in the village of Rosendal. This is also a good opportunity to see the fjord horse

## FLIGHTSEEING FOLGEFONNA GLACIER

Duration: 20 min Capacity: 4 Minimum 20 pax Take the opportunity to see the beautiful Hardanger fjord and Folgefonna Glacier from the air!

#### THE GREAT WATERFALL TOUR

Duration: 8-9 hrs Distance: 154 km Capacity: 200 pax This is a day-trip to the Langfoss waterfall in the Åkra fjord, in the Odda valley and the Furebergfoss waterfall in the Mauranger fjord. The excursion also includes a splendid lunch with locally produced food from the Åkra fjord.

#### IONDAL

#### FOLGEFONNA NATIONAL PARK

Duration: from 2-6 hrs (depending on activity), Capacity: Unlimited (subject to bus availability). From the dock, you can go by bus or car to the glacier, through 19 km of magnificent and breath-taking landscape. There is free parking at Fonna Glacier Ski Resort, where you can ski in the middle of summer, or



just enjoy watching snowboarders and skiers while finding a viewpoint down to the fjord from 1200 m above sea level. It is also possible to take a walk on the glacier with guides, on ice with spikes or on snow with snowshoes

#### IONDAL CENTRE

Duration: Individual Capacity: Unlimited By the fjord in Jondal centre, just a few metres from the port, you can wander the streets to see the Swiss style houses, dating from the 1800s and 1900s. There are gravel paths from where you can see the grand flagstone or slate roofs, the unique "lace" decorations under the eaves, and the distinctive windows, characteristic of this style In the village centre, you will also find beaches, grocery stores, and at the house called "Juklafjord" with tourist information, exhibition about the Folgefonna National Park, a Centre for glacier hikes, hire bikes, sea kavak and GPS-devices that are programmed with the local hiking possibilities.

#### VIKETUNET

Duration: ca 40-90 mins Capacity: 100 pax A three minute walk from the dock you'll find an old Bailiff's farm with 7 houses, the oldest dating from about 1611 AD. Old and new handicrafts are exhibited, and coffee and cakes are for sale. Guided tours for groups.

#### IONDAL CHURCH

Jondal Church is the biggest in Hardanger, and is therefore often called "the Hardanger Cathedral". It was built in 1888, and can now seat approximately 500 people. The church has an altarpiece which was painted by Hardanger artist Nils Bergslien, and the frame was carved by Ingebrigt Vik, also a well known artist from the region. The old church bells from the 1200s have been preserved and can be seen on the guided tour.

#### **PORT & TOURIST INFORMATION**

#### PORT OF ROSENDAL = R/ JONDAL = J

Visiting address: R: Rosendal hamn / J: Jondal hamn Mailing address: R: P.O.B. 141, N-5486 Rosendal / J: Jondal kommune v/Teknisk og næring, NO-5627 Jondal Contact person: R: Øvvind Lernes / I: Trygve Vik Phone/Fax: R: +47 915 11 468 / J: +47 900 69 759 E-mail: R: post@rosendalhamn.no J: trygve.vik@jondal.kommune.no net: R: www.rosendalhamn.no

#### TOURIST INFORMATION

Visiting address: R: Skålafjæro 17 / J: Jondal sentrum Distance from port: R: 100 m / J: 200 m Mailing address: R: Rosendalsvegen 10, N0-5470 Rosendal / J: N0-5627 Jondal Phone/Fax: R: +47 53 48 42 80 / |: +47 53 66 85 31 / +47 951 17 792 . E-mail: R: turistinfo nherad.kommune.no / l: post@visitiondal.no ternet: R: www.visitsunnhordland.no / J: www.visitjondal.no

GENERAL INFORMATION Terminal/Restrooms in pier area: NO Shuttle bus: NO Parking place for buses: YES Taxi: YES Rental cars: NO

Public transportation: YES Shopping: R: 200 m / J: 100 m Local currency: NOK ATM: YES. R: 300 m / J: 150 m Currency exchange: NO Tax refund: NO Public telephones in pier area: NO Internet access in pier area: YES Mailboxes in pier area: R: YES, 200 m / J: YES, 250 m Distances - airport: Bergen Airport R: 95 km / I: 90 km Distance to city centre: Bergen R: 96 km / J: 95 Nearest hospital: Odda: R: 48 km / J: 40

#### PORT SERVICES / FACILITIES & INFORMATION Bunkers delivery /method: NO

Supplies: NO Waste handling: NO Waste water method: NO Tugboats: NO Anchorage\*: YES Pontoons: YES Pilot: Channel 16 Emergency: Channel 16

Medical emergency: 113 Tidal movement: 1.5 m ISPS approved: YES Designated quays for cruise ships: NO Ship tenders allowed: YES Beam: No limitation





#### HERAND

Duration: ca 2hrs Capacity: Unlimited

The village of Herand, 13 km from londal, has an especially well preserved cultural landscape, both in the village itself and in the mountain farms. The whole history of Norway can be found here, from the 9000 year old dwelling site from the Stone Age to modern fish farming. The cultural trail and the exhibitions at the Herand Cultural History Centre can be highly recommended.

Max size ship in port: R: 2 / I: No limitation Max number of passenger per day in port: R: 1500 / I: No limitation Max number of ships per day in port: R: 2 / J: No limitation Ship's stay min /max: R: 2 hrs. / J: No limitation Port facilities according to Cruise Norway's guidelines: YES Maximum ship length: No limitation Maximum ship draft and depth in sea: No limitation Maximum ship air draft if bridge: No limitation Crew facilities: Free Internet at tourist information \* IF ANCHORAGE

Type of bottom: R: Sand/Rock / J: Sand **Minimum depth:** R: 50-70 m / J: 40 m Distance from anchorage to tender pier R: 200-600 m / J: 600 m



## FROM BERGEN AND HAUGESUND TO HARDANGER AND ROUND TRIPS IN HARDANGERFJORD

#### From Eidfjord to Lofthus

Duration: 3 ½ hours

From Eidfjord you drive through all the beautiful orchards along Hardangerfjord. Optional stop in Kinsarvik, with factory visit to Hardanger Cutlery Factory. 80% of all sweet cherries grown in Norway originate from the county of Ullensvang, and here are also more than 500.000 apple trees. Fruit growing was brought to Hardanger by the British monks. Sightseeing in Lofthus in the stone church built in 1250. Coffee and fresh, homemade apple cakes are served at the cozy Ullensvang Guesthouse. Return to Eidfjord.

#### From Eidfjord to Rosendal

Duration: 7 hours

A popular port combination tour. When driving along Hardangerfjord and Sørfjord you are passing many fruit farms in this "Orchard of Norway". Stop-over in Lofthus where apple juice is being served. Optional stop at the Norwegian Hydro Power Museum with the majestic power station from 1906. Lunch at Tyssedal Hotel. Then you are driving through the 11 km long

tunnel under Folgefonna national park. Optional lunch at Olaløo farm restaurant. At the other side of the tunnel there will be a short stop at Furebergfossen waterfall before driving to the picturesque village of Rosendal where you catch up with your cruise ship. (Optional visit to the Barony Mansion and the rose garden)

#### From port of Bergen to Hardangerfjord Duration: 8 hours

Even if you don't call at Hardangerfjord ports, your passengers might explore this Queen of Fjords during a full day tour. In the morning they are leaving Bergen and drive through the coastal landscape to Hardangerfjord. Then they are heading north along the fjord through fruit farms and small villages to Norheimsund, where they have an optional visit at the Wooden Boat Preservation Center. Thereafter it is time for lunch, either at Hardangerfjord Hotel in the village of Øystese, Steinstø Farm Restaurant or Gamlastovo Farm Restaurant in Fykse. Return via the impressive Steinsdalsfossen waterfall over Kvamskogen winter resort to Bergen.

#### An adventurous trip between Haugesund and Hardanger

Duration 3-5 hours (depending of which port in Hardangerfiord)

A new possibility has now emerged, after opening of Haugesund cruise port. The tour between these 2 iconic regions includes Åkrafjord and Sørfjord and a stop-over at Langfoss waterfall, voted by CNN as one of the 10 most beautiful waterfalls in the world. Then you pass "the valley of waterfalls" as well as the many orchards and villages of Hardangerfjord. The passengers leave the ship in Haugesund and board her in one of the Hardangerfjord ports or vise versa.



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