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ice only in Spitsbergen (fast ice)



LE COMMANDANT CHARCOT IN SCANDINAVIA

WHY GO WITH LE COMMANDANT CHARCOT ?

- The only PONANT ship going there – experience the destinations **in winter &** discover the **amazing lights**.
- Optimum operating temperatures: **warm refuge** of Le Commandant Charcot!

INCLUDED ON LE COMMANDANT CHARCOT

- A polar water-resistant **parka** (no children sizes)
- **Boots** to use provided onboard (for adults only)
- All inclusive including **fine dining in all the restaurants** Sila and Nuna & **all drinks** in restaurants, bars and minibars (excluding premium card)
- For Owner's, Duplex, Privilege & Grand Prestige Suites: **Butler** service & **Fitness and well being Coach** private lessons

WHAT YOU WILL EXPERIENCE ?

- Norway – **Lapland!** - & Spitsbergen (for CC181024) in a **totally new season**
- The **Norwegian fjords and the Lofoten archipelago** in the morning light or at dusk, in a theatrical light at the approach of winter
- The fact of being **100% above the Arctic circle**
- The landscapes of the Arctic and Norway: **dolomite cliffs, archaeological sites** from the Bronze Age, **fjords, coastal cities, fishing villages** and coniferous **forests**

HIGHLIGHTS

- Lights! **Farewell to the sun** in Spitsbergen (for CC181023), **northern lights** especially in in North Cape & Tromso (mainly for CC291024), **illuminated coastal cities**
- Encounters: **Sami, indigenous reindeer farmers** & inhabitant from fishing villages in Norwegian Lapland (not for CC071123)
- **North Cape** the northernmost point of Europe.
- In **Spitsbergen** (for CC181024): fjords, snow-covered mountains, glaciers and possible observations of **polar bears**.
- In the **Lofoten Islands**: traditional dark red fishing huts known as *rorbuer*

OTHER PONANT CRUISES IN THE SAME AREA

Norway, between the Scandinavian peninsula and the High Arctic I 8N

Tromso - Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen
Le Lyrial

From 7 210 €



1 Itinerary like CC181024 operated in **MAY**

- No Northern lights or Farewell to the sun in Spitsbergen (different season!)
- No encounters with local communities
- No kayaking or fishing village visit

Nordic Discoveries & Traditions I 10N

Le Bellot – Le Champlain
Tromso - Tromso

From 9 820 €



7 Itineraries like CC291024 operated in **MARCH:**

- No kayaking
- No Lofoten islands on horseback
- No tastings of local products

Ancient traditions & Norwegian Fjords I 10N

Le Bellot
Tromso - Copenhagen

From 7 360 €



Itinerary like CC071124 operated in **APRIL:**

- No expedition, no zodiac or naturalists
- No Songerfjord
- No kayaking
- No Lofoten islands on horseback

For CC071123 only

- The **Geiranger Fjord**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- The **Songerfjord**, world's second-longest fjord
- The Hanseatic district of **Bergen**, the Art Nouveau district of **Ålesund**



FROM THE NORTHERN LIGHTS TO THE POLAR NIGHT

11 nights

Tromsø – Lakselv

18/10/2024 to 29/10/2024



~8:00 AM to 4:30 PM
except for Spitsbergen:
11:30 AM to 2:00 PM

FROM 12 820 €

ACTIVITIES



GUESTS SPEAKERS

Ian Dawson, Photo Ambassador, award-winning photographer, film maker and guide. He has spent his **career in the national media**, both as a photojournalist and picture editor.

DON'T MISS!



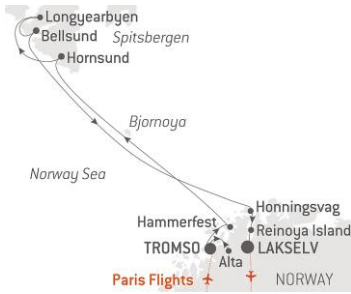
Farewell to the sun in Spitsbergen several twilight days before polar night



Northern lights probability: high in North Cape & Tromsø



Flight Paris/Tromsø + transfers + flight Lakselv/Paris included



NO OVER PROMISING

In Spitsbergen:

- No birds anymore
- low probability of Northern lights
- 50% docked / 50% at anchor

TROMSØ

Norwegians call it the **"Paris of the north"**

Neoclassical architectural heritage: **Arctic cathedral** as stunning example

ALTA

Biggest city in Finnmark county with its **"Altafjord"**.

Meet the **Sami people**, reindeer herders

Chasing the **Northern Lights!**

HAMMERFEST

Northernmost town in the world!

Charming fishing port: vestiges of the Stone Age, Napoleonic & Second World Wars

The **Struve Geodetic Arc:** chain of triangulations stretching across Europe from Hammerfest to the Black Sea

BJORNOYA, « BEAR ISLAND »

Southernmost island of Svalbard

Meteorological station built in 1923

Nature reserve since 2002

HORN SUND

First whalers settled in the region

Surrounding mountains, small drifting icebergs, gigantic glacier

BELLSUND FJORD

The branches of the fjord separate to form two distinct valleys with **rich wildlife**

HONNINGSVÅG

Travellers stay in the village to go to the **North Cape**.

Typical Norwegian fishing port with **colourful houses**

Northern Lights, cliff plunging into the sea, thousands of **puffins, gannets and cormorants**

REINOYA ISLAND 3.35 km2 (1.3 square miles)

Very heart of the **Porsangerfjorden**

Hike or Zodiac outing to discover the island's geology & traces of the last ice age

LAKSELV "SALMON RIVER"

Small village renowned for the **salmon fishing** in its waters

Traces of the **last ice age** in Trollholmsund, where dolomites with **dreamlike silhouettes!**



POLAR LIGHTS: FROM NORTH CAPE TO THE LOFOTEN ISLANDS

9 nights

Lakselv – Narvik

29/10/2024 to 7/11/2024



From 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

FROM 11 970 €

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1h30 on horseback, ride between countryside and beach
1h of discovery and discussions at the stud farm.
Up to 14 people maximum
~ 200\$/p.
The ride can be completely customized

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HARSTAD

Small town with a **gentle way of life**.

Traces of the Bronze Age: work tools, jewels...

Medieval church of Trondenes dating from the 13th century

LEKNES, LOFOTEN

On **Vestvagoy Island**, small town surrounded by mountains and bays.

Hike or partake in other **open-air activities**

Lofotr Viking Museum
Picturesque **small fishing port of Henningsvær** with its cafés, art gallery and modern art museum

NARVIK

Nestling in the heart of mountains that plunge into the **Otofjord**

Town committed to a **sustainable approach**

Possible to take the **Ofofen Line towards Sweden**. This historic railway once linked the mineral-rich mines of Kiruna in Sweden to the ice-free port of Narvik



AUTUMN SPLENDOURS: FROM LOFOTEN TO THE NORWEGIAN FJORDS

13 nights
 Narvik – Bergen
 7/11/2024 to 20/11/2024



From 8:50AM
 to 4:00 PM

FROM 12 010 €



ACTIVITIES



KAYAKING

HIKING



OPTIONAL
 THE LOFOTEN ISLANDS ON HORSEBACK

1h30 on horseback, ride between countryside and beach
 1h of discovery and discussions at the stud farm.
 Up to 14 people maximum
 ~200\$/p.
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GUESTS SPEAKERS

Nick Rains, Australian photo ambassador. Professional photographer for almost 40 years, he is the author of 14 photography books. Principal Instructor for Leica Akademie in Australia (En)

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Northern lights probability:
 medium



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REINE, LOFOTEN

Norwegians consider this small fishing port to be their **country's most beautiful village**

Very close by, **Flakstad**: white sandy beach, bronze-coloured waters, and red wooden onion-domed church emerging from the cliffs

BRØNNØYSUND

This **former Viking city** centralizes fishing and trade-related activities.

Visit the **Norwegian Aquaculture Centre & hike** along the granite dome of **Torghatten**, the pierced hat-shaped mountain

Visit in Tilrem a **250-year-old farm** with glorious herb garden.

SMOLA

Island surrounded by an archipelago of islands, islets and reefs, in a **beautiful light**

In winter, refuge of seabird species: the **sea eagle** or white-tailed eagle...

The island's inhabitants share their **culinary traditions & local products**.

Try your hand at **fishing** or visit the island of **Hitra**

GEIRANGER

Leaving the village, it rises to 2,000 feet: **panorama over the Geirangerfjord**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**.

The **Seven Sisters Waterfall**, which tumbles down into the fjord

Mount Dalsnibba (altitude of almost 5,000 feet)

The Norwegian Fjord Centre

ÅLESUND

Fishing port especially reputed for its **Art Nouveau architecture**: find out more at the **Art Nouveau Museum**.

Climb the **Codøyfjellet**. Mountain to enjoy a panorama in **Godøy Island**

Spectacular views over the Atlantic Ocean from the picturesque **Alnes Lighthouse**

NORDFJORDEID

Early settlement of **Viking communities**

Visit the **Sagastad Viking Centre**, with interactive exhibitions & also home to the **Myklebust**, one of the world's largest Viking ships

The town is known for its **many breeders of Norwegian farm horses**, the Fjord horse.

FLÅM

Picturesque village to experience **authentic Norway**: brightly coloured streets and surrounding mountains.

Departure point for the mythical train route **Flamsbana**, 20 kilometres long, whose journey offers a superb view of the scenery

SAILING IN THE SOGNEFJORD

This **fjord** extends approximately 200 km (125 miles) inland, making it the **longest in Europe**.

Charming **villages suspended** on the mountainside or nesting along the banks, **waterfalls** and **wide shores**

LERWICK, SHETLAND ISLAND

Charming **capital of the Shetland Islands**: sea front of old houses; narrow streets, old districts and a warm port atmosphere.

Geopark Shetland, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**: archaeological sites and Neolithic ruins

The Shetland Museum and Archives

BERGEN

Capital of Norway in the 12th and 13th Centuries!

Listed as a **World Heritage Sites by UNESCO**, home to an artistic community of painters, potters, jewelers.

The **Bergen cable car** offers a splendid panorama over the port and the surrounding fjords.

The **old quarter** with its narrow streets, testimony of the power of the Hanseatic League