

# RIDE THE FJORDS

2022

A 62°NORD SIGNATURE ADVENTURE

This 6-day cycling adventure is a magical opportunity to explore the untamed beauty of the fjords and mountains of the Sunnmøre Alps while experiencing the pinnacle of Norwegian hospitality with 62°NORD Hotels & Adventures.

**Price from NOK 69 000 pps**

# MORE THAN A BIKE RIDE

For all its excitements, life in the modern world can be overwhelming. That's why we have created a cycling adventure where all you have to do is focus on yourself, the bike and the open road.

Let us take care of all the details so you are relaxed and ready to make the most of each day. Set off in small groups of like-minded adventurers to explore Norway's stunning scenery. With nothing to distract you, you'll feel you can ride forever, inspired by the crystal-clear air of the Sunnmore Alps and enchanted the sensational views.

Then it's time relive the day's adventures with your friends, over a drink around the fire, in the sauna or at dinner at the edge of a breath-taking fjord.



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EXPERIENCE



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# THE FJORDS

The fjords were carved by glaciers out of ancient rock, creating narrow inlets from the ocean that are flanked by sheer cliffs and awe-inspiring peaks. In days gone by, these fjords were inhabited by Viking seafarers, hardy explorers who were the first European visitors to so much of the New World.

Your journey will be the chance for you to plot your own voyage of discovery along the flat roads at the edge of the fjords and up the winding trails through the mountains, surrounded by crystal clear lakes and forests that inspired folk tales of trolls and talking beasts.





A scenic view of a fjord in Norway. In the foreground, a road with a metal guardrail runs along the edge of a grassy slope. Several cyclists are riding away from the camera on the road. The background features a wide, calm body of water (the fjord) surrounded by steep, forested mountains. The sky is overcast and grey. The overall mood is serene and adventurous.

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I've ridden my bike in some pretty special places.  
Nothing could quite prepare me for the Fjords of Norway.

- Grant Clark, Commonwealth Games and Cairo to Cape Town cyclist

# A ONE-OF-KIND ADVENTURE

Each trip will be fully supported. Lead by an ex-professional cyclist as your guide, the group will have a following vehicle with the opportunity to change the route as required. Each day is perfectly balanced allowing the group to get as much as they want out of the ride.

If you want to push your limits and hunt for Personal Bests, your guide will set a challenging pace, while if you want to take it easy while enjoying in the sweeping views, you'll find plenty of chances to stop for photographs.

The trip also includes all meals and plenty of coffee stops along the way, so you won't be short of fuel!

If there's anything you'd like to change, just let us know - after all, it's your adventure!





ACCOMODATION

# LUXURY – THE NORWEGIAN WAY

Storfjord Hotel and Hotel Union Øye rank among the very best in Scandinavia and are perfect examples of the Norwegian tradition of hospitality. Set against deep pine forests with views across the fjords, each hotel draws on the history of travel through the fjords and mountains but adds all the modern amenities you would expect of such iconic, award-winning properties.

You'll be staying in junior suites, with access to the hot tub, sauna, bar and reading rooms as well as the option of spa treatments each afternoon. Storfjord Hotel and Hotel Union Øye will be a welcome oasis of calm and comfort after a day in the saddle.



A SLOW LIFE HIDEAWAY

# STORFJORD HOTEL

Positioned on a hill on the edge of an evergreen forest, Storfjord Hotel offers picture-perfect views over the fjord to the south. Only 45 minutes from Alesund, it is an opportunity to relax, recharge and reconnect with nature.

The hotel is clad in handcut logs and topped with green roofs, but, with plenty of oversized armchairs and blazing log fires, its interiors are the perfect place to rest hard-working muscles. If you spend time in the two hot tubs, sauna and wellness spa, you'll be sure to fall under the hotel's spell.

With easy access to the fjord and immersed in nature on every side, the hotel is the ideal starting point for adventures and activities of all types.



[Explore Hotel](#)



# FOR ADVENTURERS, KINGS AND QUEENS, YOU HOTEL UNION ØYE

At the end of Norway's pristine Hjørundfjord stands the grand old lady, Hotel Union Øye.

A favourite destination of royals, poets, adventurers and celebrities for more than 140 years, the hotel celebrates a rich history. The hotel has been completely refurbished for the 2022 season and you will find every modern comfort within its 19th century walls.


At the base of an idyllic valley, flanked by some of the country's most recognisable mountain peaks, life at Hotel Union Oye revolves around outdoor activities during the day followed by relaxation in the garden, cocktails in the bar and a dinner with far-reaching views down the valley.



[Explore Hotel](#)



DE HISTORISKE  
Historiske hoteller & restauranter



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**62°NORD is a masterclass in many things**

- Monocle

# WILD NORDIC CUISINE REPLENISH

Our executive chefs draw their inspiration from the surrounding countryside to create dishes that celebrate the region.

The forests are abundant with (venison, boar?) wild herbs, mushrooms and berries while the fjords and ocean are teeming with marine life. Depending on the season, you can expect freshly caught cod, halibut, salmon, oysters, lobster and crab. Drawing on ancient methods of fire cooking, smoking and preserving, each meal celebrates Nordic Cuisine in a way that combines modern menus with local produce and age-old traditions.

And you won't be missing out when you're on the road, either. Whether it's freshly brewed coffee at a local café, lunch at an apple farm or tea and pancakes in an old farmstead, our strategic pitstops will keep you fuelled and happy.



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You haven't experienced  
Norway unless you have  
experienced it with 62°NORD

- Dominic Purvis, Luxury travel consultant



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FJORDS  
FROM THE  
AIR

THE QUEEN ROUTE

# TROLLSTIGEN

The Trollstigen, the Troll Wall, is the tallest vertical rock face in Europe, famed among iconic climbers and extreme athletes, and the fitting setting for the Queen Stage of your trip.

The Trollstigen climb is as dramatic as it is challenging, comprising 18 switchbacks that weave their way back and forth in front of a thundering waterfall. At the top, a lookout point at 800m offers you a chance to relive the climb and to take sensational photos of your achievement.

After a gentler section brings you to the peak, a wonderful reward awaits you – a 40km descent through the Valdalen valley. Flanked by cliffs on either side and enveloped in the calm of the forests, you'll barely touch the pedals as you make your way back down to the still waters of the fjord.

WATCH THE  
TROLLSTIGEN  
CLIMB



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A group of cyclists is riding on a paved road that leads into a valley. The road is flanked by trees with autumn foliage on the right and a white house and a red barn on the left. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains under a cloudy sky. The scene is captured from a low angle, looking down the road.

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The best bicycle climb  
I have experienced in my life.

- Justin Clarke, Former pro cyclist and travel company CEO.



6DAYS – 400KM – 2500M

# ITINERARY

## Day 1

The approach to Alesund gives a small glimpse to the adventure ahead. From the window of your aircraft, you'll witness an intricate web of peaks thousands of feet high intersected by crystal clear fjords. Drivers will welcome you and bring you directly to Storfjord Hotel, where we will arrange a welcome cocktail for you at the Lavvu, a traditional Sami tent erected deep in the pine forest surrounding the hotel. Here you will have the chance to meet your guide, who will give you an overview of the riding and explain some of the highlights of the trip ahead.

## Day 2

After a gentle 5km spin you will board a ferry that will sail across the fjord to start the day's stage. After landing at Sykkylven, you will wind your way slowly up into the maze of peaks, relishing the clear air and Norwegian light. A lunch stop and cider-tasting will prepare you for the up for the next part of the adventure, exploring the Geiranger Fjord in fast RIB speedboats. When you reach Hellesylt, you'll be reunited with your bike, ready for the final section up and through the Norangsdal valley. After checking into Union Øye for a luxurious bath, you'll down to the Øye boathouse for a fireside barbecue by the fjord.

## Day 3

The crisp fresh air will clear away any cobwebs on the first part of the day's stage to the ferry at Leknes. After a short crossing, you'll roll off at Saebo, where you will work your way around a loop to the west and south, first working your way up a valley and then over a series of rolling hills, the perfect spot for challenging yourself and your companions! You'll rejoin Hjørundfjord at Viddal, where a boat will be ready to pick you up and deliver you to Union Øye to freshen up, enjoy a lazy lunch and spend an afternoon relaxing in this spectacular valley.

## Day 4

This day brings you a dramatic stage of two halves. The first takes you up out of the Hjørundfjord and round to the north, where a short climb will get keen riders out of the saddle and dancing on the pedals. After regrouping, you'll descend a long valley to a set of thrilling switchbacks that lead you to the fjord-side village of Store Standal. A well-earned burger lunch follows while you enjoy incredible views of the Norwegian Alps, before the second half of the stage sees the group speeding out of the Hjørundfjord to the Festøy finish where we will call it a day and take you back to Storfjord Hotel by boat.

## Day 5

The Queen Stage of your trip begins with a helicopter flight. You'll be dropped off at the start of a steady approach to the Trollstigen, Europe's tallest vertical rock face. 1100m high, you will need to overcome 18 switchback corners to conquer the climb. Working back and forth across it, you'll be followed by the support vehicle in case you need any gels – or to shed a layer or two! The view from the top will make it all worthwhile, while the 40km descent on the other side will be one of the highlights of the whole trip. Our boats will be waiting for you at Valdalen, ready to transfer you back to Storfjord Hotel where we will have celebratory drinks at the Boathouse on the fjord.

## Day 6

The last wind-down stage is a quick 40km loop to work the hills and fjords out of your legs and to give you a last chance to ride with your group – although you always have the choice of a treatment at our spa or just relaxing in the idyllic surroundings beside the fjord. Shuttles will take you to Vigra airport and as your flight climbs away, we hope the view of the mountains and fjords will be a lasting reminder of your two-wheeled adventure with 62 NORD!

\*ITINERARY CAN BE CHANGED TO INCORPORATE DIFFERENT GOALS OF THE GROUP. PLEASE GET IN TOUCH TO ENQUIRE ABOUT CHANGES



# ADVENTURE DETAILS

GUESTS: Max 12 on ride  
PRICE: NOK 69 000 pps\*  
FITNESS: Able Cyclist  
DAILY DISTANCEY: ± 80km\*\*



## INCLUDED

- All accommodation at 62°NORD hotels
- All meals and soft drinks
- All transfers (road and water)
- Helicopter flight to Trollstigen
- Top of the range Fara bicycles
- Bicycle guides and mechanic
- Support vehicle

## EXCLUDED

- Individual travel insurance
- Commercial flights to and from Ålesund, Norway
- Cycling clothing
- Alcoholic beverages
- E-bike upgrade available

\*Single Supplement NOK 10 000

\*\*PLEASE CONTACT THE 62°NORD TEAM FOR BESPOKE ITINERARIES



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# DEPARTURE DATES 2022

There will be 6 set departures that will take in the best out of each season.  
Contact us for bespoke trips if the available dates do not work for your party.  
We will do our best to find a time to work for your schedule.

## DATES

### Spring

- June 5 – June 10
- June 12 – June 17

### Summer

- Aug 21 – Aug 26
- Aug 28 – Sep 2

### Fall

- Sep 11 – Sep 16
- Sep 18 – Sep 22

## AVAILABILITY

12 pax

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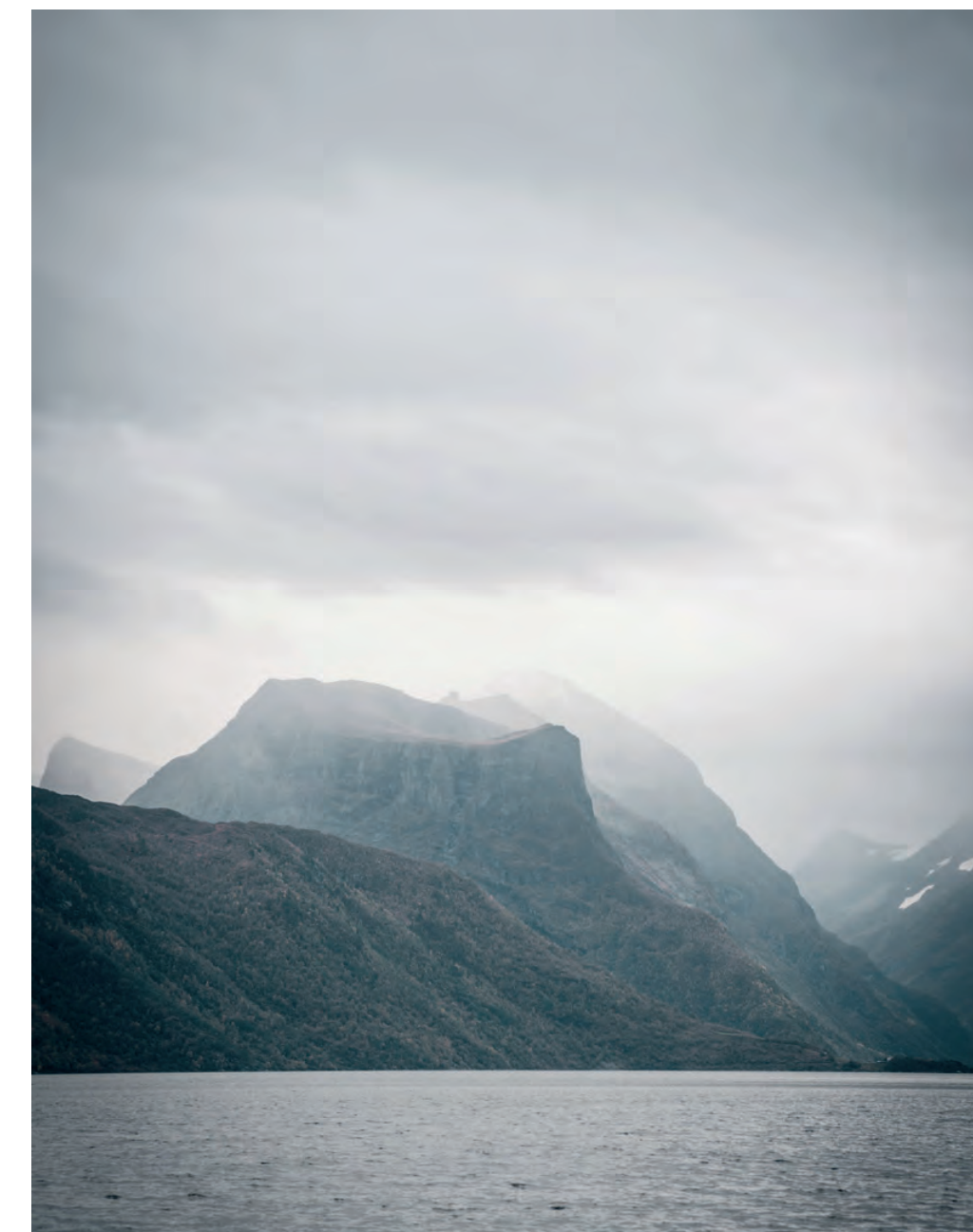
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