

Honningsvåg, Finnmark, Norway

The northernmost city in Norway sits at 71°N, where cruise ships dock steps from the harbor and the iconic North Cape cliff looms just 34 km away above the Arctic Ocean.

Pier (occasional tender for large ships)

Typical call: 6–8 hrs

NOK — Norway is virtually cashless

Norwegian (English widely spoken)

Midnight Sun: mid-May to late July

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier at Honningsvåg Havn (Storkaia), central location; rare tender for oversized calls

Best For: North Cape (Nordkapp), king crab feasts, WWII history, Arctic birdwatching

Walk to center: 2–5 min from gangway to Storgata shops and restaurants

Don't Miss: The globe monument at Nordkapp and fresh king crab pulled from the Barents Sea

Getting around: **Taxi** 150–300 NOK within town; ~1,600 NOK round-trip to North Cape (up to 4 people)

TOP THINGS TO DO

- North Cape (Nordkapp)** — Stand at the sheer 307-metre cliff at the top of Europe and pose with the globe monument.
- King Crab Safari** — Head out by boat to haul up traps packed with giant Red King Crabs from the cold Barents Sea, then sit down to a feast of fresh crab at a rustic...
- Bird Safari — Gjesværstappan** — Boat tour from the fishing village of Gjesvær to one of Norway's largest seabird colonies: puffins, razorbills, guillemots, and white-tailed sea...
- Nordkappmuseet (North Cape Museum)** — Right on the harbor, this museum covers Magerøya's history, the rise of Arctic tourism, and the devastating German scorched-earth retreat of 1944...
- Storefjell Hike** — A moderately steep trail starting near the church climbs to panoramic views over Honningsvåg harbor, your ship, and the surrounding fjord landscape.

BEST WALKS

- Harbor Town Stroll** 30–45 min · Flat · Free — Walk Storgata from the pier to Honningsvåg Church (1885, one of the only buildings to survive WWII), find the Bamse statue on the harbor front, and browse local...
- Storefjell Summit Hike** 1.5–2 hrs · Moderate ascent · Free — Follow the trail behind Honningsvåg Church up Storefjell for sweeping Arctic views of the harbor, fjord, and your cruise ship far below.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		35°	29°	16d
Jun		48°	42°	15d
Aug		54°	47°	13d
Sep		49°	43°	15d
Oct		40°	35°	15d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 4:04AM–8:31PM · Sep 5:27AM–6:52PM · Oct 7:35AM–4:26PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Layer up, always. Even in July, North Cape can be freezing, windy, and foggy while Honningsvåg town is mild. Pack a windproof jacket, hat, and gloves regardless of your ship's departure port.
- Norway is cashless. Leave the NOK at home — every shop, restaurant, bus, and taxi accepts Visa/Mastercard. AMEX is less widely accepted.
- Book North Cape transport early. The public Nordkappekspressen bus (Line 406) fills fast; rental cars on Magerøya are extremely scarce. If you miss a ship excursion, book alternatives before departure.
- Check the North Cape webcam before making the 34 km drive — thick fog can drop visibility to zero at the globe monument even on a sunny day in town.
- King crab is the local delicacy. Fresh Red King Crab from the Barents Sea is served at the King Crab House (Storgata 1a) — worth every krone.
- Midnight Sun mid-May to late July. The sun never sets — shops and tours run late. A surreal experience at the North Cape cliff.

Honningsvåg, Finnmark, Norway — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1 Honningsvåg Church** Historic wooden church, Honningsvåg's only building surviving WWII.
- 3 North Cape Experience** Visitor center at North Cape cliff with exhibitions, shop, and restaurant.
- P Cruise port / terminal**

- 2 Nordkappmuseet** Local museum detailing North Cape history, fishing, and Arctic life.
- 4 Nordkappin portaat** Stairs leading to the iconic North Cape Globe monument.