

Jondal, Vestland, Norway

One of the Hardangerfjord's quietest ports, Jondal trades tourist bustle for cherry orchards, an outsized church, and a glacier you can ski in July.

Tender port

Typical call: 5–7 hrs

NOK (cards widely accepted)

Norwegian / English spoken

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: Arrive: All aboard:

Excursion: Notes:

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Jondal Guest Harbour (village centre)
Best For: Quiet fjord scenery, summer glacier skiing, Hardanger embroidery

Walk to centre: 1–2 min from tender dock
Don't Miss: Jondal Church — the 'Hardanger Cathedral' — and a drive to Folgefonna Glacier

Getting around: Taxi NOK 200–550 (~\$19–\$52 USD) · Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Summer Skiing on Folgefonna Glacier** — Drive 45 minutes up a winding mountain road to Fonna Glacier Ski Resort, where you can ski or snowboard at 1,200 m elevation with fjord views below...
- Hardangerfjord Kayaking** — Paddle the glassy fjord at water level, surrounded by towering peaks and waterfalls.
- Baroniet Rosendal Day Trip** — Norway's only barony — a 1665 manor castle with a Renaissance rose garden and a dramatic waterfall backdrop, about an hour from Jondal.
- Jondal Church & Village Walk** — The 'Hardanger Cathedral' seats about 500 in a village of around 400 — its scale is remarkable.
- Hardanger Cider Tasting** — The Hardanger region is Norway's apple heartland.

BEST WALKS

- Village Heritage Walk** 1–2 km · 30–45 min · Easy · Free — From the guest harbour, walk to Jondal Church, admire the 19th-century wooden houses, and end at the local café for a pastry with Hardanger apple jam.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		48°	35°	14d
Jun		65°	52°	16d
Aug		65°	54°	21d
Sep		61°	50°	18d
Oct		51°	42°	21d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:17AM–8:54PM · Jun 4:08AM–11:02PM · Aug 5:48AM–9:28PM · Sep 7:03AM–7:55PM · Oct 8:15AM–6:24PM

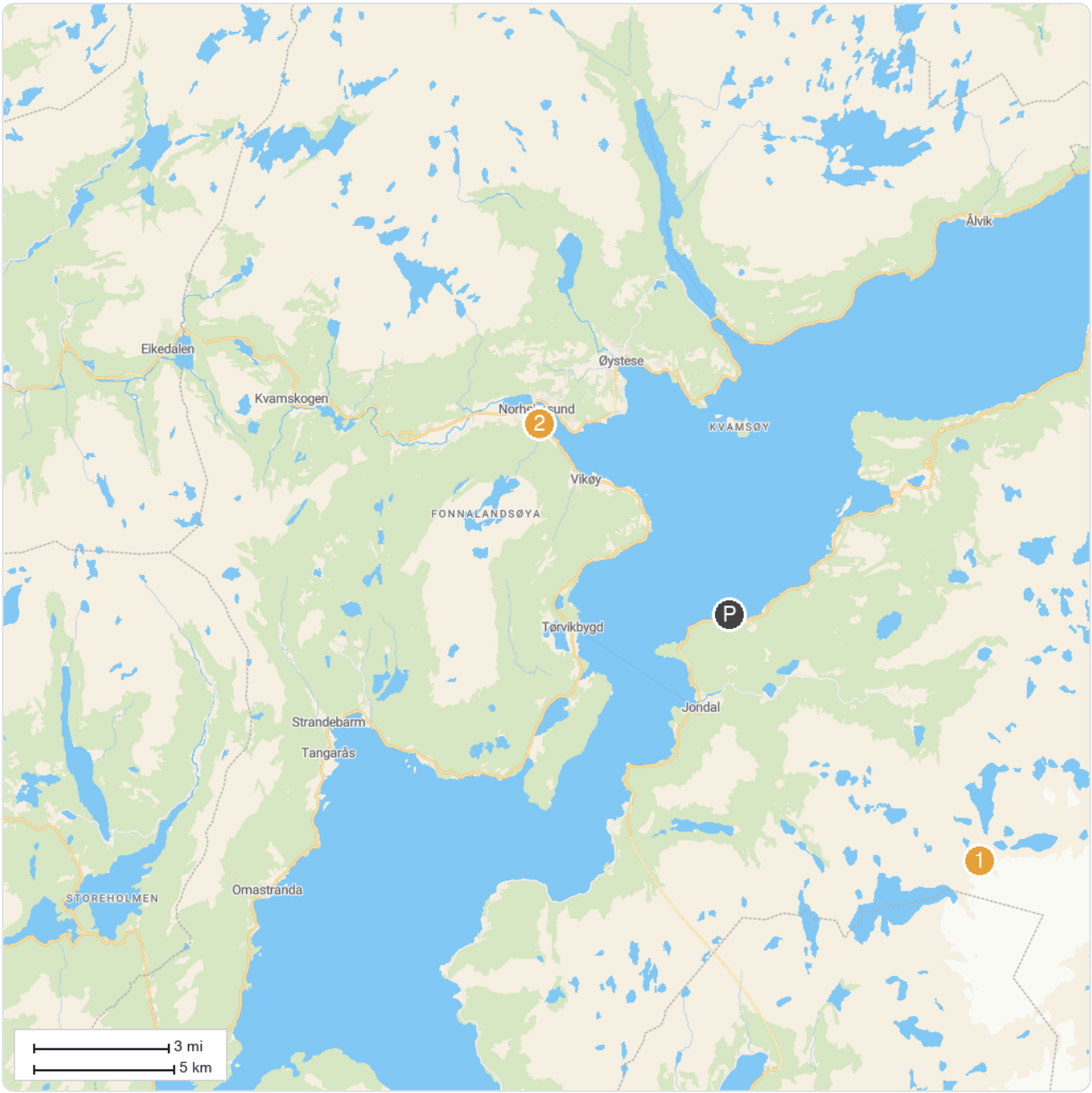
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Dress in layers for the glacier. Even in July, temperatures at Folgefonna can drop near freezing — bring a windproof jacket if heading uphill.
- Leave the cash at home. Norway is practically cashless — cards are accepted for coffee, postcards, and everything in between.
- Pre-book glacier transport. Taxis in Jondal are scarce. Book excursion buses or private transfers in advance — don't count on finding one on the dock.
- Try something local. Jondal sits in Norway's orchard belt — pick up local cider, cherry jam, or a pastry made with Hardanger fruit from the village café.
- The church is worth a look inside. Jondalskyrkja's ~500-seat capacity in a roughly 400-person village tells a story — entry is free and it's 5 minutes from the tender dock.
- Sunday closures apply. Norwegian law restricts retail on Sundays. Souvenir shops and cafes may be open, but the grocery store will likely be shut.

Jondal, Vestland, 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 Steinsdalsfossen

Walk behind this impressive waterfall without getting wet.

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Hardanger Maritime Centre

Explore traditional boat building and Hardanger's maritime heritage.

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Cruise port / terminal