

# HARSTAD The Arctic basecamp

Harstad is a region ideally placed between the fjords and mountain ranges in Northern Norway. With an abundance of activities and attractions ranging from historical and cultural tours with Harstad's vast background to spectacular outdoor experiences in the brazen nature of Northern Norway.

Go hiking along one of the many scenic routes, and explore the archipelago on your own or just relax in one of the inspiring spots throughout the region. Enjoy the arctic lights of the Midnight Sun or Northern Lights that Northern Norway is known for. With focus on local cuisine, culture, and stunning nature, accompanied by a high focus on safety and sustainability, the Harstad region is ready to offer once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

# ATTRACTIONS

#### The Trondenes Peninsula

Visit the historical heart of Harstad, Trondenes peninsula. This area has historical importance for both Harstad and Norway. Here we find the worlds northernmost stone church from the late Middle Ages. Trondenes church was once one of the wealthiest churches north of Trondheim and is said to have had a direct link to the archbishop in Barcelona. In the museum, only two minutes' walk from the church, you learn about the Vikings of Trondenes and life in the area during Medieval times, as well as the effects of World War II in Harstad and the surrounding area. This is truly a tour that will give you the best of history in the Harstad region.

#### **Fishing Tours**

Join a fishing tour in Harstad and make the catch of your lifetime. Your skipper and guide will bring you to good fishing grounds and with propper equipment it shoud just be a question of time until you pull up a pollock, wolffish or arctic cod. While you wait your bait being taken for real down there in the water the guide can introduce you to "hail" and talk about the close by mating grounds for the greenland shark.

## Polar Park Arctic - Wildlife Centre

Polar Park is the world's northernmost wildlife park and one of Northern Norway's most popular tourist attractions. With its 114 acres of natural habitat, it houses arctic animals such as wolve, brown bear.

lynx, wolverine, moose, reindeer, muskox and arctic fox. During the summer there is also a farm animal enclosure for the children to enjoy and interact with the animals. Guided tour of the park followed by a lunch in the cafe. Kissing with the wolf as a staggering attraction is also available for extra price.

# Røkenes ranch - Gem of the North

Wonderful scenery, beautiful old houses with atmosphere which makes one feel like home kept through many generations of the same family, an incredible hospitality, professional cuisine with the tastiest home-cooked food. paintings and art gallery - all in one single trip.



#### Caving in the Troll Church

Come join us for an exciting and spectacular caving experience to the Troll church at Evenes. Here all our guests receive the necessary safety equipment and instructions before we start rappelling down and into the cave. On your way down you will hear stories about the cave's history, what has been found in this cave like remains of a bears and fish, and of people who were there during the ice age. Suddenly you will find yourself in the church hall/ sacristy. This room inside the mountain is 15 meters from floor to roof and can house 100 people.

#### Hiking

Position: N S

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Norwegians love to be outside and show guests how beautiful nature is all year round. Harstad is surounded by mountains that offer a superb panoramic view over the city, fiords, sounds and close by islands. Together with your guide you will do stops on the way up to the top. He will explain which animals live in the erea and show vou plants and flowers. If its the right time to pick berrys you are most welcome to do so.

#### Destination INFORMATION

Tidal movement: 2.5-3 m

Max size: 300/350

PORT SERVICES

Tugboats: Yes, if ordered

ANCHORAGE/ TENDER (YES OR NO)

ISPS vYes

Snowshoeing

**City Center** 

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Distance from pilot station: Lødingen-Harstad 33 N. mil and Harstad – Andenes 39 N.mil Pilot channel: ch. 13 Port VHF channel: ch.12 Barents Watch: https://www.barentswatch.no/ohoi/ point/16.54414 68.80112

# Destination INFORMATION

Website: www.northup.no E-mail: post@northup.no Phone: +47 950 79 800 Location : Torvet 1A, 9405 Harstad, Norway Local Guide service: Yes Wich languages: NO / DE. FR and SP in limited numbers

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Photo Cecilia Henningsen- The Northern Lights

During winter snowshoeing is a great way to get out into the nature, so let's put snowshoes on your feet and lets head for THE top! A very popular tour in the Harstad region is Keipen, and we know why! With medium input you get a spectacular view down to the nearby fjords and mountains. From here we get the most amazing panorama view over Toppsundet, Kasfjord and Andfjord. On the other side we see towards the steep mountains of Grytøya.

From the city center dock it's only a few minutes until you're right in the heart of Harstad city center. Here you will find everything from urban experiences, coffee, food, souvenirs, two shopping centers, harbor promenade and old buildings. Here you will also find tourist information, helpful residents and much more. In December you can enjoy a large Christmas tree in the middle of the square filled with Christmas lights.



Photo Dag Roland - Panoramic tour Keiper

### Sea Safaris

Join an exhilarating high-speed boat ride through the arctic archipelago surrounding Harstad. Once vou are fitted with a weatherproof suit your RIB adventure begins, taking you from Harstad city center out to through the archipelago. Along the way you learn about how this area has been inhabited after the last ice age, and of course did Vikings live here as well, in fact a very powerful chieftain. Your captain will furthermore share his knowledge about the birds nesting in this area. Making a brief stop along Sundsvoll Strait nature reserve. you may get the opportunity to see kittiwakes, eagles and other bird life sitting on the cliff sides

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Location: Sjøgata 3, 9405 Harstad, Norway

Wich languages: NO / EN: DE FR and SP on request

Designated cruise quay: Larsneset

Maximum ship length: 300 m Maximum ship draft: 9,5 m Maximum beam: no limitation Maximum air draft · no limitation Bollard strength (certification): 100-150- ton

# Yes

Ship tenders allowed: On request Type of bottom: Sand/gravel

Gangway available: 8-9,3 m

Bunkers delivery: Yes, Truck/Trailer/Barge Waste handling: Yes, if ordered Grey water Yes, if ordered

**SUSTAINABILITY** 

Shore Power: Low voltage being planned in 2024 EPI: Yes ESI: Yes Max ship per day: 1 Restrictions in harbour: No cruiseships larger than 150 m between 06 am-09 am Sustainable activities: cruise excursions/info: https://harstadhavn.no/tjenester/passasjerer-ogcruise/priser/ Harstad is a sheltered harbour

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Terminal/Restrooms in pier area: No Parking place for buses: 10 - 12 parking places Public transportation close by port: Yes, about 150 m from pier area Distance from port to airport: 44,5 km Distance from port to city centre: About 150 m Distance from port to nearest hospital: 1.2 km



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Max Ship size