



Explore Ashore

Oslo, Norway

Port information

Currency

The currency in Oslo is the Norwegian Krone. Major credit and debit cards are widely accepted.

Language

The language spoken in Oslo is Norwegian.

Getting around

Distance to Town

There are a couple of different docking options in Oslo, but most are pretty close and very convenient location. All docks are about 1 km from the Karl Johan Gate (main street). Please check the Cruise News for further information on docking location.

Main Highlights

Oslo is the capital city and most populous city in Norway with just over 600.000 inhabitants. When walking in Oslo you can see that everything is so well thought out. The way that the city is with its main street Karl Johan, pedestrian area, with its ambiance and architecture.

There is a hop on hop off bus available in Oslo. It doesn't matter where you dock, these guys will make it work to pick you up. Hop on hop off bus is quit a nice way to get around the city. If you are planning to visit the place out of the city center this is a nice way to do it. Buy your ticket on the pier and hop on. The bus is wheelchair accessible. Keep in mind though that sometimes this service tends to sell more tickets than they have capacity and that could mean you might have to stand for a long time at a stop for the next available bus.

The main street of Oslo, Karl Johan Gate, is about 1 km walk from the dock. This pedestrian street runs all the way from Central Station to the Royal Palace. If you are looking for an easy day in Oslo and want to see a couple of main highlights: make sure to walk this street from beginning to end. Or if you are looking for a good day of shopping, this is for sure the street to start on.

At the end of the main street Karl Johan Gate you will find the Royal Palace. In summer time the palace is open to the public, but only for guided tours. It is advised to pre-buy the tickets. Gustav Vigeland is one of the most famous Norwegian artists. For the last 20 years of his life he worked on 212 bronze and granite statues that he left to the city of Oslo. Visit the Vigeland (or Frogner Park) to witness his truly beautiful statues. Take tram 12 or hop on hop off bus to get there.

The **Oslo city hall** is one of the most impressive buildings in the city. Make sure to pay an inside visit.

Find the **flower market at Stortovet** next to the Oslo Cathedral in the city centre. Have a stroll over this market to get your new inspiration. The flower market is about 1 km walk.

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Most of the times your ships docks in front of the Akershus fortress. Make sure to visit this wonder premises. Whoever would rule Akershus would rule Norway. It is a medieval castle that was build in 1290 to protect Oslo. It has been many thing ever since and that is something that you will discover as you go from museum to museum that are all located in the fortress

Holmenkollen ski jump, The jump itself is already impressive from the parking lot, let along from all the way at the top, but also the museum is definatly worth it. Take the metro or taxi to get up and enjoy the spectacular views over Oslo and surrounding area. The network of trams in Oslo is extensive. Especially line 12 is a usefull one because it goes to the Vigeland park. Pick it up at central station or at the city hall. At the harbour you will find the Nobel Peace Centre. It is a museum about the Nobel Peace Prize. It tells the story of Alfred Nobel and the Peace Prize laureates and their engaged and groundbreaking work. The museum also has changing exhibitions that provide insight into the fields of war, peace and conflict resolution.

The National Museum exists of several locations throughout the city. The National Gallery, Museum of Decorative Arts and Design, Museum of Contemporary Art and National Architecture museum and more are all part of the National Museum. If you appreciate art this is definitely the place to put on your list.

Scandinavia is famous its **ice bars** and we feel you at least have to visit one in your life. In Oslo you will find Magic Ice. It is a bar where everything is made of ice; the bar, your chair, your glass. Find it in the city centre of Oslo, just off the main street. It is about 1,5 km walk from port.

Ekebergparken, This new attractions in Oslo is the perfect combination of nature, art and history. Go for a scenic walk in the park and find beautiful sculptures that represent European art history of the last 130 years. At this point you will find about 31 sculptures here, but more will come. The park is about 3,5 km east of the port. Take tram 18 or 19 to Ekebergparken or bus 34 or 74 to Ekenberg camping.

For any more information about going ashore, pass by the Destination Services Centre, located on Deck 5. We are always happy to help, to help you make the most of your time ashore.

Essential information

Tourist information

Currently there is no tourist information bureau available in port. You will find the main facility is behind the city hall. Their service is absolutely suburb.

Internet access

Many cafes and restaurants in Oslo offer WiFi access.

Shopping

PLEASE NOTE: As with all tourist destinations please keep a close eye on valuables Oslo's main shopping areas are Grünerløkka and the city center. Grünerløkka is the place to go for vintage and quirky boutiques. In the city center, you'll find the customary high-end brands ranging from H&M to Louis Vuitton. Several small shopping centers sit in the heart of Oslo, along with dedicated shopping streets like Skovveien and Bogstadveien.

Interesting fact, Oslo chefs are credited with more Michelin stars per head than any other city in Europe. Move over Paris!

Your Destination Services team would like to wish you an enjoyable day in Oslo.