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Highlights include:

- ◆ Specially arranged lecture by Nick Card, Ness of Brodgar's director and head archaeologist.
- ◆ Excursion to the prehistoric site of Jarlshof on Scotland's remote Shetland Islands, a UNESCO Global Geopark.
- ◆ Visit to the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Bryggen and a specially arranged tour of Trolldhaugen, home of Edvard Grieg.
- ◆ Specially arranged ride on Norway's FLÅM RAILWAY—one of the world's most scenic rail journeys.



FLÅM RAILWAY



Guest Speaker Nick Card

Nick Card is an Honorary Research Fellow of the University of the Highlands and Islands, a Member of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, a Fellow of the Society of Antiquarians of Scotland, a Member of Heart of Neolithic Orkney World Heritage Site Research Committee, Chair of the Ness of Brodgar Trust, and Vice President of the American Friends of the Ness of Brodgar.

9 DAY ITINERARY

- 1 Depart home city
- 2 Glasgow, Scotland/Embark LE DUMONT-D'URVILLE (D)
- 3 Fort William for the Scottish Highlands (B,L,R,D)
- 4 Kyle of Lochalsh/Isle of Skye (B,L,D)
- 5 Kirkwall, Orkney Islands, for Ring of Brodgar and Skara Brae (B,L,D)
- 6 Lerwick, Shetland Islands, for Jarlshof (B,L,D)
- 7 Cruising Sognefjord/ FLÅM RAILWAY (B,L,D)
- 8 Bergen, Norway (B,L,R,D)
- 9 Bergen/Disembark ship/ Return to home city (B)



Portree, Isle of Skye



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Dear Traveler,

I invite you to **join AIA lecturer and host Colleen Batey on this magnificent cruise from Scotland to Norway**, visiting remote destinations forever linked by their Viking heritage. Embark (and unpack just once) your **five-star ship with only 92 suites and staterooms**, each with a private balcony, providing all the luxury and sophistication of a fine hotel.

Dr. Batey will be part of a **team of onboard experts** who together will offer a **series of lectures and informal discussions**. This specially-designed itinerary follows the stepping stones of Scottish and Nordic civilizations during **the best time of year, when the weather is mild and the days are long**—a rare voyage accomplished only aboard a small ship cruising into smaller ports where larger vessels cannot venture.

Journey from dynamic Glasgow to charming Bergen, where rows of colorful, gabled houses on the historical Bryggen waterfront evoke the city's past as a center of Hanseatic League trade. Traverse the Tolkienesque lands of the **Scottish Highlands**, and cruise to Scotland's **Orkney and Shetland Islands**. Learn more about the islands' fascinating Neolithic history from **guest lecturer and renowned archaeologist Nick Card**, noted for his incredible commitment to research in the region. Marvel at the Neolithic standing stones of the **Ring of Brodgar**; the 5,000-year-old village of **Skara Brae**; and the settlement of **Jarlshof**, revealing layers of thousands of years of human history. Navigate the ancient shipping lanes of the Vikings and gain an intimate perspective of Norway's spectacular mountain landscape aboard the **FLÅM RAILWAY**, one of the world's most scenic train rides. A pre-cruise extension in Edinburgh and Glasgow, and a post-cruise extension in Norway and Copenhagen, are also available.

We are sharing this voyage with other organizations, so this exclusive travel program is expected to sell out quickly. I urge you to reserve your space now, while early booking savings are still available.

Sincerely,

Lauren Cummings
Education & Program Manager, AIA Tours
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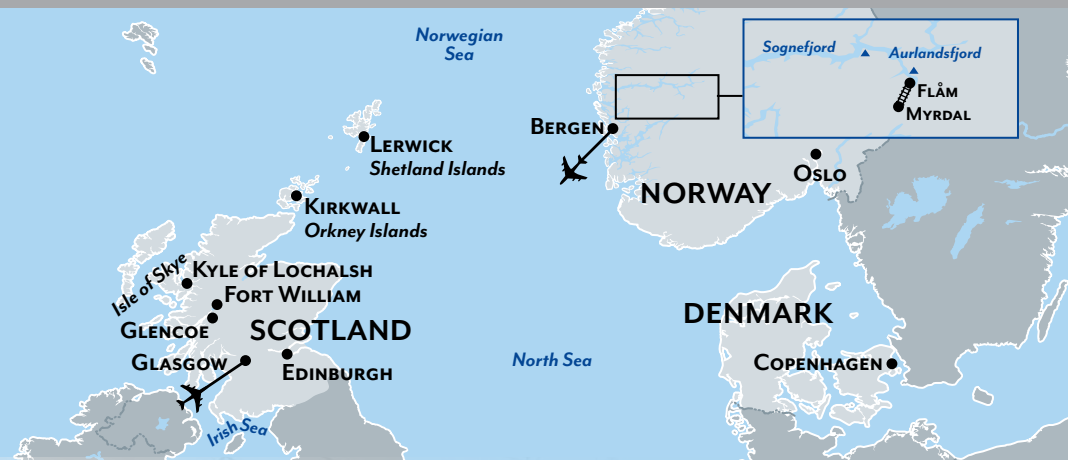
Archaeological Institute of America lecturer and host Colleen Batey (Ph.D., U. of Durham) recently retired from the University of Glasgow, Scotland. She now holds honorary positions at the University of the Highlands and Islands; University of Durham; and Hunter College, New York. For the past 40 years Colleen has been involved in research on the Viking Age in Scotland, Scandinavia, and the North Atlantic, both as director of excavations and teacher. Since 2004, she has combined her research interests with expedition cruising – as expedition team member and as guest lecturer – travelling extensively throughout the world of the Vikings from the Black Sea to Canada. This has included six prior AIA-sponsored cruises in the North Atlantic and the Baltic Sea. Colleen was the British coordinator of Viking loan material for the highly successful Smithsonian exhibition *Vikings: The North Atlantic Saga*, which toured widely in the U.S. starting in 2000 and attracted several million visitors throughout its run. More recently she was an academic advisor for a PBS/BBC program “Uncovering the Vikings,” which aired in early 2016. Colleen has published extensively, both books and journal articles. She is now based in Orkney, and her 18th-century home has stunning views of Scapa Flow!

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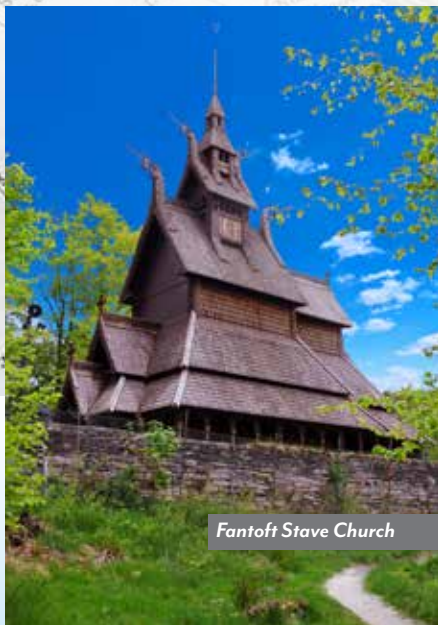
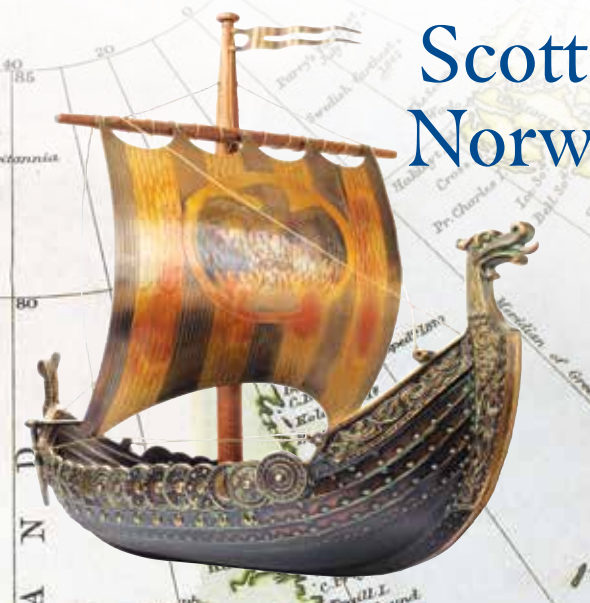
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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Scottish Clans and Norwegian Vikings



Fantoft Stave Church

The Men of the North were cast as barbarians who plundered their way across the known world during the enigmatic Viking Age, which prevailed for almost 300 years between the 8th and 11th centuries. They sailed on dragonships from Norway to settle in Scotland around A.D. 800—in Jarlshof on the Shetland Islands and in the Hebrides, where over one hundred villages are still known by their originally settled Norse names, solidifying the enduring historic link between Norway's Vikings and Scotland's clans. Some of Scotland's best-known clans—the Clan Donald and Clan MacLeod—came from Norse ancestry, influencing the distinct dialects still spoken today on the Orkney and Shetland Islands. The nuances and rich histories of these two complex and deeply intertwined cultures await your discovery across these verdant and storied lands.





DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

Depart home city

Friday, June 9

Glasgow, Scotland/ Embark the ship

Saturday, June 10

Arrive in Glasgow, where the indelible mark of Viking conquest still permeates the culture, and embark the five-star LE DUMONT-D'URVILLE. Depart Glasgow accompanied by traditional melodies from a Scottish bagpiper.

Fort William for the Scottish Highlands

Sunday, June 11

In Glenfinnan, see the Glenfinnan Viaduct, immortalized by the *Harry Potter* film series, and the Glenfinnan Monument commemorating the Jacobite Highlanders that rallied against King George II. See Neptune's Staircase, the longest staircase lock in Britain and an incredible feat of engineering. Explore Glencoe, one of Scotland's most scenic landscapes. Attend the Captain's Welcome Reception on board the ship this evening.

Kyle of Lochalsh/ Isle of Skye

Monday, June 12

Visit Eilean Donan Castle, one of the world's most recognized castles—located on a little island where three sea lochs meet in the midst of some of Scotland's most dramatic scenery. Travel through the

beautiful Cullin Mountains to the Isle of Skye's scenic coastal capital of Portree.

Kirkwall, Orkney Islands, for Ring of Brodgar and Skara Brae

Tuesday, June 13

This morning, the director and head archaeologist of the Ness of Brodgar site, Nick Card, will provide insight on this impressive ancient compound that lies outside of Kirkwall. Visit the Neolithic Heartland of Orkney, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and view the ceremonial Stones of Stenness and the Ring of Brodgar henge. Continue to the early Orcadian settlement of Skara Brae, then visit St. Magnus Cathedral,

also known as the "Light of the North." Hear the iconic sounds of a Scottish bagpiper as you reboard the ship in Kirkwall. This evening, enjoy a storyteller's performance of traditional Scottish tales.

Lerwick, Shetland Islands, for Jarlshof

Wednesday, June 14

Dock in Lerwick and transfer to the island's southernmost point. Visit the archaeological site of Jarlshof, pending UNESCO designation. See the remains of more than 4,000 years of human history, including an Iron Age brooch and wheelhouse; late Neolithic stone houses; a Bronze Age village; Norse longhouses; a medieval farmstead; and a 16th-century laird's house.



Ruins at Jarlshof



Cruising Sognefjord, Norway/ FLÅM RAILWAY Thursday, June 15

Cruise Sognefjord, passing traditional farmsteads and villages flanked by soaring mountains and glaciers.

This afternoon, board the FLÅM RAILWAY, one of the world's most scenic train journeys, traveling 13 miles through 20 tunnels to Myrdal's mountaintop station.

Watch as mountains and waterfalls—including the awe-inspiring Kjosfossen—unfold along this branch of the world-renowned Bergen Line alongside intriguing hamlets.

Bergen Friday, June 16

In Bergen, stroll the grounds of Troidhaugen, the summer home of famed Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg. Visit the Fantoft Stavkirke, a 12th-century wooden

stave church, noted for its durable post and lintel construction. Take a walking tour of the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Bryggen, Bergen's historic waterfront. Attend the Captain's Farewell Reception this evening.

Bergen/ Disembark the ship/ Return to home city Saturday, June 17



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