

Finding Norway's **best kept secrets by car**



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Ready to find some of Norway's most impressive hidden gems? Then explore the open road with us, @eliasandkajsa, travellers with a love for epic landscapes. From the breathtaking panoramas of Romsdalseggen to the pinch-me beauty of Romsdalen Valley, every stop on this road trip promises inspiring views and unforgettable experiences.



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Stop 1

Romsdalseggen

The panoramic views of the fjords and mountains on the Romsdalseggen hiking trail were breathtaking. It's a challenging trek, but every step is worth it for those stunning vistas. Such rewarding peaks to conquer!



Stop 2

Romsdalsgondola

The gondolas take you to the very top of Nesaksla, offering an ideal way to experience the beauty of the Romsdal Alps without the strenuous climb. Here, you can relax and enjoy the stunning views as you float above the majestic peaks and fjords.



Stop 3

Kløvstien Path

Walking the Kløvstien Path is like stepping back in time. The serene landscape and historical trails, long trodden by traders and farmers, are a peaceful escape from the usual tourist spots.



Stop 4

Rampestreken

We hiked to the Rampestreken viewpoint for a thrilling view from 537 meters above Åndalsnes. Standing on the ledge is exhilarating; it feels like you're floating over the fjord and town below.

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Stop 5

The Romsdalen Valley

Driving through the Romsdalen Valley was like being in a painting. The towering cliffs, lush green fields, and winding river created a scene so beautiful that it felt surreal. We pulled over several times just to take it all in.



Stop 6

Litlefjellet

Litlefjellet offers stunning views of Trollveggen, Europe's tallest vertical rock face. After a short hike, we were rewarded with the perfect vantage point to admire the dramatic cliffs and valleys below us.



Stop 7

Vermafossen Waterfall

We stumbled upon Vermafossen by chance, and it was magical. The waterfall was roaring, and we felt like we had it all to ourselves. It was a refreshing stop, perfect for soaking in nature's power before continuing our drive.



Stop 8

Jendemsfjellet

The hike up Jendemsfjellet was unexpectedly peaceful. We took our time, savoring the sweeping vistas of the fjords and mountains, feeling completely connected to the landscape. A true road trip highlight.



What to know before you go to Norway

What to Expect

Norway is known for its strong cultural heritage, including Viking history, traditional folk music, and outdoor life. Norwegians value nature and sustainability, and outdoor activities like hiking, skiing, and fishing are integral to life here. Norwegian cuisine emphasizes fresh, local ingredients. Seafood, especially salmon, cod, and herring, is central to the diet. Other specialties include reindeer, game meats, and traditional dishes like rakfisk (fermented fish) and lutefisk (dried fish reconstituted in lye).

Language

The official language is Norwegian, with two written forms: Bokmål and Nynorsk. English is widely spoken and understood throughout the country, especially in urban areas and among younger people. Most Norwegians are fluent in English, making it easy for travellers to communicate.

Currency

The official currency of Norway is the Norwegian Krone (NOK), often abbreviated as kr. Credit and debit cards are widely accepted, even for small purchases, and ATMs are readily available. However, it's still a good idea to carry some cash, especially in rural areas.

Time Zone

Norway operates on Central European Time (CET), which is UTC+1. During Daylight Saving Time, from the last Sunday in March to the last Sunday in October, the clocks move forward one hour to Central European Summer Time (CEST), or UTC+2.



Plug Adaptor

Norway uses Type C and F electrical outlets, with a standard voltage of 230V and a frequency of 50Hz. If your devices use a different plug type, you will need a plug adaptor.

Airport Locations

Oslo Gardermoen Airport (OSL):

The main international airport, located 35 km northeast of Oslo, serving as a hub for domestic and international flights.

Bergen Airport Flesland (BGO):

Situated 18 km southwest of Bergen, it is the second-busiest airport in Norway.

Stavanger Airport, Sola (SVG):

Located 14 km southwest of Stavanger, providing connections to both domestic and European destinations.

Trondheim Airport, Værnes (TRD):

Situated 32 km east of Trondheim, serving central Norway.

Tromsø Airport, Langnes (TOS):

Located 5 km northwest of Tromsø, serving as the main gateway to northern Norway and the Arctic.



Knowing the driving rules in **Norway**

Driving in Norway is straightforward, and roads are well-maintained and clearly signposted. However, if you're travelling during winter months, you should take extra precautions as road conditions can get affected by icy weather. As with neighbouring Scandinavian countries, Norwegians drive on the right side of the road. Seatbelts are mandatory for all passengers and using your mobile phone when driving is prohibited.

Here's our recommendations when driving in Norway in winter:

- Check the weather forecast and warnings before driving.
- Winter tyres are mandatory in Norway during winter.
- Keep a snow brush and ice scraper in your car and keep your car hood, roof, lights, and windows snow-free. Failing to do so will result in a fine.
- Stay on main roads to avoid unsalted or unploughed road conditions.
- Animal crossings are frequent, so watch out for warning signs.



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- A full, valid driving license
- An international driver's permit (check if you need this)
- Your passport
- A credit card for the deposit

Top cars to choose from in Norway*



Compact

Toyota Corolla Sedan
Ford Focus



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Ford Puma



Premium

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BMW 3 Series
Mercedes C Class

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