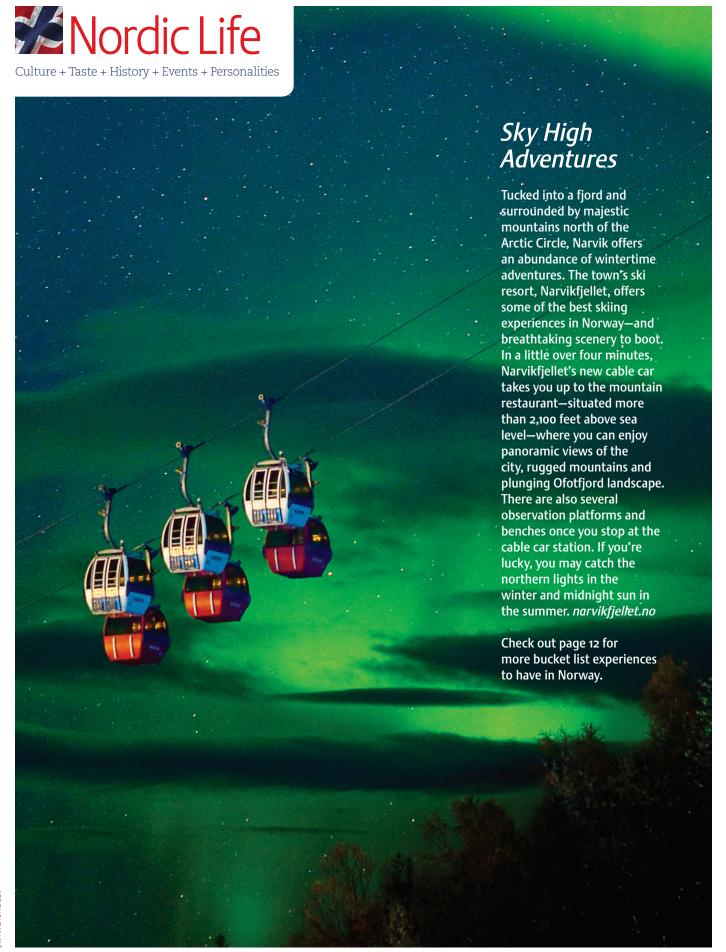
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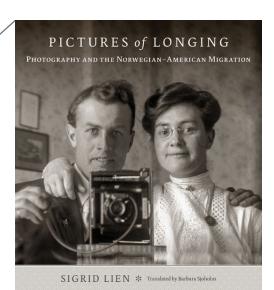






THE WORLD'S LARGEST PLUG-IN HYBRID SHIP

Norwegian ferry operator Color Line has launched *Color Hybrid*, the world's largest plugin hybrid ship. The nearly 525-foot-long vessel can carry 2,000 passengers and 500 cars on its 2.5-hour route between Sandefjord, Norway, and Strömstad, Sweden. Completed last summer, *Color Hybrid* boasts a battery pack that weighs 65 tons and can be charged in 1 hour using environmentally friendly power from port facilities. The ship uses excess heat from its engine and exhaust system for internal heating. In addition to cutting down on harmful gas emissions, the ship sails virtually silent and doesn't contribute to noise pollution.



Picturing the Past

In the 19th and early 20th century, over 750,000 Norwegians emigrated to North America. The book "Pictures of Longing: Photography and the Norwegian-American Migration" showcases more than 250 photographs from history's largest population migration. It unveils the images Norwegian immigrants sent home to family, visually sharing their migration experience and their new, developing American lives. Photos are presented alongside letters from the settlers to their relatives back home, displaying the many different stories of these immigrants. *upress.umn.edu*

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Jan. 16 Berkeley, Calif.

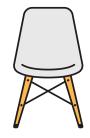
SVER's Epic Nordic Folk Fest

Folk bands SVER and Fru Skagerrak team up for a night of fiddleinfused music fit for tapping your feet or dancing in the aisle. thefreight.org

Jan. 22–24 Lillestrøm, Norway

Oslo Design Fair

With over 350 exhibitors displaying the latest styles in home décor, you're bound to be inspired by Norway's largest event for design professionals. oslodesignfair.no



Jan. 23 New York, N.Y.

Warm Romantic Music from the Far Cold North

Head to Scandinavia House for an evening of classical music, featuring works from Nordic and Russian composers performed by pianist Jeffrey Siegel. scandinaviahouse.org

Jan. 24–25 Oslo, Norway

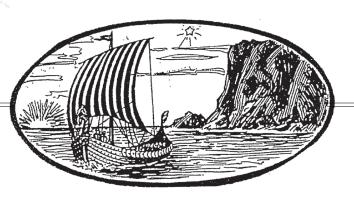
Interstate 20 – Oslo Americana Weekend

This global event for musicians and songwriters of Americana (music that infuses bluegrass, country and gospel) will include performances by Norwegian and international artists.

osloamericanaweekend.no

Looking Back

The original Sons of Norway logo dates back to 1904, when it appeared on the masthead of the *Sønner af Norge* magazine—an early predecessor of *Viking*. It featured the same elements still used in the logo today: a dragon-headed Viking ship and sea cliffs, with the North Star and midnight sun visible in the background.



Hornindalsvatnet is the deepest lake in Norway and all of Europe.



BERGEN'S NEW TUNNEL WILL SET RECORDS

The 1.8-milelong tunnel will run through the Løvstakken mountain near Bergen's new light rail line. Previously, the tunnel served as an emergency service route for the light rail. When it launches in 2023, the tunnel will save pedestrians and cyclists 3.4 miles as they travel between Fyllingsdalen and Bergen's city center. Emergency phones and surveillance cameras will be installed to help keep people safe while inside the tunnel.

Must-Have Travel Apps

Download these apps before your next trip to Norway.



 Norway Lights: This app gives a three-day forecast of the northern lights, tips for taking photos and information about the awe-inspiring light display.



• Outtt: Never get lost on the trails, thanks to this slick hiking app. An offline GPS will lead you through Norway's incredible wilderness, with guides for treks near Oslo, Bergen and more.



• In Sight Norway: This geography app will tell you the names of lakes, mountains and monuments when you point your phone at them.



Baahdy & Birdy: Let animals
 Baahdy and Birdy guide your
 children through Norway with
 interactive videos, storytelling
 and games linked to attractions
 across the country.



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