

ISLAND HOPPING

 2009



Solund – Bulandet – Værlandet

Travel by mail boat around the myriad of islands and through the narrow sounds of Solund.

Visit the idyllic village of Gåsvær and take a stroll around Bulandet, where you can enjoy a theme park, viewpoint and gallery.

Travel along the new North Sea Road (Nordsjøporten) from Bulandet to Værlandet, with 6 bridges connecting the islands furthest west in the mouth of the fjord. A round trip which offers you more!



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SOLUND

Solund is the westernmost island municipality in Norway, and the only municipality made up only of islands in the region of Sogn og Fjordane. The population today is around 900, with most living on the main islands of Sula and Ytre Sula. Fishing is the most important industry here, while Solund Verft is the largest industrial business with 58 employees working on slipping, maintenance, reconstruction and repair of ships. Solund is popular with boaters, with its exciting myriad of island, and also attracts numerous tourists looking for outdoor pursuits and fishing. The municipality also includes the westernmost island in Norway, Utvær, a popular destination for daytrips during the summer.

GÅSVÆR

Gåsvær is among the outermost islands of North Solund, far west out at sea between the Lågøy fjord and the Gåsværosen river outlet. The fishing banks are just off the island's coastline, and Gåsvær most probably has a long history of trade. In 1767, the island had both its own guesthouse and pub. Over the past century, the islanders have made their living from fishing and agriculture, and in more modern times, taking passengers over the waters and tourism. The oldest section of the characteristic main house dates back to the 18th century, while another section was built using timber from a shipwrecked sailing ship.

BULANDET

Bulandet is one of the most lively fishing villages in Norway. As opposed to many other small communities, the population here has actually grown over recent years. Today, there are around 270 residents, who mainly make their living from modern fisheries. The village has a wide range of facilities, including possibly Norway's westernmost art gallery. During the summer, Bulandet is a favourite spot for boaters and holiday makers staying in cottages and fisherman cabins. The name «Bulandet» comes from the numerous wharf side cabins here, known as «bu».

VÆRLANDET

Værlandet has a population of approximately 200. Fishing and fish farming are the most important industries, but both tourism and the export of high quality stone (greenstone breccia) to Italy are expanding. The Nordsjøløypa trail is a signposted walk across the island. The subsidiary path up to the Høgkletten viewpoint is marked and secured with chains. Væroyhamna is characterised by its picturesque wharfside buildings, while the variety of animal life in the Sørværet Nature Reserve means that on a good day you can catch sight of seals, otters, porpoises, eagles and deer. If you are an active type there are a number of good hiking paths on Værlandet, and it is not far to the majestic Alden Mountain, also known as the Norwegian Horse (den Norske Hesten). This great excursion at the mouth of the fjord will give you a fantastic panoramic view. You can also go riding and kayaking.

TIMETABLE – Season: Monday – Friday: 1th JUNE – 31th AUGUST

Askvoll	09.15 / 11.45	Ferry	Bergen	08.00	Expressboat
Værlandet	10.30 / 12.40	Bus	Krakhella	10.15	Bus
Bulandet	10.45 / 12.55		Hardbakke	10.50	Postboat
Bulandet	15.30		Gåsvær	12.30	
Gåsvær	16.00		Bulandet	13.30	
Hardbakke	17.20	Bus	Bulandet	15.50	Bus
Krakhella	18.20	Expressboat	Værlandet	16.15	Ferry
Askvoll	19.05		Askvoll	17.40	Expressboat
			Bergen	20.40	

This trip corresponds with the express boat to/from Bergen and can also be undertaken from Nordfjord or Sogn, with expressboat passing Askvoll and Rysjedalsvika.

TICKET PRICES: From Askvoll: A: NOK 592,- C: NOK 296,- OAP: NOK 453,-
From Bergen: A: NOK 1.173,- C: NOK 587,- OAP: NOK 744,-

BOOKING – Tourist Office:

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ROUND TRIP ATTRACTIONS AND SIGHTS

You can start off from the south via Krakhella, or from the north via Askvoll, corresponding with the express boat to/from Bergen.

When travelling from the south by express boat to Krakhella, you continue by bus to Hardbakke, the municipality centre for Solund. The bus stops at the harbour where the «Stjernesund» lays waiting

to take you on the postal itinerary between the islands of central Solund. This boat trip takes you mostly over calm waters passing through narrow sounds and by many small island treasures. If you're lucky, you might catch sight of porpoise, seal and even the white-tailed eagle! The boat stops off to make mail deliveries or if a passengers wishes to disembark. The most common ports of call are Lågøy, Litle Færøy, Ytrøygrend and Indrøy. The postal boat is the true lifeline for the islanders, linking the islands with the municipal centre. Once all the mail has been delivered, the trip continues to the idyllic fishing village of Gåsvær, to the west out at sea.

Gåsvær has 14 residents during the summer. The islanders make their living from fishing, taking passengers by boat, agriculture and tourism. The village has a history of enterprise with fishing for salmon, crab and lobster and collection of eider duck down. The islanders even had their own little pub at that time! Today, Gåsvær is an exotic idyll for holiday makers and fishing enthusiasts, and can house up to 20 guests in unique holiday apartments. Anne Marie Gåsvær Færøy and her family play host and have a warm welcome for all visitors. They will provide you with all the information you need, and have delicious snacks and coffee for sale.

With Gåsvær behind us, we continue over a stretch of open sea to Bulandet and Værøamdet in the municipality of Askvoll. Here you can take your time to wander around the idyllic village roads. Walk up to Halsøyhågen to get a marvellous view of the islands, visit Bulandet Theme Park with exhibitions from Bulandet past and present, and enjoy a delicious meal in Pernillestø or at the café at the Nikøy shop. Bulandet also has an art gallery, where you can purchase a souvenir of your island trip if you like. If you want to be sporty, you can rent a bicycle at the shop in Bulandet or Værlandet and cycle along the new Nordsjøporten road that links Bulandet and Værlandet. There are also a number of good walks in this area for those who enjoy hiking. Otherwise there is a bus to Værlandet and a ferry from Værlandet to Askvoll. From Askvoll an express boat will take you back to your starting point.

There is a daytrip folder for Bulandet, available on the ferry, the boat, at the tourist office or shop in Bulandet and Værlandet, which guides you easily and safely between the different sites.





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