As the capital of southern Norway, Kristiansand has become known as the city of flowers, rich on culture and traditions and with a "laid back" southern atmosphere. Founded in 1641, Kristiansand tends to pleasantly surprise its visitors to the city due to its easy access to the city centre with the fish market and the old town.

From Kristiansand visitors also have easy access to the unspoilt nature and can explore the rest of the region on foot or by coach. The citizens of Kristiansand are friendly and relaxed and the quaint city centre is easy to get to know, perfect for a one day stop as there is time to shop, walk around and check out some of the highlights.

**ATTRACTIONS/EXCURSIONS**

**Kristiansand Open Air Museum**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 1.3 km

One of Norway’s largest museums featuring the culture and history of Kristiansand and the county of Vest-Agder. Visiting the museum gives you an unique introduction to the way of life in olden times in this region.

**Kristiansand Zoo**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 5.2 km

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**The Cannon Museum**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 10.0 km

The world’s largest cannon ever to be mounted on land. Situated in beautiful surroundings by the coast, a visit to this cannon brings you back to the Second World War and gives an amazing insight into the way the cannon were in those days.

**Gimle Estate & Gardens**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 2.8 km

The Gimle estate was built around 1800. Collections include the Gimle castle, Gimle manor, Gimle park and well worth a visit.

**The Arkivet Foundation**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 200 m

Former Gestapo regional headquarters during the Second World War and gives an amazing insight into the way the Arkivet was used as a Gestapo regional headquarters during the Second World War and gives an amazing insight into the way the Arkivet was used as a detention and interrogation centre. Arkivet took over the voilation building in 1959. The prison cells and torture chambers from 1942-45 have been reconstructed and installations and human-size dolls illustrate the events that took place in the basement.

**Christiansholm Fortress**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 400 m

A beautiful fortress dating back to 1672, and well worth a visit while in Kristiansand. Only a short walk from the cruise pier, you can visit the outside of the fortress for a look at the 8 bronze cannons and an exceptional view over the marina and the Atlantic Ocean.

**The Fish Market**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 1.0 km

A very popular place to visit. The market is bustling with activity and offers an amazing insight into the way life is in Kristiansand.

**The Setesdalsbanen Vintage Railway**
- 3 hours; Capacity: 320 pax.
- Distance from the pier: 37 km

Onboard the sightseeing boat MS Maarten you can enjoy a pleasant walk before returning to the ship by coach.

**The Arkivet Foundation**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 13 km

The zoo also houses the traditional zoo animals you will find elk (moose), wolves, foxes, lions, tigers and many more. The zoo is split in two different areas and therefore gives a different experience even though there are very little that is new to experience for you.

**Brewery Tour**
- 3 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 92 km

The brewery is set in one of these buildings. On this tour you will sample their beer together with snacks and learn about the brewing process. Enjoy the beer and the history of the brewery and the surroundings. Food can be served. The tour can be added to other tours such as the Kristiansund Park or the Setesdalsbanen Vintage Railway. Allow 1 hour for an add-on brewery tour.

**Lindesnes Lighthouse**
- 8 hours; Capacity: no limit.
- Distance from the pier: 9 km

A coastal lighthouse on the southernmost tip of mainland Norway. It is also the oldest lighthouse station in Norway, first lit in 1655. Lindesnes Lighthouse is owned by the Norwegian Coastal Administration and is still an active lighthouse, but also a museum.

**Brygge Tour**
- 3 hours; Capacity: 60 pax.
- Distance from the pier: 1.6 km

A wonderful experience for adults and children alike. It offers an introduction to the way of life in olden times in this region. With a restaurant and café on every corner, the citizens of Kristiansand are friendly and relaxed and the quaint city centre is easy to get to know, perfect for a one day stop as there is time to shop, walk around and check out some of the highlights.

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The City of Flowers and Culture

**PORT OF KRISTIANSAND**

**Kristiansand Port**
- Kristiansand Port 10
- Distance from the cruise pier: 100 m

**Baku Terminal**
- Kristiansand Port 10
- Distance from the cruise pier: 1.6 km

**Lindesnes Lighthouse**
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- Distance from the pier: 9 km

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