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Seeking some facts about Norway? Norway happens to be one of the safest and most beautiful countries on earth! It's a fascinating part of the world filled with natural wonders and history. We love Norway and it's one of our favorite countries to travel around. So we decided to share some of our favorite Norway facts!

One of my favorite Norway facts is this one. Partially, anyway. Vikings were a formidable force of not just Norwegians, but Danes and Swedes, too. The Vikings went on fierce raids and conquered lands around Northern Europe, even as far as the Volga River in Russia.

Why all the hate? Possibly because of Christian missionaries getting up in their business and "holy" wars in the south of their lands for the Norsemen not becoming Christian.

A happy accident & that's all discovering Iceland was. On a routine voyage to the Faroe Islands, a Viking longship rocked up at Iceland by mistake. Now we have all the awesome music and Game of Thrones shooting locations to enjoy.

Much like the Queen of England, King Harold has no official power but comprises the country's constitutional monarchy. They live in the 19th-century Royal Palace in Oslo.

What now? We mean the Northern Lights, of course. This astounding light show happens when charged particles from the sun meet atoms in the Earth's upper atmosphere, releasing photons (light particles). Regardless of its science, the aurora borealis is beautiful, like green, red, and blue ribbons in the sky. Best seen further north.

This is a very interesting Norway fact. Specifically, it was explorer Erik the Red (named after his beard, it's thought), whose father was banished to Iceland from Norway for multiple murders.

So, if you don't speak Norwegian but Danish, then you can have a conversation. Likewise, if you're in Sweden and you speak Swedish and happen to meet a Norwegian person, you'll probably be able to understand each other. That's a Nordic language for you.

Yes, twice. An unequal partnership between a greedy Denmark in 1523 led to the union of Denmark-Norway. There was a glimmer of independence in the early 19th century, but then it became part of another bum deal as Sweden-Norway from 1814 to 1905. So it's a relatively new country, which is (we're guessing) a little-known fact about Norway.

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water that is. One of these lakes, Hornindalsvatnet, is the deepest lake in the whole of Europe. It's 1,512 feet deep, to be exact.

In fact, fjord is a Norwegian word. There are 1,190 fjords in Norway, the highest density in the world, each of which is incredibly beautiful. It also boasts the second-deepest and longest fjord &#8211; the uber dramatic Sognefjord, which is 127 miles long and its depth is 4,291 feet. It's known as the "King of the Fjords," naturally.

In 1993, it was the first country in the entire world to enact a law punishing discrimination against gay and lesbian citizens. It was also the second nation in the world to legalize civil partnerships for same-sex couples. Today, there is full marriage equality

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