

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Weather: Cloudy / Windy. 75° F / 24° C

Sunrise: 6:54 AM | Sunset: 7:06 PM

The Mystery of the Supercontinent

Looking at a map of the world, it is easy to imagine that all the land masses would fit neatly together like a puzzle. In 1912, geophysicist Alfred Wegener (1880–1930) posed that very theory in *The Origin of Continents*, suggesting that all the continents of the planet were once conjoined as one. This theory of continental drift, however, was first posited in 1596 by Abraham Ortelius (1527–1598), cartographer and creator of the first modern atlas.

It was not until 1920 that Wegener coined the term “Pangea” to refer to the massive supercontinent. He derived the term from ancient Greek (*pan* meaning “all” and *Gaia* meaning “Mother Earth”). Today, scientists believe that Pangea merged together from even earlier land masses some 300 million years ago and started to drift apart 200 million years ago. During its 100 million years, it resided mostly in the Southern Hemisphere. But it is more than the neatly fitting puzzle pieces that point to Pangea’s existence.



Across oceans, geologists have identified matching fossils and identical geological features in, for instance, the eastern regions of South America and the western parts of Africa.

If Earth consisted of one huge supercontinent, it was also home to one big ocean. The term Panthalassa (*thalassa* meaning “sea”) describes this vast area that covered about 70% of the planet. It is believed that today’s Pacific is the closest “ocean relative” to Panthalassa as all other bodies of water flowed between land masses while the continents drifted.

Engage with our onboard ART COLLECTION

Our Viking Art Guide provides insightful commentary from your host, Karine Hagen, as well as a variety of curators and experts, to provide a personal, self-guided experience. Look for the headphone icon and corresponding number next to artwork around the ship, then open up the guide in the Viking Voyager app to learn more.



Today on *Viking Mars*

MORNING

2:00 AM

Time Change: Time Change: Please be reminded to set your clocks **forward one hour**, between **Tuesday, April 1** and **Wednesday, April 2**. It's recommended to select manual mode under time & date on your phones to avoid confusion. (*Select: Grytviken, South Georgia time zone.*)

8:00 AM–8:00 PM

Northern Stillness (80/110 min): Take a conscious moment for yourself as you lay in stillness and relax with a back, hand and foot massage; a blueberry body mask; and a soothing scalp ritual. Treatment charge applicable. Reserve at Spa Reception.
The Nordic Spa (1)

9:00 AM–6:00 PM

Sports Deck Is Open: Sports equipment is available for use. (*Weather permitting*)
Sports Deck (9)

9:30 AM

Guest Lecture with Sue Stockdale
"Crossing the Greenland Ice Cap—A Lesson in Teamwork." Find out what it takes to safely traverse an ice cap—a challenge no matter where it is in the world.
Star Theater (2)

10:00 AM

Craft Corner: Craft enthusiasts bring along your current projects and meet like-minded fellow guests. (*Un-hosted*)
Wintergarden (7)

10:00 AM & 2:00 PM

Craft Workshop with Emily Mixon:
"Quilted Square Pot Holder." - Day 2 of 3. Discover how to make this useful item for your home during this popular three-day project.
The Restaurant – Port Side (2)

10:00 AM–4:00 PM

Cards, Games & Bridge Play Get-Together: Join your fellow guests for a friendly game of Cards, Bridge, Mahjong and more. (*Un-hosted*)
Chef's Table (1)

10:00 AM–10:00 PM

Mova Globes: Visit our Nordic Shop to purchase this innovative rotating globe, a perfect gift for any traveler or a magnificent addition to your home that you are sure to treasure for years to come.
The Nordic Shop (2)

10:15 AM

Baggio Tournament: Join us for a friendly competition between Viking Staff and fellow guests.
Atrium (1)

11:00 AM

Line Dance Class: Join your Entertainment Team for a toe-tappin', knee slappin' Line Dance class.
Star Theater (2)

11:00 AM

Knitting, Crocheting, and Embroidering Workshop with Ruth Bratzel: Join Ruth for an informal hour of conversation while working on your projects. Bring your knitting, crocheting, embroidery or other fiber arts with you as we talk and laugh together.
Wintergarden (7)

11:00 AM & 2:00 PM

Bayeux Tapestry Tour with Viking Resident Historian Dr. John Bratzel: Gain insight into the captivating images lining the main stairs and the fascinating story they depict with your Viking Resident Historian. *Space is limited; please sign up at Guest Services (Deck 1).*
Explorers' Lounge (8)

AFTERNOON

12:15 PM

Team Trivia: Join your Assistant Cruise Director, Arianna to test your knowledge in teams of up to six.
Star Theater (2)

2:00 PM

Birthstones Seminar: Join our guest jeweler Armando to delve into the secret world of the gems associated with the month you were born, you might find you have more than one birth gemstone.
Torshavn (2)

3:00 PM

Guest Lecture with Clive Steeper:
"Tread Carefully—Why Tires Matter." Examine the role tires play in everyday driving versus motor racing and consider its vital impact.
Star Theater (2)

4:00–5:00 PM

Afternoon Tea: Enjoy this classic tradition accompanied by our Resident Pianist, Artur.
Wintergarden (7)

4:15 PM

Guest Lecture with Robin Petch:
"Friendly Wild Dolphins—Exploring the Human Dolphin Bond." Hear amazing stories of human-dolphin interactions since ancient Greek times.
Star Theater (2)

5:00 PM

LGBTQIA+ Get Together: Join fellow Guests for an informal meet & greet. (*Un-hosted*)
Explorers' Lounge (8)

EVENING

6:00–6:45 PM

Munch Moments: Agnes and Paulina, our Classical Duo play traditional Norwegian music while Munch's works celebrating nature and architecture grace the Atrium screen.
Atrium (1)

6:00 PM

Feature Documentary: Drain The Oceans – "The Viking Seas." After vanishing in the Baltic over 450 years ago, a formidable battleship reveals secrets. (*1 hr.*)
Star Theater (2)

6:00–6:45 PM

Explorers' Keys: Enjoy evening music from our Resident Pianist, Artur.
Explorers' Lounge (7)

6:00–8:30 PM

Viking BBQ: Join us on the pool deck for our traditional Viking BBQ. Music begins at 6:15 PM by our Guitar Entertainer, Jobie.
Pool Deck & Pool Grill (7)

7:00–7:45 PM

Pre-Dance Party Melodies: Get ready for tonight's dance party celebration as our Viking Band with vocalists Elsa and Arlando along with your Assistant Cruise Director Arianna and Cruise Director Aaron set the mood.
Pool Deck (7)

7:00–7:45 PM

Evening Melodies: Settle in for some melodies brought to you by our Classical Duo, Agnes and Paulina.
Atrium (1)

EVENING CONTINUES...

7:30 PM

Viking Resident Historian Forum with Dr. John Bratzel: “Higher Education: Past, Present and Future.” Discuss how higher education has changed over the last 500 years and consider what it will look like in 2050.

Torshavn (2)

7:45–8:30 PM

Poolside Melodies & Cocktails: Relax and unwind by the pool, allowing the music of our Guitar Entertainer, Jobie to wash over you. Enjoy a complimentary special cocktail created by our beverage team.

Pool Deck (7)

8:00 PM

Viking Presents the Metropolitan Opera’s HD Recording of: “The Magic Flute” (2019). A beloved holiday tradition continues as Mozart’s delightful fairy tale returns in the Met’s abridged, English-language version. Lothar Koenigs conducts a dynamic cast of standout Mozarteans in Julie Taymor’s magical production, an enduring Met classic with its eye-popping puppetry and stunning visuals.

(Running Time 1hr 56 min)

Star Theater (2)

8:00–8:45 PM

Steinway Melodies: For the perfect cocktail accompaniment, join our Resident, Pianist Artur.

Atrium (1)

8:30–10:00 PM

Dancing Under the Stars: Join the Viking Band along with our entire team of entertainment vocalists as they swing into action with lively tunes from the 50’s, 60’s & 70’s till now, guaranteed to bring you to the dance floor.

Pool Deck (7)

9:00–9:45 PM

Relaxation & Conversation: Mingle with like-minded guests with musical accompaniment from our Classical Duo, Agnes and Paulina

Atrium (1)

10:00–10:45 PM

Magical Melodies: Join our Resident Pianist, Artur for melodies in the comfort of the Atrium.

Atrium (1)

10:30 PM–Close

Late String Session: Our Guitar Entertainer, Jobie performs an acoustic string session in this intimate setting.

Torshavn (2)

#MyVikingStory

As you enjoy your travels, we invite you to share your photos and the stories behind them on *MyVikingStory.com*. These might include special moments from your itinerary, such as your favorite view, meal, drink, thinking spot—even staff member. Also, while you are sharing your photos and stories with fellow Instagram, Facebook and Twitter friends, please remember to tag them **#MyVikingStory**

Ship Announcements

From time to time, non-emergency announcements will be made around the ship. If you would like to hear them while in your stateroom, please turn on your TV to the “Bridge Camera” in the “Live TV” section and make sure to have the volume turned up.

Jogging Track

We kindly ask all guests who wish to go for a jog only do so on the designated track on Deck 2; we thank you for your understanding. Note: The jogging track direction is clockwise; please be cautious when rounding corners. Track length: 4 laps = 1 mile (1.6 km).

Viking Heritage

Browse our special onboard exhibit and learn about the daily lives, rich history and inspiring legacy of the Vikings. The Viking Heritage exhibit is located in the Atrium on Deck 2, showcasing realistic replicas of fascinating artifacts.

The Library

Enrich and expand your travel experience with stories and perspectives that complement your onshore discoveries. Browse our well-curated collection in The Library as well as in reading nooks throughout the ship. Enjoy as many books as you like. And when you are finished, please remember to reshel them in their rightful homes on board.

Deck Chairs

We kindly ask you to be courteous to fellow guests when reserving chairs on the Main Pool Deck. Please limit your hold time to 30 minutes in consideration of others who may be seeking a chair.

Atrium Board Games (Deck 2)

Relax in the heart of the ship and enjoy a variety of board games like Chess, Scrabble, Mahjong and more. Playing cards are available at Guest Services for your convenience.

Guest Services (1)



Today in History APRIL 2

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Gerbert of Aurillac is elected the 1st French pope, Sylvester II.

1845

French physicists Armand H. L. Fizeau and J. Leon Foucault take the 1st photo of the sun.

1917

US president Woodrow Wilson asks Congress to declare war against Germany.

BIRTHDAY: 1891

Max Ernst

German painter, sculptor & poet; father of the dadaist movement & surrealism

(d. 1976)

Dining

Early Risers

The Living Room	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 AM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	6:30–7:30 AM

Breakfast

The Restaurant	Deck 2	8:00–9:30 AM
World Café	Deck 7	7:00–10:30 AM

Late Risers

Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	7:30–11:00 AM
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Lunch

The Restaurant	Deck 2	12:00–1:30 PM
Pool Grill	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM
World Café	Deck 7	12:00–2:30 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM
Aquavit Terrace (Short Ribs Bolognese Station)	Deck 7	12:00–2:00 PM

Teatime

Wintergarden	Deck 7	4:00–5:00 PM
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Dinner

Manfredi's*	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 PM
The Chef's Table*	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 PM
The Restaurant*	Deck 2	6:00–9:00 PM
World Café	Deck 7	6:00–9:00 PM
Pool Grill (Viking BBQ)	Deck 7	6:00–8:30 PM

Reservations can be made during opening hours for breakfast or lunch in the World Café or by calling Ext 2052.

*Dress code: elegant casual.

Coffee and tea are available 24 hours from the World Café.

Snacks

Pool Grill	Deck 7	2:30–5:00 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	4:00–5:00 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	10:00 PM–Midnight

Lounges & Bars

The Viking Bar	Deck 1	6:00 AM–Midnight
Torshavn	Deck 2	9:00 PM–Closing
Aquavit Bar	Deck 7	10:00 AM–10:00 PM
Explorers' Lounge	Deck 7	10:00 AM–Midnight
Pool Bar	Deck 7	10:00 AM–10:00 PM

Directory

Boutique & Shops (1/2)	Ext 9321	10:00 AM–10:00 PM
Travel Consultant (2)	Ext 9710	By Appointment
Guest Services (1)	Ext 9710	24 Hrs
Fitness Center (1)	Ext 9300	6:00 AM–10:00 PM
The Nordic Spa (1)	Ext 9300	8:00 AM–8:00 PM
Medical Center (a)	Ext 9206	10:00–11:00 AM 3:00–4:00 PM
Room Service	Ext 6502	24 Hrs
MEDICAL EMERGENCIES	Ext 999	24 Hrs

To make an appointment with our Travel Consultant, please call 9710 or visit Guest Services on Deck 1.

BIRTHSTONES

Meet the Exotics

Browse the design collection and learn more about the history of birthstones.

To learn more, visit **Juveler on Deck 2.**



CULINARY EVENT

Join us for

VIKING BBQ

Hosted by your onboard Culinary team.

Check your *Viking Daily* for details

HYDRAFACIAL

The noninvasive face-lift

This antiaging treatment rejuvenates, uplifts and brightens your skin. Available in 50- or 80-minute sessions, our Hydrafacial will leave you radiant.

See Spa Reception for details.

