

VIKING DAILY

Friday, April 4, 2025

Weather: Sunny / Passing Showers. 64° F / 18° C

Sunrise: 7:54 AM | **Sunset:** 8:12 PM

To the Mast! History's Unsung Vessels

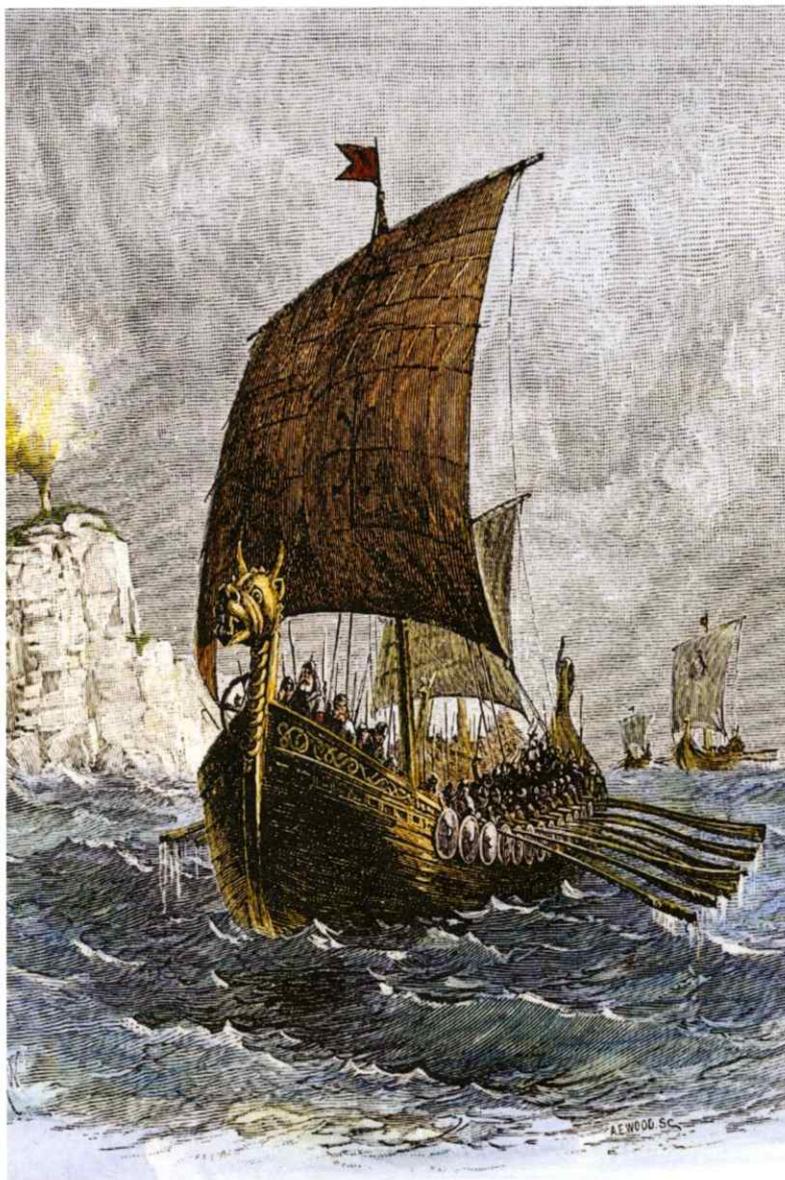
The trio of ships that carried Christopher Columbus (1451–1506) and his crew across the Atlantic will forever be remembered: The *Niña*, the *Pinta* and the *Santa Maria*. Here, we take a look at some lesser-known ships that plied the oceans and landed other explorers on distant shores.

The Oseberg Ship. Perhaps the finest surviving remnant from the Viking Age, the Oseberg ship, so named for the place of its discovery in an ancient burial mound, is preserved in a spectacular state at Oslo, Norway's Viking Ship Museum (currently closed for renovations until 2025).

***São Gabriel*.** One of the most significant ships to the Age of Discovery, the *São Gabriel* rounded the Cape of Good Hope in 1497 and became the first European ship to reach India at Calicut, along with two others in its armada. The fleet was famously commanded by Vasco da Gama (c.1460–1524).

The *Heemskerck* and the *Zeehaen*. The Dutchman Abel Janszoon Tasman (c.1603–c.1659) was sent by the Dutch East India Company to find gold and precious stones on Terra Australis, a hypothetical southernmost continent which many believed existed at the time. In the process, he circumnavigated and charted both Australia and New Zealand with these two small expedition ships.

HMS *Endeavour*. James Cook (1728–1779) captained this Royal Navy ship. The *Endeavour* landed in Tahiti in 1769, then continued to Huahine, Bora Bora and Raiatea, which Cook claimed for Britain, though all three islands would later become French territories. That same year, he anchored off New Zealand and later explored Australia's eastern coast. Captain Cook charted more of the world's oceans than any explorer before him.



Learn about a

MASTER EXPRESSIONIST'S WORK

In a historic collaboration, Viking has partnered with Oslo's Munch Museum to present "Munch Moments" on the Atrium screen, bringing the magic of Norway's most famous artist—Edvard Munch—on board. Marvel at the breathtaking works in the comfort of The Living Room.



Today on *Viking Mars*

MORNING

2:00 AM

Time Change: Please be reminded to set your clocks **forward one hour**, between **Thursday, April 3** and **Friday, April 4**. It's recommended to select **manual mode** under time & date on your phones to avoid confusion. (**Select: Reykjavik, Iceland time zone.**)

8:00–8:50 AM

Mindful Yoga (50 min): Join us for this calming and gentle series of physical postures. Additional fee of \$10. Limited space; please sign up at Spa Reception. *The Nordic Spa (1)*

8:00 AM–8:00 PM

Swedish Deep-Tissue Massage (50/80 min): Unwind as this thorough, invigorating deep-tissue massage soothes deep muscle tissue, relieves tension and enhances overall mobility. Always customized to your needs. 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)*

10:00 AM (Approx.)

Crew Emergency Drill: This drill does not require any action by guests, although you will hear announcements and alarms throughout the ship. Some onboard services may be suspended or curtailed during this safety exercise.

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–12:00 PM

Wildlife Watch with Mr. Robin Petch: "The Whale and Dolphin Man." Watch for and record marine wildlife and learn more about your sightings. (*Please bring your Quietvox headset and set it to Channel 1*) *Explorers' Lounge (7)*

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 & 2:00 PM

Craft Workshop with Emily Mixon: "Wine Glass Markers." Create a set of four using metal rings, beads and charms for yourself or to give as a gift. *The Restaurant – Port Side (2)*

11:00 AM–10:00 PM

World of Finse: Come and visit the Nordic Shop on deck 2 to discover the stories of journey and adventure, by Vikings most loved and cherished dog 'Finse'. *The Nordic Shop (2)*

11:00 AM

Baggo (Cornhole) Tournament: Join us for a friendly competition with Viking Staff and fellow guests. *Atrium (1)*

11:00 AM

Future Travel Presentation – "The NEW Ocean Itineraries in 2026 and 2027": Join your Travel Consultant, Roy, to learn more about our new Ocean itineraries and the exclusive benefits of booking your next voyage while on board. *Star Theater (2)*

11:00 AM

Embroidery Workshop with Ruth Bratzel: "Re-create a Bayeux Tapestry Animal." Discover the secret of medieval embroiderers and the historic tapestry's eponymous stitch. *Space is limited; please sign up at Guest Services (Deck 1).* *Wintergarden (7)*

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

Gemstone Trivia: Join our jewelry expert, Armando in Torshavn to learn fascinating facts about gems while you enjoy a complimentary glass of champagne. *Torshavn (2)*

3:00 PM

Guest Lecture with Robin Petch: "Fascinating Facts about Whales, Dolphins & Their World." Take an informative look at some of the wonders of the ocean. *Star Theater (2)*

4:00–5:00 PM

Afternoon Tea: Enjoy this classic tradition accompanied by our Classical Duo, Agnes and Paulina. *Wintergarden (7)*

4:15 PM

Guest Lecture with Sue Stockdale: "The Disappearing World of the Last Arctic Hunters." Travel with the Inuit people and their sled dogs to understand how their stark simplicity of survival is rapidly changing. *Star Theater (2)*

5:00 PM

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

5:30 PM

Guest Lecture with Clive Steeper: "Women in Motorsport" Highlight women through the decades who have been successful in a range of motor racing categories. *Star Theater (2)*

EVENING

6:00–6:45 PM

Munch Moments: Agnes and Paulina, our Classical Duo plays traditional Norwegian music while Munch's dramatic pieces grace the Atrium screen. *Atrium (1)*

6:00–7:45 PM

Explorers' Acoustics: Our Guitar Entertainer, Jobie performs acoustic favorites alongside sweeping views. *Explorers' Lounge (7)*

6:00 PM

Sabbath: Join fellow guests for a short service. (*Un-hosted*) *Torshavn (2)*

7:00–8:45 PM

Musical Interlude: Relax in the heart of the ship with accompaniment from our Resident Pianist, Artur. *Atrium (1)*

7:30 PM

Viking Resident Historian Forum with Dr. John Bratzel: "Remembering History." Discuss who and how history is produced and understood. *Torshavn (2)*

EVENING CONTINUES...

9:00 PM

The *Viking Mars Vocalists* present tonight's performance of "The Sounds of the Seventies" Join our Viking Vocalists as they take you on a musical journey through the sounds of pop, soul, disco and rock as they perform timeless classics from over twenty iconic artists and groups.
Star Theater (2)

9:00–10:45 PM

Atrium Melodies: Our Classical Duo, Agnes and Paulina perform in the heart of the ship.
Atrium (1)

9:30–10:15 PM

Torshavn Acoustics: Our Guitar Entertainer, Jobie performs acoustic favorites in an intimate environment.
Torshavn (2)

10:00–10:45 PM

The Piano Bar: Experience the Explorers' Lounge as our Resident Pianist, Artur closes out the evening with classical melodies.
Explorers' Lounge (7)

10:30 PM—Closing

Late-night Tunes: Join the Viking Band for entertainment and spirits in our romantic lounge, accompanied by Resident Vocalists Elsa and Arlando.
Torshavn (2)

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.

Health & Hygiene

Public health officials remind us that good hand hygiene is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of illness. Please remember to wash your hands with soap and warm water before eating or after you return to the ship. Please also use the hand sanitizer stations located at the entrances to all our restaurants, and on the gangway. If you are feeling any symptoms of illness or discomfort, please report to the Medical Center immediately

"Today in History" Capsules

Ever mindful of world events, artistic and literary contributions, and scientific advances that have guided and shaped us, Viking is pleased to present "Today in History" on the Atrium screen. These moments in time commemorate the turning points that altered the course of world history from the days of the ancients to the 20th century. Designed to satisfy curious minds, "Today in History" provides an opportunity to contemplate and celebrate. We hope you enjoy.

Excursion Booking Deadline

The final deadline to book, change or cancel shore excursions for the port of **Funchal, Madeira, Portugal** is **Friday, April 4** by 6:00 PM this evening at Guest Services on Deck 1 in the Atrium.

Stateroom Children's Drawings

Every stateroom features children's drawings made by schoolchildren in China. The children attend schools in rural China that have been financially supported by Viking. The children have drawn their images after photographs depicting scenes from Dubrovnik, Copenhagen, Monte Carlo, Barcelona and other destinations in Viking itineraries. Hanging next to the children's drawings, you see the photographs they were inspired by. This initiative is the personal idea of our Chairman Torstein Hagen

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.

Laundry Etiquette

We kindly ask all guests to remove your laundry from washers and dryers promptly upon cycle completion, so others can use the machine without having to handle your items. Moreover, please do not unload someone else's laundry if it is still in the cycle.

Water Conservation

At Viking, we strive to be environmentally responsible. We would like to invite you to join us in our efforts with your thoughtful use of water, remembering to turn off the faucet after each use.



Today in History

APRIL 4

1818

The US Congress adopts a flag with one star for each state—which at that time numbered 20.

1968

US civil rights activist Martin Luther King Jr. is assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee.

1983

Sally Ride becomes the 1st US woman in space, on board the space shuttle *Challenger*.

BIRTHDAY: 1880

Georg von Trapp
*Austrian submarine commander & patriarch of
the von Trapp family; depicted in
The Sound of Music
(d. 1947)*

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 (Reuben & Sloppy joe 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

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–7:00 PM

Directory

Boutique & Shops (1/2)	Ext 9321	11:00 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.

MUNCH MOMENTS

Experience our Viking-exclusive "Munch Moments," a little piece of culture designed with the Munch Museum in Norway, featuring digital images of the master expressionist's work.

Debuted each evening in
The Living Room.

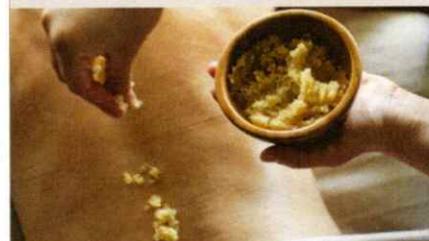


Muscles sore no more

NORDIC RESTART

Simply the best way to soothe muscles with focused attention and care. Includes a stimulating cranberry scrub, back of body massage and Nordic Scalp ritual.

See Spa Reception for details.



Special event today RUBIES

Discover the brilliance of rubies, celebrated for centuries as symbols of passion and protection. Today, enjoy up to 40% savings on your purchase.

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

