

Vikingtokt til Miklagard



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“Jeg elsker å seile og seiler så seint
det går an, for turen tar slutt når
du kommer til land”

Odd Børretzen

“I love to sail and sail as slow as I
can ‘cause the voyage is over when
you get to land”

Odd Børretzen

Norwegian author and folksinger

Why do we want to sail
across Europe from Norway
to Asia?

Follow the vikings - An epic journey to share our common legacy

The vikings travelled the world and established relationships and trade routes, got inspired by foreign cultures and left us all with some interesting stories to tell.

We would like to revisit sites and cities to remind us all about these relationships that resides from centuries ago.

These are times for friendship, cross-cultural understanding and sharing of common history.

So once again we Follow the vikings...

Who we are

The Owner: The Oseberg Viking
Heritage Foundation

Sailors: Saga Farmann Ship Guild



OSEBERG VIKING HERITAGE

from discovery to understanding



- Established december 2005
- Built 2 Viking ships, full sized, archaeological replicas
- Planning to build a viking handicraft center
- Yearly Viking festival (10 years in a row)
- Cultural exchange
- Well known competence
- 7 employees and 400+ volunteers



TØNSBERG
vikingfestival



Vestfold og Telemark
FYLKESKOMMUNE



Cultural route
of the Council of Europe
Itinéraire culturel
du Conseil de l'Europe



SAGA 2023 ASIA
Follow the vikings



The Saga Farmann Ship guild



Association of volunteers

Established in 2018

Non-political, open and democratic organization with 150+ members

International focus with members from Norway, Denmark, Netherlands, France, Hungary, Ukraine, Turkey, Germany, Czech, Bulgaria, USA, England, Australia ...

Purpose: Training crew, sailing Saga Farmann to promote our common viking heritage



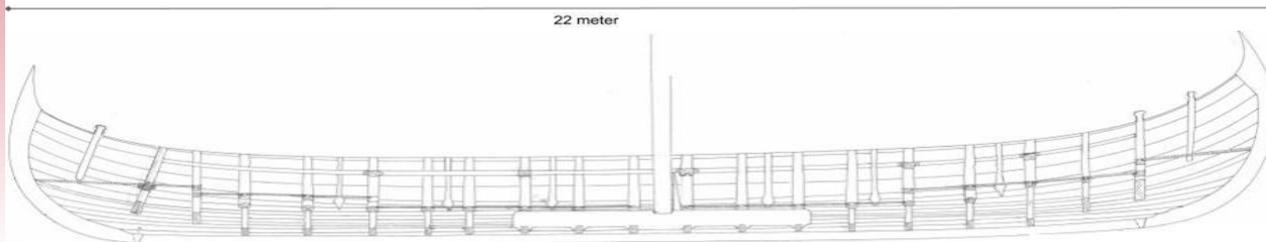
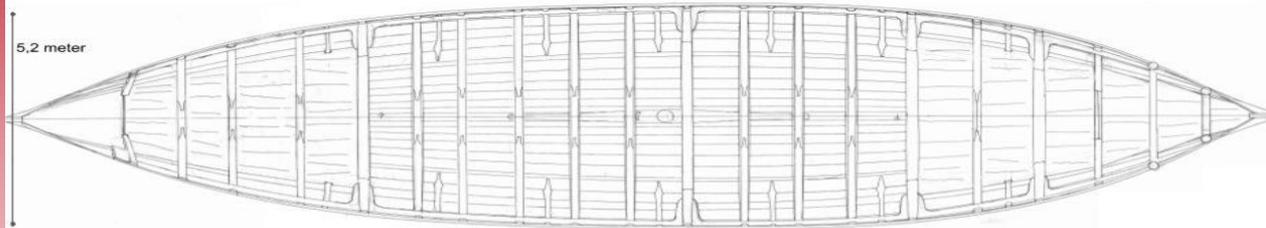
Saga Farmann

The world's most modern Viking ship

- built for long journeys
- set up for expedition
- electric propulsion



- 20.6 m long and 5.2 m wide
- Crew of 4 – 18
- Max speed sailing: 10-12 knots
- Cruise speed (electric): 4-5 knots



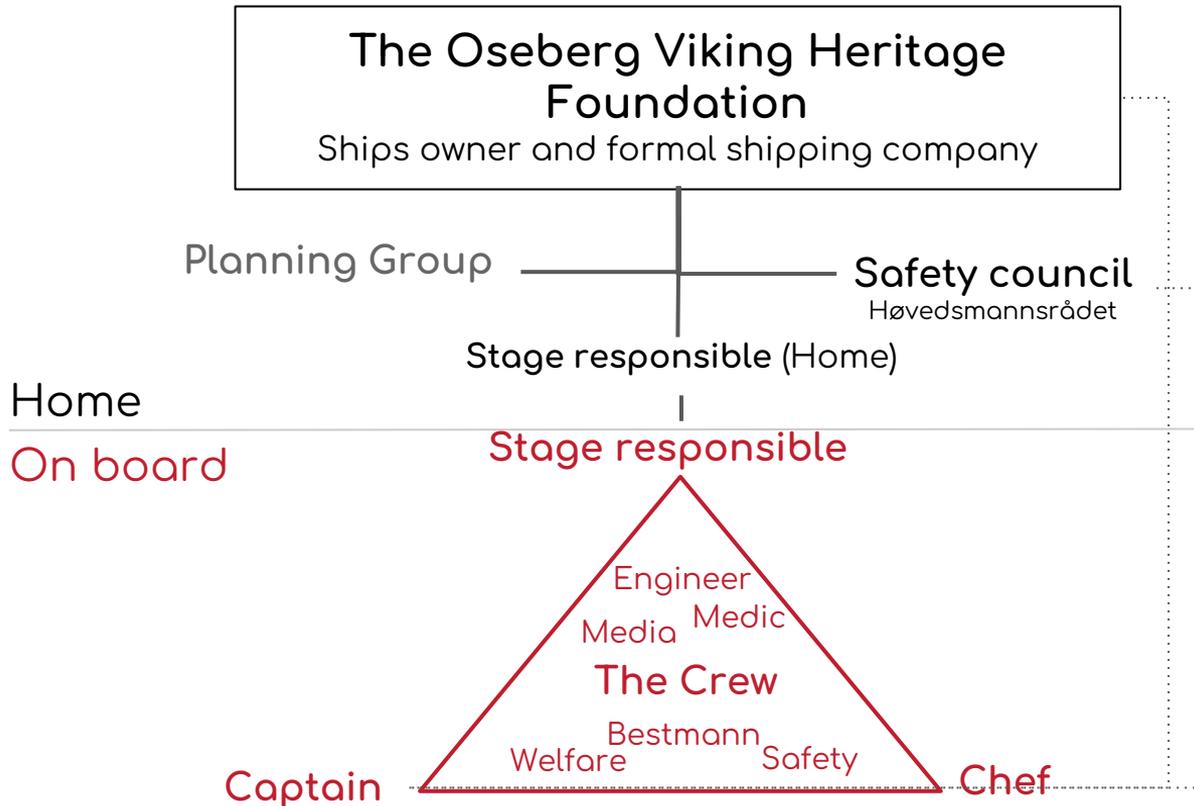


“The fourth” viking ship

Saga Farmann is built as an archaeological replica of the Viking ship Klåstad from 998 AD. Known as the fourth Viking ship in Norway.



Organization when on the voyage



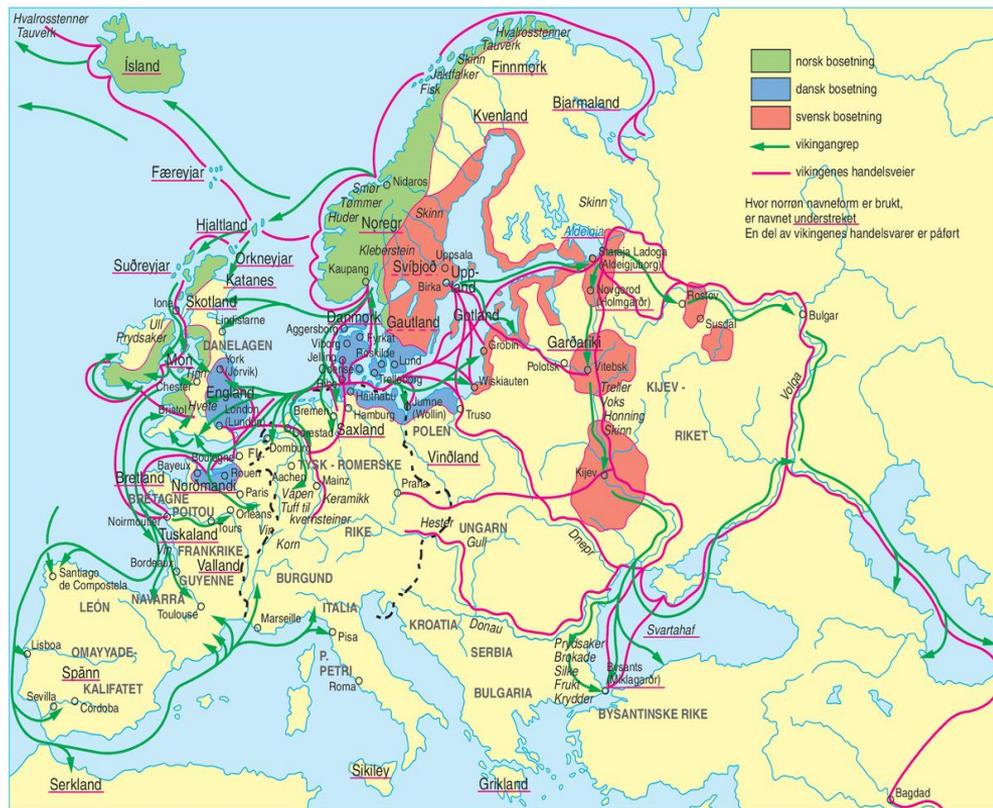
Why the chef is in the management team ...



Viking trade routes from the Nordics

The vikings inspired us to go eastern route to Miklagard (but not realistic today in Europe)

So we found our own way to Miklagard 😊



Throug Europe from Baltic sea to the Black sea





- Tønsberg - Lübeck 1 April 29th - May 14th
- Lübeck - Mainz 2 May 13th - May 28th
- Mainz - Regensburg 3 May 27th - June 11th
- Regensburg - Budapest 4 June 10th - June 25th
- Budapest - Belgrade 5 June 24th - July 9th
- Belgrade - Constantinople 6 July 8th - July 23rd
- Constantinople - Istanbul 7 July 22th - August 6th
- Istanbul 8 August 5th - August 20th



Some challenges

- Vessel measurements
- Conditions of currents in rivers (season variations)
- Logistics - Access to supplies, fuel/charging and accessibility for crew replacement
- Bureaucratic challenges
- War in Europe



Stage 1: Tønsberg – Lübeck (start: April 29th)



Lübeck – Mainz - Regensburg



Danube (2400 km) - 8 countries, 4 capitals



Meeting people - Budapest



Belgrade → Constanța, the longest stage

- 970 KM
- Passing thru the famous canyon on the border between Serbia and Romania - UNESCO global geopark
- Danube become the border between Romania and Bulgaria – an the “Iron gate”
- Big locks, danger of grounding, barge traffic and mosquitoes
- Ukrainian border



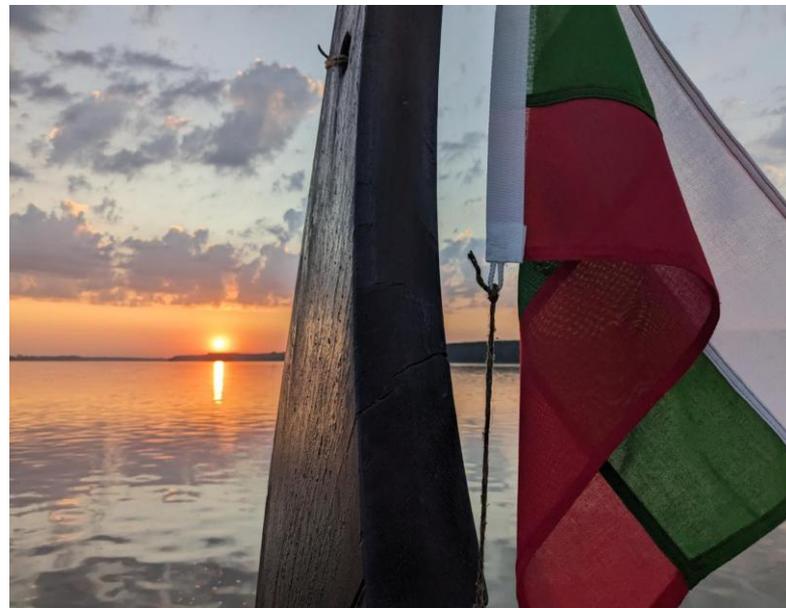
Bureaucracy problems



... and lovely (hot) days



Beautiful scenery (Danube)





“Harbors” and locks



The Iron Gate - The Tabula Trajana

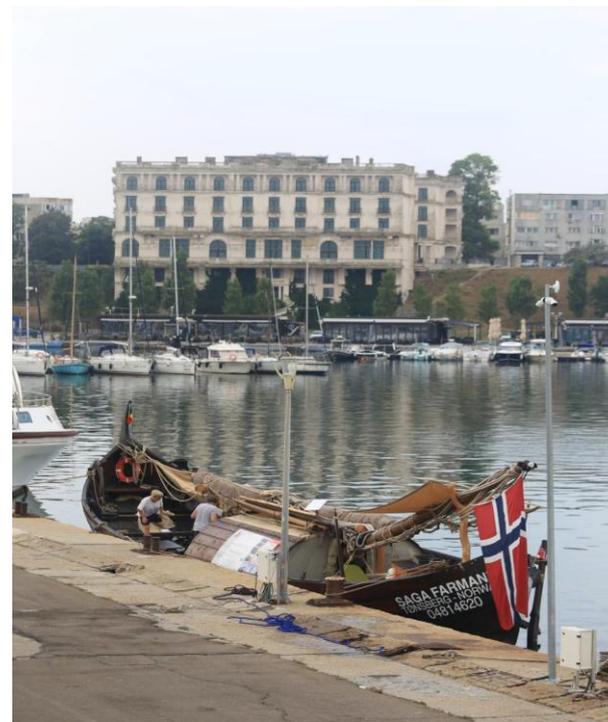


The Tabula Trajana marker laid by the Roman emperor Trajan over 2000 years ago can be seen on the Serbian side of the Danube

Was moved to its current location in 1972 when the dam and hydroelectric station on the river caused the water to rise



.... finally Constanța – Black Sea



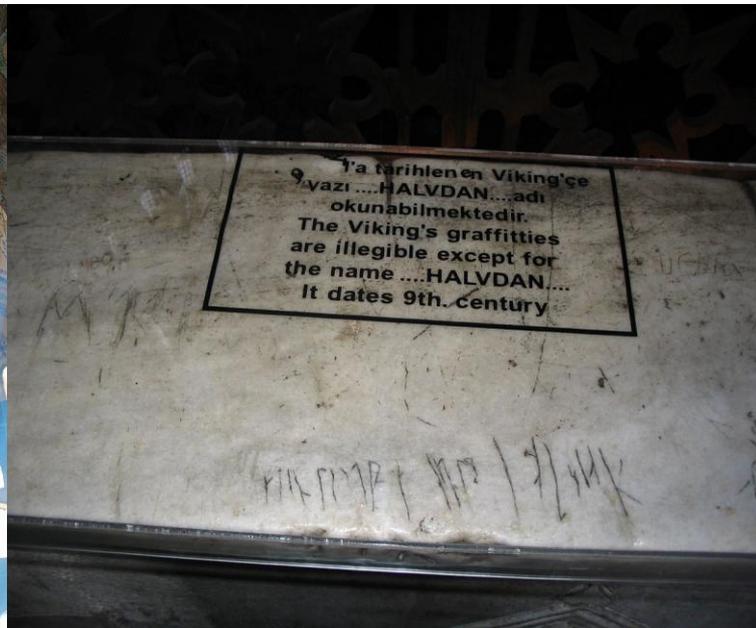
“Masteting”



Straight of Bosphoros - Istanbul



Hagia Sofia: Halfdan var her?



Istanbul - Rahmi M. Koç Museum



The journey
continue ...



As Saga Farmann travels throughout Europe it is possible to utilize the ship and crew for local events along the planned route of the voyage.

The ship itself represent the Nordic viking heritage as it is built as a archeological replica of the 998AD Klåstad viking ship.

- Istanbul - Izmir **1** May 18th - June 2nd
- Izmir - Syros **2** June 1th - June 16th
- Syros - Athens **3** June 15th - June 30th
- Athens - Corfu **4** June 29th - July 7th
- Corfu - Split **5** July 6th - July 21st
- Split **6** July 21st - August 3rd
- Split - Rome **7** August 4th - August 31th



Memories SagaMed 2024
Istanbul to Rome

Our support

We are supported by various

- Authorities
- Companies
- Competence ressource



Those who support us

Authorities

- Turkey embassy in Norway
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- SeaDrive AS
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Questions?

Also, we assistance, crew and cooperation make this epic viking voyage possible and successful

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Thank you