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## Hurtigruten to sail four new itineraries from Dover

Norwegian cruise line Hurtigruten will launch a year-long programme of new expedition cruise itineraries onboard Maud and Midnatsol from Dover, UK in March 2021.

Departing in March, the first of four new itineraries will be a 15-day cruise to Norway's southern fjords and the Arctic North. The ships will then sail summertime itineraries along the Norwegian coast from April to September, 13-day voyages visiting islands off the British mainland between May and September 2021, and 15-day cruises across southern Scandinavia in June and July.

Maud will receive a multimillion-pound refurbishment ahead of her arrival in the UK. All public areas will be renovated during the project, making use of natural materials such as Scandinavian wool, pine, birch oak and granite. The ship will be powered using environmentally certified biofuel and diesel and will be able to connect to shore power once in port.

"We are thrilled to present expedition cruises from Dover year-round," said Anthony Daniels, general manager of Hurtigruten UK & Ireland. "It is a needed boost for the UK cruise industry at this time and is especially important to showcase how expedition cruising differs from mainstream 'big white ship' cruising. Expedition cruising fuses sustainable activities, nature and culture into exceptional yet safe adventures to less-explored locations."