

## Mountain, glacier, waterfall and fjord

Hardanger National Tourist Route stretches from mountain plateau to fjord, through the beautiful and fertile countryside of Fjord Norway, with the Folgefonna glacier gazing regally down from above. In Hardanger, nature offers both idyllic stillness and high drama.

There are huge contrasts between open mountain moorland, dizzying mountainsides with crashing waterfalls and fjords as still as mirrors. But the distance between all these things is short.

It is quite possible to visit the Vøringsfoss waterfall, go summer skiing on Folgefonna and take a swim in the fjord - all on the same day. The area offers a variety of walking opportunities and all along the Tourist Route there are places to stop for a while for a snack or a swim, try your luck fishing or just enjoy the views and the quiet.

These fantastic natural surroundings have been attracting tourists to the area for over a hundred years, whilst the natural forces made possible Hardanger's industrial adventure at the beginning of the 1900s. Hardanger also offers a very rich artistic and craft tradition, including a long history of boat building and textile crafts.

The people of Hardanger have been growing fruit since the 1300s. Today no less than 40% of all norwegian fruit comes from Hardanger. The fjordside soils give the fruit it's own fresh, sharp flavour. In 2006 Hardanger Fruit received the status of a protected geographic appellation.

In season you can buy fruit from small roadside stalls and enjoy all the flavour of apples, pears, plums and cherries from Hardanger.

Enjoy your trip!



Hardanger National Tourist Route is one of eighteen chosen stretches of road in Norway which will together form a joint tourist attraction by 2015.

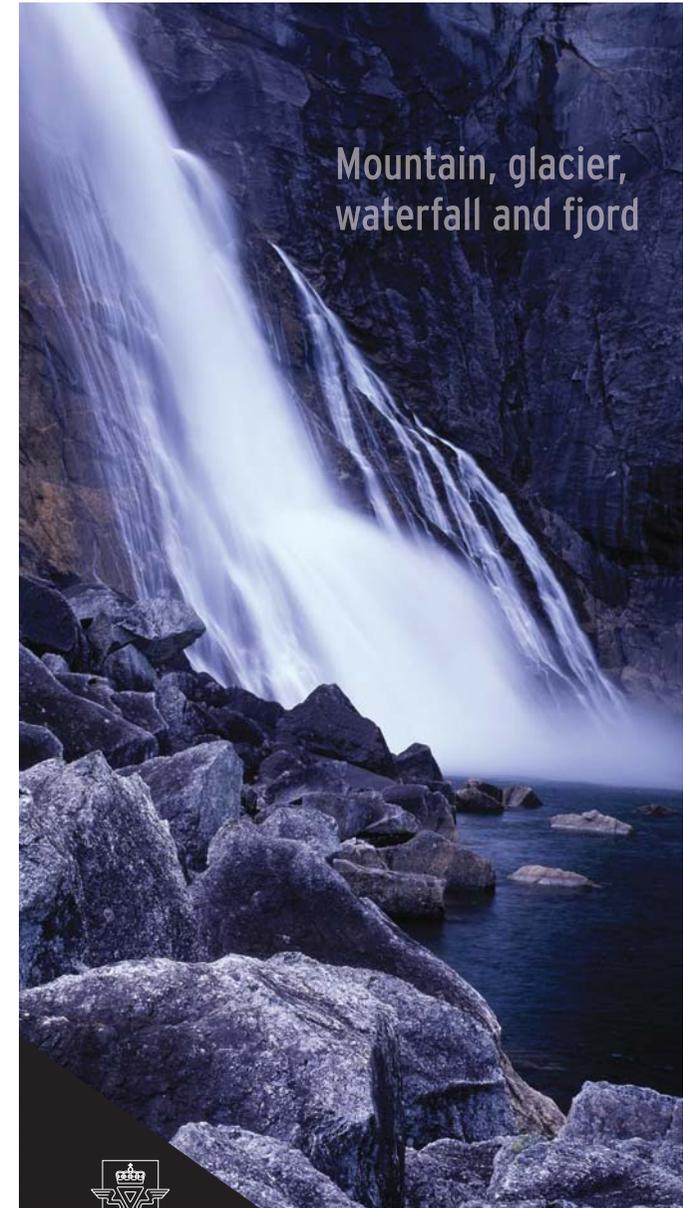
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## Hardanger

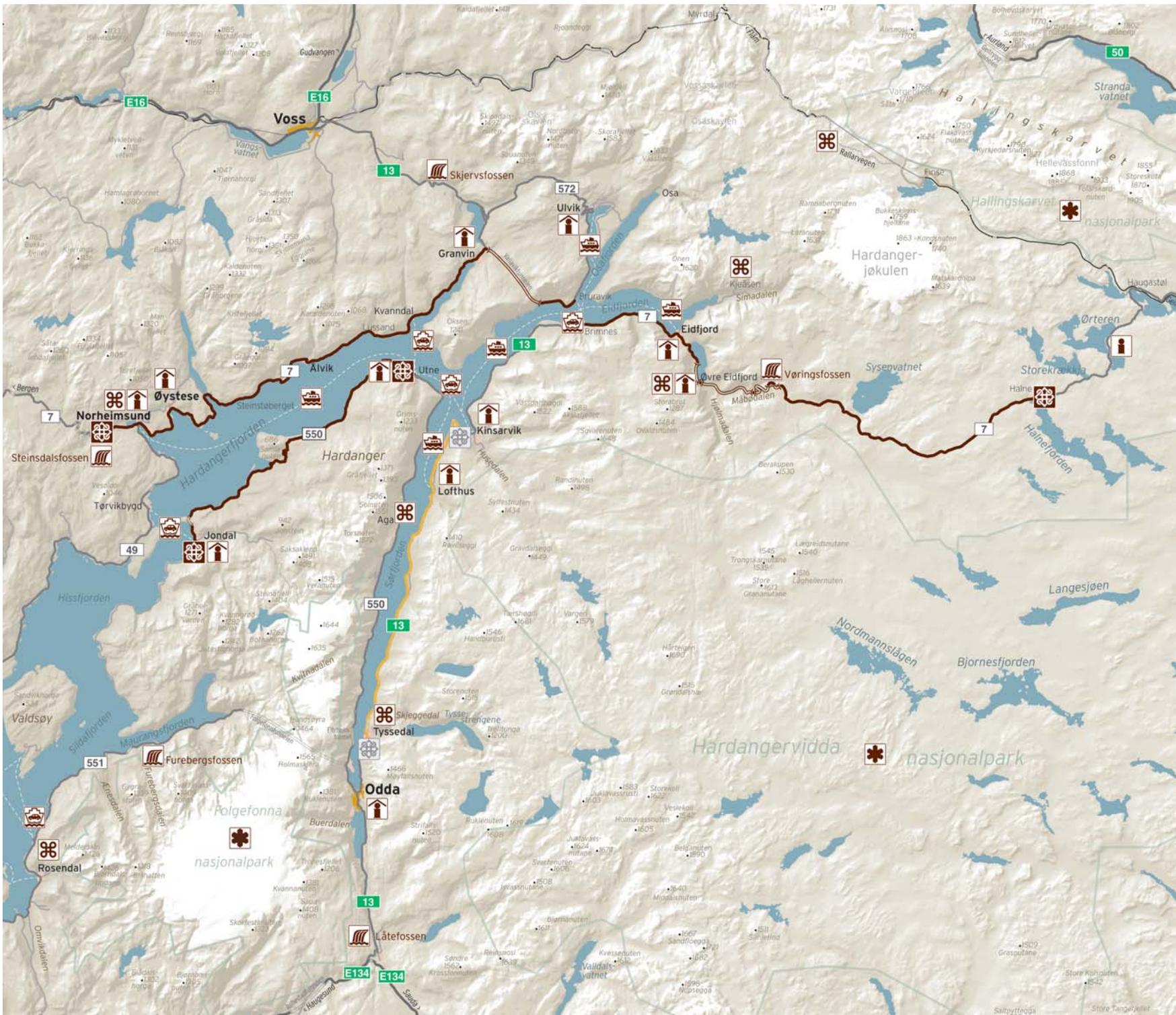
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### Legend

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-  Future National Tourist Route
-  Indoor information
-  Information
-  Sight national/international sight
-  Waterfall
-  Conservation area protected by law
-  Car ferry
-  High-speed vessel/passenger ship
-  City
-  Village
-  Boat route
-  National Tourist Route
-  Future National Tourist Route
-  European road system
-  Trunk road
-  Tunnel
-  Railway
-  National park

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