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GUIDE 06

The Norway camper handbook

Choosing it, driving it, servicing it, living in it — everything
except the two things that have their own guide.

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Read this first

This is the long guide in the range, and it is long because a camper trip in Norway is not one problem but about thirty, arriving in a fixed order: which vehicle, what it costs, what the roads do to it, where the water goes, what you eat, what you do when the weather turns, what happens when it breaks.

Two of those thirty problems already have their own guide, and this one does not repeat them.

THE RULE

What lives elsewhere, and where.

- *Tolls, ferries & paying on Norway's roads* — the whole payment system: tags, agreements, rate groups, ferry classes, the bills that arrive after you are home. Chapter 6 here is a two-page summary and nothing more.
- *Where can I sleep with a camper in Norway?* — the law on overnight parking, the right to roam, signs, Lofoten, and a method for finding a legal spot every night. Chapter 7 here is a two-page summary and nothing more.

How to use it

Chapters 2 to 5 are for before you book. Chapters 6 and 7 are the two summaries. Chapters 8 to 14 are the road. Chapters 15 to 20 are daily life: food, drink, children, dogs, access, health. Chapters 21 to 25 are the vehicle as a place to live — water, gas, electricity, damp and weather. Chapters 26 and 27 are what to do when things go wrong and what it all costs. Chapters 28 and 29 are the checklists and the words on the signs. You do not need to read it in order, but chapters 2 and 3 pay for the rest, because almost every expensive surprise later in a Norwegian camper trip is a consequence of a decision made about the vehicle before the trip started.

What this handbook will not do

It will not quote you a price for a campsite, a night's electricity or a gas bottle exchange. Those are commercial prices, they move, and no official source publishes them. Fuel is the exception: Statistics Norway publishes a monthly national average, and chapter 27 uses it. Where a number can be sourced to an authority — a tax rate, a legal limit, a published statistic — it is here with its date. Where it cannot, the handbook tells you how to find out rather than inventing a figure that will be wrong by the time you read it.

This is a handbook, not legal advice. Where an authority, an operator or a sign on the ground says otherwise, they are right and this booklet is wrong. Every rule here names its paragraph so that you can check it yourself.