

Sons of Norway-Idun Lodge Day Trip



to see the *awesome* Viking ship
Draken Harald Hårfagre
at the Tall Ship Festival
in Green Bay
Saturday, 6 August 2016

Leave Madison at 8:30am; return about 9:00pm

You are invited to take advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to take an on-board tour of this fantastic replica Viking ship... now that it has successfully sailed across the North Atlantic!

The *Draken Harald Hårfagre* longship brings the seafaring qualities of a warship from the old Norse sagas to life, combining ocean-crossing sailing capabilities with a warship's use of oars... 25 pairs, to be exact. Named after Harald the Fairhair, the king who unified Norway into one kingdom, the great dragon ship was carefully created in the town of Haugesund in Western Norway from 2010-2012. At a hundred and fourteen feet of crafted oak, twenty-seven feet on the beam, displacing eighty tons, and with a thirty-two hundred square foot sail, *Draken* is the largest Viking ship built in modern times. This magnificent ship is indeed worthy of a king!

After a trial sail to Liverpool, England in 2014 - when its mast broke in rough weather - the *Draken* was restructured and strengthened. It again set sail from Haugesund this April 26th and made its way across the Atlantic via Iceland, Greenland and Newfoundland, arriving at Quebec City on the St. Lawrence River on June 15th. It will sail a route through the Great Lakes and be moored at Chicago July 27-31, at Green Bay August 5-7, and at Duluth August 18-21. Then the *Draken* will wind its way back through the Great Lakes to New York City, via the New York canal system and the Hudson River. It will spend the winter of 2016-17 at the Mystic Seaport Museum in Mystic, Connecticut. After that...the owner hasn't decided yet whether *Draken* will stay in the U.S. or return to Norway.

For a fascinating history of the ship, as well as photos and videos, go to www.drakenexpeditionamerica.com

The *Draken Harald Hårfagre* is one of nine masted sailing ships scheduled to be present in Green Bay for this year's annual Tall Ship Festival, held August 5-7.

The term "tall ship" usually means a large traditionally-rigged sailing vessel, whether or not it is technically a "ship". A tall ship can be a schooner, brigantine, barque, barquentine, brig, ketch, sloop, or a full-rigged ship, depending on the number of masts and the cut of the sails.

We will travel on a Badger Bus and arrive in Green Bay before noon on Saturday, August 6th. Throughout the afternoon on the festival grounds (until 4:00pm) you will have access to food concessions; free live music, other entertainment, and historical presentations; the North Coast Marine Ship Yard; and the Maritime Marketplace. But the highlight of the day, of course, will be a tour of the the *Draken* - as well as tours of the other ships - plus an optional 90-minute "sailaway" in the harbor on one of them, the *Appledore IV*.

The basic cost of this day trip is \$35 for Idun Lodge members (& immediate family), \$40 for other Sons of Norway lodge members (& immediate family), and \$45 for non-members. These amounts include your bus ride (w/snacks & bottled water) and access to the festival grounds, including tours of most of the nine participating ships.

An exciting additional option (for the brave of heart & steady of feet) will be a 90-minute “sailaway” in the Green Bay harbor on the schooner *Appledore IV*, for an extra \$50. This impressive smaller ship is owned and operated by an organization based in Bay City, Michigan. Proceeds further its mission to foster environmental stewardship of the Saginaw Bay watershed and the Great Lakes ecosystem, and to provide personal development opportunities for learners of all ages through shipboard and land-based educational experiences.



See www.baysailbaycity.org/appledore/appledoreiv.htm

For important sailaway rules, see www.tallshipgreenbay.com/tickets/sail-excursions/ and scroll down to the bottom. Registering for this sailaway is considered to be an acknowledgement that you understand and will abide by these rules.

- This tour is limited to ages 6 and up; there is no discount for children or seniors.
- There are rules about what you cannot bring with you into the festival grounds; these will be included on your reservation acknowledgement.
- The customary tip for the bus driver will be a “pass the envelope” free-will offering during the trip back to Madison.
- Meals are *not* included, but you could bring a lunch to eat after we arrive, or purchase lunch from vendors on the festival grounds. The festival closes at 4:00pm, so we will then board the bus and leave at 4:30, stopping for supper on the way out of Green Bay at a restaurant such as Perkins (yet to be arranged). We will leave there by 6:30 to head back to Madison.

Reservations for the 56-passenger bus are on a first-come, first-served basis. FULL PAYMENT MUST BE MADE AT THE TIME OF MAKING YOUR RESERVATION. If you need to cancel, we will do our best to help you find someone to fill your seat, but if not, no refunds will be given.

The bus will pick us up in the Dutch Mill Park & Ride just off the Beltline (NE of the intersection of Hwy 12/18 and Stoughton Rd/Hwy 51) in the east lot, where you can leave your car parked. This lot can also be conveniently reached by Madison city buses #11 & #12; check www.cityofmadison.com/metro/schedules/schedules.cfm for time schedules.

We will begin to gather at the Dutch Mill Park & Ride at 8:00am.

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Plan to arrive early to have the best choice of seats.

The time of arrival back in Madison will depend on when we end up leaving the restaurant outside of Green Bay, but we plan to be back at Dutch Mill by about 9:00pm.

To reserve your place on this unique tour, return a completed copy of the attached form, using one box for *each* person in your party, with a single check made payable to Idun Lodge. Mail to Dee Grimsrud, 309 N Brearly St, Madison WI 53703-1601.

For more info, contact Dee at winorsk@gmail.com or 608-259-1958 (10am-10pm).

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Total number of people ____ **Total of enclosed check: \$** _____