

## 24.9. – 1.10. 2015, Faroe Islands

The ferry ride from Iceland to the Faroe Island was quiet, except for the usual swell, which rocks you to sleep – or beyond. We were lucky to see a few whales for the very last time.



In the afternoon of the next day we are back to the smallest capital in the world –Torshavn.

Not many cars de-board here today, so we are off the boat rather quickly.



Knowing a place is quite beneficial, especially if roads are so narrow and everything is so tiny like here.

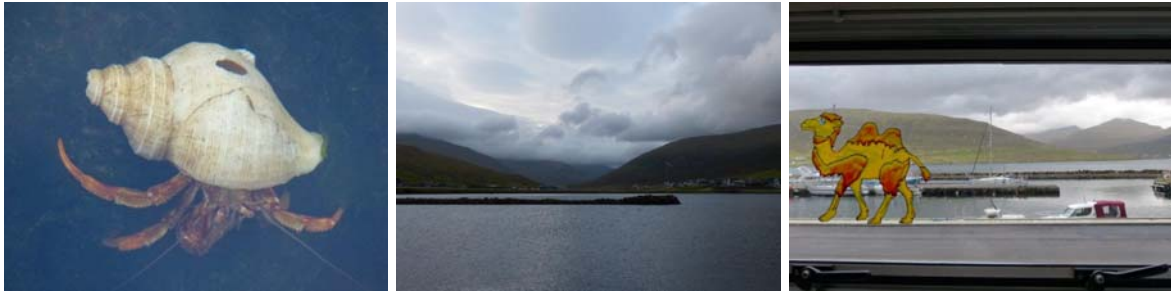
Therefore we don't need to look for a campsite for long, but go straight to the parking place we know at the shore near the harbour.

During the whole week, the weather on Faroer showed room for improvement. It was very windy, rained a lot, we felt like in Iceland. During really-bad-weather-episodes we were chillin' out, but when the weather got better we explored the two main islands Stremoy and Esturoy. We were not able to visit the other islands because our vehicle is too high to fit through the tunnels on the other islands. Therefore we gave the expensive (~EUR 50) subsea tunnel a miss.

Kirkjubour is a little village with grass-roof houses, a church and a freshly renovated cathedral. Many children are playing and running around, it all looks very idyllic.



In Halvik we watch a big hermit crab in the crystal clear water and the clouds are piling up to bring more bad weather.



Eidi is located at the Northern Tippet of the island Esturoy. It is so windy, our car is shaking like a boat, we are almost feeling sick. We park at the view point for the bird cliff Risin – which maybe isn't the smartest choice amidst all the wind...



The next day we drive the scenic route around the Funningsfjord to Gjogv and Elduvik, cute little villages with colourful grass-roof houses.



In the bay of Gotugjov we all of the sudden see the "Sea Sheperd" and her sister "Anti Poaching". How exciting, to see these ships in real live and not only in the news and on NatGeo and Discovery channel.







We have lunch break in Fuglafjordur near these funny sculptures in the port.

In Leirvik Werner finally has a chance to repair the power steering system. It became more and more difficult to turn the steering wheel, sometimes Werner had to pull with both hands and full force to be able to turn. We already bought oil for the Servo pump in Torshavn and replenished it, but this was not the cause of the problem. The V-belt is loose and is sliding over the drive wheel, that the servo pump is not working properly anymore. After tightening up the V-belt the problem is solved.



It's only few meters down to the port, where we stay for the night.



The next day we drive through Aeduvik, around the lake Toftavatn, through Nes, Toftir and Runavik until we finally reach Torshavn again.





Also on our last day the weather is – surprisingly – cold, rainy and very windy.

We therefore stay in our 'living room' – a cafe in the SMS-Mall – until it is time to go to the ferry.

Scheduled time of ferry departure is 9pm. However, in the meantime the wind has grown into a real storm, so the ferry stays in the harbour to wait for the worst of the storm to calm down.

Also maintenance repair on the ship had to be done, which they usually would carry out at sea. But since the weather is too rough, they decided to do this in port. At 11:30pm we finally depart.

We heard that the first ferry ride from Iceland to Torshavn was really bad, but we are lucky again and thankful to the captain, that he had waited in the port for the wind to calm down.

On board we surprisingly meet almost all acquaintances we had gotten to know on the road in Iceland. What a small world...