

The Arctic - Arctic Highlights | MS Expedition

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ACTSAHS
Departure



Introduction

Start your adventure in Svalbard and sail along the edge of the ice toward Greenland, keeping an eye out for wildlife along the way. As you head south, you'll explore this remote part of the world not just by ship, but also on foot and by Zodiac. The scenery changes as you go, showing the many faces of the Arctic. You'll visit a small Inuit village, spot unique animals, and discover places few people ever see. The journey ends in Iceland, where volcanic fire and arctic ice come together in one unforgettable destination.

Please note that during the August 3, 2026 departure of this itinerary, travellers may experience a partial or full solar eclipse depending on the ship's location while in the Kejser Franz Joseph Fjord.

Itinerary

DAY 1: Longyearbyen

Begin your adventure today. There are no planned activities so feel free to explore or rest up for the excitement ahead. A local representative can provide general information about the town or your embarkation process. In the late afternoon, join your fellow passengers to take your group transfer and begin embarkation for your journey on the Expedition.



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DAY 2: Svalbard/Greenland Sea - Days 2 to

15 Days

Locations

Svalbard, Greenland & Iceland

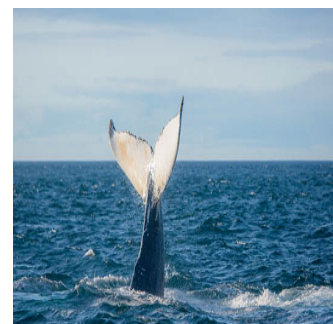
Taking advantage of local ice and weather conditions, explore the Northwest Spitsbergen National Park, one of those rare places on Earth blessed with both awe-inspiring landscape and compelling history. Over four full days, explore a small portion of the western coast of Svalbard. Entering the fall the days are getting shorter so try to take advantage of all of the sunlight possible to search for wildlife. Spend these days in search of the elusive polar bears as they hunt seals. Look out for Svalbard's unique subspecies of reindeer. Although much smaller than their southern relatives, they still carry impressive antlers. Keep a sharp lookout for Arctic foxes. By not having a set itinerary, we take on an expedition spirit and are free to take advantage of the best that Svalbard has to offer.



DAY 6: Greenland Sea/Ittoqqortoormiit -

Days 6 & 7

Frigid waters drain from the Arctic Ocean in a southwest current along the coast of Northeast Greenland. Often, drifting pack ice is pushed along the coast. We will attempt to approach and follow the pack ice edge to explore the polar seascape. Keep an eye out for majestic whales, which are known to feed here in the summer months. Spot orca, humpback and minke whales, as well as dolphins. Attend lectures hosted throughout the day on anything from local wildlife to the history and exploration of the Arctic.



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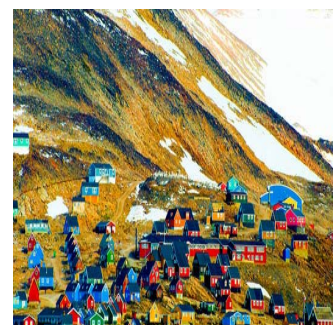
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Sail through and land in some of the most
Svalbard, Greenland & Iceland
spectacular fjord country in the world along

down the coast of Greenland, while
exploring rarely visited glaciers, bays and
inlets. This is the largest national park in
the world, nearly impossible to reach except
on expedition ships. Spectacular geology
combined with glacial features create steep
mountains raising directly from the sea.

Look out for picturesque scenery, wildlife
and other interesting landing sites in this
unspoiled wilderness. Depending on ice,
spend these days exploring the massive
fjord system of Northeast Greenland
National Park, which includes portions of
Scoresbysund. These intricate fjord systems
are everything from wide and unimaginable
to narrow and steeply spectacular with
some of the best mountain scenery in the
world. Walking over lush stands of colourful
autumn tundra may lead to opportunities to
see musk oxen grazing nearby. Visit

Ittoqqortoormiit for an up close look into life
in the most remote town in Greenland. This
small settlement is home to only 450
individuals and one grocery store. The
people of Ittoqqortoormiit rely heavily on
hunting and fishing and have honed these
skillsets for many generations. They enjoy
spending warmer weather on dog sleds,
snowmobile trips, or camping excursions.
With the closest inhabited settlement
hundreds of miles away across some of the
most unforgivable terrain in the world, the
warmth and sense of community fostered by
the people of Ittoqqortoormiit act as a
beacon in the Arctic.



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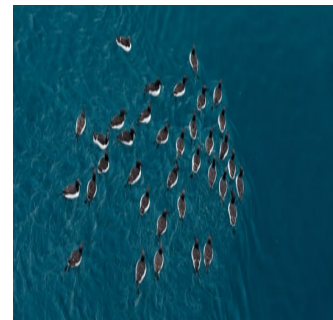
Seas for whales. Head towards Iceland and

The steaming hot springs of Reykjavík. The

view is often complemented by soaring

fulmars, kittiwakes, gannets, guillemots,

and razorbills.



DAY 15: Reykjavík

Shortly after breakfast, disembark in

Reykjavík, walking distance from downtown.

For guests departing on disembarkation

day, there will be a complimentary transfer

at 8:00am to Keflavik International Airport

from the port. For guests who are planning

on staying in Reykjavik post trip, taxis will

be available for hire at the pier to transfer

them to their accommodations. All transfer

arrangements will be confirmed while on

board prior to departure, to ensure that all

needs are met. Please Note: Do not book

onward travel prior to 2:00pm. While it is

our intention to adhere to the route

described, there is a certain amount of

flexibility built into the itinerary and on

occasion it may be necessary, or desirable

to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as

we never know exactly where our journey

will take us. Due to our style of travel and

the regions we visit, travel can be

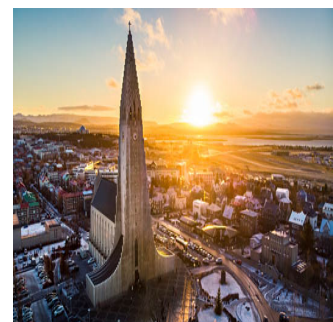
unpredictable. The itinerary is a general

guide to the tour and region and any

mention of specific destinations or wildlife

is by no means a guarantee that they will be

visited or encountered.



Inclusions & Details

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INCLUSIONS

- Accommodation on board during your voyage
- Group arrival transfers to the ship in Longyearbyen
- Group departure transfer after disembarkation in Reykjavik* (depending on flight)
- Visit to local community as per itinerary in Greenland
- All Zodiac excursions, as per itinerary, guided by our Expedition Team
- English-speaking expedition team
- Expedition parka to keep
- Rubber boots on loan (USA sizes 4 - 16)
- Briefings and lectures by our Expedition Leader and Team
- English-speaking Expedition Team
- All meals whilst on board
- Free tea and coffee available 24 hours
- Taxes and landing fees

Inclusions

EXCLUSIONS

- International or internal flights
- Extra excursions and optional activities not mentioned in the itinerary
- Single room supplements
- Meals not on board the ship (Allow USD25-35 for meals not included)
- Beverages (other than coffee and tea)
- Tips for the crew (we recommend USD 15 per person per day)
- Personal expenses such as laundry, bar and onboard communication
- Mandatory waterproof pants for Zodiac landings and excursions
- Travel and medical insurance (compulsory)
- Pre or post cruise travel expenses
- Visa (if applicable) and passport fees
- Fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings
- Anything not mentioned under 'Inclusions'

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

Single Surcharge

Willing to share available for no additional cost in select cabin categories only. Surcharge applies for solo use cabin, contact us for pricing. Subject to availability. Prices are based on per person, and may be based off triple/ or twin share cabins* (please contact us for more details)

Notes

Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.

Price Dependent upon

Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.
Departure Date, Fuel Surcharges, Cabin Category, Currency Fluctuations, Seasonality & Availability.

Sustainability