

### **HIGH ARCTIC EXPLORER WITH ADVENTURE CANADA**

Visit Beechey Island National Historic Site One of the most notorious sites in the Arctic, Beechey Island is famed as the site where the ill-fated Franklin Expedition overwintered. 1845–1846. The graves of three of Franklin's men, along with a fourth man from a later Northwest Passage expedition are a haunting memorial to the heyday of European Arctic exploration. Cruise Tallurutiup Imanga National Marine Protected Area Lancaster Sound, the entrance to the Northwest Passage through the Canadian Arctic archipelago, is home to Canada's newest National Marine Protected Area. Glacier-fed waters, mountain landscapes, and rugged coastlines define this vast and beautiful place-as does the plentiful marine wildlife. Visit unique cultural historical sites from the Thule period and the European explorer era Seek seabirds, marine mammals, and polar bears in this unique, protected habitat Enjoy an Inuit cultural welcome at Mittimatilik (Pond Inlet) Enjoy the warmth of an Inuit welcome as drum dancers, throat singers, and cultural ambassadors share their stories, songs, and connections to the land. See the views of stunning Bylot Island Try your luck against a local athlete at Inuit games Look for handicrafts and carvings at the cultural centre Cruise among icebergs at Jakobshavn Glacier, a UNESCO World Heritage Site The fastest-calving glacier in the world spills thousands of enormous icebergs every year into the spectacular Ilulissat Icefjord in Disko Bay, Greenland. View the icebergs from the shore on a hike along the boardwalk-then board a Zodiac to cruise your way among them! Explore the spectacular west coast of Greenland The west coast of Greenland is deeply cut by spectacular fjords. At the head of many fjords are the glaciers, spawned from the

enormous Greenland ice cap. These glaciers produce the mighty icebergs that dot Baffin Bay, riding their way north on currents before being carried southbound for Newfoundland. To watch them on their journey is one of the world's most



amazing sights!

#### ITINERARY

#### Day 1: Qausuittuq (Resolute), NU, Canada The Adventure Begins

Qausuittuq, or "place with no dawn," is named for its dark winters. During our time in the summer months we will

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experience the midnight sun, a time of no darkness. The starting of our journey is characterized by shoreline gravel flats, rocky coastal bluffs, and deposits of glacial moraine. More significant is the origin of the hamlet. In 1953, Inuit from Inukjuak, Québec and Mittimatalik were relocated under false pretences by the Canadian government with the aim of asserting Canadian sovereignty. Today the community is home to just under 250 people and is an important staging point for High Arctic research, tourism, and military activities. Here we will be transferred by Zodiac to the Ocean Endeavour.

#### Day 2: Beechey Island Franklin Expedition Historical Site

In 1845, Sir John Franklin set out from England with HMS Erebus and HMS Terror, attempting to sail through the Northwest Passage. Franklin's crew overwintered at Beechey Island, where three of his men died. Numerous search parties later used Beechey as a depot and rendezvous. Amundsen, Bernier, and Larsen all visited Beechey. Thomas Morgan of the HMS Investigator was buried here in 1854 alongside Franklin's men. The graves and the ruins of nearby Northumberland House are a haunting memorial.

# Day 3-6: Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound) and Devon Island Whales, Seabirds, and Polar Bears

We will spend four days exploring Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound), one of Canada's newest National Marine Conservation Areas. Narwhal, beluga, and bowhead whales transit and feed in this area. We'll cruise by ship and Zodiac in search of wildlife. On the northern border of Tallurutiup Imanga lies Devon Island, the largest uninhabited island on Earth at over 50,000 square kilometres. The island's geology is stunning. Flat-topped mountains, glacial valleys, and a substantial ice cap give Devon Island its unique character. We'll visit a number of the

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bays—hiking the tundra, discovering the botany, cruising a glacier face, and wildlife-spotting from ship and from shore. Once home to Inuit and their ancestors, we will visit archaeological sites with expert interpretation to learn about the human history of this now-abandoned island. We'll also catch a glimpse of recent human history as we visit the remains of a Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Hudson's Bay Company site at Dundas Harbour.

#### Day 7: Mittimatalik (Pond Inlet) Inuit Cultural Experiences

Mittimatalik is a busy Arctic community in a beautiful setting. The views of nearby Bylot Island are stunning. We will have a chance to explore the town. The cultural presentation at the Community Hall is not to be missed—handcrafted goods may be available here, too.

#### Day 8: At Sea - Davis Strait Onboard Learning

Our onboard presentation series will continue as we steam across Davis Strait towards Canada. This is an excellent time to enjoy workshops, watch a documentary, and get out on deck with your binoculars to look for whales, seabirds, and marine wildlife.

#### Day 9: Western Greenland Tundra Hiking

Greenland's west coast is simply stunning. From mighty mountains to the tiniest tundra flowers, our stop in this area will offer many outstanding features of interest. Hikers, walkers, photographers, and contemplators will all be equally delighted.

#### Day 10: Ilulissat Zodiac Cruise Around Towering Icebergs

Ilulissat translates literally to "iceberg"—an apt name for this site at the mouth of the Ilulissat Icefjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The icefjord is the outlet of the Sermeq Kujalleq glacier, a

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source of many of the icebergs in the North Atlantic. Here, we will cruise in our fleet of Zodiacs to appreciate the icebergs. We will also visit the town of Ilulissat, with its museums, cafes, craft shops, and busy fishing harbour.

#### Day 11: Sisimiut Coast Glaciers, Islands, and Fjords

West Greenland's complex coastal waterways include glaciers, islands, and fjords against a towering mountain backdrop that we'll explore by ship and by Zodiac. The waters are relatively warm here, due to the West Greenland Current and the subarctic location. People have lived in the Sisimiut area for 4,500 years. For the first 2,000 years, the people of the Saqqaq culture occupied the area. 2,500 years ago, new people brought the Dorset culture to the Sisimiut area. They lived here for 1,500 years and were followed by the people of the Thule culture—the ancestors of the modern-day Inuit population.

#### Day 12: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland A Fond Farewell

With 190 kilometres of superb scenery, Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord) is one of the longest fjords in the world. We end our adventure by sailing up this dramatic fjord, crossing the Arctic Circle as we go. Kangerlussuaq, the town at the head of the fjord, is a former U.S. Air Force base and Greenland's primary flight hub. Here we will disembark the Ocean Endeavour, and take the charter flight to Toronto, ON.

#### Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.

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### **YOUR SHIP: OCEAN ENDEAVOUR**

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YOUR SHIP:	
VESSEL TYPE:	
LENGTH:	
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	
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Sailing with a maximum of 198-passengers, Ocean Endeavour is the perfect vessel for expedition cruising. Outfitted with twenty Zodiacs, advanced navigation equipment, multiple lounges and a top deck observation room, she is purpose-built for passenger experiences in remote environments. The Ocean Endeavour boasts a 1B ice class, enabling her to freely explore throughout the Arctic summer.Launched in 1982, she has had numerous upgrades, most recently in 2010 and 2014. At 137 meters (450ft) in length, Ocean Endeavour has plenty of interior and exterior space. Enjoy multiple decks offering comfortable lounge chairs, outdoor dining, a swimming pool, sauna and even a hot tub! The spacious interiors allow for multiple workshops and presentations to occur simultaneously. Community is at the heart of Adventure Canada's expedition experience. We gather together to learn, enjoy a drink, sing a song or share a yarn connecting with one and other. The three lounges aboard Ocean Endeavour are fantastic public spaces for seminars, events and dialogue. The Ocean Endeavour's private spaces are stylish and comfortable. All cabins have private washroom facilities, a phone for internal calls, radio, TV and air-conditioning. There are a variety of cabin categories available ranging from 9-30 m2

(100-320 sq ft).Ocean Endeavour's crew is experienced, and friendly. Her shallow draft and maneuverability allow her to access isolated fiords, bays and secluded communities. The stylish vessel is at home among the glorious settings we seek. Enjoy the class and comfort of a boutique hotel, while venturing to some of the world's last great frontiers aboard the Ocean



Endeavour!

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# INSIDE YOUR SHIP

#### CABIN CATEGORIES

CATEGORY 10 | SUITE

unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath wi full tub, refrigerator – approx. 310 sq. ft. CATEGORY 9 | JUNIOR SUITE Deck free (picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, sitting area – approx. 270 sq. ft.),

unobstructed; matrimonial bed, private bah with fit tub, sitting area — approx. 290 sq. ft) private bath, refrigerator

Deck five (two picture windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths, sitting area – approx. 210 sp. ft.), deck seven forward (forward: facing picture windows, unobstructed; matrimonial bed, private bath with ful tub – approx. 180 sq. ft.), deck seven midship (picture windows, partial lobstruction; matrimonial bed –

CATEGORY 7 | SELECT TWIN Deck free (jicture windows, unobstructed view, two lower berths OR matrimonial bed, approx. 190 sq. fl and deck eight (oversize windows, partial obstruction matrimonial bed – approx. 445 sp. ft.) private bath.

refrigerator CATEGORY 6 | COMPORT TWIN Deck four (two porthole windows, unobstructed vie two lower berths OR matrimonial bed – approx. 17 sq. fb.) deck seven (picture window, partial lostituci two lower berths – approx. 135 sq. fb.), and deck eig

CATEGORY 5 | MAIN TWIN

Deck five. Picture window, unobstrue

CATEGORY 4 | EXTERIOR TWIN Deck four. Porthole window, unobstructed view; tw

lower berths, private bath — approx. 100 sq. ft. (1 90 sq. ft. (Single)

CATEGORY3 | INTERIOR TWIN Deck five. Interior cabin, two lower berths, prival

CATEGORY 2 | TRIPLE

private baths — approx. 200 sq. ft.

CATEGORY1 | QUAD Deck four. Interior cabin, four lower berths, private

parate snov O sq. ft.



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