

### **ARCTIC HIGHLIGHTS**

Sailing from Spitsbergen to Greenland, follow the ice's edge with an eye peeled to the horizon for wildlife. Navigating south, you'll explore this remote landscape not only by ship but also on foot and via Zodiac. This journey highlights the contrast and change in the Arctic as you move south, finally ending in the Iceland, "the Land of Fire and Ice." An Inuit village, unique wildlife and remote destinations are just some of the highlights on this truly unforgettable voyage through the Arctic.



### ITINERARY

#### Day 1 Longyearbyen

Embark aboard the MS Expedition in the afternoon and depart Longyearbyen in the evening. Passenger transfer to the ship is at 4pm. But you will need to drop off your checked luggage by 2pm at the joining hotel's luggage storage room. Depart Longyearbyen in the evening.

Days 2-5 Spitsbergen/Greenland Sea

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Taking advantage of local ice and weather conditions, explore Svalbard, one of those rare places on Earth blessed with both awe-inspiring landscape and compelling history. On day five, begin exploring the coastline. Over four full days, explore a small portion of the western coast of Spitsbergen. 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 two days in search of the elusive polar bears as they hunt seals. Look out for Svalbards unique subspecies of reindeer. Although much smaller than their southern relatives, they still carry impressive antlers. Keep a sharp look out 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.

#### Days 6-7 Northeast Greenland National Park

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. Enjoy lectures by expedition staff.

#### Days 8-12 Ittoqqortoomiit/Denmark Strait

Spend a few days exploring the massive fjord system of Northeast Greenland National Park, which includes portions of Scorsbysund. Visit the tiny settlement of Ittoqqortoormiit for a look at how these most northerly people live.

#### Days 13-14 Denmark Strait/Reykjavík

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Enjoy the lecture series while watching the 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

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Shortly after breakfast, disembark at the Midbakki Pier - Port of Reykjavik, walking distance from downtown.

#### Please Note:

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, 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.



# YOUR SHIP: EXPEDITION

YOUR SHIP: VESSEL TYPE: LENGTH: PASSENGER CAPACITY: BUILT/REFURBISHED:

The MS Expedition provides an intimate small-ship cruising experience. Completely refurbished in 2009, she boasts spacious cabins, each featuring ocean-facing windows or portholes and private en-suite facilities. Large common areas and observation decks provide panoramic views of the distinctive landscapes of some of the world's most remote regions. The Expedition's spacious confines can hold up to 140 passengers. You will be given a free expedition parka jacket on all Polar voyages on board MS Expedition Fast - spend less time in transit and more time exploring Sturdy - excellent stability and performance in rough weather Safe - designed with safety in mind Responsible - environmental policies that meet and exceed industry regulations Facilities and Amenities 360° Top Observation Deck All cabins with private ensuite and outside views Raised Forward Observation Deck Large fleet of Zodiacs with four stroke engines Complimentary Wellington Boots for duration of your cruise Complimentary destination guides for every passenger Large headed Mud Room Lonely Planet Library Discovery Lounge Fine dining - international cuisine in one sitting Large aft deck with barbeque facilities Polar Bear Pub Gift Shop Medical Clinic Sauna Computer Room with internet where

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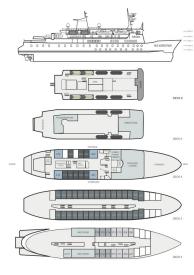


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## **INSIDE YOUR SHIP**



Cabin Categories \* Category 1: 1 upper berth; 2 lower berths. Full ensuite washes \* Category 2: 2 lower berths. Full ensuite washroom. Portfole 4 \* Category 3: 2 lower berths. Full ensuite washroom. Window v \* Category 4: 2 lower berths. Full ensuite washroom. Window v



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