

AT THE EDGE OF THE HIGH ARCTIC - GREENLAND LUXURY EXPEDITION CRUISE

As spring begins to carve a path through the pack ice, set sail aboard _Le Commandant Charcot_ to explore the High Arctic , an icy world where nature sets the pace and where the silence speaks more powerfully than words. In Baffin Bay , journey across a vast expanse of drifting ice where the wildlife is already stirring with the arrival of spring. In Kullorsuaq , and then in Siorapaluk , the last inhabited villages in these remote lands at the ends of the earth, encounters with the Inuit communities, guardians of ancestral traditions, are rare and precious, as though suspended in time. Entering the Nares Strait will immerse you in a world of boundless white, where you can truly feel the extreme isolation of the High Arctic. In this icy realm, Arctic wildlife reveals itself: walruses , narwhals , seabirds , and sometimes polar bears. Continuing this immersion, the entrance to the Kane Basin reveals shifting frozen expanses, a silent theatre where icebergs drift and Arctic life thrives with remarkable intensity. _We are privileged guests in these extreme lands, where we are at the mercy of the weather and the ice conditions. Our commitment to respecting this environment imposes certain rules of conduct upon us. Our navigation, mainly in the fjords, will be determined by the type of ice we come across; as the coastal ice must be preserved, we will take this factor into account from day to day in our itineraries. The sailing program, shore visits, activities and observation of fauna cannot be guaranteed and are subject to weather and ice conditions. These experiences are unique and vary from day to day and for each departure. The Captain and the Expedition Leader will make every effort to ensure that your experience is as rich as possible, while complying with applicable safety rules and AECO regulations._



ITINERARY

Day 1 Nuuk

When Erik Le Rouge, the exiled Norse chief, landed on the coast of Nuuk, he found a fertile and welcoming land dotted with fjords. He settled there with a group of his former countrymen, and **the Norse** remained the principal inhabitants until, over a period of 500 years, their population declined and gave way to the Inuit. **Nuuk** is situated at the mouth of one of the largest networks of fjords in the world, where the waters never freeze. The town spreads gently out towards the **Davis Strait** and enjoys an historic center that is particularly rich in



national heritage. The vivid reds, blues, greens and yellows of the houses are a lively contrast to the somber waters of Greenland and serve to lift the spirits of the locals during the Winter months.

Day 2 At sea aboard Le Commandant Charcot

Spend exceptional moments sailing aboard Le Commandant Charcot, the world's first luxury polar exploration vessel and the first PC2-class polar cruise ship capable of sailing into the very heart of the ice, on seas and oceans which the frozen conditions render inaccessible to ordinary ships. Le Commandant Charcot is fitted with oceanographic and scientific equipment selected by a committee of experts. Take advantage of the on-board lectures and opportunities for discussion with these specialists to learn more about the poles. Participate in furthering scientific research with PONANT and let us discover together what these fascinating destinations have yet to reveal to us.

Day 3 Sailing ice floes along Greenland

The **north-east of Greenland** is renowned for being home to one of the oldest and thickest layers of ice on the planet. Aboard your ship, you will have the unique opportunity of sailing to the heart of this icy wilderness, many thousands of years old, and will travel along one of the world's most isolated coasts, between drifting ice and blue icebergs.

Days 4 - 5 Kullorsuaq

Well beyond the Arctic Circle, in the majestic landscapes of Greenland's Northwest, you will find the village of **Kullorsuaq** , the last bastion of Greenland's traditional hunters. Here is where you will find Greenland's true character... Vast mineral expanses, **sumptuous mountains** , impressive glaciers and, above all, the local population which still lives off fishing and seal or bear hunting. Hospitality and respect for nature are essential elements in the daily lives of these men, who live an austere life. When we drop anchor in this remote part of the world, set off to discover these friendly people who are also **talented craftsmen** , deftly sewing the furs and skins of marine mammals. This will be a unique and authentic experience.

Days 6 - 7 Baffin Bay exploration

In the icy waters of Baffin Bay, you will sail into the heart of the scattered sea floe. You will be captivated by icebergs in dreamlike shapes as your ship takes you into the ice of the Far North. Everything comes in shades of white here and, if you watch closely, you may get a glimpse of the lord of this kingdom, the polar bear. This fascinating animal finds its food in the heart of the ice, so this is where you have more chances of spotting it. The polar light gives a shine to the ice floe that you sail along as you explore Baffin Bay, leaving you with memories of unforgettable moments.

Day 8 Thule Region

Thule , the region located to the northwest of Greenland, is the **mythical name used to designate the Far North**. The presence of many drifting icebergs calved from the glaciers of Greenland and sheets of ice floe can make sailing tricky - but spectacular - in this region. You will attempt to sail as far north as possible and if you are lucky enough you will perhaps observe one of the many polar bears that roam this favourable environment. You'll perhaps visit **traditional villages** such as Dundas ("old Thule") and Siorapaluk, Greenland's northernmost native settlement, where you will probably be greeted by a joyous group of children, who are always happy to welcome visitors.



Day 9 Etah

To the north of the region of Thule, in Inglefield Land, there is an ancient Inuit hunting camp known for having been the departure point of many European expeditions to conquer the North Pole. Here, in **Etah** , you will have the possibility of discovering peat **house vestiges from the Thule civilisation** and making your way up the valley for a gorgeous walk in Greenland's high Arctic. Today, this region is still a favourite hunting spot for Greenlanders. It is not unusual to see musk oxen here.

Days 10 - 11 Kane Bassin

The presence of **many drifting icebergs** calved from the glaciers of Greenland and sheets of ice floe can make **sailing tricky - but spectacular** \- in this High Arctic region located between the north of Greenland and Ellesmere Island, in Nunavut. If you are lucky enough to be able to venture there with your ship, you will perhaps observe one of the many **polar bears** that roam this favourable environment. In the north, in the Nares Strait, Denmark and Canada are still fighting over the possession of the tiny and uninhabited **Hans islet** , which is moreover actively defended by a collective that invites everyone to declare themselves an "inhabitant" of Hans, to protect the island, from oil drilling projects.

Days 12 - 14 Baffin Bay exploration

In the icy waters of Baffin Bay, you will sail into the heart of the scattered sea floe. You will be captivated by icebergs in dreamlike shapes as your ship takes you into the ice of the Far North. Everything comes in shades of white here and, if you watch closely, you may get a glimpse of the lord of this kingdom, the polar bear. This fascinating animal finds its food in the heart of the ice, so this is where you have more chances of spotting it. The polar light gives a shine to the ice floe that you sail along as you explore Baffin Bay, leaving you with memories of unforgettable moments.

Day 15 Disko Island

Disko Island, called **Qeqertarsuaq** in Greenlandic, is one of the most spectacular jewels of the west coast of Greenland. It is crossed by an **ice cap** , which gives rise to small coastal glaciers and to **immaculately white inland landscapes**. At the end of the winter, the island unveils a magical face, between stretching ice, crystal-clear polar light and frozen fjords, offering the **perfect setting for polar exploration**. At this period, the south of the island is also home to **bowhead whales** , one of the rarest species in the world, which spend the winter in these polar waters.

Day 16 Disko Bay

To the east of Baffin Bay, discover **Disko Bay** , scattered with countless icebergs produced by the Ilulissat Icefjord, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**. From your ship, admire the majestic ballet of these ice giants as they slowly drift across the dark waters. This site is a natural marvel of Greenland, and is also renowned as an observation point for the region's many humpback whales. The encounters with wild fauna and stunning landscapes in the heart of this spectacular and fragile nature will be pure moments of wonder for you.

Day 17 Baffin Bay exploration

In the icy waters of Baffin Bay, you will sail into the heart of the scattered sea floe. You will be captivated by icebergs in dreamlike shapes as your ship takes you into the ice of the Far North. Everything comes in shades of white here and, if you watch closely, you may get a glimpse of the lord of this kingdom, the polar bear. This fascinating animal finds its food in

the heart of the ice, so this is where you have more chances of spotting it. The polar light gives a shine to the ice floe that you sail along as you explore Baffin Bay, leaving you with memories of unforgettable moments.

Day 18 Nooralak

Located a few kilometres away from the Arctic Circle, the **Nooralaq** peninsula features raw and untamed beauty. Nature reigns supreme here, **with** **the tundra stretching as far as the eye can see** , decked out in various forms of flora and inhabited by Greenland's emblematic fauna -- snow buntings, common ravens, reindeer, musk oxen, and the discreet Arctic fox. The heights of Nooralaq afford **sublime panoramas over the Itteleq fjord** , whose water reflects the moving skies of the Far North.

Day 19 Nuuk

When Erik Le Rouge, the exiled Norse chief, landed on the coast of Nuuk, he found a fertile and welcoming land dotted with fjords. He settled there with a group of his former countrymen, and **the Norse** remained the principal inhabitants until, over a period of 500 years, their population declined and gave way to the Inuit. **Nuuk** is situated at the mouth of one of the largest networks of fjords in the world, where the waters never freeze. The town spreads gently out towards the **Davis Strait** and enjoys an historic center that is particularly rich in national heritage. The vivid reds, blues, greens and yellows of the houses are a lively contrast to the somber waters of Greenland and serve to lift the spirits of the locals during the Winter months.

Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.



YOUR SHIP: LE COMMANDANT-CHARCOT

YOUR SHIP: **Le Commandant-Charcot**

VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

With its hybrid propulsion combining liquefied natural gas (LNG) and electric generators, Le Commandant-Charcot has been designed to minimise the environmental impact of travel to the furthest latitudes. The decoration of the ship, designed by two internationally renowned design and architecture firms - the studio of Jean-Philippe Nuel and Wilmotte & Associes - is designed to be in harmony with the environment. The approach is contemporary with the desire to create a warm and elegant setting; stone, wood and leather recall the natural environment in which the ship is sailing. Equipped with just 135 staterooms including 31 suites with balconies and outside views, Le Commandant-Charcot welcomes you in an intimate and refined atmosphere. Outstanding gastronomy in the two restaurants, relaxation in the indoor pool surrounded by its winter garden, relaxation in the well-being area with sauna and Snow Room... Like on a private yacht, each of our guests is unique. PUBLIC AREAS Le Commandant-Charcot has many common areas that are designed and equipped to meet all of your needs while preserving the intimacy of each passenger. A 177 m² reception area includes: A reception/concierge desk, An expeditions desk, The ship's administrative services, The sales office, manned by our Hospitality & Travel Manager officer, Our boutique which sells clothing, jewellery, beauty products, postcards and various accessories, The image & photo desk. The different lounges include a 302 m² main lounge including a 28 m² cigar lounge, a tea corner and a bar, with live music on selected evenings, A 400 m² panoramic bar and lounge, An open-air Bar. The recreation spaces Fitness & Beauty Corner: Fitness room: Elliptic, running machines, bicycles... Beauty Corner: Hairdresser, Massage rooms, Sauna, Snow Room, Nail Shop. Pool area: Indoor Pool and winter garden - Outdoor Pool Theatre: Capacity: 270-276 - Main show room for conferences and live entertainment on selected evenings - State-of-the-art audio and video technology. Leisure area: Public areas - Library - Medical centre. 16





Zodiacs on board.

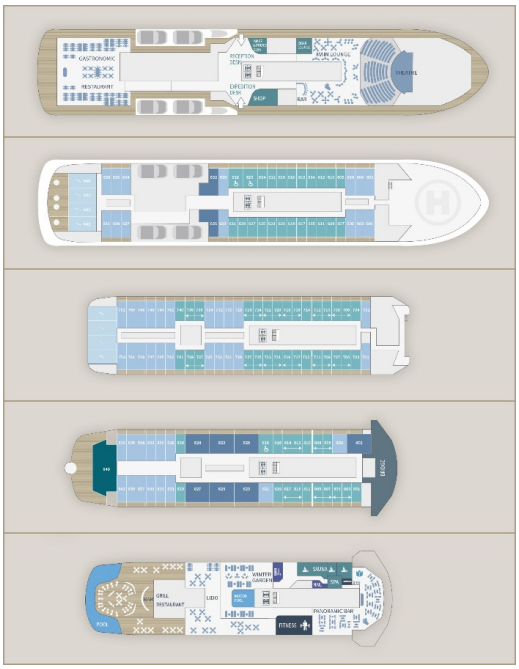
The Small Cruise Ship Collection
www.small-cruise-ships.com

01432 507 280 (within UK)

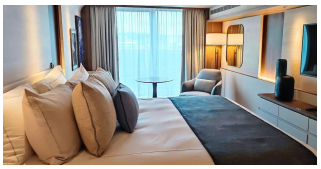
info@small-cruise-ships.com | **small-cruise-ships.com**



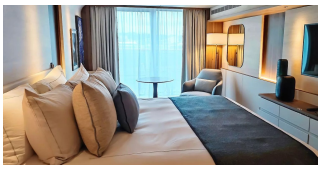
INSIDE YOUR SHIP



Deluxe Suite Deck 6



Deluxe Suite Deck 7



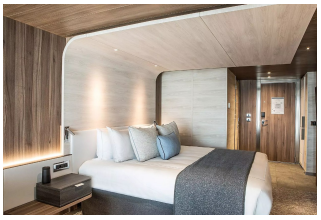
Deluxe Suite Deck 8



Duplex Suite



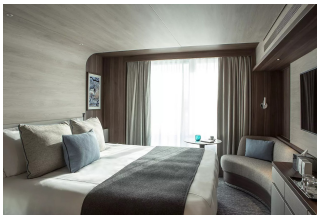
Grand Prestige Suite



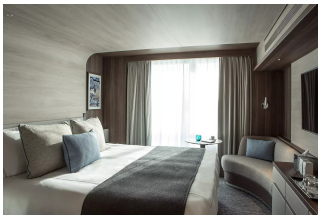
Owner's Suite



Prestige Stateroom Deck 6

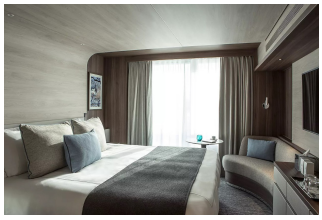


Prestige Stateroom Deck 7

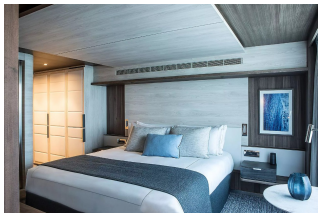




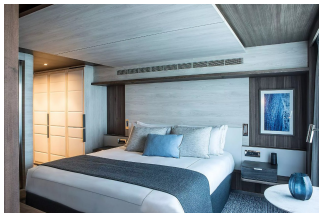
Prestige Stateroom Deck 8



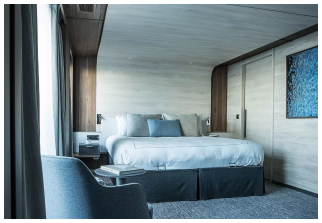
Prestige Suite Deck 7



Prestige Suite Deck 8



Privilege Suite Deck 8





PRICING

04-May-2028 to 22-May-2028

Deluxe Suite Deck 7	£31365 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 8	£32365 GBP pp
Grand Prestige Suite	£43415 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 8	£45925 GBP pp
Duplex Suite	£62245 GBP pp
Prestige Stateroom Deck 8	£29355 GBP pp
Prestige Suite Deck 7	£40905 GBP pp
Prestige Suite Deck 8	£42155 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£30115 GBP pp
Prestige Stateroom Deck 7	£28855 GBP pp
Prestige Stateroom Deck 6	£28355 GBP pp
Owner's Suite	£103445 GBP pp