

CANADIAN ARCTIC AND NORTHWEST GREENLAND: HEADING NORTH IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF GREAT EXPLORERS

The fascination of the Arctic is almost impossible to convey through travel reports or films. It needs to be experienced first-hand - and this very expedition makes it possible. Where waters and islands bear the names of legendary pioneers, you will become a polar explorer yourself.





ITINERARY

Day 1 Charter flight from Germany to Kangerlussuaq Kangerlussuaq/Greenland, departure 22.00 hrs

Day 2 Relaxation at sea

Day 3 Uummannaq/Greenland

Uummannaq welcomes you with colourful houses and an astonishing creativity of nature. The heart-shaped mountain above the town glows in countless shades of red in the sunlight. In the small settlement, a museum recalls the ice expeditions of Alfred Wegener, a German who conducted research in Greenland. A hike with your experts will take you to "Santa's summer house", the setting of a popular Danish TV series.

Day 4 Relaxation at sea/cruising through Baffin Bay

Days 5 - 11 Canadian Arctic @ (Baffin Island, Devon Island, southern coast of Ellesmere Island, Pim Island, cruising in the Nares Strait)

The aim is clear: take a look behind the curtain of the Canadian Arctic and unlock its intriguing secrets. Your state-of-the-art expedition ship takes lots of time to explore the deep fjords, high cliffs, mighty glaciers and vast tundra that characterises the rocky landscape.

Baffin Island is characterised by a vast and tranquil fjord landscape. The island offers unspoilt nature and fascinating insights into Inuit culture and history. In Pond Inlet, listen to the traditional songs that are part of the cultural heritage of the local people and witness their traditional dances. The waters off the village are sometimes teeming with bowhead whales.

Devon Island also invites you to embark on Zodiac explorations. Rocky, dry and with reddish soil - NASA simulates the exploration of the planet Mars here. Against a backdrop of spectacular glaciers and glistening ice, musk oxen, polar bears and Arctic hares will hopefully play a part in your experiences. The remains of a Thule settlement in Dundas Harbor (Nunavut) and an abandoned station of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are silent witnesses of remoteness.

In keeping with the pioneering spirit, your ship will press on into the mystical icy worlds of seldom-visited waters. Here, nature and thrilling experiences rule the day. In 1876, the expedition conducted by Hall and Hayes set an Arctic record when they reached the icy coast of Ellesmere Island.

A reverent silence hangs in the air. The only occasional sounds



are the isolated crack of glacier ice or the call of a kittiwake. You will reach red-rocked Pim Island, which is highly popular with polar bears, walruses and Arctic foxes. If you succeed in landing, you will feel the drama of the Greely expedition, which fell victim to the icy winter of 1884 on the small, rocky island.

Leaving the last outposts of human civilisation behind, you will venture into seldom-travelled waters. Cruising in the Nares Strait, you will be in famous company - in 1909, Robert Edwin Peary travelled through here as most likely the first person to reach the North Pole. The excitement will grow: how far into the territory of the icebreakers can your ship go? A question that shapes this truly pioneering journey, where weather and ice conditions determine the itinerary.

Days 12 - 14 North-west coast of Greenland (Qaanaaq, Etah, cruising off Cape York)

Breathe in the fresh air. Let your gaze wander over the icy landscape. Experience profound moments of silence. On the north-west coast of Greenland, you will leave the urban world far behind you as the Zodiacs take you to the remote settlements.

Early Inuit groups settled in the Qaanaaq region over 4,000 years ago. The present-day town was established in 1953, when the Danish government relocated the residents of the original settlement here to make way for a US airbase. Your walk will be accompanied by the barking of the huskies, which are just as much a part of life here as the kayaks.

Barely any other ships sail the waters of north-west Greenland, so it is a privilege to explore these places that are beyond the reach of most people. Are you excited by the idea of going to the North Pole? Until the 20th century, you would have reached the geomagnetic pole in Etah, but today it lies further west. However, this deserted place in the vast landscape will still draw your pioneering spirit like a magnet - Knud Rasmussen and Robert Edwin Peary had base camps here.

Cruising off Cape York brings breathtaking views of bizarre ice formations. A rocky crest bears a memorial to the American explorer Robert Edwin Peary, who set out on his North Pole expedition from here at the end of the 19th century. There is hardly a more beautiful panorama from the deck: large icebergs from the mighty outlet glaciers of west Greenland accumulate here in the "iceberg graveyard" after their 900 km (559 mi.) journey. Also keep an eye out for little auks, black guillemots and glaucous gulls, which nest on the cliffs.

Day 15 Relaxation at sea

Days 16 - 17 West coast of Greenland (Disko Bay/Ilulissat Icefjord, Sisimiut)

In the magical Arctic light, the wonders of the west coast of Greenland will be illuminated north of the Arctic Circle. A vast and silent landscape, home to relics of a 4,500-year-old culture - seemingly almost forgotten by the world.

Disko Bay will provide even more memorable moments: ice sculptures in all manner of forms drift slowly through the vast area. Enjoy this natural spectacle from your front-row seat on deck - or take a Zodiac ride to the centre of the action. Illuminated by the sunlight, the ice gleams in a fascinating play of colours from white to azure blue. Depending on the local conditions, we will also visit the world-famous Ilulissat Icefjord. Here you can witness one of the most active glaciers in the world releasing majestic icebergs into the vastness of the fjord - an incredible UNESCO World Heritage Site.



In Sisimiut, where the remarkable old town seems like a museum village, the oldest settlement traces date back over 4,000 years, deep into the Saqqaq culture. Join your experts to hike over rocks and through tundra - to relics from the whaling era. A hike to Tele Island will also take you back thousands of years to see ancient ruins and graves, crowned by magnificent views of Sisimiut and the coast.

Day 18 Kangerlussuaq/Greenland, arrival 06.00 hrs Charter flight from Kangerlussuaq to Germany

Please note:
Itineraries are subject to change.



YOUR SHIP: HANSEATIC INSPIRATION/SPIRIT/NATURE

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The HANSEATIC inspiration, spirit and nature are small, state-of-the-art expedition ships with a maximum of 230 guests, offers a perfect blend of adventure and comfort for explorers seeking to uncover the world's wonders. As an international vessel conducting cruises in both English and German, it brings over 30 years of expertise from a market leader in German-speaking countries to every journey. Each expedition is a masterpiece, passionately crafted to reveal far-flung worlds--be it icy realms, tropical paradises, wildlife havens, or cultural gems--making every voyage a unique discovery aboard this exceptional ship. Features of all cabins and suites An ocean view with even more: exclusively outside cabins and suites, almost all with balconies or French balconies Spaciously designed - enjoy a relaxing stay in rooms from 21 m²/226 ft² up to 71 m²/764 ft² in size Exceptionally equipped - for example, with binoculars, Nordic Walking poles, air conditioning, coffee machine and mini bar (free of charge) and 24-hour cabin service Separable beds Rain shower and heated wall in bathroom (e.g. for towels and wet parkas) Extensive infotainment with live broadcast and recordings of expert presentations, forwardview camera, navigation chart, films and much more Restaurants Aboard the HANSEATIC Inspiration and Spirit, a new kind of freedom blends adventure and pleasure with a culinary journey across three exceptional restaurants. The spacious HANSEATIC Restaurant offers flexible mealtimes and a free choice of seating, serving a daily-changing menu of global flavors inspired by local specialties, paired with fine wines and supported by attentive 24-hour cabin service. At the Lido Restaurant, guests can savor breakfast under the open sky or enjoy a perfectly grilled steak from the outdoor barbecue, complete with panoramic views and an open show kitchen. The specialty restaurant Nikkei fuses fine Japanese creations with modern Peruvian cuisine, delivering a unique dining experience that elevates exploration to new heights--all while bars in the Observation Lounge and HanseAtrium offer favorite drinks against stunning backdrops, from Nordic fjords to icy Antarctic vistas. Fitness and Wellness On the HANSEATIC inspiration, an extraordinary time out awaits after thrilling Zodiac rides, challenging hikes, or Arctic adventures. Unwind in the Ocean Spa, where a Finnish sauna with stunning ocean views, a gentle steam sauna, an ice fountain, and a relaxation room rejuvenate your senses, complemented by professional massages, cosmetic treatments, and eco-friendly products made from natural, vegan ingredients. Stay active in the 100 m² fitness room or separate course room--both with ocean vistas--guided by a fitness coach offering personalized advice and a variety of courses, either indoors or on deck. The pool area, with its flexible canopy, invites relaxation year-round, featuring water loungers, a whirlpool, and a bar, ensuring a perfect blend of

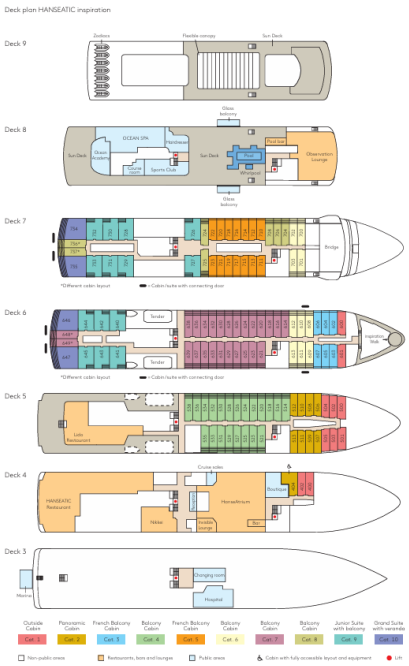
indulgence and revitalization against the backdrop of the open sea. Knowledge Shore excursions and Zodiac rides come alive with deeper context through fascinating presentations in the HanseAtrium, a high-tech lounge where experts share daily precaps and recaps, doubling as an atmospheric evening bar for films and discussions. The Ocean Academy enhances the journey with a Study Wall and interactive poster of scientific insights, microscopes for exploring hidden wonders alongside experts, and Study Seats--with swivel touchscreens--for personal dives into science. Supported by travel diaries and destination videos, this immersive experience broadens horizons with cutting-edge tools and



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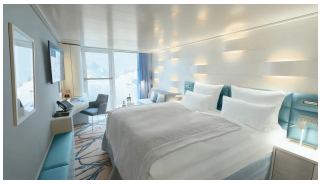
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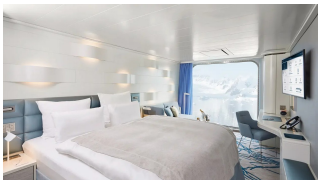
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