

INTO THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE (EAST TO WEST)

East-to-west transit of the Canadian Arctic linking Greenland's fjords and icebergs with the low islands and narrow channels of the Northwest Passage. Movement from Greenlandic settlements and tundra hikes into high-Arctic wildlife zones where whales, seals, and seabirds concentrate. Historic sites tied to early exploration sit alongside contemporary Inuit communities, with extended sailing through the central Kitikmeot region before the route ends on the mainland at the mouth of the Coppermine River.



ITINERARY

Day 1: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

Kangerlussuaq is a former US Air Force base and Greenland's primary flight hub. After our charter flight from Toronto, we will transfer to Ocean Endeavour by Zodiac. Sondre Stromfjord is one of the longest fjords in the world: 168 kilometres of superb scenery. Steaming down this dramatic fjord we'll cross the Arctic Circle--from the north!

Day 2: Sisimiut Coast

West Greenland's complex coastal waterways include glaciers, islands and fjords against a towering mountain backdrop. The



waters are relatively warm here, due to the West Greenland Current and the sub-Arctic Location. Abundant fauna and marine life have supported human habitation here as far back as 4,500 years.

Days 3: Ilulissat

Ilulissat means "iceberg", an apt name for this site at the outlet of the Sermeq Kujalleq glacier--a unesco World Heritage Site, and the source of many of the icebergs in the North Atlantic. We will cruise in our fleet of Zodiacs to appreciate the icebergs, and visit the town of Ilulissat, with its museums, cafes, craft shops, and busy fishing harbour.

Days 4 - 5: Western Greenland

Exploring by ship and Zodiac along the west coast of Greenland, we have numerous options for expedition stops, to make the most of weather and wildlife conditions. Departing Greenland, we cross Baffin Bay toward Nunavut.

Day 6: At Sea — Davis Strait

As we steam toward Nunavut, our resource staff will deepen your understanding of the Arctic. This is an excellent time to enjoy workshops, watch a documentary, or get out on deck. Keep your binoculars ready for minke and humpback whales, as well as the seabirds that are sure to mark our passage.

Day 7: Mittimatalik (Pond Inlet), NU

Mittimatalik is a busy Arctic community in a beautiful setting, a fascinating place to wander. The cultural presentation at the Community Hall is not to be missed--arts and crafts may be available here too.

Days 8–10: Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound) & Devon Island

We will spend three days exploring Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound), one of the newest National Marine Conservation Areas in Nunavut. 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 fifty thousand square kilometres. Flat topped mountains, glacial valleys, and a substantial ice cap give Devon Island its unique character. We hike the tundra, cruise a glacier face, and seek wildlife from ship and by shore. Archaeological sites with expert interpretation allow us to learn about the Inuit history of this now-abandoned island. We'll visit the remains of a RCMP and Hudson's Bay Company site at Dundas Harbour.

Day 11: Beechey Island

In 1845, Sir John Franklin set out from England with HMS Erebus and HMS Terror, attempting to sail through the Northwest Passage. His 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 visited Beechey. Thomas Morgan of the HMS Investigator was buried there in 1854 alongside Franklin's men. The graves and the ruins of Northumberland House are a haunting memorial.

Days 12-13: Prince Regent Inlet

This passage marks an area rich in marine and avian life. Thick-billed Murres, Ivory Gulls, beluga, narwhal and bowhead whales reside in the ice-strewn waters. In addition to abundant wildlife, we'll delve deeper into the exploration of the Northwest Passage and mercantile efforts of the Hudson's Bay Company.

Days 14 - 16: Kitikmeot Region



The traditional territory of the Netsilik Inuit, the Kitikmeot Region consists of parts of Victoria Island, the adjacent part of the mainland as far as the Boothia Peninsula, King William Island, and the southern portion of Prince of Wales Island. Recently, the Kitikmeot Region has been in the news since the finding of the lost ships of the Franklin Expedition in its waters. It is Nunavut's least-populated region, though wildlife abounds here both in the sea and on land. We will spend our time navigating the ice-strewn waters in search of wildlife. We'll also call in at Uqsuqtuuq (Gjoa Haven) home of the Guardians of Terror Bay. The European name, Gjoa Haven, honours Roald Amundsen who overwintered in the bay for two years while searching for the Northwest Passage. Amundsen became the first European to cross the Northwest Passage, thanks to the knowledge and largesse of Inuit. The community has an excellent cultural centre and is well known for carvings and wall hangings.

Day 17: Kugluktuk (Coppermine)

Located at the mouth of the Coppermine River, Kugluktuk is the westernmost community in Nunavut.

Please Note:

This is our proposed itinerary. It is highly probable that weather, sea, and ice conditions will not allow us to travel this exact route. Our Expedition Leader and the Ocean Endeavour's captain will determine our exact route day by day.



YOUR SHIP: OCEAN ENDEAVOUR

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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

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



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INSIDE YOUR SHIP

CABIN CATEGORIES

CATEGORY 10 | SUITE
Deck seven. forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub, refrigerator – approx. 310 sq. ft.

CATEGORY 9 | JUNIOR SUITE
Deck five (picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, sitting area – approx. 270 sq. ft.), ***deck seven forward*** (forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed; matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub, sitting area – approx. 290 sq. ft) private bath, refrigerator

CATEGORY 8 | SUPERIOR TWIN
Deck five (two picture windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths, sitting area – approx. 210 sq. ft.), ***deck seven forward*** (forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed; matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub – approx. 180 sq. ft.), ***deck seven midship*** (picture windows, partial obstruction; matrimonial bed – approx. 190 sq. ft.) private bath, refrigerator

CATEGORY 7 | SELECT TWIN
Deck five (picture windows, unobstructed view, two lower berths OR matrimonial bed, approx. 190 sq. ft.) and ***deck eight*** (oversize windows, partial obstruction matrimonial bed – approx. 145 sq. ft.) private bath, refrigerator

CATEGORY 6 | COMFORT TWIN
Deck four (two porthole windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths OR matrimonial bed – approx. 175 sq. ft.), ***deck seven*** (picture window, partial obstruction; two lower berths – approx. 135 sq. ft.), and ***deck eight*** (picture windows, obstructed view; matrimonial bed – approx. 160 sq. ft.) private bath, refrigerator

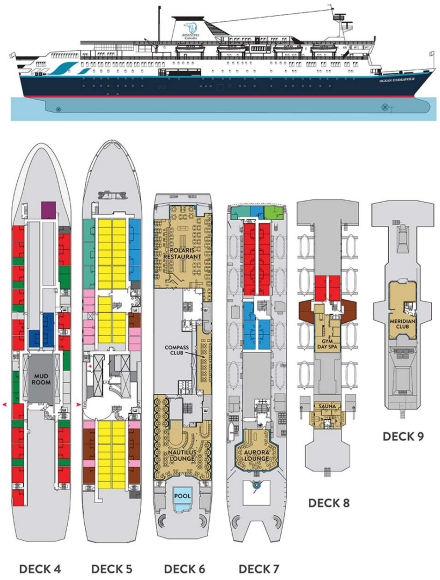
CATEGORY 5 | MAIN TWIN
Deck five. Picture window, unobstructed view; two lower berths, private bath – approx. 115 sq. ft.

CATEGORY 4 | EXTERIOR TWIN
Deck four. Porthole window, unobstructed view; two lower berths, private bath – approx. 100 sq. ft. (Twin) / 90 sq. ft. (Single)

CATEGORY 3 | INTERIOR TWIN
Deck five. Interior cabin, two lower berths, private bath – approx. 125 sq. ft. (twin) / 110 sq. ft. (single)

CATEGORY 2 | TRIPLE
Deck four. Interior cabin, three lower berths, two private baths – approx. 200 sq. ft.

CATEGORY 1 | QUAD
Deck four. Interior cabin, four lower berths, private bath (separate shower room and powder room) – approx. 240 sq. ft.



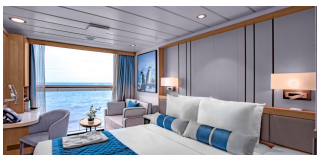
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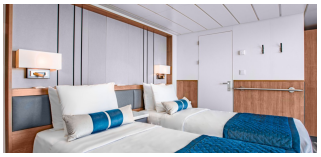
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