



POLAR ROUTE FROM LONGYEARBYEN TO AKUREYRI - GREENLAND & SPITSBERGEN EXPEDITION CRUISE

Embarking from Oslo to the Arctic, this expedition aboard the Ocean Nova sails through Svalbard's glacier-laden Hornsund, ventures close to Greenland's icy shores for marine wildlife sightings, and explores the stark beauty and historical remnants of Sabine and Pendulum Islands. Journeying through the musk-oxen populated Emperor Franz Joseph Fjord and the ice maze of Scoresby Sund, adventurers will experience the Arctic's rugged landscapes and wildlife. The voyage then heads towards Iceland, with a finale through the cetacean-rich Danish Strait, culminating in a cultural exploration from Akureyri to Keflavik. This journey seamlessly blends thrilling Arctic exploration with immersive cultural experiences, set against a backdrop of breathtaking natural wonders.

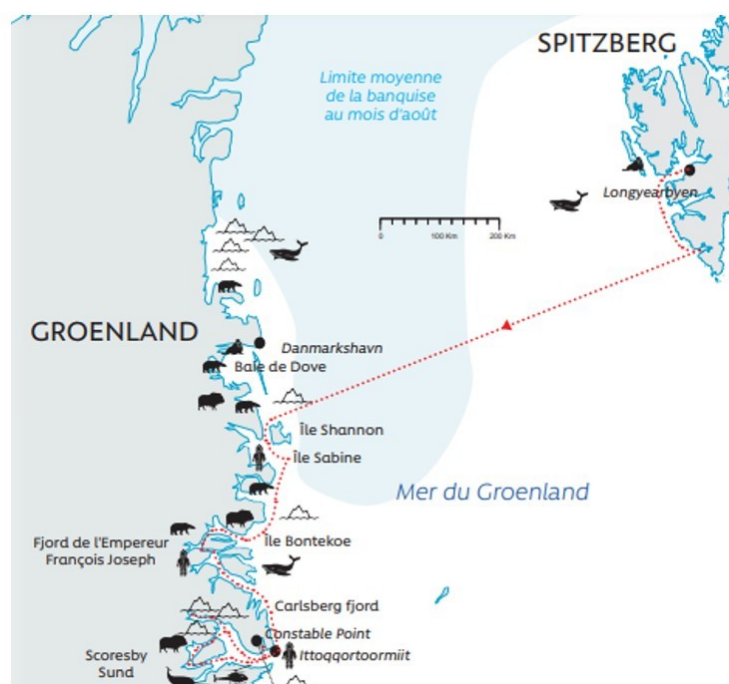


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Days 3 and 4/ August 1 & 2: Northeast Greenland sea Ice

We will spend several hours sailing close to and within the ice floes that line the Northeast coast of Greenland in search seals and whales.

Day 5/ August 3: Sabine and Pendulum Islands - Haystack - Shannon (?)

We will explore the remains of the Inuit who once inhabited this coast and the tragic polar expeditions around the old trapper huts. Giant tabular icebergs from Northern Greenland drift in the sea. Weather and ice conditions will determine our navigation.

Days 6 to 8/ August 4 to 6: Emperor Franz Joseph Fjord - Bontekoe

In the fjords, we will navigate along the coast of the "painted rocks," sedimentary rocks from the primary age. Musk oxen are common in these fjords cluttered with icebergs and spectacular cliffs.

Days 9 to 11/ August 7 to 9 : Scoresby Sund, Ittoqqortoormiit

We will sail in the world's largest fjord, and giant icebergs will provide stunning landscapes. Landings, guided tours, and free time in the village of Ittoqqortoormiit. Glacial fronts, spectacular excursions in the tundra, and fields of icebergs will be our daily routine in the maze of these magnificent fjords. Musk oxen, Arctic hares, and seals are regular sightings.

ITINERARY

Day 1:/ July 30th Oslo - Longyearbyen (Svalbard)

Direct and private flight from Oslo to Longyearbyen. Transfer to Ocean Nova, check in and departure .

Day 2/ July 31st : Hornsund (Svalbard)

Southern Svalbard is renowned for its landscapes and peak summit where 12 glaciers converge, the Hornsundtid. The fjord is one of the most historically significant places. Ten glaciers meet the sea, seals and walrus are common sightings.



Day 12/ August 10: Iceland sea

The Danish Strait is renowned for its populations of cetaceans, which we'll observe from the decks of the ship.

Day 13/ August 11: Akureyri - Keflavik

Checking out in Akureyri and transfer to Keflavik along the picturesque road passing through the Glaumbaer museum, and the renowned Hvalfjord fjord. Free time in Keflavik, Icelandic dinner, and overnight hotel stay.

Day 14/ August 12: Keflavik

End of our services.

Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.



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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

The ice-strengthened 73 metre long expedition ship Ocean Nova was built in Denmark in 1992 with high ice class to serve Greenland's west coast. In 2004 to 2005 she was completely refurbished and has now a career as a small and comfortable expedition ship. The Ocean Nova accommodates 86 passengers in single, double and triple cabins, all with sea-view and private facilities. The double cabins have either twin beds. The triple cabins have upper and lower beds. In your cabin you will also find a desk with chair and ample storage space for clothes and equipment. In the dining room you are treated to delicious meals in between landings and in the panorama lounge you can enjoy a drink with a breathtaking view of the surrounding polar landscape. This is where on board specialists entertain and educate you with lectures on polar biology, history, geology and conservation. There is also a library with panoramic views and a good selection of polar books. On board there is a satellite phone, gym and medical doctor. Passengers are welcome on the bridge around the clock and there is always something to see or search for from the spacious observation decks. The ship has North European officers and there is a friendly and informal atmosphere on board. Travelling with this small expedition ship

offers an entirely different experience and perspective than you can get on a larger and more conventional cruise ship. Cabins are spread over two decks and include cabins for the single traveller, double and triple cabins, all with sea-view and private facilities. The comfortable dining room located on the Upper deck seats all passengers in a single sitting and offers delicious meals with a mixture of table service and buffet. The informal dining arrangement adds to the friendly atmosphere onboard and meals are a great chance to discuss all you have seen with your fellow travellers, and for the expedition team to share their knowledge. With one of the highest ice classes (1B) and a 2000 hp diesel engine, Ocean Nova is a small but sturdy expedition vessel just as at home in the icy waters of Svalbard as she is in a tranquil Scottish loch. The ship has a crew of 34, including North European officers, whose prime concern is your safety as well as ensuring wildlife sightings and weather conditions are maximised. For your safety there are two fully enclosed lifeboats and a medical

A group of people in a zodiac boat on a glacier lake. The boat is filled with people wearing winter gear, some waving. The water is surrounded by large icebergs and glaciers in the background under a cloudy sky.



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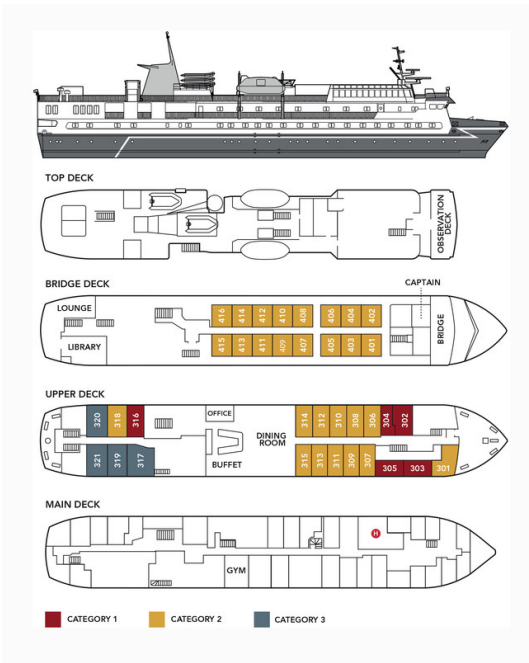


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