

SVALBARD SPRING 8 DAY MICRO CRUISE

A frozen fairytale of iceberg-strewn fjords, snowy peaks, and puzzle-piece sea ice - as animals take their first steps following winter. See Svalbard still wearing its winter coat on our Svalbard Spring Micro Cruise.The wildlife is waking up and the sun has reintroduced itself following the long, dark winter. The light it casts as it rises and sets is deliciously soft and beguilingly coloured, adding an otherworldly glow to the snow-wrapped land and frozen seascape. _Svalbard in springtime is Svalbard at its most compelling._ Emerging from the depths of winter, the archipelago presents its wilder side in the early season. Nature has turned the page on the year before. A fresh page of white snow lies before us. We are the pioneers, the first readers of nature's new bestseller. This intrepid adventure shows off the best of the season as our agile expedition ship charts a path through the ice. Smothered in an unbroken blanket of snow, hemmed in by splintering sea ice, and awakened by wonderfully soft light, Svalbard in the spring is all about new beginnings and sublime scenery. Spotting wildlife in the early season requires patience, but there's nothing like witnessing Arctic animals - reindeer, walruses, Arctic foxes, polar bears - against the springtime backdrop.



ITINERARY

Day 1 Depart Longyearbyen at 4pm.

Sail past striking Fuglefjella (Bird Mountain), a fine example of plateau mountainous landscape, as we leave Longyearbyen.

Day 2 Poolepynten

Explore Poolepynten, a headland on Prins Karls Forland, home to a walrus colony and burial site.

Take a Zodiac cruise of Fjortende Julbreen, a stunning glacier, and Fjortende Julibukta, a scenic bay in Krossfjord.

Days 3 - 6 Svalbard Exploration

Land at Sallyhamna, a hut built in 1937, rich in history and cultural remains from the 1600s whaling period.

Search the ice edge, a dynamic setting of texture and light, home to seals, seabirds, and polar bears., seals, seabirds, and polar bears.



Explore the island of Kvitøya, taking in the walrus colony and cultural remains of the Andreeneset headland.

Take a Zodiac cruise to see Storisstraumen and a ship cruise to Brasvellbreen of the Austfonna ice cap, Europe's third-largest glacier by volume and area.

Marvel at Alkefjellet, a stunning bird cliff, nesting location of Brunnich guillemot.

See the historical site at Bruceneset in beautiful Alicehamna bay, during a Zodiac cruise or hike.

Land at Hamburgbukta to view remains from the 1600s whaling industry.

Visit Ny-Ålesund Research Station, the world's northernmost year-round research facility, and Kongsfjorden, with landings and cruises to its two glaciers, Kronebreen and Kongsbreen.

Alkhornet showcases the change in geology from plateau to edge-dominated, alpine mountainous landscape.

Day 7 Isfjorden

Return to Isfjorden and Longyearbyen.

Day 8 Longyearbyen

Disembark in Longyearbyen at 9am.

Please note:

We don't follow a fixed itinerary

We prefer to embrace spontaneity and make the most of every opportunity nature presents to us. This is how we believe a true, authentic expedition should run. After all, the thrill of adventuring into the unknown is more rewarding than a journey that runs on tracks!

So all our listed itineraries are for guidance only. The day-to-day activities may vary depending on the ice, the weather, and the wildlife. Landings are subject to site availability and permissions, and always in line with AECO regulations.



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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

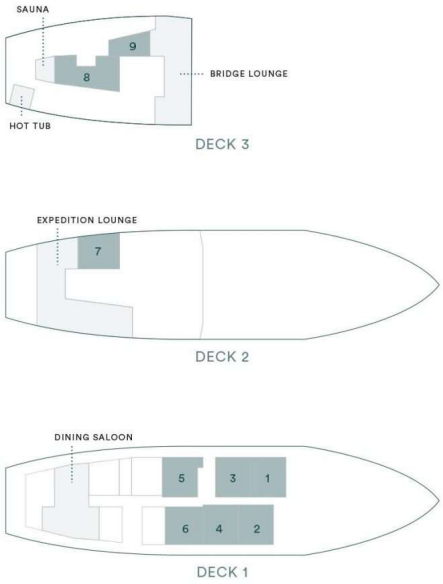
MV Vikingfjord is an ice-strengthened expedition vessel for 12 guests with great environmental credentials. MV Vikingfjord entered service in Svalbard for low impact expeditions in May 2023. She offers cruise ship comfort on a small ship with 9 ensuite cabins, an open plan saloon with rear facing windows, and on on deck hot tub and sauna. What we love about Vikingfjord · One of the most environmentally friendly small ships in the polar regions with a 95% reduction in NOX emissions. · Large, open plan saloon and comfortable lounge located at the stern with sofas and large rear facing windows to enjoy the view. · 9 Spacious cabins with modern decor, comfortable beds and ensuite bathrooms with a choice between doubles, twins or singles. · Enjoy a sauna or outdoor hot tub on the upper deck. · Lounge area on the bridge with a great view. · Ice strengthened hull with 1B rating for exploring the polar regions. MV Vikingfjord Key Features: · New energy efficient engine and NOX cleaning fitted in 2022 offering the best environmental credentials. · Rebuilt from the ground up in 2022 as a modern expedition vessel offering cruise ship comfort. · Accommodates 12 guests in 9 ensuite cabins with windows that are all situated above the waterline. · Modern interior finished to a high standard in 2023. · Equipped with 2 x Zodiac landing crafts for shore landings · Fully staffed with experienced captain, crew and expedition leaders. Interior · Large open plan guest area with lounge, dining and seating area located at the stern. Equipped with TV for presentations, mini bar and hot drink service. · Observation lounge area with seating area on the bridge. · Spacious cabins with ensuite toilet and shower. · Large mudroom and storage spaces for skis, and equipment. Exterior · Outdoor hot tub and sauna with a view on Deck 2. · Large viewing area on the bow. · 4 open decks for lots of viewing options. ·



Accessible bow deck.



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