








# High Arctic Archipelago: Canada and Greenland

Explore the icy reaches of the High Arctic on a grand polar adventure that traces the icy shores of Northern Greenland and Arctic Canada. Sail into dramatic fjords, narrow straits, and breathtaking bays, and call on remote villages where Inuit communities have lived off the land for centuries. Search for the mighty polar bear, musk ox, and other iconic wildlife from whales to walrus.

From  
**\$ 44,339** / per person  
Does not include flights

	<b>DATES</b> Aug		<b>DURATION</b> 24 Days
	<b>SHIPS</b> <i>National Geographic Endurance</i>		
	<b>STARTS AT</b> Kangerlussuaq, Greenland		<b>ENDS AT</b> Kangerlussuaq, Greenland



## Highlights

- ★ Venture into the dramatic high Arctic islands, up to the ice edge and learn dramatic stories of explorers and adventurers who sought this remarkable, icy frontier
- ★ Glide between soaring icebergs at the mouth of Greenland's Ilulissat Icefjord, a UNESCO World Heritage site
- ★ Explore Ellesmere Island with binoculars at the ready to spot polar bears, ringed seals, bowhead whales, and the elusive narwhal
- ★ Enjoy a presentation of local Inuit performances in music, dance, sorties, and traditional Inuit athletics at Pond Inlet









## Day by day

### ■ DAY 1

#### Reykjavík, Iceland

Arrive in Reykjavík. Enjoy a morning excursion in the Reykjavík region as your first introduction to the land of Fire and Ice. After lunch, check into your centrally-located hotel in Reykjavík, and enjoy exploring the quaint capital city streets at your leisure.

**Arrival Time:** Arrive by 10:00 a.m.

**Arrival City:** Reykjavík, Iceland

Meals included: dinner, lunch

### ◇ DAY 2

#### Reykjavík / Kangerlussuaq, Greenland / Embark Ship

Fly from Reykjavik by chartered aircraft to Kangerlussuaq on Greenland's western coast. Settle into your cabin and enjoy a scenic sailing through the dramatic gorge of the Kangerlussuaq Fjord, 120 miles in length, with its hanging glaciers and striking basalt ribbons.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

### ◇ DAY 3

#### Greenland's West Coast and Sisimiut

Upon arrival to Sisimiut, a former whaling port, enjoy your choice of guided walks through the sights and sounds of the village, including Dog Town or Sallinguit, a small island with centuries of history from Inuit culture through colonization and current day industry. In your free time, enjoy a local food tasting, visit the open-air museum, or explore the local artisan workshops.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

### ◇ DAYS 4-5

#### Disko Bay

Sail into Qeqertarsuup Tunua, also known as Disko Bay, and be welcomed by floating icebergs calved off the world's most active glacier, Sermeq Kujalleq. Explore Disko Island, the second largest in Baffin Bay. Enjoy a day of expedition activities as conditions permit, including backcountry hiking, photo walks, and naturalist-led botany walks. This evening, we sail away from the Greenlandic Coast and venture to the west and the Canadian Arctic.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

### ◇ DAYS 6-12

#### Shores of the Northwest Passage

The Northwest Passage begins in the Davis Strait between Greenland and Canada. Our exploration takes us along the beautiful bays and inlets of Baffin Island's Lancaster Sound, a favorite Inuit hunting and fishing location for hundreds of years. Carved by Ice Age glaciers, Lancaster Sound is also the eastern gateway to the Arctic Archipelago, where European explorers like William Baffin first ventured in the 17th century to search for the Northwest Passage. We continue our exploration of the Canadian High Arctic with a visit to the small Inuit community of Pond Inlet, Nunavut, an area that has been inhabited by Inuit for over 1000 years.

As we continue our exploration into Lancaster Sound, days are spent searching for ringed seals, arctic foxes, walruses, and polar bears, as well as beluga and bowhead whales. Visit Devon Island and take a walk with our ship's archaeologist to learn about the Thule people—ancestors of the modern Inuit—that once inhabited this region.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

### ◇ DAYS 13-17



## Exploring the Queen Elizabeth Islands

We explore the ice-laden channels and glacier-carved islands that stretch for hundreds of miles—a stunning display of raw geology. We take our cues from nature in the High Arctic Archipelago: following wildlife, stopping for hikes on the tundra, dropping anchor in a beautiful fjord or an iceberg-strewn bay to explore and kayak beneath massive ice sculptures and soaring cliffs. Sail among the northernmost cluster of islands in the Canadian Arctic Archipelago, learning about the Inuit peoples who have hunted and fished here for thousands of years as well as the famous explorers who have sailed these waters such as Sir John Ross. We will be constantly on the lookout for animals that call this region home, such as ringed seals, arctic foxes, musk oxen, walruses, and polar bears, and beluga and bowhead whales.

**Meals included:** breakfast, lunch, dinner

### ◇ DAYS 18-22

## Exploring Ellesmere Island and Northern Greenland

Heading ever northward, we make our way up the beautiful and remote east coast of Ellesmere Island. Cruise along scenic Smith Bay (a.k.a. Skog Inlet, named for Leif Skog, Lindblad's own renowned ice captain and world explorer) bordered by a steep wall of mountains, with a glacial ice tongue which pours down the mountains on either side. Be up on the bridge as we search for a patch of "polar bear ice," the mixture of first-year and multi-year sea ice that is the preferred habitat of the ice bears. Our binoculars seek out any small ivory-colored dot on an otherwise white ice surface. With luck, these small dots will be local polar bears exploring the ice and making their way across the landscape of the Arctic Archipelago.

After exploring to the edge of the ice, we turn

our attention eastward to the largest island in the world: Greenland. The shores of northern Greenland continue to challenge explorers and locals alike to carve out their daily lives among some of the most beautiful and harsh conditions. We will kayak in sheltered coves, embark on hikes (when the coast is clear of polar bears), and visit local communities that continue the traditional hunting practices.

**Meals included:** breakfast, lunch, dinner

### ◇ DAY 23

## Ilulissat

Sail back into Qeqertarsuup Tunua, or Disko Bay, and enjoy an extraordinary cruise aboard local boats among towering icebergs of the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Ilulissat Icefjord. Visit the town of Ilulissat and hike into the Sermermiut Valley, once an Inuit settlement and now the home to a peaceful boardwalk overlooking the Icefjord. This evening, as we sail south along the coast, spend time on the bridge with your naturalists and bridge team, keeping watch for whales and glimpses of the Greenlandic Ice Sheet.

**Meals included:** breakfast, lunch, dinner

### ■ DAYS 24-25

## Kangerlussuaq / Disembark Ship / Reykjavík, Iceland

Sail back into Kangerlussuaq and disembark the ship. Take an evening charter flight to Reykjavík and transfer to the overnight hotel close to the airport. On our final morning, transfer to the airport for flights home. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included on Day 24; breakfast is included on Day 25.

**Departure Time:** Depart anytime.

**Departure City:** Reykjavík, Iceland



**2024**

Kangerlussuaq, Greenland → Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

**2024 Departure Dates**

Aboard *National Geographic Endurance*

21 Aug		
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**Alternative Routes**

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**2025 Departure Dates**

26 Aug
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## National Geographic Endurance

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Guests	Cabins
138	76

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The most advanced ice-class expedition ship afloat, the *National Geographic Endurance* offers unprecedented access to polar regions.

The first new polar build in Lindblad's 50-year history, *National Geographic Endurance* is named to honor explorer Ernest Shackleton and his legendary Transantarctic Expedition.

A fully-stabilized vessel of the highest ice class (PC5 Category A), she will enable adventurous guests to go where few have or can. Endurance's most striking exterior feature is her distinctive profile, the patented X-Bow®, a game-changing design that guarantees the smoothest, most comfortable ride in all kinds of conditions; and since it eliminates bow impact, a quieter ride, as well.



An equally impressive feature may well be her capacity: she carries just 138 guests, a commitment to expedition excellence over scale. Scandinavian-inflected, luxuriously appointed, her inviting interiors would be a destination in themselves. Because she is a Lindblad expedition ship, however, her attention is focused on the world outside—with acres of window glass to keep you connected to the stunning views beyond the pane, and a fleet of expedition tools to get you out exploring.

*National Geographic Endurance* and *National Geographic Resolution* are next-generation expedition ships. Purpose-built for polar navigation. Fully stabilized, highly strengthened, ice-class Polar Code PC5 (Category A) vessels, they are designed to navigate polar passages year-round, and safely explore uncharted waters, while providing exceptional comfort. The patented X-bow<sup>®</sup> is key to their design; its powerful wave-slicing action provides an extremely smooth ride even in adverse conditions, and even reduces spray on deck for superior observation. They carry a full suite of expedition tools, and offer a variety of experience enhancing amenities.



# Cabin Categories

## Category 1

**Fore Deck:** #406, 408, 411, 413, 415

Fore Deck, with two large windows, two singles that can convert to a queen, armchair, writing desk and chair, two bedside tables, window sofa, and a closet.



## Category 2

**Fore Deck:** #410, 412, 414, 416-419, 421-427

Fore Deck, with two large windows, two single beds that can convert to a queen, window sofa, 2 seat sofa, coffee table, armchair, writing desk with an office chair, two bedside tables, and a closet.



## Category 3

**Main Deck:** #512-524

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; two single beds that convert to a queen, convertible sleeper sofa, writing desk with a chair, two bedside tables, and a closet.



## Category 4

**Lounge Deck:** #608, 610, 612, 613-623

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; two single beds that convert to a queen, convertible sleeper sofa, writing desk with a chair, two bedside tables, and a closet.





## Category 5

**Bridge Deck:** #700-707, 712, 713, 715, 717

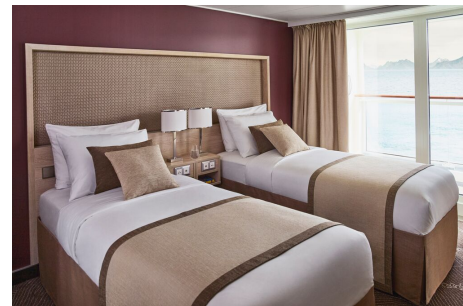
Cabin with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; two single beds that convert to a queen; convertible sleeper sofa; coffee table; writing desk with chair; two bedside tables; and a closet.



## Category 6

**Bridge Deck:** #714

Junior suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and table; two single beds that convert to a queen; pull-out sofa; writing desk with chair; two bedside tables; coffee table; espresso maker; and a closet. Guests receive a welcome amenity, complimentary laundry, priority access to one igloo reservation, and one spa appointment per departure.



## Category 7

**Bridge Deck:** #708-711, 716, 718, 719, 721

These large balcony suites feature two balcony chairs, hammock, and table; two single beds that can convert to a queen; pull-out sofa; coffee table; writing desk and chair; espresso maker; hammock; and a large walk-in closet with full length mirror. Expanded bathroom has a double vanity, bathtub, towel warmer, and rain shower. Guests receive a welcome amenity, complimentary laundry, priority access to one igloo reservation, and one spa appointment per departure.



## Category A Solo

**Main Deck:** #504-510, 513

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs and a table; single bed, writing desk with an office chair, bedside table, and a closet.



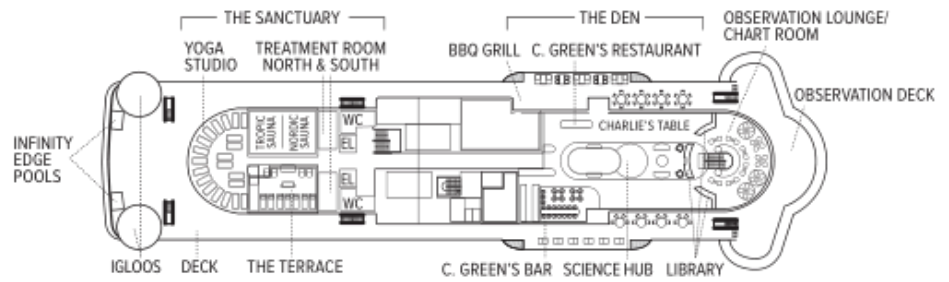
## Category B Solo

**Lounge Deck:** #604-607, 609, 611

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; single bed, bedside table, writing desk with chair, hammock, and a closet.

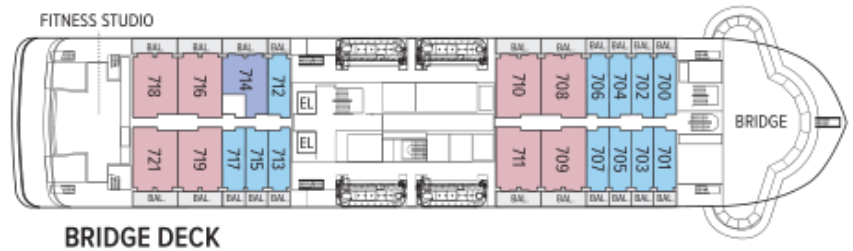


## Observation Deck



## Bridge Deck

- Category 5
- Category 6
- Category 7



## Lounge Deck

- Category 4
- Category B Solo



## Main Deck

- Category 3
- Category 2 Solo

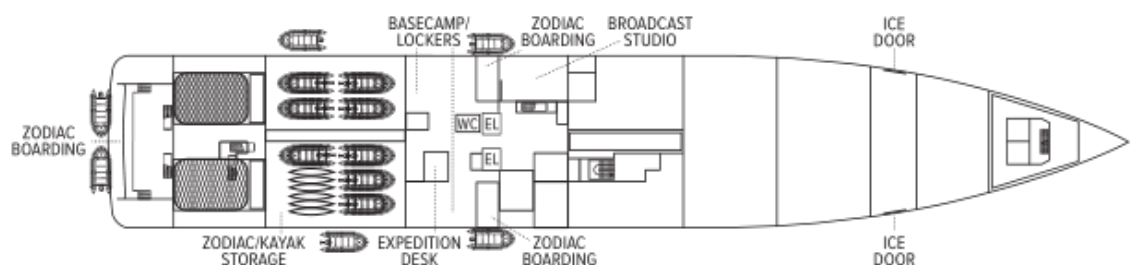


## Fore Deck

- Category 1
- Category 2



## Expedition Deck



# Ship amenities

## Public Areas

Reception; three dining areas; an observation lounge with bar, gym, wellness area, infinity-style outdoor hot tubs with adjacent igloos; library; main lounge with full service bar, 24-hour beverage station, state-of-the-art tech for films/presentations; B&H Photo locker and a photo workshop area; science hub; an onboard broadcast studio; an expedition base with lockers for expedition gear; and open access to the Bridge, Captain, officers and on-duty wildlife spotters.

## Meals

Restaurant 270° features wrap-around views; two other dining areas offer lighter, made-to-order fare or intimate, small group dinners. All feature sustainable choices, local where possible, and unassigned, flexible, inclusive seating.

## Cabins

All cabins face outside with large windows, private bathroom, and climate controls. Cabins are equipped with expedition command centers with iPad tablets, multiple electrical and USB outlets, TVs, with on demand entertainment, phone, Wi-Fi, clock, barometers, hygrometers, vanity mirror, mini refrigerator, small safe, ice bucket, glasses, hair dryer, reading lights and National Geographic Atlas. Luxury linens and pillows. Bathrooms outfitted with Rain showers & hand held shower, botanically inspired shampoo, conditioner, shower gel and lotion. Complimentary insulated water bottles. Balcony cabins have hammocks, chairs and table.

## Expedition Equipment

Zodiac landing craft, kayaks, snowshoes, cross-country skis, an ROV and underwater video camera for unique access to the polar undersea, hydrophone, aerial remote-controlled camera and video microscope.

## Special Features

A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and video chronicler, an internet cafe and laundry. A forward and aft staircase, and elevators, reach all decks. Echoing the pioneering installation aboard *National Geographic Endurance*, artist Zaria Forman has curated a new exhibit, featuring a wide range of artists.



## Wellness

A glass-enclosed yoga studio, gym, treatment rooms and spa relax area, and high and low-heat saunas with ocean views, staffed by wellness specialists.

## Self-Disinfecting Ships

ACT Clean Coat™ is a light-activated, self-disinfecting cleaning process that continuously breaks down viruses, bacteria, mold, and airborne allergens across all ship surfaces. Not only does this create a cleaner, healthier shipboard environment for guests and crew alike, but this non-toxic, chemical-free system also saves more than one million gallons of water each year in our cleaning procedures, and reduces our carbon footprint as well as the amount of plastic and waste in our supply chain.



# Special Offers

## SUITE EXCLUSIVES

Spacious living areas and incredible views immerse you in the beauty of your marine surroundings. Our new Suite Exclusives package helps make your voyage all the more memorable. [Learn more](#)

## BRINGING THE KIDS

We believe sharing an expedition with children is a life-enhancing experience. Take \$500 off for each child under the age of 18 on any departure. Not applicable on extensions or airfare. Call for details.

## CELEBRATE LIFE'S MILESTONES

Celebrate a milestone with a group of eight or more and enjoy a special amenity package including: 5% savings on voyage fares, custom group photo, US\$150 shipboard credit for the group, and other special gifts. Milestone celebration to be communicated at time of booking. Valid for new bookings only on select departures, subject to availability, not applicable on airfare or extensions, and may not be combined with other offers. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies. Call for details.

## 10% OFF BACK-TO-BACK VOYAGES

Save 10% on consecutive departures, applicable on voyage fares only and not valid on extensions or airfare. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

## SAVE 5% TRAVELING AS A GROUP

Save 5% when traveling as a group of eight or more

people. Valid on voyage fares only and not applicable on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

## COMBINING OFFERS

Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities, except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings.

## Included in price

All accommodations aboard ship or in hotels per itinerary; all meals as indicated in the itinerary, both aboard and onshore; beer, wine, cocktails, and spirits aboard the ship (except certain super premium brands which are available for purchase); hors d'oeuvres, 24-hour access to snacks, premium coffees and teas, non-alcoholic beverages, and filtered water; excursions and airport transfers to and from recommended flights, as indicated in the itinerary; crew gratuities; exploration tools curated to destination, such as Zodiacs, kayaks, guidance and company of our leading expedition staff; assistance by the National Geographic Photography Expert and Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic certified photo instructor; access to the OM System Photo Gear Locker; presentations by expedition staff and expert guest speakers; complimentary parka or jacket, complimentary reusable water bottle; services of a physician, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner, or paramedic; morning stretch classes and 24-hour access to exercise equipment; 24-hour access to lounges, observation decks, library, and other shared spaces; park and site entrance fees, special access permits, and port taxes. Unused services or items included in our programs are non-refundable.

## Not included in price

Airfare (except flights when indicated as included); pre- and post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights (except when indicated as included); private transfers; laundry, spa treatments, Wi-Fi, and phone services (except when indicated as included); travel protection plans; and passport, visa, and immigration fees.

## Travel protection plan

We strongly recommend our guests to take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, damage or loss of baggage, medical assistance, and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date, Travel Protection premiums are non-refundable once plan is purchased. Learn more about our Travel Protection "Plus" Plan: <https://www.expeditions.com/terms-conditions/travel-protection-plan/>

## Cancellation policy

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