

## Iceland and Greenland: Edge of the Arctic

More than a thousand years ago, the legendary Viking Erik the Red set sail from Iceland to Greenland and was exiled to a stark and spectacular land of endless ice, rocky pinnacles, and steep-sided fjords. Follow his route from Iceland's magnificent Westfjords peninsula across the Denmark Strait to the ice-sculpted shores of Greenland. Trace the coast of the world's largest island from the rugged eastern fjords to the fishing villages of the western coast. Search for whales and caribou, and use our ship's exploration tools to discover the undersea. Visit archaeological sites of Viking and Thule settlements and learn about everyday life near the Arctic Circle in charming coastal villages from Flatey Island to Uummannaq.

# From \$ 21,024 / per person Does not include flights





## Highlights

- ★ Explore the vast Greenlandic landscape amongst the icebergs of Sermeq Kujalleq in the Ilulissat Icefjord; discover the ever-changing streets of Nuuk, the bustling capital city; and hike across the backcountry tundra of Disko Island
- ★ Learn about the rich layers of Greenlandic culture as we sail with locals and visionaries along this iconic coastline, visiting remote fishing villages, meeting local farmers, and enjoying traditional tastings and vibrant traditions
- ★ Experience landing on the same shores as Eric the Red in southern Greenland where he and his family established Brattahlid, his farming estate in the 10th century, and meet the locals who continue this farming tradition today in the UNESCO World Heritage region of Kujataa
- ★ Witness fjords filled with glaciers and moraines















## Day by day

#### DAY 1

## Reykjavík, Iceland

Arrive in Reykjavík, the world's northernmost capital, which lies just below the Arctic Circle. Transfer from the airport and have a panoramic overview of the Old Town, including Hallgrímskirkja Cathedral with its 210-foot tower before embarking the ship in the afternoon.

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

Arrival City: Reykjavík, Iceland

Meals included: lunch, dinner

#### ♦ DAY 2

## Flatey Island

Explore Iceland's western frontier, visiting Flatey Island, a trading post for many centuries turned sleepy summer islet. Walk around the charming little hamlet and hike across hiking trails that trace the path past seasonal puffin population on the cliffs.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

#### DAYS 3-4

## Westfjords

Explore the beautiful and peaceful Westfjords region of Iceland. Enjoy a hike to a remote waterfall, a Zodiac cruise alongside stunning scenery, or bike along the coast of the Westfjords. Enter Ísafjarðardjúp and land at Vigur Island to visit the eider farm and learn about the down cleaning process. Get to know the capital of the Westfjords, Isafjordur, through a walking tour complete with local sights, sounds, and tastes.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

#### ♦ DAY 5

## **Crossing the Denmark Strait**

Sail away from the Westfjords of Iceland and across the Denmark Strait, which connects the Arctic and Atlantic Ocean. The Strait is home to the world's largest waterfall, caused by powerful currents and glaciers. Listen to talks by our experts, relax with a book in the lounge or the observation deck, and keep an eye out for wildlife as we sail across the continental shelf.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

#### ♦ DAY 6

## **Exploring East Greenland**

The coast of the world's largest island is etched with thousands of fjords, some of which reach back to the Greenlandic ice sheet. Spend the day exploring these stunning inlets of the eastern coast, using our underwater cameras and Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) to discover marine life and fascinating underwater geology. Ice permitting, sail deep into Skjoldungen fjord and soak in our arrival to Greenland on a Zodiac cruise or in a kayak among the icebergs.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

#### O DAY 7

## **Prins Christian Sund / Tasermuit Fjord**

Sail into Prins Christian Sund, which cuts into the southern tip of Greenland, passing between soaring pinnacles and glaciers, allowing our ship to sail through the sheltered waters of this dramatic landscape. As we round the southern coast of Greenland, enter Tasermuit Fjord, known as Arctic Patagonia, for its shear granite rock faces and dramatic valley filled with glaciers or their moraines. Spend time exploring by foot, kayak, or zodiac along its shores.



Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

♦ DAYS 8-9

## **Qagortog and Tunulliarflik Fjord**

Qagortog and Tunulliarflik Fjord provide us two days of insight, culture, and local interactions. Walk through the ruins of Bratthlid, Erik the Red's farm, visiting replicas of the church and the family's longhouse. Explore the same shores from which their son, Leif Eriksson, launched the first voyages to North America-500 years before Columbus. Visit the unofficial captial of southern Greenland at Qagortog, with just over 3,200 residents. The colonial influence is visible throughout the town, with houses painted in primary colors and architecture dating back to the 1700s. Stroll through the town square and visit the museum, where Greenlandic kayaks, hunting equipment, and local art and handicrafts are on display. Finally, walk through the walls of Hvalsey church, located in the fjords behind Qagortog, the best-preserved Norse ruins in all of Greenland and a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

♦ DAY 10

#### Nuuk

Perched on the seaside in the shadow of ice-capped Sermitsiaq Mountain, Nuuk is the world's smallest capital city by population, with some 19,000 inhabitants, experiencing tremendous cultural and economic growth. Watch for harp seals as we enter the harbor and take a walking tour with local residents to learn how the community has changed over the generations. At the National Museum, examine the extraordinary 15th-century Qilakitsoq mummies found near Uummannaq—a discovery that was featured in a *National Geographic* magazine cover story in 1985. The Arctic ice preserved these mummies so well that researchers have been able to study their tattoos, their medical conditions, and even what they ate.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

♦ DAY 11

## **Evighed Fjord**

In the early morning, the ship enters Evighed Fjord (Kangerlussuatsiaq Fjord), which winds picturesquely past steep mountains and stunning tidewater glaciers. In the far reaches of the fjord, take a Zodiac cruise along the face of one of the many glaciers or hike over glacial moraines to a waterfall. In the afternoon, conditions permitting, visit the small fishing community of Kangaamiut. Climb the small mountain behind the village to take in the views or walk through the village and photograph the colorful houses clustered on the seaside slope.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

♦ DAY 12

#### **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 Sallinnguit, 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 13-14

## Ilulissat and 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. 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 home to a peaceful boardwalk overlooking the Icefjord. As we make



our way north through Disko Bay, if ice conditions permit, we follow the inside passage of Disko Island and trace the shores of the Nuussuaq Peninsula as we keep watch for a glimpse of the Greenlandic Ice Sheet.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

#### ♦ DAY 15

## **Uummannag and Qilakitsog**

The village of Uummannaq sits on a tiny yet dramatic island in the Uummannaq Fjord, dominated by a massive peak rising at its center. Visit the town's excellent community museum to see traditional clothing and tools, along with scenes of everyday life on these islands, and enjoy a stroll through the streets of this northern outpost.

In the afternoon, cross the fjord to the site of Qilakitsoq, an important archaeological site for Greenlanders, where eight mummies, dating back to 1475, were discovered in 1972. These eight individuals, all extraordinarily well-preserved women and children, were Thule people, the ancestors of the modern Inuit. Their discovery was featured on the cover of the February 1985 issue of *National Geographic* magazine. Adventurous hikers may make their own respectful journey up to the final resting place of these ancestors.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

#### ♦ DAY 16

## **Exploring Greenland's Fjords**

Sail along Greenland's fjords and look for Arctic foxes, whales, and-with luck-caribou. Paddle a kayak along the steep sides of the fjord or ride a Zodiac to see the glacially carved landscape up close.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

#### DAYS 17-18

## Kangerlussuaq / Disembark Ship / Keflavík

Disembark in the arctic outpost of Kangerlussuaq and take a charter flight back to Iceland. Check into our hotel near the airport and prepare for flights home the next day. In the morning, transfer to the airport for flights home.

**Departure Time:** Depart anytime.

Departure City: Reykjavík, Iceland





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### **2024 Departure Dates**

Aboard National Geographic Endurance

06 Aug

#### **Alternative Routes**

Visit Expeditions.com for more information.

### **2025 Departure Dates**

20 Jul



## **National Geographic Resolution**

Guests Cabins 138 76

## The sister ship to *National Geographic Endurance*, she explores polar & temperate regions

Our second new polar build, *National Geographic Resolution*, is named to honor the second voyage of the legendary Captain James Cook.

A fully-stabilized vessel of the highest ice class (PC5 Category A), she will enableadventurous guests to go where few have or can. *Resolution's* most striking exterior feature is her distinctive profile, the patented X-Bow®, a gamechanging 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 ® 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.









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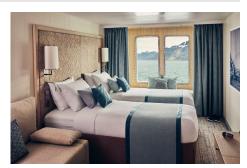
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## Category 2

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.



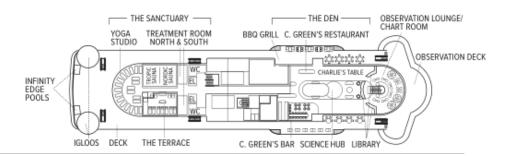
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Lounge Deck: #604-607, 609, 611

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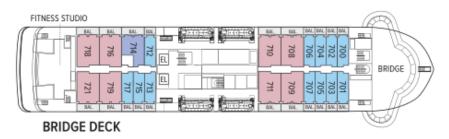


## **Observation Deck**



## **Bridge Deck**

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## **Lounge Deck**

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- Category B Solo



#### Main Deck

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- Category 2 Solo

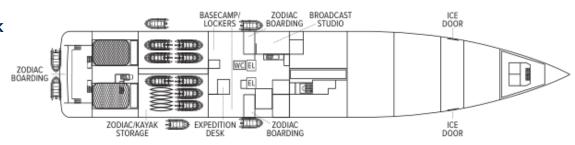


#### **Fore Deck**

- 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-theart 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, crosscountry skis, an ROV and underwater video camera for unique access to the polar undersea, hydrophone, aerial remote-controlled camera and video microscope.

### **Special Features**

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## National Geographic Endurance

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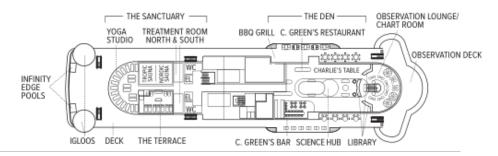
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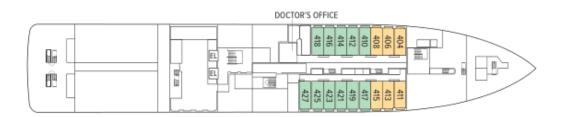
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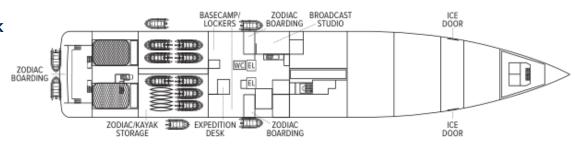


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## **Special Offers**

#### 2026-2027 EARLY BOOKING OFFERS

Booking and deposit must be made by Nov. 1, 2024. Valid for new bookings only on departures from Jan. 1, 2026 through Mar. 31, 2027, subject to availability, may not be combinable with other offers, and not applicable on airfare or extensions.

**Book Early to Lock in Current Rates on All 2026-2027 Departures**: Pricing will increase on Nov. 2, 2024. Not applicable on airfare or extensions.

#### Bringing the Kids - Save \$1,000 Per Child Up To 22:

We believe sharing an expedition with children is a life-enhancing experience. Take \$1,000 off for each child under the age of 23 on any departure.

**Save Up To 15% on Back-to-Back Voyages:** Save up to 15% on voyage fares on consecutive back-to-back departures. Applicable on select departures only.

**Book Two or More Voyages and Save 10%:** Save 10% on the lowest priced departure when you book two or more expeditions.

**Bring a Friend and Save 5%**: Save 5% when you book two or more cabins on the same departure. Valid on voyage fares only. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies when you book 8 or more guests.

#### **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

#### **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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