



## WEST GREENLAND: DISCOVERING MASSIVE ICEBERGS AND INUIT COMMUNITIES, SOUTHBOUND

Our 11-day West Greenland: Discovering Massive Icebergs and Inuit Communities, Southbound is for travelers seeking a journey dedicated exclusively to West Greenland. This is one of our most in-depth explorations of Eternity Fjord. You'll also explore Ilulissat, Eqip Sermia and Uummannaq--West Greenland's crown jewels of ice and stone--all in a single trip. Thanks to our local partnerships, we'll take you beyond the guidebooks for truly immersive experiences. Plus, you'll cross the Arctic Circle.



Keflavik and Reykjavik city center.

#### Day 2 - Fly to Kangerlussuaq, Greenland and Embark

After an early breakfast at the hotel, guests will transfer together to the airport and board our private charter flight to Kangerlussuaq, Greenland. This is a very small town that for decades served as Greenland's primary airport. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to a very small harbor, where your Expedition Team will provide Zodiac shuttles to your awaiting ship. After a late-afternoon embarkation, we will set sail for the stunning Arctic wilderness.

#### Day 3 - At Sea: Welcome to the Arctic

You have multiple choices for your first ship day above 66°33' North latitude, which you will spend aboard Ocean Explorer. You can check out the ship's amenities, like the Jacuzzis, attend an educational presentation led by our polar experts, or relax in stylish Observation Lounge on Deck 8 while you spot drifting ice, seabirds and other wildlife.

#### Days 4 and 5 - Uummannaq: Mountains, ice, and Greenlandic smiles

Two full days in Uummannaq--a rarity on Arctic expeditions--means you will get to devote one day to Uummannaq town and the second to Uummannaq Fjord. We arrive in Uummannaq Fjord in the morning and cruise toward the community of Uummannaq. In Greenlandic, Uummannaq translates to "heart-shaped," inspired by the dramatic mountain that rises above the town. Visiting this remote community is a rare privilege. We reach town by Zodiac and may be greeted by locals-- and the ever-smiling chief of police. It's said that smiles here are as common as drifting icebergs. Winding roads take you past colorful homes before reaching a meadow of turf houses beside a stone church. You can visit the local museum

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### Day 1 - Arrive in Reykjavik, Iceland

Arrive in the Icelandic capital and make your way to the group hotel near Keflavik airport--which is included in your Charter Flight & Hotel Package.. You will have the rest of the day to explore this fascinating city, known for its Norse history and stunning architecture. If you do wish to visit the city of Reykjavik, allow for a one-hour transfer (by taxi or public transit) between





and artisan market for a glimpse of life in northern Greenland. Another nearby museum honors artist Rockwell Kent, who was inspired by the landscapes of Uummannaq Fjord and Disko Bay. You may choose to join a guided walk or explore on your own. Several homes may open for kaffemik, a social gathering with hot drinks, light snacks and a chance for locals and visitors to connect. Rest assured, the people of Uummannaq will be curious about your part of the world. Shy smiles and translated conversations are natural during these authentic cultural exchanges--which are usually memorable. A parting gift from one local fisherman: "Keep life simple-- simple is beautiful." On Day 5, you'll have the opportunity to venture deeper into Uummannaq Fjord and explore areas seldom seen by travelers. Highlights include narrow fjords with steep cliffs rising straight from the sea, large drifting icebergs, striking naked (exposed) geology, rarelyseen glaciers, and cascading waterfalls--some thunderous after a heavy rain. After these two days, you'll have experienced parts of Uummannaq that many Greenlanders have yet to see.

**Days 6 and 7 - Disko Bay & Ilulissat: Explore a UNESCO World Heritage site**  
Ilulissat, located in Disko Bay, is home to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Ilulissat Icefjord, which serves as the thoroughfare for countless icebergs calved from the world's fastest-moving glacier, Eqip Sermia. A small boardwalk leads to an elevated overlook, where you can view bergs of all sizes spread out before you. From this vantage point, it feels as though you're standing where the town ends and the wilderness--no doubt humbled by the sweeping vista of ice. You will also notice the Arctic cotton grass and summer wildflowers thriving in the long daylight hours. The inner harbor often holds evidence of the icefjord's reach, with drifting icebergs mingling

among fishing boats and skiffs. The town itself is well worth exploring, and has become one of Greenland's top destinations. Recent years have brought growth-- colorful homes now sit beside new restaurants, boutique hotels and small businesses. History buffs will be excited to know Ilulissat is the birthplace of Arctic explorer Knud Rasmussen, who traveled by dog sled from Greenland to Alaska (and briefly Siberia) during the Fifth Thule Expedition (1921-1924). Fluent in Kalaallisut, he learned from and documented the Circumpolar Inuit he met--considered one of the Arctic's greatest expeditions. The dramatic landscapes around Ilulissat inspired Rasmussen's life of exploration. As we approach town, watch out for whales, which occasionally frequent the icebergladen waters.

#### **Day 8 - Sisimiut: A peaceful Greenlandic community**

Today we'll visit Sisimiut, a community rich with Greenlandic history and culture. As we approach via the inner harbor, you'll spot locals coming and going from the marina, bringing halibut, shrimp and other seafood freshly harvested from Baffin Bay. Upon reaching shore, we'll follow winding roads through the vibrant town dotted with colorful homes and Arctic cotton grass blooming under the summer sun. While the waterfront may be lively with boat traffic, life uphill moves at a relaxed pace. You may hear children laughing, sled dogs barking, and locals exchanging greetings--sounds that often bring smiles to both visitors and residents. Greenlandic dogs, often seen in kennels throughout town, reflect the deep bond between owners and their canine teams. As in any Arctic community, always ask before petting or approaching these working dogs. Our expedition team and local partners will lead guided walks and provide insight into daily life in Greenland-- and you will be able to share your own story with locals, who will be curious about



your homeland. One scenic walk leads to the Taseralik Cultural House, beside Nalunnguarfiup Tasia, a small tranquil lake at the base of a 780-meter (2,550 feet) Nasaasaaq mountain. You'll walk the same paths locals use every day, experiencing not just the look of Sisimiut, but its rhythm, sounds and genuine sense of place. We also aim to team up with our local mountain-biking partners in Sisimiut, exploring trails that lead outside the town limits.

#### Day 9 - Eternity Fjord: Towering cliffs and glaciers

The 75-km-long (47 miles) Eternity Fjord lives up to its name--its beauty feels endless. You will be surrounded by precipitous mountains rising straight out of the sea and glaciers spilling down deep-cut valleys. Within the fjord, you may explore by Zodiac or on foot--or both--with the potential to cruise the coastlines and floating glacial ice. You can anticipate a range of hikes or on-shore walks--always accompanied by our knowledgeable team, whose expertise bring the world's largest island into focus. Transiting the fjord by ship will provide excellent opportunities for you to soak in the scenery from the outer decks of the ship.

#### Day 10 - Disembarkation in Nuuk and flight to Reykjavik

The morning will find you in the port at Nuuk, the northernmost capital city in the world. If time permits, you may have an opportunity to explore Nuuk. Otherwise, your Expedition Team will shuttle you to ashore by Zodiac, after which you will be transferred to the airport for your charter flight to Reykjavik. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to the group hotel for the night, which is included in the Charter Flight and Transfer Package.

#### Day 11 - Depart Reykjavik, Iceland

After breakfast, you can transfer independently from your Keflavik hotel to the nearby airport for your onward journey, or explore Iceland as prearranged.

#### Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.





## YOUR SHIP: OCEAN EXPLORER

**YOUR SHIP:** Ocean Explorer

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

Ocean Explorer is a modern ship, elegant and purpose-built for polar exploration. The 138-passenger vessel has been designed with the latest in expedition ship technology. One of the ship's key features is the ULSTEIN X-BOW®, a marine engineering innovation that ensures a comfortable and smooth sailing experience thanks to the inverted bow. Located at the bow is the two-story, light-filled library, which introduces a welcome airiness to the expedition ship. Spacious cabins feature a modern, bespoke Scandinavian design and almost all have verandas. Guests can relax and find comfort in the spacious gym, sauna with large windows, and two outdoor Jacuzzis. Ocean Explorer features ample outdoor viewing areas and multi-height outer decks, which are ideal for long-view photography and wildlife viewing. The vessel is equipped with a fleet of 15 Zodiacs that enable guests to get off the ship quickly and safely for off-ship adventures. In addition to the well-appointed and spacious public areas, Ocean Explorer has an industry-leading mix of sustainability systems, including fuel-efficient Rolls Royce engines. Two Story Library Light-filled interior library--at the bow of the ship-- allows guests to sit and relax indoors while taking in the surrounding polar landscapes

from their choice of two levels. Leading Edge Sustainability With the latest sustainability technology in polar expedition, the ship features fuel-efficient Rolls-Royce engines and the ground-breaking MAGS gasification system that converts waste into energy, eliminating the environmental impact of waste transportation. ULSTEIN X-Bow In addition to forming the double-story library, the innovative X-Bow design ensures calm, energy-efficient sailing in rough waters. High Observation Outdoor Decks Observation areas on Decks 7 and 8 allow for higher, longer-view landscape photography while contending with less sea spray. Quiet and Comfortable Spacious and luxurious cabins ensure your quiet ambience with no sound disturbance from adjoining cabins--and almost all cabins feature a balcony for outdoor viewing. Stunning Interior Design Each interior element was carefully hand-picked by designers for you to enjoy, from the dramatic two-story forward lounge, the floor-to-ceiling glass refuge in the library, to the grand fixtures and luxe furnishings throughout the ship. Main Dining Room Contemporary meets cozy in this modern dining room with its stylish lighting and contemporary art. Located on Deck 5, the Main Dining Room seats 144 guests, and features expansive floor-to-ceiling windows that open onto the spectacular polar wilderness. Private Dining Room Tasteful and intimate. This stylish, private dining room on deck 5 provides a relaxed dining experience--with views of the polar landscape--for up to 36 guests. The Latitude Bar A popular social hub on Deck 5, the beautifully-lit Latitude Bar--with its lush sofas and faux marble-topped end tables--is large enough to seat 46 and is ideal for enjoying a quiet drink on your own or hanging out with



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friends. Library Located on Deck 6 at the top of the gorgeous atrium staircase, this beautiful Library with floor-to-ceiling glass, accommodates up to 47 people Dry Sauna After a day of exciting off-ship adventure, guests can relax on the sauna's traditional wood benches while gazing at the polar wilderness just outside the large sauna windows. Accommodates 15 people on Deck 7. Fitness Center Stay fit with the latest work-out equipment in the Fitness Center on Deck 7. Jacuzzis Two outdoor Jacuzzis on deck 7, at the ship's stern, mean you can relax alfresco while soaking up the breath-taking polar views. Observation Lounge This stylish lounge at the top of the ship guarantees incredible views. Guests also frequent this spacious lookout on Deck 8 to enjoy cocktails and conversation with fellow



travelers.



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**Ocean Explorer & Ocean Odyssey**

**DECK 6**

**DECK 5**

**DECK 4**

**DECK 3**

**Ocean Explorer ship features**

- 1 Multistorey The Marina/ Kiosk & storage
- 2 Zodiac storage area
- 3 Zodiac loading area
- 4 The Explorers Lecture Lounge
- 5 Assembly Area
- 6 Reception
- 7 Gift shop
- 8 Main Dining room
- 9 Private dining area
- 10 The Discovery Library
- 11 Gym
- 12 Wellness centre/spa
- 13 Observation deck
- 14 Galley
- 15 The Chart Room Bar & Observation lounge
- 16 Hair salon
- 17 Medical facilities
- 18 Elevator
- 19 Navigation bridge
- 20 Tender & Zodiac Embarking/Disembarking
- 21 Expedition Tours Deck
- 22 Glass atrium
- 23 The Compass Restaurant
- 24 The Bar & Deck
- 25 The Lido Bar & Lounge

**Ocean Odyssey ship features**

- 1 Multistorey The Marina/ Kiosk & storage
- 2 Zodiac storage area
- 3 Zodiac loading area
- 4 The Explorers Lecture Lounge
- 5 Assembly Area
- 6 Reception
- 7 Gift shop
- 8 Main Dining room
- 9 Private dining area
- 10 The Harmonic Library
- 11 Gym
- 12 Wellness centre/spa
- 13 Observation deck
- 14 Galley
- 15 The Captain's Bar
- 16 The Captain's Bar & Observation lounge
- 17 Hair salon
- 18 Medical facilities
- 19 Elevator
- 20 Navigation bridge
- 21 Tender & Zodiac Embarking/Disembarking
- 22 Expedition Tours Deck
- 23 Glass atrium
- 24 The Athena Restaurant
- 25 The Poolside Bar & Deck
- 26 The Zeus Bar & Lounge

**OWNER'S SUITE (OS\*)**

**EXPLORER SUITE (ES\*)**

**JUNIOR SUITE (JS\*)**

**DELUXE SUITE (DS)**

**AD. ADA COMPL. ADA/425 (DS)**

**ROYAL VERANDA STATEROOM (RS)**

**PALATIAL VERANDA STATEROOM (PS)**

**GRAND VERANDA STATEROOM (GS)**

**STUDIO VERANDA STATEROOM (SRS)**

**DELUXE VERANDA STATEROOM (VS\*)**

**DELUXE VERANDA MIDDLE STATEROOM (TMS\*)**

**DELUXE VERANDA FORWARD STATEROOM (TFS\*)**

**STUDIO STATEROOM (SS)**

**VERANDA**

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