



EXPLORING GREENLAND AND THE CANADIAN HIGH ARCTIC ABOARD THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

Arctic

DATES, FEES, & ITINERARY



Venture deep into the far northern reaches of the Arctic, on a quest for arctic wildlife and the magisterial scenery of the ice—occurring at an epic scale in Greenland. And share the experience of explorers from ancient to modern, goaded by the desire to discover the Northwest Passage. Explore Greenland’s fjords and the Illulissat Glacier, spend a week in the

Canadian High Arctic observing polar bears and other denizens of ice, visit a historic Inuit fishing village, and so much more.

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Jul 28-Aug 9 2015	\$12,990	\$13,990	\$14,430	\$15,550	\$18,680	\$21,290	\$24,790
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*These voyages travel from Iqaluit to Kangerlussuaq, all others travel from Kangerlussuaq to Iqaluit
+Rates based on double occupancy. Single A: \$17,490, Single B: \$18,040

This itinerary is for Kangerlussuaq to Iqaluit. Select departures travel from Iqaluit to Kangerlussuaq.

DAY 1: HOME/OTTAWA, CANADA

Arrive in Ottawa and check into the Fairmont Chateau Laurier Hotel.

Overnight in hotel

DAY 2: OTTAWA/FLY TO KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND

Fly by chartered aircraft to Greenland. Embark *National Geographic Explorer* at the head of Kangerlussuaq Fjord, a picturesque waterway that stretches 100 miles.

Overnight aboard National Geographic Explorer

DAY 3: GREENLAND'S WEST COAST & SISIMUT

Dozens of deep fjords carve into Greenland's west coast, many with glaciers fed by the ice cap that covers 80% of the country. Trace this ragged coastline, and search for humpback and minke whales. At Sisimiut, a former whaling port, visit the museum and wander amid a jumble of wooden 18th-century buildings.

Overnight aboard National Geographic Explorer

DAY 4: DISKO BAY & ILLULISSAT

Sail into Disko Bay and set out to explore the Illulissat Glacier, a tongue of the Greenland ice cap. Take an extraordinary cruise among towering icebergs. Explore the historic Inuit fishing village of Sermermiut, and view the Illulissat Icefjord and its immense, calving glacier.

Overnight aboard National Geographic Explorer

DAY 5: AT SEA IN BAFFIN BAY

Overnight aboard National Geographic Explorer

DAY 6-8: EXPLORING THE CANADIAN HIGH ARCTIC

Carved by Ice Age glaciers, Lancaster Sound is the eastern gateway to the Arctic Archipelago. European explorers like William Baffin first ventured here in the 15th century to search for the Northwest Passage. The sound has been a favorite Inuit hunting and fishing location for hundreds of years. Our days here will be spent searching for ringed seals, arctic foxes, walruses, and polar bears, as well as beluga, and bowhead whales. We may even see the elusive narwhal, an arctic whale known for the long, spiraling tooth that projects up to ten feet from its upper jaw.

Overnight aboard National Geographic Explorer

DAY 9-11: PADLOPING & HALL PENINSULA

We spend another day in true expedition style, exploring the Padloping region and the unspoiled Hall Peninsula of Baffin Island. Hike the tundra in search of caribou and arctic foxes, or follow our botanist to learn more about the hardy arctic plants. The exposed rocky cliffs of Monumental Island are used as haul-outs by walruses. We'll cruise the coastline in search of these icons of the Canadian North.

Overnight aboard National Geographic Explorer

DAY 12: DISEMBARK IQALUIT, NUNAVUT/FLY TO OTTAWA, CANADA

Disembark in Iqaluit and fly to Ottawa, Canada by chartered aircraft. Overnight in Ottawa at the Fairmont Chateau Laurier, or similar.

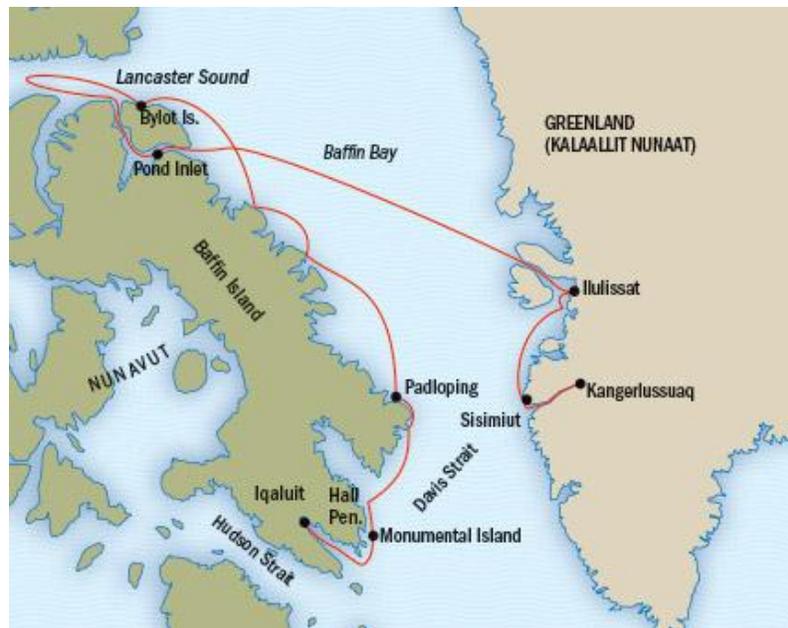
Overnight at hotel

DAY 13: OTTAWA/HOME

Today we proceed to the airport for homeward-bound flights.

Overnight responsible by traveler

Please note: All day-by-day breakdowns are a sampling of the places we intend to visit, conditions permitting.



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER



The newly renovated National Geographic Explorer is an ice-class polar expedition vessel accommodating 148 guests in 81 outside cabins, all with private facilities, climate controls, and windows or portholes. It is fully stabilized, enabling it to navigate polar passages while providing comfort. It has been freshly redesigned to provide travelers with the most innovative tools for exploring the undersea, the Polar Regions and key destinations around the

globe. The ship houses technology for sea exploration, such as Zodiacs, kayaks, hydro-phones, underwater HD cameras and a Remote Operated Vehicle (ROV). Public areas include two restaurants, a lounge and bar, library, observation lounge, spa, fitness center, and sauna.

ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Kayaking (*included*)
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Deposit: \$1,000 per person

Final Balance: Due 120 days prior to departure.

Charter Airfare: \$1,750 (airfare is subject to change)

Cost Includes: Ship accommodations; meals indicated; excursions; services of Expedition Leader, Naturalist staff and expert guides; use of kayaks; all port charges and service taxes.

Not Included: Air transportation; charter flights; immigration/passport fees; extensions; personal items such as alcoholic beverages, emails, laundry, voyage DVD etc.; gratuities to ship's crew at your discretion.

For more information, please call an Adventure Specialist at 1-800-543-8917