



Greenland by Schooner

****2022 dates are almost sold out and 2023 is filling up quickly. Book now** if this is the trip you want to take in the next two years. Sailing gently in a traditional schooner and exploring the pristine fjords of East Greenland is a dream for many. Be prepared to “unplug” as you board the schooner for an eight-day exploration of this unique and remote land on this life-changing voyage.



YOUR
ADVENTURE
AWAITS

8 days/7 nights

ITINERARY

Day 1: Depart Iceland - fly to Constable Point, Greenland

Depart Reykjavík for a flight to Constable Point in Greenland, a small airfield west of Hurry Inlet in Jameson Land. Embark the sailboat and get an introduction and a safety briefing by the crew before sailing towards the village of Ittoqqortoormiit, one of the most isolated villages in the world*. There will be a brief visit, where passengers are able to stroll around and experience the tranquility associated with its remoteness.

Ittoqqortoormiit was founded in the 1925s by people from Ammassalik island. It is the most northerly settlement on the east coast of Greenland. The 450 inhabitants make their living mostly by subsistence hunting of seals narwhales, muskoxen and polar bears. The quaint little houses dot the rocky slopes of south Liverpool Land with magnificent views of Kap Brewster and the Volquart Boons Coast to the south.

* This is an approximate outline of the proposed schedule. If the conditions do not allow for visiting Ittoqqortoormiit on the first day, it will be done on the last day.

The itinerary is subject to change for reasons beyond our control, such as changes in airline schedules, flight and ship delays, strikes, weather, sea and ice conditions, government restrictions or emergencies for which the operator cannot be held responsible. If pack-ice conditions do not permit the planned itinerary to be completed, the captain and expedition leaders will work out the best possible alternative. We reserve the right to change or alter the program if necessary.

Day 2: Iceberg Palaces and Inuit Settlement

Sail west between whole palaces of icebergs that gently drift under the influence of the currents in the Arctic waters in the mighty fjord of Scoresby Sound, after calving from the parent glaciers originating in the Inland Ice. Anchor at Hekla Havn, on Denmark Ø, the site of an old Inuit settlement and wintering camp of the first scientific expedition to Scoresby Sound over a hundred years ago. A short evening walk exploring Hekla Havn, and the surrounding area.

Day 3: Day of the Fjords

Sail west through the narrow Føhnfjord with the majestic basalt mountains of Gåseland on the port side and 2000 metres high sheer granite cliffs of Milne Land on the Starboard side. After being up close to the peculiar looking Red Island and even landfall at the red sandstone shore the tour continues to the north through Rødefjord which is often filled with both larger icebergs and ice crust from icebergs that are breaking up. We will arrive in Harefjord in the late afternoon where anchors are set for two nights.

Day 4: Hiking in Harefjord



The whole day is spent ashore in Harefjord scouting for muskoxen, snow hares, grouse, geese and other wildlife, which normally graze on the south facing slopes. Between 6 and 7 hours of easy to moderate hiking with a lunch break at the top of a ridge with a breath taking view over Harefjord where the glacier tongues descend into the sea. Those who prefer less exercise can stroll at the coast or stay on board enjoying the view. In the evening the crew will make a bonfire and prepare BBQ at the rocky beach.

Day 5: Setting Sails in the Majestic Øfjord

The sailing continues eastwards through the awesome Øfjord. This is one of the most spectacular parts of the trip. Terrific mountain peaks and granite walls tower 200 meters up from the sea just like if the Cerro Torre (one of the majestic mountains of the Southern Patagonian Ice Field in South America) and Fitzroy river (in Queensland, Australia) has been moved to the Arctic: a true feast for the eyes. Usually the sea breeze in the Øfjord during the middle of the day allows sails to be set. Close look at some of the most amazing cliffs and a glacier front. This day ends by setting anchors in Jyttes Havn Bjørneøe in the late afternoon.

Day 6: Outdoor Adventures

The day is spent hiking in and around Jytteshavn in the Bear Islands as this is possibly one of the nicest and most picturesque anchorages in Scoresby Sound. There are two options of a longer or shorter hike in the Bear Islands, or on the northernmost tip of Milneland, a short zodiac ride away. Jytteshavn is the place to try your skills at sea swimming at 71°N and temperatures can be as surprising as 13°C in the summertime. In the evening we offer a nice meal on board and then a cosy bonfire on the beach with story telling or singing.

Day 7: Archipelagos & Icebergs

Sailing the channel between the Bear Islands and Milne Land with a breathtaking view of the spectacular archipelago. As we sail into the last evening and night of the trip it is likely that we'll be experiencing sights of the largest and the most fascinating icebergs of the journey. This provides a fantastic opportunity for photographs of the majestic and impressive icebergs that are often found in this particular area. Make sure you've charged your batteries! When we wake up the next morning we are anchored at the airstrip in Constable Point.

Day 8: Goodbye Greenland - fly to Reykjavik, Iceland

The last morning we will enjoy a good breakfast together, write in the diary on board and share contact information with each other. Then we will disembark the schooner for the last time and board the aircraft in Constable Point and fly back to Reykjavik, Iceland. Your Greenland by Schooner program ends on arrival in Reykjavik.

Ask us to plan an extension in Iceland either pre or post-cruise, or both, including accommodation, ground transportation and touring options.

Details

Group Size: max. 10-12 passengers

Trip Code:

008269 - W20

INCLUDED

- International flight Reykjavik-Constable Point-Reykjavik
- Return transfers between airport and harbour in Constable Point
- Accommodation in bunk beds onboard, bedding, blankets and towels
- Shared washroom facilities
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily onboard
- Services of crew, hiking excursions and arrangements as noted in the itinerary
- Dinner in Ittoqqortoormiit

NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to/from Keflavik from your home city
- Transfers and accommodation in Iceland pre/post cruise
- Meals other than onboard ship and breakfast at hotels
- Alcoholic beverages
- Optional tours and meals
- Passport and visa fees, vaccinations if applicable
- Excess baggage charges, laundry charges
- Gratuities
- Items of personal nature



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