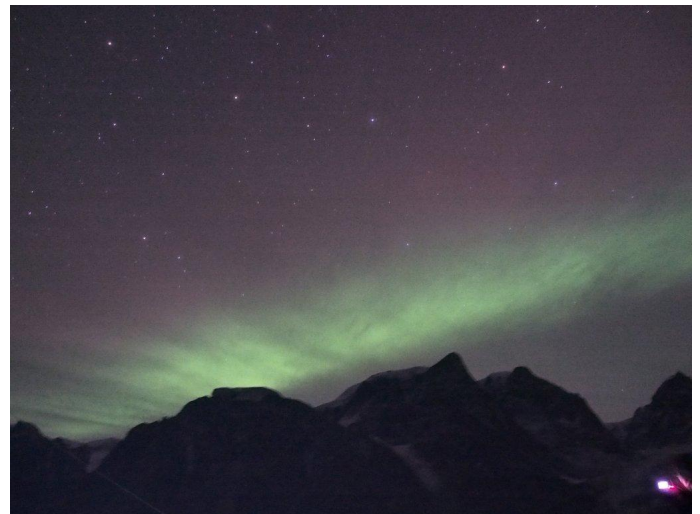




## East Greenland's Northern Lights

Explore two of the last unspoiled wilderness areas on the planet, cruising along Iceland's mountainous Westfjords and Greenland's remote northeast coast, home to the largest fjord system in the world. Immersed in the untamed beauty of the Arctic you'll experience dramatic, rugged landscapes.



YOUR  
ADVENTURE  
AWAITS

14 days/13 nights

### ITINERARY

#### Day 1: Reykjavik

Arrive in the Icelandic capital in the morning and make your way to your included hotel. You will have the day to explore the city on your own. We would be happy to arrange your transfers and any optional touring you may wish to add to your program.

#### Day 2: Embarkation Reykjavik

This afternoon, you'll board your vessel and begin your expedition. Get ready for a great adventure ahead!

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** Embracing the unexpected is part of the legacy—and excitement—of expedition travel. When travelling in extremely remote regions, your expedition staff must allow the sea, the ice and the weather to guide route and itinerary details. This itinerary is a tentative outline of what you'll experience on this voyage; please be aware that no specific itinerary can be guaranteed.

#### Day 3: Exploring the Westfjords

Each region of Iceland has its own appeal for nature, bird and history lovers, and the little-visited Westfjords, where the land meets the sea in the most dramatic fashion, is no exception. Exploring this rugged peninsula at the country's remote northwestern tip offers awe-inspiring vistas of mountains, fjords and towering cliffs. If we're lucky and conditions allow, we might cruise along Látrabjarg, Europe's largest bird cliff, teeming with puffins, razorbills, guillemots and more. Another possible destination is the quaint island of Flatey, where a replica of Iceland's largest medieval manuscript, Flateyjarbók, can be viewed in the library. The church here features murals symbolizing life on the island, including one of Jesus wearing a classic Icelandic sweater.

#### Day 4: At sea

As we cruise north across the Denmark Strait, your Expedition Team will prepare you for the adventures that await. Learn about the storied history and politics of the Arctic, its fascinating wildlife, geology, ecology and climate, and the incredible sights you will soon explore. The team will also search for the seabirds soaring around your ship, as well as the whales that frequent the waters here.

#### Day 5-12: Explore Northeast Greenland

During your tour of Greenland's remote northeast coast, you'll enjoy Zodiac cruises and shore visits to several locations. We'll also keep an eye out for grazing muskoxen, as 40 percent of the world's muskoxen population lives in Northeast Greenland National Park. Sailing through spectacular Scoresbysund, the birthplace of many icebergs, you'll immediately see why some say it's the most beautiful fjord system on the planet. Sites such as Frederiksdal and Sydkap offer opportunities to explore the colorful tundra and the remains of ancient Thule settlements. At the



entrance of the sound is East Greenland's most northerly community, Ittoqqortoormiit, where you may spend time interacting with the Inuit people and learning about their way of life. You may also have a chance to see the northern lights here if the skies are clear. Deeper in the sound, Røde Øya offers a picturesque locale for admiring the beauty of sky-blue bergs set against striking red sandstone cliffs. Magnificent vistas also await at Kong Oscar Fjord, with possible landings at Ella Øya, renowned for its rugged cliffs and ice-choked waters, and flower-rich Botanikerbugt, on Ymer Øya.

#### **Day 13: At sea**

As your arctic adventure winds down, take in a presentation by our onboard experts, share your photos, sip an icy cocktail in the bar or watch a movie—there are many activities during your time at sea. Your Expedition Team will also be on hand to answer any questions and point out wildlife.

#### **Day 14: Disembark Reykjavik**

You'll disembark in Reykjavik, Iceland's capital, at the end of your journey. If you have booked post-expedition accommodation, a transfer will be provided to a central downtown location. Additional nights of accommodation and touring options in Iceland may be added at the end of your program, if you wish. Just let us know that you'd like to add some days and we'll work with you to custom design a program for you.

### **Details**

#### **2020 Departures:**

September: 19

#### **2020 Pricing:**

From US\$7,495 – single, willing to share, triple cabin to US\$11,495 – twin, Veranda Suite

Prices are “starting from” rates, shown in US\$, per person based on one person sharing a triple cabin with two other travellers or two people sharing a twin cabin. A variety of cabins are offered on this program and a full deck plan can be provided to help you choose the best option for your journey.

#### **Trip Code:**

002588-W20

### **INCLUDED**

- One night's pre-expedition hotel accommodation in Reykjavik with breakfast
- Group transfer from hotel to ship in Reykjavik
- Shipboard accommodation in cabin category chosen
- All luggage handling aboard the ship
- All breakfasts, lunches, dinners and snacks on board
- Wine or beer with dinner
- Soft drinks, coffee, tea and cocoa available around the clock
- Polar parka, yours to keep
- Waterproof expedition boots on loan for shore landings
- Zodiac cruising and shore landings, morning and afternoon (weather permitting)
- Educational programming led by top specialists in their field
- Leadership throughout the voyage by experienced, polar experts
- Photographic journal documenting the expedition
- All miscellaneous service taxes and port charges throughout the program
- Emergency evacuation insurance to a maximum benefit of US\$100,000 per person

### **NOT INCLUDED**

- International airfare to/from Reykjavik
- Additional overnight accommodation in Reykjavik
- Optional tours not outlined
- Gratuities
- Phone and Internet charges
- Travel insurance other than emergency evacuation coverage
- Items of a personal nature
- Passport and visa fees, vaccinations as required
- Government arrival and departure taxes not mentioned above
- Meals ashore unless otherwise specified
- Mandatory waterproof pants for Zodiac cruising, or any other gear not mentioned
- Laundry, bar, beverage and other personal charges unless specified

### **TOUR NOTES**



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