

20 DAY GREENLAND AND BAFFIN ISLAND – THE ULTIMATE ARCTIC ISLAND EXPLORATION

DESTINATIONS

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COPENHAGEN


TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1

Destination	Copenhagen ✈️ Kangerlussauq
Meals included	Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


Starting with a flight from Copenhagen, you arrive late in the evening at the international airport in Kangerlussauq. After a transfer to the port and embarkation on your expedition ship MS Fridtjof Nansen, we will sail almost the entire length of the fjord (190km) before reaching the open sea.

DAY 2

Destination	 Sisimiut
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Sisimiut is the second largest town in Greenland, situated 40 km north of the Arctic Circle. It is a modern, growing settlement with a history that goes back 4,500 years. For example, its name means 'The People Living in a Place of Fox Dens'. There are a variety of optional excursions to discover the area.

DAY 3

Destination	 Ilulissat
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


This small town is set in the stunning scenery of the Ilulissat Icefjord UNESCO World Heritage Site. At the mouth of the fjord you can see enormous icebergs that have run aground. These ice masses originate from the Jakobshavn Glacier, one of the fastest-moving glaciers in the world. Join one of our many excursions here.

DAY 4

Destination	 Labrador Sea
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Crossing the Davis Strait and up into Baffin Bay. This strait was named after English explorer John Davis who searched for a route through the Northwest Passage between 1585 and 1587. Wind down and watch the waves aboard the ship or enjoy a lecture from the Expedition Team as we head north towards Baffin Island.

DAY 5


Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

After crossing the Davis Strait and sailing up through Baffin Bay, we arrive at the northern part of Baffin Island and the entrance to the legendary Northwest Passage. From here, we start our exploration of the high Canadian Arctic and attempt to successfully complete a circumnavigation of Baffin Island, provided the elements work in our favour.

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DAY 6

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Unpredictable ice conditions in this remote region lay the grounds for a true expedition where adventure is the only certainty.


Along the way, we aim to land at sites that are linked to early exploration history, visit traditional Inuit communities, and hope to spot Arctic wildlife such as polar bears, foxes, whales, seals, and large colonies of seabirds. There will also be opportunities for small expedition boat cruising between ice floes, and in true expedition style, we will go ashore and experience the pristine wilderness first hand.

DAY 7

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


The ship captain and Expedition Leader will continuously assess the current weather and sea conditions, adapt activities accordingly, and adjust the itinerary to where the sea ice allows us to go. Like all true explorers, we respect and work with nature, not against it.

DAY 8

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


One of the regions we plan to explore together is picturesque Pond Inlet, called 'Mittimatalik' in Inuktitut, is a traditional Inuit community on Baffin Island. It overlooks Eclipse Sound and the mountains of Bylot Island and is known as a great place to see large pods of narwhal.

DAY 9

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Today we land the zodiacs (weather permitting) on the largest uninhabited island on Earth, Devon Island. The only signs of human life are at the long-abandoned settlement of Dundas Harbour along with several archaeological sites from the Thule period.

DAY 10

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


Today we land the zodiacs (weather permitting) on Prince Leopold Island. The sheer cliffs on this oval isle attract the

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largest number and greatest diversity of sea bird species than any other site in the Canadian Arctic. Most commonly seen are thick-billed murres, northern fulmars and black guillemots.

DAY 11

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


Continuing on our expedition across the Arctic we visit Beechey Island. This is the final resting place for three members of the lost Franklin expedition which sailed into the Northwest Passage in 1845 but never returned. It is customary for explorers to stop and pay their respects, as did Roald Amundsen in 1903.

DAY 12

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


Further Zodiac landings have us exploring Fort Ross, home to an abandoned Trading post located at the southern end of Somerset Island. The storehouse here is still used as a shelter by occasional travellers, with bunk beds and shelves of canned goods.

DAY 13

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


Today we land the zodiacs (weather permitting) on Igloodik. Located on a small island, this hamlet is an active and vibrant community, and considered a cultural centre for the Inuit. It is also home to Artcirq, the only Inuit circus troupe in the world, who host an arts festival here every summer.

DAY 14

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

We continue our Arctic adventure today visiting Cape Dorset. This beautiful settlement, situated on a hill next to a bay, has earned international recognition for its many Inuit artists, inspired by the unique landscapes, wildlife, and cultural traditions here.

DAY 15


Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

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Today's highlight is a landing at Kimmirut. Named 'the Heel' for a distinctive nearby rocky outcrop in nearby Glasgow Inlet, this is Baffin Island's southernmost Inuit community. The 400 people here still maintain the traditions left by their ancestors 4000 years ago.

DAY 16

Destination	 Canadian Eastern Arctic
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Our final day in the Canadian Arctic includes a landing at Akpatok Island. The dramatic towering limestone sea cliffs here, with waterfalls cascading off the plateau above, are a key habitat for many migratory birds. Drifting ice floes also attract walrus, seals, foxes, polar bears and whales.

DAY 17

Destination	 Labrador Sea
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


We cross the Labrador Sea back towards Kangerlussuaq. Days at sea are spent at your leisure aboard the ship. Relax while gazing out at the view, learn more from the knowledgeable Expedition Team in our lecture series, or swap experiences of the expedition with your fellow explorers.

DAY 18

Destination	 Labrador Sea
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


Today is a day at sea, why not take advantage of the ship's hot tubs, infinity pool, panoramic sauna, outdoor and indoor gyms, and outdoor running track.

DAY 19

Destination	 Kangerlussuaq, Disembark Cruise
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Returning to Kangerlussuaq, we take a trip to the Reindeer Glacier at the Greenland Ice Cap, stretching 1,500 miles north and reaching heights of up to 3,200 metres above sea level. Enjoy a farewell barbecue meal aboard MS Fridtjof Nansen before disembarking and transferring to the airport for a late evening flight to Copenhagen.

DAY 20

Destination	Kangerlussuaq  Copenhagen
Meals included	
Accommodation	N/A

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Arrive at Copenhagen airport early in the morning from where you can head home. Alternatively, extend your trip to explore how this trendy and thriving capital mixes royal history and modern architecture with sustainable living and a world-class restaurant scene.

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Inclusions

WHATS INCLUDED

This voyage begins and ends in western Greenland and attempts to circumnavigate Baffin Island through the entrance of the legendary Northwest Passage.

This vast, remote region is a pure and beautiful landscape of icebergs, sea cliffs, and mountains, and home to a wealth of wildlife, including whales and polar bears.

You'll also have many opportunities to meet modern Inuit communities and learn about their culture.

56 Meals - 19 Breakfasts - 18 Lunches - 19 Dinners including beverages (house beer, wine & soda)

Sail on board the MS Fridtjof Nansen in a Polar Outside cabin

Return economy flights between Copenhagen and Kangerlussuaq

All transfers in Kangerlussuaq including an excursion towards Ice Cap and BBQ dinner after the Expedition cruise

Escorted landings with small expedition boats

Loan of boots, trekking poles, and all equipment for activities

Complimentary wind and water-resistant expedition jacket

Expedition Photographers help with your camera settings before landings

Fine Print

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HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payments

Book now and secure your package with only a LIMITED TIME 7% deposit per person.

Pay a 2nd instalment of \$1000 per person within 28 days.

You will then be invoiced for final payment 120 days prior to departure.

Booking Process

Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)

Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected

Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests

Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab

Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)

Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking

Your position on the tour will be confirmed within 48 hours of completing your order. If your place cannot be confirmed, a full refund of the deposit will occur

OPTIONAL TOURS

Sisimiut - City tour by bus - from \$93 pp

Sisimiut - Hike to Palasip Qaqqaa - from \$112 pp

Ilulissat - Boat trip to the Icefjord - from \$168 pp

Ilulissat - Hike to Holms Bakke - from \$130 pp

EXCLUSIONS

Airfares

Personal Expenses

Travel Insurance

Optional activities

Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or optional

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CRUISE DETAILS

For detailed information on your ship, the MS Fridtjof Nansen, click [HERE](#).

Compulsory Cruise Forms

Personal Questionnaire - This form must be received by Hurtigruten at least 8 weeks prior to your voyage departure.

Medical Certificate - If applicable, the cruise Medical Certificate is to be completed and approved by your personal physician not more than 8 weeks before your departure date. The completed forms must be presented to the ship's doctor upon boarding. Boarding will be denied if part III of the Medical Certificate is not approved by your personal physician. Even if the forms have been duly submitted and approved by your personal physician, the ship's doctor and the captain reserve the right to deny the boarding of guests who do not seem to be sufficiently fit for travel.

For more information, click [HERE](#)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however, any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

A single supplement is available on all nights of this trip from an extra \$4,006 subject to availability.

Triple Share

Not available.

Children

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

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CABIN BEDDING AND UPGRADES

Bedding on board the cruise is restricted to the following configurations. If you wish to upgrade your cabin, the following amounts are payable in addition to the package price prior to travel:

Polar Outside Window cabin: INCLUDED. The Polar Outside cabins are primarily on the lower/middle decks with windows, they are spacious, have flexible sleeping arrangements (double or twin), TV and Ensuite for excellent and high standard accommodation.

Arctic Superior Balcony cabin: from \$1,950 per person (subject to availability) *Great for wildlife photography* Arctic Superior class cabins are comfortable and roomy accommodation and have balconies. They have flexible sleeping arrangements (double or twin), TV and ensuite and other features make this one of our most popular categories.

Suite cabin - from \$6,400 per person (subject to availability) *Great for wildlife photography* Suites feature a private balcony, top-high decks, ensuite, flexible sleeping arrangements, some with sofa bed, TV, minibar, amenity kit, bathrobe, kettle, tea and coffee, espresso maker. They have flexible sleeping arrangements (double or twin). Enjoy free access to the upscale Lindstrom restaurant for breakfast and dinner.

Please request your cabin upgrade in the 'special requests' field. Availability and price will then be confirmed and added to your invoice upon acceptance.