

## ARCTIC WILDLIFE SAFARI 9 DAY | SEA SPIRIT



### TRIP CODE

ACPOAWS

### DEPARTURE

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Arctic



## INTRODUCTION

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: Longyearbyen, Svalbard

Welcome to Longyearbyen, the administrative capital of the Norwegian territory of Svalbard and starting point of our expedition. After arriving via scheduled commercial flight service, you are free to explore this fascinating Arctic settlement. Be sure to see the excellent Svalbard Museum and take advantage of quality shopping and dining opportunities in the town center.




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## DAY 2: Embarkation in Longyearbyen

In the afternoon you will be welcomed aboard your luxury expedition ship M/V Sea Spirit. Explore the ship and get comfortable in your home away from home for the extraordinary adventure to come. Savor the anticipation of your Arctic dreams coming true as you slip the moorings and sail into a true wilderness where wildlife abounds. The scenery as you sail through Isfjorden on your first evening is spectacular and there is already the possibility of marine mammal encounters.

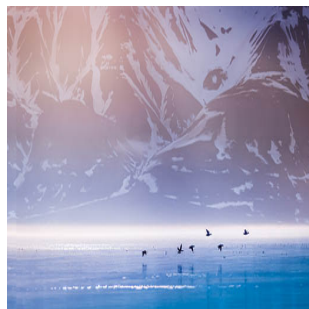


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DAY 3: West Spitsbergen, Polar Ice Edge - Day 3 to 8

This is a real expedition in a true High Arctic wilderness. As such, your route and exploration opportunities here are heavily dependent on the weather and sea ice conditions you encounter. Your experienced captain and expedition leader decide the itinerary and continually adjust plans as conditions and opportunities warrant. You can be sure that the best possible advantage will be taken of the circumstances presented to us by Nature in this wild and remote corner of the Arctic. Polar bears and other quintessential Arctic wildlife can be spotted anytime, anywhere in and around Svalbard. You will exploit every opportunity to experience excellent wildlife viewing, to discover incredible scenery, and to walk in the footsteps of the historic polar expeditions that came before. You can anticipate exploring the spectacular fjords, coasts, and islands in the northwestern part of Svalbard. This area contains the archipelago's most impressive scenery and some of the Arctic's best wildlife viewing opportunities. Deep fjords and narrow channels are flanked by jagged snowy mountain peaks. Immense tidewater glaciers calve icebergs into turquoise waters. On ice floes and on fast ice several species of seals watch vigilantly for polar bears. Fields of flowering tundra are home to grazing reindeer and playful Arctic fox. Bountiful inshore and offshore waters are home to walrus and a wide variety of whales. The whole area is alive with migratory birds, including numerous rare species, taking advantage of summer's fecundity in 24-hour daylight. And over it all presides the polar bear, monarch of the North. This wild corner of Svalbard is one of the best places in the world to observe polar bears hunting in their preferred habitat: the pack ice. You will take the ship as close as safely possible to the jumbled and broken edge of the polar ice cap, where polar bears stalk the frozen sea in search of seals. To complete the Arctic experience we also explore places rich with history. Our area of exploration contains the historical remnants of whaling camps, coal mining operations, trappers' cabins, staging areas for historic attempts to discover the North Pole, and even an abandoned polar research station. Human habitation in this area can be found only at Ny Ålesund, a former mining town that is now home to an international community of Arctic researchers. This is one of the world's most northerly settlements, complete with museum, gift shop, and post office. The days are filled with memorable excursions, sumptuous meals, presentations by your on board experts, and enough stunning scenery and wildlife to fill your camera and overwhelm your emotions.



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## DAY 9: Disembarkation in Longyearbyen

After breakfast you say farewell in the town of Longyearbyen, where you started. You will be provided a transfer to the airport or to the town center if you wish to spend more time here. As you look back on your wonderful experience in Svalbard, you may already be looking forward to your next incredible adventure to the ice!



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## INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Not Available
Inclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 pre-voyage hotel night;</li> <li>• Group transfer from the airport to the hotel on a day prior to departure;</li> <li>• Group transfer to the ship on day of embarkation;</li> <li>• Shipboard accommodation;</li> <li>• All meals on board throughout the voyage;</li> <li>• Tea and coffee station 24 hours daily;</li> <li>• All scheduled landings/excursions (subject to weather and ice conditions);</li> <li>• Leadership throughout the voyage by our experienced Expedition Leader &amp; Expedition Team;</li> <li>• Branded Poseidon Expeditions parka;</li> <li>• Rubber boots for shore landings for the time of the cruise;</li> <li>• Welcome and Farewell cocktails;</li> <li>• All port fees;</li> <li>• Group transfer to airport or central location upon disembarkation;</li> <li>• Pre-departure materials;</li> <li>• Digital Voyage Log</li> </ul> <p>Exclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Airfare;</li> <li>• Visa and passport fees (if applicable);</li> <li>• Luggage and trip cancellation insurance;</li> <li>• Soft drinks and alcoholic beverages other than those for special events and celebrations;</li> <li>• Personal expenses such as laundry and telecommunication charges;</li> <li>• Emergency Evacuation Insurance to a minimum benefit of USD 150,000;</li> <li>• Staff gratuities.</li> </ul>

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<b>Difficulty Rating</b>	2 (light adventure)
<b>Single Surcharge</b>	Available upon request.
<b>Notes</b>	Contact us for more details
<b>Price Dependent upon</b>	Not Available

### SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu's "Pass it on" programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.
- 4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.
- 5) Chimu Adventures' offices also take a number of sustainability measures including carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventure's internal processes are also structured to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via bicycle. Currently almost half of our office based staff commute to work via bicycle.

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