THE ARCTIC - REALM OF THE POLAR BEAR IN DEPTH | MS EXPEDITION



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DEPARTURE
24/06/2027, 11/07/2027
DURATION
11 Days
LOCATIONS
Svalbard

INTRODUCTION

Set out on an 11-day Arctic adventure where every day brings something new. Cruise through icy waters, walk across wild tundra, and ride Zodiacs into places few people ever see. With extra time to explore, you'll have even more chances to spot polar bears, seals stretched out on the ice, reindeer grazing in the distance, and flocks of seabirds overhead. The midnight sun lights your way as you travel deeper into this remote and rugged world where glaciers, icebergs, and nature are on full display to create memories of a lifetime.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Longyearbyen



Get a first glimpse of the midnight sun in Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen's capital. There are no planned activities so feel free to explore or rest up for the excitement ahead. A local representative can provide general information about the town or your embarkation process. In the late afternoon, join your fellow passengers to take your group transfer and begin embarkation for your journey on the Expedition.

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DAY 2: Spitsbergen - Days 2 to 10

Each day is planned to take advantage of local ice and weather conditions. Svalbard is one of the few places on the planet to offer such a plethora of natural and historical extravaganzas. Spend the next nine days exploring the remote polar regions. Visit ice-sculpted fjords with breathtaking mountain scenery, and glaciers crashing into the sea. Spend time exploring pack ice edges in search of polar bears hunting seals. At one or more of the stops, it's possible to encounter Svalbard's Arctic fox and the region's unique reindeer. Svalbard is one of the few places on the planet that offers such a wealth and diversity of natural and cultural history sites. During these nine days, visit ice covered seas, fjords with breathtaking mountain scenery, and glaciers flowing into the sea. Spend time moving through the ice in search of polar bears hunting seals. Ivory gulls will be a highlight for the birders. Keep a constant lookout for walrus hauled out on ice floes or on sandy beaches. Ice permitting, visit spectacular bird cliffs filled with thousands of murres (guillemots), as well as kittiwakes and glaucous gulls. Shore stops will be highlighted with tiny tundra flowers. The Expedition team will be on hand to answer any questions about this spectacular wilderness. Attend lectures hosted throughout the day on anything from local wildlife to the history and exploration of the Arctic.



DAY 11: Longyearbyen

On departure day, transfers to the Longyearbyen airport will be offered to all passengers with flights scheduled. Please Note: While it is our intention to adhere to the route described, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The itinerary is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Cabin on board a ship
Inclusions	**INCLUSIONS** Accommodation on board during your voyage Group arrival and departure transfers in Longyearbyen All Zodiac excursions, as per itinerary, guided by our Expedition Team English-speaking expedition team Expedition parka to keep Rubber boots on loan (USA sizes 4 - 16) Briefings and lectures by our Expedition Leader and Team English-speaking Expedition Team All meals whilst on board Free tea and coffee available 24 hours Taxes and landing fees **EXCLUSIONS** International or internal flights Extra excursions and optional activities not mentioned in the itinerary Single room supplements Meals not on board the ship (Allow USD25-35 for meals not included) Beverages (other than coffee and tea) Tips for the crew (we recommend USD 15 per person per day) Personal expenses such as laundry, bar and onboard communication Mandatory waterproof pants for Zodiac landings and excursions Travel and medical insurance (compulsory) Pre or post cruise travel expenses Visa (if applicable) and passport fees Fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings Anything not mentioned under 'Inclusions'
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Willing to share available for no additional cost in select cabin categories only. Surcharge applies for solo use cabin, contact us for pricing. Subject to availability.

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	Prices are based on per person, and may be based off triple/ or twin share cabins* (please contact us for more details) Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.
Notes	Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions. In rare and unforeseen situations, an operator may apply a fuel surcharge after your booking has been confirmed and paid. This is outside our control and uncommon, but transparency with our travelers is important to us.
Price Dependent upon	Departure Date, Fuel Surcharges, Cabin Category, Currency Fluctuations, Seasonality & Availability.

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