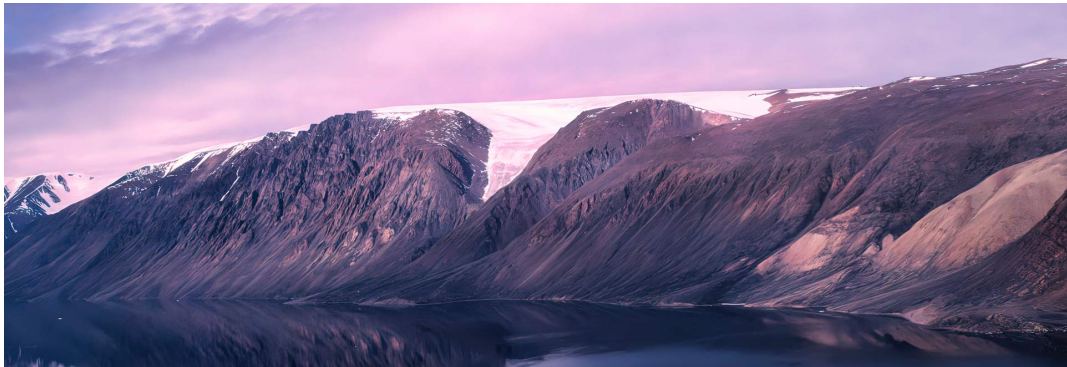


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INTRODUCTION

This High Arctic expedition offers travellers a rare opportunity to travel farther north than most other itineraries to engage with Inuit communities across Nunavut and northern Greenland. You will navigate icy marine sanctuaries between Ellesmere Island and Greenland to observe whales, a large diversity of seabirds and possible seals. Step ashore on historic and culturally significant sites like Tartupaluk (Hans Island), tundra walks on Devon Island's untouched landscapes and visits to Qaanaaq and Ajuittuq, where travellers connect with traditions, stories, and local food. Designed for those seeking meaningful cultural exchange alongside Inuit hosts, travellers gain insight into Arctic life through community visits, shared meals, and cultural storytelling. Onboard lectures with expert-led interpretation of Arctic history, geography, and ecology offer a comprehensive experience of the High Arctic's past and present. It's the northernmost route in this remote region, reaching into Kane Basin and Nares Straitâ regions few have ever explored.

NOTE: Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather & ice conditions

Optional charter flight information and cost:

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Price: \$1,300 USD. *(Cost subject to change)*

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ITINERARY

DAY 1: Qausuittuq (Resolute), Canada

Beneath the lingering glow of the Arctic summer sun, Qausuittuq, “the place with no dawn,” welcomes you to the High Arctic. Set amid gravel flats and rolling moraine, this community carries stories of adaptation and renewal, from relocation in 1953 to its role today as a gateway for Arctic research and travel. Take time to orient yourself to the land and its stories before embarking aboard the Ocean Nova. The North awaits.



DAY 2: Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound) - Day 2 & 3

Enter Tallurutiup Imanga, a thriving marine sanctuary where whales, walrus, seals, and seabirds gather among towering cliffs, deep fjords, and endless horizons. Step ashore on Devon Island, where glaciers meet the sea and archaeological traces reflect centuries of Inuit use and knowledge of this land.



DAY 4: Qaanaaq, Greenland

Set against a backdrop of mountains and drifting sea ice, Qaanaaq is one of the world’s northernmost towns and a centre of Inughuit culture. Here, ancient skills and modern life flow together in rhythm with the sea ice. Traditions such as dog-sledding and hunting remain vital parts of the community identity, reflecting deep connections to their territory. Meeting the people of Qaanaaq offers a glimpse of extraordinary adaptation and continuity—life still shaped by ice, animals, and seasons.



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DAY 5: Kane Basin - Day 5 & 6

Sail into Kane Basin, where the shores of Ellesmere Island and Greenland almost meet. Towering glaciers, drifting sea ice, and Arctic light set the stage for an unforgettable journey through one of the North’s most dramatic waterways. For generations, Inuit navigated these passages with exceptional skill, later followed by explorers heading toward the Pole. Over these two days, you’ll feel the spirit of exploration alive in the shifting light and every drifting floe.



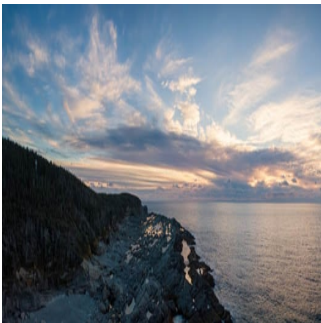
DAY 7: Tartupaluk (Hans Island)

Set foot on Tartupaluk—a place few will ever visit. Perched in the middle of the Nares Strait between Canada and Greenland, this small, rocky island has long been a crossroads for Inuit, who travelled these waters freely for generations. In modern times, it became the focus of a good-natured yet symbolically potent territorial dispute between Canada and Denmark. In 2022, a historic agreement resolved the issue, establishing shared stewardship between Canada and Greenland and affirming Inuit mobility rights. Standing on Tartupaluk, with Greenland to one side and Canada to the other, you’ll feel the quiet power of shared care for the North—and the enduring movement of Inuit across these waters.



DAY 8: Smith Sound - Day 8 & 9

Venture through Smith Sound, the dramatic channel linking Kane Basin to Baffin Bay and the southern entrance to Sarvarjuag/Pikialasorsuaq (The North Water Polynya) — “The Great Upwelling.” Surrounded by shifting sea ice, this vast recurring area of open water is the largest Arctic polynya and the most biologically productive region north of the Arctic Circle. Its nutrient-rich waters breathe life into the Arctic, drawing whales, seabirds, and seals.



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DAY 10: Aujuittuq (Grise Fjord), Canada

Set amid stark mountains and sweeping tundra, Aujuittuq, “the place that never thaws”, is Canada’s northernmost community. Here, stories of relocation and adaptation shape daily life. Walking with local hosts, you’ll hear how knowledge of land, sea, and seasons continues to sustain the community—a living testament to strength and ingenuity at the top of the world.



DAY 11: Devon Island

Vast and elemental, Devon Island reveals a world shaped by ice and time. Here, broad valleys and exposed rock tell of ancient forces, while bursts of Arctic wildflowers bring unexpected colour to the tundra. Along the shore, traces of Inuit presence remind us that even in the quietest landscapes, human stories endure. Immense views, striking geological formations, and profound silence combine to make this one of the most atmospheric stops of the journey.



DAY 12: Beechey Island

Come ashore on Beechey Island, where Arctic history feels close and tangible. This windswept National Historic Site holds the graves of three Franklin expedition members and another who died in the search that followed. Here, Inuit knowledge has been essential in revealing the fate of the lost ships. Along the shoreline, the stark landscape invites reflection on the intertwined narratives of exploration, survival, and knowledge that still shape our relationship with the North.



DAY 13: Qausuittuq (Resolute), Canada

Disembark in Qausuittuq and board your charter flight to Ottawa. As the Arctic stretches out beneath you, reflect on the light, stories, and relationships that have shaped this journey—connections that continue long after the voyage ends. **Please note: Cruise itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions, ice conditions and other factors.*



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