

THE ARCTIC - ICELAND & EAST GREENLAND EXPLORER | OCEAN VICTORY



INTRODUCTION

Explore two of the Arctic's most rewarding regions on one expedition cruise through Iceland and East Greenland. Travel from Reykjavík to remote fjords, volcanic islands and Inuit communities, with opportunities for guided shore landings, Zodiac excursions, wildlife spotting. Cruise past volcanic coastlines, walk among lava fields, visit puffin and other seabird-rich islands as you enjoy daily expedition activities that bring you closer to the region's landscapes and wildlife. Zodiac excursions and guided landings provide opportunities to explore beyond the ship and make the most of each destination.

In Greenland, sail through scenic fjords dotted with icebergs, visit remote communities and gain insight into East Greenlandic life and traditions. With a balance of active exploration, cultural encounters and unforgettable Arctic scenery, this itinerary showcases two very different sides of the North Atlantic in a single journey.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Embarkation in Reykjavik

Our Arctic expedition begins in the bustling Icelandic capital of Reykjavík, one of the coolest capitals in the Nordic region. Renowned throughout the world for its modern Nordic cuisine, excellent shopping, and friendly, relaxed vibe, Reykjavík is the ideal starting point for any Arctic adventure. After boarding our expedition ship and completing the mandatory safety and lifeboat drills, join your Expedition Team on the outer decks (perhaps with an expertly crafted cocktail in hand) as we set sail along the Reykjanes Peninsula, following ancient Viking sea routes toward the wild Westman Islands.



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DURATION

10 Days

LOCATIONS

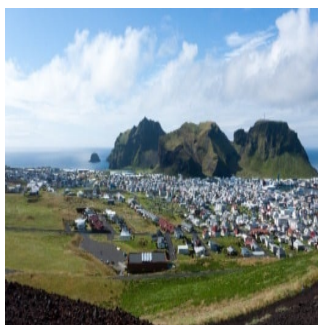
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DAY 2: Heimaey, Westman Islands

Heimaey is the largest of the volcanic Vestmannaeyjar (Westman) Islands and the only one permanently inhabited. Visitors to this dramatic isle are spoiled for choice! Perhaps join local guides to explore the dramatic lava fields of Eldfell volcano—site of the infamous 1973 eruption, when heroic locals fought back, cooling the lava with seawater jets to save their community. Alternatively, grab your binoculars and head to the cliffs of the island to watch for puffins, fulmars, and gannets frolicking in the icy waters below. Weather permitting, we will cruise past Surtsey on departure, a young volcanic island strictly reserved as a natural laboratory for scientific research.



DAY 3: Grundarfjörður, Snæfellsnes Peninsula

Today we arrive at the Snæfellsnes Peninsula, often known as “Iceland in miniature” for its rich and varied attractions. The charming fishing village of Grundarfjörður, where we will make landfall, is a picture-perfect slice of Iceland: neat multicolored houses cluster around a bustling harbor, backed by the brooding presence of Kirkjufell, a striking peak made famous by the TV series Game of Thrones. This staggering backdrop can be explored on foot right from town, so be sure to pack your hiking boots! Grundarfjörður is also the gateway to the incredible Snæfellsnes National Park, the jewel in the crown of which is the enormous Snæfellsjökull volcano, a looming peak adorned with tumbling glaciers.



DAY 4: Vigur Island and Ísafjörður

Words can barely capture the natural paradise of Vigur Island, a small, privately owned island nestled deep in the calm waters of the Westfjords. This tiny island holds some of Iceland’s largest bird colonies and is one of the few places where genuine eiderdown is still sustainably harvested. Avoiding the many nesting puffins, eider ducks, and Arctic terns here is far harder than spotting them! In the afternoon, we will visit the bustling harbor town of Ísafjörður, capital of the Westfjords, before we set out across the North Atlantic Ocean en route to East Greenland.



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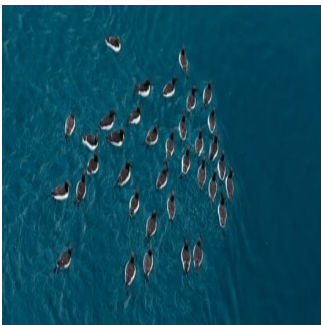
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DAY 5: At Sea

Between Iceland and Greenland lies the Denmark Strait, a chilly section of the North Atlantic rich in marine wildlife. As we cross to Greenland, join your Expedition Team in the Theater to learn about the ecology, history, and wildlife of the region, or head onto the outer decks with a pair of binoculars to watch the waves for wildlife. Alternatively, work up a sweat in the gym, indulge in a relaxing spa treatment, or simply relax in the hot tubs as Greenland beckons beneath the midnight sun.



DAY 6: Sermilik Fjord

This is it—this is why explorers young and old set out for the wilds of Greenland. Between Ammassalik Island and the edge of the vast inland ice sheet lies the majesty of Sermilik Fjord, a name simply meaning “icy” in Greenlandic. A number of large glaciers much farther inland deliver enormous quantities of ice to the coastline, where it breaks off as enormous icebergs. Join your Expedition Team on the water as we explore this jaw-dropping expanse of drifting ice; this is one of the best areas in Greenland to see whales, so remember to bring your binoculars!



DAY 7: Ikateq and Kuummiit

In the morning, we will visit the incredible historic site of Ikateq, also known as Blueie Two East. This fascinating former American air base was used during the Second World War but abandoned soon after, in 1947, leaving everything behind, from hangars and vehicles to thousands of fuel drums. The site has since been cleaned up, leaving haunting remains amid breathtaking natural beauty. In the afternoon, we will visit Kuummiit, one of the larger villages in the area; here, we will meet the friendly locals and experience the beauty of East Greenlandic culture amid the beautiful surroundings of Ammassalik Fjord.



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DAY 8: Tasiilaq

The largest settlement on the eastern coast of Greenland, Tasiilaq is the only town on rugged Ammassalik Island and the heartland of East Greenlandic language and culture. The town was founded in 1894 as a trading post and has deep connections to Greenland’s shamanic traditions, as well as to the tupilak—a once-feared magical creature now preserved as a celebrated art form. Visitors are spoiled for choice, with options to meet the local sled dogs (safely, with their owners’ permission), witness a traditional Inuit drum dance, hike the flower-filled hills outside town, or pick up handcrafted souvenirs at the famous Stunk artisan workshop.



DAY 9: At Sea

As our expedition draws to a close, take the opportunity to relax and reflect on your thrilling voyage. Compare photos with your fellow explorers, join the final lectures from the Expedition Team, unwind in the hot tubs, and look forward to the final voyage slideshow presented at the Captain’s Farewell Cocktail Party. Skål!



DAY 10: Disembarkation in Reykjavik

The bustling city of Reykjavík may come as a bit of a shock to the system after spending time in the wilderness of the Arctic! After a hearty breakfast and a fond farewell to your fellow explorers and the Expedition Team, Officers, and Crew of Ocean Victory, descend the gangway back to dry land, ready to explore the Land of Ice and Fire anew or head home with memories to last a lifetime.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Cabin on board a ship
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INCLUSIONS

Accommodation onboard the Ocean Victory in booked cabin category
 All meals on the ship (full board): breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks
 "Welcome" and "Farewell" cocktail parties
 Complimentary house wine, beer, and soft drinks at dinner (selected labels and brands)
 24-hour access to tea, coffee, and 'Grab and Go' comfort food
 1GB WiFi card for use on your personal devices
 Expedition Parka, yours to keep
 Use of rubber style muck boots, on loan for the duration of your expedition
 English-speaking Expedition Team
 Briefings and educational lectures by the Expedition Team
 All scheduled landings and excursions
 Citizen Science program
 Photography Coach available throughout the voyage
 Participation in the Polar Plunge
 Access to onboard medical clinics
 Access to onboard fitness centres
 All port taxes and landing fees
 Digital Expedition Memento, including a curated selection of photos, videos, expedition log and map, and wildlife list

INCLUDED ON BALCONY SUITE (A) AND ABOVE

Wine and fruit on arrival
 In-room mini-bar refilled once daily with non-alcoholic beverages
 Complimentary laundry service
 In-room espresso machine

EXCLUSIONS

International or internal flights other than specified
 Airport transfers, taxes and excess baggage charges unless specified
 Meals other than those specified in the pre-departure information
 Pre or post cruise travel expenses other than specified
 Visa (if applicable) and passport fees
 Travel insurance (compulsory)
 Fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings
 Paid adventure options and all personal expenses
 Tobacco, or selected premium beverages
 Miscellaneous extras
 Laundry and communication charges on board
 Gratuities for Expedition team and crew
 Smaller puffer jackets, outer parka jackets and muck boots **may not be available** for minors, depending on size requirements. Additionally, a lifejacket that meets our safety standards is mandatory for all minors 15 years and under and **must be provided by the parent/guardian**. Please contact your booking agent for details.

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Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Contact Us for details. Single occupancy cabins are available with a surcharge or for those willing to share you can be matched with someone of the same gender in selected cabins and pay the twin share price. Subject to availability.
Notes	Prices are based on per person, and may be based on quad/triple/twin share. Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time. 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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