THE ARCTIC - BELUGAS, BEARS & BLOOMS



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DEPARTURE

26/07/2027, 30/07/2027, 07/08/2027, 15/08/2027

DURATION

7 Days

LOCATIONS

Canadian Arctic

INTRODUCTION

The vibrant landscapes, remarkable wildlife, rich history, and Indigenous culture of the Churchill region will leave you in awe on this 7-day summer adventure. You'll have the chance to see hundreds of curious beluga whales up close in the Churchill River Estuary on a Zodiac excursion. Get even closer the following day in a kayak, where a hydrophone allows you to listen to the underwater chatter of these extraordinary marine mammals. In Churchill, explore local museums, unique shops, and restaurants, while gaining insight into Indigenous culture through a talk by a local Indigenous host. Other activities include a visit to the historic Prince of Wales Fort and an opportunity to experience dog carting.

Another highlight of this well-rounded summer adventure is a full day exploring the Churchill Wildlife Management Area, where you'll search for polar bears, caribou, Arctic foxes, and more than 200 species of migratory birds. The tundra is also alive with color at this time of year, with hundreds of native plants, wildflowers, and berries in bloom. Adding to the experience, exploration takes place aboard the custom-built Electric Vehicle Tundra BuggyÂ®, offering an eco-friendly and comfortable way to discover the land of the polar bears.

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DAY 1: Welcome To Winnipeg



Guests will arrive in Winnipeg and check in to their hotel, with time to settle in and relax after their journey. This evening, enjoy a welcome reception hosted by a Frontiers North Interpretive Guide, who will provide an introduction to the experiences ahead while sharing insights into the region's unique landscapes, wildlife and northern cultures. One of our most well-rounded beluga whale tours, offering the chance to see beluga whales, many birds, colourful blooms, and the first summer polar bears returning from the sea ice. Overnight in Winnipeg.

DAY 2: Churchill Adventures



This morning, board an early flight to Churchill, the wildlife capital of Manitoba and one of the most fascinating destinations in Canada's north. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided Churchill and area tour, exploring a variety of local and historic sites that provide an introduction to the region's unique heritage, culture and environment. Travel through the town and surrounding area, visiting notable landmarks including the Polar Bear Holding Facility and the iconic Inukshuk. Along the way, there will be opportunities to stop for photographs and take in the rugged beauty of this remote subarctic landscape. During the summer months, Churchill comes alive with vibrant flora, and as you explore, keep an eye out for the diverse vegetation that thrives in this northern environment. Later, visit the Polar Bears International House, where you will meet with a representative from Polar Bears International and gain insight into the organisation's important work. Learn about ongoing polar bear research, conservation efforts and the impacts of climate change on the Arctic ecosystem. A tour of the centre provides a deeper understanding of one of the world's most iconic species and the challenges it faces in a rapidly changing environment. Overnight in Churchill.

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DAY 3: Beluga Whale Zodiac Tour

Today offers one of Churchill's most memorable wildlife experiences as you embark on a Zodiac boat excursion along the Churchill River in search of the region's famous beluga whales. During the summer months, thousands of these curious and playful marine mammals gather in the river's nutrient-rich waters, often approaching the boats for an up-close encounter. As you cruise through this scenic northern waterway, keep watch for belugas surfacing alongside the Zodiac and enjoy the stunning wilderness landscapes that surround Churchill. Later, visit the Itsanitaq Museum to explore an impressive collection of Inuit artefacts and learn about the region's rich cultural heritage. Continue to the Parks Canada Visitor Centre for further insight into Churchill's fascinating wildlife, history and Arctic environment. Overnight in Churchill.



DAY 4: Beluga Whale Kayaking Tour

Today, experience Churchill's remarkable beluga whale season from a unique perspective as you paddle through the calm waters of the Churchill River estuary by kayak. During the summer months, thousands of beluga whales gather in these warm, shallow waters to feed, give birth and nurture their young, often swimming curiously alongside kayakers for an unforgettable wildlife encounter. Known as the "canaries of the sea", belugas are highly vocal creatures, and with the use of a hydrophone, you may even hear their fascinating underwater songs and calls. Later, enjoy an engaging cultural presentation from a local Indigenous resident, offering insights into the history, culture, wildlife and way of life in Churchill and the surrounding region. Overnight in Churchill.



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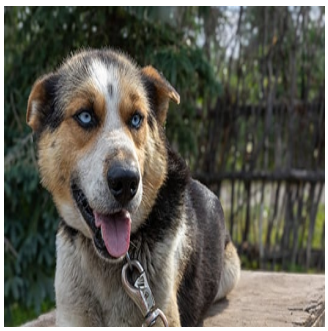
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DAY 5: Beluga Whales, Dog Carting & Prince of Wales Fort

Today, experience two of Churchill's most iconic attractions. Begin with a dog carting adventure and interpretive programme, where you will learn about the important role sled dogs have played in northern life and culture. Later, enjoy another opportunity to search for Churchill's famous beluga whales on a boat tour along the Churchill River. As you cruise through the sheltered waters, watch for these curious marine mammals, which gather here in large numbers during the summer months. Complete the day with an interpretive walking tour of the historic Prince of Wales Fort, gaining insight into Churchill's rich fur-trading history and the strategic importance of this impressive 18th-century stone fortress. Overnight in Churchill.



DAY 6: Tundra Buggy Adventure

Today, venture into the Churchill Wildlife Management Area aboard an innovative Electric Tundra Buggy, offering a quiet and environmentally friendly way to explore this remarkable subarctic wilderness. As you travel across the tundra, keep watch for iconic northern wildlife, including polar bears, caribou, Arctic foxes, ptarmigan and a variety of migratory bird species that inhabit the region. During the summer months, the landscape bursts into life with colourful wildflowers, berries and unique tundra vegetation, providing fascinating insight into this fragile ecosystem. Following your Tundra Buggy adventure, transfer to the airport for your evening flight to Winnipeg. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel for an overnight stay.



DAY 7: Depart Winnipeg

After an unforgettable northern adventure, guests will depart Winnipeg at their leisure, taking home lasting memories of Churchill's extraordinary wildlife, subarctic landscapes and unique cultural experiences.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Hotel
Inclusions	**INCLUSIONS** Return economy charter flights to/from Winnipeg and Churchill, Manitoba 2 Nights hotel accommodation in Winnipeg 4 Nights hotel accommodation in Churchill Welcome reception hosted by a lodge representative on Day 1 in Winnipeg All meals, excursions, and guide services while in Churchill Guiding, Safety briefings and lectures by experienced expedition crew Gratuities are included in the price of your trip. (**Additional gratuities are appreciated but not expected for any staff.*) **EXCLUSIONS** All items of a personal nature International Flights Any pre or post cruise accommodation/extensions not mentioned in itinerary Mandatory Comprehensive Travel Insurance Additional baggage costs Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable)
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	A single supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information.
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share. Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time. Prices are subject to Canadian taxes of 8.5% All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice. Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions and logistical complications that can arise from travelling in the north and to remote locations. **Note:** Return Flights between Winnipeg & Churchill are included in the "From Price" 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.

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