THE ARCTIC - WELCOME TO THE LAND OF VIKINGS | SEA SPIRIT



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ACPOGDB
DEPARTURE
19/08/2028
DURATION
14 Days
LOCATIONS
Iceland & Greenland

INTRODUCTION

Discover Greenland's west coast on an Arctic cruise connecting dramatic landscapes with centuries of Inuit and Norse history. From ReykjavÃk, sail towards southern Greenland to explore remote settlements, historic Norse sites, fjords and coastal wilderness before following the coast north. Shore landings and Zodiac excursions provide opportunities to experience local communities and search for whales, seabirds and other Arctic wildlife.

The journey builds towards Disko Bay, home to the UNESCO-listed Ilulissat Icefjord, enormous drifting icebergs and active glaciers, before continuing to Sisimiut and concluding in Nuuk. Travelling south to north, this voyage offers a broad perspective on Greenland's wildlife, culture, history and ice-shaped landscapes.

* Please Note: **Mandatory Charter Flight Package** (One-way Economy Charter Flight from Nuuk to Reykjavik Airport **at extra cost of USD$750 per person**) at the end of the expedition **is payable on top of the cost of the cruise in your chosen cabin.** No discounts or promotions apply to mandatory charter flights.

ITINERARY

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DAY 1: Arrival in Reykjavik, Iceland

Welcome to Reykjavík, the capital of Iceland and starting point of our Arctic expedition! After checking into your hotel, which has been arranged by us and is included in the price of the itinerary, you will be free to explore this attractive, friendly, and quintessentially Nordic city. Surrounded by stunning natural landscapes, Reykjavík combines the charm of a small coastal city with a vibrant cultural scene and rich Nordic heritage. Take your time to wander through its colorful streets, admire the distinctive architecture, or discover the city's welcoming cafés and restaurants. With its unique atmosphere and fascinating history, Reykjavík offers a wonderful introduction to Iceland and the Arctic adventure ahead.



DAY 2: Embarkation in Reykjavik, Iceland

After breakfast at your hotel, the morning is yours to explore Reykjavík at your own pace. Stroll through the colorful streets, enjoy the city's charming cafés, or browse local shops for souvenirs and last-minute essentials before your Arctic adventure. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to the pier, where we will warmly welcome you aboard the expedition ship Sea Spirit. Settle into your spacious suite and explore your new home at sea. As our voyage begins, meet your expedition team and enjoy informative briefings about the adventures ahead. Later, relax over your first dinner on board and take in the coastal scenery from the ship’s open decks, keeping an eye out for whales that may be spotted in the surrounding waters.



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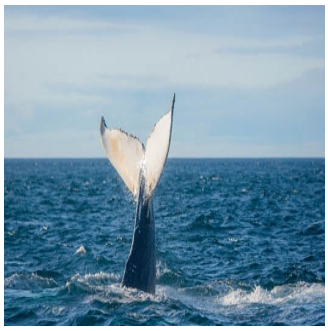
DAY 3: At Sea - Day 3-4

Enjoy a few days at sea as we make our way towards the spectacular landscapes of West Greenland. Keep watch for whales and seabirds from the ship's open decks while taking in the vast seascapes of the North Atlantic. Our expedition team will introduce you to the fascinating world of polar exploration through informative briefings and engaging presentations by our expert lecturers. Discover the region's unique wildlife, geology, and rich Inuit cultural heritage as we prepare for the adventures ahead. These days at sea offer the perfect opportunity to immerse yourself in the wonders of the Arctic and gain a deeper understanding of the remarkable places we are about to explore. Over the coming days, we will explore the spectacular coastlines of southern and western Greenland, a region of magnificent fjords, towering mountains, drifting icebergs, and remote Inuit settlements. Here, some of the Arctic's most impressive landscapes meet a fascinating cultural heritage shaped by centuries of life in the Far North.



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DAY 5: Exploring South & West Greenland

Over the coming days, we explore the spectacular coastlines of southern and western Greenland, a region of magnificent fjords, towering mountains, drifting icebergs, and remote Inuit settlements. Here, some of the Arctic's most impressive landscapes meet a fascinating cultural heritage shaped by centuries of life in the Far North. Our journey takes us towards Kangerlussuatsiaq Fjord, (also known in Danish as Evighedsfjorde), a rarely visited corner of Greenland where steep mountain walls rise above the water and waterfalls cascade down rugged cliffs. This remote wilderness captures the extraordinary beauty and isolation that make Arctic exploration so rewarding. As we round Cape Farewell, Greenland's southernmost point, we approach Aappilattoq, a small settlement nestled beneath towering mountains. Its colorful houses, set against a dramatic Arctic backdrop, offer a glimpse into life in one of Greenland's most isolated communities. The region also reveals fascinating traces of Greenland's Norse past. At Hvalsey, the remarkably preserved ruins of a medieval stone church stand amid green hills and fjord scenery, recalling the settlers who lived here centuries ago. Nearby Qaqortoq, with its colorful houses scattered across the hillside, offers a different perspective on Greenlandic culture and history. Continuing north along the coast, we reach the region of Paamiut, known for its historic wooden church and the white-tailed eagles that inhabit the surrounding landscapes. The nearby waters are also frequented by humpback and fin whales, adding to the possibilities for wildlife encounters along our journey. In this remote environment, Zodiac cruising and shore landings may allow us to discover Greenland's landscapes and cultural heritage more closely. This is expedition cruising at its most authentic. Our precise route and exploration opportunities will be shaped by weather, ice, and sea conditions, with our experienced captain and expedition leader continually adapting plans to make the most of this extraordinary Arctic wilderness.



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DAY 9: Exploring Disko Bay - Day 9 to 11

Disko Bay is one of West Greenland's most remarkable regions, where enormous icebergs drift through Arctic waters and colorful Inuit settlements dot the coastline. Here, the Greenland Ice Sheet meets the sea, creating a constantly changing world of ice. As Sea Spirit explores the region, our route and activities will be guided by the prevailing weather and ice conditions. One of the highlights is Ilulissat, aptly known as the "City of Icebergs." The nearby Ilulissat Icefjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is fed by one of the world's fastest-moving and most active glaciers. Massive icebergs of extraordinary shapes and sizes fill the fjord, creating one of the Arctic's most impressive natural spectacles. A walk to the historic settlement of Sermermiut may reward us with spectacular views over the ice-filled waters. Ilulissat is also the birthplace of renowned polar explorer Knud Rasmussen, whose life and expeditions are celebrated in a local museum. Another fascinating destination is Eqip Sermia Glacier, where an immense wall of ice rises above the sea. This active glacier is known for its calving activity, as great blocks of ice break away from its front and fall into the water. Throughout our time in Disko Bay, our experienced expedition team will adapt our plans to make the most of the opportunities offered by this extraordinary Arctic environment.



DAY 12: Sisimiut

Located just north of the Arctic Circle, Sisimiut is Greenland's second-largest town, where modern life blends with centuries-old Inuit traditions. Surrounded by rugged mountains and Arctic wilderness, this colorful coastal community retains a strong connection to hunting, fishing, and life at sea. Its historic buildings and local museum offer a fascinating glimpse into the region's cultural heritage and maritime history.



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DAY 13: Disembarkation in Nuuk

After breakfast, we say farewell to Sea Spirit and our fellow travelers in Nuuk, the capital of Greenland and the final destination of our Arctic expedition. A transfer to the airport will be arranged for your onward journey.



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Inclusions	**INCLUSIONS** 1 pre-voyage hotel night on Day 1 in a hotel in Reykjavik Group transfer to the ship for embarkation on Day 2 Group transfer to Nuuk Airport for the charter flight* after disembarkation Cabin on board the Sea Spirit All meals on board throughout the voyage All-inclusive beverage package that includes soft drinks, house wine and beer, and house spirits AECO fees, governmental taxes, and port fees 24-hour tea and coffee station Scheduled landings/excursions (subject to weather and ice conditions) Leadership throughout the voyage by our experienced Expedition Leader & Expedition Team Expeditions parka to keep Rubber boots for use for shore landings during the cruise Pre-departure materials A Digital Voyage Log with photos and a memorable video from our expedition photographer Wi-Fi on board **EXCLUSIONS** * **Mandatory Charter Flight:** One-way Economy Charter Flight from Nuuk to Reykjavik Airport on the day of disembarkation, **at extra cost of USD$750 per person.** No discounts or promotions apply to mandatory charter flights. International or internal flights unless specified Transfers from the airport to the hotel at beginning of the program Visa fees (if applicable) Personal expenses such as laundry and telecommunication charges Travel insurance Mandatory Emergency Evacuation Insurance to a minimum benefit of US$ 200,000 per person Kayaking is an optional activity with limited availability and must be booked separately for an additional charge Staff gratuities
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Subject to availability upon request, contact us for more details. Sharing is available in Triple, Main Deck, Classic, and Superior Suites. If you prefer a cabin for yourself, the following categories are available with the single supplement at: x1.7 for Main Deck, Classic, and Superior Suites x2 for Deluxe, Premium, and Owner's Suite

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Price Dependent upon	Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.

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