



ICELAND: IN THE LAND OF FIRE & ICE

4 EXPEDITIONS, INCLUDING SVALBARD,
GREENLAND, THE FAROES & MORE

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Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic have joined forces to further inspire the world through expedition travel. Our collaboration in exploration, research, technology and conservation will provide extraordinary travel experiences and disseminate geographic knowledge around the globe.

DEAR TRAVELER,

I recently attended the 2016 Arctic Circle Assembly held in Reykjavík and spoke on this year's topic *Preparing for Arctic Tourism Growth*. I have been attending the Assembly for some years now, and was struck by how significantly attendance has grown. This year's large audience was a clear indication of the ever-increasing importance of the Arctic, and of Iceland's strong identification with the Arctic geography and its neighbors who live there.

I personally love Iceland: the place, the people, the possibilities for exploration and discovery it affords. And through multiple visits I have learned that there is much, much more to Iceland than the obvious appeals of Reykjavík with its unique urbanity, or the Golden Circle with its geological marvels.

The itineraries featured here are the product of our 35+ years of experience in the Arctic and the subarctic. Our knowledge of Iceland has convinced us that it merits your time and attention, and definitely rewards your curiosity. And also, that Iceland seen in the context of its Arctic neighbors will lead you to surprising and gratifying discoveries, and to a greater appreciation for a vital region of the planet and its splendors—from the people who thrive here, to the colossal ice and the wildlife that inhabit it.

Our experience matters in crafting the meaningful, memorable experiences for our guests that are built-in to each itinerary—and more. The Arctic is a place of wind, wave, weather and ice, dynamic conditions that require experience to safely and rewardingly navigate. We have over 35 years doing exactly that.

So, I encourage you to explore Iceland with us this season—on a circumnavigation, or by including Svalbard, Greenland and some fascinating, seldom-seen islands, too. I promise you will experience the authentic thrill of genuine adventure, while resting in very capable hands. And you will experience sights and encounters that will make lasting impressions and memories for life.

All the best,



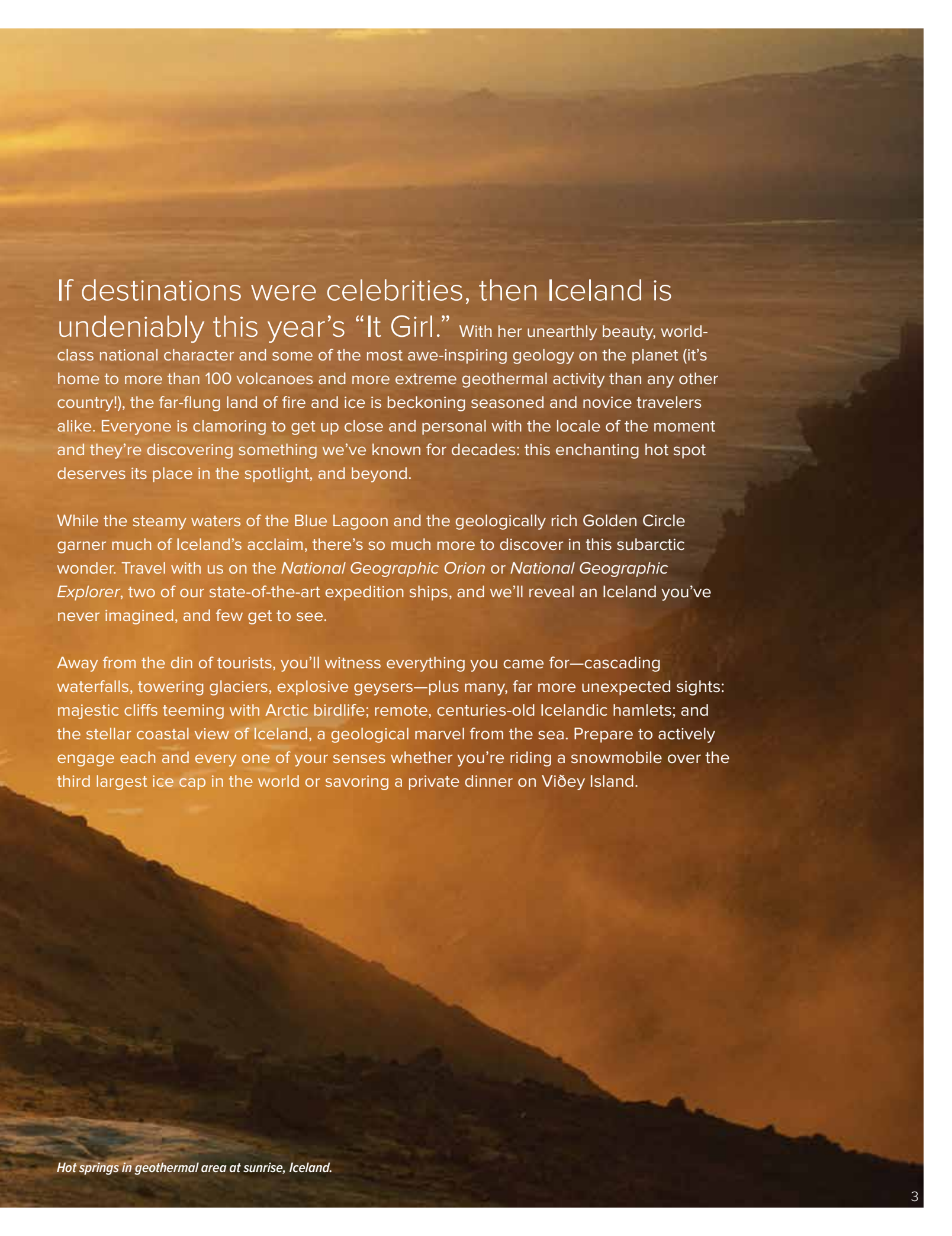
Sven-Olof Lindblad

*Cover: Glacier ice floating in the Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon, Iceland. This page: Gullfoss waterfall and gorge, Iceland.
Ships' registries: Bahamas.*

A wide-angle landscape photograph capturing a golden hour scene. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, orange glow across the sky and reflecting on the water. In the foreground, two people are silhouetted as they stand on a dark, rocky ridge, looking out over the vast expanse of water. The overall mood is serene and adventurous.

HOT SPOTS AND COOL DISCOVERIES

Will you choose an adventurous circumnavigation of the entire country? Or discover Iceland combined with its Arctic neighbors—Greenland, Svalbard, or the Scottish and Faroe Isles? No matter which you choose, you'll encounter it as an explorer, not a tourist, able to achieve a fresh perspective and gain a deeper understanding of its exhilarating allure.



If destinations were celebrities, then Iceland is undeniably this year's "It Girl." With her unearthly beauty, world-class national character and some of the most awe-inspiring geology on the planet (it's home to more than 100 volcanoes and more extreme geothermal activity than any other country!), the far-flung land of fire and ice is beckoning seasoned and novice travelers alike. Everyone is clamoring to get up close and personal with the locale of the moment and they're discovering something we've known for decades: this enchanting hot spot deserves its place in the spotlight, and beyond.

While the steamy waters of the Blue Lagoon and the geologically rich Golden Circle garner much of Iceland's acclaim, there's so much more to discover in this subarctic wonder. Travel with us on the *National Geographic Orion* or *National Geographic Explorer*, two of our state-of-the-art expedition ships, and we'll reveal an Iceland you've never imagined, and few get to see.

Away from the din of tourists, you'll witness everything you came for—cascading waterfalls, towering glaciers, explosive geysers—plus many, far more unexpected sights: majestic cliffs teeming with Arctic birdlife; remote, centuries-old Icelandic hamlets; and the stellar coastal view of Iceland, a geological marvel from the sea. Prepare to actively engage each and every one of your senses whether you're riding a snowmobile over the third largest ice cap in the world or savoring a private dinner on Viðey Island.

ICELAND ILLUMINATED:



Boiling mud pots at Mývatn.

A 360° VIEW OF ICELAND

See more of Iceland than you've ever imagined on our compelling circumnavigation. Wind your way along shores and surrounding isles to encounter Iceland's world-class geology in all its manifestations—from geothermal springs to stark lavascapes. You'll have the rare opportunity to experience highlights and travel off the beaten path to discover the unexpected. Add the other components of this well-curated itinerary—Iceland's unique cultural heritage, the island's geography and birdlife, and our special onboard musicologists who have arranged performances on and off-ship by leading local musicians—and seeing Iceland in one holistic expedition is an irresistible idea. See more on pages 12-13.



Polar bear on pack ice.

BIG BEARS, BIG ICE AND A SIDE OF ICELAND

This adventure-packed expedition pairs the Svalbard archipelago and Greenland's east coast along with a taste of Iceland. The journey begins in Svalbard, one of the best places on the planet to observe majestic polar bears in their natural habitat, then heads down Greenland's coast and into Scoresbysund where you'll be awed by gigantic icebergs, before ending on the wild west coast of Iceland. Here, an Insta-worthy Iceland will be revealed complete with towering bird cliffs, meadows awash in wildflowers, quiet coves and ancient basalt stacks. See more on pages 18-19.

4 UNIQUE WAYS

ICELAND THROUGH VIKING EYES

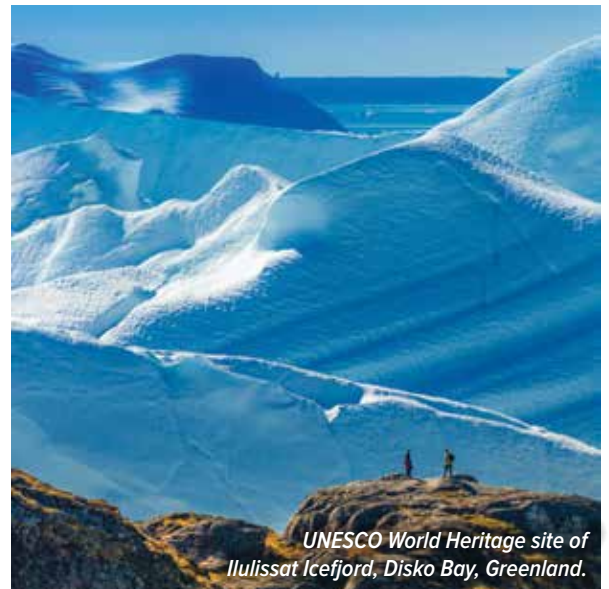
Mysterious Stone Age sites, geothermal wonders, and charming villages: sail the route of legendary Vikings, then complete a near circumnavigation of Iceland. Steeped in Norse mythology, the spectacularly remote islands of the Nordic Passage—Shetland, Orkney and the Faroes—illuminate ancient history. Seeing these seldom visited places beforehand gives you a unique Norse “lens” through which you’ll view Iceland’s geologically roiling landscape. See more on pages 14-15.



Viking boats, Torshavn, Faroe Islands.

GREENLAND & ICELAND: FROM HOT SPRINGS TO ICE CAPS

Go by land, sea and air for a thrilling introduction to Iceland and West Greenland. Over the course of just a week, you’ll feel the extreme contrasts of fire and ice, from Iceland’s thermal baths to the icy edge of Greenland’s glaciers which calve some of the largest icebergs on Earth. Then elevate the experience—get a spectacular bird’s-eye view of this massive landscape on our charter flights over Greenland’s ice cap. Combined with an active exploration of the deep fjords via Zodiac and kayak, a chance to ride Icelandic horses through lava fields, plus some fantastic opportunities for foodies including a local cooking class, this shorter trip is long on adventure and euphoria. See more on pages 16-17.



UNESCO World Heritage site of Ilulissat Icefjord, Disko Bay, Greenland.

COOL TOOLS, REAL EXPLORATION



During each expedition we use our fleet of Zodiacs to make landfall on wild shores with no docks, stairs or infrastructure of any sort. We have a portable platform that lets us deploy kayaks safely in the most remote coves and inlets. And, we use all manner of vehicles on location to ensure that you experience these geographies up close and personal. In addition, we create opportunities for enriching encounters with locals. The following excerpts give you a sense of the wide variety of experiences you'll enjoy on our far-ranging expeditions.

The area we were traveling throughout the day is right on the rift between two tectonic plates, and it feels like the Earth is alive. In some places, towers of lava make shapes against the sky, and in the others you can see how the lava is split deep down into the Earth. At one stop, we walked between fumaroles that spewed steam and gas into the air, and the hot sulphur water traced multi-colored lines across the ground.

—DAILY EXPEDITION REPORT, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER, JULY 25, 2016



We watched as the “Herring Ladies” cut fish and stacked them neatly in barrels of salt. We could not understand the Icelandic language but they chatted about life, much the same as any other workers would as they go about their daily tasks. When herring was packed, it was time for song and dance, and the group broke out into song accompanied by the traditional instrument of choice, the accordion...and soon our guests were pulled onto the dance floor and all were on their feet, dancing away.

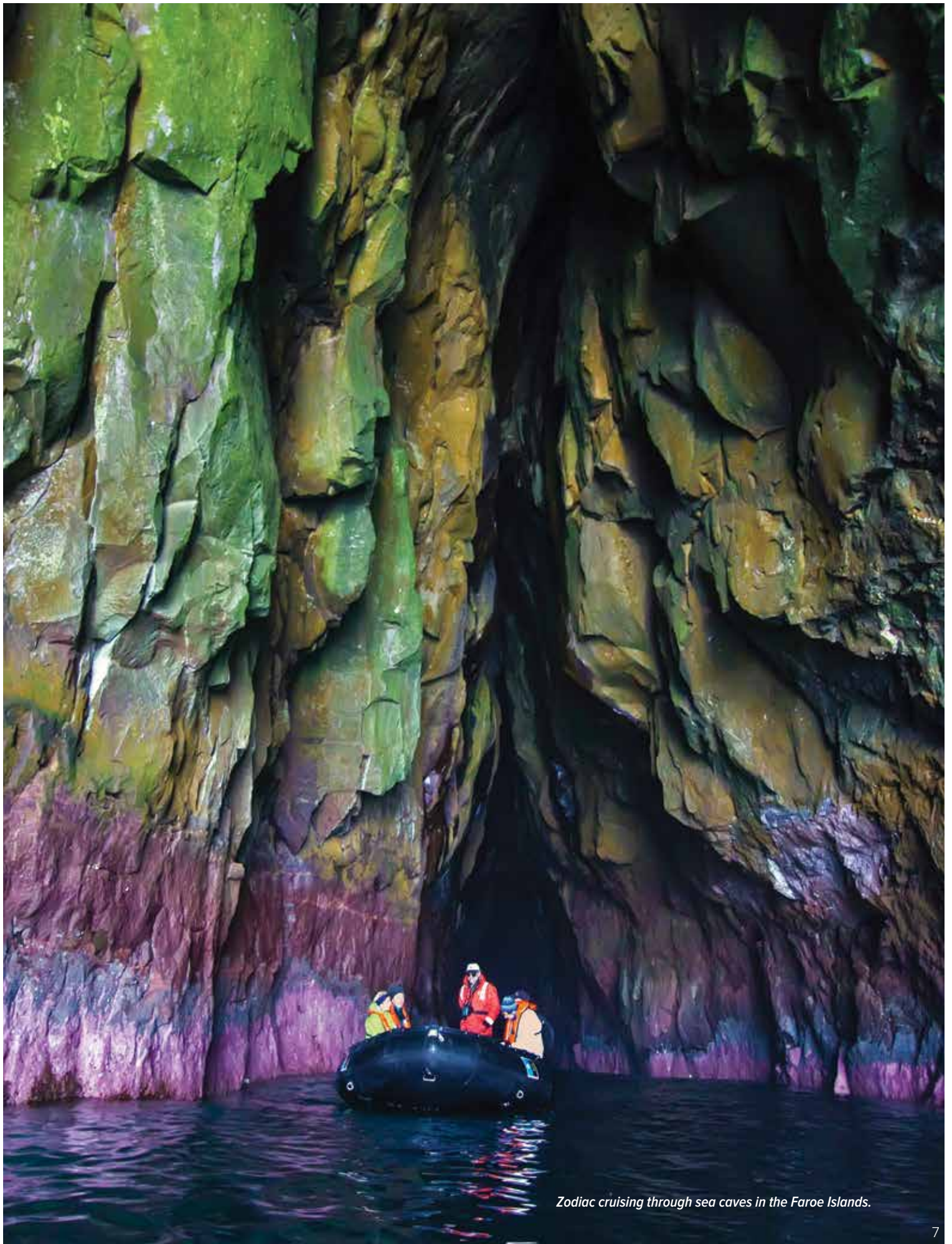
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...the ascent to the top of the Vatnajökull ice cap. Many of us climbed into super jeeps and vans outfitted with excessively large tires to trek 800 meters up a steep, winding dirt road, to our next stop...for snowmobiles and snow-cats. As the incline increased, our terrain changed from rock to ice and we found ourselves amongst the clouds. In this raw, barren land we saw ‘pink ice,’ and crevasses in the snow...at our final destination more than 1000 meters above sea level the fog dissipated revealing a more jagged landscape nicknamed the ‘Christmas Village.’

—DAILY EXPEDITION REPORT, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER, JULY 18, 2016

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Zodiac cruising through sea caves in the Faroe Islands.

AN AMAZING EXPEDITION TEAM

Our expedition leaders, known as ELs to staff and guests alike, are outstanding leaders who attract and inspire the naturalists, biologists, marine biologists, zoologists and undersea specialists who return each year aboard *Explorer* and *Orion*—to share the Arctic with guests. Collectively, these specialists have hundreds of years of polar experience.

The captains of the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet have spent decades in the ice. They have each navigated over 125 polar expeditions, ensuring that they have the knowledge and icemaster status we demand. An icemaster is familiar with the unique wind, weather and current dynamics in polar waters, and the unique challenges they present. Their seasoned ships' officers are also polar veterans, handpicked and well-trained to act without hesitation in any severe condition.



Above: Tom Ritchie, Jason Kelley, Adam Cropp, Mike Greenfelder, Jacob Edgar. Top right: Captain Kruess on the Bridge with guests.



Clockwise from top left: Tommy Heinrich, Erika Larsen, Michael Melford and Jay Dickman.

CAPTURE ICELAND IN YOUR BEST PHOTOS EVER



There is a top National Geographic photographer aboard every *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion* departure. And a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, too. Both are there to share the adventure—provide inspiration, tips, instruction and encouragement in the field, on the bow, or over dinner. So whether you shoot with a smartphone, point & shoot, or big glass, beginner or advanced, you'll have a remarkably good time making and sharing images. And go home with photos you'll be proud to share.

Be sure to visit the B&H Locker aboard ship to try out new, top quality photo gear—with our compliments.

UNIQUE & PERSONAL ENCOUNTERS



FLATEY ISLAND MEET UP

We are the only expedition company to sponsor a Field Correspondent—writer and radio producer Jennifer Kingsley—and her project, **Meet the North** (learn about it at meetthenorth.com). Jennifer, and photographer Eric Guth “advanced” our Iceland itineraries—meeting individuals, forging relationships, and crafting stories. Jennifer met Hafsteinn Gudmundsson, an 81 year-old farmer, who modeled for two figures in the murals of Flatey Island’s church; she interviewed him on tape, and Eric took his portrait (photo at left). Later a group of guests were able to visit the church on a photography excursion, and have an extraordinary session. Through Meet the North, Hafsteinn, and his family, guests participated in a Q&A, learned about island farm life, practiced portraiture with their photo instructors, and were able to, as Jennifer explained, “stitch modern life together with history and landscape.” And collectively they gave a gift in return: Hafsteinn has never had his photo taken with the murals in the church before. An exceptional experience for all, and representative of what we do.

From top: Hafsteinn with church mural; interior view of the church, an Icelandic treasure.



Preparing skins by hand, plus beading, crochet, and embroidery—techniques in danger of being lost until a few Greenlanders committed to making the traditions strong again.

“IT’S IMPORTANT NOT TO LOSE HOW.”

Choose the [Hot Springs & Icebergs](#) itinerary (pg 16) and you’ll have an extraordinary opportunity to meet students of a remarkable school: Kalaallisuuliornermik Ilinniartik (the School of National Clothing Education), which teaches the craft of Greenlandic national clothing for men and women. The students are eager to share their work, and they will join us aboard ship in Sisimiut with raw materials to demonstrate how they prepare traditional sealskin, for example, and to answer questions.



INCLUSIVE PRICING MEANS

FREE CHARTER AIRFARE ON SELECT DEPARTURES

See page 32 or call for details.

FREE BAR TAB AND CREW TIPS

Bar tab and tips for the crew are complimentary on all departures of *Explorer* and *Orion* listed in this brochure. Call for details.


NO EXTRA CHARGES FOR ACTIVITIES

All the daily activities—from city explorations to Zodiac cruises, kayaking, or hiking, horseback riding or snowmobile explorations—are included in the price.

- ✓ Meals on land, as indicated in the itineraries
- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
- ✓ Transfers to and from group flights
- ✓ Hotel accommodations where relevant, as indicated in the itineraries
- ✓ Guided overviews pre- and/or post expedition as indicated in the itinerary

NO CHARGE FOR IN-DEPTH ARCTIC EXPERTISE

The knowledgeable guidance and company of our expedition staff, plus all lectures and presentations, and our fully stocked onboard library, are open to all and included in the price.



We visit the little islands in Iceland most travelers never get to see, such as Flatey, shown here. Instead of a shopping stop, we have intimate, personal encounters, and give back: we make donations to the homeowners' association, which maintains and builds walking paths around the island.

VALUE PLUS EXPERIENCES

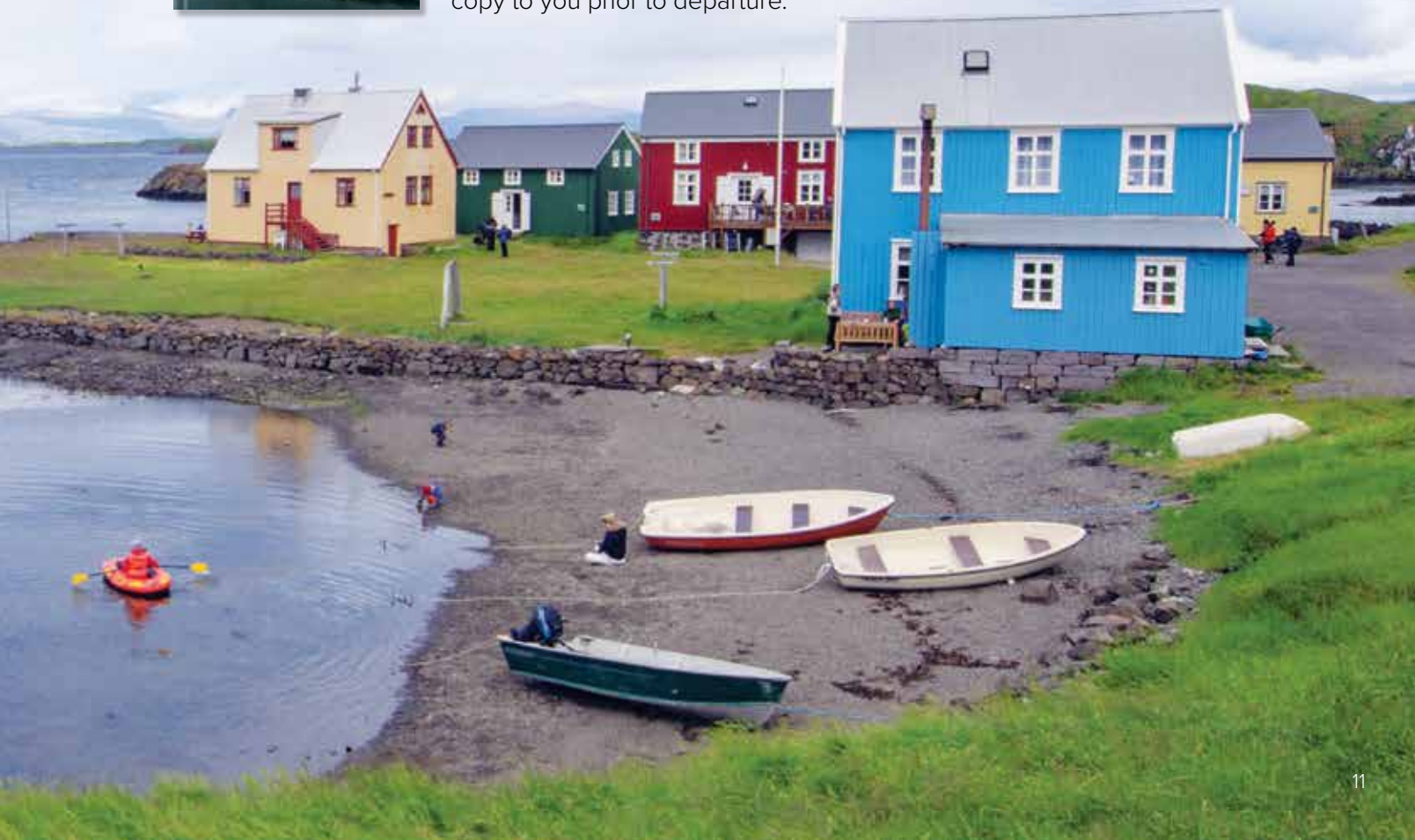
AND FREELY ENJOY THE FOLLOWING ABOARD SHIP:

- ✓ All meals—from breakfast, lunch & dinner in the dining room
- ✓ All beverages including unlimited cappuccinos, latte, coffee, tea & soda
- ✓ Plus beer, wine & cocktails
- ✓ Crew gratuities
- ✓ Hors d'oeuvres & snacks during lounge recap
- ✓ Tea time with pastries; all-day fruit, cookies
- ✓ Fitness Center with elliptical, treadmill, stationary bicycle, free weights, bands & more
- ✓ Traditional Swedish Sauna
- ✓ Daily stretching class with wellness specialist
- ✓ Mac computers for downloading your camera's memory card & Internet access
- ✓ Access to the ship's Bridge for optimal observation and to watch navigation
- ✓ Complimentary refillable water bottle



RECEIVE A COMPLIMENTARY COPY OF *THE ARCTIC*

our beautifully designed new book by Sven Lindblad, when you book any Iceland expedition. Published by Rizzoli, it features photos from many of the world's finest nature photographers. And to maximize your expedition anticipation, we'll ship your copy to you prior to departure.



A CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF ICELAND

10 DAYS/8 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

PRICES FROM: \$9,130 to \$18,980 (See page 31 for complete prices.)

Experience an enchanting land of geological extremes on a circumnavigation of Iceland. Encounter vast volcanic landscapes and one of the world's youngest islands, walk on lava fields and ice sheets, and feel the power of gushing hot springs and cascading waterfalls. Cruise among magnificent icebergs in Jökulsárlón, and spend a day on the Arctic Circle spotting rich birdlife. Kayak into fjords and serene bays, and go hiking on magnificent and remote stretches of the coast. Cap off the adventure with a soak in the famous Blue Lagoon.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Explore Europe's second largest ice cap, Vatnajökull, by snowmobile or super jeep.
- ▶ Sail into dramatic fjords; see a volcanic island that formed in 1963; marvel at the thundering Goðafoss Waterfall and the bubbling mud pools at Mývatn.
- ▶ Experience traditional Icelandic life from the herring industry to eiderdown production.
- ▶ Spot birdlife on the shores of Iceland and its surrounding isles.

SPECIAL MUSIC EXPERIENCES

Each departure will travel with a special on-board musicologist, who has arranged entertaining performances, on and off-ship, by leading Icelandic musicians.



Visit our website to read staff bios for these expeditions.

Above: Local musician performing at a private dinner on Viðey Island.

Below: Guests take in the power and beauty of Goðafoss waterfall.



DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./REYKJAVÍK, ICELAND/EMBARK

Fly overnight to Reykjavík, the world's northernmost capital. Have a guided overview of the Old Town, including Hallgrímskirkja Cathedral with its 210-foot tower, and visit the National Museum, home to Viking treasures and artifacts, and unusual whalebone carvings. Embark *National Geographic Orion*. (Day 2: L,D)

DAY 3: EXPLORE THE WEST COAST OF ICELAND

Explore Iceland's western frontier, sailing past Flatey Island, a charming hamlet, and perhaps take a Zodiac cruise along the coast. Continue to Látrabjarg cliffs at the westernmost point of Iceland, home to a huge population of razorbills. The cliffs are an area once famous for egg collecting where men tied to ropes lowered themselves onto the ledges. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: ÍSAFJÖRDUR

Located in the Westfjords, Ísafjörður is renowned for its eiderdown production. It is a picture postcard of traditional Icelandic life and a great place for hiking and spotting eider ducks. (B,L,D)



Maritime Museum, Siglufjörður, Iceland.

DAY 5: SIGLUFJÖRDUR AND AKUREYRI

At Siglufjörður, once the center of Iceland's once-thriving herring industry, visit the Herring Museum for a talk and a tasting. At picturesque Akureyri explore the old town, with its beautifully maintained period houses, or visit the botanical garden. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: LAKE MÝVATN AND HÚSAVÍK

Drive to Mývatn, the most geologically active area in Iceland. See the boiling mud pools at Hverarönd, and at the Krafla geothermal area see the explosion crater at Viti. Continue to an unforgettable sight: Goðafoss, the waterfall of the gods. Meet the ship in Húsavík, and watch for whales as we sail north to the land of the midnight sun. Take Zodiacs ashore to the

tiny island of Grimsey on the Arctic Circle and celebrate being officially in the Arctic. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: EXPLORING NORTHEAST ICELAND

Today explore Iceland's rugged east coast. Join naturalists for a hike or a Zodiac cruise and a view of the stacks at the end of the peninsula. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: DJÚPIVOGUR

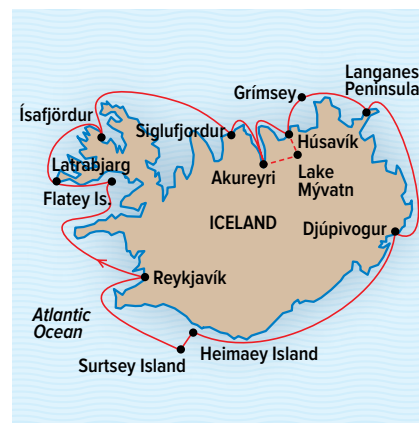
Dock in Djúpivogur to explore the vast Vatnajökull ice cap by snowmobile or super jeep. Via small boat, get up close and personal with the deep blue icebergs of the large ice lagoon of Jökulsárlón. Photo lovers may set off together with the National Geographic photographer. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: ISLANDS OF HEIMAÆY & SURTSEY, WESTMAN ISLANDS

In 1963, the world witnessed, on film, the birth of its newest island, Surtsey—a UNESCO World Heritage site—which we see as we cruise past the coast. In 1973, Heimaey was threatened by lava flows that nearly closed off its harbor. Visit the crater, where the earth is still hot, and have amazing views of areas that had been engulfed by lava. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: REYKJAVÍK/DISEMBARK/U.S.

Today we disembark in Reykjavík and visit the famous Blue Lagoon thermal baths, prior to our flight home. (B,L)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2017 Jul. 4, 12, 20, 28; Aug. 5

SPECIAL OFFER

Travel on any of these voyages and we will cover your bar tab and tips for the crew.

OPTIONAL EXTENSION

Add a one-day pre-voyage extension to see [Reykjavík's Golden Circle & Blue Lagoon](#) or a one-day post-voyage active extension [Reykjavík Adventure](#). See pages 20-21, or visit our website.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

Join Jason Edwards on July 4 and 12, Karen Kasmauski on July 20 and 28 and Todd Gipstein Aug. 5. [Learn more at expeditions.com/photo](#)



Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon.

NEW

NORDIC PASSAGES: SHETLANDS, ORKNEY, FAROES, AND ICELAND

14 DAYS/12 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: \$13,690 to \$28,470 (See page 31 for complete prices.)

Sail beneath the midnight sun, over seas steeped in Norse mythology, and along the route of the boldest Vikings who ventured west. Meet the welcoming islanders who call the scenic Faroes home—Danes by nationality and Viking by blood—see the graves of their Viking ancestors and explore their tiny villages with turf-roofed homes. On Scotland’s outlying isles you’ll discover a 5,000-year-old village and see the mysterious standing stones of the Ring of Brodgar. And in the west, on a near circumnavigation of Iceland, see this geologically roiling land just as the Vikings must have, from thundering waterfalls and boiling springs, to islands so young the earth still steams.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ See Iceland’s vast Vatnajökull ice cap, third largest in the world, a seldom-seen sight to behold that is the focus of so much media attention.
- ▶ Sail under the towering bird cliffs of Noss that teem with murres and kittiwakes, and visit a colony of thousands of charismatic puffins in the Faroe Islands.
- ▶ Discover a land of living geology: from boiling mud pools to spectacular waterfalls to the world’s youngest island.
- ▶ Meet welcoming locals—modern day Vikings—who make their lives in the spectacularly remote and beautiful lands.

Mykines, Faroe Islands.

SPECIAL MUSIC EXPERIENCES

Each departure will travel with **Jacob Edgar**, our expedition musicologist. Founder of record label *Cumbancha* and host of the television program *Music Voyager*, Jacob has arranged a series of performances, on and off-ship, by leading regional musicians to provide you with an exclusive and highly personal cultural connection.

Visit our website to read staff bios for these expeditions.



DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./BERGEN, NORWAY/EMBARK

Fly overnight to Bergen and explore its Hanseatic League history. Embark *National Geographic Orion*. (Day 2: L,D)

DAY 3: AT SEA/ORKNEY, SCOTLAND

See the Ring of Brodgar and stone-slab village of Skara Brae—5,000 years old! Visit the red sandstone cathedral of St. Magnus, built by the Vikings in 1137. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: SHETLAND

Sail past the raucous bird cliffs of Noss to see murre and kittiwakes. See Shetland ponies and the 4,000-year-old Jarlshof archaeological site. Weather permitting, see an Iron Age *broch* (fortified stone tower) on Mousa Island. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: VESTMANNNA, FAROE ISLANDS, DENMARK

Sail between the towering coasts of Streymoy and Vágur to Vestmanna. Explore northern Streymoy, with its historic settlements and Viking graves. This evening, see a traditional Faroese chain dance. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: TÓRSHAVN, FAROE ISLANDS

Explore this tiny capital where wooden boats bob in the harbor, and mingle with the modern-day Vikings. Visit the natural history museum, 12th-century St. Olav's Church, and the Kirkjubøur archaeological site. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: MYKINES, FAROE ISLANDS

Photograph the puffin colony of Mykines, and continue to the tiny lighthouse, tethered down with steel cords. Stroll the tiny village with its turf-roofed houses and church. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: DJÚPIVOGUR, ICELAND

Explore Iceland's vast Vatnajökull ice cap, third largest in the world by snowmobile or super jeep. For a closer look at the ice, we take a boat ride through Jökulsárlón, a lagoon strewn with large, sculpted icebergs. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: AT SEA/GRIMSEY ISLAND

Visit Grimsey, which lies on the Arctic Circle. Celebrate being officially in the Arctic among the island's nesting Arctic terns and puffins. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: HÚSAVÍK AND LAKE MÝVATN

Search for whales near Húsavík. Explore



Shetland pony, Scotland.

geologically active Mývatn. See the bubbling mud pools at Hverarönd, the Krafla geothermal area, the explosion crater at Viti, and the massive Goðafoss waterfall. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: ÍSAFJÖRDUR

Hike Ísafjördur and visit an eiderdown farm to see how the feathers are collected. Gain insight into life on this isolated peninsula. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: EXPLORE THE WEST COAST OF ICELAND

Sail past the immense Látrabjarg cliffs, home to a huge population of razorbills. Stroll the charming hamlet of Flatey Island, a trading post that's evolved for centuries. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: ISLANDS OF SURTSEY & HEIMAÆY, WESTMAN ISLANDS

Explore the Westman Islands, formed by undersea volcanoes 5,000-10,000 years ago. Sail past Surtsey, which rose above the waves in 1963. Visit Heimaey, which nearly had its harbor closed by lava in 1973 and where the earth is still hot. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: REYKJAVÍK/DISEMBARK/U.S.

Complete a near circumnavigation of Iceland. Visit Reykjavík's old town and Blue Lagoon. (B,L)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2017 Jun. 22, Aug. 13*

*This departure travels from Reykjavík to Bergen.

SPECIAL OFFER

Travel on any of these voyages and we will cover your bar tab and tips for the crew.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Take a one-day pre- or post-voyage extension to [Reykjavík's Golden Circle](#), or a five-day pre- or post-voyage extension to [Norway's Fjords](#). See pages 20-21 or our website for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

Travel with Erika Larsen in June and Diane Cook and Len Jenshel in August. [Learn more at \[expeditions.com/photo\]\(http://expeditions.com/photo\)](#)



Guests on snowmobiles, Vatnajökull ice cap.



NEW

HOT SPRINGS AND ICEBERGS: ICELAND TO WEST GREENLAND

9 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER
PRICES FROM \$6,990 TO \$13,950 (See page 29 for complete prices.)

Discover the true natures of fiery Iceland and icy Greenland on a wide-ranging adventure in a compact timeframe. Over just a week, you'll soak in the heat of Iceland's thermal baths, feel the spray of its thunderous falls, and explore the cool urban capital of Reykjavík. See Greenland's epic ice cap that covers 80% of the country by air, then sail along its ice edge with glaciers that can stretch over 100 miles and calve some of the largest icebergs on Earth. Venture into Greenland's long fjords choked with massive bergs and call at small communities to meet the hardy inhabitants. And it's all timed to see the legendary Northern Lights and their cascades of color.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Feel the extreme contrasts of fire and ice from the warmth of the Blue Lagoon's outdoor thermal baths to kayaking amid shimmering glacial ice.
- ▶ See the towering ice edge of Greenland up close and sail among massive icebergs.
- ▶ Actively explore: hike, kayak, swim, horseback ride, and Zodiac cruise.
- ▶ Enjoy an exclusive, private dinner on Viðey Island accompanied by acclaimed local musicians.
- ▶ Take in opportunities to view the Northern Lights in both Iceland and Greenland.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER

Aleqa Hammond

Former prime minister of Greenland, she is the first female to hold the position. She has extensive tourism experience and was the commissioner of the Inuit Circumpolar Council. She is aboard in 2017.

Visit our website to read staff and guest speaker bios for these expeditions.



Blue Lagoon.

DAY 1 AND 2: U.S./ KEFLAVÍK, ICELAND/REYKJAVÍK

Fly overnight to Reykjavík, the world's northernmost capital. Choose an excursion to swim in the thermal baths of the Blue Lagoon or learn about the hot springs and volcanic activity at the Geothermal Power Plant and experience an Icelandic horse show at the Eldhestar Farm and Riding Centre. (Day 2: L)

DAY 3: REYKJAVÍK

Today you may choose from several active options. Go hiking across the rolling scrublands just outside the city, ride an Icelandic horse through the Hafnarfjörður lava field, or join a cooking class at the Salt Kitchen. Or take a full day's excursion around the Golden Circle. Tonight, a special treat: ride a ferry to scenic Viðey Island, where an exclusive dinner and musical performance await. (B,L,D)



DAY 4: REYKJAVÍK/KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND/EMBARK

Choose a walking or biking tour of Reykjavík in the morning followed by a chartered flight to Greenland and take in stunning views over the Greenland ice cap. Embark *National Geographic Explorer*. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: GREENLAND'S WEST COAST & SISIMIUT

Dozens of deep fjords carve into Greenland's west coast, many with glaciers fed by the ice cap that covers 80% of the country. Trace this ragged coastline, and search for humpback and minke whales. At Sisimiut, a former whaling port, visit the museum, wander amid a jumble of wooden 18th-century buildings, and learn from locals the tradition of creating Greenlandic national clothing. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: DISKO BAY & ILULISSAT

Sail into Disko Bay and set out to explore a



tongue of the Greenland ice cap. Take an extraordinary cruise among towering icebergs. Explore the archaeological site at Sermermiut, and view the Jakobshavn Icefjord and its immense, calving glacier. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: EXPLORING GREENLAND'S WEST COAST

Our final day in the scenic fjords to Zodiac cruise, kayak, and hike across the tundra. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: KANGERLUSSUAQ/ DISEMBARK/REYKJAVÍK, ICELAND

Disembark in Kangerlussuaq, fly by charter for the second time over the Greenland ice cap to Reykjavík and settle into your hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: REYKJAVÍK/KEFLAVÍK/U.S.

Have a guided tour of Reykjanes Peninsula, learn first-hand about the country's innovative approach to geothermal energy, or if you haven't yet experienced the Blue Lagoon, now's your chance! Transfer to Keflavík for flights home. (B,L)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2017 Aug. 22, 26

SPECIAL OFFERS

Book now to receive complimentary charter airfare between Reykjavík and Kangerlussuaq. Also, travel on this voyage and we will cover your bar tab and tips for the crew. Call for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

Join award-winning National Geographic photographer **Michael Melford** on these departures.



Learn more at expeditions.com/photo



Towering iceberg, Ilulissat.

SVALBARD, ICELAND & GREENLAND'S EAST COAST

17 DAYS/15 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER
PRICES FROM: \$14,950 to \$27,280 (See page 29 for complete prices.)

Explore three iconic and stunningly beautiful Arctic regions: the Svalbard Archipelago of Norway, and the island nations of Iceland and Greenland. Go aboard the world's ultimate expedition ship, and rely on the planet's best ice team as you probe the ice edge to search for wildlife, including polar bears, walrus, reindeer, and Arctic foxes. This is an authentic expedition aboard *National Geographic Explorer*, a ship perfectly suited to the ever-changing ice. Like the brave sailors of the golden age of exploration who set out with no set itinerary—seeking adventure, knowledge, and the unknown—we are completely dependent on ice, wildlife, and weather conditions, allowing nature to guide us to her wonderful surprises.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Explore Arctic Svalbard, one of the best places on the planet to observe majestic polar bears in their natural habitat, on the sea ice.
- ▶ Navigate the Arctic wilderness of the Greenland Sea to Iceland's wild western coast, with expert naturalists and a fully equipped expedition ship—making multiple stops en route completely dependent on ice, wildlife, and weather conditions.
- ▶ Watch for huge walrus, whales, and reindeer, and spot rich birdlife.
- ▶ Glide between ice floes, exploring via ship, Zodiac, and kayak.

A walrus flicks his huge tusks.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Joe MacInnis

Physician, journalist, diver and explorer, he is the first person to explore the ocean beneath the North Pole. He has researched and written extensively about leadership in dangerous environments. He is aboard in 2017.

Visit our website to read staff and guest speaker bios for this expedition.



JUN. 26 AND 27: U.S./OSLO, NORWAY

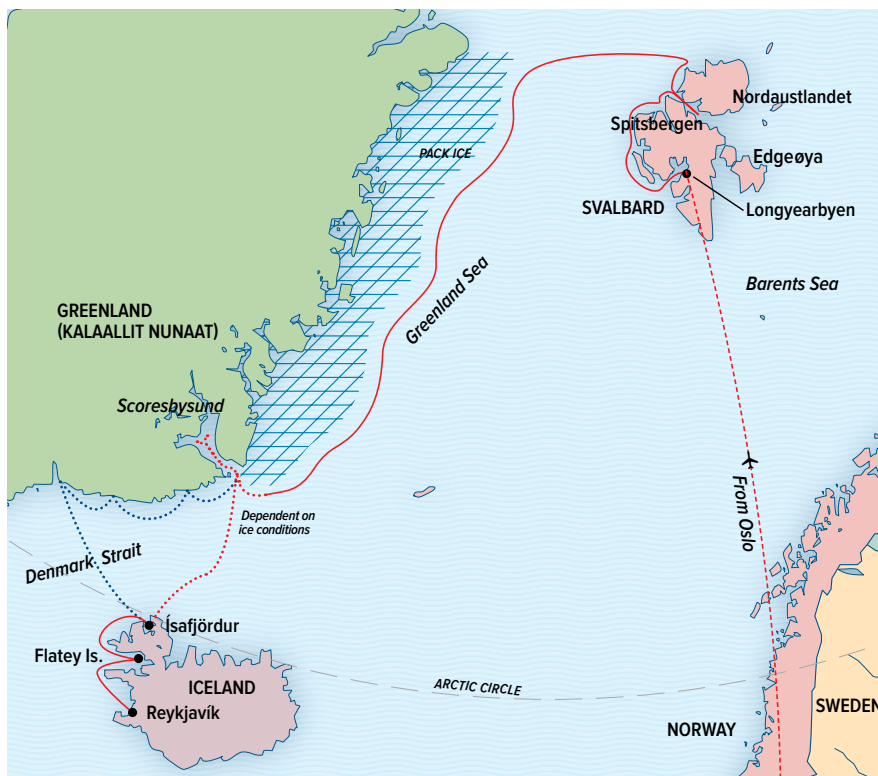
Fly overnight to Oslo. On arrival, check into the Thon Hotel Bristol (or similar) and explore this charming city. Stroll amid Oslo’s famed Vigeland sculptures—hundreds of life-size human figures set in the parkland. Visit the Fram Museum, dedicated to the wooden ship sailed by Norwegian polar explorers Nansen and Amundsen.

JUN. 28: OSLO/LONGYEARBYEN/ EMBARK

Depart Oslo on a charter flight, and enjoy breathtaking vistas en route to Longyearbyen. Embark *National Geographic Explorer*. (B,L,D)

JUN. 29-JUL. 11: EXPLORING

SVALBARD, GREENLAND & ICELAND
Our itinerary, in keeping with the nature of an expedition, will be a thoughtfully considered framework based on our experience in this dynamic Arctic region. We’ll take advantage of our ‘human resources’—our experienced captain, expedition leader and naturalists—as well as our technological resources. Armed with the latest satellite imagery, we’ll chart where the ice is impenetrable, and where there are leads guiding us to exciting discoveries. We have an ice-strengthened hull and forward-searching sonar, plus agile Zodiacs and kayaks, allowing us to make forays among the ice. The undersea specialist will deploy the ROV,



bears in their natural habitat. Venture to the foot of vast tidewater glaciers, kayak among sparkling icebergs, hike the tundra, and explore fjords that split the coastline.

Svalbard’s wonders are a prelude to discoveries on unknown shores, following the ice’s edge. Our quest is to discover the Arctic’s grand wilderness. Be on deck as our captain navigates between icebergs that drift from the calving glaciers. And if the ice yields, we’ll aim for Scoresbysund, on the east coast of Greenland, awakening from winter’s icy grip. If the ice is unrelenting, we’ll explore a bit further south, where there are spectacular fjords generally ice-free at this time of year. And if the ice is completely unrelenting, we will head to Iceland.

Our journey ends on the west coast of Iceland: Ísafjörður, a picture postcard of Icelandic life; the immense Látrabjarg cliffs, home to a huge population of razorbills; and Flatey Island, a former trading post. (B,L,D daily)

JUL. 12: REYKJAVÍK/DISEMBARK/U.S.

We’ll see Iceland’s capital, Reykjavík, for a guided overview of the old town, visit the famous Blue Lagoon thermal baths, and have lunch prior to our flight home. (B,L)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2017 Jun. 26

SPECIAL OFFERS

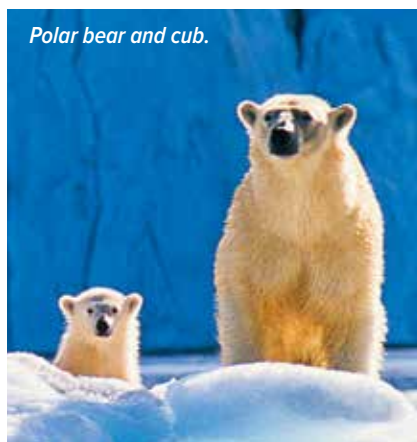
Book now to receive **complimentary charter airfare** (one-way Oslo/ Longyearbyen). Also we will cover your bar tab and tips for the crew.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Take a five-day pre-voyage extension to the **Norwegian Fjords**, a four-day post-voyage to **Iceland**, or a one-day post-voyage extension to **Reykjavík’s Golden Circle & Blue Lagoon**. See pages 20-21 or our website for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

Travel with photography and climbing legend **Tommy Heinrich** on this departure. **Learn more at expeditions.com/photo**



Polar bear and cub.

bringing back imagery few, if any, have ever seen. And with unforgettable days in the ice, and two professional photographers on board, you’ll get your best photos ever. Svalbard is a place of deep fjords, snowcapped mountains, massive ice sheets, and one of the best places on the planet to observe majestic polar



Zodiacs amongst grounded icebergs, Scoresbysund, Greenland.

OPTIONAL EXPEDITION EXTENSIONS

ADD REYKJAVÍK'S GOLDEN CIRCLE

PRE- OR POST-VOYAGE/1 DAY/1 NIGHT

2017*: \$920 Per Person, Double Occupancy

Extend your stay in Reykjavík, the world's northernmost capital. Enjoy the surreal Blue Lagoon, and have a guided in-depth experience along the famed Golden Circle with its boiling pools, geysers and waterfalls. Add it before **A Circumnavigation of Iceland** or after **Svalbard, Iceland and Greenland**. Also add it before or after **Nordic Passages: Shetlands, Orkney, Faroes, and Iceland**.

Geysir, Golden Circle, Iceland.



Sognefjord, Norway.

ADD NORWAY'S FJORDS

PRE- OR POST-VOYAGE/5 DAYS/5 NIGHTS

2017*: From \$4,390 Per Person, Double Occupancy

The rich landscapes of southern Norway, including Sognefjord—the longest and deepest fjord in Norway—are the ideal addition to your adventures. Thundering waterfalls and snowy peaks offer wonderful photo ops. The Norwegian Fjords extension can be taken before **Svalbard, Iceland & Greenland's East Coast**. Add it before or after **Nordic Passages: Shetlands, Orkney, Faroes, and Iceland**.



Blue Lagoon hot spring spa in Reykjavík, Iceland.

ADD ICELAND'S NATURAL WONDERS

POST-VOYAGE/4 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

2017*: \$3,930 Per Person, Double Occupancy

For an in-depth exploration of the land of fire and ice, add 4 days to your voyage and see some of Iceland's spectacular natural wonders. Explore bubbling mud pools, spouting geysers and the world-famous Goðafoss waterfalls in the north of Iceland. Luxuriate in the famous Blue Lagoon hot springs, said to have rejuvenating health benefits. And get to know the intimate yet cosmopolitan city of Reykjavík. Meals at renowned local restaurants will be a highlight, too. Add it after the departure of **Svalbard, Iceland & Greenland's East Coast**.



Horseback riding, Iceland.

ADD ACTIVE REYKJAVÍK

POST-VOYAGE/1 DAY/1 NIGHT

2017*: \$790 Per Person, Double Occupancy

Experience fascinating Reykjavík on an active adventurous day that includes an urban exploration by bike or on foot—and a host of ways to discover the countryside or culture including horseback riding, food tasting, or an optional helicopter outing[†] that reveals the wonders of the wild landscape of craters and glaciers surrounding the city. Add it after your expedition **A Circumnavigation of Iceland**.

*Airfare is not included on all extensions.

[†]Additional costs apply.

TOP 10 REASONS TO TRAVEL T WITH LINDBLAD-



Our experienced, dedicated staff and crew Our staff has been exploring Iceland long before it became the destination du jour. Their in-depth knowledge, decades of on-the-ground experience, and overwhelming enthusiasm for both the subarctic and the Arctic promises a rich encounter with the region.



A National Geographic photographer aboard every departure Top pros are at your side and at your service on the *National Geographic Explorer* and the *National Geographic Orion*—providing expert advice and tips. Whether you're a beginner or an advanced hobbyist, access to photographers of this caliber will help enhance your skills, and return home with your best photos ever.



A unique undersea program We are the only company in the Arctic with an undersea specialist aboard every voyage. He or she dons special suits and dives frigid waters to capture vivid HD video to present on plasma screens in the ship's lounge. Discover the virtually unknown Arctic undersea—while staying warm, dry, and perhaps with a cocktail in hand. Both ships are also equipped with an ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) capable of exploring depths up to 1,000 feet, to obtain images where no diver can go.



Cool tools for accessing the ice and sea Our onboard fleet of Zodiacs can be quickly deployed, allowing us to land in remote locations with no infrastructure. An ingenious mobile platform lets us dispatch single and tandem kayaks for up-close, personal discoveries. And our proprietary floating bridge turns messy wet landings into dry crossings on land or stable ice.



Photographic gear and certified photo instructors aboard every departure Onboard gear lockers filled with top of the line cameras, lenses, and binoculars available to borrow during your expedition. The onboard Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor is specially trained to assist you with your camera and the basic elements of composition, so you can capture Iceland's geologically-diverse landscapes and rich wildlife.

O ICELAND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC



Delightfully unexpected experiences

Unlike cruise ships with fixed ports of call, we have the flexibility to adjust itineraries to take advantage of the best conditions in the spirit of exploration and discovery. Every trip holds the possibility for something surprising to arise—from spectacular whale sightings, to an impromptu BBQ on deck or a chance for a polar plunge.



Insightful and engaging guest

speakers Our Global Perspectives program (only on *National Geographic Explorer*) brings aboard experts in a variety of fields to add unique layers of insight to the already lively and interesting onboard conversation. Speakers share daily activities with you, and give talks on the geology, geography, history, culture, or wildlife of Iceland and its surrounding Arctic neighbors to enhance your overall experience.



The world's ultimate expedition

ships The most effortless way to discover Iceland, *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion* are ideally equipped to navigate the biggest coastal towns as well as smaller, seldom-seen islands. Unpack just once then focus all your time and attention on the exceptional comfort of our state-of-the-art ships and the in-depth experience of this island nation they so expertly deliver.



A focus on local experiences You'll discover Iceland from an authentic viewpoint. Our itineraries feature myriad opportunities to meet and mingle with native Icelanders in the picturesque fishing villages, at a Nordic cooking class, or at a private dinner topped off with performances by local musicians.



Exclusive video chronicle of your expedition

Being in the moment, immersed in the experience is the joy of being in Iceland. So, a professional video chronicler (VC) is aboard to capture the expedition highlights you'll want to remember. Your VC will professionally edit and package the voyage chronicle, making it available for purchase before you disembark the ship, so you can relax and never worry that you've missed anything.



EXCEPTIONAL HOTEL STAFF



The Arctic and subarctic can be challenging for our wine steward, since there's little agriculture and no vineyards. So on these voyages we stock fine European wines to pair with regional flavors.

National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion, sister flagships of the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet share matching appetites for adventure, and dining excellence. Serge Dansereau, the head chef and owner of the Sydney, Australia iconic Bathers' Pavilion Café, is a multi-award winning chef, renowned internationally, and considered 'the father of the fresh food movement.' He designs the menus and trains the staff aboard both ships. His menu concepts are brought to life daily by each ship's Executive Chef. Count on them to keep your expeditionary spirit fed, so to speak, and for daily diversity and regional flavors.

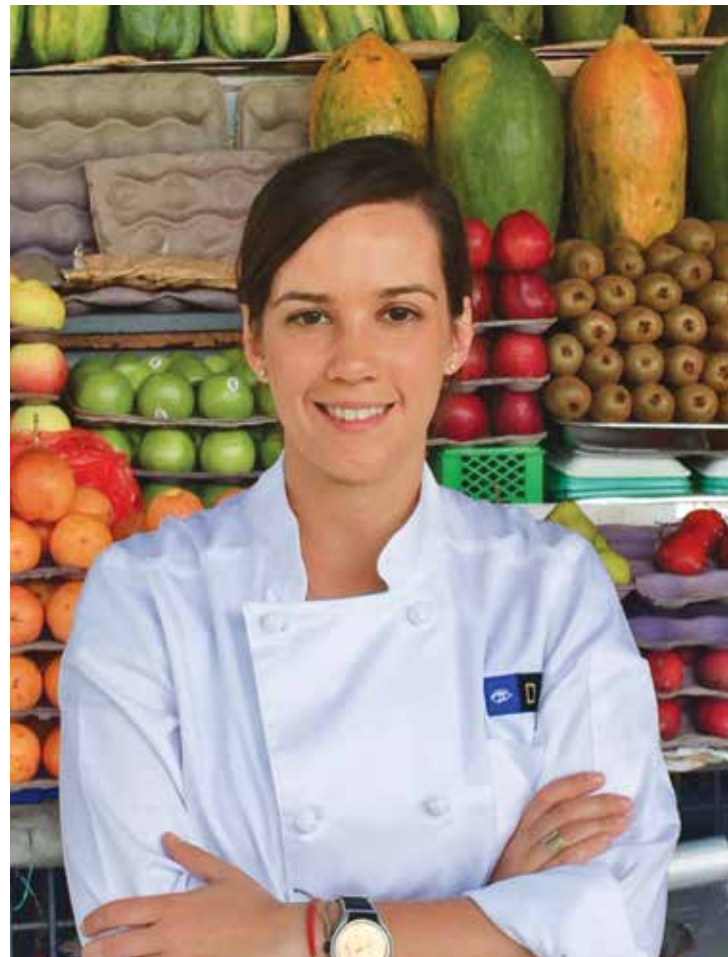




Dining rooms on both ships, like Orion's shown here, are inviting and informal. No assigned seating makes for easy mingling with congenial fellow guests, expedition staffers, and special guests. Breakfast and lunches are often buffet-style; dinners are artfully plated and served. Save room for dessert—extraordinary daily!

“Discovering sustainable local growers and fisheries on our itineraries to ensure that our guests “taste” the regions they’re exploring is rewarding work. Unlike cruise companies which provide a food program across the fleet, our chefs have the freedom to execute Serge’s smartly conceived dishes while taking advantage of what’s at hand. When a local boat hails Explorer with line-caught fish, the chef can say yes—and offer Gravlax-style Arctic Char with mustard, Greenlandic honey, and dark rye toast. Or Orion can provision locally to offer braised elk stew, or roasted leg of lamb, plus beets, parsnips, carrots with garden-fresh thyme. Our goal is for our guests to experience the geography through the food served aboard wherever possible. And to always dine extraordinarily well.”

—Ana Esteves, Food and Beverage Manager, Lindblad Expeditions



AN AUTHENTIC EXPEDITION EXPERIENCE STARTS HERE



Every individual who joins our expeditions is there for his or her own reasons: to learn about the region, to see how others live, to have personal encounters and experiences, and to see and observe wildlife. But what proves most satisfying ultimately, as we've learned from guest comments over decades, is the *esprit de corps* of our expedition community. It's a deeply rewarding phenomenon. And our sister ships, *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion* enhance this experience-sharing. Our ships' lounges feature 'the circle of truth,' where talks, presentations, and the daily ritual of Recap, a hallmark of our expeditions, take place. In addition, both ships offer fully-stocked libraries, genial spaces where guests can look up any topic or creature that interests them, or just hole up with a good book. Observation lounges on both ships are lavishly windowed, for a constant connection to the world outside. And on both ships, guests have an open invitation to visit the Bridge—to watch the captain and his officers navigate, and to hang out with the naturalists endlessly on alert for marine animal and bird sightings while we're underway. Every inch of each ship presents a fresh vantage point for observation, for capturing an image, or for a quiet talk with a new-found friend. You will remember the satisfactions of life aboard long after you leave.



Far left: Explorer's Observation Lounge is flooded with light and non-stop views; the Library (left) is stocked with all manner of reference, geography-relevant and other books, plus cards, games, and an ever-ready stock of binoculars.



Clockwise from top: Sven Lindblad conducts a presentation from the 'circle of truth,' a hallmark of our expeditions and the design of our ships' lounges; expansive decks invite you outdoors to relax, read and observe the vistas; Bridge on the National Geographic Explorer, open to all during the voyage; Explorer's Bistro Bar is a lively alternative to the main Dining Room for meals and socializing.





NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

CAPACITY: 148 guests in 81 outside cabins.

REGISTRY: Bahamas. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 367 feet.

National Geographic Explorer is a state-of-the-art expedition ship, and the flagship of the Lindblad fleet. It is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, with an ice-reinforced hull, enabling it to navigate polar passages while providing exceptional comfort. It carries kayaks and a fleet of Zodiac landing craft. An undersea specialist operates a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) and sophisticated video equipment, extending access to the underwater world.

PUBLIC AREAS: Bistro bar; chart room; restaurant; global gallery; library; lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for films, slideshows and presentations; mudroom with lockers for expedition gear, and observation lounge. Our “open bridge” provides guests an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

CATEGORY 1: Main Deck with one or two portholes #301-308

CATEGORY 2: Main Deck with window #317-320, 335-336

CATEGORY 3: Main Deck with window #313-316, 321-328, 337-340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350

CATEGORY 4: Upper and Veranda Decks with window #103-104, 107-108, 201-202, 204-207, 210, 212, 217, 226, 228

CATEGORY 5: Upper Deck with balcony #209, 211, 214, 216, 218, 220-222, 224

CATEGORY 6: Veranda Deck—Suite #101-102; Upper Deck—Suite with balcony #213

CATEGORY 7: Upper Deck—Suite with balcony #215, 219, 230

MEALS: Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Menu is international with local flair.

CABINS: All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies. Equipped with Ethernet and Wi-Fi connections and USB ports for mobile devices.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, splashcam, underwater video camera, crew’s nest remote controlled camera, video microscope, snorkeling gear.

SPECIAL FEATURES: A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and video chronicler, internet café and laundry.

WELLNESS: The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features a glass-enclosed fitness center, outdoor stretching area, two LEXspa treatment rooms and sauna.

CATEGORY A SOLO: Main Deck with window #309-312, 329-334

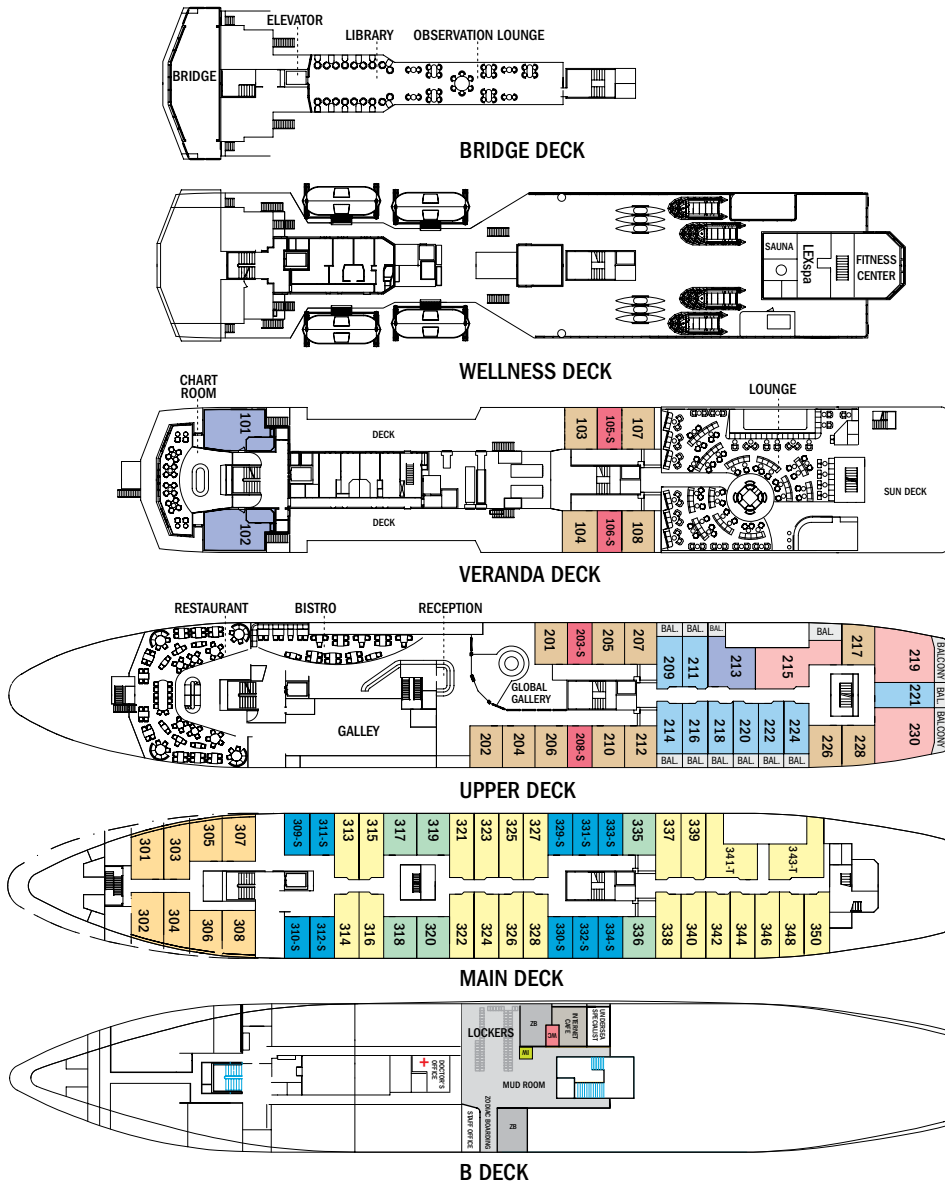
CATEGORY B SOLO: Upper and Veranda Decks with window #105-106, 203, 208

CATEGORY 3 TRIPLE: Main Deck with window #341, 343

SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS: Available in Categories 1 and 2.

SOLE OCCUPANCY: Cabins available in Categories A and B.

NOTE: Cabins #209, 211, 214, 216-218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 303-306—These cabins have one queen-sized bed. All other double cabins have two lower single beds; some can convert to a queen-sized bed. Third person rates are available in the designated triple occupancy cabins at one-half the double occupancy rate. Cabins #341, 343, 101, 102, 215, 219 and 230 can accommodate a third person.



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Above: Upper Deck cabin with balcony, spacious solo cabin, standard bathroom.

BAR TAB AND CREW TIPS INCLUDED ON VOYAGES LISTED BELOW.

Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.

ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. 7	CAT. A SOLO	CAT. B SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Hot Springs and Icebergs: Iceland to West Greenland – Page 16	2017	\$6,990	\$7,590	\$ 7,870	\$8,540	\$10,090	\$12,110	\$13,950	\$9,490	\$9,840	\$750	Includes three hotel nights Reykjavik. Sample Airfares: Round trip Newark/ Keflavik: Economy from \$600; Business from \$2,300; Round trip charter airfare: \$1,450 (Reykjavik/ Kangerlussuaq).
Svalbard, Iceland & Greenland's East Coast – Page 18	2017	\$14,950	\$15,780	\$16,530	\$17,800	\$20,350	\$23,750	\$27,280	\$19,720	\$20,660	\$1,500	Includes one hotel night. Sample Airfares: Newark/Oslo, Reykjavik/New York: \$800; Business from \$2,800; Charter Airfare: \$360 (Oslo/Longyearbyen).



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

CAPACITY: 102 guests in 53 outside cabins.

REGISTRY: Bahamas. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 338 feet.

The state-of-the-art *National Geographic Orion* is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel with a reinforced hull.

PUBLIC AREAS: Outdoor café; lounge with bar; restaurant; sundeck; reception desk; observation lounge and library; global gallery; marina platform; and mud room. Our “open bridge” allows guests to meet our captain and officers and learn about navigation.

MEALS: All meals are served in a single seating with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. The cuisine is international with local flair, featuring tastes of the regions we explore.

CATEGORY 1: Main Deck with oval window
#316, 318, 319-321

CATEGORY 2: Main Deck with oval window
#302-312, 314, 315, 317

CATEGORY 3: Upper Deck—Suite with window
#401-412, 414-419

CATEGORY 4: Bridge Deck—Deluxe suite with window
#511, 515

CATEGORY 5: Bridge Deck—Suite with French balcony
#501, 503-506, 508

CABINS: All cabins feature ocean views, private facilities, climate controls, internet access for your own laptop, and a flat-screen TV with DVD/CD player. Some cabins have French balconies. Equipped with Ethernet and Wi-Fi connections and USB ports for mobile devices. Single cabins in Category 1 and Category 3 include #301, 322, 323, and 512.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, a hydrophone, underwater video cameras, kayaks, and a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV).

SPECIAL FEATURES: Laundry, a full-time doctor, video chronicler, National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus undersea specialists.

WELLNESS: A wellness specialist, fitness center, LEXspa treatment room and sauna are on board.

CATEGORY 6: Bridge Deck—Owner’s suite with French balcony
#502, 507, 509*, 510

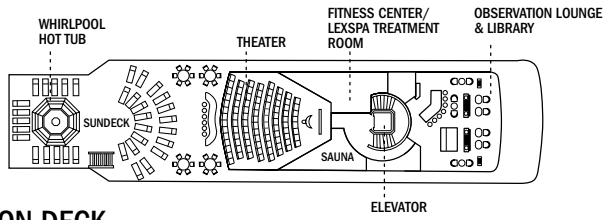
*Cabin 509 has two windows in lieu of a French balcony.

CATEGORY 1 SOLO: Main Deck with oval window or two portholes #301, 322, 323

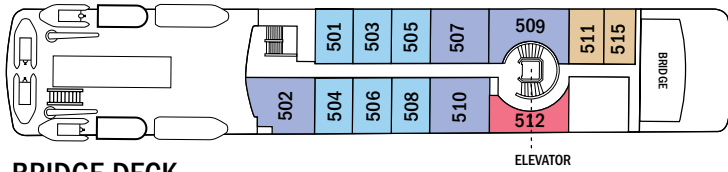
CATEGORY 3 SOLO: Bridge Deck—Suite with two windows #512

NOTE: Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories 1 and 3. Shared accommodations available in Categories 1 and 2.

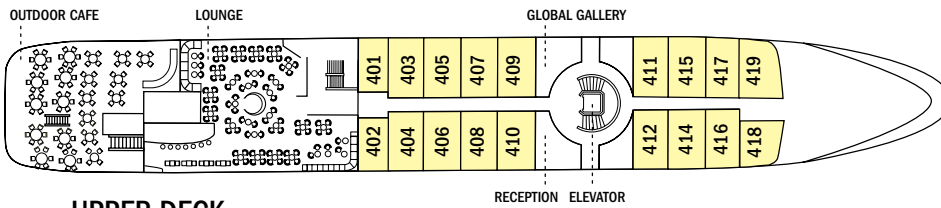
NOTE: Third person rates available at one-half the double occupancy rate in designated triple occupancy cabins.



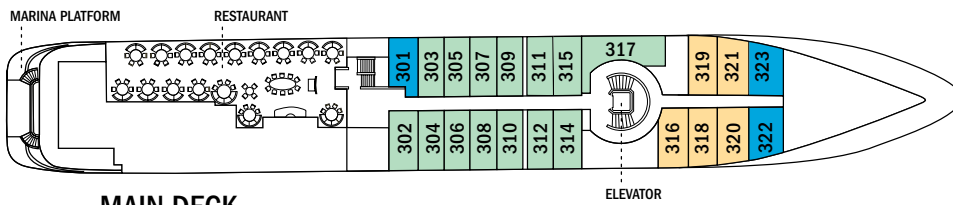
OBSERVATION DECK



BRIDGE DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



Above: Category 6 cabin; marble bathrooms are generously sized; Category 3 cabin.

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Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.

ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. A SOLO	CAT. B SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
A Circumnavigation of Iceland – Page 12	2017	\$9,130	\$10,580	\$12,560	\$13,700	\$16,370	\$18,980	\$13,700	\$18,850	\$1,000	Sample airfare: New York/Keflavik, Keflavik/New York: Economy from \$600; Business from \$2,000.
Nordic Passages: Shetlands, Orkney, Faroes, and Iceland – Page 14	2017	\$13,690	\$15,870	\$18,840	\$20,550	\$24,550	\$28,470	\$20,550	\$28,270	\$1,500	Sample airfare: New York/Bergen, Keflavik/New York (or vice-versa): Economy from \$800; Business from \$2,850.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR SPECIAL OFFERS


BOOK BY JAN. 31, 2017 to take advantage of special offers that appear on select expeditions in this catalog. On voyages with complimentary charter air offers, airfare must be ticketed by Lindblad Expeditions. All offers are valid for new bookings only, subject to availability at the time of booking, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

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TRAVELING AS A GROUP: Save 5% when traveling as a group of 8 or more people. Take advantage of these great savings, while enjoying traveling with your friends and family. This saving is applicable to voyage fares only, and is not valid on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies.

BRINGING THE KIDS: We believe sharing an expedition with your kids or grandkids is a life-enhancing experience. So, take \$500 off for each child under the age of 18.


COMBINING OFFERS: Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings!



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RESERVATION INFORMATION

Costs Include: All accommodations aboard ships or in hotels per itinerary or similar, all meals and beverages aboard ship, meals on land as indicated, air transportation where indicated as included, shore excursions, sightseeing and entrance fees, special access permits, transfers to and from group flights, use of kayaks, tips, taxes and service charges, services of a ship physician on most voyages, and services of our expedition staff.

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Airfare: For all programs, airfare is an additional cost unless otherwise indicated. Sample airfares are subject to change. We will gladly assist in making your air arrangements for a \$50 per person service fee.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Reservations: To reserve your place, an advance payment is required at the time of reservation. The per person advance payment amount varies by program, and is outlined on pages 29 and 31, as well as on our website. Certain longer voyages may carry additional advance deposit requirements due to high demand for these voyages. Payment is accepted by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or by check.

Receipt of your initial payment indicates your acceptance of our complete Terms and Conditions. We require written notice at the time of reservation for any physical condition, diet, or treatment requiring special attention.

Once your reservation is confirmed, we urge you to use your personalized online account for important information to help you prepare for your voyage. Managing your documents online will facilitate fast and accurate communication, and allow you to provide us with pertinent details we require, in order to complete your reservation. Your online account gives you access to your Expedition Guide, which includes valuable information specific to your voyage. You can also use your online account to make easy payments, view recommended flights and reading material, packing list, and more.

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Travel Protection Plan: We strongly recommend that you take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, medical assistance, and damaged or lost baggage, and provides medical assistance and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. and Canadian residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date. Travel Protection premiums are non-refundable once plan is purchased.

Smoking Policy: Smoking is allowed only in designated outdoor areas.

Responsibility and Other Terms & Conditions: Certain other provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Expeditions' and the National Geographic Society's liability for loss of property, injury, illness or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship's ticket sent prior to departure, and are also available on our website at www.expeditions.com/terms, or upon request. By registering for a trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

Note: Itineraries and prices listed in this brochure are valid as of publication date, and are subject to change. Under normal conditions, the total expedition cost is guaranteed at the time of booking. However, the published price is determined far in advance of initial departure on the basis of then-existing projections of fuel and other costs. In the event we determine that current costs create an unsustainable financial model, including but not limited to increases in the price of fuel, currency fluctuations, increases in government taxes or levies, or increased security costs, we reserve the right to pass on these costs to you, to cover such unexpected increases. We will always provide a transparent accounting of the reason for such an increase in costs.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start	Per Person Cancellation Fee
180 or more days	\$750*
179–120 days	Advance payment cost
119–90 days	25% of trip cost
89–60 days	50% of trip cost
59–0 days	No refund

*\$750 will be rewarded in the form of a Lindblad Expeditions Travel Certificate.

This cancellation policy applies to expeditions, pre- or post- extensions, as well as all other additional services.

The effective date of a cancellation will be the date on which your cancellation notice is received. Note: Airline cancellation policies vary by carrier, as well as the type of fare used to issue your ticket.

Any revisions you make within the cancellation penalty period, such as departure date or choice of voyage, are subject to cancellation fees.

Cancellation policy for certain longer voyages and Holiday departures may vary due to high demand for these voyages. Our Group cancellation policies are listed in the Terms and Conditions section of our website, or you may call us for details. We stress the importance of purchasing a travel protection plan to protect yourself from fees in the event you need to cancel your reservation.

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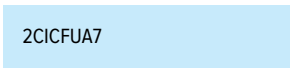
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- » Cruise Critic Editor’s Pick Awards “Best for
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- » 2016 World Tourism Award
- » Andrew Harper’s Reader Choice Awards:
Best Cruise Lines, 2016
- » Town & Country Cruise Awards: Best for Families
and Onboard Activities, Expedition Cruises, 2016
- » Porthole Cruise Magazine Readers’ Choice
Awards: Best Expedition Cruise Line, 2015
- » Tourism Cares Travel Philanthropy Awards:
Legacy in Travel Philanthropy, 2015
- » Condé Nast Traveler’s “Gold List,” 2013, 2009,
2008, 2007, 2006, 2005
- » Virtuoso “Sustainable Tourism Leadership-Supplier”
Award, 2013
- » Travel + Leisure “World’s Best” Award for Small-Ship
Cruise Lines, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008
- » Travel + Leisure “World’s Best for Families” Award
for Small-Ship Cruise Lines, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009
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