

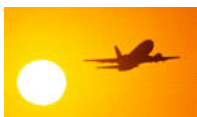


# THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE, ICELAND & GREENLAND

25 Days | Nat Geo Explorer | 148 Guests | Jul | \$24,990 to \$47,990



Following in the footsteps of dauntless explorers who came before, accompanied by our veteran expedition team, and captained by Ice Master Leif Skog, *National Geographic Explorer* will — for the first time ever — set an east-west course through the Northwest Passage. A navigational highlight will be seeing the captain and his officers use the ‘mud maps’ made by Lars-Eric’s team, as they navigate the James Ross Strait, and re-confirm the soundings they took in 1984.



## DAY 1: U.S./Fly Overnight To Reykjavik, Iceland



## DAY 2: Reykjavik/Embark

Arrive in Reykjavik, the world’s northernmost capital, which lies only a fraction below the Arctic Circle and receives just four hours of sunlight in winter and 22 in summer. Have a guided overview of the Old Town, including Hallgrimskirkja Cathedral with its 210-foot tower, and shed some light on Nordic culture at the National Museum, with its Viking treasures and artifacts. Embark *National Geographic Explorer*. (L,D)



## DAY 3: Explore The West Coast Of Iceland

*National Geographic Explorer* navigates Iceland’s wild western frontier, sailing past the immense Latrabjarg cliffs, the westernmost point of Iceland and home to a huge population of razorbills. The cliffs are an area once famous for egg collecting;



## 2014 Departure Dates:

Jul 28

the men were tied to ropes and lowered like spiders down onto the ledges. Continue to Flatey Island, a trading post for many centuries, for walks around the charming little hamlet that grew here. (B,L,D)



#### **DAY 4: Crossing The Denmark Strait**

Follow the wake of Eric the Red and Brendan the Navigator as we cross to Greenland. Watch for whales. (B,L,D)



#### **DAY 5: Prins Christian Sund & Nanortalik, Greenland**

Prins Christian Sund is a major fjord on the southern coast of Greenland. Surrounded by mountain pinnacles and glaciers, the decks are perfect for viewing this landscape. Anchor off Nanortalik, Greenland's most southerly town. Go ashore to the picturesque little town by the water's edge. (B,L,D)



#### **DAY 6: At Sea**

Spend a day at sea enjoying the ship's spa, library, and observation deck. (B,L,D)



#### **DAY 7: Nuuk**

Nuuk is the world's smallest capital city with 15,000 inhabitants. Visit the National Museum with its famous 15th-century Qilakitsoq mummies, found near Uummanaq, and the subject of a National Geographic cover story. (B,L,D)



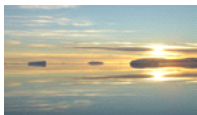
#### **DAY 8: Greenland's West Coast & Sisimiut**

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 and wander amid a jumble of wooden 18th-century buildings. (B,L,D)



#### **DAY 9: Disko Bay & Ilulissat**

Sail into Disko Bay and set out to explore the Ilulissat Glacier, a tongue of the Greenland ice cap and a UNESCO site. Take an extraordinary cruise among towering icebergs. Explore the historic Inuit fishing village of Sermermiut, and view the Ilulissat Icefjord and its immense, calving glacier. (B,L,D)



#### **DAY 10: At Sea**

Head up to the Bridge to keep watch for marine life. (B,L,D)



#### **DAY 11-13: Exploring East Baffin Island**

Working with the most up-to-date ice charts and knowledge of the wildlife, we travel north along this wild coast, ever on the look out for Polar Bears, Bowhead Whales, and the elusive Narwhal. We will also visit the small Inuit community of Clyde River as we officially enter into Canada. (B,L,D)

### **Important Flight Information**

Please confirm arrival and departure dates prior to booking.

**Advance Payment:**.....\$3,000

#### **Sample Airfares:**

Economy:.....from \$1,750

Business Class:.....from \$2,400

Charter Airfare: \$590 (Kugluktuk/Edmonton)

Airfares are subject to change

#### **Cost Includes:**

Accommodations including one hotel night in Edmonton; meals indicated; excursions; services of Lindblad Expeditions' Leader, Naturalist staff and expert guides; use of kayaks; all port charges and service taxes.

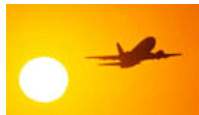
#### **Not Included:**

Air transportation; personal items such as alcoholic beverages, emails, laundry, voyage DVD etc. Gratuities to ship's crew at your discretion.



### DAY 14-23: Exploring The Northwest Passage

Our ultimate ice ship, *National Geographic Explorer*, navigates through the quintessential Northwest Passage—following nature’s path, dependent on ice and weather conditions. We explore the ice-choked channels and glacier-carved islands that stretch for hundreds of miles—a stunning display of raw geology. We take our cues from nature: following wildlife, stopping for hikes on the tundra, and dropping anchor in a beautiful fjord or an iceberg-strewn bay to explore. We may encounter ringed seals, arctic foxes, musk oxen, walrus and polar bears, as well as beluga and bowhead whales, and perhaps even the rare narwhal. We’ll learn about the Inuit peoples who have hunted and fished here for thousands of years. And we’ll hear heroic stories of the early explorers: Roald Amundsen, John Ross, William Edward Parry, and James Clark Ross among others. (B,L,D)



### DAY 24-25: Kugluktuk/Disembark/

#### Edmonton/Home

After breakfast, disembark in Kugluktuk and fly to Edmonton where we overnight at our hotel. The next morning we transfer to the airport for flights home. (Day 24: B,L,D; Day 25: B)

COST PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY						
01	02	03	04	05	06	07
\$ 24,990	\$ 26,950	\$ 27,980	\$ 29,990	\$ 35,970	\$ 41,390	\$ 47,990

COST PER PERSON SINGLE OCCUPANCY	
SA	SB
\$ 33,690	\$ 34,980



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