

# ARCTIC CRUISE ON THE UNINHABITED EASTERN COAST OF GREENLAND



## Arctic cruise on the uninhabited Eastern coast of Greenland and the longest fjord in the world

Cruise through Denmark Strait to the uninhabited Eastern coast of Greenland, where we encounter hundreds of huge icebergs, some over 100 metres high and more than a kilometre in length.

In the longest fjord in the world, we can see boreal wildlife, such Musk Oxen, Greenland Whales, Seals and many seabirds. We will visit Ittoqqortoormiit, the biggest settlement near Scoresby Sund. We also can see at night, the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights)!

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## TRAVEL PROGRAM

### Day 1

- Flight from your country of residence – Reykjavik.
- Transfer from airport to the hotel in Reykjavik.
- Accommodation in a hotel in Reykjavik.
- Lunch and dinner not included.

### Day 2

- Transfer by bus from Reykjavik hotels in the morning to the ship in Akureyri, where we arrive in the afternoon after six hours drive through North Iceland. In the early evening we leave Iceland and sail north towards the Denmark Strait.
- Full board on the ship.
- Overnight in a cabin according to chosen option.

### Day 3

- At sea, sailing north through the Denmark Strait. We are almost certain to see Fulmar, Kittiwake, Gannet and rafts of Common Guillemot.
- We cross the Arctic Circle and continue north, perhaps seeing whales.
- In the evening we will spot our first icebergs appear as we approach the east coast of Greenland near Kap Brewster.
- Full board on the ship.
- Overnight in a cabin according to chosen option.

### Day 4

- In the morning we sail along the ragged and glaciated Volquart Boons Coast. Here we may organise a zodiac cruise along one of the glacier fronts of this coast, and have our first landing near a glacier, like Måne Glacier or in Vikingebugt.
- Later we land on Danmarksø where there are the remains of an Inuit settlement abandoned around 200 years ago. The circular 'tent rings' of stones indicate the summer houses, while the winter houses can be seen closer to a small cape. The sites are well preserved, allowing entrances and even bear-proof meat caches to be identified. There are also grave sites.
- In the evening we continue our sailing through the beautiful fjords to the west, choked with icebergs.
- Full board on the ship.
- Overnight in a cabin according to chosen option.

### Day 5

- We go ashore at Cape Hofmann Halvø, a reliable spot for viewing Musk Oxen. We may also spot Rock Ptarmigan and at sea Great Northern Diver. The landscape here is particularly beautiful, especially during autumn when the Dwarf Willow and Dwarf Birch change colour. Arctic Blueberry and Crowberry add their own colourful touch - the berries are tasty too!
- In the evening we sail through the fjord towards Scoresby Land enjoying the contrast between the warm autumnal colours of the vegetation on shore, backed by huge dark mountains, and the cold blue of the icebergs.
- Full board on the ship.
- Overnight in a cabin according to chosen option.

**Day 6**

- On our way to Sydkap in Scoresby Land in the morning, we encounter huge icebergs, some over 100 m high and more than a kilometre in length. Most of the bergs are grounded as the fjord is only about 400 m deep here.

- We land near Sydkap to view the remains of the Thule culture winter houses. As many as 20 people lived in these tiny houses, hunting Greenland Whale and using their vertebrae to build the houses. The landscape here is gently undulating. Musk Oxen and Collared Lemming - survive on the meagre vegetation.

- Full board on the ship.
- Overnight in a cabin according to chosen option.

**Day 7**

- In the morning we land at a lagoon at the south coast of Jameson Land, an area with waders and geese collecting for the autumn migration. The landscape here is gently undulating. Musk Oxen and Collared Lemming - survive on the meagre vegetation.

- In the afternoon we visit Ittoqqortoormiit, the biggest settlement near Scoresby Sund with about 400 inhabitants. At the post office you can buy stamps for your postcards, or just wander around to see the sledge dogs and the drying skins of seals, Musk Oxen and Polar Bear.

- Full board on the ship.
- Overnight in a cabin according to chosen option.

**Day 8**

- The whole day at sea offers excellent opportunities to see large whales and seabird migration.

- At night the Aurora borealis (Northern Lights).

- Full board on the ship.
- Overnight in a cabin according to chosen option.

**Day 9**

- Arrive at Akureyri, and transfer by chartered bus to hotels in Reykjavik

- Dinner not included.
- Accommodation in a hotel In Reykjavik.

**Day 10**

- Transfer from the hotel in Reykjavik to airport.

- Flight from Reykjavik to your country of residence.

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**WARNING**

In this trip, unforeseen circumstances may occur and therefore the program is subject to change on the ground for weather reasons, logistical matters, ice and snow conditions or force majeure.

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**DATES**

September 2017

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**PRICE**

[Ask price](#)

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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

45 days before

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**RESERVATION**

30% of the trip price excluding flight tickets and air taxes.

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**MINIMUM GROUP**

1 person

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## INCLUDED

- Transfer from International Airport of Keflavik to Reykjavik (and return).
  - Transfer by bus from Reykjavik – to Akureyri harbour (and return).
  - Boating according expedition plan.
  - Accommodation in a cabin according to chosen option.
  - Full board on the ship.
  - Trips zodiac according to expedition plan.
  - Excursions according to travel plan.
  - Multi-adventure insurance.
  - 1 Piece of 20 kg of personal baggage.
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## NOT INCLUDED

- Flight from home to Iceland.
  - Regular flights air taxes.
  - Accommodations in Reykjavik and other towns and cities.
  - Transfers inside towns and other places, except the included from International Airport of Keflavik to Reykjavik (and return) and from Reykjavik to Akureyri (and return).
  - Meals on transfers, airports and cities.
  - Personal mountain equipment.
  - Costs and applications for visa to Iceland, Greenland, European Union or other countries if required.
  - Government arrival and departure taxes.
  - Laundry on the boat.
  - Alcoholic drinks and other drinks.
  - Costs of telephone calls and any other telecommunications expends incurred by the travellers.
  - Tips for the crew.
  - Extra accommodation nights in Norway or other countries due to delays because of weather conditions, ice and snow state, inherent logistic in the Arctic, strikes at airports and any other cause beyond the control of Arctic World.
  - Everything not listed in the INCLUDED section.
  - Extra activities and excursions optional out of the expedition plan.
  - Air excess costs of personal baggage
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## SUPPLEMENTS

In case of a significant increasing of the vessel fuel prices, the expedition price could be reviewed and it could be applied a surcharge to compensate such increasing.

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## NOTES

Arctic World as specialists in the polar regions, organize tailor made trips according the interests, budget, available time and wishes of the traveller. So, to this trip are possible adding activities, days, meals, excursions, etc, in order this will be an unforgettable experience. Just tell us the days, activities and meals you want to do and we will prepare your customize trip.

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