# NORTH POLE EXPEDITION ON SKIS











# Crossing on skis of the last 100 km to the North Pole from a drifting base on the Arctic Ocean

This is an unique journey to the north tip of the planet that will allow an exceptional experience: to reach the Geographic North Pole, the only place on Earth where all directions are south.

Peary, Herbert, Uemura, and other mythical explorers have had to travel over 800 kilometers on sea ice before reaching the North Pole. What we propose is to travel on skis the last part of the journey that these illustrious predecessors have made. There we will discover the sense of progressing on a constantly moving ice pack surrounded by a multitude of pressure ridges and open water channels.

Our starting point will not be a motionless northern land, but the temporary station "Borneo" placed on an ice floe drifting in the middle of the Arctic Ocean at 89° North latitude. Our goal will not be an usual place, but the uninhabited Geographic North Pole, the point where all Earth meridians join.

#### TRAVEL PROGRAM

#### Day 1

- Regular flight home Oslo (Norway).
- Overnight at hotel or guesthouse.

#### Day 2

- Flight Oslo Longyearbyen (Svalbard archipelago, Norway).
- Transfer airport accommodation place.
- Overnight at hotel or guesthouse.

# Day 3

- Extra day of margin in case of flight delays, baggage lost, airport strikes, etc. during the flights from home to Longyearbyen.
- Meeting with the guide and preparation of equipment and sleds for our time in the Arctic Ocean.
- Ski training with the sled around Longyearbyen.
- Overnight at hotel or guesthouse.

#### Day 4

- Briefing on the situation of the area where is located the "Barneo" drifting base on the Arctic Ocean.
- Preparation of the sleds for the flight to the drifting base.
- Overnight at hotel or guesthouse.

#### Day 5

- Weather and ice conditions permitting, charter flight in an Antonov-74 plane to the "Barneo" drifting base located on the Arctic Ocean at 89° North latitude. Flight time, around 2 and half hours.
- Overnight in tent in Barneo base.

#### Day 6

- When the first weather and ice conditions are fine, the skier team will fly by helicopter to the starting point of the expedition located around 100 Km from the Geographical North Pole, except if the "Barneo" drifting base is already located in that position, in which case the starting point will be the base.
- Start of the ski expedition.
- Overnight in tent on the ice of Arctic Ocean.

#### **Days 7 to 14**

- Ski expedition to the Geographic North Pole.
- Overnights in tent on the ice of Arctic Ocean.

# **Day 15**

- Arrival at the Geographic North Pole North, the point where meet all Earth meridians.
- Helicopter flight North Pole Barneo drifting base.

- Return to Longyearbyen by plane.
- Overnight at hotel or guesthouse.

### **Day 16**

- Ceremony where will be present the certificates of having reached the Geographic North Pole.
- Overnight at hotel or guesthouse.

### **Day 17**

- Extra day of margin in case of delays of the flight Barneo base Longyearbyen due to weather conditions in the Arctic Ocean or Svalbard archipelago.
- Free time to visit Longyearbyen and/or doing optional activities (routes by snowmobile, dogsledding, glacier caves, etc.).
- Overnight at hotel or guesthouse.

#### **Day 18**

- Flight Longyearbyen - Home

# **WARNING**

This trip is an expedition where 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.

#### **DATES**

March - April 2022

#### **PRICE**

Ask price

#### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

#### RESERVATION

Before 120 days of the trip: 50% of the trip price + flights. After 120 days: 100% + flights

#### **MINIMUM GROUP**

1 People

## **INCLUDED**

- Return flight from Longyearbyen to the drifting base located on the Arctic Ocean with a special plane for landing on ice.
- Helicopter flight from the drifting base to the expedition starting point if this is different from the drifting base position.
- Helicopter flight from the Geographic North Pole to the drifting base on the Arctic Ocean.
- Polar Guide.
- Full board in the Arctic Ocean during the ski expedition.
- Rental of specific polar equipment during the trip.
- Transfers between airport and accommodation in Longyearbyen.
- Multi-adventure insurance.
- 1 Piece of 20 kg of personal baggage.

## **NOT INCLUDED**

- Return flight home Longyearbyen.
- Air taxes.
- Accommodations in towns and cities.
- Transfers Oslo Airport hotel (round trip).
- Meals on transfers, airports, Oslo and Longyearbyen.

- Specific rescue polar insurance (mandatory to participate in the expedition) with a coverage (premium) at least of 100,000 (one hundred thousands) Euros in case of Search and Rescue in the Arctic Ocean.
- Personal mountain equipment and clothes.
- Extra accommodation nights in Longyearbyen, Oslo and other towns 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 INCLUDE section.
- Extra activities and excursions optional out of the expedition plan.
- Air companies expenses due to excess of personal baggage.

## **SUPPLEMENTS**

## **NOTES**

The traveler should not have any significant commitment to the day after the date of arrival, as there may be some delay in the flight of Barneo to Longyearbyen or from this town to the mainland due to weather factors, state of the snow, state of the ice or logistical conditions inherent to the Arctic.