

# THE ARCTIC

## FROM ICE BEARS TO ICELAND

**PLUS**  
A VISIT TO  
GREENLAND'S  
WILD COAST

**AND**  
2 NORTHWEST PASSAGE  
EXPEDITIONS

**WITH**  
THE SHARPEST-EYED  
EXPEDITION TEAM  
IN THE WHOLE  
WILD ARCTIC

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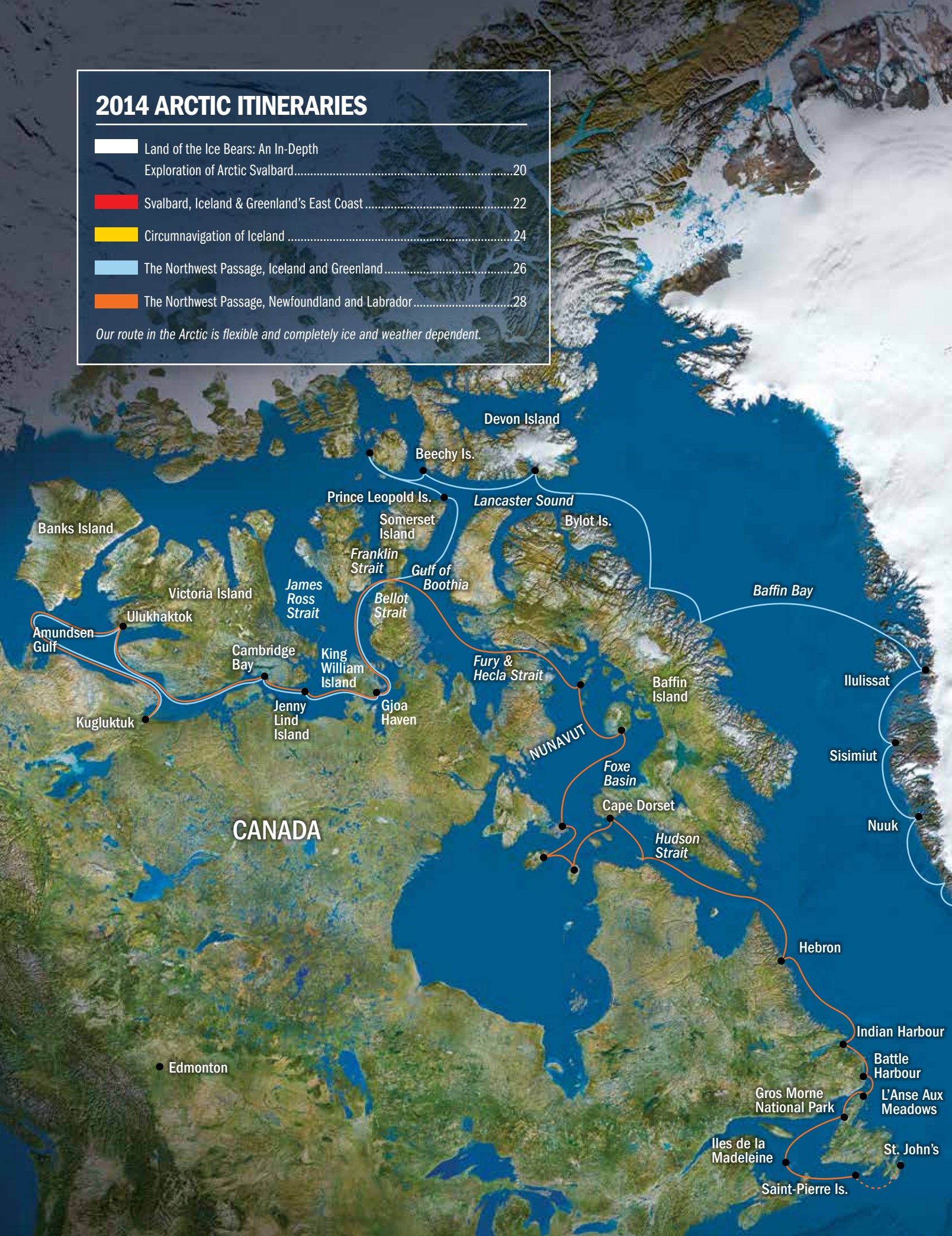
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*Our route in the Arctic is flexible and completely ice and weather dependent.*







**GREENLAND**

**SVÅLBARD**

Nordauslandet

Spitsbergen

Longyearbyen

Edgeøya

Barents Sea

Scoresbysund

**ICELAND**

- Grímsey
- Húsavík
- Langanes Peninsula
- Lake Mývatn
- Djúpivogur
- Reykjavík
- Heimaey Island
- Surtsey Island
- Ísafjörður
- Flatey Is.
- Akureyri

**NORWAY**

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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,

Starting June 7 in Longyearbyen, Svalbard for just over three months, the *National Geographic Explorer* will explore the Arctic on eight different voyages. Most of the time, she will be north of the Arctic Circle with near-constant daylight.

The Arctic is generating massive interest these days. Scientists are flocking to the Arctic; oil, gas, and mineral interests have boomed; and new sea routes are now realistic because the climate is changing dramatically.

This past October, the President of Iceland convened a gathering called the “Arctic Circle” conference in Reykjavik to discuss governance, economic activities, and indigenous and environmental concerns. I spoke about tourism and the need to secure the future of nature and culture from both a practical and a moral perspective. He expected 400 people to attend—nearly 1,000 did.

The discoveries are astounding. Just last year a vast canyon twice the length of the Grand Canyon was discovered, buried by as much as two miles of ice in Greenland. A new plant species was discovered in Svalbard—the first in 40 years.

These discoveries, the changes, the future, the history—these are all subjects we’ll explore together with our expedition staff throughout these voyages.

But the reality is that while all this attention and activity is taking place, the Arctic is still largely a big, wild and empty space. Empty of humans, that is.

It is an area alive with wonder—polar bears, whales, countless sea birds, dramatic icebergs, and interesting human communities that, despite the winter harshness, call the Arctic home.

So I encourage you to pick an adventure this summer and head north. You can go in as little as nine days in Svalbard or Iceland, or several weeks exploring and transiting the fabled Northwest Passage.

A final note: there are fewer than a hundred places left throughout the summer, so I would encourage you to act fast if you wish to join us.

All the best,



Sven-Olof Lindblad



» SVALBARD BEARS IN THE WILD: GO TO [EXPEDITIONS.COM/2013\\_BEARS](https://www.expeditions.com/2013_bears)



# SVALBARD WILD ARCTIC

The Norwegian archipelago of Svalbard, with its deep fjords, snowy mountains and vast tidewater glaciers, has been, for our 30+ years of Arctic exploration, the best place to see polar bears, or *isbjorn*, the ice bear, the unquestionable symbol of the Arctic. We time our arrival for when the pack ice is ideal for polar bears to hunt—and for us to observe. This past season in Svalbard, although shorter than ever given our desire to follow the seasonal ice, we had 61



phenomenal bear encounters, featuring senior males, juveniles, mothers and cubs—all observed up close, with respect for their comfort, and wonder at their magnificence.



A richly faceted destination, the islands of the archipelago are profuse with other wildlife too—seals, walruses, whales and numerous bird species in the ice, plus caribou and arctic fox amid the spring wildflower profusion of the tundra. Focusing on this lapidary geography amply rewards your interest. Or you can choose to range even more widely: our *Svalbard, Iceland and Greenland's East Coast* expedition begins as the ice retreats. We venture along the coast of Greenland's ever-changing ice-sheet to take advantage of the best wildlife opportunities. Then, we sail to mercurial Iceland to explore its fire and ice at the height of summer.



Exploring via Zodiac amid the bergs.





# ICELAND INSPIRATION

Ancient and modern. Geologically young and culturally old. An essentially urban society with deep connections to its rugged, rural landscapes. Iceland embraces dichotomies with the same character it showed the world in the wake of the fiscal crisis that activated its resourcefulness and ability to course-correct. It's the same character that marks it physically as one of the most stunning and marvelous island geographies on Earth. And the same character that keeps *The Icelandic Sagas* as compelling a read as any contemporary best-seller. In fact, many of the gorgeous spots—fjords, mountains—we visit are accurately described and recognizable in sagas written 1,000 years ago.

Travel on our *Svalbard, Iceland and Greenland* itinerary and you'll experience Iceland's wild western coast in the context of its geologically older Arctic neighbors. Travel aboard our *Circumnavigation of Iceland* and you'll explore the whole "crazy coastline" that captured the imagination of Global Perspectives Guest Speaker, Andrew Evans. Iceland, located on both the Iceland hotspot and the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, is highly geologically active, with hundreds of volcanoes. Iceland's geology in all its manifestations—immense glaciers, thundering waterfalls, soaring cliffs, geothermal springs, boiling mud pots, and rock and lava-scapes of unearthly beauty—is world-class, and in itself makes a compelling case for our expedition. But when you add in Iceland's people, their unique cultural heritage, and their successful embrace of sustainability as a goal for their future, the prospect of actively exploring and seeing it all in a 360° view is irresistible.

» DISCOVER ICELAND'S INSPIRING BEAUTY AT  
[EXPEDITIONS.COM/SEE\\_ICELAND](https://www.expeditions.com/see_iceland)





Main image: The Godafoss waterfall is one of the most spectacular waterfalls in Iceland. Insets: Black-headed gulls; Icelandic horses; Herring ladies, Maritime Museum, Siglufjörður.





*Massive iceberg on Greenland's west coast.*

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# GREENLAND NEW FRONTIERS



Local guide and replica of first Christian church, Eriksfjord, Greenland.

Mystery yields to discovery as we follow the ice edge into the Arctic's grandest wilderness. Or 'into the mystic' we could say, considering the allure Greenland has held for explorers, the ancient Vikings chief among them.

On past seasons' expeditions into these waters, we've patiently accumulated years of ice knowledge, from Lars-Eric Lindblad's early voyages to our spectacular 2013 season, ensuring our ability to hone in on and reveal the myriad wonders of Greenland's wildlife and human history to you. As Henning Thing, a Greenland specialist and member of our expedition team again this season, describes it:

*"Being part of the Greenland and Canadian Arctic expeditions in the summer of 2013 brought me back again to regions of Greenland that I have known for a long time and been in love with for just as long. I know the places—and yet I experience new things every time I come back: The narrow 100-mile fjord, Kangerlussuaq, with its impressive geology towering above the ship and illuminated by the northern light; a group of feeding humpback whales just outside Sisimiut town; Ilulissat harbor and town completely blocked by multi-year pack ice and icebergs; a fairy-tale landscape with columnar basalt in odd shapes and forms on the Disko Island coastline; the full moon rising at dusk over a calm sea filled with bluish icebergs; a jagged ridgeline bathed in orange light in the early morning near Umannaq. Impressions that are now engraved in my memory."*



# NORTHWEST PASSAGE HISTORY & BEAUTY

In 2014 we will embark on two inaugural Northwest Passage voyages, celebrating our history of Arctic exploration: in 1984 Lars-Eric Lindblad's M.S. *Lindblad Explorer* was the first passenger ship to successfully navigate the entire Northwest Passage. In anticipation of our historic departures, Sven Lindblad asked Wade Davis, acclaimed anthropologist, author, and National Geographic Explorer-In-Residence, for his personal take on the history of Northwest Passage exploration. (Wade Davis accompanied our 2013 voyage in Newfoundland.) The following is an excerpt from his essay—a riveting, and lacerating, look at the historical context of the Franklin expedition and a thrilling read. Given our space restrictions, we have included just the opening and the closing, and encourage you to find out what happens in between.



» READ THE ENTIRE ESSAY AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/DAVIS\\_FRANKLIN](http://EXPEDITIONS.COM/DAVIS_FRANKLIN)

“When Europeans first arrived in the Arctic, the Inuit took them to be gods; the British took the Inuit to be savages. Both were wrong, but one did more to dignify the human race. What the British failed to understand was that there could be no better measure of genius than the ability to survive in the Arctic with a technology limited to what could be made with ivory and bone, antler and animal skins, soapstone, slate and small bits of wood that drifted to shore as flotsam.

The Inuit did not fear the cold, they took advantage of it. Three Arctic char placed end to end, wrapped and frozen in hide, the bottom greased with the stomach content of a caribou and coated with a thin film of ice, became the runner of a

sled. A moist skin left overnight became a shovel by dawn.

Those who mimicked the ways of the native people, fur traders such as Alexander MacKenzie and Samuel Hearne, achieved great feats of exploration. Those who failed to do so, naval officers, for example, who viewed the quest for the Northwest Passage as but dangerous sport, pitting British pluck against the elements, more often than not suffered terrible deaths. Remains of John Franklin's men were found in leather traces, dragging behind them an oak and iron sledge built in Manchester and weighing several hundred pounds. On it was a dory with all the personal effects of British Naval officers, including silver dinner plates and even a copy

of the novel *The Vicar of Wakefield*. This they expected to drag across the frozen wastes several hundred miles to possible rescue. Not one of the 129 men who sailed with Franklin survived. It was the greatest disaster in the history of Arctic exploration...

...Today the fate of Franklin's ships remains unknown, the location of the wrecks uncharted and undiscovered. Indeed, it is the only Canadian national historic site that visitors cannot visit, for it is nothing more than an abstract point on a map, delimited by a 200-meter radius, an approximate place just west of King William Island where it is believed the ships went down. Like the Northwest Passage itself, the location lies in the realm of dreams





*Picturesque Buchan Gulf is an isolated, elongated Arctic fjord on Baffin Island's northeastern coast.*

and the imagination, and yet remains grounded in geopolitical reality. Canada is desperately keen to find the ships. Once located, the government will call for the landmark and all the surrounding waters to be designated a UNESCO World Heritage site, thus boosting the nation's claim that the Northwest Passage is an internal Canadian waterway, and not as the Americans and others claim, an international strait. At stake is the sovereignty of the Arctic, control of maritime traffic across the polar north, and with it ownership of the vast mineral and oil and gas resources waiting to be discovered. In a manner he could never have envisioned, John Franklin remains fully 150 years after his death very much a force to be reckoned with in the Arctic."



*Northern lights, Kangerlussuaq Fjord, Greenland; Young Inuit boy, Nunavut; L'Anse aux Meadows.*



# THE PERFECT PLATFORM

With a range of cool tools for exploring, including a fleet of Zodiacs and kayaks to get you out there on up-close, personal adventures, *National Geographic Explorer* is the perfect mobile platform for discovering all the facets of the fascinating Arctic. A range of daily activity options let you actively explore Arctic icescapes and landscapes, in the company of various interesting naturalists and guest speakers. And *Explorer's* modernist interior design, with expansive windows everywhere, plus inviting decks, keeps you connected to the Arctic's stunning vistas even when we're under-way, off to new points on our adventurous itinerary.







*Clockwise from top: Guests explore by Zodiac and don't have to worry about getting wet with this floating bridge. Kayaking is a fantastic way to explore the Arctic ice; A polar bear explores close to the ship. Left: National Geographic Explorer in Ilulissat.*



# TRAVEL WITH AN A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

Our dynamic expedition team includes scientists, naturalists and a veteran expedition leader with many years of experience exploring the polar regions. With so many experts aboard, you'll benefit from a vast collection of specialized knowledge—including marine biology, zoology, botany, geology, climate change and more. In addition, our captain and his officers, integral members of the expedition team, welcome you on the Bridge to observe the fascinating business of ship navigating.



*Here is a partial list of staff during our Arctic season: clockwise from top left: expedition leader Lisa Kelley; Arctic Greenland specialist Henning Thing; expedition leader Jen Martin; Icelandic naturalist Ragnar Hauksson; veteran polar naturalist Tom Ritchie.*

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## IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE OCEAN WHILE STAYING COMPLETELY DRY

*National Geographic Explorer* is the only expedition ship voyaging the ocean that enables guests to explore beneath its surface. Equipped with an undersea specialist/diver, undersea video technology and an ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) capable of exploring depths of up to 1,000 feet, *Explorer* provides an immersive 360° optic on even the most remote geographies, where our undersea specialists have recorded species top marine biologists have never seen before.



*National Geographic Explorer's* ROV is pressure rated to 1,000 feet below the surface of the sea and it is deployed and operated from a Zodiac. Our undersea specialists also dive with video cameras, and show us images of the deep's denizens for playback in the lounge.



# ENGAGING EXPERTS FROM DIVERSE FIELDS

The Guest Speakers in our Global Perspectives Program add relevant insight and personal experience to the expedition community. Each individual has chosen to join us, specifically to go exploring along with our staff and guests. Whether it's on walks, over cocktails or during dinner, you're sure to find mutual ground for interesting conversations. And enjoy, over the course of the voyage, the pleasure of discovering how much you have in common with so many.



## GIL GROSVENOR

Gil Grosvenor is Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Governors of National Geographic. He has served the Society since 1954 as a writer, photographer, and he is the fifth generation to serve as the Society's President. Gil was awarded the presidential Medal of Freedom in 2004.

<sup>a</sup> Northwest Passage, Newfoundland and Labrador, Aug. 19, 2014

## ANDREW EVANS

Andrew travels the globe as contributing editor at *National Geographic Traveler*, as well as National Geographic's "Digital Nomad". He is the author of *Iceland: The Bradt Travel Guide*.

<sup>a</sup> A Circumnavigation of Iceland, Jul. 12, 2014



## KIM CAMPBELL

The Right Honourable Kim Campbell served as Canada's nineteenth and first female Prime Minister; in 2004 she was included in the list of 50 most important political leaders in the *Almanac of World History* compiled by the National Geographic Society. Since leaving politics, Campbell continues to be involved in global issues, speaking widely on issues related to international politics, climate change, and Canadian/American relations. We will welcome her back aboard *National Geographic Explorer* in 2014 after joining us in 2013 aboard our *Canadian Arctic* expedition.

<sup>a</sup> Northwest Passage, Iceland and Greenland, Jul. 28, 2014

» THE RIGHT HONOURABLE KIM CAMPBELL REFLECTS ON WHAT IT'S LIKE TO EXPLORE THE CANADIAN HIGH ARCTIC AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/REFLECTIONS](http://EXPEDITIONS.COM/REFLECTIONS)





## DAVID BRAUN

David Braun a senior editor at National Geographic Digital Media, responsible for daily news, environment and science content, and he directs his popular National Geographic NewsWatch blog.

<sup>a</sup> Ice Bears, Jun. 20, 2014



## ANDREW CLARKE

Andrew is an ecologist with a lifelong interest in birds, who has spent all of his working life in the polar regions, including geological fieldwork in Svalbard.

<sup>a</sup> Ice Bears, Jun. 6 & 13, 2014



## CAPTAIN ALFRED S. MCLAREN

Captain McLaren “has probably spent more time than anyone else beneath the earth’s northern ice, measuring its thickness, probing dark waters below, investigating its life and mapping the plains, crags and fissures of its seabed,” reads *The New York Times*. Research scientist and writer, Captain McLaren received The Explorers Club’s highest honor, The Explorers Club Medal, in 2012.

<sup>a</sup> Svalbard, Iceland & Greenland, Jun. 27, 2014



## TIM SEVERIN

Explorer, filmmaker, author, and regular contributor to *National Geographic*, Tim has literally traveled the route of myth and established historic facts—from examining the origins of Jason and the Argonauts to sailing in the wake of St. Brendan. He is author of many books, including *The Viking Trilogy*.

<sup>a</sup> A Circumnavigation of Iceland, Jul. 20, 2014



## DON WALSH

Oceanographer, explorer and Honorary President of the Explorers Club, Don was awarded National Geographic’s prestigious Hubbard Medal. He has traveled to the deepest point of the ocean and has participated in dozens of polar expeditions.

<sup>a</sup> Northwest Passage, Iceland & Greenland, Jul. 28, 2014



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## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS ON BOARD

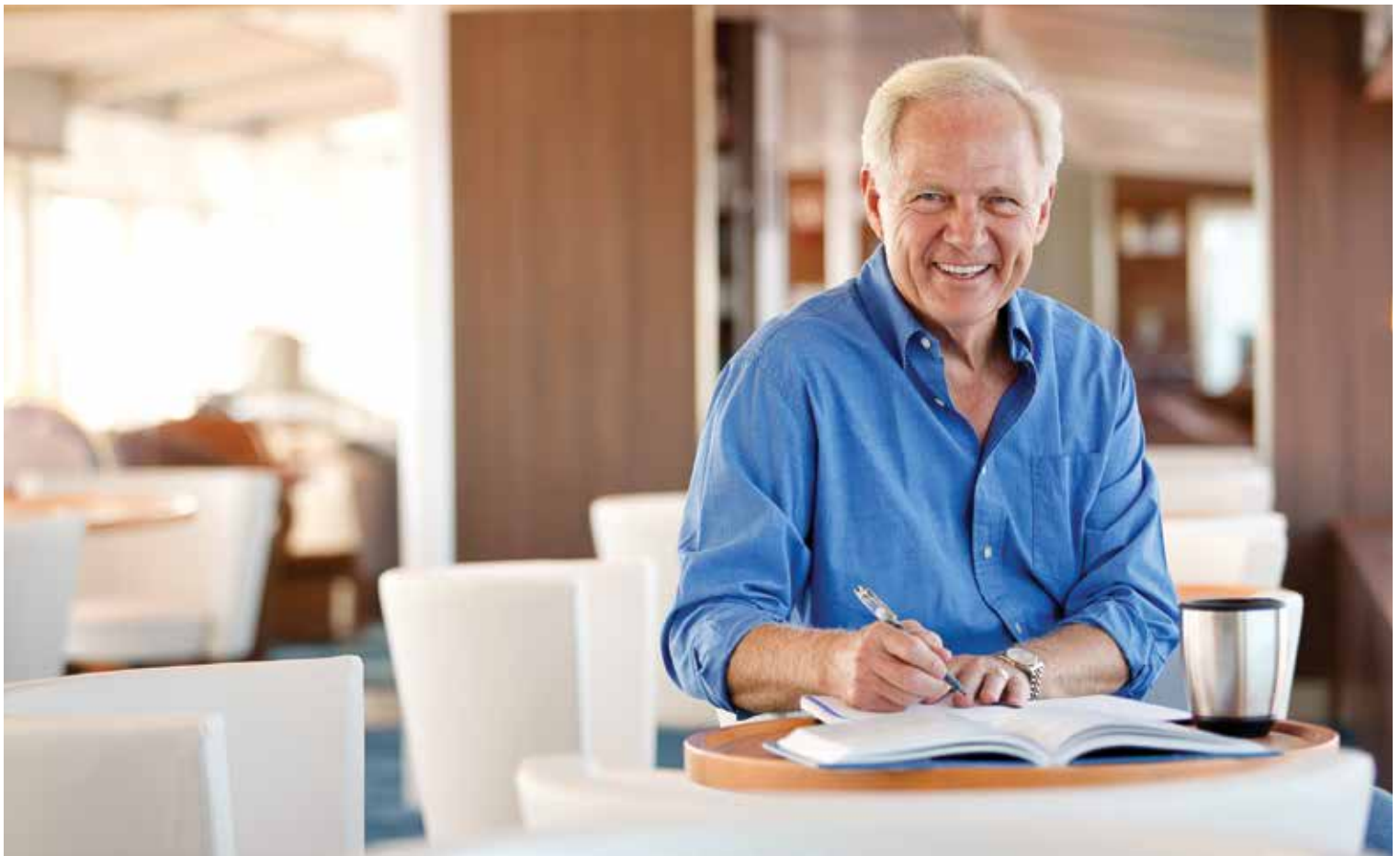
There is no clearer symbol of the everlasting connection between expedition and photography than the presence of a National Geographic Photographer aboard every *National Geographic Explorer* voyage. Travel with these top pros and you’ll pick up tips and advice in incredible field conditions. You’ll share every photo op, and you might just land some cover-worthy shots yourself.

Joining us this season are National Geographic photographers **Jay Dickman**, **Sisse Brimberg** and **Cotton Coulson**, **Dan Westergren**, and **Susan Seubert**.

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# THE LUXURY OF COMFORT

The excitement of authentic Arctic exploration plus inviting public spaces, convivial dining rooms, excellent food and cossetting private quarters—*National Geographic Explorer's* warm, hospitable interiors run counterpoint to the surrounding ice vistas. Watch polar bears from the deck, and then duck inside the nearby Chart Room for a hot chocolate. Or stay connected to outdoors in the warmth of the glass-lined Observation Lounge. Find sedentary pleasures in the Library. Or get in a workout in the fitness center, with its 'million-dollar' views.



» TO VIEW A VIDEO TOUR OF *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*, VISIT [WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGEXPLORER](http://WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGEXPLORER)



Top left: Explorer's glass-enclosed observation lounge and library have exceptional views, and a quiet place to steep yourself in the panoramic vistas or a bounty of books. Bottom left: the fitness center with panoramic views and a classic Swedish sauna make the wellness spa at the top of the ship a perfect place to end an active day.



Above: dining is an interesting and varied experience: completely casual with no assigned seating for easy mingling. Choose the windowed dining room or the more intimate bistro bar (shown). Above: the strikingly plated dishes dazzle daily, with healthy options from wholesome to indulgent. Left: our chefs serve fresh and delicious cuisine, sourced from suppliers who share our values of sustainable use whenever possible.



# LAND OF THE ICE BEARS: AN IN-DEPTH EXPLORATION OF ARCTIC SVALBARD

11 DAYS/9 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER  
PRICES FROM: \$8,990 to \$16,630 (See page 30 for complete prices.)

A high Arctic archipelago situated between Norway and the North Pole, Svalbard is a place of deep fjords, snowcapped mountains, massive sheets of ice, and magnificent polar bears. Travel under the midnight sun aboard the *National Geographic Explorer*, and experience nature in its purest form.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Search for the very symbol of the Arctic—the polar bear—and observe these majestic creatures in their natural habitat, on the sea ice.
- ▶ Take naturalist-led walks, and cruise among beautiful icebergs in a Zodiac or a kayak.
- ▶ Experience the legendary midnight sun: the ethereal light of the northern summer, when the sun never sets.
- ▶ Watch for huge walruses, bearded and ringed seals, arctic foxes, and reindeer.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



Ace spotters, our veteran expedition leader and 8 naturalists are your best assurance of seeing polar bears in their native habitat,

on the ice. Our undersea specialist will reveal the deep, and the National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor aboard will see to it that you get your shots, a Global Perspectives guest speaker will illuminate the polar region, while the video chronicler creates a lasting record of your voyage.

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

*A curious polar bear.*



**DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./OSLO, NORWAY**

Depart on an overnight flight to Oslo. Upon arrival, check into the Thon Hotel Bristol (or similar). Explore this charming city, stroll among the famed Vigeland sculptures—hundreds of life-size human figures set in terraced parkland. Visit the Fram Museum, dedicated to the wooden ship sailed by Norwegian explorers Nansen and Amundsen.

**DAY 3: OSLO/LONGYEARBYEN/EMBARK**

Depart Oslo on a charter flight, and enjoy breathtaking vistas en route to Longyearbyen. Embark *National Geographic Explorer*, your base for the next six days. (B,L,D)

**DAYS 4-9: EXPLORING SVALBARD**

This voyage is undertaken in the spirit of discovery, and our travel in the archipelago is exploratory by design. In a region ruled not by humans, but by polar bears, we let nature guide our course. Svalbard lies north of the Arctic Circle, where the summer midnight sun never sets. With our fully-stabilized ice-class expedition ship, we are able to probe the ice in search of wildlife; our exact day-to-day itinerary remains flexible, depending on local ice and weather conditions. Zodiacs and kayaks take us closer to experience the region's geologic features and the wildlife that flourish during the summer months. With our National Geographic photographer and a seasoned naturalist staff, venture to

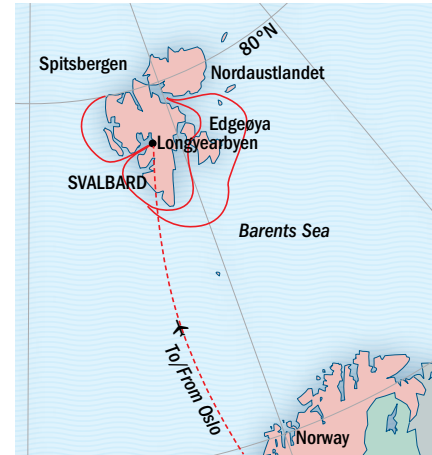
the foot of vast tidewater glaciers, kayak among sparkling icebergs, and explore fjords that split the coastline. Hike through miniature gardens blooming on the tundra; and search the edge of the pack ice for polar bears, walruses, seals, reindeer, and arctic foxes. Nowhere can the polar bear be seen more reliably in its natural environment than here. (B,L,D)



*A reindeer lopes along the tundra.*

**DAY 10: LONGYEARBYEN/DISEMBARK/OSLO**

In Longyearbyen, the largest settlement in Svalbard, disembark and enjoy time to explore. Founded by an American coal executive in 1906, this is one of the northernmost human settlements on Earth. Fly back to Oslo and overnight at the Radisson Blu Airport Hotel. (B,L)

**DAY 11: OSLO/FLY TO U.S. (B)****EXPEDITION DETAILS**

**DATES:** 2014 Jun. 6, 13, 20



*Brunnich's Guillemots*

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Travel with ecologist **Andrew Clarke** (left) (Jun. 6 & 13, 2014), or Nat Geo environmental journalist **David Braun** (Jun. 20, 2014).

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS**

**Susan Seubert** (right), an award-winning travel and editorial photographer (Jun. 13 & 20, 2014); **Sisse Brimberg** and **Cotton Coulson** (Jun. 6, 2014).



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*Exploring via Zodiac, a perfect platform for photography.*





# SVALBARD, ICELAND & GREENLAND'S EAST COAST

17 DAYS/15 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: \$13,820 to \$25,230 (See page 30 for complete prices.)

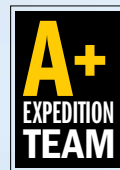
Explore three iconic and stunningly beautiful Arctic regions: the Svalbard Archipelago of Norway, and the countries of Iceland and Greenland. Go aboard the world's ultimate expedition ship, and rely on the planet's best ice team as you probe the ice edge to search for wildlife, including polar bears, 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, the polar bear capital of the planet, to observe these majestic creatures 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 soaring ice floes, exploring via ship, Zodiac, and kayak.

*A walrus flicks his huge tusks.*

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



Our unparalleled expedition team is key to an in-depth experience, and our generous staff-to-guest ratio of 1:10 means more choice in

activities, and more diverse personalities and interests you can gravitate to. An expedition leader, 8 naturalists/historians, a National Geographic photographer, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, a Global Perspectives guest speaker, an undersea specialist, a video chronicler, and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the region's wonders.

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### JUN. 27 AND 28: U.S./FLY OVERNIGHT TO 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 parkland. Visit the Fram Museum, dedicated to the wooden ship sailed by Norwegian polar explorers Nansen and Amundsen.

### JUN. 29: OSLO/LONGYEARBYEN/EMBARK

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

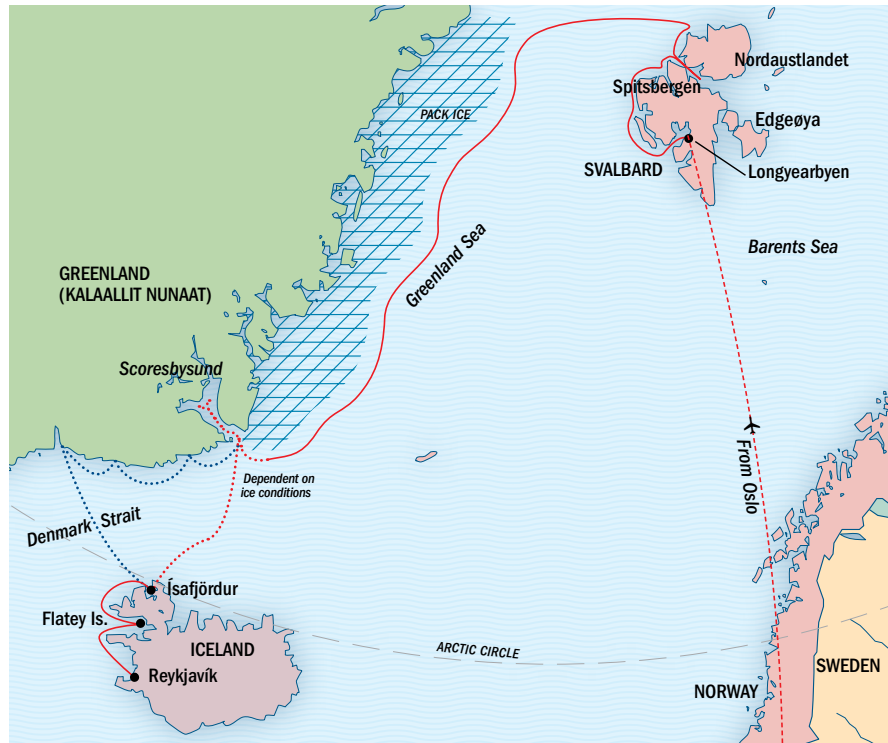


Polar bear.

### JUN. 30–JUL. 12: 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 icebergs. The undersea specialist will deploy the ROV, 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 Norway is a place of deep fjords, snowcapped mountains, and massive ice sheets. Nowhere can the polar bear be seen more reliably in its natural environment than here. 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 reliably ice-free at this time of year, as well as intriguing native villages such as Tasiilaq where Lars-Eric Lindblad took intrepid travelers dog-sledding 40 years ago.

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

### JUL. 13: 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: 2014 Jun. 27

### SPECIAL OFFER:

Book by April 30, 2014 and receive complimentary airfare (New York/Oslo, Reykjavík/New York, plus charter airfare Oslo/Longyearbyen—a \$1,900 value). See page 32 or call for details.

### OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Take a five-day pre-voyage extension to the **Norwegian Fjords**, or add a one-night post-voyage extension to **Reykjavík's Golden Circle**. Visit our website or call for details.

### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

Travel with renowned photographers Sisse Brimberg and Cotton Coulson.



Blue Lagoon, Reykjavík.



# A CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF ICELAND

10 DAYS/8 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

PRICES FROM: \$7,990 to \$15,980 (See page 30 for complete prices.)

Experience an enchanting land of geological extremes on a circumnavigation of Iceland. Encounter vast volcanic landscapes and the world's youngest island, walk on lava fields and ice sheets, and feel the power of gushing hot springs and cascading waterfalls. Cruise among magnificent icebergs in Jökulsárlón. 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 largest ice cap, and discover the lava-sculpted landscapes of the Westman Islands.
- ▶ Soak in hot springs, and see boiling mud pots and the thundering Godafoss waterfall.
- ▶ Go whale-watching and spot birdlife on the shores of Iceland and its surrounding isles.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



A circumnavigation is a rare and wonderful opportunity, in this case abetted by our veteran team: an expedition leader, 8 naturalists, several with geology expertise, and an undersea specialist. To help you capture the experience: a National Geographic certified photo instructor, and our video chronicler. Rely on our wellness specialist to help you start and end your active days well. And count on our Global Perspectives guest speaker for relevant insights.

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

*Puffin colony, Iceland.*



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

Fly overnight to Reykjavík, the world's northernmost capital. Take a guided overview of the Old Town, including Hallgrímskirkja Cathedral. Learn about Norse culture at the National Museum, whose collection includes Viking treasures, artifacts, and whalebone carvings. Embark ship. (Day 2: L,D)

## DAY 3: EXPLORING THE WEST COAST OF ICELAND

Navigate Iceland's wild western frontier, sailing past the soaring Látrabjarg cliffs, the westernmost point of Iceland and home to a huge population of razorbills. Continue to the island of Flatey, a trading post for many centuries, for walks and explorations of the coast by Zodiac. (B,L,D)

## DAY 4: ÍSAFJÖRDUR

Located in the Western Fjords, Ísafjörður is a classic landscape sculpted by past glaciers, and renowned for its traditional eiderdown production. It's a picture postcard of Icelandic life and a great place for hiking, kayaking and for spotting eider ducks. (B,L,D)



*Iceburg, Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon.*

## DAY 5: EXPLORING ICELAND'S NORTHERN COAST

Start the day in Siglufjörður, the center of Iceland's once-thriving herring industry, and stop by the Herring Museum for a talk and a tasting. Then continue on to picturesque Akureyri, Iceland's second largest city. Explore the old town, with its beautifully maintained period houses set against a backdrop of snow-capped mountains, or visit the botanical garden. (B,L,D)

## DAY 6: MÝVATN AND HÚSAVÍK

Drive to Mývatn, the most geologically active

area in Iceland. See the bubbling mud pools at Hverarönd and the volcanic crater at Viti before continuing on for an unforgettable sight: Godafoss, the "waterfall of the gods." Meet the ship in Húsavík and set sail for the tiny island of Grímsey, where we officially arrive in the Arctic Circle. (B,L,D)



*Bubbling mud pools at Hverarönd.*

## DAY 7: EXPLORING NORTHEAST ICELAND

Iceland's rugged east coast is an unspoiled stretch of rocky outcrops, hidden coves, and hills that beckon hikers. Today is left open to explore this beautiful landscape with our naturalists by Zodiac and on foot. (B,L,D)

## DAY 8: DJÚPIVOGUR

Dock in Djúpivogur to explore the vast Vatnajökull ice cap. Via small boat, get up-close and personal with the deep blue icebergs of the large ice lagoon of Jökulsárlón.

## DAY 9: WESTMAN ISLANDS

The Westman Islands were formed by undersea volcanoes between 5,000 and 10,000 years ago and are among the youngest of the world's archipelagos. In 1963, the world witnessed on film the birth of its newest island, Surtsey—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—which we'll 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 take in amazing views of areas that were engulfed by lava. (B,L,D)

## DAY 10: REYKJAVÍK/DISEMBARK/U.S.

We complete our circumnavigation and disembark in Reykjavík. Soak in the geothermal waters of the Blue Lagoon and then have lunch before your flight home. (B,L)



## EXPEDITION DETAILS

**DATE:** 2014 Jul. 12 & 20

### OPTIONAL EXTENSION

Add a one-day pre-voyage extension to see [Reykjavík's Golden Circle](#). Visit our website or call for details.

### GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS

Travel with **Andrew Evans**, author of *Iceland: The Bradt Travel Guide* (Jul. 12) or modern-day explorer **Tim Severin** (Jul. 20).

### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

Travel with renowned photographers **Sisse Brimberg** and **Cotton Coulson** on Jul. 12 or **Dan Westergren**, senior photo editor for National Geographic Traveler on Jul. 20. [Learn more at \*\*expeditions.com/photo\*\*](#)



*A photo lesson in Iceland.*



# THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE, ICELAND AND GREENLAND

25 DAYS/23 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*  
PRICES FROM: \$24,990 to \$47,990 (See page 30 for complete prices.)

For centuries the search for the Northwest Passage lured the most intrepid explorers, but it wasn't until 1906 that Roald Amundsen finally completed the first sea voyage across the Arctic Archipelago. Aboard the ice-class *National Geographic Explorer*, discover the otherworldly icescapes of the Northwest Passage that so confounded generations of adventurers. Explore the dramatic coasts of Iceland and Greenland and then spend ten days encountering rare wildlife, hardy cultures, and glorious creations of ice and rock at the top of the world.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Traverse the fabled Northwest Passage, and learn dramatic stories of explorers and adventurers who sought this magnificent, icy frontier.
- ▶ Glide between soaring icebergs at the mouth of Greenland's Ilulissat Icefjord, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- ▶ Observe polar bears, walruses, ringed seals, belugas, and with luck, narwhals.
- ▶ Visit the National Museum in Nuuk to see the 15th-century Qilakitsoq mummies featured in *National Geographic* magazine.

Guests get up close to a huge iceberg in Ilulissat, Greenland.

*I traveled to Greenland aboard Explorer this past summer. I had never been there before and was stunned by the beauty and charm of its coastline. In Ilulissat the Jacobshavn glacier flows at a rate of 100 plus feet a day, resulting in about 20 billion tons of icebergs flowing out of the fjord each year. This picture I took is one of them. They are remarkably majestic. The berg that took down the Titanic came from this glacier.*

*Sven*







# THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

24 DAYS/23 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER  
PRICES FROM: \$24,990 to \$47,990 (See page 30 for complete prices.)

Venture deep into the far reaches of the Arctic Archipelago in the footsteps of great explorers to discover the fabled Northwest Passage. Aboard the *National Geographic Explorer*, set out into an ice-sculpted world where polar bears roam, walrus loll, and hardy Inuit communities maintain their traditional way of life. Then trace the coast of Baffin Island south to discover the wild shores and colorful history of Newfoundland and Labrador.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Experience the extraordinary icescapes of the Northwest Passage, and, conditions permitting, cross the Fury and Hecla Strait, impenetrable to most ships.
- ▶ Search for polar bears, arctic foxes, and caribou on the tundra, and humpback, minke, and beluga whales out at sea.
- ▶ Wander amid the ruins of the Viking village of L'Anse aux Meadows, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- ▶ Encounter the legacy of Vikings, whalers, German missionaries, and French colonists as we explore Newfoundland and Labrador.

*Labrador's pastoral landscape.*

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



Our unparalleled expedition team is key to an in-depth experience, and our expedition staff-to-guest ratio of 1:10 means more choice in activities, and more diverse personalities and interests you can gravitate to. An expedition leader, 8 naturalists/historians, a National Geographic photographer, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, a Global Perspectives guest speaker, an undersea specialist, a video chronicler, and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the region's wonders.

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

**AUG. 19: U.S./EDMONTON, CANADA**

Fly to Edmonton and check into the Fairmont Hotel Macdonald in time for a welcome dinner. (D)

**AUG. 20: KUGLUKTUK, NUNAVUT/EMBARK**

Take a morning flight to Kugluktuk, a fishing hamlet where the *National Geographic Explorer* awaits. (B,L,D)

**AUG. 21-29: THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE**

Amundsen Gulf marks the western edge of the Arctic Archipelago, and from here, the passage continues into open sea to Alaska. We explore its ice-choked channels and glacier-carved islands—a stunning display of raw geology. We'll take our cues from nature, following wildlife, stopping for hikes, and dropping anchor in a beautiful fjord or an iceberg-strewn bay to kayak or explore by Zodiac. We may encounter ringed seals, arctic foxes, walrus, and polar bears, as well as beluga, and maybe even a bowhead and narwhal. On our way towards Baffin Island, learn about the Inuit peoples who have lived here for thousands of years. (B,L,D)

**AUG. 30-SEP. 3: BAFFIN ISLAND**

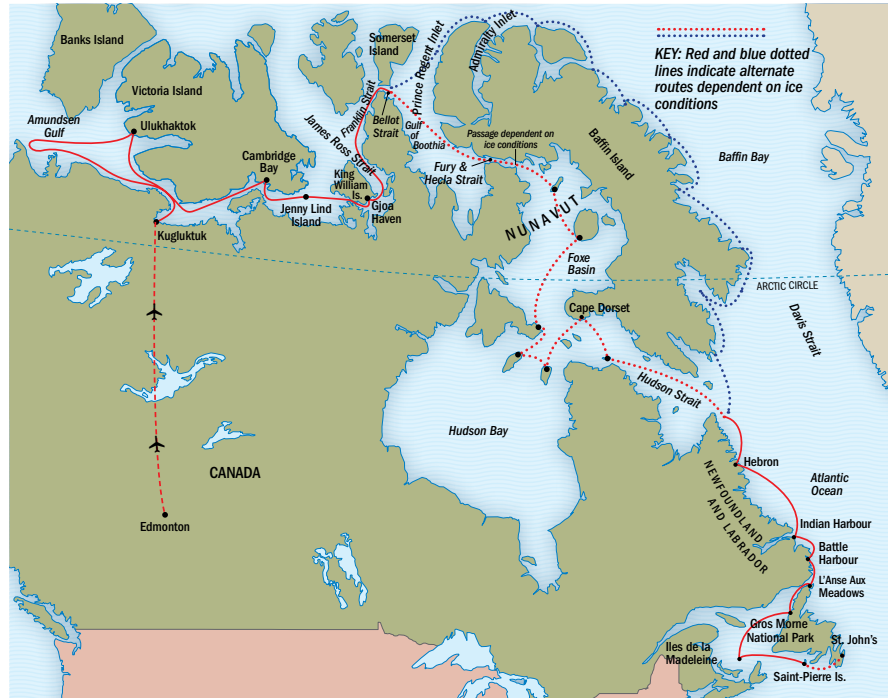
The captain and his officers will study satellite imagery to determine whether ice conditions allow us to go south or north around Baffin Island. Our sights are set on the Fury and Hecla Strait, a narrow passage so clogged with ice that most ships find it impassable. If we are able to navigate the channel, we will discover the remote islands of the Foxe Basin and Hudson Strait on foot, and by kayak and Zodiac. If the strait proves impassable, we'll round the north end of Baffin Island, where whales, birds, polar bears and opportunities to explore abound. (B,L,D)

**SEP. 4-7: EXPLORING NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR**

Voyage south along the coast, stopping at scenic Ikkudliayuk Fjord. At Hebron, see the Moravian Mission, established in the 1830s. Pass through Mugford Tickle, flanked by the 4,000-foot Kaumajet Mountains. Continue to the fishing village of Battle Harbour and visit its 18<sup>th</sup>-century whaling buildings. (B,L,D)

**SEP. 8: L'ANSE AUX MEADOWS**

The remains of an 11th-century Viking village were discovered at L'Anse aux Meadows, now



a World Heritage site. Walk among the Norse ruins and reconstructed sod huts and learn the saga of the Vikings. (B,L,D)

**SEP. 9: GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK**

Graced by cliffs, fjords, and a sweeping alpine plateau, Gros Morne National Park has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site for its spectacular geology. Take a walk with our geologist to learn about the forces that shaped this land and the ancient serpentine rock that illustrates the phenomenon of plate tectonics. (B,L,D)

**SEP. 10: ILES DE LA MADELEINE, QUEBEC**

A cluster of wispy islands isolated in the gulf of St. Lawrence, the Iles de la Madeleine are home to miles of dunes, grassy hills, and red sandstone cliffs. Local experts guide us across this landscape of caves and sea arches, while visiting colorful fishing villages and learning about Acadian culture. (B,L,D)

**SEP. 11: SAINT PIERRE ISLAND/ DISEMBARK/ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND/U.S.**

Disembark at Saint Pierre Island, France's oldest remaining overseas territory. Board our complimentary private charter flight to St. John's. Fly home. (B)

**EXPEDITION DETAILS**

**DATE:** 2014 Aug. 19

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERT**

Gil Grosvenor is Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Governors of National Geographic, and served the Society since 1954 as a writer, photographer, and president.







Upper deck cabin with balcony.

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

### THE WORLD'S ULTIMATE EXPEDITION SHIP

*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-1A Class rating on the forward hull, enabling it to navigate remote polar passages while providing exceptional comfort.

Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.	Ice Bears	Svalbard, Iceland & Greenland	Circumnavigating Iceland	NW Passages
<b>CATEGORY 1:</b> Main Deck with one or two Portholes #301-308	\$8,990	\$13,820	\$7,990	\$24,990
<b>CATEGORY 2:</b> Main Deck with Window #317-320, 335-336	\$9,590	\$14,590	\$8,690	\$26,950
<b>CATEGORY 3:</b> Main Deck with Window #313-316, 321-328, 337-340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350	\$9,960	\$15,290	\$8,990	\$27,980
<b>CATEGORY 4:</b> Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #103-104, 107-108, 201-202, 204-207, 210, 212, 217, 226, 228	\$10,560	\$16,470	\$9,790	\$29,990
<b>CATEGORY 5:</b> Upper Deck with Balcony #209, 211, 214, 216, 218, 220-222, 224	\$12,470	\$18,820	\$11,580	\$35,970
<b>CATEGORY 6:</b> Veranda Deck-Suite #101-102; Upper Deck-Suite with Balcony #213	\$14,550	\$21,960	\$13,860	\$41,390
<b>CATEGORY 7:</b> Upper Deck-Suite with Balcony #215, 219, 230	\$16,630	\$25,230	\$15,980	\$47,990
<b>CATEGORY A SOLO:</b> Main Deck with Window #309-312, 329-334	\$11,990	\$18,240	\$10,860	\$33,690
<b>CATEGORY B SOLO:</b> Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #105-106, 203, 208	\$12,460	\$19,110	\$11,240	\$34,980

**Sole occupancy:** Cabins available in Categories A and B. **Shared Accommodations:** Available in Categories 1 and 2.

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#### SAMPLE AIRFARES:

**ICE BEARS:** round-trip Newark/Oslo. Economy from: \$1,400; Bs. from \$3,900. Charter Airfare: \$725 (round-trip Oslo/Longyearbyen).

**SVALBARD, ICELAND, GREENLAND:** Newark/Oslo, Reykjavík/New York. Economy from: \$1,550; Bs. from \$4,600. Charter Airfare: \$360 (Oslo/Longyearbyen).

**A CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF ICELAND:** round-trip NY/Reykjavík/NY: Economy from \$980; Bs. from \$3,200.

**NW PASSAGE, ICELAND, GREENLAND:** New York/Reykjavík, Edmonton/Newark: Economy from \$1,750; Bs. from \$2,400. Charter Airfare: \$590 (Kugluktuk/Edmonton).

**NW PASSAGE, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR:** Newark/Edmonton, St. John's/Newark. Economy from \$700; Bs. from \$1,730. Charter Airfare: \$590 (Edmonton/Kugluktuk).



Standard bathroom.



Spacious solo cabin.



Main deck cabin with window.

All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies. Decorated in relaxing earth tones, with deluxe bedding, all cabins feature flat screen TVs with movie programming, as well as Ethernet connections and plugs for laptops or camera chargers.

**CAPACITY:** 148 guests in 81 outside cabins. **REGISTRY:** Bahamas  
**OVERALL LENGTH:** 367 feet

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Bistro bar; restaurant; chart room; global gallery; library, lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for videos and presentations; mud room with lockers for expedition gear, observation lounge and Internet café.

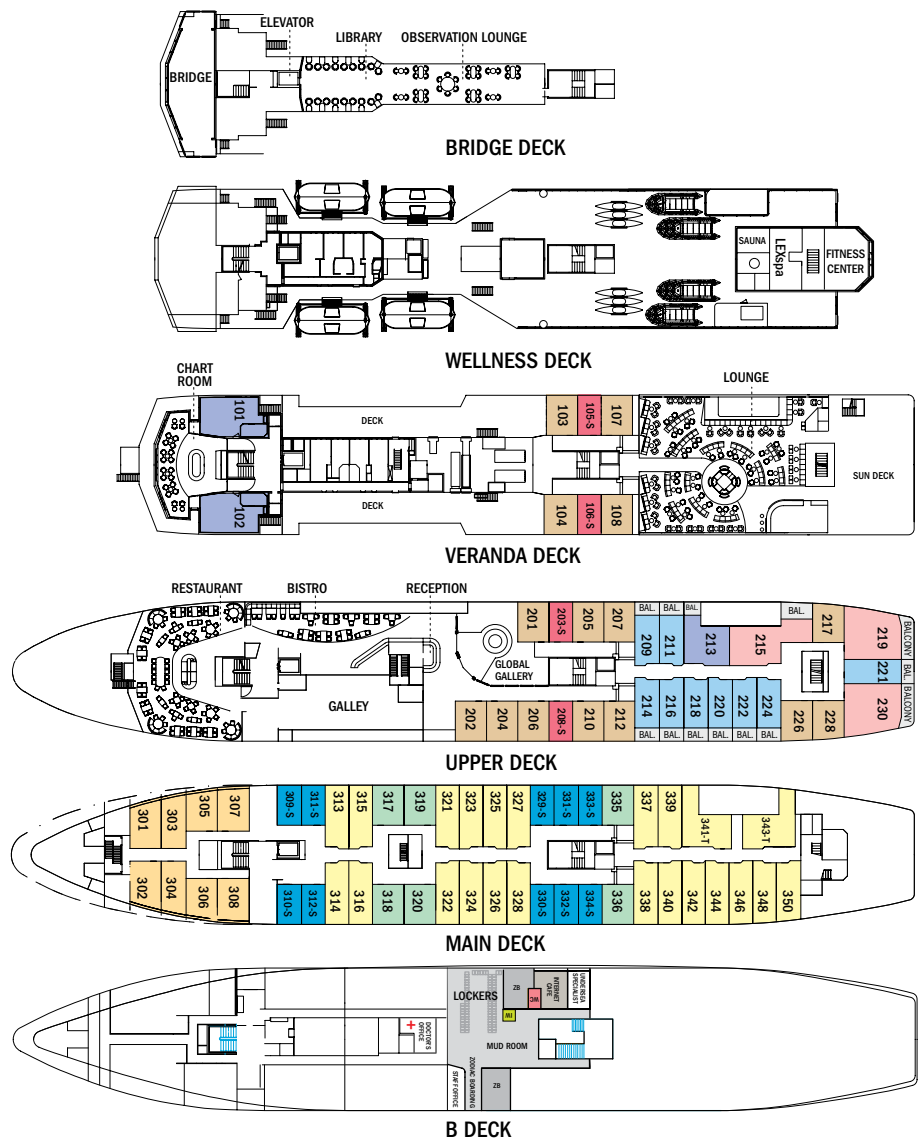
**OPEN BRIDGE:** Provides guests with an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

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

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** 13 Zodiac landing craft, 36 double kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, SplashCam, underwater video camera, crow's nest remote controlled camera, video microscope.

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

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, LEX/NG-certified photo instructor and video chronicler. Laundry service available.



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

**OUR POLICY ON COMBINING OFFERS:** If the expedition that interests you provides more than one savings opportunity (e.g. it is eligible for group and kids savings), we won't make you choose—you may combine up to two offers from any of the applicable savings offers, unless indicated otherwise.



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We include just about everything you have the opportunity to do as part of your expedition aboard ship and ashore. The only things not included are those of a personal nature—alcohol, internet usage, tips to the crew, wellness treatments and other specialized arrangements.

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- ✓ All meals and non-alcoholic beverages
- ✓ Cappuccinos, lattes & complimentary refillable water bottle
- ✓ 24-hour coffee, tea & soda on demand
- ✓ Hors d'oeuvres & snacks during lounge recap
- ✓ Sauna
- ✓ Fitness center
- ✓ Fully stocked library
- ✓ The guidance and company of our expedition staff

### ASHORE

- ✓ Meals on land, as indicated in itinerary
- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, entrance fees, port taxes
- ✓ Transfers to and from group flights
- ✓ The expertise of our expedition staff

### ACTIVITIES

- ✓ All excursions
- ✓ Zodiac & kayak explorations
- ✓ Lectures & presentations in the lounge

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**Costs Include:** All accommodations aboard ships or in hotels per itinerary or similar, all meals and nonalcoholic 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 (except to ship's crew), taxes and service charges, services of a ship physician, and services of our expedition staff.

**Not Included:** Air transportation (except where shown as included), extensions, passport, visa, immigration fees, meals not indicated, travel protection plan, items of a personal nature, such as alcoholic beverages, e-mail, voyage DVD, laundry. Gratuities to ship's crew are at your discretion.

**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 of \$1,000 (or \$3,000 for the Northwest Passage voyages) is required at the time of reservation. Holiday departure dates and 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.

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**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.

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### CANCELLATION POLICY

#### FOR EXPEDITIONS 8 NIGHTS OR FEWER

Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start	Per Person Cancellation Fee
90 or more days	\$150*
89-60 days	Advance payment cost
59-30 days	50% of trip cost
29-0 days	No refund

#### FOR EXPEDITIONS 9 NIGHTS OR MORE

Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start	Per Person Cancellation Fee
120 or more days	\$150*
119-90 days	Advance payment cost
89-60 days	25% of trip cost
59-30 days	50% of trip cost
29-0 days	No refund

\*\$150 will be rewarded in the form of a Lindblad Expeditions Travel Certificate.

#### FOR EXPEDITIONS ABOARD 2015 EXPLORER

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

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- » “Best Adventure Cruise” by Forbes.com, 2009
- » Climate Champion Award to Sven Lindblad by Clean Air-Cool Planet, 2009
- » Condé Nast Traveler “Gold List”, 2013, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005
- » Conservation Achievement Award for Corporate Achievement from National Wildlife Federation, 2008
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