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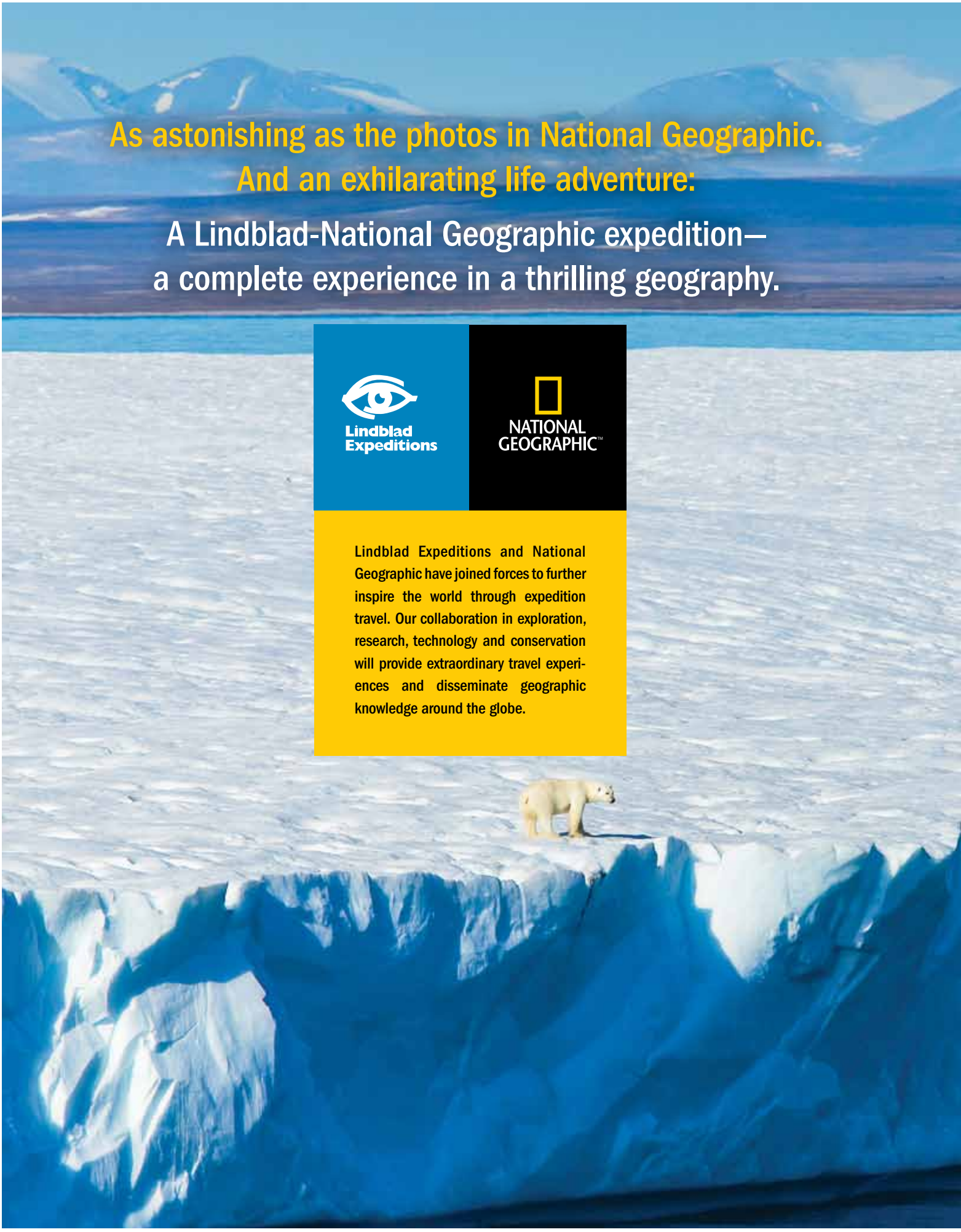
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Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic have joined forces to further inspire the world through expedition travel. Our collaboration in exploration, research, technology and conservation will provide extraordinary travel experiences and disseminate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

Dear Traveler,



Standing on a windswept section of the Greenland Icecap, with it all concluding on August 25, I reflected on what had transpired on our voyage to the Canadian and Greenland Arctic.

We'd seen 61 polar bears in all: lone males, mothers with cubs, and brothers. A few were on land, but most were on the sea ice where they should be, building their fat reserves for the winter. At one point we had three bears right under the bow inspecting the *National Geographic Explorer* with a curiosity not expected from a wild animal that is still hunted. That encounter lasted hours—they jumped, played, rolled about and napped to the absolute delight of the guests lining the deck railing. If I had had one wish, it would have been to understand what they were thinking.

BEAUTY, WILDNESS AND THE SELDOM SEEN

It was just one of many remarkable encounters with all kind of Arctic animals and terrain. Except for the few villages we visited, we had the privilege of not seeing other humans for two weeks.

We all felt like explorers—on our own Arctic Quest, seeking to see and learn whatever we could about these remote lands.

EXHILARATING!

The uplift, the tonic feeling we experienced is by no means confined to the Arctic; it occurs in every geography we explore, whether the focus is wildness, history, or culture, because of the way we experience them.

We are in this together—you, us, National Geographic. We're in a 'New Age of Exploration' where there is so much still to discover, with an imperative to use these experiences to help us face the challenges and opportunities of a rapidly-changing world.

I think you'll find a wealth of ideas and inspiration in these pages. And on behalf of our far-ranging expedition teams, we look forward to sharing the adventure of discovering them with you.

All the best,



Sven-Olof Lindblad

Cover photo: "Circle of Love" by Jill Wharton, Australian winner of the Orion Expedition (now Lindblad Expeditions) 2013 Photo Contest. Taken at Camp Leakey, Borneo in 2012, it was unanimously selected over 1,100 other entries. See page 99 for more details. This page: Polar Bear on tabular iceberg, Baffin Island, Arctic Canada. © Ralph Lee Hopkins.

VIDEO PREVIEW HOW-TO!

These black and white squares are your link to adventure. Called 'QR Codes,' they enable your smartphone to play a video anywhere they appear. Check pages 12-100 for tags!



1. Go to your smartphone's app store and search for 'QR readers.'
2. Download the free mobile app.
3. Using the app, snap or scan any tag and your browser will take you to a video. Enjoy; exploring by video is fun!



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2014 Expedition Calendar

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Upper Amazon: Exploring Peru's Pacaya-Samiria Reserve	18	10	Delfin II
The Upper Amazon + Galápagos	19	20	Delfin II
The Upper Amazon + Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca	20	17	Delfin II
Buenos Aires, Rio and Brazil's Wild Coast	22	18	NG Explorer
Patagonia: Argentina & The Chilean Fjords	24	20	NG Explorer
POLAR REGIONS			
Antarctica	30	14	NG Explorer
Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falklands	32	24	NG Explorer* & NG Orion†
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Svalbard, Iceland and Greenland's East Coast	42	17	NG Explorer
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Whales & Wildness: Spring in the Sea of Cortez	97	8	NG Sea Bird/Lion
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Exploring the British and Irish Isles	72	15	NG Explorer
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Turkey & Greece: A Sailing Odyssey	76	10	Sea Cloud
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Exploring Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu, the Solomons & the Great Barrier Reef	120	25	NG Orion
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Wild Encounters from Borneo to Bali	86	13	NG Orion
Indonesian Odyssey: Bali to the Great Barrier Reef	88	20	NG Orion
Exploring the Coral Sea: Papua New Guinea to Fiji	90	16	NG Orion
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"Explore the World" Sweepstakes Celebrating 30 years of Jeopardy!



Alex Trebek delivering clues from the Galápagos.

After teaming up with Alex Trebek and the Jeopardy! Clue Crew to bring clues from all over the world to America's Favorite Quiz Show®, we are delighted to help celebrate Jeopardy!'s 30th Anniversary this year with the "Explore the World" Sweepstakes!

This television season, 30 lucky Jeopardy! viewers will win the experience of a lifetime: accommodations on a Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic voyage, round-trip airfare from their home city, and $1,000!

To enter, all you have to do is watch Jeopardy! during the Sweepstakes periods this Fall, Winter and Spring. Then, go to **www.jeopardy.com** for more details on how to join in for your chance to win a voyage with us.

And if you book an expedition, and then find yourself a Sweepstakes winner—don't worry, we'll honor your win and refund your deposit.





Clue Crew members Sarah Whitcomb Foss (top), Kelly Miyahara, and Jimmy McGuire bring clues to life from around the world aboard Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic voyages.

A chance to win a different expedition every day!

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For the 25 years that I hosted the National Geographic Bee, I was often asked, "Why is a knowledge of geography important today?"

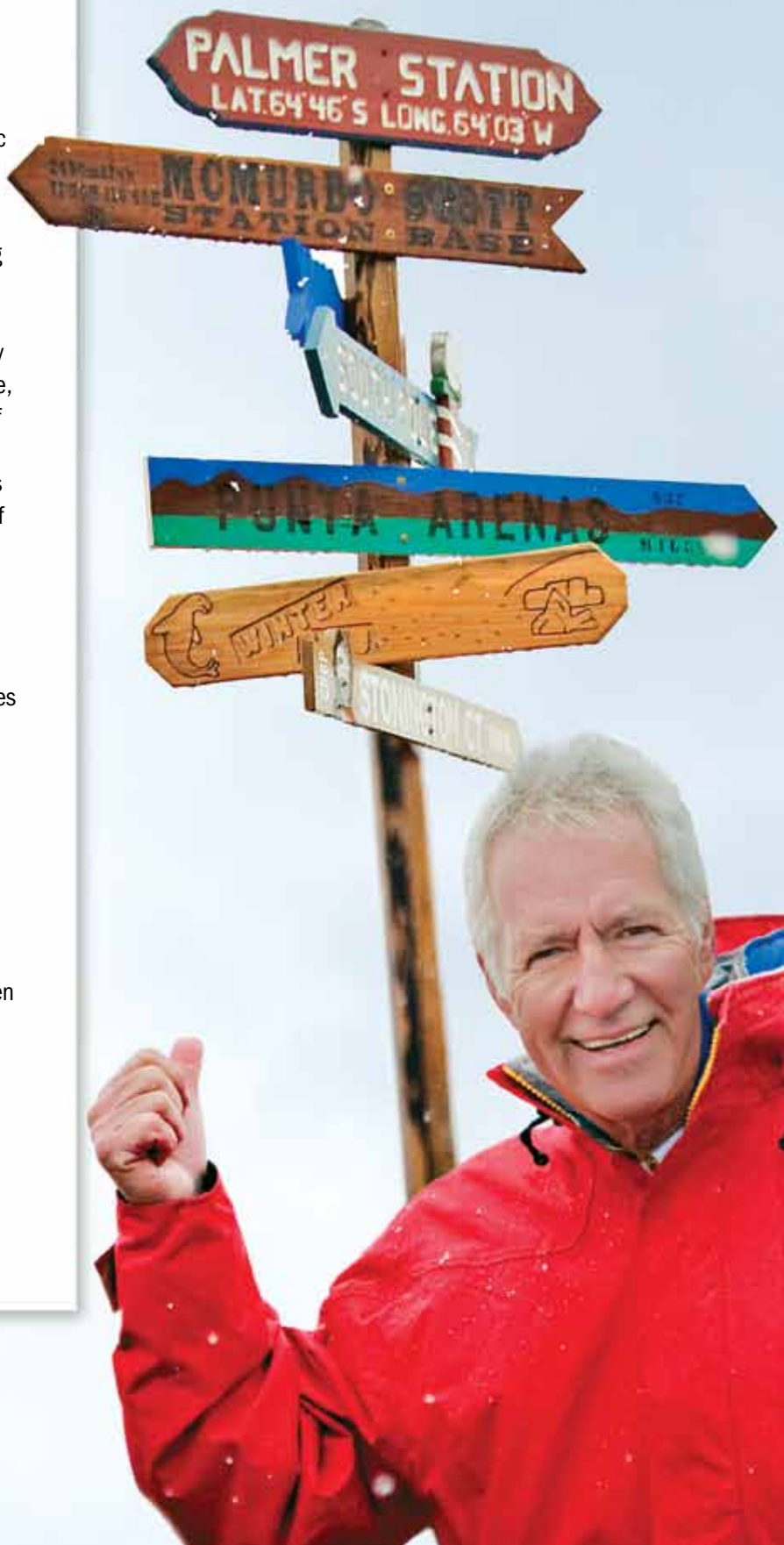
That's a no-brainer. Geography is an all-encompassing study of the world. It teaches us not only about how the world was formed, but also how life—all kinds of life–came to be. It shows us how civilizations grew, why they developed in certain places rather than elsewhere, how economics and religion played their parts in all of that. In short, geography provides us with a wealth of information that, when used properly, can only help us become better citizens of the world, more accepting of other people and their cultures.

But geography does much more than that. Through my travels around the world, I have never ceased to marvel at the awe-inspiring wonders I have seen, natural as well as man-made. There are so many places and experiences that just take your breath away. And, if you are travelling as part of a Lindblad-National Geographic expedition, you are treated not only to the sights and sounds of these wonderful places but also to enlightening information from experienced guides and experts who are able to broaden your knowledge in most entertaining ways and arouse your curiosity, and when that happens...the expedition ships all have great libraries for extra research. Finally, if you are travelling with your family, perhaps the biggest plus of all is that you have to unpack just once.


Alex Trebek and his wife Jean.

Alex Trebek

—Host, *Jeopardy!*



"We believe that the 21st century will be the

In 2013 National Geographic kicked off a year of celebration to honor the 125th Anniversary of the Society and to usher in "A New Age of Exploration." Together with our guests, we've spent the past nine months celebrating this historic milestone aboard the far-ranging ships of the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet, sharing adventures with National Geographic photographers, writers, explorers and scientists, some of whom have produced, or are in the process of producing, books, magazine stories, films, and scientific research, using our ships as basecamps.



The founders of the National Geographic Society were driven by the desire for knowledge *and* a thirst for adventure—the same desires that drove Lars-Eric Lindblad to pioneer expedition travel in the 60s, and that compel our guests and expedition teams today. However today, because much of the planet is changing, and the need to find solutions to global challenges is ever more vital, we, explorers of this new age, find ourselves driven, perhaps, by an even deeper purpose: to understand the natural world that sustains us. In doing so, we'll better understand what John Fahey, National Geographic Chairman and CEO describes as *"the intersection of humanity's boundless and understandable desire to consume and the Earth's limited capacity to give."*



There are discoveries still to be made that will make exploring in 2014 and beyond the most exhilarating adventure yet. Together with National Geographic, we embrace the notion that "to know the world is to change it." And to that end, our expedition style of travel fosters richly rewarding experiences through ***exploration***, ***engagement*** and ***education***.

We hope this issue of *Explorations* inspires you to a new era in your own travels—to seek knowledge and adventure worldwide with us.



Top: Ten weeks, 14 countries, and ten thousand miles later, National Geographic's digital nomad Andrew Evans ends his epic Bus2Antarctica journey aboard National Geographic Explorer*; Middle: Greg Marshall and a member of his Remote Imaging team deploy a National Geographic Crittercam on a leopard seal in Antarctica; Bottom: National Geographic photographer Paul Nicklen dives in Arctic Svalbard.*

greatest age of exploration yet..."

—National Geographic Annual Report 2012



Guests disembark onto a frozen sea from a skillfully "parked" Explorer.

"To know the world is to change it."

—National Geographic Society motto

Guests who choose to explore Galápagos with us have an extraordinary experience. They have rewarding, up-close encounters with the incredible wildlife of the islands on daily explorations: walking and hiking, kayaking, cruising the islands' varied, volcanic shorelines in Zodiacs, plus snorkeling and swimming, often with an entourage of playful sea lions or sea turtles. They share the adventure with an engaging, expert expedition team, and interesting, like-minded others, often with lasting friendships as a consequence. *And they change the world.*

Since 1997, we have invited our guests to join us in far-reaching conservation efforts—raising $5.8 million to date for invasive species eradication, education and scientific initiatives. Currently, we raise money through the Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic (LEX-NG) Fund for Galápagos that contributes 100% of the donations received. The LEX-NG Fund is well-respected in the regions we explore, and foundations such as the Helmsley Charitable Trust have joined us, providing large grants to tackle the biggest challenges facing the archipelago. Here are some of the projects of the LEX-NG Fund for Galápagos, among the many that have earned us *Condé Nast Traveler's* 2013 World Savers Award for Doing It All.



Pacific green turtle, Chelonia mydas.



Left: CDF scientist Patricia Jaramillo studying a plant sample for the Datazone collections. Below: Clovis Patino etching glasses like those shown below.

GALÁPAGOS SCIENCE COMMONS (DATAZONE)

Need timely accurate scientific info on Galápagos? "Datazone it." The Galápagos Science Commons was set up to collect scientific information by the Charles Darwin Foundation (CDF) at www.darwinfoundation.org/datazone, where information is available in both Spanish and English. With financial support from the Lindblad-National Geographic (LEX-NG) Fund, advances have been implemented: the CDF can now make information on species data, origin, IUCN Status, as well as distribution (powered by Google Maps) easily accessible—with new data added daily and close to 10,000 species entries now stored online. Galápagos subscription-based scientific research articles are now available via a no-cost, online journal. Now, Ecuadorian teachers, children, naturalist guides and the local public, as well as the global audience can search and download hundreds of scientific publications for free.

SEA TURTLE MONITORING

Have you ever snorkeled in a cloud of sea turtles drifting on currents like a dream? Galápagos is the second most important nesting place in the entire Eastern Pacific for the Pacific green turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), a species of global concern for decades. Our guest contributions to the LEX-NG Fund support a collaboration between the Charles Darwin Foundation and the Galápagos National Park to obtain breeding, hatching and philopatry (return to place of hatching) information to guide the Galápagos Marine Reserve's management strategies. Dr. Lynn Fowler, a senior Lindblad expedition leader, aids in sea turtle monitoring—performing a bi-monthly count from Zodiacs along a set transect on *National Geographic Islander*'s itinerary, aided by willing guests (video link below.) Another example of how Lindblad-National Geographic ships act as "eyes and ears" for researchers and scientists in remote, hard-to-access geographies.

» SEE A CLIP OF LYNN & GUESTS COUNTING SEA TURTLES AT WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/TURTLECOUNT



THE ARTISAN FUND

How much would you pay for garbage? And where might you wear it? Galápagos, consisting largely of National Park with a small human population, faces challenges including refuse, and economic stimulation without endangering the eco-system. The LEX-NG Artisan Fund provides a simple solution: an adaptive reuse art curricula within the local school systems, and for adult artisans in the communities. Under the tutelage of an American master glassmaker, brought in by Lindblad, Galápagos artisans learned to transform discarded bottles and glass waste into jewelry, glassware and art objects which are sold to the local tourist market, restaurants and hotels, and on our ships—in effect, inspiring visitors to pay to take home their own garbage.

The program was extended to include paper reuse, to the same effect. All profits (Lindblad earmarks 5% of all sales aboard our ships, matched by the LEX-NG Fund) are funneled back into the community to support additional training and development of local artisans. To date, the training program has spawned two highly successful artisans whose earnings are enabling them to expand, build studios and employ others.



GALÁPAGOS

10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR* AND *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ISLANDER*

PRICES FROM: $4,990 to $11,910 (See pages 108-111 for complete prices.)

The Galápagos Archipelago, Darwin's living laboratory, is home to an abundance of wildlife. Isolated from the mainland for millions of years, it is that rare wilderness where animals have no instinctive fear of humans. Traveling aboard the comfortable *National Geographic Endeavour* or *National Geographic Islander*, experience up-close encounters with unique species such as flightless cormorants, marine iguanas, and domed giant tortoises.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Snorkel amid shimmering fish, sea turtles, penguins, and playful sea lions.**
- **Cruise to pristine islands, and walk among colonies of animals and birds unfazed by your presence.**
- **Observe rare giant tortoises in the wild.**
- **Explore the waters of the Galápagos by kayak or Zodiac.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

40+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

In the nearly 50 years we've been exploring Galápagos, we've introduced generations of travelers to its magic and mystery. We're committed to Galápagos; and have raised millions, along with our guests, for its conservation. And we're fully invested, too; the only U.S. company that owns and operates two ships, based there year-round. An expedition leader, our team of naturalists, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, undersea specialist, wellness specialist, and video chronicler all contribute to your experience of the wonders of Galápagos.

Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.



Capturing wildlife in Galápagos is easy for photographers at every level.

DAY 1: U.S./GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR
Depart for Guayaquil and upon arrival, transfer to the Hotel Hilton Colón.

DAY 2: GUAYAQUIL/GALÁPAGOS
This morning, fly to the Galápagos Islands and board *National Geographic Endeavour* or *National Geographic Islander*. After lunch, we begin our exploration of the islands and their diverse wildlife. (B,L,D)

DAYS 3–8: EXPLORING THE GALÁPAGOS
Listed below is a sample of the islands we may visit during our expedition.* (B,L,D Daily)

ISLA BARTOLOMÉ
Walk to the top of Bartolomé's volcanic cone for a stunning view of Pinnacle Rock and the surrounding beaches. After the hike, immerse yourself among schools of multicolored reef fish. You may also have the opportunity to swim with Galápagos penguins.

ISLA SANTIAGO
Hike through a beautiful *Palo Santo* forest, explore a hidden lagoon. Follow a path along a series of tide pools and underwater caverns in search of Galápagos fur seals, marine iguanas, sea lions, shore birds, and Sally Lightfoot crabs.

ISLA SANTA CRUZ
Santa Cruz is home to the Charles Darwin Research station; learn about the science done here and visit the neighboring captive breeding program for endangered species of Galápagos giant tortoises, run jointly with the Galápagos National Park Service. Later, travel into the highlands where wild tortoise forage to observe and photograph these tortoises in the wild.

ISLA ISABELA
Explore the largest island in the group, home to enormous marine iguanas, abundant sea turtles, the only species of flightless cormorant in the world and the only penguin species that inhabits the equator. Cruise by Zodiac and hike against the backdrop of giant shield volcanoes, and snorkel in the cool, rich waters that often draw whales and dolphins to the area.

ISLA FLOREANA
Take a pre-breakfast hike to a turtle nesting beach and a lagoon home to flamingos and other bird species. At Champion Islet, snorkel among sea lions, or peer into an underwater world in a glass-bottom boat (*Endeavour* only) while keeping an eye out for the endangered Floreana mockingbird. Visit Post Office Bay, founded by whalers in the 18th century—if you see a letter addressed to someone who lives near you, the tradition is to deliver it by hand.

ISLA FERNANDINA
Discover the marine iguana haven of Punta Espinoza as we hike over lava flows. Galápagos hawks, sea lion nurseries, and the rare Galápagos flightless cormorant will be found as we explore this island. Snorkel among sea turtles, penguins and occasional marine iguanas.


Guests kayaking.

ISLA ESPAÑOLA
See swallow-tailed gulls, Española mockingbirds and boobies, on this birder's paradise. Walk among vivid green and red marine iguanas and lava lizards, and observe sea lions up close on a pristine white-sand beach.

DAY 9: GALÁPAGOS/GUAYAQUIL
After breakfast, disembark the ship and fly to Guayaquil. The evening is at your leisure at the Hotel Hilton Colón. (B)

DAY 10: GUAYAQUIL/U.S.
Depart Guayaquil this morning, arriving home the same day. (B)

** Please note: Itineraries vary from week to week, subject to the Galápagos National Park regulations. Each itinerary will include Isla Santa Cruz and a selection of the other stops listed on these pages.*



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2013 & 2014: Expeditions depart every Friday on the *National Geographic Endeavour* and every Saturday on the *National Geographic Islander*. Call for 2015 dates & prices.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS
Combine your Galápagos expedition with a voyage to the Upper Amazon or Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca. Or make the most of your time in the region by combining all three expeditions. Visit our website for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS



Travel with National Geographic Photographers **Massimo Bassano** (right) on Feb. 21 and 28 departures, and **Annie Griffiths** on Jun. 20 and 27, 2014 departures aboard *National Geographic Endeavour*.


Blue-footed boobies.

Use your smartphone to watch our Galápagos video. See pg. 2 for details.

GALÁPAGOS + MACHU PICCHU & PERU'S LAND OF THE INCA

16 DAYS/15 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR* AND *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ISLANDER*

PRICES FROM: $9,580 to $18,300 (See pages 108-111 for complete prices.)

As magnificent as the Galápagos Islands are for wildlife, so is Peru from a historical and archaeological perspective. Take advantage of Peru's proximity to the Galápagos and journey from the islands to Lima. Then expert guides join you for an exploration of the Sacred Valley of the Inca, the majesty of Machu Picchu and the winding colonial streets of Cusco.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Walk and snorkel among the abundant and fearless wildlife of Galápagos.**
- **See daybreak over the ruins at Machu Picchu from the fabled Sun Gate.**
- **Discover Cusco's varied influences and visit the Sacred Valley of the Inca.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

This expedition has been developed with the insight and depth we've obtained from decades in the region, and the quality of our veteran Galápagos staff extends into our Machu Picchu & Peru program. Your Peruvian expedition team will be of the same caliber as those on our ships—a team of local experts with in-depth knowledge of Peru's rich Inca heritage, unique cuisine, and distinct geography.

The Inca city of Machu Picchu.



DAYS 1-8: AS PER GALÁPAGOS ITINERARY ON PAGES 12-13.

DAY 9: GALÁPAGOS/GUAYAQUIL/ LIMA, PERU

Depart Galápagos this morning and fly to Lima, Peru via Guayaquil, arriving in the evening. Overnight at the conveniently located Costa del Sol Ramada Hotel. (B,L)

DAY 10: LIMA/CUSCO/SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCA

This morning fly from Lima to Cusco and drive to Awanacancha, a farm where South American llamas and alpacas are bred. Enjoy an afternoon lecture by Peter Frost. Check into the Sol y Luna Hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCA

Peter Frost will join us as we visit the massive Inca fortress of Ollantaytambo. Then attend a traditional weaving demonstration by National Geographic grantee Nilda Callañaupa. Enjoy an outdoor lunch with a Paso horse demonstration. In the afternoon, you can choose from horseback riding or a spa treatment at an additional cost. Or, join a visit to a local pottery studio, featuring ceramics made with ancient Peruvian techniques and designs. After dinner, enjoy a folkloric dance performance. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: SACRED VALLEY/MACHU PICCHU

At Machu Picchu, we'll have a guided visit to the site and then overnight at the 31-room Orient Express Sanctuary Lodge. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: MACHU PICCHU/CUSCO

Early morning, hike to the Sun Gate, the ancient final checkpoint to Machu Picchu, and watch day break over the quiet ruins. The morning is free to explore. After a train and bus ride we arrive in Cusco in the late afternoon for two nights at the Orient Express Monasterio Hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: CUSCO

Explore the Inca Empire's capital city of Cusco and visit the vast Sacsayhuamán Fortress. The afternoon is open to stroll around the city. Relax, shop or visit one of the museums or convents including the magnificent 17th-century cathedral and convent of Koricancha. Dinner is on your own. This evening, experience the music of the Andes at a presentation of indigenous instruments. (B,L)

DAY 15: CUSCO/LIMA

Return to Lima and visit the Larco Herrera Museum and stroll the Plaza Mayor. Lunch is traditional Latin American style. Dinner is on your own. Overnight at Miraflores Park Hotel. (B,L)

DAY 16: LIMA/U.S. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: Year-round, weekly departures following Galápagos aboard *National Geographic Endeavour* and *National Geographic Islander*.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Take advantage of your proximity—extend this **Galápagos + Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca** journey with the **Upper Amazon** expedition. Visit our website for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SPEAKER



Spend time with National Geographic historian **Peter Frost** on our 2013 & 2014 departures.



Peruvian woman.



Cathedral at Plaza de Armas square, Cusco.

MACHU PICCHU & PERU'S LAND OF THE INCA

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

PRICES FROM: 2013: $4,790 per person double occupancy; $5,890 sole occupancy.
2014: $4,990 per person double occupancy; $6,190 sole occupancy.

We spend a week in Peru. Occasionally people ask, "why so long when the highlight is Machu Picchu?" The fact is that there is so much more in Peru, which you'll see when you read the itinerary. You'll spend your time in the company of expert guides exploring Peru's wonders—ancient, colonial and contemporary.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **See daybreak over the ruins at Machu Picchu from the fabled Sun Gate.**
- **Discover Cusco's rich heritage and visit the Sacred Valley of the Inca.**
- **Explore the massive Inca stone fortress of Ollantaytambo.**
- **Stroll colorful markets, explore early cathedrals and hear local musicians.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

For the 30 years we've been exploring here, we've highlighted how Inca cultural heritage influences contemporary life in Peru. This expedition has been developed with the insight and depth we've obtained from decades in the region. You can be assured that the exhaustive attention to detail that goes into all our ship-based expeditions has gone into planning this exhilarating land journey. Your Peruvian expedition team will be of the same caliber as those on our ships. And your accommodations have been carefully chosen for their location, ambiance, and comfort.



Main Plaza at Machu Picchu.

DAY 1: U.S./LIMA, PERU
Depart the U.S. and arrive in Lima by late evening.

DAY 2: LIMA/CUSCO/SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCA
This morning fly from Lima to Cusco and drive to Awanacancha, where llamas, alpacas, vicuñas, and guanacos are bred. Attend an afternoon talk by Peter Frost. Check into the Sol y Luna Hotel. (B,L,D)


Llama overlooking Incan ruins.

DAY 3: SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCA
Peter Frost will join us as we visit the massive Inca stone fortress of Ollantaytambo. Then attend a traditional weaving demonstration by National Geographic grantee Nilda Callañaupa. Enjoy an outdoor lunch with a Paso horse demonstration. In the afternoon, you can choose from horseback riding or a spa treatment at an additional cost. Or, join a visit to a local pottery studio, featuring ceramics made with ancient Peruvian techniques and designs. After dinner, enjoy a folkloric dance performance. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: SACRED VALLEY/MACHU PICCHU
Continue from the valley to Machu Picchu for a guided visit, then stay overnight at the 31-room Orient Express Sanctuary Lodge. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: MACHU PICCHU/CUSCO
In the early morning, hike to the Sun Gate, the ancient final checkpoint to Machu Picchu, and watch day break over the quiet ruins. After a train and bus ride we arrive in Cusco for two nights at the Orient Express Monasterio Hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: CUSCO
Explore the Inca Empire's capital city of Cusco and visit the vast Sacsayhuamán Fortress. The afternoon is open to stroll around the city. Visit one of the museums or convents including the magnificent 17th-century cathedral and convent of Koricancha. This evening, experience the music of the Andes at a presentation of indigenous instruments. Dinner is on your own. (B,L)

DAY 7: CUSCO/LIMA
Return to Lima and visit the Larco Herrera Museum and stroll the Plaza Mayor. Lunch is traditional Latin American style. Dinner is on your own. Overnight at Miraflores Park Hotel. (B,L)

DAY 8: LIMA/U.S. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca departs weekly, year-round.

EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE
Take advantage of your proximity—extend this Peru journey with a Galápagos expedition or combine it with the Upper Amazon expedition. Please call for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SPEAKER
Spend time with National Geographic historian **Peter Frost** on our 2013 and 2014 departures.




Local girls in Cusco.

UPPER AMAZON

10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS—ABOARD *DELFIN II*

PRICES FROM: $5,870 to $6,990 (See page 116 for complete details.)

Voyage to the headwaters of the mighty Amazon in the heart of Peru's rain forest aboard the elegant riverboat *Delfin II*. Slip through an intricate network of jungle waterways in a skiff or kayak, spotting various types of bird species, as well as caimans, tamarins, and sloths. Skim past massive lily pads, peer up at towering ceiba trees, and witness glorious sunsets on the still waters of the Amazon River basin.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Explore the tannin-rich lakes of the flooded forest of Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve with a team of experienced naturalists.**
- **Spot legendary wildlife of the Amazon, including pink and gray dolphins, monk saki monkeys, piranhas, and scarlet macaws.**
- **Get acquainted with native *ribereños* on a visit to a community on the river's edge.**
- **Gaze at the wilderness from the comfort of the *Delfin II*, and enjoy delicious, local meals prepared by our onboard chef.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

We have conducted numerous Amazon expeditions in our history, and launched our first voyage aboard the beautiful, 28-guest *Delfin II* in August 2010. In order to provide expedition leadership in this pristine region, we tapped our tenured expedition leaders and our Lindblad-National Geographic certified photographers to lead our Amazon voyages, providing our guests with the same in-depth interpretation they find on our other expeditions. Our veteran team is highly knowledgeable about this locale, and trained to illuminate all the discoveries you'll make.

Delfin II *at sunrise over the River of Mirrors.*

DAY 1: U.S./LIMA, PERU

Arrive in Lima in the late evening and transfer to our conveniently located hotel, Costa del Sol Ramada.

DAY 2: LIMA/IQUITOS/NAUTA

Enjoy a morning tour of Lima, then fly to Iquitos and continue overland to the riverside village of Nauta, where the *Delfin II* awaits. Settle into your cabin, and gather for a welcome dinner of fine Peruvian cuisine on board. Tonight, step out on deck to gaze at the magnificent Amazon night sky. (B,L,D)

DAYS 3–8: PACAYA-SAMIRIA NATIONAL RESERVE

Spend this week exploring the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve, a pristine swath of jungle—one of the largest in South America—stretching more than five million acres, and harboring some of the Amazon's most fascinating flora and fauna. Bordered by the Marañón and the Ucayali, two powerful rivers that converge to create the famed Amazon, which floods annually with nutrient-rich waters and is known locally as the Mirrored Forest for the reflections created by its glassy water.

Set out into this remarkable wilderness on daily excursions by skiff, kayak, and, when the water level permits, hikes on terra firma. Skim past giant lily pads afloat on tannin-rich lakes, and venture deep into the rain forest on narrow tributaries. Spot sloths and monkeys, including variably colored saddleback tamarins, noisy howlers, and shaggy-tailed monk saki monkeys. Watch for an astounding variety of birds, from tanagers and hummingbirds to parrots and endangered scarlet macaws.

Enjoy an opportunity to swim in a lake in the reserve's interior. Seek out *victoria amazonica*, a giant water lily that grows in small lagoons. Go on a bird-watching hike, listening for the vocal oropendola and then looking for its telltale yellow tail. Listen to a cacophonous symphony of nocturnal animals calling out across the treetops. Then slip through the forest in a skiff as night falls, using a spotlight to find caimans, frogs, fishing bats, and other creatures of the night.

Pay a visit to one of the communities on the reserve's edge and get to know the *ribereños*, those who live on the riverbanks, and their age-old traditions. Enjoy watching them make jewelry and other handicrafts. Learn how local subsistence farmers cultivate wild plants and trees to earn income. Hear about how the locals find edible fruits and indigenous plants with medicinal properties hidden in the jungle. (B,L,D DAILY)

DAY 9: NAUTA/IQUITOS/LIMA

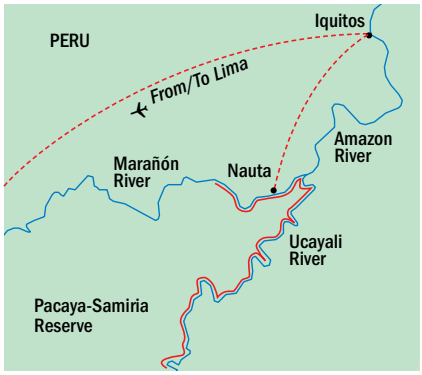
Enjoy one last morning excursion by skiff to view wildlife. After lunch, disembark in Nauta, and return to Iquitos overland for a late-afternoon flight to Lima, and overnight at the Costa del Sol Ramada. (B,L)

DAY 10: LIMA/U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)



Guests exploring the remarkable wilderness by kayak.



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2013: Nov. ~~9, 23,~~ 30; Dec. 7
2014: Feb. ~~22~~; Mar. ~~1, 8, 15~~; Apr. ~~26~~; May 3,10, 17; Jun. ~~28~~; Jul. 5, 12, 19; Aug. 16, 23, 30; Sep. 6. Please call for 2015 dates & prices. Departures in red are sold out.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Combine your Amazon expedition with a voyage to the Galápagos or Machu Picchu & the Land of the Inca. Visit our website or call for details.



Children at the market.

Use your smartphone to watch our Amazon video. See pg. 2 for details.

UPPER AMAZON + GALÁPAGOS

20 DAYS/19 NIGHTS

DEPARTURE: Combine a Galápagos expedition with Upper Amazon on a number of our 2013 and 2014 departures. Please call for details. See page 116 for pricing information.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Walk and snorkel among the abundant, iconic Galápagos wildlife that is unfazed by your presence.**
- **Hike pristine islands, kayak their peaceful shorelines, and explore the Galápagos undersea.**
- **In the Amazon, discover an entirely different kind of biodiversity—macaws, monkeys, sloths, and more, plus meet the *ribereños*—inhabitants of the jungle we explore.**

DAYS 1-8: PER GALÁPAGOS ITINERARY ON PAGES 12-13.

DAY 9: GALÁPAGOS /GUAYAQUIL/ LIMA, PERU

Depart Galápagos this morning and fly to Lima, Peru via Guayaquil, arriving in the evening. Overnight at the conveniently located Costa del Sol Ramada hotel. (B,L)

DAY 10: LIMA/IQUITOS/NAUTA

Enjoy a morning tour of Lima, then fly to Iquitos and continue overland to the riverside village of Nauta, where the *Delfin II* awaits. Settle into your cabin, and gather for a welcome dinner of fine Peruvian cuisine on board. Tonight, step out on deck to gaze at the magnificent Amazon night sky. (B,L,D)

DAYS 11-18: PACAYA-SAMIRIA NATIONAL RESERVE

Spend this week exploring the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve, a pristine swath of jungle—one of the largest in South America—stretching more than five million acres, and harboring some of the Amazon's most fascinating flora and fauna. Bordered by the Marañón and the Ucayali, two powerful rivers that converge to create the famed Amazon, which floods annually with nutrient-rich waters and is known locally as the Mirrored Forest for the reflections created by its glassy water.



Guests exploring by skiff in the Amazon.

Set out into this remarkable wilderness on daily excursions by skiff, kayak, and, when the water level permits, hikes on terra firma. Skim past giant lily pads afloat on black-water lakes, and venture deep into the rain forest on narrow tributaries. Spot sloths and monkeys, including variably colored saddleback tamarins, noisy howlers, and shaggy-tailed monk saki monkeys. Watch for an astounding variety of birds, from tanagers and hummingbirds to parrots and endangered scarlet macaws. In the river, look for massive paiche fish, the Amazon's largest.

Enjoy an opportunity to swim in a lake in the reserve's interior. Seek out Victoria amazonica, a giant water lily that grows in small lagoons. Go on a bird-watching hike, listening for the vocal oropendola and then looking for its telltale yellow tail. Watch the sun set and listen to a cacophonous symphony of nocturnal animals calling out across the treetops. Then slip through the forest in a skiff as night falls, using a spotlight to find caimans, frogs, fishing bats and other creatures of the night.



A monk saki monkey, perched high in a tree.

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DAY 19: NAUTA/IQUITOS/LIMA

Enjoy one last morning excursion by skiff to view wildlife. After lunch, disembark in Nauta, and return to Iquitos overland for a late-afternoon flight to Lima, and overnight at the Costa del Sol Ramada. (B,L)

DAY 20: LIMA/U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

This Upper Amazon + Galápagos expedition can also be combined with the Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca program. Please call for details.

UPPER AMAZON + MACHU PICCHU & PERU'S LAND OF THE INCA

17 DAYS/16 NIGHTS

PRICES FROM: $10,660 to $11,980 (See ship page 116 for complete prices.)

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **See daybreak over the magnificent ruins at Machu Picchu from the fabled Sun Gate.**
- **Discover Cusco, capital of the Inca empire, and the vast Sacsayhuamán Fortress.**
- **Balance your archeological and cultural expedition with a wildlife and nature expedition into the green heart of the Amazon jungle.**

DAYS 1-9: AS PER AMAZON ITINERARY ON PAGES 18-19.

DAY 10: IQUITOS/LIMA, PERU

Fly from Iquitos to Lima. Overnight at the conveniently located Ramada Costa Del Sol. (B)

DAY 11: LIMA/CUSCO/SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCA

This morning fly from Lima to Cusco and drive to Awanacancha, a farm where llamas and alpacas are bred. Enjoy a talk by Peter Frost in the afternoon. Check into the Sol y Luna Hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCA

Peter Frost joins us as we visit the massive Inca stone fortress of Ollantaytambo. Then attend a traditional weaving demonstration by National Geographic grantee Nilda Callañaupa. Enjoy an outdoor lunch with a Paso horse demonstration. In the afternoon, you can choose from horseback riding or a spa treatment at an additional cost. Or, join a visit to a local pottery studio, featuring ceramics made with ancient Peruvian techniques and designs. After dinner, enjoy a folkloric dance performance. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: SACRED VALLEY/MACHU PICCHU

Continue from the valley to Machu Picchu. We'll have a guided introduction to the site and then stay overnight at the 31-room Orient Express Sanctuary Lodge. (B,L,D)



Peruvian woman.

DAY 14: MACHU PICCHU/CUSCO

In the early morning, hike to the Sun Gate, the ancient final checkpoint to Machu Picchu, and watch day break over the quiet ruins. The morning is free to explore. After a train and bus ride we arrive in Cusco in the late afternoon for two nights at the Orient Express Monasterio Hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: CUSCO

Explore the Inca Empire's capital city of Cusco and visit the vast Sacsayhuamán Fortress. The afternoon is open to stroll around the city. Relax, shop or visit one



Machu Picchu's terraced fields.

of the museums or convents including the magnificent 17th-century cathedral and convent of Koricancha. Dinner is on your own. This evening, experience the music of the Andes at a presentation of indigenous instruments. (B,L)

DAY 16: CUSCO/LIMA

Return to Lima and visit the Larco Herrera Museum and stroll the Plaza Mayor. Lunch is traditional Latin American style. Dinner is on your own. Overnight at the Miraflores Park Hotel. (B,L)

DAY 17: LIMA/U.S. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2013 & 2014: On our Amazon departures, Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca is available as either a pre- or post-voyage extension. Please call for details.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Combine your Amazon + Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca expedition with a voyage to the Galápagos. Visit our website or call for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC GUEST SPEAKER

Lecture by National Geographic writer and historian **Peter Frost** on our 2013 & 2014 departures.

BUENOS AIRES, RIO AND BRAZIL'S WILD COAST

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

PRICES FROM: $15,740 to $28,880 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

Sail from the cultural capital of Salvador, Brazil to cosmopolitan Buenos Aires, Argentina aboard *National Geographic Explorer*. Encounter the legacy of European empires in colonial towns that once boomed with the cacao and gold trade. See wildlife as we explore the Atlantic Forest, marine sanctuaries, and the wetlands of southern Brazil. And experience exuberant cultures from the many styles of music of Brazil to the gauchos of Uruguay.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Explore UNESCO World Heritage sites including the pastel-hued historic district of Salvador and the Atlantic Forest Southeast Reserves, biodiversity hotspots that edge the Brazilian coast.**
- **Soak up the spirit of two of South America's most vibrant cities: Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires.**
- **Spot tropical wildlife in coastal forests and in the wetlands. Watch for humpback whales near the Abrolhos Archipelago.**
- **Take an exhilarating ride on the *Serra Verde Express,* a mountain railway that clings to steep slopes on its way downhill.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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, undersea specialist, video chronicler and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the wonders.

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



Rio de Janeiro's famed beaches and dramatic landscape.

OCT. 10-12: U.S./SALVADOR, BRAZIL

Fly overnight to vibrant Salvador, capital of the Bahia region and a hub of Afro-Brazilian culture, and spend a night in a fine hotel. Set out to explore this well-preserved 16th- and 17th-century city. Wander past brightly painted baroque buildings in the historic district of Pelourinho, a World Heritage site, and see embroidered linens and woodcarvings at the local market before settling in aboard *National Geographic Explorer.* (Oct.12: B,L,D)

OCT. 13: ILHÉUS

Set sail for Ilhéus, once Brazil's flourishing cacao capital. See the Cathedral of São Sebastião, visit a cacao plantation, and stop in at the world's only sloth sanctuary. There's also time to go birding or relax on a lovely beach. (B,L,D)

OCT. 14 AND 15: AT SEA/ABROLHOS MARINE NATIONAL PARK

Spend time navigating the waters surrounding Abrolhos Archipelago, known for its rich marine biodiversity. It's an important breeding and calving area for humpback whales, and we'll watch for them and other marine mammals. Keep an eye out for a rich variety of seabirds. (B,L,D)

OCT. 16 AND 17: RIO DE JANEIRO

Discover legendary Rio on your choices among a variety of excursions. Stroll the beach at Ipanema; visit a reserve with endangered golden lion tamarins; explore Floresta da Tijuca, one of the world's largest urban forests. Ascend to the iconic statue of Christ the Redeemer for panoramic views of the city and its island-speckled bay; take a cable car up Sugarloaf Mountain for views of Guanabara Bay. Experience the unique culture of a *favela*, or shantytown; take in a live performance of some of the music for which Brazil is famous. (B,L,D)

OCT. 18-20: PARATI/ANCHIETA/CURITIBA & PARANAGUÁ

Follow the Costa Verde to Parati, once an important center of the gold trade. Stroll the cobbled lanes past whitewashed cottages and colonial buildings, and visit the waterfront. Continue to the tiny island of Anchieta and walk, explore its ruins, and its beaches. Board the *Serra Verde Express* train in Curitiba for a remarkable mountain rail trip across 30 trestle bridges and through more than a dozen tunnels. Or travel to Guaraqueçaba by boat and explore the Atlantic Forest. (B,L,D)

OCT. 21 AND 22: AT SEA/RIO GRANDE

Trace one of the longest sandy beaches in the world on our way south to Rio Grande. Stop in Brazil's southernmost port city of Rio Grande to explore wildlife of the nearby wetlands. (B,L,D)



Accordion player, Buenos Aires.

OCT. 23 AND 24: AT SEA/MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

Follow the coast of the Pampas, vast lowlands that stretch all the way from Patagonia to southern Brazil. In Montevideo, view elegant architecture, ranging from colonial to Art Deco. Or alternatively, see birdlife of the wetlands near Río de la Plata. Then experience the culture of the gauchos and savor an *asado* (traditional barbecue) at a private *estancia* (ranch). (B,L,D)

OCT. 25-27 BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA/U.S.

Cap off our voyage in vibrant Buenos Aires where we'll visit Beaux-Arts palaces and the bohemian quarters of La Boca and San Telmo before checking into the Caesar Park Hotel (MGallery). Enjoy dinner and a tango show. Transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home, arriving Oct. 27. (Oct. 25: B,L,D; Oct. 26: B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: **2014** Oct. 10

OPTIONAL EXTENSION

Add three days post-voyage at Iguazú Falls. Visit our website or call for details.

SPECIAL OFFER:

Book by Dec. 31, 2013 to receive complimentary airfare (Miami/Salvador, Buenos Aires/Miami). See page 118 or call for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

Award-winning photographer **Kike Calvo.**

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER

Brazilian **Alberto Pfeifer** is an expert in international business in Latin America, overseeing operations for CEAL (Business Council of Latin America) in 18 countries, including Brazil, and will give insight to Brazil's breathtaking ascent and future.

CULTURAL SPECIALISTS

Get an insider's view with **"Carioca" Priscilla Goslin**; National Geographic Emerging Explorer **T.H. Culhane**; musicologist **Jacob Edgar**; and Brazil culinary "spice-alist" **Olav Schrader**.



The Serra Verde Express *railway, Brazil.*

PATAGONIA: ARGENTINA & THE CHILEAN FJORDS

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

PRICES FROM: $15,950 to $29,990 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

From the wilds of Tierra del Fuego to the pinnacles of Torres del Paine National Park, experience Patagonia at close range aboard *National Geographic Explorer*. Set off from Buenos Aires, tracing the east coast of Argentina to Tierra del Fuego and watching for elephant seals and Andean condors, whales and rare Commerson's dolphins, guanacos and quirky penguins. Search for Southern right whales at their renowned gathering spot off the Peninsula Valdés. Venture through the Strait of Magellan, deep into Chile's maze of glorious fjords, past massive glaciers. Explore Torres del Paine National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, and view land's end rounding Cape Horn.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Enjoy special access to pristine wildlife reserves not readily accessible to the public, including Yendegaia and Karukinka Natural Parks in Tierra del Fuego.**
- **Explore the famed reserve of Peninsula Valdés, Argentina, observing endangered Southern right whales up close.**
- **Explore Torres del Paine National Park with naturalists, and cruise in Zodiacs in the Chilean fjords. See guanacos and the Darwin's rhea, a large flightless bird.**
- **Transit the legendary Beagle Channel and take in the view of Cape Horn.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.

Guanacos, Torres del Paine National Park.



OCT. 23-25: U.S./BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Fly overnight to Buenos Aires and check into the Caesar Park Hotel (MGallery). Explore the city's Beaux-Arts palaces, the bohemian quarters of La Boca and San Telmo, and the famous balcony forever associated with Eva Peron. Set sail on *National Geographic Explorer.* (Oct. 25: B,L,D)

OCT. 26-29: AT SEA/BAHÍA BLANCA/AT SEA/PENINSULA VALDÉS

After a day at sea, explore Bahía Blanca, where we head to the Parque Provincial Ernesto Tornquist to view the flora and fauna of the Pampas. Another day of sailing brings us to Peninsula Valdés, a World Heritage site. Southern right whales can famously be seen here close up at this time of year, and we'll venture out for great views. On land, look for guanacos, rheas, armadillos, and more. (B,L,D)

OCT. 30-NOV. 1: BAHÍA BUSTAMANTE/PUERTO DESEADO/AT SEA

Visit a vast family-owned *estancia (ranch)* in Bahía Bustamante that stretches from the coast to the Patagonian steppe where we'll go on hikes; look for whales; and encounter colonies of Magellanic penguins, and sea lions. The next day, travel in small boats into the Reserva Natural Ría Deseado, which is home to the rare black-and-white Commerson's dolphin. Later at the museum in Puerto Deseado, learn of the famous explorers who passed this way. Spend a day sailing Argentina's southern coast. (B,L,D)

NOV. 2: PUNTA ARENAS, CHILE/MAGDALENA ISLAND

Visit museums and enjoy an optional hike in the forest reserve on the rolling hills above Punta Arenas. Visit Magdalena Island, seen by Magellan, which is home to a large Magellanic penguin colony and seabirds. (B,L,D)

NOV. 3-6: THE CHILEAN FJORDS/PUERTO NATALES/TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK/TIERRA DEL FUEGO

Cruise deep into the western Strait of Magellan to see tidewater glaciers. Venture into the fjords of the honeycombed Chilean coast, set against the spectacular backdrop of the Cordillera Darwin range, and explore by ship, by Zodiac, and on foot. Stop in Puerto Natales and drive to the Torres del Paine National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Discover this magnificent park with our experts and local guides. Then return through the Chilean fjords searching for humpback whales, Peale's dolphins, and rare Chilean dolphins. Explore Tierra del Fuego's newest and largest protected area: Karukinka Natural Park. We are partnering with the Wildlife Conservation Society to visit the private reserve, which spans 1,160 square miles and harbors rich wildlife, including elephant seals, endangered culpeo foxes, and Andean condors. (B,L,D)



Torres del Paine.

NOV. 7-9: TIERRA DEL FUEGO/YENDEGAIA/BEAGLE CHANNEL/CAPE HORN

Spend a day exploring some of the region's most beautiful sites, then land at Yendegaia, a stunning wilderness that covers more than 95,000 acres of Tierra del Fuego. We've received special permission to explore the reserve, a former cattle ranch that hosts beech forests, wild rivers, and abundant wildlife. The following day, transit the Beagle Channel en route to Cape Horn, the southernmost tip of South America, and weather permitting take Zodiacs ashore for panoramic views. (B,L,D)

NOV. 10 AND 11: USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/DISEMBARK/BUENOS AIRES/U.S.

Disembark in Ushuaia. Board our charter flight to Buenos Aires and connect to your overnight flight to the U.S. (Nov. 10: B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Oct. 23

OPTIONAL EXTENSION

Add four days post-voyage on Easter Island or three days post-voyage at Iguazú Falls, or two days pre-voyage to Buenos Aires. See page 50 or call for details.



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS:

Travel with Pulitzer-prize winning photographer **Jay Dickman,** who has been on 25 assignments for the Society and published five books.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER

A National Geographic Education Fellow, **John Francis** has walked across the U.S., South America and Patagonia—in silence. His stirring memoir is *Planetwalker: 22 Years of Walking; 17 years of Silence*



Humpback whale.

"My students don't usually get opportunities to even leave through me and future teachers like me, they can... form

—Coleman Eaton III, Grosvenor Fellow '12

Long before *National Geographic Explorer*'s 2008 inaugural itineraries were even announced, two cabins were already 'occupied': Sven Lindblad had taken them out of inventory, and pledged them to teachers. In 2006, on the occasion of the 75th birthday gala for Gilbert M. Grosvenor, Chairman Emeritus National Geographic Society and Education Foundation, Sven proposed that a teacher's program be named in his honor to recognize his achievements in geo-education. The Grosvenor Teacher Fellow Program is designed to give current K-12 classroom teachers and informal educators from the 50 U.S. states, Canada, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico the opportunity to extend Grosvenor's legacy of excellence in geographic education.

Through this program, exemplary educators are recognized and given a professional development opportunity to discover new ways to bring geographic awareness and ocean stewardship to their classrooms or informal learning environments through a field-based experience. In 2007 the first teachers embarked our ships, and in 2014, selected educators will travel aboard *National Geographic Explorer* to polar and other regions. While aboard, Fellows will share the importance of geo-literacy with fellow guests, develop activities to bring back to their students, and have an adventure of a lifetime. And when these educators are back in their classroom, their anecdotes, as well as the geo-knowledge they'll convey, will explode thousands of young minds with possibilities.



Grosvenor Fellow Coleman Eaton III.

the state, let alone travel the world. But new, exciting dreams of where they can go."





KNOW A TEACHER, OR WISH TO SPONSOR ONE?

The Grosvenor Teacher Fellow program will begin accepting 2014 applications in early December 2013. And the program enables sponsorship, as well. For more information on the program, sponsorship and application entry requirements, please visit www.expeditions.com/teachers

» SEE A VIDEO ABOUT THE GROSVENOR PROGRAM, VISIT EXPEDITIONS.COM/TEACHERVIDEO

Educators traveling on National Geographic Explorer *are actively engaged in finding new ways to bring geographic awareness & ocean stewardship to their classrooms or learning environments through a field-based experience.*





"More is known about our world today than ever yet we have barely scratched the surface."

—National Geographic Annual Report 2012





Inset top: January 2013 cover story; ROV exploring Antarctic undersea.

As we go deeper into the 21st century, opportunities for personal exploration become ever more exhilarating—new ways to explore the undersea via live video in Alaska, a deep commitment to scuba diving in the South Pacific, and possibly quadcopter drones on some of our ships for aerial photographic explorations of terminal glaciers, icebergs, and fjords? Why not: expedition travel was a transformative notion in the 60s when Lars-Eric Lindblad brought the first citizen explorers where only scientists had gone before. Currently, every ship in the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet explores with an undersea specialist aboard to virtually transport our guests below the ocean's surface. Whether we're in temperate, tropical, or polar climes our specialist descends with a video camera to reveal the fascinating world beneath the ship. A world that is often surprisingly colorful, even in regions that seem unlikely, like the Arctic and Alaska, or Antarctica where our undersea specialists have located species unknown to science.





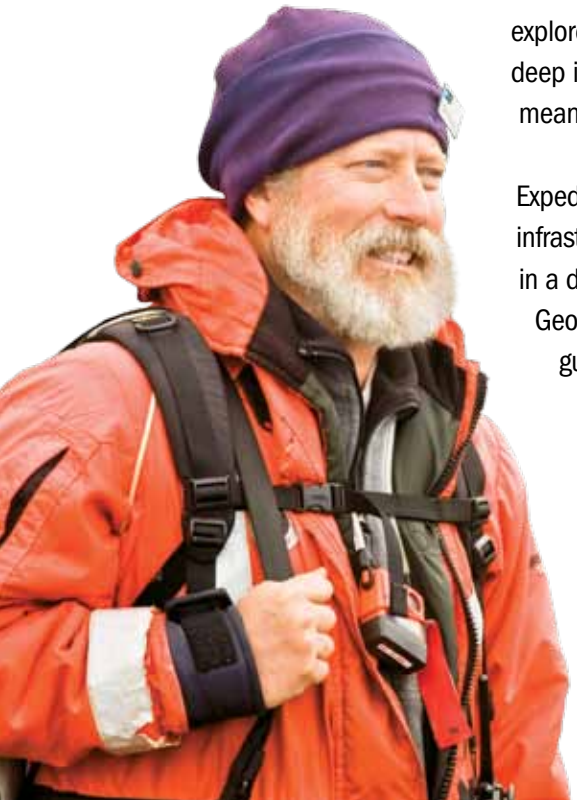




Left: Paul Nicklen has a heart-pounding experience with a leopard seal in Antarctica; Above: Part of the Ocean exhibit aboard National Geographic Explorer*; an octopus spotted during a "live dive" in Alaska, when guests can watch a live video feed from our scuba-diving undersea specialist.*

Three of our ships, far-ranging *National Geographic Explorer*, *National Geographic Orion,* and *National Geographic Endeavour* based in Galápagos, are equipped with an ROV capable of depths up to 1,000 feet, beyond the abilities of human divers. And *National Geographic Explorer* is the only ship afloat with a multi-media Ocean exhibit. Curated by experts from the National Geographic Ocean Initiative and Museum divisions—it makes the ocean realm as real and present as any 'surface' destination our guests experience.

Figuratively speaking, we've been scratching the surface by taking guests beyond the apparent, the passive 'sight,' for over 40 years. Our expert expedition teams—the naturalists, oceanographers, climatologists, marine and terrestrial biologists, ornithologists, zoologists, historians, anthropologists, archaeologists, National Geographic photographers, writers and explorers, and Global Perspective guest speakers who accompany our expeditions—dig deep into the fabric of the world to make expedition travel more engaging *and more* meaningful than any other form of travel.



Expedition technology aboard our ships enables our guests to land where dock and tender infrastructure doesn't exist, to listen while watching feeding whales, or to see the world in a drop of water. And now, as we head into the future, Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic will endeavor to further transform the experience of travel, as we and our guests continue to penetrate the deeper mysteries of the world.

A SMALL BAND OF INTREPID EXPLORERS

Our expedition team is the 'secret sauce' in our ability to reveal the world to the curious and intelligent travelers who choose to explore with us. Comprised of tenured veterans like Tom Ritchie (at left), the naturalists and specialists who accompany our expeditions are deeply knowledgeable, insatiably curious about the world and highly engaging—eager to kindle the sense of joy and wonder they feel in others.

JOURNEY TO ANTARCTICA: THE WHITE CONTINENT

14 DAYS/11 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $11,990 to $23,560 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

Traveling aboard the state-of-the-art *National Geographic Explorer*, encounter the spectacular Antarctic Peninsula and the surrounding islands and waterways. Glide around enormous tabular icebergs by Zodiac, walk along beaches covered with thousands of penguins, and kayak amid abundant marine life.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **View magnificent mountains, towering icebergs, and ice formations that make up the dramatic Antarctic landscape.**
- **Cruise aboard sturdy Zodiac landing craft in search of leopard seals.**
- **Kayak in protected waters, paddling around icebergs as penguins swim nearby.**
- **Walk on shore amid thousands of penguins, including gentoo, Adélie, and chinstrap.**
- **Explore the world's last great wilderness in the company of a team of top naturalists.**

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, undersea specialist, video chronicler, and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the wonders.

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



Gentoo penguins.

DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires, Argentina's cosmopolitan capital. Settle into the Caesar Park Hotel (MGallery) before taking a guided overview of the city, seeing its Beaux-Arts palaces, grand boulevards, and the famous balcony forever associated with Eva Peron.

DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES/USHUAIA/EMBARK

Fly by private charter to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, and enjoy lunch on a catamaran cruise of the Beagle Channel. Then embark the *National Geographic Explorer* and set sail. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: AT SEA/DRAKE PASSAGE

While crossing the legendary Drake Passage, spot albatross and other seabirds that glide alongside the ship. (B,L,D)

DAYS 5–10: EXPLORING ANTARCTICA

With long hours of daylight at this time of year, we have ample opportunity to explore the Antarctic Peninsula and the surrounding islands. In keeping with the nature of an expedition, the schedule is flexible so that we can take advantage of the unexpected—watching whales perform off the bow, taking an after-dinner Zodiac cruise, or heading out on an extra landing during the day. We anticipate making several Zodiac landings each day to hike, kayak among the icebergs, and experience close encounters with wildlife. You may have the thrill of watching our powerful ship crunch through the pack ice, or step ashore to the cries of thousands of gentoo penguins. You'll learn how climate change affects the penguin populations, and how best to capture images of those same penguins from a National Geographic photographer. Back aboard, our undersea specialist may present video from that day's dive or show rare images taken up to 1,000 feet below the surface using our ROV. Our expert staff will craft an expedition where you will learn more, see more and experience more. (B,L,D)

DAYS 11 AND 12: AT SEA

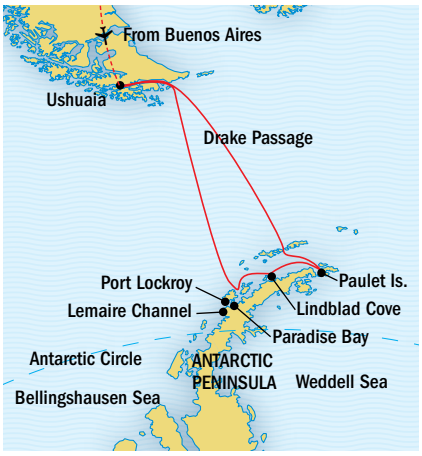
Enjoy the ship's amenities as the Antarctic coast disappears from view. Round the southernmost tip of South America, and see the meeting of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Celebrate your voyage at a farewell dinner on board. (B,L,D)

DAYS 13 AND 14: USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/DISEMBARK/BUENOS AIRES/U.S.

Disembark in Ushuaia. Fly to Buenos Aires and connect with your overnight flight home. (B,L)



Kayakers paddle past a sweeping iceberg.



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 Jan. ~~6~~, ~~16~~, ~~26~~; Feb. 5 ; Nov. 28; Dec. 8, 18, 28; **2015** Jan. 7, 17, 27; Feb. 6
Departures in red are sold out.

SPECIAL OFFER:

Book by **Dec. 31, 2013** on the Nov. 28 & Dec. 8, 2014 departures to receive free economy group airfare Miami/Buenos Aires/Miami. New bookings only, not combinable with other offers. See page 118 or call for full details.



Moai, *Easter Island.*

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Add four days post-voyage on **Easter Island** or three days post-voyage at **Iguazú Falls**, or two days pre-voyage to **Buenos Aires**. Visit our website, or see page 50 for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

Every departure travels with a National Geographic photographer. Travel with renowned photographers **Sisse Brimberg** and **Cotton Coulson** on the Feb. 5, 2014 voyage.
Learn more at expeditions.com/photo

Use your smartphone to watch our Antarctica video. See pg. 2 for details.

ANTARCTICA, SOUTH GEORGIA, AND THE FALKLANDS

24 DAYS/21 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER* AND *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: $21,360 to $41,190 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

This voyage has it all: the impossible beauty of Antarctic ice, the vast king penguin colonies of South Georgia, and the Falkland's amazing bird colonies. Traveling aboard our ice-class expedition ships *National Geographic Explorer* or *National Geographic Orion*, spend five days discovering the Antarctic Peninsula. Stroll through lively crowds of penguins in stunning South Georgia, and hike the shores of the Falkland Islands. Experience boundless wildlife and captivating beauty as you venture into some of the planet's most unspoiled landscapes.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Trace the story of Sir Ernest Shackleton's fateful journey to South Georgia, during the centennial anniversary year.
- See three distinct regions, and benefit from our 45+ years of experience here.
- Glide in a Zodiac or a kayak past massive icebergs.
- Walk amid 200,000 king penguins on a single beach.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

45+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

Our experienced expedition leader and team of eight naturalists are your conduit to an extraordinary experience. And the National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor on board, ours exclusively, are key to capturing the incredible wildlife. Our video chronicler will record the entire voyage. The undersea specialist will reveal the deep, while our wellness specialist helps you feel the "tonic of wildness." Count on the Global Perspectives guest speaker for relevant insights.

South Georgia's spectaular landscape.



DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

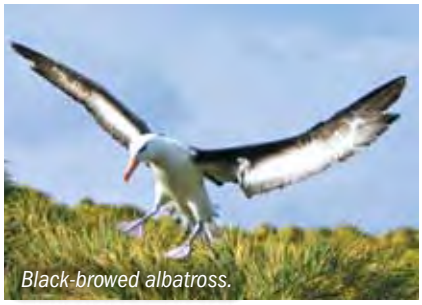
Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires, Argentina's cosmopolitan capital. Settle into the Caesar Park Hotel (MGallery) before taking a guided overview of the city, seeing its Beaux-Arts palaces, grand boulevards, and the famous balcony of the pink palace forever associated with Eva Peron.

DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES/USHUAIA/EMBARK

Fly to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, and enjoy lunch on a catamaran cruise of the Beagle Channel. Then embark your ship and set sail. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: AT SEA

Settle in to shipboard life as we sail to the Falkland Islands. Keep a lookout for albatross and other seabirds that glide alongside the ship. (B,L,D)



Black-browed albatross.

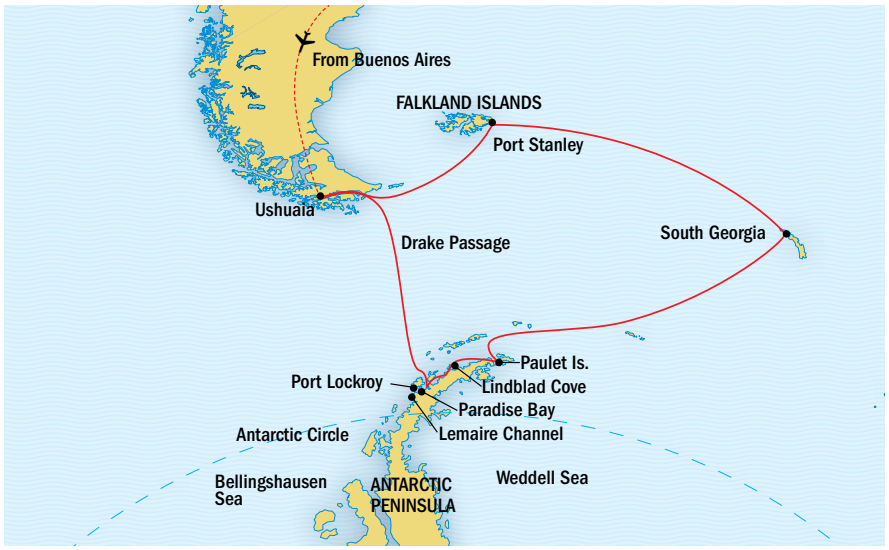
DAYS 5 AND 6: FALKLAND ISLANDS

The Falklands boast the largest black-browed albatross colony in the world, king cormorants, nesting rockhopper penguins, and Magellanic penguins in their green tussock grass burrows. Stroll the photogenic Victorian-style town of Port Stanley and visit the evocative Anglican Cathedral with its archway of whalebones. (B,L,D)

DAYS 7 AND 8: AT SEA (B,L,D)

DAYS 9-13: SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND

This is the final resting place for explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton and we'll hoist a toast at his gravesite. Teeming wildlife and breath-taking scenery greet our ship. Hundreds of Antarctic fur seals are on hand as our Zodiacs make landfall. And at a vast penguin colony you'll be surrounded by 200,000 king penguins! (B,L,D)



DAYS 14 AND 15: AT SEA (B,L,D)

DAYS 16-20: ANTARCTICA

With long hours of daylight, we make the most of our days exploring the Antarctic Peninsula and surrounding islands. Our schedule is flexible, allowing us to take advantage of the unexpected. We'll sail through the incomparable Lemaire Channel and land on the "White Continent," exploring via Zodiac, kayak and on foot, and using our arsenal of tools for exploration. (B,L,D)

DAYS 21 AND 22: AT SEA

On our final days at sea, enjoy one last chance to view the marine life of these southern waters. Toast our epic voyage at a festive farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

DAYS 23 AND 24: USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/ DISEMBARK/BUENOS AIRES/U.S.

Disembark in Ushuaia. After time to explore, fly to Buenos Aires by private charter. Connect to your flight home, arriving the next day. (B,L)



Photographing elephant seal pups.

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES *(Explorer)*: 2014 Feb. ~~15~~*; Nov. 8; **2015** Feb. 16*
DATES *(Orion)*: 2014 Dec. 26; **2015** Jan. 25; Feb. 14*
*This voyage travels in reverse.
Departure in red is sold out.

SPECIAL OFFER:

Book by **Dec. 31, 2013** and receive complimentary round-trip airfare (Miami/Buenos Aires) on the Nov. 8, 2014 *Explorer* departure. See page 118, or call for full details.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Add a three-day post-voyage extension at Iguazú Falls, or a four-day post-voyage extension on Easter Island, or two days pre-voyage to Buenos Aires. Visit our website or see page 50.

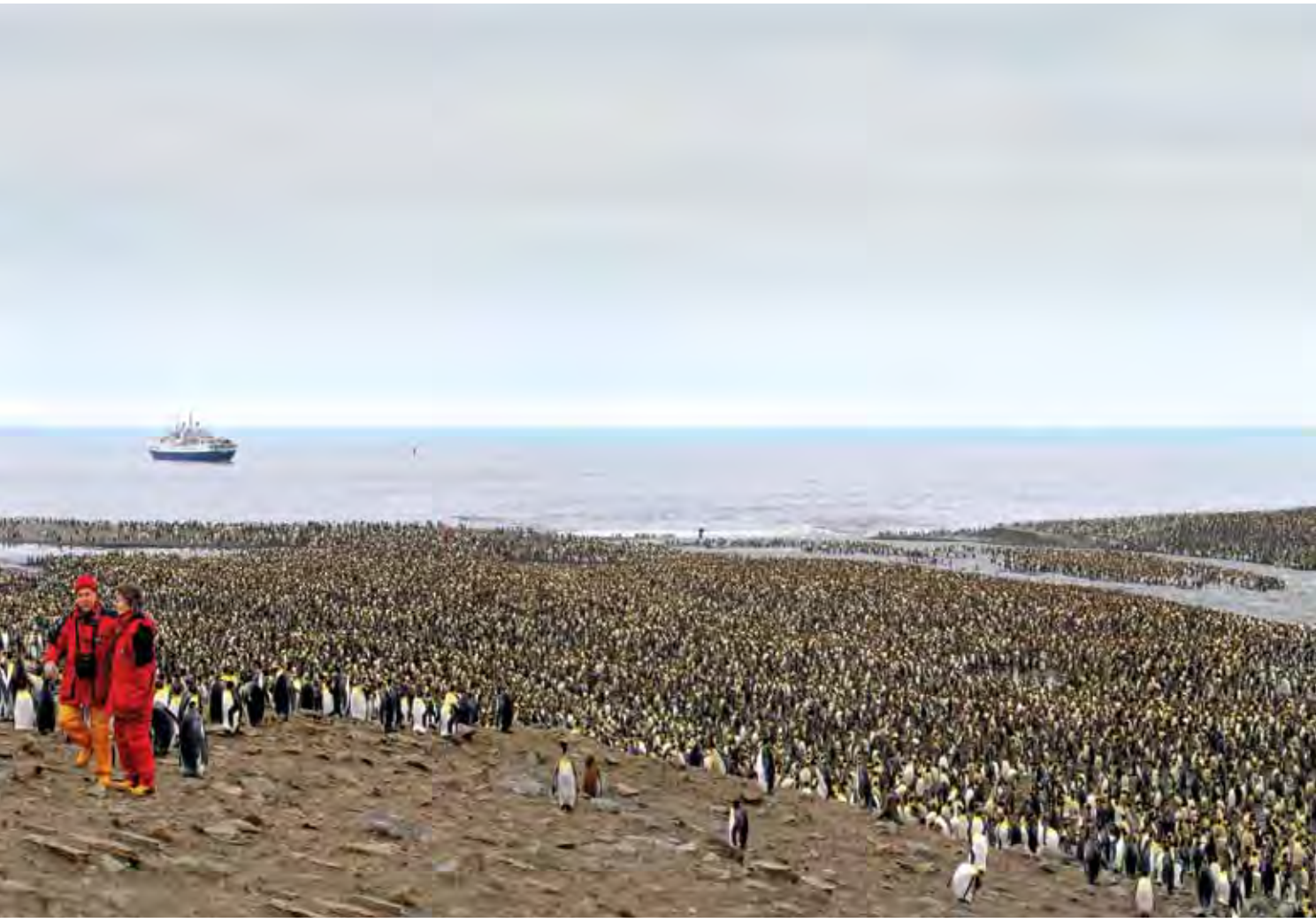
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

Travel with **Sisse Brimberg** and **Cotton Coulson** (Dec. 26, 2014 *Orion*), or **Chris Rainier** (right) Feb. 15, 2015 (*Explorer*).
Learn more at expeditions.com/photo

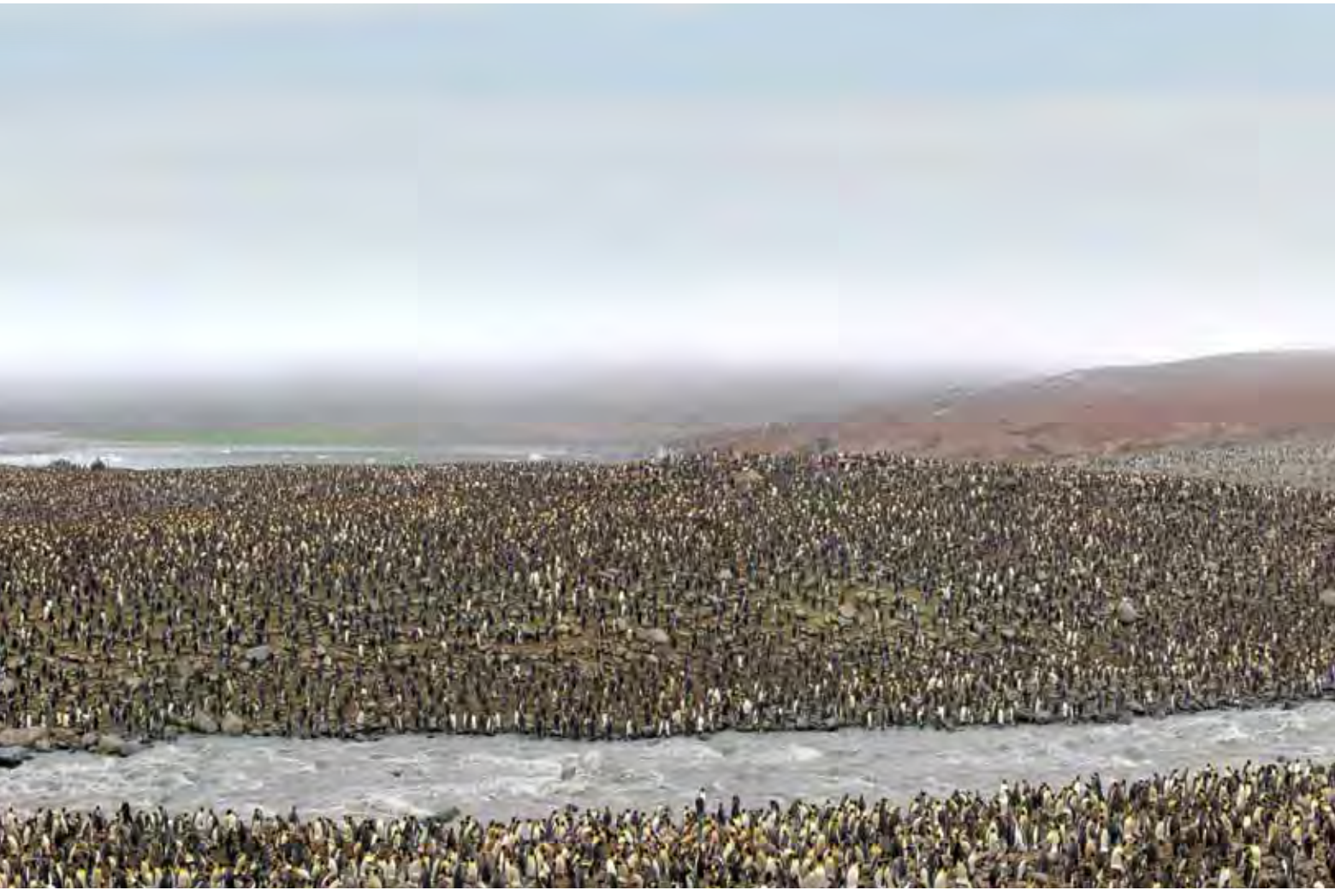
GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER

Travel with **Jared Diamond**, National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence, scientist and a Pulitzer Prize-winning author. (Feb. 14, 2015, *Orion*)


Experience the most extravagant
wildlife spectacle on earth









As far as the eye can see, from left to right and to the horizon…a massive sweep of geography packed with king penguins: a jaw-dropping spectacle that elicits disbelief, awe and the feeling of humility in the face of grandeur that only Nature can inspire.

In 2005 National Geographic photographer, Emery Kristof, stitched together dozens of photos to create this panorama. Today's digital tech allows photographers to create an equally grand panorama in camera — especially with the help of the Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and the National Geographic photographer aboard. *See page 98 to learn more about our Expedition Photography program.*

NEW



Wandering albatross.

SOUTH GEORGIA & THE FALKLANDS

Dense colonies of king penguins, fur seals, elephant seals, and macaroni penguins. Slopes thick with teeming rookeries of grey-headed, black-browed, wandering and light-mantled sooty albatross—nearly a third of all the birds of this species nest here—and that's only South Georgia. Add the Falklands, ablaze with waving tussock grass, with its colonies of rockhopper penguins, ledges filled with albatross, and the resolute Englishness of the sheep camps dotting the landscape, and you have one of the most life-enhancing travel experiences on the planet—condensed into one focused expedition. This is an ideal option for those who've been to Antarctica already, or who simply want to fill their memories, or camera memory cards, with wonder.



Elephant seal.



Rockhopper penguins.

19 DAYS/16 NIGHTS—MAR. 7, 2014
ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*
PRICES FROM: $14,990 to $28,950 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

Find the complete itinerary at expeditions.com.
Or call an Expedition Specialist at 1.800.EXPEDITION (1.800.397-3348) for answers

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 pages 100-103 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

30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

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, 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 mother polar bear with her two cubs.

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.

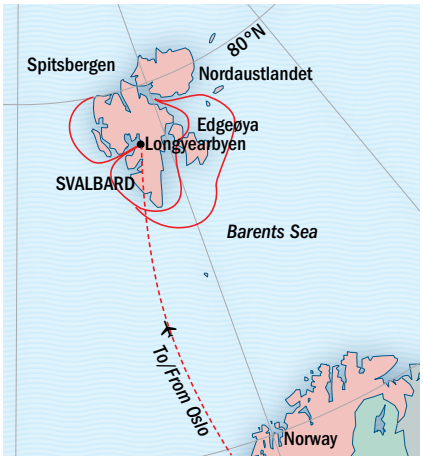
DAY 10: LONGYEARBYEN/DISEMBARK/OSLO

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)



Kayakers off Svalbard's pristine coast.



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 Jun. 6, 13, 20

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Add a five-day pre-voyage extension to Norway's Fjords, or a four-day post-voyage extension to Iceland. See page 51.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER



Travel with ecologist and researcher **Andrew Clarke**, who has spent all of his working life in the polar regions. (June 6 & 13, 2014)

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS



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

Learn more at expeditions.com/photo



Guests observe walrus.

Use your smartphone to watch our Arctic Svalbard video. See pg. 2 for details.

SVALBARD, ICELAND & GREENLAND'S EAST COAST

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

PRICES FROM: $13,820 to $25,230 (See pages 100-103 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, walruses, muskoxen, reindeers, 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

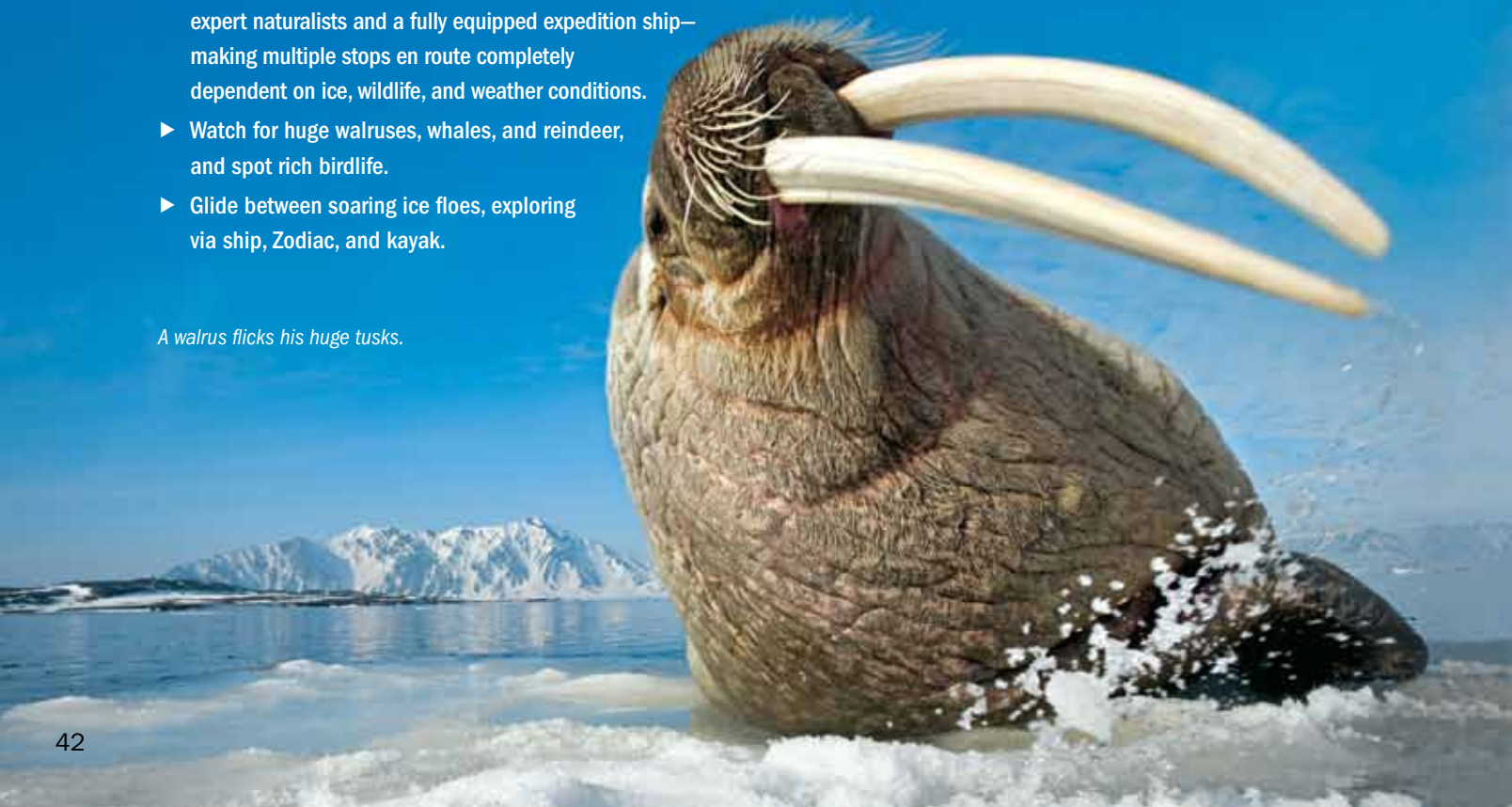
- Explore Arctic Svalbard, the polar bear capital of the planet, to observe these majestic creatures in their natural habitat, on the sea ice.
- Navigate the arctic wilderness of the Greenland Sea to Iceland's wild western coast, with expert naturalists and a fully equipped expedition ship—making multiple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

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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.

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



A walrus flicks his huge tusks.

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)

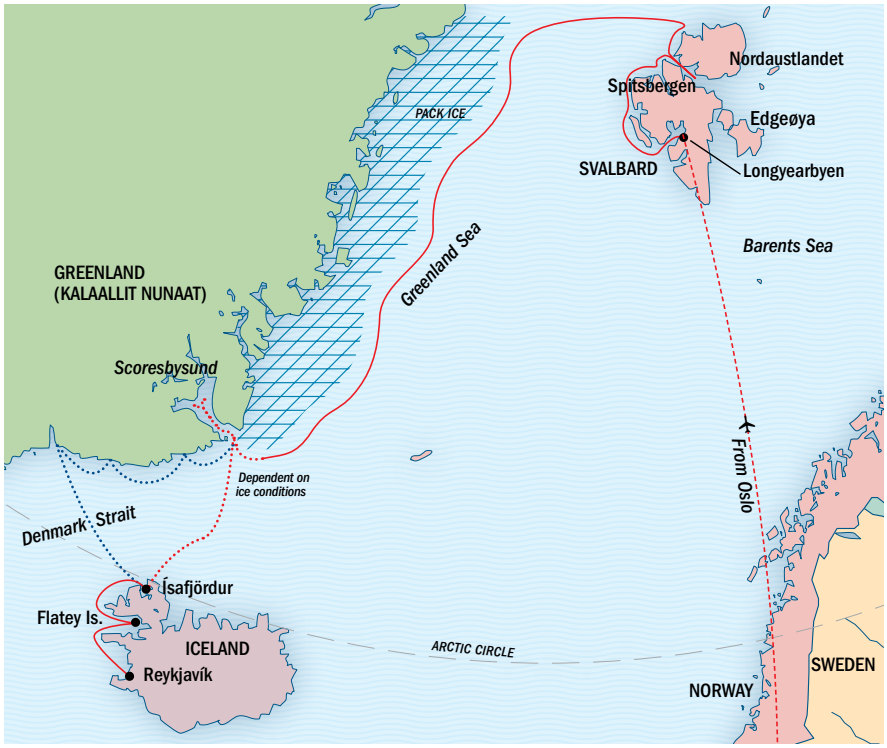


Polar bear.

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 Ísafjördur, 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 Dec. 31, 2013 and receive complimentary airfare (New York/Oslo, Reykjavík/New York, plus charter airfare Oslo/Longyearbyen—a $1,900 value). See page 118 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. See page 51 or call for details.



Exploring via Zodiac.

A CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF ICELAND

10 DAYS/8 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $7,990 to $15,980 (See pages 100-103 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, 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 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+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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 photographer, Lindblad-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.



Guests take in the power and beauty of Godafoss waterfall.

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, Ísafjördur 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)



Razorbills.

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 THE LANGANES PENINSULA

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. For a closer look at the ice cap, take a boat ride through Jökulsárlón, a lagoon strewn with spectacular icebergs sculpted into all shapes and sizes by the elements. (B,L,D)

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.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS



Travel with renowned photographers **Sisse Brimberg** and **Cotton Coulson** (right) (Jul. 12) or



Dan Westergren (left), Senior photo editor for *National Geographic Traveler* (Jul. 20). **Learn more at expeditions.com/photo**



Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon.

THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE, ICELAND AND GREENLAND

25 DAYS/23 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $24,990 to $47,990 (See pages 100-103 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

- Venture into 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.
- Explore Qilakitsoq, the site of an impressive mummy find featured in *National Geographic* magazine.

I just returned from Greenland on August 25. I had never been there before and was stunned by the beauty and charm of its coastline. In Illulissat the Jokobshavn 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



JUL. 28-29: U.S./ REYKJAVÍK, ICELAND
Fly overnight to Reykjavík, located just south of the Arctic Circle. On a walking tour of the old town, visit Hallgrímskirkja Cathedral and delve into Viking history at the National Museum. Embark our ship. (L,D)

JUL. 30: ICELAND'S WEST COAST
Sail past the immense Látrabjarg cliffs, home to a huge population of razorbills. On Flatey Island, walk around the age-old trading post and explore the coast by Zodiac. (B,L,D)

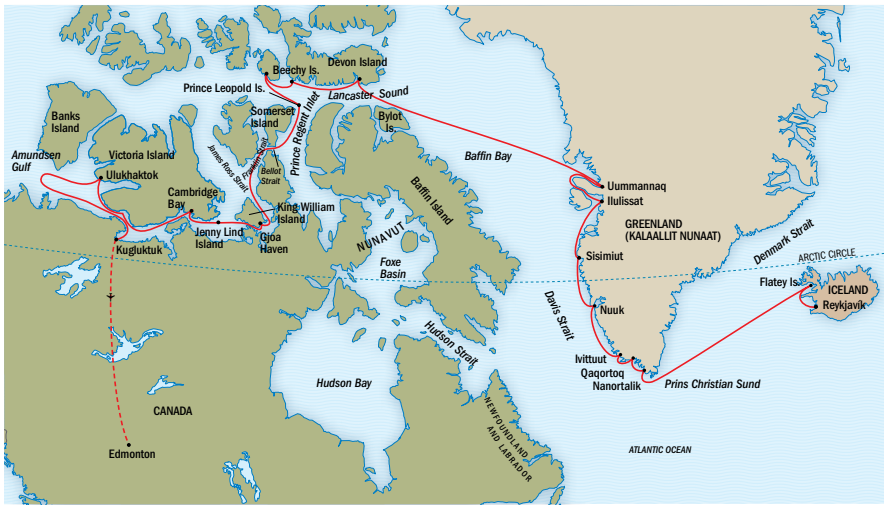
JUL. 31 AND AUG. 1: THE DENMARK STRAIT/ NANORTALIK, GREENLAND
Follow the wake of Eric the Red as we cross the Denmark Strait, watching for blue whales. Sail into Prins Christian Sund, which cuts far into the southern tip of Greenland, passing between towering pinnacles and glaciers. Anchor off Nanortalik, the "place of polar bears," and go ashore to explore Greenland's most southerly town. (B,L,D)

AUG. 2: QAQORTOQ
Dock in Qaqortoq, the largest town in South Greenland—with just over 3,200 residents. Stroll past colonial architecture dating back to the late 1700s and see Greenlandic kayaks, hunting equipment, and local art at the museum. (B,L,D)

AUG. 3: IVITTUUT
Venture into the abandoned mining town of Ivittuut, built on the site of an ancient Norse farming settlement. The name means 'grassy place' in Greenlandic, and, with luck, we'll spot herds of muskoxen on its rolling hills and rocky shores. (B,L,D)

AUG. 4: NUUK
In Nuuk, the world's smallest capital city by population, visit the National Museum to examine 15th-century Qilakitsoq mummies found near Uummannaq. (B,L,D)

AUG. 5 AND 6: GREENLAND'S WEST COAST & SISIMIUT
Explore the fjords and glaciers of the dramatic western coast, on the lookout for humpback or minke whales. Then visit the museum and 18th-century town center of the former whaling port of Sisimiut. (B,L,D)



AUG. 7: DISKO BAY & ILULISSAT
Sail into Disko Bay to explore the UNESCO site of Ilulissat Icefjord. Take an extraordinary cruise among towering icebergs and visit the Inuit fishing village of Sermermiut. (B,L,D)

AUG. 8 AND 9: QILAKITSOQ/AT SEA
Stop at Qilakitsoq, where a collection of mummies dating to 1475 was discovered in 1972 and featured on the cover of *National Geographic* magazine's February 1985 issue. Enjoy a day at sea as we cross Baffin Bay. (B,L,D)

AUG. 10-19: EXPLORING THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE
Approach the legendary Northwest Passage from Lancaster Sound, whose rich waters have drawn Inuit hunters and fishermen for thousands of years. The ice-choked channels and glacier-carved islands stretch for hundreds of miles, a stunning display of raw geology that we'll explore in depth. Kayak beneath massive ice sculptures and soaring cliffs, venture into canyons and fjords, and encounter the wildlife of the Arctic tundra. As we make our way to Amundsen Gulf, look for ringed seals, arctic foxes, muskoxen, walruses, and polar bears, as well as beluga and bowhead whales, and maybe an elusive narwhal. (B,L,D)

AUG. 20: KUGLUKTUK, CANADA/ DISEMBARK/EDMONTON
After breakfast, disembark in Kugluktuk and fly to Edmonton where we overnight at the Fairmont Hotel Macdonald. (B,L,D)

AUG. 21: EDMONTON/U.S. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Jul. 28

OPTIONAL EXTENSION
Add three days pre-voyage exploring Iceland's Wonders. Call for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER
Travel with Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer **Jay Dickman**.



GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER



Explore with **Don Walsh,** oceanographer and Honorary President of The Explorers Club, who has been to the deepest point of the ocean.

Muskoxen.



THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

24 DAYS/23 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $24,990 to $47,990 (See pages 100-103 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, walruses 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.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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.

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



The ancient Viking site of L'Anse aux Meadows.

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, walruses, 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 and the Button Islands, which attract thousands of seabirds and marine mammals. At Hebron, see the Moravian Mission, established in the 1830s. Pass through Mugford Tickle, flanked by the 4,000-foot Kaumajet Mountains. On Quaker Hat, an important bird nesting site, observe colonies of common murres. Continue to the fishing village of Battle Harbour and visit its 18th-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

A World Heritage site, Gros Morne National Park is characterized by ancient serpentine rock and vivid examples of plate tectonics at work. Go on a variety of hikes before continuing to Western Brook Pond, a pristine fjord cut off from the ocean. (B,L,D)

SEP. 10: AT SEA/SAINT-PIERRE ISLAND

After a morning at sea, go ashore at Saint-Pierre Island, France's oldest remaining overseas territory. Enjoy time to explore the wharf and soak up the French culture. (B,L,D)

SEP. 11: ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND/ DISEMBARK/U.S. (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.



Polar bear on coastal cliffs.

EXTEND YOUR VOYAGE IN ANTARCTICA

Optional Post-voyage Extension
IGUAZÚ FALLS

3 DAYS/3 NIGHTS

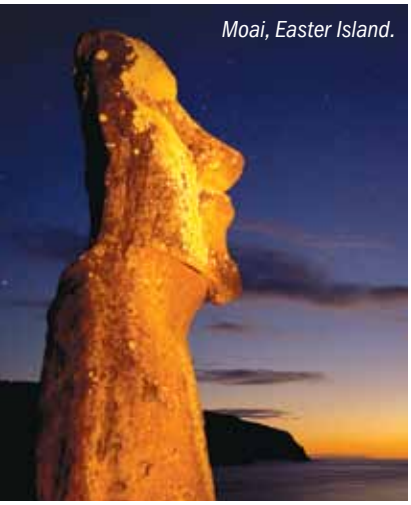
2014 PRICES*: Please inquire for 2014 prices.

***To be added to the voyage cost. Airfare not included.**

The Iguazú Falls extension can be taken after departures of "Antarctica," and "Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands," or "Patagonia: Argentina & the Chilean Fjords" and "Buenos Aires, Rio and Brazil's Wild Coast." Adds three nights to the voyage.


Iguazú Falls.

Discover towering Iguazú Falls and Iguazú National Park, designated a UNESCO World Heritage site because of its beautiful subtropical forest that's home to over 450 bird species. For the itinerary go to www.expeditions.com/iguazu


Moai, Easter Island.

Optional Post-voyage Extension
EASTER ISLAND

4 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

2014 PRICES*: Please inquire for 2014 prices.

***To be added to the voyage cost. Chilean immigration fee, all airfares are not included.**

NOTE: Due to airline schedules, on select departures the extension spends an additional night in Buenos Aires. Additional costs will apply. Ask for details.

The Easter Island extension can be taken after select departures of "Antarctica," and "Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands," and "Patagonia: Argentina & the Chilean Fjords." Adds four nights to the voyage.

Join archaeologists Edmundo Edwards and Claudio Cristino on a visit to one of the most mysterious places on Earth—Easter Island. For itinerary go to www.expeditions.com/easterisland.

Optional Post-voyage Extension
BUENOS AIRES

2 DAYS/2 NIGHTS

2014 PRICES*: Double Occupancy: $1,560; Sole Occupancy $1,910

****To be added to the voyage cost.**

The Buenos Aires extension can be taken before select departures of "Antarctica," and "Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands," and "Patagonia: Argentina & the Chilean Fjords. Adds two nights to the voyage.


Buenos Aires.

Explore vibrant Buenos Aires on a curated two-day extension that showcases the beguiling personality of one of the world's greatest cities. For itinerary go to www.expeditions.com/buenosaires

EXTEND YOUR VOYAGE IN THE ARCTIC

Optional Pre-voyage Extension
THE HEART OF NORWAY'S FJORDS

5 DAYS/5 NIGHTS

2014 PRICES*: Double occupancy: $4,150; Sole occupancy: $4,740

***To be added to the voyage cost. Airfare not included. Ask for details.**

Adds 5 days/5 nights to the voyage.

The "Norwegian Fjords" extension can be taken before "Land of the Ice Bears," and "Svalbard, Iceland & Greenland's East Coast."



Sognefjord.

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. Learn more about this extension at www.expeditions.com/norwayfjords.

Optional Post-voyage Extension
ICELAND'S NATURAL WONDERS

4 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

2014 PRICES*: Double occupancy: $3,760; Sole occupancy: $4,150

***To be added to the voyage cost. International airfares (including Oslo/Keflavik) are not included. Ask for details. Adds 4 days/4 nights to the voyage. The "Iceland's Natural Wonders" extension can be taken after "Land of the Ice Bears," and "Norway's Fjords and Arctic Svalbard."**

Once you've seen the land of ice, it only makes sense to see its counterpart: the land of fire and ice—Iceland. Explore Iceland's hot springs, bubbling mud pools, spouting geysers and massive icecaps and glaciers. See itinerary at www.expeditions.com/icelandwonders.

Myvatn, geothermal area.

THE CANADIAN MARITIMES

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $7,320 to $13,450 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

This expedition circumnavigates Newfoundland and visits the islands of Cape Breton, Saint-Pierre (France) and Îsles de la Madeleine. We'll sail through The Narrows of St. John's, Newfoundland—along rugged coastline, the isles of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. Special highlights include hiking on the nature trails of Gros Morne National Park, known for its unique geological features; learning the saga of the Vikings at L'Anse aux Meadows; and exploring the life of Alexander Graham Bell, National Geographic's second president, at the Bell Museum at Baddeck, Cape Breton Island, where he had his summer home.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Combine Canada's magnificent scenery and historic places—at a wonderful time of year.**
- **Discover coastal villages and small islands, like Saint-Pierre, accessible only by sea.**
- **Explore two UNESCO sites: Gros Morne National Park, and the 11th-century Viking village at L'Anse aux Meadows.**
- **Get a water-level view of these seafaring places via Zodiac and kayak.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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Below: Lobster fishing huts at sunset.



SEP. 11: U.S./ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA/EMBARK

Arrive in St. John's, the picturesque capital city of Newfoundland and Labrador, set on a natural harbor at the most easterly point of North America. Settle into our ship as we head through the harbor narrows. (D)

SEP. 12: EXPLORING EASTERN NEWFOUNDLAND

The eastern coast of Newfoundland is wild and rugged, and often accessible only by sea. Discover tiny fishing villages tucked into coves and inlets along these stunning shores. Go hiking or hop into a Zodiac or a kayak. Back on board, gain insights from our experts into the civilizations and wildlife that have made this island home. (B,L,D)

SEP. 13: L'ANSE AUX MEADOWS

In 1960, the remains of a Viking village established in the 11th-century were discovered at L'Anse aux Meadows, now a UNESCO World Heritage site. Walk among the Norse ruins and reconstructed sod huts and learn the saga of the Vikings in North America—nearly 500 years before Columbus arrived. (B,L,D)

SEP. 14: GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK

Graced by cliffs, fjords, and a sweeping alpine plateau, Gros Morne National Park has been designated a 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. Continue to Western Brook Pond, a pristine, glacier-carved fjord. (B,L,D)

SEP. 15: ÎLES DE LA MADELEINE, QUEBEC

A cluster of wispy islands isolated in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Îles de la Madeleine are home to miles of dunes, grassy hills, and dazzling red sandstone cliffs. The caves, sea arches, and rocky nooks are perfect for exploring by Zodiac and kayak. Visit La Grave, site of the islands' first settlement, and learn about Acadian culture; or set off on a hike or a bicycle ride. Enjoy some of the lobster for which the region is famous. (B,L,D)

SEP. 16: BADDECK & LOUISBOURG, CAPE BRETON ISLAND, NOVA SCOTIA

On Cape Breton Island, dock in the village of Baddeck, where Alexander Graham Bell built his summer home, now the centerpiece of a beautiful park and museum. Set sail this morning aboard the schooner *Amoeba* on Bras d'Or Lake and listen to lively local lore. Then explore the life of Bell with his great grandson, Gil Grosvenor, Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Governors of National Geographic. Enjoy an optional "white glove" tour of the Bell Museum and have the opportunity to hold historic artifacts. Later, we visit the reconstructed Fortress of Louisbourg, an 18th-century fort where the British and French fought. (B,L,D)

SEP. 17: SAINT-PIERRE AND MIQUELON

As we make our way north, go ashore at Saint-Pierre Island, France's oldest remaining overseas territory. As a young reporter, Gil Grosvenor first traveled here in 1967 on assignment for *National Geographic*. Enjoy free time to explore the wharf and soak up the French culture before continuing to the island of Miquelon. (B,L,D)

SEP. 18: ST. JOHN'S/DISEMBARK/U.S. (B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Sep. 11

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERT

Gil Grosvenor has served National Geographic since 1954, first as a writer and photographer, then as the editor of *National Geographic* magazine, president of the Society, and until 2010, as chairman of the board. He was the fifth generation to serve as National Geographic president, and his great-grandfather, Alexander Graham Bell, was the Society's second president. Gil was awarded the presidential Medal of Freedom in 2004.





Gros Morne National Park.

EXPLORING ALASKA'S COASTAL WILDERNESS

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD* AND *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION*

PRICES FROM: $6,290 to $11,010 (See pages 112-113 for complete prices.)

Experience the remarkable beauty of southeastern Alaska on a voyage aboard the *National Geographic Sea Bird* or *National Geographic Sea Lion* into a land of mist-shrouded fjords, tidewater glaciers, and islands teeming with wildlife. Search for orcas and humpback whales, kayak amid glacial ice, spend a full day in Glacier Bay National Park, and learn about Alaska's rich Tlingit heritage.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Kayak into protected coves and look for sea otters, seabirds, and Steller sea lions.**
- **Hike through lush forests to cascading waterfalls, and ride an expedition landing craft into coves to look for brown bears.**
- **Meet members of the Alaska Whale Foundation to learn about the local whale population, and get a firsthand perspective on Alaska's indigenous people from a Tlingit cultural interpreter.**
- **Discover Alaska's seldom-seen, vibrant marine life revealed by our undersea specialist.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

Our unparalleled 6-person expedition team is key to an in-depth experience. An expedition leader, three naturalists, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and undersea specialist, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler, all contribute to your understanding of Alaska's wonders. Certain departures will feature a National Geographic photographer or expert.

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A veil of water cascades off of a breaching humpback whale.

DAY 1: JUNEAU, ALASKA/EMBARK SHIP

Meet your naturalists and visit Mendenhall Glacier, set in the dramatic Mendenhall Valley. Settle into your cabin before dinner. Later, explore the port of Juneau on your own. (D)

DAY 2: TRACY ARM—FORDS TERROR WILDERNESS

Voyage into Tracy or Endicott Arm, both spectacular fjords, with waterfalls cascading from glacially carved walls. See the soaring Dawes or South Sawyer Glacier up close and take a cruise in an expedition landing craft for an unbeatable view of sculpted icebergs. Keep an eye out for harbor seals, porpoises and arctic terns. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: PETERSBURG

Search for humpback whales as we head towards the small, true Alaskan town of Petersburg on Mitkof Island. Explore a unique Southeast Alaskan ecosystem, the "muskeg," with stunted trees and carnivorous plants. There is an opportunity for bike riding and an optional floatplane excursion. Enjoy a crab feast this evening. (B,L,D)



Petersburg.

DAY 4: FREDERICK SOUND AND CHATHAM STRAIT

With luck, we'll see whales breaching, tail-slapping and feeding. We'll explore spectacular bays and inlets, following bear trails and salmon streams. Later, hike or kayak for up close exploration. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: ICY STRAITS AND THE INIAN ISLANDS

Hike and kayak among the Inian Islands, where an abundance of Steller sea lions and sea otters reside. We'll search for whales in the rich waters of Icy Straits and, conditions permitting, lower the ship's hydrophone to listen in on the whales' communication. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK

By special permit, we explore Glacier Bay, a not-to-be-missed gem of Alaska. See glaciers that end abruptly at the water's edge and observe them "calving"—tons of ice crashing into the sea—accompanied by an exhilaratingly thunderous sound. Wildness abounds—cliff-side mountain goats and brown bears on the shore; harbor seals, Steller sea lions and puffins live in these icy waters. A native Tlingit interpreter joins us to share the lore and legend of the area. We will also be joined by a National Park Service Ranger. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: SOUTHEAST ALASKA'S ISLANDS, BAYS AND FJORDS

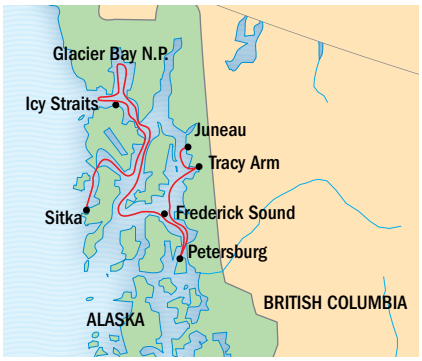
Today, nature is our guide. We may explore an isolated beach to take a closer look at tide pools, beachcomb, and hike stunning forest trails, or see bear tracks worn into the soil while walking an isolated meadow. Sightings of bald eagles are very common. If conditions permit, we'll do some kayaking, always watching for marine and terrestrial life. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: SITKA/DISEMBARK/SEATTLE

After breakfast we disembark in Sitka, southeast Alaska's only oceanfront town. Visit the onion-domed St. Michael's Russian Orthodox Church and walk among totem poles that line trails through Sitka National Historic Park. At the Raptor Rehabilitation Center, we have close views of species normally seen at a distance. Drive to the airport for our afternoon flight to Seattle. (B)



Alaska's still waters are perfect for kayaking.



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014: May 17*, 18*, 24, 25, 31*; Jun. 1*📷, 7, 8📷, 14*, 15*, 21, 22, 28*, 29*; Jul. 5, 6, 12*, 13*, 19, 20, 26*, 27*; Aug. 2, 3, 9*, 10*, 16, 17, 23*, 24*, 30📷, 31📷

**Indicates itineraries in the reverse order, from Sitka to Juneau.*

📷 *Photo Expedition. These departures are for passionate photographers with hands-on instruction from our Photo Expedition Team.*

SPECIAL OFFER:

Book by **Dec. 31, 2013** and receive complimentary round-trip airfare between Seattle and Alaska on select May and June departures. Call for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERTS

Travel with Pulitzer prize-winning photojournalist **Jay Dickman** on Jun. 1 or 8, or renowned marine mammal photographer **Flip Nicklin** on Aug. 30, or longtime National Geographic photographer **Michael Melford** on Aug. 31. National Geographic TV host and bear expert **Casey Anderson** will be aboard the June 21 and 28 departures, and filmmaker and Crittercam expert **Birgit Buhleier** will join us on May 17 and May 24.

EXPLORE TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST

Our Forest Service Special Use Permit for Tongass National Forest enables you to hike and kayak in wild and remote areas of Southeast Alaska.

Use your smartphone to watch our in-depth Alaska video. See pg. 2 for details.

NEW

A REMARKABLE JOURNEY TO ALASKA, BRITISH COLUMBIA & HAIDA GWAII

15 DAYS/14 NIGHTS—*NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD & SEA LION*

PRICES FROM: $9,990 to $16,940 (See page 112-113 for complete prices.)

Join a unique expedition in Alaska's Inside Passage and British Columbia including Haida Gwaii (formerly the Queen Charlotte Islands) off the coast of British Columbia. We are the first company with ships carrying more than 22 guests permitted to visit Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve, National Marine Conservation Area Reserve, and Haida Heritage site in over two decades. Here, you'll see the ancient totems at SGang Gwaay (Ninstints), a UNESCO World Heritage site, meet with local artisans, and search for seldom-seen endemic species.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore glacially-carved fjords, Glacier Bay National Park, and search for humpback whales in their summer feeding grounds.
- Kayak among icebergs, see waterfalls cascading from glacially carved walls, and hike old-growth forest.
- Explore ancestral Haida villages, see ancient totem poles, take part in a traditional dance performance, and much more.
- Search for endemic species in Haida Gwaii, considered the "Canadian Galápagos" for its wildlife-rich intertidal zone, including the world's largest black bears.

Standing poles at Ninstints.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

Our unparalleled 6-person expedition team is key to an in-depth experience. An expedition leader and five naturalists, including a certified photo instructor and undersea specialist, contribute to your understanding of Alaska's wonders, in addition to a wellness specialist and video chronicler. National Geographic experts and photographers will add more learning on each departure.

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

DAY 1: SEATTLE/EMBARK
Arrive in Seattle this afternoon and embark the ship. (D)

DAY 2: GULF ISLANDS, BRITISH COLUMBIA
Search for orca whales and cruise around forested islands. (B,L,D)


Cultural dance performance.

DAY 3: ALERT BAY AND JOHNSTONE STRAIT, BRITISH COLUMBIA
Visit the U'mista Cultural Centre in Alert Bay, where we'll watch traditional First Nations performances and learn from the Kwakwaka'wakw people. (B,L,D)

DAY 4-5: INSIDE PASSAGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
Head northward along the untouched coastline looking for whales, dolphins, bears, deer and other wildlife. Go ashore to explore or kayak the many bays and inlets. (B,L,D daily)

DAYS 6-8: HAIDA GWAII
With a shared respect for the natural world, explore the islands of Haida Gwaii. Two Haida interpreters will join us, as we first visit the Haida Heritage Center at Kay Llnagaay to learn about the incredible history of the Haida people and the meaning behind their renowned artwork. In the ancestral town of Old Massett, join in a traditional dance performance and feast, and meet local artisans. Explore the Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve, National Marine Conservation Area Reserve, and Haida Heritage Site. See the ancient totems at SGang Gwaay (Ninstints) or K'una (Skedans). Kayak and take expedition landing craft around the incredibly biodiverse islands where black bears are the largest in the world and endemic species thrive. (B,L,D daily)

DAY 9: MISTY FIORDS, ALASKA
Cruise past glacially-carved cliffs and kayak in the stillness of Misty Fiord's forested backwaters. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: FREDERICK SOUND AND PETERSBURG
Join naturalists on deck and search for orcas, humpback whales, and Steller sea lions. Go ashore for a walk along a quiet forest trail and visit the fishing village of Petersburg, known as "Alaska's Little Norway." Enjoy a crab feast this evening. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: TRACY ARM-FORDS TERROR WILDERNESS
Voyage into Tracy or Endicott Arm, both spectacular fjords, with waterfalls cascading from glacially carved walls. See the soaring Dawes or South Sawyer Glacier up close and take a cruise in an expedition landing craft for an unbeatable view of sculpted icebergs. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: JUNEAU
Visit Mendenhall Glacier with your naturalists and observe the ever-changing landscape and ice-carved valley up close. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK
Spend the entire day among enormous glaciers and expansive wilderness. Listen as the quiet stillness of the area is broken by the thunder of tons of ice calving into the sea. A native Tlingit interpreter joins us to share the lore and legend of the area. A National Park Service Ranger will join us as well. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: SOUTHEAST ALASKA'S ISLANDS, BAYS AND FJORDS
Kayak and hike among forested islands on our final exploration of southeast Alaska. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: SITKA/DISEMBARK/HOME
Visit Saint Michael's Russian Orthodox Cathedral with its picturesque spire and meet eagles up close at the Raptor Rehabilitation Center before transferring to the airport for flights to Seattle. (B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 May 3, 4; Sep. 6*, Sep. 7* **These departures travel in the reverse order, from Sitka to Seattle, making all the same stops.* Photo Expedition

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERTS
Travel with anthropologist and Explorer-in-Residence **Wade Davis** on **May 3**. Or join conservationist and expert on indigenous communities **Jon Waterhouse** on **May 4**. Or join award-winning National Geographic photographers **Flip Nicklin** on **Sep. 6** or **Michael Melford** on **Sep. 7**.


Orcas.

OPTIONAL PRE- OR POST-VOYAGE EXTENSION

DENALI NATIONAL PARK

7 DAYS/6 NIGHTS

PRICES FROM: $5,590 to $7,990

Note: This extension is available between May 24 and September 7, 2014. Limited space available.

Extend your coastal exploration with an inland adventure. With the idyllic North Face Lodge as your base camp, you'll experience Denali National Park as few visitors get to. Set deep in the heart of the park, this unique wilderness retreat offers unparalleled views of Mt. McKinley, a wide range of outdoor activities and nightly presentations that emphasize Denali's natural and cultural history, locally-sourced cuisine and special access to the park. The North Face Lodge's relationship with the park ensures exclusive opportunities for you to explore Denali's most pristine backcountry areas for prime hiking and wildlife viewing. Additionally, the small group size of 11 guests per every naturalist enhances the intimacy of outings and opportunities for in-depth learning.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Stay at a unique wilderness retreat with breathtaking views of Mt. McKinley.**
- **Enjoy special access to prime hiking and wildlife viewing areas in pristine wilderness.**
- **Travel first class aboard the Alaska Railroad.**

Canoeing is a great way to discover Denali's dramatic landscape.



DAY 1: FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

Arrive in Fairbanks, transfer to your hotel and settle into your river view cabin at Pike's Waterfront Lodge. This evening meet your leader and traveling companions at a welcome dinner. (D)

DAY 2: FAIRBANKS/DENALI NATIONAL PARK/NORTH FACE LODGE

In the morning visit the University of Alaska Fairbanks Museum, featuring collections that represent over 11,000 years of cultural traditions in the North. In the late morning we depart on a wildlife drive to our temporary home located within the heart of the park, the North Face Lodge. We'll travel in the lodge's private buses, on the otherwise highly restricted Denali Park Road, in order to access prime wildlife viewing areas—a privilege extended to the owners of North Face Lodge and their guests. The seven-hour, 90-mile drive is rife with opportunities to



Brown bear.

search for Denali's famed wildlife: grizzlies, caribou, moose, Dall sheep, wolves, eagles, arctic terns, and more. We'll enjoy a hearty, picnic-style dinner, served at the midpoint of the drive alongside the East Fork River. Regular stops at National Park Service facilities provide additional chances to stretch your legs. (B,L,D)

DAY 3-5: DENALI NATIONAL PARK/NORTH FACE LODGE

Immerse yourself in the remote wildness and north-country charm of the North Face Lodge, and become one with nature. See Denali's rich wildlife, flora and fauna firsthand and learn about its natural history during the daily activities of your choice—hiking, canoeing, fishing, and biking. Hiking is among guests' favorite activities, as the lodge offers exclusive opportunities to hike with trained naturalist guides in the protected wilderness backcountry of Denali National Park. Optional flightseeing offers breathtaking aerial views of Alaska and is available at an additional cost. Days wind down with nightly presentations by the fireplace that focus on various aspects of Denali's natural and cultural history, including birds, mammals, wildflowers, tundra ecology, geology, mountaineering, land use, and natural resource issues. Rest well in lovely, comfortable rooms, and enjoy delicious meals featuring fresh baked goods and locally-grown produce throughout your stay. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: DENALI NATIONAL PARK/ANCHORAGE

This morning we check out of the North Face Lodge and enjoy the scenic drive back out to the park entrance. Continue to experience the grandeur of Alaska aboard the Alaska Railroad, enjoying the first class, GoldStar Service en route to Anchorage. Lavishly appointed cars feature custom-designed interiors highlighted with original Alaska art and a private outdoor viewing deck. Dinner will be served on board the train. Overnight at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: ANCHORAGE/SITKA OR JUNEAU/HOME

This morning fly to either Sitka or Juneau to begin your Alaska voyage. Or, if your extension is taken after your voyage, transfer to the airport for connecting flights home. (B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

This seven-day extension can be taken before or after select **Exploring Alaska's Coastal Wilderness** and **A Remarkable Journey to Alaska, British Columbia & Haida Gwaii** departures between May 24 and Sep. 7, 2014.



Dall Sheep.

Note: Payment and Cancellation terms for Denali are different from our standard terms. Please call or visit our website for details.

Depending on your departure date, you may be responsible for one night on your own before or after joining the Denali extension. Please call for details.



Mighty Mt. McKinley rises out of Denali National Park.

COLUMBIA & SNAKE RIVERS JOURNEY: HARVESTS, HISTORY & LANDSCAPES

7 DAYS/6 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD* & *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION*

PRICES FROM: $4,490 to $7,900 (See page 112-113 for complete prices.)

The Corps of Discovery expedition, led by Lewis and Clark from 1804 to 1806, was a dramatic episode in American history. Conceived by Jefferson as more than a geographic exploration, it studied native cultures, collected specimens, and, through maps, put form to what was terra incognita. Retrace Lewis & Clark's rich history of exploration. Visit campsites of the Corps of Discovery and learn about their relationships with the Native American tribes. Plus see diverse landscapes, travel through a series of eight locks, and enjoy locally and sustainably sourced cuisine, including award-winning wines and craft brews.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Follow the path of Lewis and Clark's expedition, stopping at some of their campsites and learning about the Nez Perce people they encountered.**
- **Explore the history, geology, and cuisine of the Columbia & Snake rivers region aboard an intimate, 62-guest expedition ship.**
- **Enjoy locally sourced, sustainable food on board; some cuisine is picked up from providers along the way, so it's literally as fresh as can be.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

20+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

Our 4-person expedition team is your link to the past and present of the region. An expedition leader, historian, geologist and naturalist/Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler, will ensure unparalleled understanding and enjoyment of the places and people along our route.

Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.



Columbia River Gorge at sunrise.

DAY 1: PORTLAND, OREGON/EMBARK
Board our ship and cruise the center of Portland on the Willamette River before reaching the Columbia River. (D)

DAY 2: ASTORIA
We begin our journey by navigating the Columbia to the mouth of the river at Astoria. At Fort Clatsop, where the explorers hunkered down for the wet winter of 1805-1806, we walk through the full-scale reconstructed fort. Visit the Columbia River Maritime Museum, which chronicles the history of river navigation and this port town. In the afternoon explore more of what the area has to offer with a trip to either the Lewis and Clark Wildlife Refuge or Cape Disappointment. (B,L,D)

DAY 3: COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE/HOOD RIVER
This morning we begin our orientation to the Gorge. You'll get a fresh perspective on such highlights as Bonneville Lock and Dam, Beacon Rock, and Multnomah Falls. Continue through the Gorge to Hood River, where we'll enjoy fresh fruit from a family farm and taste award-winning wines at a local vineyard. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: THE DALLES/MARYHILL MUSEUM
Visit the Columbia River Gorge Discovery Center to learn about the region's natural history. Hike or take bicycles along a scenic section of historic Highway 30. In the afternoon we'll visit the Maryhill Museum and view its extensive and eclectic collection of baskets woven by Native Americans, Rodin sculptures, and other fascinating exhibits. (B,L,D)



DAY 5: EXPLORING THE PALOUSE RIVER
The still water of the Palouse River is the perfect mirror for the surrounding basalt cliffs as we set off cruising on our expedition landing craft and kayak adventures. Visit Palouse Falls, where cascading waters plunge into the pool below. Afterwards, sail up the Snake River, enjoying a taste of local specialties. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: CLARKSTON, WASHINGTON
At Clarkston, we find ourselves at the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater rivers, more than 450 miles from the sea. Travel by comfortable jet boat up the Snake River into one of North America's most scenic spots, spectacular Hells Canyon. Or you may opt to follow in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark along the Clearwater River, visiting several of their actual campsites. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: CLARKSTON/DISEMBARK
Transfer to Lewiston, Idaho or Spokane, Washington for connecting flights home. (B)


Expedition landing craft filled with adventurous guests & National Geographic Sea Lion leaving McNary Lock.

EXPEDITION DETAILS
DATES: 2014 Sep. 22, 23, 28*, 29*; Oct. 4, 5, 10* 📷, 16, 22*

**These departures travel from Clarkston, Washington to Portland, Oregon.*

📷 Learn from a National Geographic photographer aboard these Photo Expeditions, timed to capture the fall foliage season.


A waterfall along our route.

OPTIONAL EXTENSION
Choose a 1-day Portland, Oregon and/or Willamette Valley Boutique Winery tour. Please call for details.

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Use your smartphone to watch our Columbia & Snake Rivers video. See pg. 2 for details.

BAJA CALIFORNIA AND THE SEA OF CORTEZ: AMONG THE GREAT WHALES

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD*

PRICES FROM: $5,830 to $10,090 (See page 112-113 for complete prices.)

Seeing gray whales in their natural habitat is one of the great delights of this voyage. In Bahía Magdalena, venture out in expedition landing craft among these amazing creatures. In the Sea of Cortez, search for a variety of whales, plus dolphins, blue-footed boobies, pelicans, cormorants, and magnificent frigatebirds. You'll also snorkel among sea lions, join naturalists on hikes amid barrel cacti and sculpted sand dunes, and see a variety of desert flora and fauna.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Get an up-close view of gigantic gray whale mothers and their calves in the breeding grounds of Bahía Magdalena.**
- **Go snorkeling amid sea lions, brilliant blue damselfish, and schools of king angelfish.**
- **Kayak clear blue waters on the lookout for a variety of bird species including magnificent frigatebirds.**
- **Explore diverse landscapes, including sand dunes, a cactus forest and deserted islands.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

Our expert 6-person expedition team will illuminate the wonders of the Sea of Cortez from every possible angle. Your expedition leader, undersea specialist, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and naturalists, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler, are dedicated to ensuring an incredible voyage. Certain departures feature a National Geographic photographer.

Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.



Gray whales often approach our expedition landing craft, as curious about us as we are about them.

DAY 1: LOS ANGELES/LA PAZ/ SAN CARLOS/EMBARK

Upon arrival in La Paz, transfer to San Carlos where we embark. (D)

DAYS 2-4: BAHÍA MAGDALENA

Navigate through an immense system of protected coves and channels, surrounded by a fringe of mangrove channels at one edge of a vast, windswept plain. Each winter, during their long migration, gray whales travel south from their Arctic feeding grounds to breed and raise their calves in these sheltered waters. Observe migrating whales from the ship and up close from our expedition landing craft. Discover dense mangroves by kayak, and watch for magnificent frigatebirds, pelicans, cormorants, terns, great blue herons, ibis, and willets. (B,L,D daily)

DAY 5: LOS CABOS AND GORDA BANKS

This morning cruise past Friars Rocks at Land's End. For those who wish, we will arrange a visit to San José del Cabo. The afternoon is spent at the Gorda Banks seamount, a gathering place for whales, especially humpbacks, as well as dolphins and other sea life. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: LOS ISLOTES AND ISLA ESPÍRITU SANTO

At Los Islotes, don flippers, a mask and snorkel (which we'll gladly provide) and swim with curious sea lions. We have a leisurely afternoon to swim, kayak or hike at Isla Espíritu Santo. Brown pelicans, yellow-footed gulls and boobies are all part of the landscape. Finish the day with a relaxing beach barbecue complete with a campfire and a star-filled sky. (B,L,D)



Common dolphins.

DAY 7: EXPLORING THE SEA OF CORTEZ

Search for whales among the islands of the southern Sea of Cortez, an area that has proven to be one of the best for finding blue whales, and often common and bottlenose dolphins. Explore the many uninhabited islands such as Isla San José or Isla Santa Catalina to walk among huge cacti and observe the diverse bird life. Swim or snorkel with king angelfish, butterfly fish, damselfish, and the beautiful parrotfish. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: LA PAZ/DISEMBARK/HOME

Disembark in La Paz after breakfast and drive to the airport for flights home. (B)



Guests kayak the pristine Sea of Cortez.



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 Jan. 18*, 25; Feb. 1*, 8, 15*, 22; Mar. 1*, 8, 15* **These departures travel from La Paz to San Carlos.*

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER



Join photographer and marine biologist **Flip Nicklin**, one of the world's leading photographers of marine mammals. His majestic photos and amazing audio recordings have been featured in numerous National Geographic publications and television specials. The North American Nature Photography Association named him 2012 Outstanding Nature Photographer of the Year. Flip will join the Jan. 25 and Feb. 1 departures.



Guests walking on sand dunes.

Want a dedicated Baja California brochure? Find it at **expeditions.com/brochure**

Use your smartphone to watch our Baja California video. See pg. 2 for details.

COSTA RICA AND THE PANAMA CANAL

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION*

PRICES FROM: $5,690 to $9,390 (See page 112-113 for complete prices.)

Immerse yourself in natural wonders along the Pacific coast of Costa Rica and Panama on a voyage aboard the *National Geographic Sea Lion*. Venture into the forests of Manuel Antonio and Corcovado National Parks; search for monkeys, frogs, sloths, and brightly colored birds; and ride horseback on a pristine beach. Cap off your voyage with a crossing of the legendary Panama Canal.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover hidden pools and waterfalls deep within the jungles of the Osa Peninsula.
- Kayak around the tiny islands of the Gulf of Panama, and snorkel off Isla Coiba.
- Enjoy special access to the protected forests of Barro Colorado Island.
- Examine the fascinating lock system that made the Panama Canal one of the greatest engineering achievements of its era.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

Every expedition sails with a veteran expedition leader and a handpicked team of three local naturalists Each naturalist is deeply knowledgeable about Costa Rica and Panama and dedicated to sharing their passion for the region with you. Other key members of the team include a wellness specialist, video chronicler, and a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor. National Geographic experts are on select departures.

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

Scarlet macaw.

DAY 1: U.S./SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA/ HERRADURA

Upon arrival in San José, transfer by land to Herradura and embark our ship *National Geographic Sea Lion*. (D)

DAY 2: MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK

Spend the morning in Manuel Antonio National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where thick forests fringe white-sand beaches. Watch for three-toed sloths lazing among the branches, and spot monkeys and vividly colored birds. This afternoon follow the Pacific coastline south and stop for a refreshing swim or a hike. (B,L,D)



Horseback riding, Osa Peninsula.

DAY 3: OSA PENINSULA

Anchor off the Osa Peninsula to see some of the most pristine lowland rain forest on the Pacific coast. In the environs of Corcovado National Park, swim in waterfall pools, ride horses on the beach, or trek through the rain forest for a chance to see four species of monkeys—howler, spider, capuchin, and squirrel. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: GOLFO DULCE

Enter the mangrove-fringed Golfo Dulce along the southwestern edge of Costa Rica. Visit Casa Orquídeas, a tropical paradise of ornamental palms, bromeliads, heliconias, and orchids closed to the general public and reached by boat only. Keep your eye out for tanagers, parrots, and toucans. Later, explore the placid bay, which is ideal for kayaking, Zodiac rides and swimming. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: COIBA NATIONAL PARK, PANAMA

We make our first stop in Panama this morning at the remote Isla Coiba, one of the many islands of Coiba National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Once a penal colony, the island has long been protected and accessible by special permit only. Among its many endemic species are the Coiba



Island agouti and the mantled howler monkey, as well as four varieties of sea turtle. Discover rich marine life while snorkeling, go kayaking or hiking, or relax on the beach. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: GULF OF PANAMA ISLETS/PANAMA CANAL TRANSIT

Today, explore the tiny islets of the Gulf of Panama by expedition landing craft or kayak. Here we might spot frigatebirds, brown pelicans, neotropical cormorants, and brown boobies. Set sail for the Panama Canal this afternoon. Stretching more than 50 miles, the canal was a colossal engineering feat completed in 1914. It is still traversed by some 14,000 ships every year. As cargo ships tend to pass through the canal during the day, we'll most likely begin our crossing at night, when the canal is dramatically lit. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: GATÚN LAKE/PANAMA CANAL TRANSIT

Board our expedition landing craft to visit Barro Colorado Nature Monument in Gatún Lake by special arrangement. Scientists have worked at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute on Barro Colorado Island since 1923, researching its 120 mammals and diverse tree species. It is also the site of a National Geographic-supported project that tracks tagged animals using automated radio signals and wireless technology. Join local guides for a walk through the forests. This evening, continue through the complex lock system of the canal. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: COLÓN/PANAMA CITY/U.S.

After breakfast, disembark in Colón and transfer to the airport in Panama City for your flight home. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2013: Nov. 16, 23*, 30📷, Dec. 7*📷, 14, 21*, 28 **2014:** Jan. 4*📷, 11📷, 18*, 25, Feb. 1*, 8, 15*, 22📷, Mar. 1*📷, 8, 15* **2014/15:** Departures every Saturday between Dec. 13, 2014 and Mar. 14, 2015. Please call or visit our website for rates. **These departures travel from Panama City to San José.*

📷 Photo Expeditions.

SPECIAL OFFER:

Book now and receive Free Round Trip Airfare via Miami OR a complimentary Panama 1 Night/2 Day Pre or Post Extension plus $450 air credit on select dates. Subject to availability. Call for details.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Add a three-day extension to the Monteverde Cloud Forest and/or a seven-day extension to Monteverde, Arenal Volcano & Sarapiquí. See pages 66-67 for details.

NEW! PANAMA PRE- OR POST-EXTENSION

Stay an extra night and day in Panama City to view the soon-to-be-opened Museum of Biodiversity, designed by Frank Gehry, and the new Panama Canal Expansion Observation Center.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERTS:

Travel with **Susan Seubert** on Nov. 30, **Erika Larsen** on Dec. 7, **Kike Calvo** on Feb. 22 or **Christopher Baker** on Jan. 4, 11, or Mar. 1, 2014.

Use your smartphone to watch our Costa Rica & Panama video. See pg. 2 for details.

COSTA RICA TO PANAMA PLUS MONTEVERDE CLOUD FOREST

11 DAYS/10 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION*

PRICES FROM: $7,080 to $10,980 (See page 112-113 for complete prices. Call for winter 2014/15 dates and rates.)

DATES: 2013 Nov. 13, 27 📷; Dec. 11, 25 2014 Jan. 8, 22; Feb. 5, 19 📷; Mar. 5.

📷 Photo Expedition: departures are for passionate photographers with hands-on instruction from our Photo Expedition Team.

There is an aura about Monteverde's cloud forest—the mist drifting past silhouettes of majestic trees, the cool quiet and the haunting music of a bird called "Solitaire." The cloud forest is a secretive place, revealing its magic to the trained eye of our naturalists, who will help you observe all facets of this marvelous habitat. On our Costa Rica expeditions, you will have a ground-level experience by walking the forest trail and then head up into the canopy to take a Skywalk—a series of suspension bridges—for a bird's-eye view. Combine Monteverde with your *National Geographic Sea Lion* sailing for an in-depth perspective.



Guests explore on the Skywalk in Monteverde.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Walk trails with butterflies and birds, and watch for the rare resplendent quetzal.**
- **Ascend a series of suspension bridges for a bird's-eye view of the forest canopy.**
- **Monteverde's cloud forest is sprinkled with moss, 300 species of orchids, and abundant wildlife.**



Three-toed sloths.

DAY 1: MIAMI/SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA

Depart Miami mid-morning via American Airlines on a non-stop flight to San José, Costa Rica. Flying time is approximately three hours. Upon arrival, a short drive brings us to the Doubletree Cariari. (D)

DAYS 2 AND 3: MONTEVERDE CLOUD FOREST

A scenic drive of approximately five hours takes us to Monteverde Cloud Forest, an acclaimed private reserve. Bathed in cool, year-round moisture, the forest is covered with mosses and 300 species of orchids. Walk trails rich with butterflies and bird life. Ascend the Skywalk, a series of suspension bridges, for a bird's-eye view of the rain forest canopy. Learn about life in the early Monteverde community from Marvin Rockwell, one of the original Quaker homesteaders. We spend each night at a charming, family-owned lodge. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: MONTEVERDE/HERRADURA/ EMBARK

Visit a butterfly farm before transferring to Herradura to embark our ship. (B,L,D)

DAYS 4-11 THEN FOLLOW "COSTA RICA & THE PANAMA CANAL" ITINERARY ON PAGES 64-65. (B,L,D)

PHOTO EXPEDITION:
Explore and get photo tips from NG Photographer **Susan Seubert** (right) on Nov. 27 and **Kike Calvo** Feb. 19.



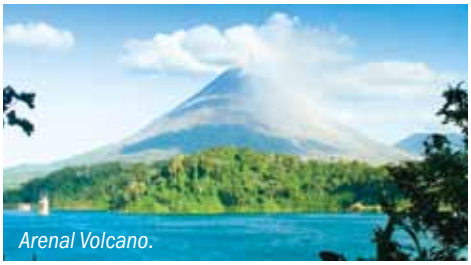
PANAMA TO COSTA RICA PLUS MONTEVERDE, ARENAL VOLCANO & SARAPIQUÍ

15 DAYS/14 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION*

PRICES FROM: $8,580 to $12,660 (See page 112-113 for complete prices. Call for winter 2014/15 dates and rates.)

DATES: 2013 Nov. 23; Dec. 7 📷, 21 2014 Jan. 4, 18; Feb. 1, 15; Mar. 1 📷, 15.

📷 Photo Expedition: departures are for passionate photographers with hands-on instruction from our Photo Expedition Team.


Arenal Volcano.

Cloud forests, volcanoes, and the sea: the ultimate allure of a Panama and Costa Rica expedition. This journey offers an amazing variety of experiences, including an in-depth transit of the Panama Canal; and time on land in Monteverde Cloud Forest and at Arenal Volcano. Explore the area aboard the versatile expedition ship *National Geographic Sea Lion*, go kayaking, use expedition landing craft, and snorkeling gear. On this Central American expedition you can join rain forest hikes amid monkeys, sloths, and tropical birds. Naturalists accompany every activity and use underwater cameras to open up the vibrant undersea world.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Cloud forests, volcanoes and the sea create the ultimate expedition combination.**
- **Search for monkeys, iguanas, endangered scarlet macaws, and American crocodiles.**
- **Go whitewater rafting or river floating on the Sarapiquí River.**


Naturalists are experts at spotting wildlife.

DAYS 1-7: FOLLOW "COSTA RICA & THE PANAMA CANAL" ITINERARY IN REVERSE ON PAGES 64-65.

DAY 8: HERRADURA/MONTEVERDE

Bird watch at Carara National Park and then see the Bat Jungle exhibit or hear from an early Quaker settler. Stay at a peaceful retreat with expansive grounds and picturesque views. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: MONTEVERDE

Visit a butterfly farm and tour the Monteverde reserve. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: MONTEVERDE/ARENAL

Visit a third-generation coffee farm, and then sail across Lake Arenal. Later, check into an elegant hotel with a panoramic view of the smoldering Arenal Volcano. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: ARENAL

Walk the Arenal Hanging Bridges, strung through three kilometers of dense rain forest canopy, then relax in thermal pools heated by the volcano. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: ARENAL/SARAPIQUÍ

Transfer to Sarapiquí, stopping to visit La Selva Biological Station to explore immaculate primary tropical rain forest. Check in to Hacienda Sueño Azul, set in a private rain forest reserve. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: SARAPIQUÍ

Float the Sarapiquí River on a relaxing journey or opt for adventurous whitewater rafting. Later, ride horseback to secluded waterfalls or pamper yourself in the spa. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: SARAPIQUÍ/SAN JOSÉ

Visit Sibu Chocolatier and enjoy a workshop on preparing chocolate. After lunch, visit a fine San José museum. The day ends with a farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: SAN JOSÉ/U.S.

Transfer to the San José airport for flights home. (B)

PHOTO EXPEDITION:

Explore and get photo tips from National Geographic Photographer **Erika Larsen** on Dec. 7 and **Christopher P. Baker** on Mar. 1.

SAILING THE CARIBBEAN

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD *SEA CLOUD*

PRICES FROM: $7,590 to $14,990 (See pages 114-115 for complete prices.)

Set sail aboard the magnificent four-masted barque *Sea Cloud*, and explore the lush islands and vibrant cultures of the Lesser Antilles. Hike in the mountainous rain forests of Dominica, explore an active volcanic crater in Saint Lucia, and glide on a catamaran in the idyllic Grenadines. Amid a spectacular tropical backdrop, enjoy opportunities to swim and snorkel at coral reefs and sandy beaches, and discover the hidden corners of the Caribbean Sea.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Sail the sparkling Caribbean Sea aboard the historic square-rigger *Sea Cloud*.**
- **Snorkel at lively coral reefs, swim in pristine tropical waters, and explore remote cays and beaches.**
- **Explore 18th century forts, colonial outposts and an intriguing mix of cultures with our expedition staff.**
- **Experience an array of natural wonders, including volcanoes and rain forests showcasing island birds and wildlife.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

20+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

Lindblad Expeditions first sailed aboard *Sea Cloud* in the 1980s, and over the years has developed unparalleled expertise in operating expedition-style journeys aboard this superlative vessel. In addition to an expedition leader, you'll be joined by a naturalist/Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, a historian who will tell you about the Caribbean's cultures, and local guides on each island.

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

The sun sets as Sea Cloud *sails the Caribbean.*

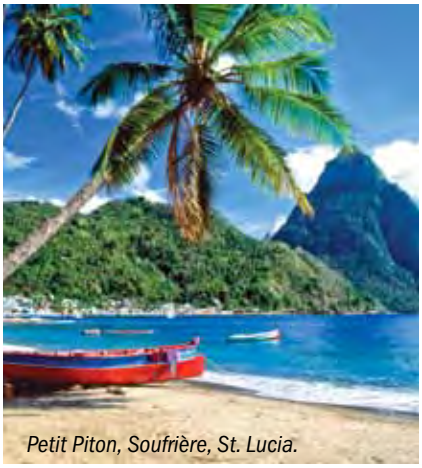


DAY 1: U.S./BARBADOS

Arrive in Barbados and settle into your cabin aboard the elegant *Sea Cloud*. Cast off this afternoon, and enjoy dinner and our first Caribbean sunset. (D)

DAY 2: AT SEA

Begin the morning on deck, where sailors climb the lines to raise the *Sea Cloud*'s sails by hand. Enjoy a full day skimming across the Caribbean. Relax with a book, photograph the ship's exquisite details, and attend talks by our experts on the natural history of the islands we will soon explore. (B,L,D)



Petit Piton, Soufrière, St. Lucia.

DAY 3: DOMINICA

Spend the day exploring Dominica, known as "the nature island" for its spectacular beauty and many protected reserves. Hike through enchanting rain forest. Join our historian in exploring the ruins of Fort Shirley, an 18th-century British garrison, and learn about Dominica's turbulent colonial history. Go swimming or snorkeling before casting off for a sunset seen from the sea. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: ÎSLES DES SAINTES

Off the southern coast of Guadeloupe lie the French-speaking Îsles des Saintes, a group of eight small islands. Anchor at Terre-de-Haut, the largest island in the archipelago. Explore Fort Napoléon, a 19th-century French barracks that now houses a museum and cactus garden. Stroll through the photogenic French Caribbean village of Bourg, which is decidedly French in character. Return to *Sea Cloud* for a great sail through Guadeloupe Channel. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: SAINT LUCIA

Rise early to watch as our crew trims the *Sea Cloud*'s 32,000 square feet of sails. Conditions permitting, we'll lower Zodiacs so that you can photograph the yacht under sail. This afternoon, arrive at St. Lucia and anchor under the island's iconic twin peaks, Les Pitons, which rise dramatically above the sea. After exploring the fishing port of Soufrière, embark on a thrilling drive into St. Lucia's active volcanic crater and discover the otherworldly landscape of mud pools and sulfur springs. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: UNDER SAIL/EXPLORING THE GRENADINES

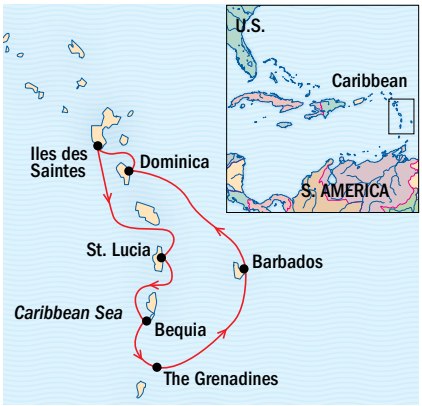
Spend the morning aboard *Sea Cloud* under sail, exploring the idyllic Grenadine Islands, with their quintessential tropical cays. We'll have options to take a local catamaran to snorkel at the Tobago Cays, or enjoy the sheltered beaches of Mayreau or Union Island. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: BEQUIA/UNDER SAIL

Anchor at tiny Bequia, and explore the charming waterfront. Go snorkeling at a nearby reef, swim along palm-backed beaches, or visit a sea turtle sanctuary to learn about local conservation. In the afternoon, set sail across St. Vincent Channel before heading back to Barbados overnight. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: BARBADOS/U.S.

Disembark this morning and transfer to the airport for your return flight. (B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 Feb. ~~24~~; Mar. ~~3~~ **2015** Feb. 26; Mar. 5 Please call for 2015 prices.
Departures in red are sold out.

SPECIAL OFFER:

Travel aboard *Sea Cloud* on any 2014 departure, and we will cover your bar tab and all tips for the crew.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC BIOLOGIST

Tierney Thys is a National Geographic Emerging Explorer who has been swimming and diving since early childhood. She has studied the giant sunfish in many parts of the world. Travel with her on the Mar. 3 departure.

» Want a dedicated *Sea Cloud* Caribbean brochure? Find it at **expeditions.com/brochure**

Use your smartphone to watch our *Sea Cloud* Caribbean video. See pg. 2 for details.



Crew climbs Sea Cloud's rigging.

NEW

EXPLORING THE LOW COUNTRIES: HOLLAND AND BELGIUM

9 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $7,320 to $13,450 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

While many of our expeditions go in search of pristine wilderness, our stunning 9-day exploration of the Low Countries "tracks" some of the great achievements in Western history. The historic cities are extraordinary: Amsterdam, the city of Vermeer, Rembrandt and Van Gogh—and the newly reopened Rijksmuseum—and those perfectly preserved medieval gems Gent and Brugge. Lovers of architecture will appreciate Antwerp's tall, step-gabled merchant houses. A special highlight will be our visits to unspoiled islands: the West Frisian Islands off the Dutch coast, and Harlingen, with its charming canals and historic houses.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Venture into medieval towns, admire legendary art and architecture, and savor local specialties: Belgian waffles, Dutch chocolates, and the famous Belgian beers brewed for centuries by Trappist monks.**
- **Have a docent-guided tour of the famed Rijksmuseum, reopened after a ten-year renovation.**
- **Enjoy a warm welcome at Harlingen, where we will be the first ever passenger ship to dock and have permission to explore the canals via Zodiac.**
- **Explore the Frisian Islands located amid the important tidal landscape called Waddenzee—a UNESCO site. Arrive during tulip time and see vast tulip fields outside of Den Helder.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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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Canal cruising will be a special highlight throughout; Brugge is shown here.



MAY 4 AND 5: U.S./HAMBURG, GERMANY/ BREMERHAVEN/EMBARK

Depart on an overnight flight to Hamburg. Transfer to Bremerhaven, where two centuries of impressive harbor city history can be seen all around the Old and New Harbor area. Embark *Explorer*. (L,D)

MAY 6: HARLINGEN, THE NETHERLANDS

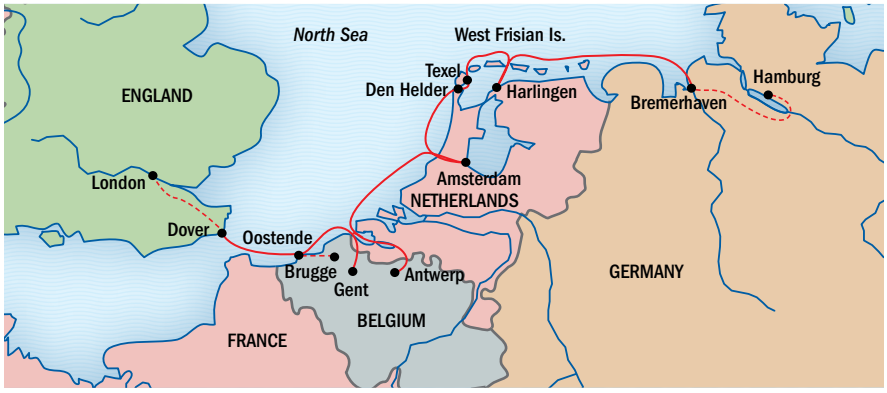
This morning we transit through the scenic and wildlife-rich Waddenzee, en route to Harlingen. We'll be welcomed with open arms as the first ever 'cruise ship' to call at this lovely little seaside town. With beautiful buildings, restaurants and shops lining the scenic canals, Harlingen feels like Nyhavn, in Copenhagen. It's a very festive setting. And we have been given special permission to use our Zodiacs through the canals, exploring at will throughout the heart of town. This off-the-beaten-path gem will lure many to stay ashore for dinner as we stay berthed well into the evening. (B,L,D)



A serene landscape in Texel, Frisian Islands.

MAY 7: EXPLORING THE FRISIAN ISLANDS

Zodiacs take us to explore the West Frisian Islands, a chain of islands in the North Sea off the Dutch coast, along the edge of the Wadden Sea. The Frisian languages are still used by 500,000 speakers; dialects of Frisian are recognized as official languages in both the Netherlands and Germany. Our destination is the island of Texel, the largest of the Frisian Islands, with plenty of options, such as exploring the vast beach and dune environments, exploring via bike or walking about town. We'll also call at the neighboring port of Den Helder, which allows access to the vast tulip fields. (B,L,D)



MAY 8: AMSTERDAM

The best way to experience Amsterdam is to stroll along the network of picturesque canals. Cafes, shops, and narrow, gabled brick houses from the 17th and 18th centuries line the waterways. And now more than ever, Amsterdam stands out as a center of culture. The Rijksmuseum, of a standard equal to the Louvre in Paris and the Prado in Madrid, exhibits the works of such Dutch masters as Vermeer and Rembrandt. The beautiful building, opened in 1885, has reopened after a mammoth, ten-year, $489 million renovation. A museum guide takes us through the Rijksmuseum, most noted for housing Rembrandt's *The Night Watch*. Van Gogh enthusiasts may wish to visit the recently reopened Van Gogh museum, highlighting his life's work. (B,L,D)

MAY 9: ANTWERP, BELGIUM

Antwerp has been a prosperous trading center for centuries and is the core of the global diamond trade. Its accrued wealth can be seen in the beautiful 16th-century guild houses and impressive buildings. We take a slow stroll with our historians, appreciating the architecture of the Grand Palace and guild houses. Of course, no visit to Antwerp would be complete without admiring the works of Rubens and Van Dyck. (B,L,D)

MAY 10: GENT, BELGIUM

Don't forget your walking shoes! Gent is a showcase of medieval Flemish wealth, with wonderful architecture. Cathedral, church, and belfry towers pierce the sky and fill the air with the music of their bells. Beside an ancient harbor, ornate guild houses line the banks. Street markets flourish as in previous centuries. (B,L,D)

MAY 11: OOSTENDE/BRUGGE

From Oostende, drive to the medieval town of Brugge, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You will immediately notice that this city has always carefully cherished its architectural and artistic treasures from the past. Brugge is known for its brick Gothic architecture, and as the birthplace of the school of the Flemish Primitives. After a walking excursion, we board small boats to view the architecture from canal level. (B,L,D)

MAY 12: DOVER, U.K./DISEMBARK/ LONDON/U.S.

Disembark in Dover and transfer to London's Heathrow Airport for flights home. (B)



Vermeer's The Milkmaid, *the Rijksmuseum.*

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 May 4

BACK TO BACK SAVINGS:

Save 10% on the voyage cost when you combine "Exploring the Low Countries" back-to-back with "Exploring the British & Irish Isles" (page 72). See page 118 or call for details.

EXPLORING THE BRITISH & IRISH ISLES

15 DAYS/13 NIGHTS – ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $12,370 to $22,590 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

National Geographic Explorer follows the maritime thread through the isles, exploring the wild and beautiful places where Celtic and Viking influences still thrive in local languages and customs. Everywhere there are surprises: the sub-tropical gardens on the Isles of Scilly. The cloistered quiet of Iona, where Macbeth's grave allegedly lies. The way the 5,000-year-old dwellings at Skara Brae in Orkney banish forever any lingering notions of early man as "primitive." And the spectacular scenery along our route.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Navigate around magical Skellig Michael, which is crowned with a sixth-century beehive monastery, and examine the basaltic lava columns of Fingal's Cave.**
- **Peer into the past in the pre-historic homes of Skara Brae in the Orkneys.**
- **Venture into the mysterious ancient Celtic forts at Dun Aengus on the Aran Islands.**
- **Discover vibrant Gaelic culture on the remote isles of Scotland and Ireland.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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Guest walking among the ancient Stones of Callanish in the Hebrides.



MAY 11 AND 12: U.S./LONDON, ENGLAND/DOVER
Depart on an overnight flight to London. Transfer to Dover and embark *Explorer*. (L,D)

MAY 13: PORTSMOUTH
Portsmouth is the birthplace of Charles Dickens and the port from which the D-Day invasion was launched in WWII. The Historical Dockyard houses HMS *Victory*, Lord Nelson's flagship in the 1805 Battle of Trafalgar. (B,L,D)

MAY 14: FOWEY ISLAND/EDEN PROJECT
Explorers Drake, Raleigh, and Cook have all passed through Fowey (pronounced "Foy" by the locals). Stroll the winding, medieval streets and visit art galleries and pubs before visiting the Cornish countryside and the Eden Project, a botanical garden with vast biomes. Or opt to visit the Lost Gardens of Heligan, left derelict after WWI and recently restored. (B,L,D)


An Iron Age broch, Mousa Island.

MAY 15: ISLES OF SCILLY
According to Arthurian legend, the Isles of Scilly are all that remain of Lyonnesse, a land off Cornwall that vanished beneath the Atlantic. Meander through Tresco Abbey Gardens, where an astounding variety of subtropical plants flourish. (B,L,D)

MAY 16: THE SKELLIGS AND DINGLE PENINSULA, IRELAND
An important center of Celtic Christianity, the beehive huts and seventh-century monastery of Skellig Michael still stand. Explore the ancient sites of the Dingle Peninsula and the colorful town of Dingle itself. (B,L,D)

MAY 17: CLIFFS OF MOHER & ARAN ISLANDS
View the towering Cliffs of Moher and explore the Aran Islands, known for their limestone moonscapes and Gaelic identity. Visit Dun Aengus, an enigmatic Celtic ring fort perched on a cliff's edge. (B,L,D)

MAY 18: COUNTY DONEGAL, IRELAND
Explore the fishing harbor of Killybegs and Gaelic-speaking Glencolumbkille, discovering ancient cairns and dolmens. Sail past the 2,000-foot cliffs of Slieve League. (B,L,D)

MAY 19: IONA AND STAFFA, INNER HEBRIDES, SCOTLAND
Venture into 13th-century Iona Abbey. Examine the Celtic high crosses and the ancient graveyard where Macbeth lies buried. Explore Staffa Island, famed for its geometric basalt columns and deep-sea cave, where Felix Mendelssohn was inspired to write his "Hebrides Overture." (B,L,D)

MAY 20: OUTER HEBRIDES: ST. KILDA & CALLANISH
Visit the Outer Hebrides, where Scottish Gaelic is still spoken. Weather permitting, explore the cottages of St. Kilda, a UNESCO World Heritage site inhabited since the Bronze Age. See the neolithic Callanish Standing Stones on the Isle of Lewis. (B,L,D)

MAY 21: INVEREWE
Stroll Inverewe Gardens, where colorful subtropical flora thrives. Explore the charming fishing port of Ullapool. (B,L,D)

MAY 22: ORKNEY ISLANDS
Encounter a sophisticated Stone Age culture at the Ring of Brodgar and the 5,000-year-old stone-slab village of Skara Brae. Step into the medieval St. Magnus Cathedral. (B,L,D)

MAY 23: FAIR ISLE AND MOUSA
On Fair Isle, known for its woolen crafts, we visit the bird research station, located on the migration flyway. On uninhabited Mousa, see an Iron Age broch. (B,L,D)

MAY 24: SHETLAND ISLANDS
Dock at Lerwick and drive through a rolling landscape with Shetland ponies. Explore the ruins at Jarlshof, a 4,000-year-old near-continuous settlement. (B,L,D)

MAY 25: BERGEN, NORWAY/DISEMBARK/HOME (B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 May 11

OPTIONAL EXTENSION
Add a six-day extension in Wales. Visit our website or call for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER



Jim Richardson has shot more than 40 articles for *National Geographic*, including the March 2006 article "Celt Appeal."

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE GUEST SPEAKER
Author and journalist **Tim Heald** lives in Cornwall, England. He is author of Prince Philip's official biography and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature.


Ring of Brodgar, Orkney.

AN ISLAND ODYSSEY: AZORES, MADEIRA, CANARIES & CAPE VERDE

16 DAYS/13 NIGHTS – *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

PRICES FROM: $13,820 to $25,230 (See pages 100-103 for complete prices.)

Why do we love islands and island life? Immerse yourself in the theme of island exploration and make plenty of discoveries of your own: secluded archipelagos and unique island flora and fauna, whale-watching, island cultures and ancient lore. Indulge your passion for islands on this one-of-a-kind adventure aboard *National Geographic Explorer*. Within the EU, explore three archipelagos known as the Macaronesia region: the Azores, Madeira (both belonging to Portugal) and the Canaries (Spain). Then voyage to isolated Cape Verde off the coast of West Africa. Travel back in time to a slice of centuries past as we explore the natural and cultural aspects of some of the remotest islands in the world.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience a rare visit to remote islands with deep-seated cultures, unique cuisine, and seafaring traditions.
- View spectacular geology: an active volcano, stunning lava formations, hot springs and the natural wonders of a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.
- Enjoy opportunities to search for marine wildlife including dolphins, sperm whales at the height of the season, plus the possibility of orcas and blue, sei, and pilot whales.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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Sperm whales feed along the undersea shelves surrounding the Azores.



SEP. 21 AND 22: U.S./SÃO MIGUEL, AZORES, PORTUGAL

Fly overnight to Ponta Delgada on the island of São Miguel and embark our ship. (Sep. 22: D)

SEP. 23: SÃO MIGUEL, AZORES

At the heart of the Atlantic Ocean is a lush, mountainous archipelago that combines the breathtaking landscapes of Hawaii with the charm and culture of old-world Europe. Today we explore the Furnas Valley and its famed hot springs, hiking the trails or perhaps visiting a tea plantation, or the lovely garden of Terra Nostra. And we savor a traditional Azorean *cozido* lunch, naturally cooked from the volcanic activity—underground! (B,L,D)



Peter Café Sport, Azores.

SEP. 24: FAIAL, AZORES

The Azores are a whale-watching mecca, and we go in search of these gentle giants. On the island of Faial, see how dramatically the landscape changed when its volcano erupted in 1957. Stroll along the marina, visit the excellent scrimshaw museum, and raise a glass at legendary Peter Café Sport, where sea adventurers historically dropped off their mail. For those interested, we can arrange for scuba diving. (B,L,D)

SEP. 25: SANTA MARIA, AZORES

Our local whale experts will guide us on our morning whale-watching. Go ashore at Santa Maria to hike the trails on this picturesque island that is historically significant as the first landfall of Christopher Columbus on his return from the Americas. (B,L,D)

SEP. 26: AT SEA

SEP. 27 AND 28: MADEIRA

Madeira has beautiful scenery, with a delicious climate. Walk in the *laurisilva* (laurel forest), endemic to Macaronesia and now a UNESCO


Botanical garden, Madeira.

Site. Wander along the *levadas* (former irrigation channels) or visit the botanical gardens. Sample Madeira's seafood and famed Madeira wines, and hear a performance of authentic Fado singing. Browse the exquisite embroidery and wicker crafted here. (B,L,D)

SEP. 29: AT SEA/CANARY ISLANDS, SPAIN

After a morning at sea, arrive in the European-flavored Canary Islands. La Palma is known as *La isla bonita*, the "pretty isle," for its green mountain slopes set against azure waters. Visit the church of Our Lady of the Snows, with its Spanish-Moorish architecture. (B,L,D)

SEP. 30: LA GOMERA, CANARY ISLANDS

La Gomera is considered to be the departure point of Christopher Columbus' journey to the New World. On this unspoiled island, we spend time at Garajonay National Park, a UNESCO site, to hike and stretch our legs. (B,L,D)

OCT. 1 AND 2: AT SEA

OCT. 3 AND 4: CAPE VERDE

Cape Verde is one of the world's smallest independent nations. See impressive landscapes on Santo Antão: terraced hillsides, eucalyptus forests and deep valleys. Visit the island of Fogo, and add volcano-gazing to your life list. We drive 5,000 feet up the volcano to sample the local wine at its source: inside the caldera! (B,L,D)

OCT. 5 AND 6: PRAIA, SANTIAGO ISLAND, CAPE VERDE/DISEMBARK/U.S.

See the Old Town with its colonial center, a relic of the slave trade. Disembark in Praia, and head to the airport for an overnight flight home. (Oct. 5: B,L)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Sept. 21

SPECIAL OFFER:

Book by **Dec. 31, 2013** and choose complimentary airfare OR a bonus 6-day Atlantic crossing to Salvador, Brazil, continuing aboard *National Geographic Explorer.* (Airfare based on economy group flights NY/Azores, Cape Verde/NY.) See page 118 or call for details.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS

Ana Palacio, the former Foreign Minister of Spain, provides insight into the Canary Islands and the European Union. She is joined by **Lisa Abend**, *TIME* magazine's correspondent for Spain and Portugal.

MUSICOLOGIST

Jacob Edgar introduces us to the sounds and musicians of these vibrant cultures.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS



Sisse Brimberg and **Cotton Coulson** have collectively photographed more than 50 stories for *National Geographic* and *National Geographic Traveler*. On this voyage Cotton invites you to go On Assignment with him as he photographs island scenery, sights and faces for *National Geographic's Intelligent Travel* blog.

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TURKEY AND GREECE: A SAILING ODYSSEY

10 DAYS/8 NIGHTS—ABOARD *SEA CLOUD*

PRICES FROM: $8,790 to $16,880 (See pages 114-115 for complete prices.)

Step aboard the square-rigged yacht *Sea Cloud*, and sail along the magnificent isles and rocky coastlines of Turkey and Greece. Encounter glittering marble cities of the ancient world from Ephesus to Delos, and stroll through the timeless whitewashed villages of the Cyclades. Delve deep into the rich history and mythology of the Romans and the Greeks and encounter the legacy of the Ottomans in vibrant Istanbul.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Sail the ancient seas aboard the legendary four-masted *Sea Cloud*.**
- **In Istanbul stay at an elegant hotel, formerly a palace, on the Bosphorus, the strait that divides Europe and Asia.**
- **Venture into some of the most important sites of the Greco-Roman era, including Delos, Didyma, and Ephesus.**
- **Visit the world famous Bronze Age shipwreck at the Museum of Underwater Archaeology in the harbor town of Bodrum.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

20+ YEARS EXPERIENCE

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The Library of Celsus is at the heart of Ephesus.



DAY 1: FLY OVERNIGHT TO ISTANBUL, TURKEY

DAY 2: ISTANBUL, TURKEY
Arrive in Istanbul and check in to our extraordinary hotel, the Çirağan Palace Kempinski. In the afternoon, you will have the opportunity to explore on your own. (D)

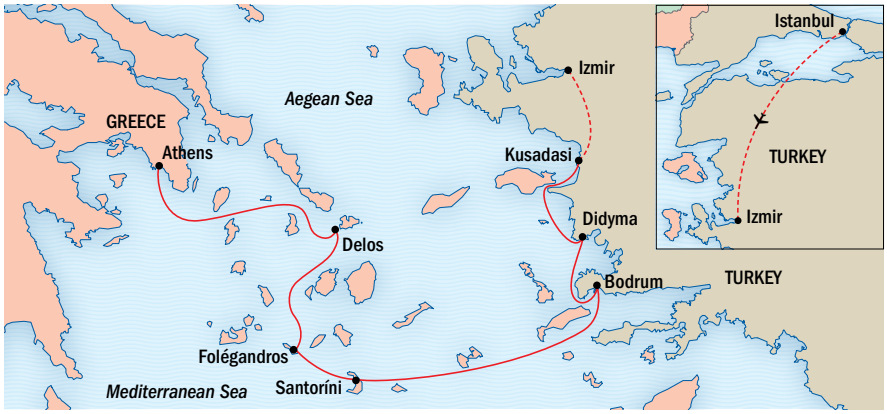
DAY 3: ISTANBUL/IZMIR/EPHESUS/KUSADASI
This morning drive to the airport where we board a flight for Izmir and drive to Ephesus, once home to the Temple of Artemis, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. Follow the Marble Way to the spectacular Terrace Houses, then to the dazzling façade of the Library of Celsus and the Great Theater. This afternoon, drive to Kusadasi and embark *Sea Cloud*. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: AT SEA/DIDYMA
In the morning watch sailors climb the lines to raise the sails by hand as we set sail for Didyma. Here, we explore an Ionian shrine that was the site of the oracle of Apollo. Wander among the ruins of massive columns to the Temple of Apollo, and discover the site's significance in the ancient world. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: BODRUM
In the lively seaside town of Bodrum, venture into the 15th-century Castle of St. Peter, built by the Crusaders to combat the spread of the Ottoman Empire. The castle now houses the Museum of Underwater Archaeology, which was developed with the help of National Geographic–funded archaeologist Dr. George Bass. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: AT SEA
Enjoy a day while we sail from Turkey to the Cycladic Islands. Relax with a book on deck, take in the views, and attend talks by our experts. Late this afternoon, we may stop for a swim. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: SANTORÍNI, GREECE
Make sure you're on deck this morning as we glide into Santoríni's volcanic caldera and see the island's spectacular cliffs and whitewashed villages. Ashore, take a drive to the tiny village of Oía and stroll past its iconic domed churches and windmills. Then continue to Thíra and take in splendid views of the caldera. (B,L,D)




Guests relaxing on deck.

DAY 8: AT SEA/FOLÉGANDROS
After a morning of sailing, anchor at the small island of Folégandros and head up to the cliff-side town, or *chora*. Explore the cobbled streets, and wind your way through the city walls for views of the island's rocky shores and pristine beaches. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: DELOS/AT SEA
Tiny Delos is known as the birthplace of the twin gods Artemis, goddess of animals and the hunt, and Apollo, god of healing, reason, and light. Explore this extraordinary archaeological site today. Walk down the Terrace of the Lions and encounter the marble Temple of Apollo, one of the holiest sites in ancient Greece. Enjoy the afternoon under sail as we head for Piraeus and Athens. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: PIRAEUS/ATHENS/U.S.
Disembark and transfer to the airport for flights home, or stay on in Athens for our extension. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 May 8, 16*, 22
**This departure travels from Athens to Istanbul.*

SPECIAL OFFER:
Travel aboard *Sea Cloud* on any 2014 departure and we will cover your bar tab and all tips for the crew.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS
Add a two-day pre- or post-trip extension to Athens or a two-day pre- or post-trip extension to Istanbul. Visit our website or call for details.


Istanbul.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MARINE ARCHAEOLOGIST
Katy Croff Bell has led archaeological expeditions in the Aegean Sea off the coast of Turkey. Over the past ten years, she has participated in or led more than 20 oceanographic and archaeological projects all over the world. Katy will join the May 8, 2014 expedition.

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Use your smartphone to watch our *Sea Cloud* Mediterranean video. See pg. 2 for details.

UNDER SAIL: GREECE TO THE DALMATIAN COAST

12 DAYS/10 NIGHTS—ABOARD *SEA CLOUD*

PRICES FROM: $10,990 to $20,990 (See pages 114-115 for complete prices.)

From the ancient temples of Olympia to the medieval walled city of Hvar, immerse yourself in the history and culture of some of Europe's most spectacular places on board the legendary four-masted *Sea Cloud*. Discover the remarkable sites of Albania, cut off from the modern world for decades, and explore Montenegro, legendary Itháki, and incomparable Dubrovnik.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Ply the waters of the Aegean, Ionian, and Adriatic Seas aboard the magnificent *Sea Cloud*.**
- **Step back in history at five UNESCO World Heritage sites including the ancient ruins of Olympia, Greece, and Albania's historic city of Butrint.**
- **Skim across Montenegro's Gulf of Kotor to Our Lady of the Rocks, a tiny islet created over centuries by local fishermen.**
- **Spend a day among the marble-paved lanes and ramparts of Dubrovnik.**

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Encircled by medieval battlements, the terra-cotta roofs of Dubrovnik shimmer in the Adriatic light.

DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./ATHENS, GREECE/PIRAEUS

Depart on an overnight flight to Athens, arriving the next morning. This afternoon, transfer to Piraeus and settle into your cabin aboard the elegant *Sea Cloud*. (L,D)

DAY 3: AT SEA

Round the southern coast of the Peloponnesus peninsula, enjoying a full day of sailing. Watch the crew hoist *Sea Cloud*'s many sails by hand. Relax with a book on deck, photograph our yacht, and attend talks by our expedition team. (B,L,D)



Sea Cloud *under full sail.*

DAY 4: OLYMPIA

Dock in Katákolon and travel to the ancient site of Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games. Visit the legendary ruins of this UNESCO World Heritage site, the Olympic Stadium, and the superb Archaeological Museum. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: ITHACA

Sail this morning to Ithaca (Itháki), home to Odysseus. The island remains somewhat isolated and retains the sense of adventure associated with Homer's hero. Visit gems of Ionian villages and explore sites that link to the era described in the epic poems. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: SARANDË AND BUTRINT, ALBANIA

Cut off from the world for 50 years by its Stalinist dictator, Albania is now feeling its way into the 21st century. Explore the ancient city of Butrint, a UNESCO World Heritage site, then return to Sarandë for local refreshments at Lekuris Castle, looking down on the bay of Sarandë and Corfu. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: TIRANA

Dock in Durrës, and drive to the ancient capital of Kruje, and visit the medieval market and Ethnographic Museum. Continue to the contemporary capital, Tirana, scattered with the vestiges of one of the longest dictatorships in Eastern Europe. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: PERAST AND KOTOR, MONTENEGRO

Sail into Montenegro via the magnificent Gulf of Kotor. Stop at the historic town of Perast before taking a local boat to the islet of Gospa od Škrpjela, or Our Lady of the Rocks. Steeped in lore, the tiny islet was created by fishermen dropping rocks from their row-boats. Explore medieval Kotor this afternoon, or drive up 27 serpentine switchbacks to the top of the fjord. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

Known as the "pearl of the Adriatic," Dubrovnik is regarded as one of the best-preserved medieval towns in the world. Spend the day exploring the marvelous old town, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and enjoy a private performance of traditional Croatian *klapa* music. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: KORČULA

Anchor at the island port of Korčula, one of the most beautiful medieval towns in the Balkans. Visit the town's sites, and see the house believed by some to be Marco Polo's birthplace. This evening, attend a private traditional *Moreška* sword dance. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: HVAR

At the height of Venetian rule, Hvar was the region's most prosperous center. Take a tour inside the delightful walled city. Visit the arsenal and Croatia's oldest active theater, and if you choose, hike up to the dramatically located citadel. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: DUBROVNIK/U.S.

Disembark this morning and transfer to the airport for your return flight. (B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 May 30; Jun. 9*; Aug. 27; Sep. 6* **2015** Aug. 23, Sep. 2* Please call for 2015 prices. **These departures travel from Dubrovnik to Athens.*

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OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

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Mostar bridge.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC HISTORIAN

Grace Fielder is an expert on the history and cultures along the Dalmatian coast. She has studied the local lore, music, and cuisine of this region, and has even moonlighted as a lavender harvester on the island of Hvar. Grace will join the Jun. 9 departure.

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"Of the eight areas identified as the last wild places in the world's oceans, six are found in the southern Pacific."

—Dr. Enric Sala, Explorer-in-Residence and Expedition Leader on National Geographic's Pristine Seas Expedition

In 2014 when *National Geographic Orion* embarks on her inaugural Pacific voyages, a new chapter opens in the history of Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic—in which we are truly global, touching all seven continents and enabling our guests to experience myriad new wonders, and the major part of the planet's ocean. In the tradition of the great explorers who preceded us—we'll expand the borders of our known worlds as we explore on and beneath the sea, on land in diverse habitats, using cool tools for exploration, accompanied by experts, and skillfully maneuvering our nimble vessel into some of the South Pacific's most inaccessible and marvelous places.

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Sing-sing in Papua New Guinea.

TALES OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC

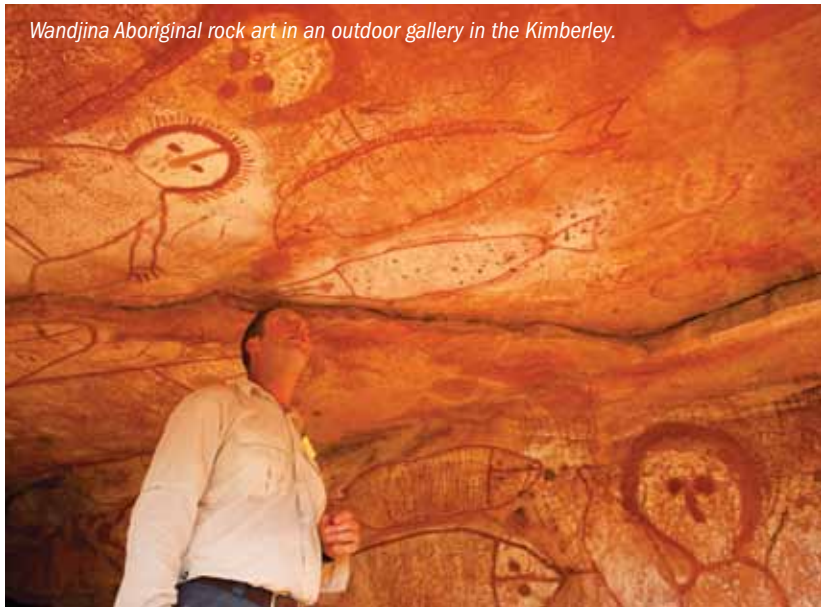
National Geographic Orion begins her season with a christening inaugural in March 2014 (page 120). Then, she travels from Australia to Easter Island, on three different fall voyages. The early November voyage hops from Cairns to Papua New Guinea for fascinating encounters, and explores the lush, jungle-fringed Coral Sea, with its white sand beaches that witnessed fierce WWII engagements, ending amid the near-countless isles of Fiji. The mid-November Fiji to Tahiti sailing invites us to traditional ceremonies with Tongan villagers, into Samoa's rain forests, and to dive and snorkel reefs that have been designated National Geographic Pristine Seas areas in the remote Southern Line Islands. And the final December voyage sails from Tahiti to Easter Island to explore uplifted atolls, dive and snorkel a National Geographic-designated Pristine Seas area in the Pitcairns, and trace history, from the mutiny of the *HMS Bounty* to the mysterious birdman of Easter Island. (pages 90-95)

WILDLIFE & SPICE: BORNEO & INDONESIA

Borneo harbors some of the most intriguing creatures on the planet. In a single park in Malaysian Borneo, seven different ecosystems coexist and some of the most important research on orangutans has come from Camp Leakey, an orangutan research center deep in the forests of Tanjung Puting National Park run by National Geographic grantee Biruté Galdikas, a protégé of Louis Leakey. Indonesia's 17,500-some islands are home to some of the greatest biodiversity in the world, including the legendary Komodo dragon, an extraordinary spectrum of marine life; the nutmeg and clove trees that enticed spice traders for centuries; and the Asmat lands and people, with an intriguing culture that has endured for centuries. Experience both regions, on two expertly designed itineraries. (pages 86-89)



Orangutan at Camp Leakey.



Wandjina Aboriginal rock art in an outdoor gallery in the Kimberley.

AUSTRALIA'S 'WILD WEST'

Ask a well-traveled group of Americans what 'The Kimberley' is, and few hands will go up. Those who do know the name may have gotten their glimpse of this iconic landscape in the blockbuster film, *Australia*. The rocks of the Kimberley were laid down nearly two billion years ago, well before the fossil record began. Walking among the jagged formations sprouting unfamiliar plants, it's easy to imagine you've travelled back to the dawn of time. While this alien landscape may appear devoid of life, researchers have discovered what some claim to be the oldest known rock paintings. The only reason these mystical and beguiling, so-called 'Bradshaw' or 'Gwion Gwion,' figures cannot be accurately dated is that they are so old, they've become part of the rock itself. In short, despite the unfamiliarity, the Kimberley offers beauty, wonder and the seldom-seen in such significant amounts, *Orion's* expedition team eagerly anticipates sharing the discovery with a number of well-traveled Americans this season. (pages 82-85)

NEW

KIMBERLEY EXPEDITION: AUSTRALIA'S WILD NORTHWEST

14 DAYS/10 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: $8,210 to $17,190 (See pages 104-107 for complete prices.)

From awe-inspiring waterfalls and gorges to ancient cultures and 40,000-year-old rock art, the best way to access northwestern Australia's Kimberley region is from the sea. And while on shore, a veteran expedition team will guide you through soaring red cliffs, cooling freshwater swimming pools, isolated islands, secluded beaches and river inlets—waters famous for an abundance of wildlife. King George Falls is flowing forcefully in May and June, while humpback whales begin to arrive in June, and are most abundant in August. *National Geographic Orion* makes the perfect base from which to see the best of the vibrant Kimberley wilderness.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Zodiacs take you up the spectacular King George River, where you'll feel dwarfed by the towering red rock canyon walls, then cooled by the mist of King George Falls.
- View an outdoor Aboriginal art gallery, portraying images of the Wandjina spirits.
- Take a scenic flight over the famous Bungle Bungle ranges, a natural wonder.
- Visit Montgomery Reef, where the tide drops so rapidly that waters trapped atop the reef create a raging torrent as they escape.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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, naturalists/historians, a National Geographic photographer, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, video chronicler, and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the wonders.

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Guests exploring Wandjina Aboriginal rock art in an outdoor gallery in the Kimberley.

DAYS 1-3: U.S./DARWIN, NORTHERN TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA/EMBARK

Depart for Darwin, crossing the International Date Line, embark *National Geographic Orion*. (D)

DAYS 4 AND 5: COM/AT SEA

Settle into the ship with talks by staff. At Com, *National Geographic Orion* will clear customs and immigration, giving you an opportunity to go ashore. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: WYNDHAM & THE BUNGLE BUNGLE

Take a flight over the Bungle Bungle range in Purnululu National Park, where ancient hills resembling giant beehives form deep chasms and long gorges, or cruise Ord River to Lake Argyle navigating the river between Kununurra and Lake Argyle. See the lake from a scenic lookout, and visit the historical Durack homestead. (B,L,D)

DAY 7: KING GEORGE RIVER & FALLS

Zodiacs cruise along the spectacular King George River, with its near-vertical canyon walls. The river drains the Gardner Plateau into the highest single-drop falls in the Kimberley. Early season, we will linger in the thundering mist. Later in the year, we will get close, even under the falls. Opt to hike to the top for a swim in one of the freshwater pools. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: VANSITTART BAY

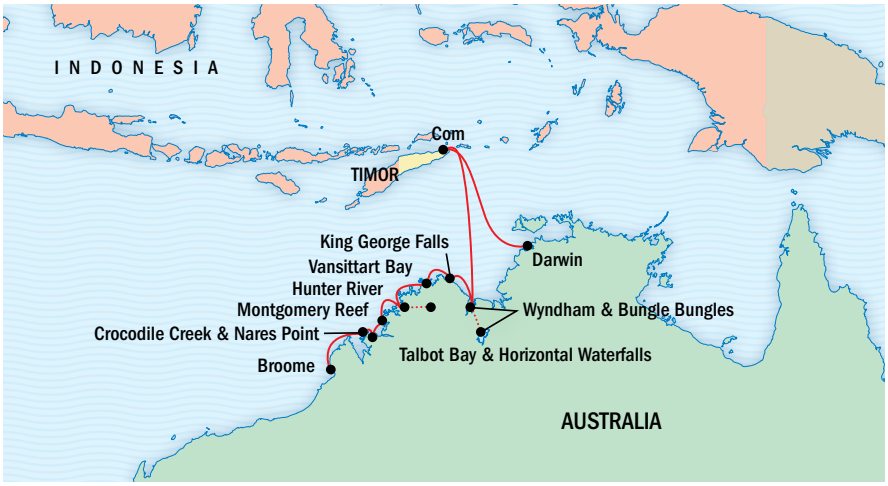
See 40,000-year-old Gwion Gwion Aboriginal rock paintings. Visit the wreck of a DC-3, a WWII remnant. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: HUNTER RIVER (AND OPTIONAL HELICOPTER TO MITCHELL FALLS)

From the stunning anchorage off of Naturalist's Island, we spend the day exploring the mangrove lined channels of the Hunter River. Photographers will want to capture the vermilion rock at sunrise or sunset. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: MONTGOMERY REEF & RAFT POINT

Conditions permitting, the quick tide change at Montgomery Reef creates raging torrents of water as the sea level drops and the reef seems to rise from the ocean. Watch from your Zodiac, and look for wildlife feeding on stranding sea life. Then explore Raft Point with its outdoor Aboriginal drawings—an account of the Wandjinas on the Great Fish Chase. (B,L,D)




Crocodile.

DAY 11: TALBOT BAY/HORIZONTAL WATERFALLS

The Horizontal Waterfalls in the Buccaneer Archipelago are created by the rapid tidal fall between ocean side cliffs. When conditions are right, a 'waterfall' ten feet high can form as the trapped waters cascade through the narrow gap. Later, explore the twisted geological folds of the ancient seabed at Cyclone Bay. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: NARES POINT & CROCODILE CREEK

Zodiac cruise and explore off Koolan Island, a finger of sandstone. Nearby Crocodile Creek defies its name, with several vertical embankments keeping it crocodile-free allowing us to take advantage of the cool freshwater natural swimming pool. (B,L,D)

DAYS 13 AND 14: BROOME, WESTERN AUSTRALIA/DISEMBARK/U.S.

Disembark in Broome for your flight home. (B)


Guests see humpback whales in July and August.

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2014 May 10, 20*, 30; Jun. 9*,19, 29*; Jul. 9, 19*, 29
**These departures travel from Broome to Darwin.*

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS
Learn photo tips that will last a lifetime, and choose from a variety of photographers: **Jeff Mauritzen** on the May 10 or 20 departures, **Ralph Lee Hopkins** on May 30 or Jun. 9, **Michael Melford** on Jun. 19 or 29, **Ira Block** on Jul. 9 or 19, or **Sisse Brimberg & Cotton Coulson** on Jul. 29. See our website for full bios of each photographer.


King George Falls.

NEW

KIMBERLEY EXPEDITION WITH THE SPICE ISLANDS

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

PRICES FROM: $11,490 to $23,990 (See pages 104-107 for complete prices.)

Discover dramatic landscapes etched with ancient human history in the Kimberley, and sail to remote island villages of Indonesia where history comes alive in traditional ceremonies. Search for spectacular wildlife, from the giant saltwater crocs of the Kimberley to prehistoric Komodo dragons; see humpback whales during prime migrating season. Snorkel and dive at pristine Rowley Shoals; see giant manta rays, rare birds of paradise and more. Explore art galleries of Aboriginal rock paintings and Zodiac to the base of King George Falls. Learn the history of the Spice Islands, fought over among English, Portuguese, and Dutch colonizers.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Explore the rugged landscapes of northwestern Australia and the traditional cultures of the Spice Islands with an expert expedition team.**
- **Zodiacs take you up the spectacular King George River, where you will witness the mighty King George Falls, the highest in the Kimberley.**
- **View an outdoor Aboriginal art gallery, portraying images of the Wandjina spirits.**
- **Zodiacs land virtually anywhere and take you up-close to the unique wildlife in this region. See crocodiles, migrating humpback whales, and endearing wallabies.**
- **A special highlight is a visit to world-renowned Komodo National Park to go in search of the legendary Komodo dragons.**

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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Komodo dragons are the world's largest living lizards and can grow up to ten feet long and weigh 300 pounds.



AUG. 8-10: U.S./BROOME, WESTERN AUSTRALIA/EMBARK

Depart U.S., cross the International Date Line and arrive in Broome. Embark *National Geographic Orion* and set sail. (D)

AUG. 11: ROWLEY SHOALS

With abundant marine life and untouched coral, Rowley Shoals is one of the world's most pristine marine environments, where you'll snorkel, dive and explore by Zodiac. (B,L,D)

AUG. 12 AND 13: AT SEA/FRESHWATER COVE

A day at sea is an opportunity to relax, chat with newfound friends, read or attend a lecture, or take advantage of a massage, a sauna, or the fitness center. At Freshwater Cove, see Wandjina and Gwion Gwion rock art in ancient caves with local guides. (B,L,D)

AUG. 14: CAMDEN HARBOUR & SHEEP ISLAND

Home to a settlement of Victorian sheep farmers in 1864, this area is rarely visited from the sea. Explore the ghostly ruins that nature has gradually reclaimed. (B,L,D)

AUG. 15: BIGGE ISLAND

Aboard Zodiacs, visit this rocky island jutting out of vividly colored aqua seas, famous for Wandjina rock art. Small monjon rock wallabies and the northern quoll thrive here free of predators. (B,L,D)

AUG. 16: KING GEORGE RIVER & FALLS

Zodiacs take us up the King George River, home to a wealth of bird species and spectacular canyon scenery. King George Falls are the highest single-drop falls in the Kimberley. For more adventure, take a steep walk to the top of the falls for a swim. (B,L,D)

AUG. 17 AND 18: WYNDHAM/AT SEA

These are relaxed days onboard, cruising east as we clear customs in Australia before proceeding north to East Timor. Listen to informal talks preparing us for the exciting days ahead. (B,L,D)

AUG. 19 AND 20: JACO ISLAND & DILI, EAST TIMOR

Receive a traditional welcome, see endemic bird species, and swim and snorkel amidst white-sand beaches and clear blue waters. Explore the evolving cosmopolitan capital of East Timor where there is still much evidence of its 500-year history as a Portuguese colony, and strongly Catholic population. See the giant Christo Rei statue as we approach the harbor. Visit the local craft market and see the colorful local woven fabrics called tais. (B,L,D)



AUG. 21: LARANTUKA, INDONESIA

In the 1600s, Flores was an important Portuguese trade center. As Dutch influence spread throughout the 17th century, Portuguese populations moved here. Today Larantuka is a neat little seaside township with spectacular views. Meet the locals and learn their history and customs. Swim and snorkel off white-sand beaches. (B,L,D)

AUG. 22: KOMODO

At renowned Komodo National Park, search for the world's largest living lizard: the Komodo dragon. These prehistoric creatures can grow up to ten feet long and weigh 300 lbs. Later, swim, snorkel or kayak at Pink Beach, named for the red coral fragments that color the sand. (B,L,D)

AUG. 23: BADAS, SUMBAWA

Experience the strong culture of the Pamulung villagers with an elaborate cultural display of a traditional mock wedding ceremony, and a local boxing match. (B,L,D)

AUG. 24: BALI, INDONESIA/DISEMBARK/U.S.

Arrive this morning in Bali and transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)


Badas, Pamalang Village, Indonesia.

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Aug. 8

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS



Travel with acclaimed photographers **Cotton Coulson** and **Sisse Brimberg**. Collectively they've shot more than 60 stories for *National Geographic Magazine* and *National Geographic Traveler*. Born in Copenhagen, Sisse has been a regular contributor to National Geographic publications since 1976. Cotton began shooting for National Geographic at 21 years old and also once served as *The Baltimore Sun*'s director of photography.


Discovering the Kimberley.

NEW

WILD ENCOUNTERS FROM BORNEO TO BALI

13 DAYS/10 NIGHTS ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: $8,680 to $18,180 (See pages 104-107 for complete prices.)

Sail from Singapore to enchanting Borneo for a rare chance to observe endangered orangutans up close. Snorkel the coral reefs off the pristine Natuna and Anambas archipelagos, and explore the protected forests of Sarawak. Then venture into Tanjung Puting National Park by local boat to spot orangutans and visit Camp Leakey, an orangutan research center founded by National Geographic grantee Dr. Biruté Galdikas—one of the "Trimates," along with Dian Fossey and Jane Goodall—who will join us in Borneo. End the voyage in beautiful Bali.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Meet with National Geographic grantee Biruté Galdikas on a visit to Camp Leakey, an orangutan research and conservation center she established in the forests of Indonesian Borneo.**
- **Skim through the jungles of Tanjung Puting National Park on an all-day excursion by local boat, and interact with orangutans and other rare wildlife at rehabilitation centers.**
- **Explore the incredible array of Borneo's flora and fauna at Bako National Park, home to seven different ecosystems.**
- **Swim and snorkel the coral reefs off the pristine, uninhabited isles of the Natuna and Anambas archipelagos.**

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Orangutan at Camp Leakey.

SEP. 16-18: U.S./SINGAPORE/EMBARK

Depart for Singapore, crossing the International Date Line. Explore Singapore's diverse neighborhoods, then embark *National Geographic Orion*. Hear naturalist talks as we sail the South China Sea. (D)

SEP. 19: ANAMBAS ARCHIPELAGO

Snorkel the pristine reefs around Pulau Bawah or Pulau Lintang in the remote Anambas Archipelago. End the day with a beach barbecue. (B,L,D)

SEP. 20: NATUNA ARCHIPELAGO

Scattered in the South China Sea between Borneo and the Malaysian peninsula, the 272 islands of the Natuna Archipelago are graced with white-sand beaches and volcanic peaks, and fringed with coral reefs. We'll snorkel at either Pulau Senua or Pulau Tiga, both pristine and uninhabited, and later enjoy a festive welcome ceremony in one of the fishing villages. (B,L,D)



Proboscis monkey.

SEP. 21: BAKO NATIONAL PARK, SARAWAK, BORNEO

Hike dense rain forests and enjoy secluded beaches along a coast of carved sea arches and colorful sea stacks. The park harbors seven distinct ecosystems and most of the plant species found in Borneo. Search for rare birds and primates, including the proboscis monkey. (B,L,D)

SEP. 22-24: KUCHING/AT SEA

Visit Kuching, the capital of the Malaysian state of Sarawak. At the Semenggoh Wildlife Centre learn about ongoing research on orangutan behavior and a successful program that has reintroduced more than a thousand endangered animals into the wild. In the afternoon, discover the cultural treasures of Kuching. Spend two days relaxing at sea, tracing the western coast of Kalimantan, or Indonesian Borneo. (B,L,D)

SEP. 25 AND 26: TANJUNG PUTING NATIONAL PARK, KALIMANTAN

Set on a peninsula jutting out from the southern edge of Kalimantan, Tanjung Puting National Park is a trove of rare species and diverse habitats. While the park is home to some 220 bird species and numerous monkey species, its most famous residents are the endangered orangutans. Board local boats for a full-day excursion into the forest, gliding on narrow channels on the lookout for hornbills, crocodiles, and perhaps the unusual proboscis monkey.

Our destination is Camp Leakey, a research station established in 1971 by primatologist Dr. Biruté Galdikas, a protégé of paleontologist Louis Leakey and the founder of Orangutan Foundation International (OFI). A many-time National Geographic grantee, Dr. Galdikas will discuss her efforts to save the orangutan from extinction through rehabilitation and habitat preservation. Our boats bring us to feeding stations throughout the forest, where we hope to observe these creatures at close range. The following day, visit the OFI's wildlife rehabilitation center to learn how captive and orphaned orangutans are rescued and rehabilitated. (B,L,D)

SEP. 27 AND 28: AT SEA/DENPASAR, BALI/U.S.

Cross the Java Sea to Bali. Disembark the following morning and transfer to the airport. (B)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: **2014** Sep. 16, 26*

**This departure travels from Bali to Singapore*

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER



Brian Skerry is a photojournalist specializing in marine wildlife and underwater environments. Since 1998 he has been an assignment photographer for *National Geographic* magazine covering a wide range of subjects and stories.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKER



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Guests en route to Camp Leakey.

NEW

INDONESIAN ODYSSEY: BALI TO THE GREAT BARRIER REEF

20 DAYS/16 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: $16,620 to $33,990 (See pages 104-107 for complete prices.)

Set sail from Bali aboard *National Geographic Orion*, and discover Indonesia's rich tapestry of cultures and lush tropical islands. Experience the thrill of spotting rare Komodo dragons in the wild, snorkel and dive at pristine coral reefs from the Moluccas to West Papua, and take part in exuberant welcome ceremonies at the secluded villages we'll explore along the way. Explore the fascinating riverine world of the Asmat region, and cap off your journey amid the underwater splendors of the Great Barrier Reef.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Encounter Indonesia's vibrant cultures during traditional welcome ceremonies and visits to remote island villages and markets.
- Explore Komodo National Park, home of the Komodo dragon, and learn about the conservation of these remarkable creatures.
- Discover the timeless traditions and exquisite art of the Asmat region while exploring its stilt villages by Zodiac.
- Swim, snorkel, and dive at spectacular reefs, isolated atolls, and ivory beaches from eastern Indonesia to the Great Barrier Reef.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

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Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.

A diver explores one of Raja Ampat's many coral reefs in West Papua, Indonesia.



OCT. 18-20: U.S./DENPASAR, BALI, INDONESIA

Depart for Bali, crossing the international date line, and embark *National Geographic Orion.* (D)

OCT. 21: SUMBAWA, LESSER SUNDA ISLANDS

Sumbawa villagers welcome us with a lively display. See a mock traditional wedding ceremony and a local boxing match. (B,L,D)

OCT. 22: KOMODO

Explore Komodo National Park, and see the world's largest living lizard—the Komodo dragon—in their natural habitat. Then enjoy an afternoon at "Pink Beach," its coloration derived from coral fragments. (B,L,D)

OCT. 23 AND 24: FLORES/ALOR

Visit the town of Larantuka on Flores, once a refuge for Dutch East India Company deserters. Explore the biodiverse reefs of Alor and venture to the rugged interior to learn the traditions of its people. Visit a market selling intricate ikat textiles, and see ancient bronze moko drums at a museum. Conditions permitting, enjoy an afternoon of snorkeling and diving. (B,L,D)

OCT. 25 AND 26: AT SEA/BANDA ISLANDS, MOLUCCAS

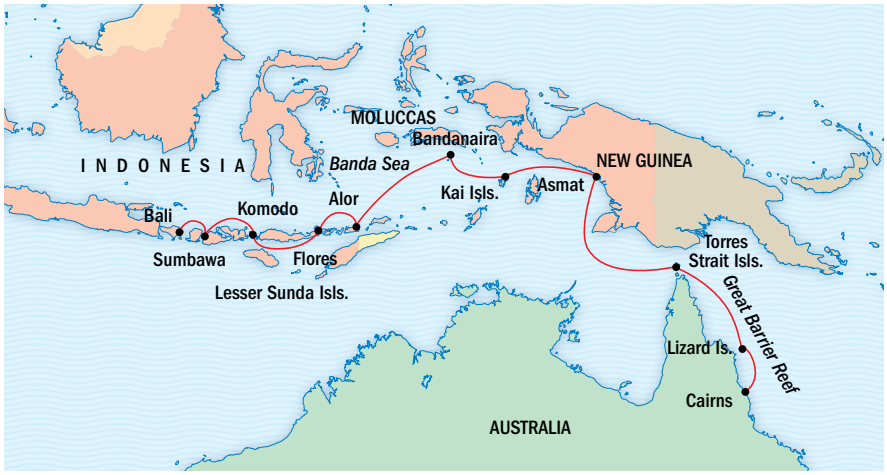
Amid the glittering Banda Sea lie isolated coral reefs and atolls. Explore these tropical gems, then sail into the Moluccas archipelago. Visit Run, which played a pivotal role in the 17th century spice wars and was traded by the British for the Dutch island of New Amsterdam—later renamed New York. (B,L,D)

OCT. 27: KAI ISLANDS

During a traditional welcome ceremony sample local dishes and learn about the islands' ancient cultural links to Balinese royalty. Later, we'll anchor at a nearby palm-fringed beach. (B,L,D)

OCT. 28: TRITON BAY, WEST PAPUA

Among the region's most spectacular spots, Triton Bay is dotted with dozens of mushroom-shaped limestone islets. The karst cliffs and jungle-clad mountains are home to diverse birdlife, including sulphur-crested cockatoos and rainbow lorikeets. Explore by Zodiac, go birding, plus snorkel and dive. (B,L,D)



OCT. 29 AND 31: AT SEA/THE ASMAT

The Asmat region stretches across mud flats and mangrove forests, with raised wooden boardwalks linking villages. Elaborately painted "warriors" escort us to a stilt village for a fascinating ceremony. Our subsequent exploration will be dictated by the tides, as we venture to neighboring villages and encounter the ancient culture of the Asmat people. (B,L,D)

NOV. 1 AND 2: AT SEA/TORRES STRAIT AND THURSDAY ISLAND, AUSTRALIA

Sail the Torres Strait and stop at Thursday Island to learn about the hair-raising stories of the pearl trade that once thrived here. Explore Cape York. (B,L,D)

NOV. 3 AND 4: THE GREAT BARRIER REEF AND LIZARD ISLAND

Spend two days exploring the world's largest reef system. Snorkel or dive amid a profusion of marine life, from starfish and sea anemones to reef sharks and turtles. Cruise south along the Queensland coast to Lizard Island National Park, a secluded group of islands considered sacred by the indigenous Dingaal people. Trace the steps of famed explorer Captain James Cook to the island's peak, "Cook's Look." (B,L,D)

NOV. 5 AND 6: CAIRNS/U.S.

Disembark in Cairns and spend the night before transferring to your flight home. (B)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Oct. 18

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER



Mark Thiessen has been a photographer with the National Geographic Society for 20+ years, and is widely published in *National Geographic* magazine, *National Geographic Adventure* magazine, and *National Geographic Traveler* magazine.

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Alor Island dancers.

NEW

EXPLORING THE CORAL SEA: PAPUA NEW GUINEA TO FIJI

16 DAYS/13 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: $12,940 to $27,080 (See pages 104-107 for complete prices.)

Along the edges of the Coral Sea lie idyllic islands lush with jungle and edged with white-sand beaches that saw some of the fiercest battles of the Pacific Theater during World War II. Next to vibrant reefs, shipwrecks and discarded armaments now bristle with coral, making for exhilarating discoveries under the sea. As *National Geographic Orion* makes her way from Papua New Guinea to the Solomons, Vanuatu, and Fiji, we'll snorkel and dive pristine reefs and famous wrecks, trace the history of the Battle of the Coral Sea and the legends of the ancient Melanesians, and get to know the exuberant cultures and friendly peoples that make their home here.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Snorkel or dive the spectacular lagoons of Papua New Guinea's Louisiade Archipelago, and meet the islands' potters, traditional boat builders, and other craftspeople.
- Go birding on Kennedy Island, where young John F. Kennedy swam when his PT-109 was sunk during WWII, and dive the incredible wreck of the *S.S. President Coolidge*.
- See ancient cave art in Vanuatu, and learn about local legends on a visit to the burial site of Chief Roi Mata, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Enjoy traditional dances and ceremonies as we visit island villages, and watch the famous firewalkers of Fiji make their way across white-hot stones.

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A youthful warrior dance group welcomes guests on Espiritu Santo, Vanuatu.



NOV. 3-5: U.S./CAIRNS, AUSTRALIA

Depart for Australia, crossing the International Date Line, and embark *National Geographic Orion* upon arrival. (D)

NOV. 6: AT SEA

Spend a day crossing the Coral Sea, with reefs and islands rich in birds and aquatic life. Join our naturalists on deck with your binoculars, attend talks by our expedition team, and settle into life on board. (B,L,D)

NOV. 7-9: PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Discover the sights of Milne Bay Province, from the colorful markets of the mainland to the reef-fringed volcanic isles scattered off the coast. Visit islands like Kwato and Samarai, and explore a turbulent history of colonialists, missionaries, headhunters, and world wars. Examine World War II artifacts on land and underwater, and snorkel, dive and kayak the reefs and lagoons of the idyllic Louisiade Archipelago, where the residents of each island are skilled in different crafts, including pottery and building traditional sailing canoes. (B,L,D)

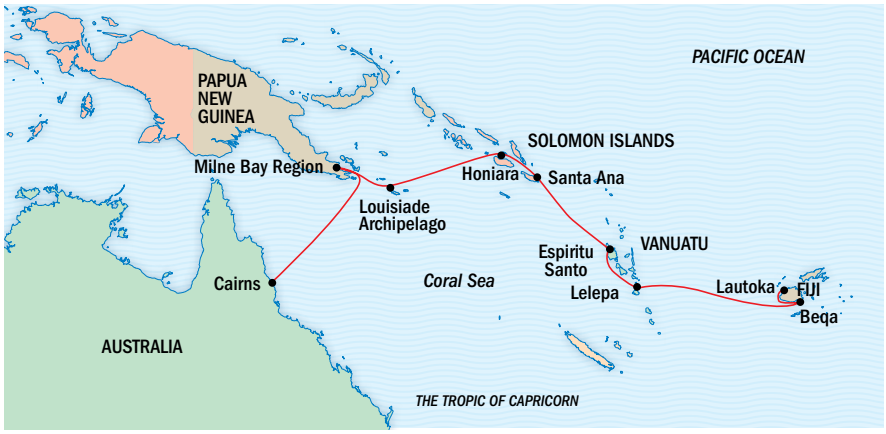
NOV. 10-12: AT SEA/SOLOMON ISLANDS

A day at sea brings us to the jungle-clad peaks and vibrant reefs of the Solomon Islands—an unlikely backdrop for the fierce battles that took place here during World War II. Today the islands are some of the least visited, most dive-worthy islands in the South Pacific. Explore the haunting war relics at a U.S. supply depot on Guadalcanal Island, and discover the bird life of Kennedy Island, named after John F. Kennedy, who swam ashore here after his PT-109 boat was sunk during the war. Then, on the tiny isle of Owaraha (formerly known as Santa Ana), we're greeted with a traditional dance performed by villagers in elaborate costumes and masks. (B,L,D)

NOV. 13: AT SEA (B,L,D)

NOV. 14 AND 15: VANUATU

Captain James Cook named these islands the "New Hebrides" because they reminded him of the rugged isles off Scotland's coast. On the main island of Espiritu Santo, snorkel, swim, and kayak in Paradise Lagoon and then set out for the Blue Hole Grotto, a jewel-blue freshwater source surrounded by jungle. Ride Zodiacs to Lelepa to explore Fels Cave, whose walls are decorated with ancient petroglyphs, and visit Vanuatu's first and only UNESCO World Heritage Site, the final residence and burial site of 17th-century Chief Roi Mata. Snorkel Million Dollar Point, where many tons of military equipment were dumped after the war, or experience one of the best wreck dives in the world: the S.S. President Coolidge, a luxury cruise liner used as a troop carrier during World War II. (B,L,D)



NOV. 16: AT SEA (B,L,D)

NOV. 17: BEQA, FIJI

In 1789, Captain William Bligh and 18 loyal crew members sailed past the islands of Fiji following the infamous mutiny aboard the *HMS Bounty*. Numbering more than 300, the islands are known for their pristine coral reefs and sun-drenched villages steeped in a tranquil tropical atmosphere. Our first stop is the island of Beqa (pronounced Mbengga), located just off the southern coast of Viti Levu. Dive or snorkel the surrounding coral reefs, go on walks in the jungle, and paddle sea kayaks along mangrove-lined channels. The island is also the home of the Sawau people, known for their tradition of firewalking. Witness this incredible feat first hand, and learn about the everyday life of the islanders. (B,L,D)

NOV. 18: LAUTOKA, FIJI/U.S.

Disembark in Lautoka, and transfer to the airport for your return flight home. (B)


Kayaking.

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Nov. 3

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER



Considered one of the leading documentary photographers working today, **Chris Rainier**'s life mission is to document the disappearing cultures and tribes remaining on the planet. His photographs have appeared in *Life*, *Time, National Geographic* publications, *Smithsonian, The New Yorker, The New York Times,* the publications of the United Nations, the International Red Cross, and Amnesty International, among others.


A guest explores a WWII wreck in the Solomon Islands.

NEW

REEFS, LAGOONS AND VOLCANIC ISLES: FIJI TO TAHITI

20 DAYS/17 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: $18,990 to $39,240 (See pages 104-107 for complete prices.)

The archipelagos of the South Pacific have defined our notion of "island paradise" since Robert Louis Stevenson told his tales and Paul Gauguin captured Polynesia in paint. As we sail from the sparkling white shores of Fiji to Tahiti's lush volcanic crags, discover a fascinating geology and a stunning wealth of bird species and marine life. Dive or snorkel among underwater canyons and tunnels formed from lava, meet island communities, and explore the far-flung reefs of Kiribati, chosen as part of National Geographic's Pristine Seas project.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Snorkel or dive amid the corals of the southern Line Islands, designated one of most unspoiled reef systems in the world by National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence Enric Sala.
- Spot rare and colorful birds and flowers on Fiji's spectacular "Garden Island," Taveuni, and in the rain forests of Samoa.
- Experience the rich harmony of traditional Tongan singing, and visit remote island villages from Fiji to the Cook Islands.
- Sail into the massive lagoon at Rangiroa, French Polynesia, and explore the area's rich marine world.

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Chrinoid and a soft coral tree decorate the edge of a coral reef.

NOV. 16-18: U.S./NADI, FIJI/LAUTOKA

Depart the U.S., cross the International Date Line, and arrive in Nadi, Fiji. Transfer to Lautoka and board *National Geographic Orion*. More than 300 islands make up the remote, volcanic archipelago of Fiji. Sail turquoise seas past idyllic white-sand beaches edged with jungle. (D)

NOV. 19-21: FIJI/AT SEA

Our first stop is Taveuni, known as "The Garden Island," rich with plant species found nowhere else. Discover the waterfalls of Bouma National Heritage Park and a panoramic view from 3,920-foot Des Voeux Peak. Dive or snorkel, or search for birds such as orange fruit doves, endemic silktails, fantails, and parrots. Experience local culture in remote villages. Then during our day at sea, watch for marine life from the deck, study our route on the navigational charts, and attend talks by our experts. (B,L,D)

NOV. 22 AND 23: TONGA

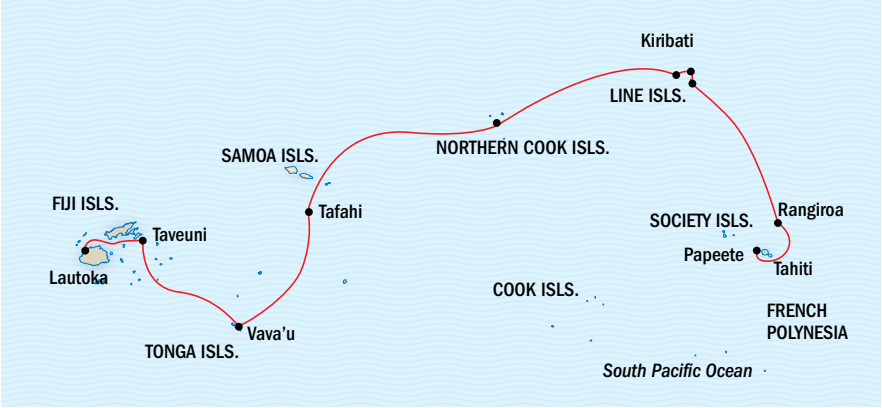
In Neiafu, the capital of the Vava'u island group, venture into verdant hills to visit a vanilla plantation and browse the markets at the wharf. Kayak, snorkel, dive, or Zodiac into coastal limestone caves. The next day, witness daily life on Tonga's most remote islands. Enjoy an introduction to Tongan music and dance, and attend a kava ceremony. On Tafahi, a volcanic cone rising out of the sea, snorkel and dive among volcanic rocks and submerged canyons and tunnels. (B,L,D)

NOV. 24-26: SAMOA/AT SEA

Enjoy spectacular beaches and lagoons, hidden waterfalls and lava-sculpted landscapes. Hike through rain forests, explore a swimming hole, snorkel or dive on the reef, and soak up the languid rhythms that drew Robert Louis Stevenson to these shores. Then enjoy life aboard *Orion* as we sail east. (B,L,D)

NOV. 27 AND 28: NORTHERN COOK ISLANDS

The 15 Cook Islands are scattered across some 750,000 square miles; visit the most remote of these, in the far north of the archipelago. These are low coral atolls with turquoise lagoons where black pearls are farmed. Visit island communities and discover vibrant marine life. (B,L,D)



NOV. 29-DEC. 2: AT SEA/SOUTHERN LINE ISLANDS, KIRIBATI

A day at sea brings us to the Southern Line Islands, where you'll snorkel or dive some of the most remote and pristine atolls on Earth. Uninhabited and rarely visited, they remain largely untouched by humans. Explore deeper via our ROV. Visit Caroline Island, renamed Millennium Atoll after becoming one of the first places to see the sun of the new millennium rise. Navigate the intricate channels of its lagoon by Zodiac or kayak, see nesting boobies and tropicbirds, and swim above fields of giant clams. (B,L,D)

DEC. 2: GAIN A DAY CROSSING THE INTERNATIONAL DATE LINE

DEC. 2 AND 3: RANGIROA, FRENCH POLYNESIA

The atoll of Rangiroa is a ring of slender islands, "motu", with a turquoise lagoon at its center known for some of the best diving and snorkeling in French Polynesia. Our ship anchors near the village of Tiputa, where local musicians greet us. Visit the village, and kayak, snorkel, and dive in waters home to large schools of pelagic fish, manta rays, dolphins, sea turtles, and hammerheads. (B,L,D)

DEC. 4 AND 5: PAPEETE, TAHITI/U.S.

Approach the emerald crags of Tahiti's volcanic peak and disembark in French Polynesia's capital city, Papeete. Check into day rooms and explore the city or relax on a local beach. Transfer to the airport for your flight home arriving the following day. (Dec. 4: B, L)


Black pearls.

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Nov. 16

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER



Photographer and marine biologist **Flip Nicklin** is regarded as one of the world's leading photographers of marine mammals. His majestic photos and amazing audio recordings have been featured in numerous *National Geographic* publications and television specials. The North American Nature Photography Association named him 2012 Outstanding Nature Photographer of the Year.


A snorkeler follows an anemonefish.

NEW

LEGENDS OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC: TAHITI TO EASTER ISLAND

20 DAYS/15 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: $17,930 to $36,990 (See pages 104-107 for complete prices.)

Laced with wispy islands and coral atolls, the tropical seas that stretch from French Polynesia to Easter Island have seen missionaries and mutineers, intrepid explorers and enigmatic cultures pass their way. Traveling aboard *National Geographic Orion*, encounter spectacular volcanic landscapes in Bora Bora and uplifted atolls of Makatea and Henderson Island. Snorkel and dive some of the most remote and pristine reef systems in the world. Hear the tales of the mutiny of the *Bounty* and the *Kon-Tiki*, and experience the lively culture of the islands. End the voyage among the evocative moai of Easter Island.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

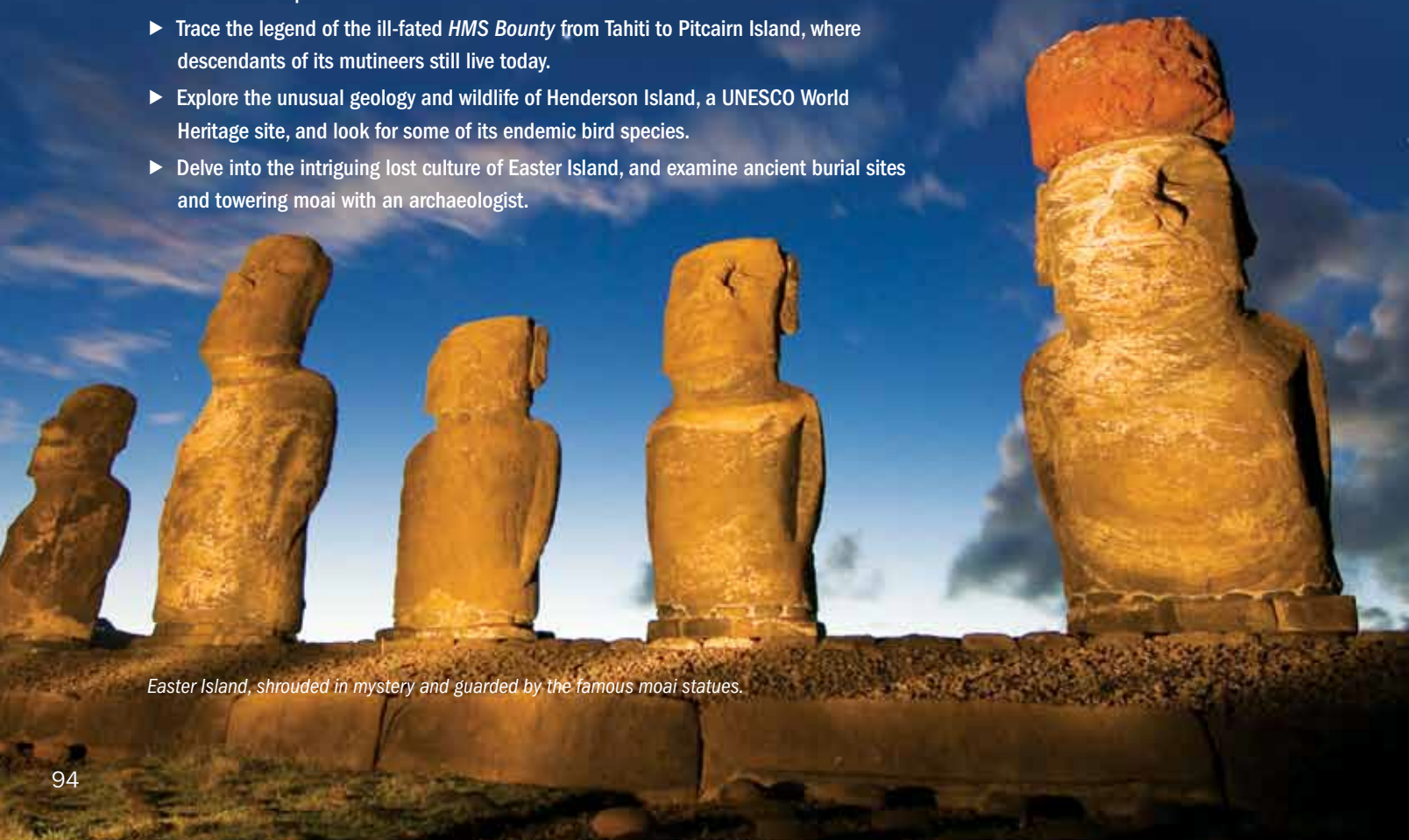
- Dive or snorkel the stunning reefs of Fakarava, part of a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, and the Pitcairn Islands, one of National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence Enric Sala's Pristine Seas preservation areas.
- Trace the legend of the ill-fated *HMS Bounty* from Tahiti to Pitcairn Island, where descendants of its mutineers still live today.
- Explore the unusual geology and wildlife of Henderson Island, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and look for some of its endemic bird species.
- Delve into the intriguing lost culture of Easter Island, and examine ancient burial sites and towering moai with an archaeologist.

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Easter Island, shrouded in mystery and guarded by the famous moai statues.

DEC. 3 AND 4: U.S./PAPEETE, TAHITI, FRENCH POLYNESIA

Depart for Papeete, arriving in the late evening, and transfer to our hotel. The next day, take a guided tour of French Polynesia's capital city, including the the Musée de Tahiti et des Îles and the Paul Gaugin Museum. Stroll the waterfront before boarding the *National Geographic Orion*. (D)

DEC. 5: BORA BORA, SOCIETY ISLANDS

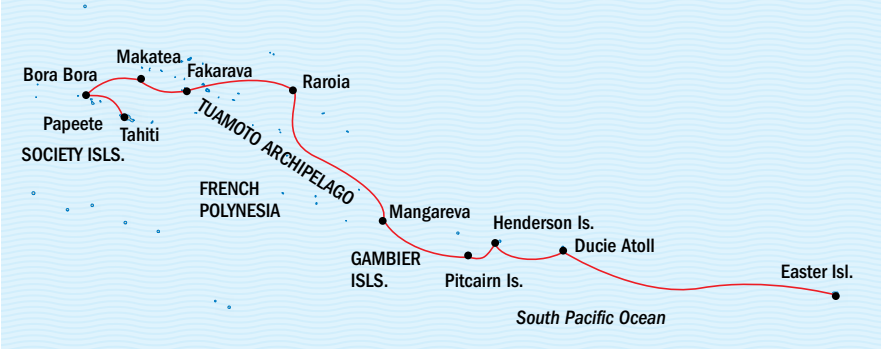
Jutting out from an aquamarine lagoon ringed with tiny islets, Bora Bora's angular volcanic crags are a spectacular sight. Explore the island's slopes and shores with the Expedition Team, or venture out to dive the island's fringing reef. If you're feeling energetic, you may choose to hike to the summit of Mt. Paihia, for unparalleled views. (B,L,D)

DEC. 6-11: TUAMOTU ARCHIPELAGO/AT SEA

Natural forces have uplifted the atoll of Makatea, exposing a raw geology of coral and limestone cliffs, deep caves, and landscapes of riddled rock. Wander through the ruins of early 20th century phosphate mines, swim in an underground grotto, or join birders in search of the island's endemic fruit dove. Sail to Fakarava, one of the largest atolls in French Polynesia and part of a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. After a festive welcome with traditional dancers, learn about the island's pearl industry, and see its historic sites, including a 19th-century church built out of coral. Snorkel among the protected reefs or ride the current into the lagoon on a world-famous drift-dive. Continue to Raroia, to meet the local community and hear the tale of the Kon-Tiki, a wooden raft built by Norwegian explorer Thor Heyerdahl that beached on the reef at the end of its epic journey. Navigate jewel-like reefs and islets on our way to Pukarua. See a weaving demonstration, meet the friendly people of this remote atoll, and learn about their traditional lifestyle. (B,L,D)

DEC. 12 AND 13: MANGAREVA, GAMBIER ISLANDS/AT SEA

Famous for its black pearls, Mangareva is the largest of the Gambier Islands. Venture underwater to snorkel or dive, meet islanders to learn about their culture and the missionary past. The next day is at sea. (B,L,D)



DEC. 14-18: PITCAIRN ISLANDS/AT SEA

Many of the mutineers of the legendary *HMS Bounty* made their home on Pitcairn Island in the late 18th century, and about 50 of their descendants still live here today. Visit this last remnant of the British Empire. Meet the locals and hear a few words of the unusual Pitkern dialect—a combination of English "sailor speak" and Polynesian phrases. Visit the gravesite of mutiny leader Fletcher Christian, and see the *Bounty*'s anchor, salvaged in 1957. Our next stop is the UNESCO World Heritage site of Henderson Island, an uplifted atoll that is uninhabited and virtually untouched by humans. Discover the island's four endemic bird species, rich flora and fauna, and fascinating geology. Spend a day on Ducie Atoll, watching for frigatebirds and boobies and snorkeling or diving among spectacular reefs. Set out on our final leg east, as we sail for two days toward Easter Island. (B,L,D)

DEC. 19-22: EASTER ISLAND/ SANTIAGO, CHILE/U.S.

Disembark on Easter Island and check into our hotel. Explore volcanic calderas, jagged lava fields, and sweeping grasslands to discover the colossal moai statues, the astonishing legacy of a long-lost culture. Join archaeologists to examine these statues and discuss their meaning and creation; visit burial sites, quarries, and intricately carved ceremonial altars. Explore on our final morning; fly to Santiago for flights home. (Dec. 19-21: B,L,D; Dec. 22: B)


Bora Bora, Society Islands.

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2014 Dec. 3

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER



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Green sea turtle (Chelonia mydas).

INTRIGUING WATERWAYS

NORWAY'S FJORDS AND ARCTIC SVALBARD

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

DATE: 2014 May 24 PRICES FROM: $13,820 to $25,230

Follow Norway's fjord-carved coast past the North Cape to the icy isles of Svalbard aboard *National Geographic Explorer*. From the town of Bergen, enter the fjordlands, kayaking narrow inlets that slice between towering peaks, visiting fishing villages, and hiking wildflower-strewn islands. Explore Tromsø and Bear Island on the way to Svalbard, where polar bears prowl and walruses haul out on ice floes and rocky shores. See pages 100-103 for complete prices. Learn more at **www.expeditions.com/northcape.**



Lofotn Islands. Norway.



Guest exploring the treasures of Angkor.

VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA: ALONG THE MEKONG RIVER

14 DAYS/13 NIGHTS—ABOARD *JAHAN*

DATES: 2015 Jan. 6, 14, 20; Feb. 25; Mar. 3. Please call for prices.

Linked by the mighty Mekong River, Vietnam and Cambodia have magnificent carved temples, lush landscapes, and cities where rich imperial and colonial legacies mingle. Encounter the incomparable treasures of Angkor, and take a river voyage aboard the elegant *Jahan* between the Tonle Sap River and Vietnam's Mekong Delta. Explore traditional villages, and gain insight into the daily lives of farmers, monks, and craftspeople. Go to **www.expeditions.com/vietnamcambodia** to learn more about the expedition.

SCOTLAND'S HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS

9 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—
ABOARD *LORD OF THE GLENS*
DATES: 2014 Jul. 28, Aug. 4, 11, 18
PRICES FROM: $6,890 to $9,740

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8 Days
2013 Departures: Dec. 14, 21, 28
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Pricing: From $4,990 to $8,650
Ship: *National Geographic Sea Bird*
SPECIAL OFFERS: Free round-trip air from Los Angeles to La Paz on Dec. 14th*—or—Kids save 50% on Dec. 21st, 28th
Photo Expedition with National Geographic and Nikon certified photographers
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8 Days
2014 Departure: Jan. 11
Pricing: From $5,550 to $9,650
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8 Days
2014 Departures: Apr. 12, 14
Pricing: From $5,550 to $9,610
Ships: *National Geographic Sea Bird & Sea Lion*
Learn more at expeditions.com/springwhales

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EXPEDITION PHOTOGRAPHY

WHERE GEOGRAPHY & PHOTOGRAPHY MEET

Every ship in the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet offers the services of a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor on every departure, and a top National Geographic Photographer on every departure of *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion*, and on select departures fleet-wide. National Geographic photographers provide inspiration and advice, shooting alongside guests in the field and offering engaging presentations. Each photo instructor is a veteran naturalist who's been specially selected and trained by Lindblad and National Geographic photographers to assist you with camera settings, the basic elements of framing and composition, and to provide shooting tips in the field. They'll help you understand what the symbols on your camera mean. Give you the confidence to experiment with settings other than "Auto." And help you return home with your best photos ever.



Left to right: Rikki & Jack Swenson, Ralph Lee Hopkins, Mike Nolan & CT Ticknor, Flip Nicklin.

Unlike a photography class or workshop, an expedition is a highly dynamic environment, where an incredible sighting can occur at any moment. So the fact that your photo instructor is also a naturalist is invaluable. He or she can help you better observe and understand the wildlife, so you can be at the right place at the right time to capture amazing behavior—whether you're shooting from the ship's deck, a Zodiac or on a walk.

Working with a photo instructor is not only interesting and instructive, it's fun (the instructors call it "contagious"). And everyone's welcome regardless of skill level or equipment—you'll be wowed by the quality of images you and your fellow guests can make with smartphones and point-and-shoot cameras.

Take an expedition with us and you'll not only have the experience of a lifetime, you'll have the shots to prove it.





Above: With the guidance of a National Geographic photographer, you'll go home a better, more confident image-maker. Below: Taking advantage of crystalline reflections in Arctic waters.



Left: Our cover photo "Circle of Love" by Jill Wharton, winner of the Orion Expeditions (now Lindblad Expeditions) 2013 Photo Contest, was captioned: "This orangutan mother had fashioned an umbrella of leaves to protect." Taken at Camp Leakey, Borneo in 2012.



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THE WORLD'S ULTIMATE EXPEDITION SHIP

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

Use your smartphone to watch our NG Explorer video. See pg. 2 for details.

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; mud room 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.

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.

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

SPECIAL FEATURES: A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, LEX/NG-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 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

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

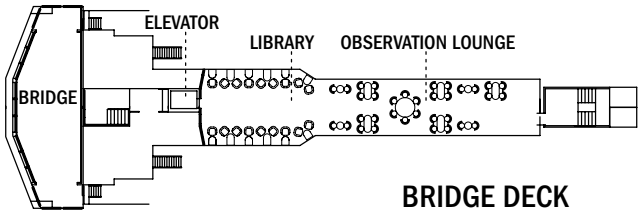
CATEGORY B SOLO: Upper and Veranda Decks with window #105-106, 203, 208

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

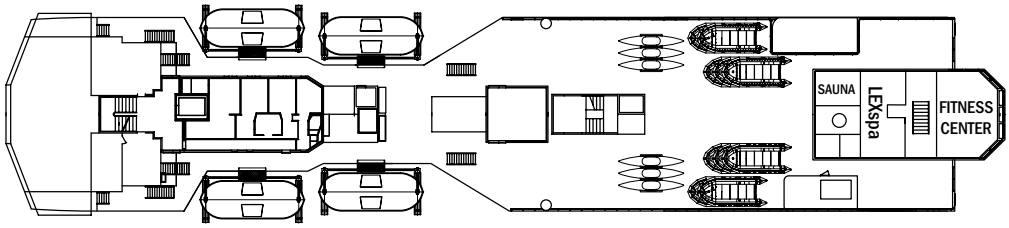
SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS: Available in Categories 1 and 2.

SOLE OCCUPANCY: Cabins available in Categories A and B.

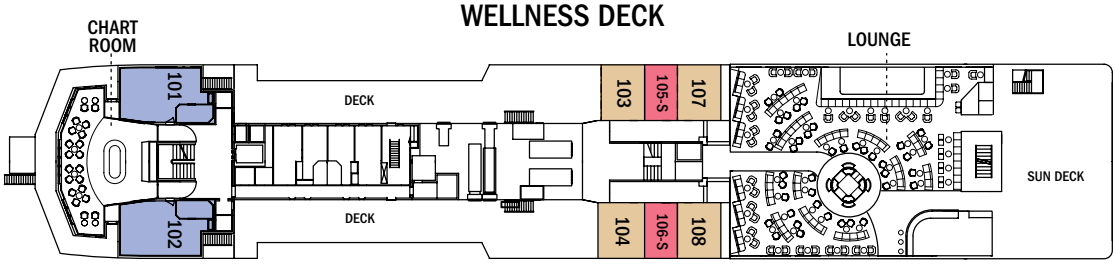
NOTE: Cabins #209, 211, 214, 216-218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 303-306—These cabins have one queen-sized bed. All other double cabins have two lower single beds; some can convert to a queen-sized bed. Third person rates are available in the designated triple occupancy cabins at one-half the double occupancy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



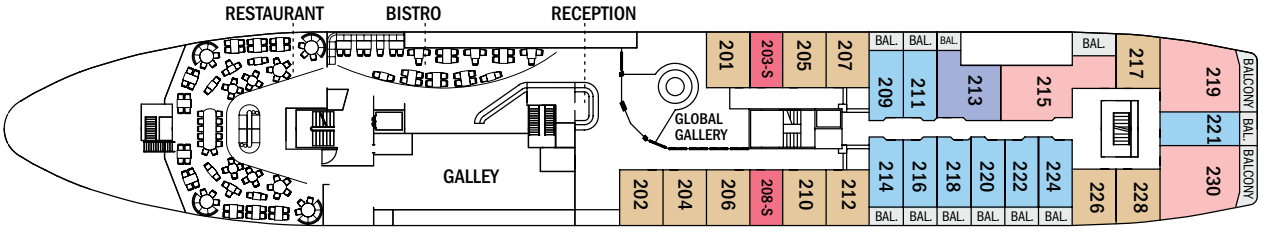
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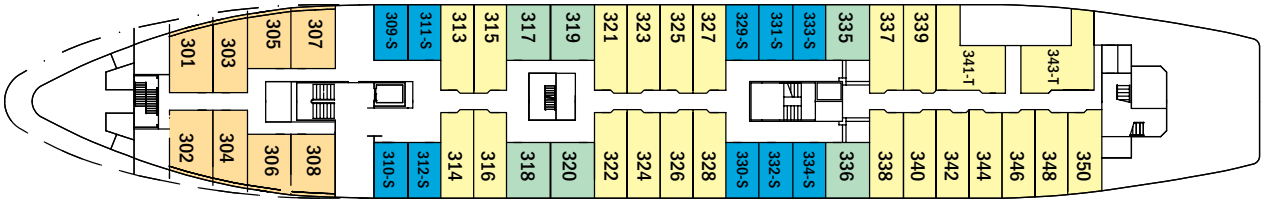
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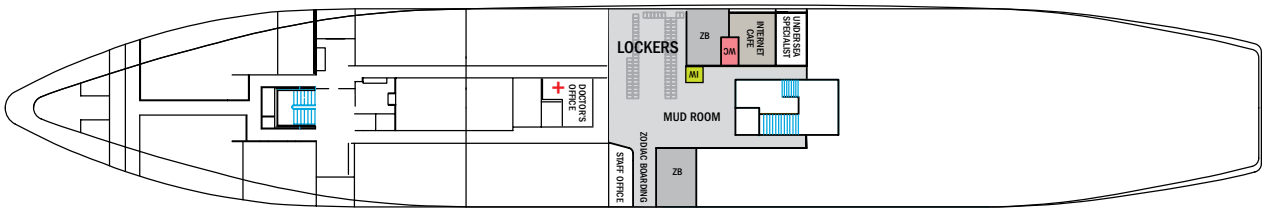
VERANDA DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



B DECK

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Main deck cabin with window.



Upper deck cabin with balcony.

National Geographic Explorer Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated otherwise.

ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5
Buenos Aires, Rio & Brazil's Wild Coast – Page 22	2014	$15,740	$16,860	$17,670	$18,790	$21,650
Patagonia: Argentina and the Chilean Fjords – Page 24	2014	$15,950	$16,990	$17,990	$18,850	$22,860
Antarctica – Page 30	2013/14	$11,990	$12,890	$13,290	$14,290	$17,150
	2014/15	$12,350	$13,280	$13,690	$14,720	$17,670
Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands – Page 32	2014/15	$21,360	$22,890	$23,960	$25,090	$30,780
South Georgia and the Falklands – Page 34	2014	$14,990	$15,990	$16,840	$17,920	$21,640
Land of the Ice Bears – Page 40	2014	$8,990	$9,590	$9,960	$10,560	$12,470
Svalbard, Iceland & Greenland's East Coast – Page 42	2014	$13,820	$14,590	$15,290	$16,470	$18,820
A Circumnavigation of Iceland – Page 44	2014	$7,990	$8,690	$8,990	$9,790	$11,580
The Northwest Passage, Iceland & Greenland – Page 46	2014	$24,990	$26,950	$27,980	$29,990	$35,970
The Northwest Passage, Newfoundland and Labrador – Page 48	2014	$24,990	$26,950	$27,980	$29,990	$35,970
The Canadian Maritimes – Page 52	2014	$7,320	$7,760	$8,050	$8,540	$10,070
Exploring the Low Countries: Holland and Belgium – Page 70	2014	$7,320	$7,760	$8,050	$8,540	$9,990
Exploring the British and Irish Isles – Page – Page 72	2014	$12,370	$12,990	$13,570	$14,140	$16,890
An Island Odyssey: Azores, Madeira, Canaries & Cape Verde – Page 74	2014	$13,820	$14,590	$15,290	$16,470	$18,820
Norway's Fjords & Arctic Svalbard – Page 96	2014	$13,820	$14,590	$15,290	$16,470	$18,820



Standard bathroom.



Spacious solo cabin.



Section of suite with balcony.

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.

CAT. 6	CAT. 7	CAT. A SOLO	CAT. B SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
$25,270	$28,880	$21,080	$22,080	$1,000	Includes two hotel nights, *The Serra Verde Railway.* Immigration/visa fees are not included. Sample airfare: Miami/Salvador and Buenos Aires/Miami: Economy $1,200; Business $2,500.
$25,990	$29,990	$21,240	$22,480	$1,000	Includes one hotel night. Immigration/visa fees are not included. Sample airfare: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy $1,200; Business $2,600. Charter airfare is $395 (one-way Ushuaia/Buenos Aires, or vice versa).
$19,650	$22,870	$16,110	$16,620	$1,000	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfare: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from $1,200; Business from $2,600. Charter Airfare: $790 (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).
$20,240	$23,560	$16,600	$17,110	$1,000	
$35,520	$41,190	$28,620	$29,950	$1,800	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfare: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from $1,200; Business from $2,600. Charter Airfare: $790 (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).
$24,960	$28,950	$19,980	$20,990	$1,000	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample airfare: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from $1,200; Business from $2,600. Charter Airfare: $790 (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).
$14,550	$16,630	$11,990	$12,460	$1,000	Includes two hotel nights. Sample Airfare: round-trip Newark/Oslo. Economy from: $1,400; Business from $3,900. Charter Airfare: $725 (round-trip Oslo/Longyearbyen).
$21,960	$25,230	$18,240	$19,110	$1,000	Includes one hotel night. Sample Airfare: Newark/Oslo, Reykjavík/New York. Economy from: $1,550; Business from $4,600. Charter Airfare: $360 (Oslo/Longyearbyen).
$13,860	$15,980	$10,860	$11,240	$1,000	Sample Airfares: round-trip NY/Reykjavík/NY: Economy from $980; Business from $3,200.
$41,390	$47,990	$33,690	$34,980	$3,000	Includes one hotel night in Edmonton. Sample Airfare: New York/Reykjavík, Edmonton/Newark: Economy from $1,750; Business from $2,400. Charter Airfare: $590 (Kugluktuk/Edmonton).
$41,390	$47,990	$33,690	$34,980	$3,000	Includes one hotel night in Edmonton. Sample Airfare: Newark/Edmonton, St. John's/Newark. Economy from $700; Business from $1,730. Charter Airfare: $590 (Edmonton/Kugluktuk).
$11,750	$13,450	$9,690	$10,070	$1,000	Sample Airfare: Newark/St. John's/Newark: Economy from $750, Business from $1,780.
$11,750	$13,450	$9,690	$10,070	$1,000	Sample Airfare: New York/Hamburg, London/New York: Economy from $1,180; Business from $3,700.
$19,490	$22,590	$16,240	$16,960	$1,000	Sample airfare: New York/London and Bergen/New York: Economy $900; Business $3,700.
$21,960	$25,230	$18,240	$19,110	$1,000	Sample Airfares: Newark/Azores, Cape Verde/Newark: Economy from $1,650; Business from $6,000.
$21,960	$25,230	$18,240	$19,110	$1,000	Includes one hotel night. Sample Airfares: New York/Bergen, Oslo/New York: Economy from: $1,000; Business from $3,900. Charter airfare: $360 Longyearbyen/Oslo).



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

OUR NEWEST EXPEDITION SHIP

CAPACITY: 102 guests in 53 outside cabins.
REGISTRY: Bahamas. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 338 feet.

The state-of-the-art *National Geographic Orion* is the newest addition to the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet. A fully stabilized, ice-class vessel with an ice reinforced hull, *National Geographic Orion* is at home navigating polar ice as well as small harbors in the South Pacific.

PUBLIC AREAS: Outdoor café and bar, lounge with bar, restaurant, sundeck, reception desk, state-of-the-art lecture theater, library, global market, marina platform, mud room, and a centrally located elevator. 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.

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

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, kayaks, snorkel gear for all guests and scuba gear for 24 guests, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, underwater video cameras, Splash-Cam, and video microscope.

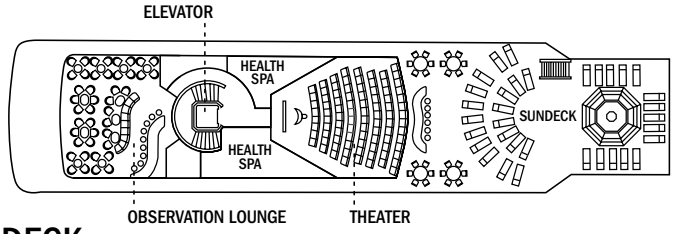
SPECIAL FEATURES: Laundry, a full-time doctor, video chronicler, National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus undersea specialists, divemasters, and Global Perspectives guest speakers on select voyages.

WELLNESS: A wellness specialist, a fitness center and a massage/treatment room are on board. A hot tub on the Observation Deck doubles as a plunge pool in warm temperatures.

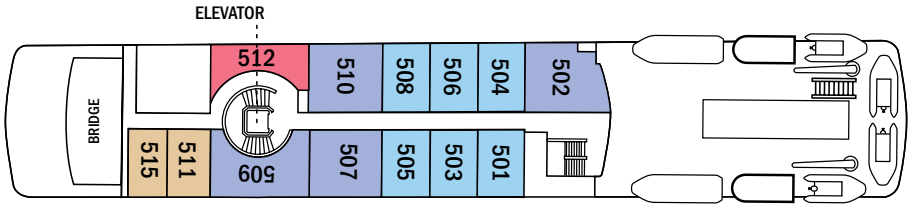




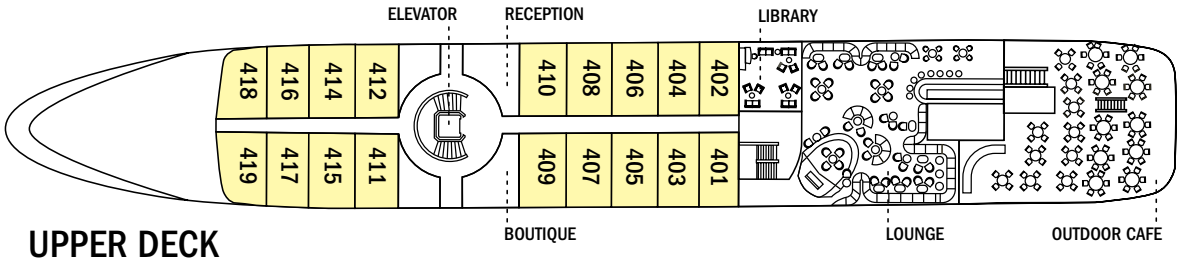
Above: National Geographic Orion's *comfortable Upper Deck lounge; fine cuisine is served on board.*



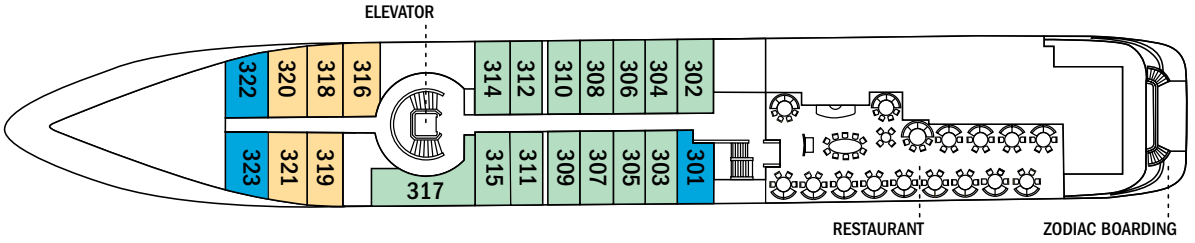
OBSERVATION DECK



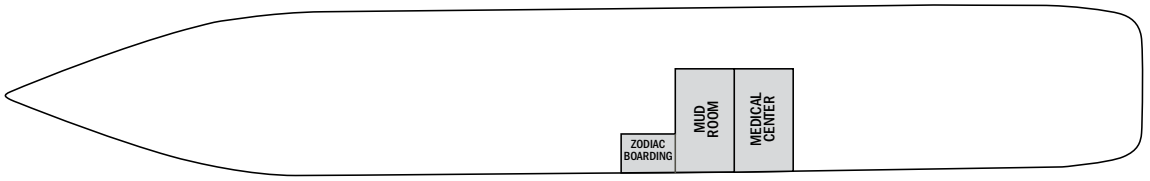
BRIDGE DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



EXPEDITION DECK

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 balcony #501, 503-506, 508

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

*Cabin 509 has two windows in lieu of a 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.





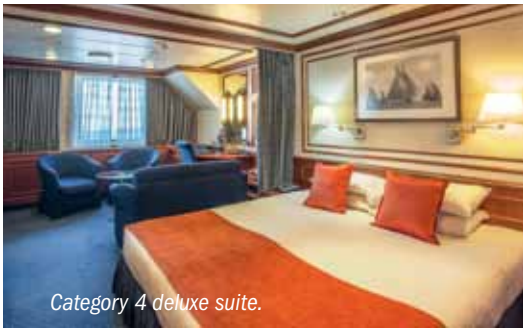
Above, left to right: Observation Deck; Library; Outdoor Jacuzzi on the Sundeck.

National Geographic Orion Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated otherwise.

ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4
Exploring Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu, the Solomons & the Great Barrier Reef - Page 120	2014	$25,390	$29,370	$34,760	$37,990
Kimberley Expedition: Australia's Wild Northwest – Page 82	2014	$8,210	$9,530	$11,320	$12,390
Kimberley Expedition with the Spice Islands – Page 84	2014	$11,490	$13,340	$15,850	$17,350
Wild Encounters from Borneo to Bali – Page 86	2014	$8,680	$10,080	$11,970	$13,110
Indonesian Odyssey: Bali to the Great Barrier Reef – Page 88	2014	$16,620	$19,180	$22,650	$24,730
Exploring the Coral Sea: Papua New Guinea to Fiji – Page 90	2014	$12,940	$14,990	$17,840	$19,530
Reefs, Lagoons and Volcanic Isles: Fiji to Tahiti – Page 92	2014	$18,990	$21,990	$25,990	$28,460
Legends of the South Pacific: Tahiti to Easter Island – Page 94	2014	$17,930	$20,770	$24,550	$26,870
Antarctica, South Georgia & The Falklands – Page 32	2014-15	$21,360	$22,890	$25,090	$30,780


Category 1 & 2 cabin.


Category 3 suite.


Category 4 deluxe suite.





Above, left to right: On board gym; Constellation Restaurant; outstanding cuisine, accented with a local flair.

CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. 1 SOLO	CAT. 3 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
$45,220	$52,400	$37,990	$52,140	$2,000	Includes one night accommodation at a hotel in Cairns. Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Auckland, Cairns/Los Angeles: Economy from $1,600; call for Business fare.
$14,790	$17,190	$12,320	$16,980	$1,000	Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Darwin, Broome/Los Angeles or vice-versa: Economy from $1,700; Business from $8,500.
$20,710	$23,990	$17,230	$23,770	$1,000	Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Broome, Bali/Los Angeles: Economy from $2,450; Business from $7,500.
$15,650	$18,180	$12,990	$17,950	$1,000	Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Singapore, Bali/Los Angeles or vice-versa: Economy from $1,210; Business from $6,200.
$29,390	$33,990	$24,930	$33,980	$1,800	Includes one night accommodation at a hotel in Cairns. Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Bali, Cairns/Los Angeles: Economy from $1,810; Business from $11,700.
$23,310	$27,080	$19,410	$26,760	$1,000	Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Carins, Nadi, Fiji/Los Angeles: Economy from $2,040; Business from $7,150
$33,870	$39,240	$28,490	$38,980	$1,800	Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Nadi, Fiji, Papeete, Tahiti/Los Angeles: Economy from $2,940; Business from $5,480
$31,990	$36,990	$26,890	$36,830	$1,800	Sample Airfare: Los Angeles/Papeete, Tahiti, Santiago, Chile/Los Angeles: Economy from $2,600; Business from $5,900.
$35,520	$41,190	$31,990	$37,630	$1,800	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfare: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from $1,200; Business from $2,600. Charter Airfare: $790 (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).


Category 5 balcony suite.


Category 6 owner's suite.


Category 1 solo cabin.



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR

CAPACITY: 96 guests in 56 outside cabins.

REGISTRY: Ecuador. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 295 feet.

PUBLIC AREAS: Ship is fully air-conditioned. Covered deck with chairs and tables; doctor's office; fitness center; LEXspa; global gallery; library; lounge with full-service bar and facilities for films, and presentations; sauna and small swimming pool; and sun deck. Our Ecuadorian captain welcomes guests to the bridge in accordance with our "open bridge" policy.

MEALS: Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere. Menu is international with Ecuadorian flair.

CABINS: All cabins face outside with windows or portholes. Each has private facilities and climate controls.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Kayaks, glass-bottom boat, snorkeling gear, underwater video camera, video microscope, wet suits, and Zodiac landing craft.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Guest internet access, laundry service, floating massage platform and wellness program. Ship's doctor and video chronicler are also on board.







Insets clockwise from top: Dining room, the library, swimming pool.

CATEGORY 1: Main Deck #202, 204, A Deck #352, 353—All cabins feature two lower single beds, a writing desk and a porthole.

CATEGORY 2: Upper Deck # 122, 125; Main Deck #201, 203, 206, 208, 210-212, 214-218, 220—Cabins have two lower single beds and a writing desk. Upper Deck Cabins feature large windows & Main Deck cabins have two portholes.

CATEGORY 3: Main Deck # 209; A Deck #300, 350, 351—These spacious cabins accommodate two or three people, all with two lower beds, a sitting chair, a writing desk and two portholes. Each has a separate sleeping and sitting area.

CATEGORY 4: Upper Deck #102, 104-112, 114-116, 118, 120, 121, 123—Conveniently located cabins feature two lower single beds and a writing desk.

CATEGORY 5: Upper Deck #117, 129—The finest accommodations on board. Suites have separate sleeping and sitting areas, a large view window and a convertible sofa to accommodate a third person.

CATEGORY 1 SOLO: Main Deck # 219, 222; A Deck #309-312, 314-316, 318

CATEGORY 2 SOLO: Upper Deck #124, 126, 127; Main Deck #205

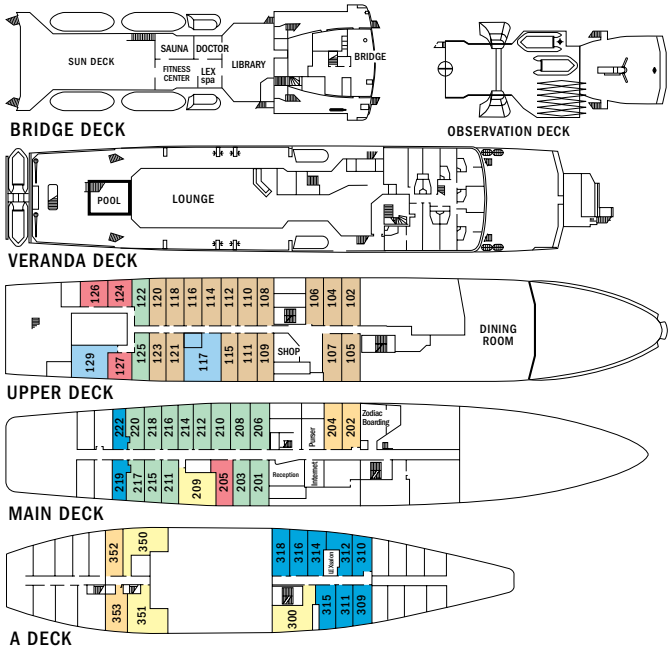
NOTE: Sole Occupancy cabins are available in Categories 1 and 2 and have one lower single bed and one porthole.

SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS: We will make arrangements for shared accommodations at the double occupancy rate in Categories 1 and 2. Third person rates are available in designated cabins at one half the double occupancy rate.





Left to right: Guests enjoy one of the suites aboard Endeavour*; Category 4 cabin.*



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Prime: Jan 4–Mar 8, Aug 30–Dec 13	$4,990	$5,780	$6,300	$6,820	$8,660	$6,250	$7,220	$500	International and internal Ecuador tickets must be issued separately for all Galápagos voyages. Sample International Airfare: Round-trip Miami/ Guayaquil: Economy from $700; Business from $1,600. Sample Internal Airfare: Guayaquil/ Galápagos: Adult from $450; Children (Under 12) from $225. Call for sample Peru airfare.
Peak: Mar 15–Apr 12, Jun 7–Aug 23	$5,780	$6,560	$7,090	$7,610	$9,450	$7,220	$8,210	$500	
Holiday: Dec 20, 27	$6,300	$7,090	$7,610	$8,140	$9,980	$7,890	$8,880	$500	
2013 GALÁPAGOS + MACHU PICCHU & THE LAND OF THE INCA-PAGE 14	**CAT. 1**	**CAT. 2**	**CAT. 3**	**CAT. 4**	**CAT. 5**	**CAT. 1 SOLO**	**CAT. 2 SOLO**	**ADVANCE PAYMENT**	
Prime: Jan 4–Mar 8, Aug 30–Dec 13	$9,580	$10,370	$10,890	$11,410	$13,250	$11,940	$12,910	$800	
Peak: Mar 15–Apr 12, Jun 7–Aug 23	$10,370	$11,150	$11,680	$12,200	$14,040	$12,910	$13,900	$800	
Holiday: Dec 20 and Dec 27	$10,890	$11,680	$12,200	$12,730	$14,570	$13,580	$14,570	$800	
2014 GALÁPAGOS: ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR*-PAGE 12	**CAT. 1**	**CAT. 2**	**CAT. 3**	**CAT. 4**	**CAT. 5**	**CAT. 1 SOLO**	**CAT. 2 SOLO**	**ADVANCE PAYMENT**	
Prime: Jan 3–Feb 7, Feb 21, Apr 25, May 30, Sep 5–Dec 12	$5,490	$6,390	$6,950	$7,490	$9,420	$6,860	$7,990	$500	International and internal Ecuador tickets must be issued separately for all Galápagos voyages. Sample International Airfare: Round-trip Miami/Guayaquil: Economy from $700; Business from $1,600. Sample Internal Airfare: Guayaquil/Galápagos: Adult from $450; Children (Under 12) from $225. Call for sample Peru airfare.
Peak: Feb 14, Feb 28, Mar 7–Apr 18, Jun 6–Aug 29	$5,990	$6,890	$7,450	$7,990	$9,920	$7,490	$8,610	$500	
Holiday: Dec 19, 26	$6,590	$7,440	$7,990	$8,550	$10,480	$8,240	$9,300	$500	
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Prime: Jan 3–Feb 7, Feb 21, Apr 25, May 30, Sep 5 - Dec 12	$10,380	$11,280	$11,840	$12,380	$14,310	$12,950	$14,080	$800	
Peak: Feb 14, Feb 28, Mar 7–Apr 18, Jun 6–Aug 29	$10,880	$11,780	$12,340	$12,880	$14,810	$13,580	$14,700	$800	
Holiday: Dec 19, 26	$11,480	$12,330	$12,880	$13,440	$15,370	$14,330	$15,390	$800	



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ISLANDER

CAPACITY: 48 guests in 24 outside cabins. **REGISTRY:** Ecuador. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 164 feet.

PUBLIC AREAS: Ship is fully air-conditioned. Covered deck with hammocks, chairs and tables; doctor's office; fitness center; global market; LEXspa; library; lounge with full-service bar and facilities for films, and presentations; and sky deck. Our Ecuadorian captain welcomes guests to the bridge in accordance with our "open bridge" policy.

MEALS: Served in single seatings with unassigned tables, meals are informal. Menu is international with an Ecuadorian flair.

CABINS: All cabins have a window with an outside view, private facilities and climate controls.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Kayaks, snorkeling gear, underwater video camera, video microscope, wet suits, Zodiac landing craft.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Internet access, laundry service, ship's doctor, wellness specialist, and video chronicler.

WELLNESS: The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features exercise equipment and outdoor stretching area.







Left to right: Meals are informal for easy mingling; enjoy opportunities to relax in Islander's *lounge; the cuisine on board is fresh with a regional flair.*

CATEGORY 1: Main Deck # 201-206—Cabins feature a window and two lower single beds which can convert to a queen bed.

CATEGORY 2: Main Deck #207-210; Bridge Deck #301-302—Centrally located cabins feature a window and two lower single beds which can convert to a queen bed.

CATEGORY 3: Bridge Deck #303-306—Cabins feature a window and two lower single beds which can convert to a queen bed. Cabins 305 & 306 can accommodate a third person.

CATEGORY 4: Upper Deck #403-408—Spacious cabins feature two lower single beds which can convert to a lower double bed. All cabins feature a window and outside glassed-in terraces with seating. There are large windows in the top half of the terrace doors. Note: The single beds in cabins 403 & 404 convert to double beds.

CATEGORY 5: Upper Deck #401 and 402—These are the largest cabins on board. They feature wrap around windows and two lower single beds which can convert to a queen bed. Both have a desk, chairs, and table. They also feature outside glassed in terraces with seating.

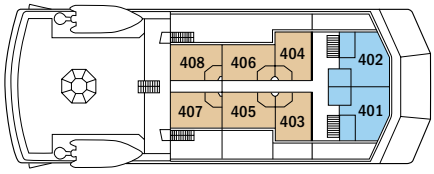
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SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS: Shares can be arranged at the double occupancy rate in Categories 1 and 2 only.

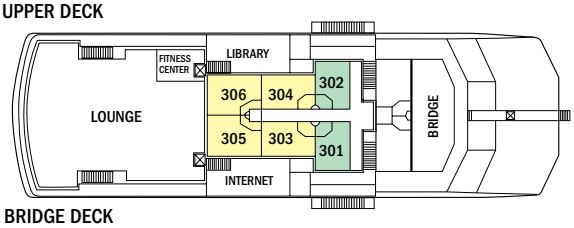




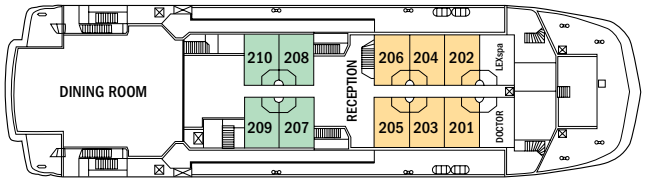
Left to right: Category 5 cabin, Category 4 cabin.



UPPER DECK



BRIDGE DECK



MAIN DECK

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Prime: Jan 5–Mar 9, Apr 20–Jun 1, Sep 28–Dec 14	$5,720	$6,510	$7,040	$7,560	$9,400	$8,580	$9,760	$500	International and internal Ecuador tickets must be issued separately for all Galápagos voyages. Sample International Airfare: Round-trip Miami/Guayaquil: Economy from $700; Business from $1,600. Sample Internal Airfare: Guayaquil/Galápagos: Adult from $450; Children (Under 12) from $225. Call for sample Peru airfare.
Peak: Mar 16–Apr 13, Jun 8–Aug 24	$6,250	$7,040	$7,560	$8,090	$9,920	$9,360	$10,540	$500	
Holiday: Dec 21 and Dec 28	$6,770	$7,560	$8,090	$8,610	$10,450	$10,160	$11,330	$500	
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Prime: Jan 5–Mar 9, Apr 20–Jun 1, Sep 28–Dec 14	$10,310	$11,100	$11,630	$12,150	$13,990	$14,270	$15,450	$800	
Peak: Mar 16–Apr 13, Jun 8–Aug 24	$10,840	$11,630	$12,150	$12,680	$14,510	$15,050	$16,230	$800	
Holiday: Dec 21 and Dec 28	$11,360	$12,150	$12,680	$13,200	$15,040	$15,850	$17,020	$800	
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Prime: Jan 4–Feb 8, Feb 22, Apr 26–May 31, Oct 4–Dec 13	$6,060	$6,890	$7,440	$7,990	$9,910	$9,090	$10,340	$500	International and internal Ecuador tickets must be issued separately for all Galápagos voyages. Sample International Airfare: Round-trip Miami/Guayaquil: Economy from $700; Business from $1,600. Sample Internal Airfare: Guayaquil/Galápagos: Adult from $450; Children (Under 12) from $225. Call for sample Peru airfare.
Peak: Feb 15, Mar 1–Apr 19, Jun 7–Aug 30	$6,560	$7,390	$7,940	$8,490	$10,410	$9,840	$10,990	$500	
Holiday: Dec 20 & 27	$7,110	$7,940	$8,490	$9,040	$10,970	$10,670	$11,910	$500	
2014 GALÁPAGOS + MACHU PICCHU & THE LAND OF THE INCA-PAGE 14	**CAT. 1**	**CAT. 2**	**CAT. 3**	**CAT. 4**	**CAT. 5**	**CAT. 1 SOLO**	**CAT. 2 SOLO**	**ADVANCE PAYMENT**	
Prime: Jan 4–Feb 8, Feb 22, Apr 26–May 31, Oct 4–Dec 13	$10,950	$11,780	$12,330	$12,880	$14,800	$15,180	$16,430	$800	
Peak: Feb 15, Mar –Apr 19, Jun 7–Aug 30	$11,450	$12,280	$12,830	$13,380	$15,300	$15,930	$17,080	$800	
Holiday: Dec 20 & 27	$12,000	$12,830	$13,380	$13,930	$15,860	$16,760	$18,000	$800	

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD & NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION

CAPACITY: 62 guests in 31 outside cabins.

REGISTRY: United States.

OVERALL LENGTH: 152 feet.

PUBLIC AREAS: Our twin sister ships feature a library; global market; lounge with full-service bar and facilities for films, slide shows and presentations; observation deck; partially covered sun deck with chairs and tables, and LEXspa. Our "open bridge" provides guests 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. Breakfast is a wide selection buffet and lunch is often served family style. Menu emphasizes local fare.

CABINS: All face outside with windows, private facilities and climate controls.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Bow camera, hydrophone, kayaks, snorkeling gear, splash-cam, underwater video camera, video microscope, wet suits in Baja and expedition landing craft.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Guest Internet access. A video chronicler is on board all voyages. A ship's doctor is onboard in Baja and Costa Rica/Panama. An undersea specialist is on board in Baja and Alaska.

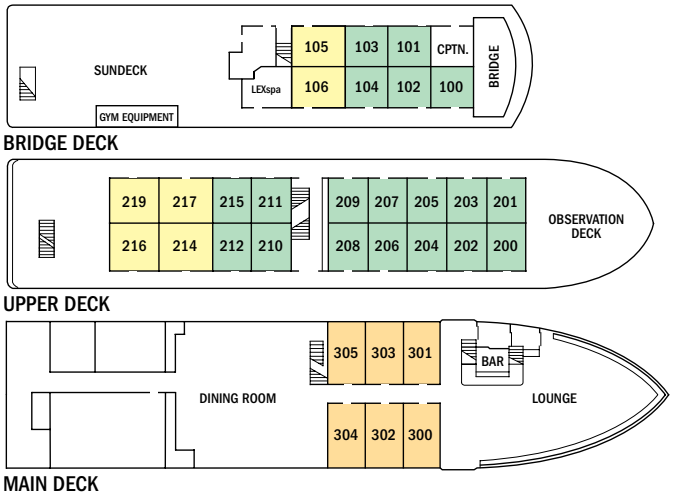
WELLNESS: The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features exercise equipment, LEXspa and outdoor stretching area.







Insets clockwise from top: Expedition ship National Geographic Sea Bird *can access hard to reach locations; twin beds can be pushed together to form a double bed in Category 3 cabins on the Upper Deck; a comfortable Category 2 cabin.*



CATEGORY 1: Main Deck #300-305—Conveniently positioned between the dining room & lounge, these cabins feature two single lower beds, a writing desk and a large view window.

CATEGORY 2: Bridge Deck #100-104; Upper Deck #200-212, 215—These well-located cabins include two lower single beds & a view window.

CATEGORY 3: Bridge Deck #105, 106; Upper Deck #214, 216, 217, 219—These cabins feature a seating unit with table and two large view windows. Upper Deck cabins include two lower single beds which can convert to a double bed and a pull-out single bed for a third person; Bridge Deck cabins include two lower single beds only.

NOTE: Sole Occupancy cabins are available in Categories 1 and 2 only. Third person rates are available in certain categories at one half the double occupancy rate.

SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS: Shares can be arranged at the double occupancy rate in Categories 1 and 2 only.





Left to right: Cocktail hour recaps are informative & always social; the sundeck is a great place for a morning stretch with our wellness specialist; the cuisine on board is fresh, as sustainable as possible and accented with a regional flair.

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ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 1 SOLO	CAT. 2 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Exploring Alaska's Coastal Wilderness – Page 54	2014	$6,290	$7,340	$8,390	$9,440	$11,010	$650	Sample Airfare: Seattle/Juneau/Sitka/ Seattle or vice versa: Economy from $650; Business Class from $1,250.
A Remarkable Journey to Alaska, British Columbia & Haida Gwaii – Page 56	2014	$9,990	$11,290	$12,650	$14,990	$16,940	$900	Sample Airfare: Seattle/Sitka: Economy from $300; Business Class from $650.
Columbia and Snake Rivers Journey: Harvests, History & Landscapes – Page 60	2014	$4,490	$5,270	$6,130	$6,740	$7,900	$450	We will gladly assist in making your air arrangements. Please call for airfares from your departure city.
Baja California and the Sea of Cortez: Among The Great Whales – Page 62	2014	$5,830	$6,730	$7,550	$8,750	$10,090	$550	Sample Airfare: Round-trip Los Angeles/ La Paz/Los Angeles: Economy from $650.
Journeys in the Sea of Cortez – Page 97	2013/14	$4,990	$5,770	$6,790	$7,490	$8,650	$450	Sample Airfare: Round-trip Los Angeles/ La Paz/Los Angeles: Economy from $650.
Baja California Land & Sea Photography Retreat – Page 97	2014	$5,550	$6,430	$7,270	$8,330	$9,650	$550	Sample Airfare: Round-trip Los Angeles/ La Paz/Los Angeles: Economy from $650.
Whales & Wildness: Spring in the Sea of Cortez – Page 97	2014	$5,550	$6,410	$7,190	$8,330	$9,610	$550	Sample Airfare: Round-trip Los Angeles/ La Paz/Los Angeles: Economy from $650.
Costa Rica & Panama – Page 64	2013/14	$5,690	$6,270	$7,480	$8,530	$9,390	$550	Sample Airfare: Miami/Panama City, San José/Miami or vice versa: Economy from $500; Business from $1,100.
Monteverde + Costa Rica to Panama – Page 66	2013/14	$7,080	$7,660	$8,870	$10,120	$10,980	$600	Sample Airfare: Miami/San José, Panama City/Miami Economy from: $500; Business from $1,100.
Panama to Costa Rica + Monteverde, Arenal & Sarapiquí – Page 67	2013/14	$8,580	$9,160	$10,370	$11,800	$12,660	$750	Sample Airfare: Miami/Panama City, San José/Miami: Economy from $500; Business from $1,100.

SEA CLOUD

CAPACITY: 58 guests in 30 cabins including two Owner's Suites.
REGISTRY: Malta. **OVERALL LENGTH** 360 feet.

Built in 1931 by Wall Street businessman E. F. Hutton for his wife, Marjorie Merriweather Post, *Sea Cloud* carries 30 sails measuring a total of 32,000 sq. ft.

PUBLIC AREAS: The covered Lido Bar is a superb place to congregate and enjoy the outdoors. The open-air "Blue Lagoon" is a wonderful place to relax. There is a sumptuous lounge and guests are welcome on the "open bridge" to learn how *Sea Cloud* is navigated and sailed.

MEALS: Served in single seatings, meals focus on local and Continental cuisine. Wines are included at lunch and dinner. Refreshments are always available.

CABINS: The Main Deck cabins have antique and period-style furniture. These cabins are the ship's original cabins, including the Owner's Suites originally occupied by E.F. Hutton and Marjorie Merriweather Post. Cabins on the Promenade and Captain's Decks modern, stylish, comfortable furniture.

CATEGORY 1 SOLO: #16-17: Upper and lower single beds and a porthole. These cabins once housed the ship's officers.

CATEGORY 1: #28-29: Cabins have two single beds, a window and showers.

CATEGORY 2: #18-25: Cabins have two single beds, a window and showers.

CATEGORY 3: #32-37: Cabins have two single beds, a window and showers.

CATEGORY 4: #30-31: Cabins have a queen-size bed, a forward-facing window and showers.

ORIGINAL/DELUXE CATEGORY B: Original and deluxe cabins, #5, 6, 9, 10: Located on the Main Deck, these large cabins, originally occupied by guests (and the nannies, #9-10) of the owner, have a mix of bed types, decorative motifs, bathrooms with bathtubs. All have portholes.

ORIGINAL/DELUXE CATEGORY A: Original/deluxe cabins, #3, 4, 7, 8: Located on the Main Deck, these very large cabins, originally occupied by guests of the owner, have a mix of bed types, decorative motifs, bathrooms with bathtubs. All have portholes.

OWNER'S SUITES: Original owner's suites #1-2: These incomparable suites were occupied by Marjorie Merriweather Post (#1) and E.F. Hutton (#2). They have king-size beds and grand marble bathrooms with bathtubs.



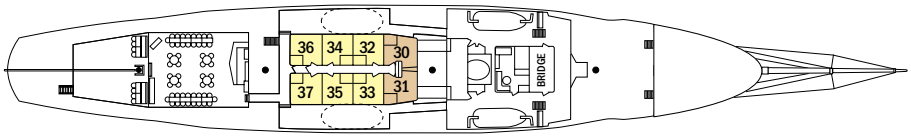




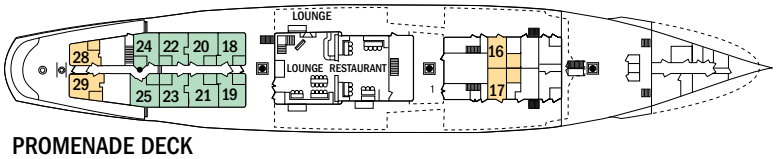




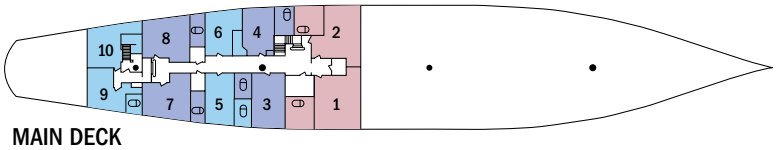
Insets clockwise from top: Sea Cloud *under full sail; staircase to the Captain's and Lido deck; Original/Deluxe Category A cabin; Owner's Suite which is one of the original cabins; crew climbs aloft to unfurl the sails.*



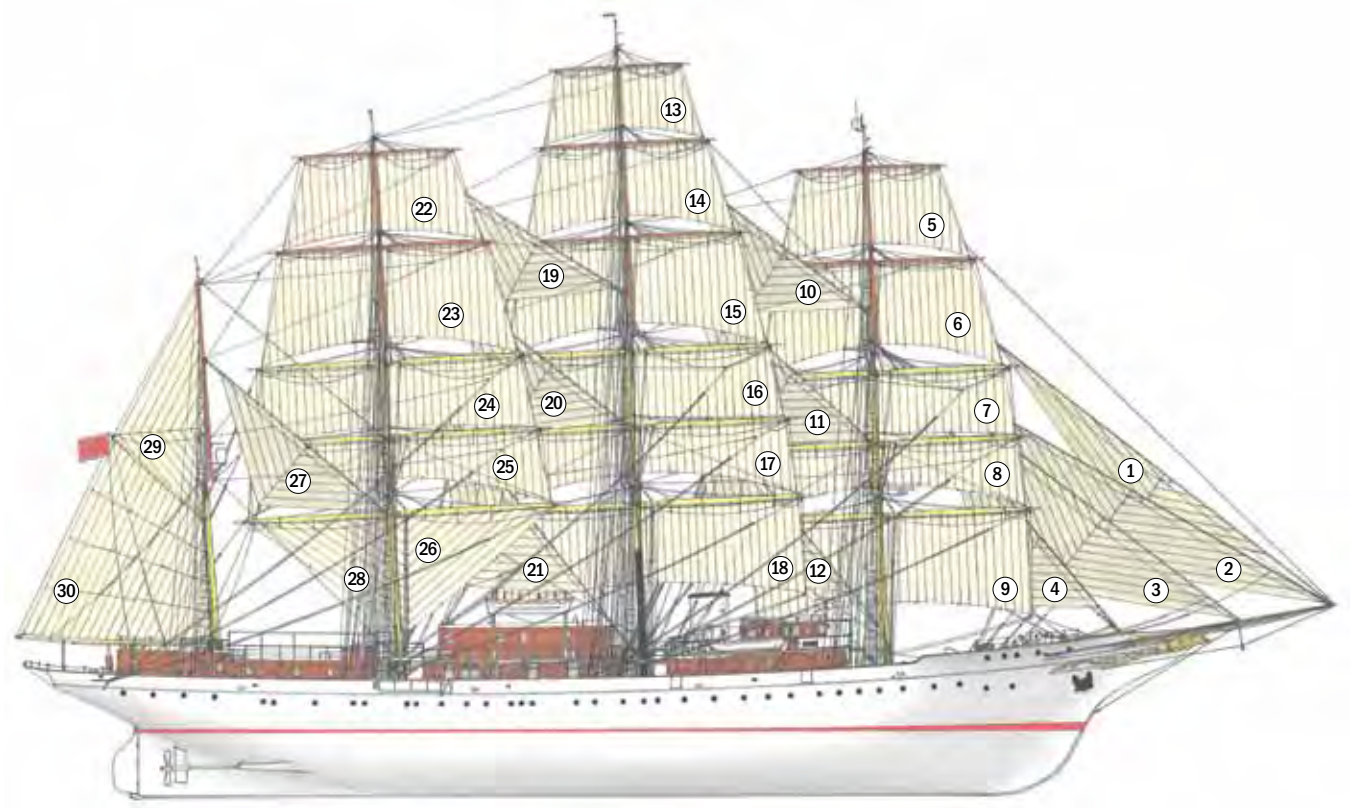
CAPTAIN'S AND LIDO DECK



PROMENADE DECK



MAIN DECK



1. Flying jib	6. Fore topgallant	11. Main topgallant staysail	16. Main upper topsail	21. Mizzen upper topsail staysail	26. Mizzen sail
2. Standing jib	7. Fore upper topsail	12. Main upper staysail	17. Main lower topsail	22. Mizzen royal	27. Jigger upper staysail
3. Inner jib	8. Fore lower topsail	13. Main skysail	18. Main sail	23. Mizzen topgallant	28. Spanker staysail
4. Fore top mast staysail	9. Fore sail	14. Main royal	19. Mizzen royal staysail	24. Mizzen upper topsail	29. Jigger topsail
5. Fore royal	10. Main royal staysail	15. Main topgallant	20. Mizzen topgallant staysail	25. Mizzen lower topsail	30. Spanker

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ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	ORIGINAL/ DELUXE CAT. B	ORIGINAL/ DELUXE CAT. A	OWNER'S SUITES	CAT. 1 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Sailing the Caribbean – Page 68	2014	$7,590	$8,690	$10,540	$10,990	$12,320	$12,980	$14,990	$10,990	$900	Sample Airfare: Round-trip Miami/Barbados: Economy from $650. Please call for sample Business fare.
	2015	Please call for 2015 prices.									
Turkey and Greece: A Sailing Odyssey – Page 76	2014	$8,790	$9,880	$11,790	$12,490	$13,880	$14,750	$16,880	$12,880	$1,000	Sample Airfare: New York/ Istanbul, Athens/New York or vice versa: Economy from $1,200. Please call for sample Business fare.
Under Sail from Greece to the Dalmatian Coast – Page 78	2014	$10,990	$11,390	$14,990	$15,880	$17,290	$18,390	$20,990	$15,890	$1,100	Sample Airfare: New York/ Athens, Dubrovnik/New York or vice versa: Economy from $1,200. Please call for sample Business fare.
	2015	Please call for 2015 prices.									

DELFIN II

CAPACITY: 28 guests in 14 outside suites.
REGISTRY: Peru. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 120 feet.

PUBLIC AREAS: Outdoor areas include the well-designed, comfortable Top Deck and bar. There is a small reference Library and the Bridge, where you are welcome to meet the captain and officers.

MEALS: The air-conditioned dining room's large windows provide panoramic views. Beautifully prepared meals are served in a single seating with unassigned tables. Often special dishes will include sustainable products of the rain forest and sauces made with exotic regional fruits.

SUITES: Elegant, air-conditioned guest suites on the Main and Upper Decks all offer exceptional vistas. Each spacious suite has a minimalist décor with a luxurious overtone. Enjoy complimentary organic sun block with insect repellent, body lotion, shampoo and conditioner.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: 10-person skiffs – with individual seat cushions and plenty of leg room. Fleet of safe, nimble kayaks. Rain ponchos are kept handy in the skiffs. Rubber boots are provided before an excursion if deemed necessary.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Guests may swim directly from the skiffs using the convenient swim ladder, weather & location permitting.

SUITES: UPPER & MAIN DECK #1-6; 11-14 – Most suites have two twin beds which can convert to a king. Some suites can be connected for families traveling together. Each includes a large view window, a closet, easy chair and desk. Bathrooms include a large shower, separate toilet and sink area.

MASTER SUITES: UPPER & MAIN DECK #7, 8, 15, 16 – The Master Suites feature all of the amenities listed above plus oversized windows which provide incredible 90 degree views. The Master Suites on the Main Deck feature two twin beds which can convert to a king, and Upper Deck Master Suites have king beds only.

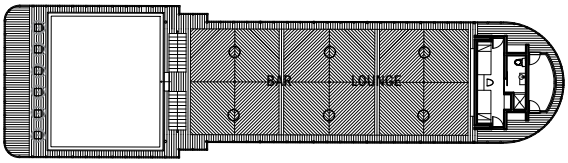
SOLE OCCUPANCY & SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS: Due to the limited number of cabins available, sole occupancy and shares are on a request basis only; please call for availability and rates.



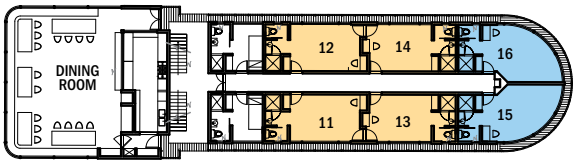




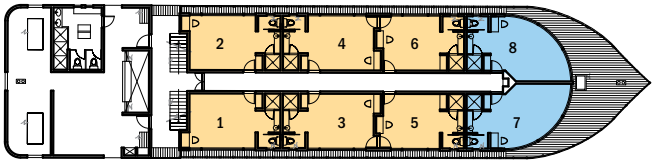
Insets clockwise from top left: Delfin II *on the river; the dining room provides big views and outstanding cuisine; spacious master suites offer comfort and panoramic views.*



TOP DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK

Prices are per person, double occupancy.

ITINERARY	YEAR	SUITE	MASTER SUITE	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Upper Amazon: Exploring Peru's Pacaya-Samiria Reserve – Page 18	2013	$5,870	$6,980	$500	International and internal Peru tickets must be issued separately for all Amazon voyages. Sample International Airfare: Round-trip Miami/Lima/Miami: Economy from $800; Business from $2,000. Sample Internal Airfare: Lima/Iquitos/Lima: From $370.
	2014	$5,990	$6,990	$500	
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59–30 days	50% of trip cost
29–0 days	No refund

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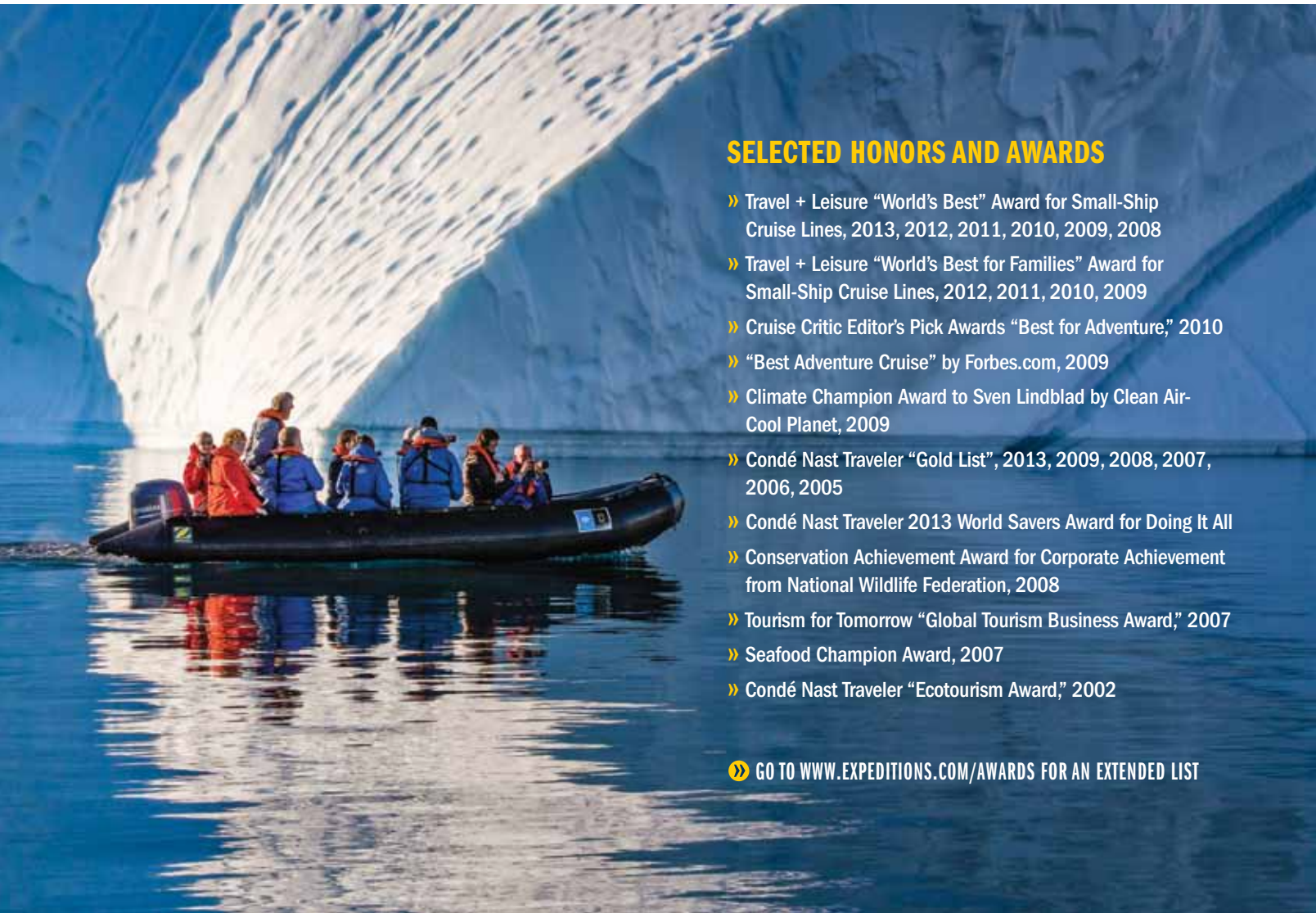
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