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**ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION &
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER | 2017/2018**



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IN ICELAND: STELLAR EXPERIENCES & INSIDER INSIGHTS

Our Circumnavigation of Iceland brings us all around the island and deep inside its culture too—with opportunities to spend time with and hear from some remarkably interesting Icelanders, plus exclusive musical performances arranged exclusively for us by our ethnomusicologist.

HRUND GUNNSTEINDOTTIR



The Creative Director of Project 7, as well as a filmmaker, playwright, poet and writer, Hrunn Gunnsteindottir has been Director of Krád Consulting since 2008. She'll speak about transforming education (for all ages), creativity, and the "sea within" in the 21st century. And share her experience as a consultant for U.N. Women in Kosovo, which focused on women and youth as brokers of peace, sectors such as business, arts, politics, science, and across generations. She is aboard July 11, 2017.

RAGNA ÁRNADÓTTIR



Ragna Árnadóttir is deputy CEO of Landsvirkjun, the National Power Company of Iceland. Landsvirkjun is owned by the Icelandic state and processes 75% of all electricity in Iceland—which leads the world in geothermal power supply innovation. A good storyteller with a unique background, Ragna's personal work on the cutting edge of geothermal power, and her perspective on Iceland's turbulent years will prove engaging and insightful for all. She is aboard July 11, 2017.

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▶ SEE THE EXPEDITION TEAMS ON THESE VOYAGES AT WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/ICETEAM



CURATED MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

On both itineraries in this brochure you will be treated to exclusive performances by leading Icelandic musicians, curated exclusively for our guests by ethnomusicologist Jacob Edgar. Founder of record label Cumbancha and host of a music and travel television program Music Voyager, Jacob's adventures have taken him throughout the world in search of exceptional musical talents. He will create a privileged connection to Iceland's music, and genuinely special experiences—both on and off-ship—that will enrich your understanding of Icelandic traditions, while creating an indelible impression.

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EXPERIENCE THE LAND OF FIRE & ICE TWO REMARKABLY UNIQUE WAYS

Enjoy special savings too: Complimentary bar tab & gratuities—
plus 2017 prices on 2018 travel, if you book by June 1, 2017

Front cover: Goðafoss Falls. This page: Guests have the opportunity to take small boats through the glacier lagoon of Jokulsarlon, Iceland.

TASTE THE FAROES WITH CULINARY NATURALIST, FRANCIS LAM

Dominated by Atlantic winds, clouds, ocean vistas, and topographical grace, the Faroes have become, in the last several years, an unlikely mecca for global gourmets—for the inspired variation on the “New Nordic cuisine” practiced here by the current and former chefs of the restaurant Koks, Johannes Jensen and Leif Sørensen. Francis Lam visited the Faroes on assignment for *Bon Appetit* in 2014. His article introduced American foodies to this new culinary destination, and made a vivid impression on all of us at Lindblad, since the Faroes are favorites. Francis joins us in 2017, on both the June and August *Nordic Passages* departures to introduce you to some remarkable individuals, and to a cuisine built on turnips that taste like cantaloupes, foraging (since there’s so little agriculture), and more—plus, incredible seafood, including Faroese langoustines, considered the finest in the world. An exclusive experience, definitely not to be missed.



FRANCIS LAM is the host of public radio’s *The Splendid Table*, editor-at-large at Clarkson Potter, and serves on the board of the Southern Foodways Alliance. His writing and editing have won numerous awards from the James Beard Foundation and the International Association of Culinary Professionals. In past lives, he was a columnist for the *New York Times Magazine*, a judge on *Top Chef Masters*, the features editor at *Gilt Taste*, a senior writer at *Salon.com*, and a contributing editor at *Gourmet*. His work has appeared in the 2006-2014 editions of *Best Food Writing*. He is also eager to explore and share his knowledge with people willing and ready to taste the world.

NORDIC PASSAGES: SHETLANDS, ORKNEY, FAROES, AND ICELAND

Add a fascinating layer of Nordic history when you sail the route of legendary Vikings before completing a near circumnavigation of Iceland. Steeped in Norse mythology, the spectacularly remote islands of the Nordic Passage—Shetland, Orkney and the Faroes—illuminate an historically rich past. Seeing these seldom visited places beforehand and meeting the modern day Vikings who still call them home gives you a unique Norse “lens” through which you’ll view Iceland’s geologically roiling landscape.

SPECIAL OFFER:

We will cover your bar tab on board and all tips for the crew on all departures.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- ▶ Go back in time at Skara Brae, a 5,000-year-old stone-slab village on Orkney, and see the mysterious standing stones of the Ring of Brodgar
- ▶ Walk with a historian through Jarlshof archaeological site, a complex of ancient settlements spanning 4,000 years of human history
- ▶ Observe tons of birdlife—a massive puffin colony in the Faroes & on the Cliffs of Noss, thousands of murres and kittiwakes
- ▶ See charismatic—and photogenic—Shetland ponies roaming verdant landscapes

ITINERARY AT-A-GLANCE

14 DAYS/12 NIGHTS ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

PRICES FROM: \$13,690 TO \$28,470 | DATES: 2017 JUN. 22; AUG. 13*

**This voyage travels in reverse*

- Day 1-2 U.S./Fly Overnight To Bergen, Norway/Embark
- Day 3 At Sea/Orkney Islands, Scotland
- Day 4 Shetland Islands
- Day 5 Vestmanna, Faroe Islands, Denmark
- Day 6 Tórshavn, Faroe Islands
- Day 7 Mykines, Faroe Islands
- Day 8 Djúpivogur, Iceland
- Day 9 At Sea/Grimsey Island
- Day 10 Húsavík And Lake Mývatn
- Day 11 Ísafjörður
- Day 12 Explore The West Coast Of Iceland
- Day 13 Islands of Surtsey & Heimaey, Westman Islands
- Day 14 Disembark Reykjavík/U.S.



The Ring of Brodgar, Orkney.

A CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF ICELAND

While the steamy waters of the Blue Lagoon and the geologically rich Golden Circle garner much of Iceland's acclaim, there is so much more to discover in this of-the-moment subarctic wonder. On our compelling 360° voyage prepare to see more of Iceland than you've ever imagined. All of the thrills that draw people to the unearthly beautiful island nation—towering glaciers, explosive geysers, cascading waterfalls—plus many, far more unexpected experiences that turn this into a true expeditionary adventure.

SPECIAL OFFER:

We will cover your bar tab on board and all tips for the crew on all departures.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- ▶ Explore Europe's second largest ice cap, Vatnajökull, on a thrilling snowmobile or super jeep ride
- ▶ Experience traditional Icelandic life on picturesque Flatey Island and at Siglufjörður, the center of the once-thriving herring industry; meet accomplished Icelanders aboard & get inside their very special culture
- ▶ On a small boat, get up-close and personal with the deep blue icebergs in Jökulsárlón ice lagoon
- ▶ In Mývatn, the most geologically active area in Iceland, marvel at bizarre bubbling mud pools and Goðafoss Falls, a spectacular, unforgettable sight
- ▶ Sail past the colossal Látrabjarg bird cliffs, teeming with millions of razorbills, guillemots, puffins and gannets

ITINERARY AT-A-GLANCE

11 DAYS/9 NIGHTS ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER*

10 DAYS/8 NIGHTS ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: \$9,130 TO \$21,350

Book by June 1, 2017 to guarantee 2017 prices for 2018 departures.

DATES: 2017 JUL. 11*, 28*; AUG. 5*; 2018 JUN. 28; JUL. 7, 16

**These dates are aboard the National Geographic Orion and spend one less day exploring Northwest Iceland. All others are aboard the National Geographic Explorer.*

**This date travels in reverse*

Day 1-2 U.S./Fly To Reykjavík, Iceland/Embark

Day 3 Látrabjarg/Flatey Island

Day 4 Exploring Northwestern Iceland

Day 5 Ísafjörður

Day 6 Siglufjörður and Akureyri

Day 7 Lake Mývatn and Húsavík

Day 8 Exploring Northeast Iceland

Day 9 Djúpivogur, Iceland

Day 10 Islands of Heimaey & Surtsey, Westman Islands

Day 11 Reykjavík/Disembark/U.S.



Volcanic rock formations in Lake Mývatn.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

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

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; mudroom 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. Equipped with Ethernet and Wi-Fi connections and USB ports for mobile devices.

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

SPECIAL FEATURES: A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, Lindblad-National Geographic 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.



Clockwise from top: National Geographic Explorer; dining is completely casual with no assigned seating; Upper Deck cabin with balcony.

▶ See videos, photos, & learn what it's like to expedition aboard *Explorer* at WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGEXPLORER

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

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

The state-of-the-art *National Geographic Orion* is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel with a reinforced hull. She is spacious and modern, with a variety of public rooms that offer panoramic views of the passing landscape. Friendly and informal, *Orion* fosters a welcoming atmosphere where like-minded guests share in exceptional experiences and enrichment.

PUBLIC AREAS: Outdoor café, lounge with bar, restaurant, sundeck, reception desk, observation lounge and library, global gallery, marina platform, and mudroom. 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 ocean views, private facilities, climate controls, internet access for your

own laptop, and a flat-screen TV with DVD/CD player. Some cabins have French balconies. Equipped with Ethernet and Wi-Fi connections and USB ports for mobile devices. Single cabins in Category 1 and Category 3 include #301, 322, 323, and 512.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, a fleet of 24 double kayaks and a crow's nest camera. For the Arctic voyages, we will carry a hydrophone, underwater video cameras, and a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV).

SPECIAL FEATURES: Laundry, a full-time doctor, National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus for the Arctic voyages, there is an undersea specialist and video chronicler.

WELLNESS: A wellness specialist, fitness center, LEXspa treatment room and sauna are on board.



Clockwise from top: National Geographic Orion; Category 3 Cabin; Main Lounge.

▶ See videos, photos, & learn what it's like to expedition aboard *Orion* at WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGORION

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