

### ICELAND & THE LOFOTEN ISLANDS - FROM REYKJAVIK TO TROMSO EXPEDITION

Uncover thrilling terrain where the raw power of nature sparks the imagination. From Iceland's volcanic shores to Norway's Lofoten Islands, this voyage explores dynamic landscapes shaped by ice and fire. Witness breaching whales off Iceland's north coast and navigate deep fjords framed by snow-capped peaks. Island-hop through the Lofotens, a haven of fishing villages and seabird cliffs while embracing the midnight sun before arriving in Tromsø.



#### **ITINERARY**

DAY 0 PRE CRUISE

DAY 1 REYKJAVIK

In the centre of Iceland's sprawling capital city, the modern organ-pipe-shaped Hallgrimskirkja church dominates the top of town. Cosy bars, cafes and shops line the surrounding streets heated by Iceland's geothermal waters. The regenerated harbour is home to a striking modern concert hall. Popular trips include to the Blue Lagoon, a geothermal spa near the village of Grindavik, and the Golden Circle tour taking in Gullfoss Waterfall and the mighty Strokkur geyser in Thingvellir National Park.

DAY 2 CRUISING LATRABJARG CLIFFS & DYNJANDI WATERFALL





with two of Europe's largest bird cliffs.

The dramatic 400-metre high Latrabjarg cliffs stretch 14 km along Iceland's and Europe's westernmost edge. As the largest seabird cliff in Europe, Latrabjarg is home to thousands of breeding birds: Atlantic puffins, gannets, guillemots, fulmar and kittiwakes as well as 40 percent of the world's population of razorbills belonging to the auk family.

Considered one of Iceland's most impressive falls, the thunderous Dynjandi waterfall in the Westfjords region gives the impression of a bridal veil as it spreads down ever-growing cascades. The walk takes 15 minutes passing five smaller waterfalls. Nearby, Hrafnseyri is the birthplace of Jon Sigurðsson, 19th-century leader of the Icelandic Independence movement. The museum includes an Icelandic turf house.

DAY 3 ISAFJORDUR & VIGUR ISLAND

Surrounded by fjords in the Westfjords region, Ísafjordur is a bustling fishing town in northwest Iceland with colourful wooden 18th- and 19th-century houses in its old town, Neskaupstadur. Nearby, Sudavik is home to the Arctic Fox Centre. Iceland's only mammal, the arctic fox, lives on the lush tundra of Hornstrandir Nature Reserve, the northernmost peninsula in the Westfjords

A jewel of the Westfjords, Vigur is the fjord's second-largest island and a thriving seabird sanctuary. Flocks of arctic terns, puffins, guillemots and eider ducks nest atop rocky cliffs. As one of only two inhabited islands, Vigur supports a family farm continuing the centuries-old eiderdown harvest across 3,500 nests. This remote pillar also houses Iceland's sole windmill, its tiniest post office and a 200-year-old, still-seaworthy rowing boat.

DAY 4 GRIMSEY ISLAND & HRISEY ISLAND

Grimsey is a remote island located 40 km off Iceland's north coast. Many people travel here for the purpose of setting foot in the Arctic Circle, the only place in Iceland where you can. The island is also home to fewer than 100 people, but over one million seabirds. Birdlife thrives here thanks to the lack of egg predation and the well-stocked surrounding seas. Grimsey has one of Iceland's largest tern nesting sites and largest puffin colonies.

Hrisey Island is a small island in the Eyjafjordur fjord in northern Iceland. It is home to various wildlife, including puffins, seals, and whales. Hriseyjarfjall Mountain is the highest point and



offers views of the surrounding landscape and the vast expanse of Eyjafjorður fjord. Despite its size, Hrisey Island possesses a rich cultural heritage. Traditional Icelandic crafts, such as hand-knitting and woodworking, preserve the island's identity.

DAY 5 HUSAVIK

Husavik, overlooking Skjalfandi Bay, is famed for whale watching, especially the endangered blue whale. The town's Whale and Exploration Museums focusses on Viking history and Apollo astronaut training, taking place nearby. The town also marks Iceland's first house from 860 AD. Husavik is on the Arctic Coast Way and the start of the Diamond Circle route. Nearby, Kaldbakur pond is a popular geothermal swimming spot oddly populated with goldfish.

DAY 6 BAKKAGERDI (BORGARFJORDUR)

Known for puffin encounters, hiking trails and scenic beauty. Bakkagerői is the largest settlement in the Borgarfjorður Eystri fjord and a base for exploring the rugged wilderness. A popular trail leads to the Giant Boulders at Storurð. The local church features a 1914 altarpiece depicting Christ on Álfaborg rock, aka the City of Elves, with the Dyrfjoll Mountains behind. Nearby Hafnarholmi rock is a sanctuary for kittiwakes and other seabirds.

DAY 7 DAY AT SEA

Sea days are rarely dull. Take the time to sit back and let the world go by. The ship's observation decks provide stunning views of the passing ocean. A day at sea gives you the opportunity to mingle with other passengers and share your experiences of this incredible trip or head to our library which is stocked full of reference books. Get an expert's view in one of our on-board lectures or perhaps perfect your photography skills with invaluable advice from our onboard professional photographers.

DAY 8 BODO

Bodø highlights its Sami heritage and connects the arts to its Arctic setting. Rebuilt after the 1940 bombing in modernist "reconstruction" style, Bodø's architectural commitment endures with the 2014-built Stormen concert hall and Molobyen, a new waterfront cultural hub. Surrounded by natural landscapes, Bodø lies near the world-famous maelstrom of Saltstraumen, a powerful whirlpool on the Saltsfjorden strongest when the tides change daily.

DAY 9 SVARTISEN, SVARTISEN GLACIER





The mighty Svartisen glacier, Norway's second biggest, pours down the mountain almost to Svartisvatnet lake. The glacier visitor centre is a fascinating place with access to hikes along the edge of the ice flow, up to 200 m thick. Glorious Holandsfjord is just the other end of a short channel from the lake and the ship has stirring views. The little village of Holandsvika sits across the fjord, with an 18-km lakeside path and boat trips.

DAY 10 SVOLVAER, LOFOTEN & CRUISING TROLLFJORDEN

Svolvaer is a classic Norwegian fishing port, tucked away on Austvagøya in the Lofoten Islands. Surrounded by peaks and beaches, bays and craggy inlets, it's an age-old picture, a jumble of white and red clapboard houses, the clear water filled with little, bobbing boats. Popular with mountain climbers, the town's mountain Fløya commands a spectacular viewpoint across the harbour and Vestfjord.

Trollfjorden is unbelievable. A 100 m-wide entrance to a narrow fjord with near-vertical mountainous sides up to 1,100 m high, the passage slices through Austvagøya, on the edge of the Lofoten Islands. As the ship enters the fjord, the silence is only broken by the gentle sound of the ship's engines and the occasional cry of a white-tailed eagle soaring overhead. At the

end of the fjord, the ship slowly spins, offering a final captivating view.

DAY 11 TROMSO

The Arctic gateway, Tromso at 69 degrees north, is renowned for the midnight sun in summer and the Northern Lights in winter. The Arctic Cathedral, with stained-glass windows, hosts midnight concerts. The Fjellheisen cable car offers panoramic views from Mount Storsteinen, while the historic centre features old wooden houses. The Polar Museum chronicles early polar explorations, and the thriving Alpine Botanic Garden adds to Tromso's charm.

Please Note:

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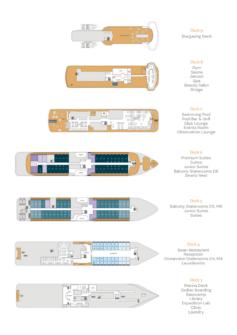
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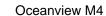






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