



NORTHEAST GREENLAND EXTREME - REMOTE GREENLAND OFF THE BEATEN PATH EXPEDITION

Venturing to the dramatic, rugged coastline of Northeast Greenland, you'll enter the world's largest fjord, Scoresby Sund, encountering whales, seabirds, and musk oxen before voyaging north through the most beautiful straits and fjords. Along the way, sea ice, polar bears, and landing opportunities will guide your Arctic adventure through historical, natural, and scientific wonder.



ITINERARY

Day 1: On the Iceland road

Your journey begins in the morning. By request, you can transfer via chartered bus (T) from bus stop Harpa Concert Hall and Conference Centre at Austurbakki, Reykjavik (the meeting point) to the ship in Akureyri (the embarkation point). You arrive in the afternoon after a six-hour drive through northern Iceland.

PLEASE NOTE: This transfer (T) must be booked and paid for in advance.

In the early evening, the ship departs from the port of Akureyri, where, we often see whales at the mouth of the fjord. At night, we cross the Arctic Circle.

Day 2: Sailing to East Greenland

While sailing north, you're likely to see fulmars, kittiwakes, gannets, common guillemots, and possibly whales. By evening, the first icebergs flash into sight as you approach the east Greenland coast near Kap Brewster. The scent of adventure is in the air.

Day 3: Arriving at Earth's largest fjord

Today, you reach Scoresby Sund, sailing along the glaciated Volquart Boons Kyst. You may also enjoy a Zodiac cruise past one of the glacier fronts, along with a visit to the basalt columns and ice formations of Vikingebugt.

In the afternoon, we plan to sail by the east coast of Milne Land among a multitude of giant icebergs. If we can also land at Charcot Havn, we may walk to the Charcot Glacier. We will then continue by Bjørnøer, a small group of islands - Bear Islands in English.

Day 4: Enormous icebergs & Arctic hares

In the morning, you will likely encounter colossal icebergs, some over 100 meters (328 feet) high and more than a kilometer (.62 mile) long. Most are grounded, as the fjord is only about 400 meters deep (1,312 feet). You then land near Sydkap, with fine views of Hall Bredning and a good shot of seeing Arctic hares.

Today's long walk goes from Sydkap to Nordøstbugt (12 km, 7.5



miles to the northeast), where the river coming from Holger Danskes Briller flows into the sea. We plan to walk south along the shore to Satakajik, seeing whale vertebrae and the remains of Thule summer houses. Passengers who opt out of the long walking group will join us at this location for their second excursion of the day.

[Day 5: Landfall at Ittoqqortoormiit](#)

The morning stop is at Ittoqqortoormiit, the only settlement in Scoresby Sund with about four hundred inhabitants. At the post office, you can buy stamps for your postcards or just stroll around to see the sled dogs and drying skins of seals, polar bears, and musk oxen. In the afternoon, you sail north, passing the picturesque landscapes of Liverpool Land. In the night, we sail into Kong Oscar Fjord.

[Day 6: Alpefjord's lofty peaks](#)

Today, you will enter Segelsallskapets Fjord, with the striped slopes of the Berzelius Mountains bordering the north side. You will land on the south shore, where ancient sedimentary formations lie at your feet. A hike takes you near a small lake with good chances to see musk oxen, Arctic hares, and ptarmigans.

Alternatively, the ship ventures into Alpefjord, which is aptly named for the spire-like peaks that thrust up around it. You may then embark on a Zodiac cruise around Gully Glacier, which once blocked access to the interior of these waters. Continuing deep into the fjord, you experience a definitive Greenland

adventure.

[Day 7: The islands of Antarctic Sound](#)

In the early morning, you pass by the islands of Ruth, Maria, and Ella. Then you arrive at Teufelschloss (Devil's Castle), a mountain with impressive layered geology. Blomsterbugt and the intended landing site are on the other side of the fjord. In the afternoon, you sail, among icebergs, through the majestic Kaiser Franz Joseph Fjord and Mackenzie Bugt.

[Day 8: Remains of Thule Culture at Eskimonaes](#)

We hope to land at Eskimonaes on the southern shore of Clavering Ø, where Douglas Clavering met a small group of Thule culture people in 1823. This group represents the only living Thule people ever seen in Northeast Greenland. The remains of their existence can be found across Greenland.

[Day 9: Islands with polar history](#)

From early in the morning until late in the day, we sail by a choice of islands, where more than a century ago, the first polar expeditions set feet on land: Sabine Ø and Bass Rock (Pendulum Islands), where Edward Sabine did his Pendulum experiments in 1823, and cabins built by the Baldwin-Ziegler Polar Expedition were constructed. In the night, we will pass Shannon Ø.

[Day 10: Store Koldewey](#)



This long island was named by the second German Polar Expedition of Koldewey 1869 -'70\ . We will try to land on historical Kap Alf Trolle or Kap Ahrend. We are now well into the High Arctic climate regime. The landscape is getting lower and rounded, being much less alpine than more to the south. We may encounter heavier sea ice streaming south. Proposed landing sites may be given up due to sea ice, and others may be reachable.

Day 11: Germania Land

Today, we could land at Thoms Thomsen Naes, Fyrretyvekilometersnaesset, or another site in Germania Land, an area with musk oxen and sometimes a lonely wolf. The landing sites depend on ice and weather conditions and wildlife opportunities.

Day 12: Through or around the sea ice

When sailing eastward through and along the jagged edge of the Northeast Greenland sea ice, we keep watch for whales, seals, polar bears, and migrating seabirds. This is a landscape of constant change, and a real frontier for many species found in the Arctic.

Day 13: Approaching Spitsbergen

At open sea now, we sail eastward in the northernmost branch

of the warm Gulf Stream toward Spitsbergen. If time allows, we may land late in the day at the walrus haul-out at Poolepynten.

Day 14: Longyearbyen

In Longyearbyen, the administrative center of Spitsbergen, you may enjoy strolling around this former mining town, whose parish church and Svalbard Museum are fascinating attractions. Alternatively, you can board the first plane to Oslo for your onward journey.

Please Note:

The probability of sailing into Scoresby Sund is high (based on our experiences from 1999 to 2024), but there is still a minor chance (about 5 %) that ice will obstruct passage into the fjord system. As we move northward, the chances increase that ice will come our way. All itineraries are for guidance only. Programs may vary depending on ice, weather, and wildlife conditions. Landings are subject to site availabilities, permissions, and environmental concerns per State and AECO regulations. Official sailing plans and landing slots are scheduled with AECO prior to the start of the season, but the expedition leader determines the final plan. Flexibility is paramount for expedition cruises. The average cruising speed of our vessel is 10.5 knots.



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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

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