

ARCTIC - ARCTIC EXPRESS: GREENLAND'S NORTHERN LIGHTS



TRIP CODE

ACTSGNL

DEPARTURE

02/09/2019, 09/09/2019,
16/09/2019, 23/09/2019

DURATION

10 Days

LOCATIONS

Greenland



INTRODUCTION

For those short on time, the benefits of this expedition are many. You'll witness the delights of the world's largest fjord system of Scoresby Sund, discover the fascinating Inuit settlements and people of Ittoqqortoormiit, and have the possibility of viewing some of the world's most vivid displays of Northern Lights. As one of our more active adventures, you'll have the chance to trek along the tundra and at Greenland National Park, climb mountains and watch grazing musk ox and other arctic wildlife on the horizon.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Reykjavik, Iceland

Your adventure begins with an overnight stay in thoroughly modern Reykjavik, the world's northernmost capital city.



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DAY 2: Embarkation Day at Constable Point

You'll fly from Reykjavik to Constable Point to board your vessel and begin your expedition. Get ready for a great adventure ahead!



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DAY 3: Apelfjord

You'll cruise through breathtaking Alpefjord. Fjords punctuate the scenery all around. Your day will be spent exploring and Zodiac cruising through a multitude of dazzling icebergs, fjords and sounds in all shapes and sizes. Be on the lookout for arctic fox and musk ox, which roam free here.



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DAY 4: Brogetdal and Watershausen Glacier

You'll view colorful vistas, and fascinating geology. Later, you'll travel to the impressive and rarely visited Waltershausen Glacier, an imposing ice floe at the head of Nordfjord, named after German explorer Baron Wolfgang Sartorius von Waltershausen, after his failed 1869 attempt to reach the North Pole via East Greenland.



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DAY 5: Blomsterbugten and Renbugten

Blomsterbugten, the "Bay of Flowers," is home to beautiful purple and gold colored rocks that you'll view from a distance, or on a hike for those who wish. Later we'll continue to Renbugten, called "Reindeer Bay" for the herd of 12 reindeer seen on one of the first expeditions to the area. Arctic hare are a common and delightful sight in this area.



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DAY 6: Ella Oya (Ella Island)

Ella Oya is a hiker’s paradise. The area is surrounded by ice-choked waters, rugged cliffs and sky-blue icebergs. Challenge yourself with a climb to the top of the island—the views are worth it.



DAY 7: Ittoqqortoormiit and Hall Bredning

At the start of the sound, Itoqqortoormiit is East Greenland’s most northerly community and boasts a blend of traditional and modern lifestyles. With clear skies, you’ll have a great opportunity to see the northern lights.



DAY 8: Frederiksdal and Sydkap


Sailing on, deeper into Scoresby Sund you’ll encounter massive icebergs and an ancient Thule settlement as we approach Sydkap. The scenery here is unforgettable, with towering mountain sides and hundreds of monumental icebergs playing tricks with your sense of perception.



DAY 9: Disembarkation at Constable Point

Arrive at Constable Point and disembark the ship. Sit back and enjoy your charter flight from Constable Point to Reykjavik, the vibrant and artistic capital of Iceland. Overnight in your comfortable Reykjavik hotel.



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DAY 10: Depart Reykjavik

Make your own way to the airport for your return flight home, or spend some extra time in Reykjavik - you'll be amazed at the variety of attractions and must-see places of interests Reykjavik has to offer.



INCLUSIONS & DETAILS	
Accommodation	Cabin

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Inclusions

Shipboard accommodation with daily housekeeping
 All breakfasts, lunches, dinners and snacks on board
 All shore landings per the daily program
 Leadership throughout the voyage by our experienced Expedition Leader
 All Zodiac transfers and cruising per the daily program
 Formal and informal presentations by our Expedition Team and special guests as scheduled
 Photographic journal documenting the expedition
 Waterproof expedition boots on loan for shore landings
 Expeditions parka to keep
 Coffee, tea and cocoa available around the clock
 Hair dryer and bathrobe in every cabin
 Comprehensive pre-departure materials, including a map and an informative Arctic Reader
 All miscellaneous service taxes and port charges throughout the program
 All luggage handling aboard the ship
 Emergency evacuation insurance to a maximum benefit of US\$100,000 per person
 Greenland voyages cruise passenger tax
 One night's pre-expedition hotel accommodation in Reykjavik with breakfast
 Group transfer from Reykjavik hotel to domestic airport on embarkation day
 Charter flight from Reykjavik to Constable Point on embarkation day
 Group transfers to and from ship
 Charter flight from Constable Point to Reykjavik domestic airport on disembarkation day
 Group transfer from domestic airport to Reykjavik hotel
 One night's post-expedition hotel accommodation in Reykjavik with breakfast

EXCLUDES

International airfare
 Passport and visa expenses
 Government arrival and departure taxes not mentioned above
 Meals ashore unless otherwise specified
 Baggage, cancellation, interruption and medical travel insurance—strongly recommended
 Excess-baggage fees on international flights
 Mandatory waterproof pants for Zodiac cruising, or any other gear not mentioned
 Laundry, bar, beverage and other personal charges unless specified
 Phone and Internet charges
 Voluntary gratuity at the end of the voyage for shipboard staff and crew
 Additional overnight accommodation
 Optional kayaking activities
 Arrival and departure transfers between Reykjavik international airport and hotel on arrival and departure days

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Difficulty Rating	1 (easy)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request
Notes	Baggage allowance on charter flight is 33 lbs (15 kg) checked and 11 lbs (5 kg) carry-on Contact us for more details
Price Dependent upon	Season and availability

SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu's "Pass it on" programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.
- 4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.
- 5) Chimu Adventures' offices also take a number of sustainability measures including carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventure's internal processes are also structured to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via bicycle. Currently almost half of our office based staff commute to work via bicycle.

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