

CANADIAN ARCTIC - NORTHWEST PASSAGE: FOOTSTEPS OF FRANKLIN | ULTRAMARINE



TRIP CODE

ACQENPF

DEPARTURE

01/08/2024, 26/08/2025

DURATION

17 Days

LOCATIONS

Arctic, Greenland, Canadian Arctic

INTRODUCTION

Retrace the incredible expedition of the Franklin Expedition on this remarkable 17 day voyage into the heart of the Northwest Passage. Discover remote and vast Arctic landscapes, from towering fjords, wild tundra and towering icebergs. Encounter unique Greenlandic villages and have the opportunity to shop for traditional Inuit handicrafts. Undertake a true Arctic expedition from the West of Greenland to Canada's High Arctic.



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ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrive in Toronto, Canada

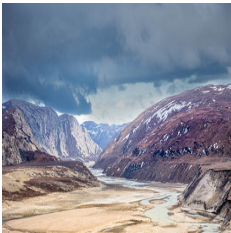
Your Arctic expedition begins in Toronto. Explore this vibrant city on your own before spending the night at your well-appointed hotel.



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DAY 2: Fly to Kangerlussuaq, Greenland and Embark

After breakfast, board your charter flight to Kangerlussuaq, a small seaside community that’s your gateway to Greenland. Enjoy your first Zodiac ride as you’re transferred from shore to ship. Out on deck, take in your new surroundings before you set sail on your Arctic adventure.



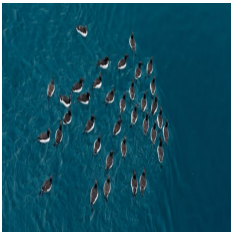
DAY 3: Exploring West Greenland - Day 3 & 4

Cruising around the remote regions of Greenland and the Canadian Arctic aboard Ultramarine, the newest ship in our fleet, you’ll navigate the same icy inlets, channels and bays that fascinated legendary explorers of long ago. Designed to give polar adventurers unprecedented access to the hardest-to-reach places on the planet this one-of-a-kind ship, in its inaugural year, will take you beyond the familiar in polar exploration. Throughout your journey, your Expedition Team will keep an eye toward immersing you in the best the Arctic has to offer at the top of the world. Locals call Maniitsoq the Venice of Greenland, as it’s situated in an archipelago intersected by natural canals. Soaring, snow-capped mountains surround the small, rocky town, whose name means “the uneven place.” Playful humpback whales spend summer in the waters around here. The Greenlandic capital of Nuuk is a haven for history and culture lovers. Stroll down to the waterfront to see the Hans Egede Church and Hans Egede statue, named for the missionary who established the settlement in 1728. Marvel at the famous remains of 500-year-old fully dressed mummies, discovered under a rock outcrop in 1972 by two brothers out hunting, at the Greenland National Museum. The Nuuk Art Museum and Katuaq Culture Centre are also worth visiting.



DAY 5: At Sea

Say goodbye to Greenland’s shores as you traverse the Davis Strait in pursuit of the Canadian Arctic. Presentations by on-board experts will prepare you for the adventures that lie ahead.



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DAY 6: Exploring Canada's High Arctic - Days 6 to 15

Visit towering fjords, historical sites and traditional Inuit communities as you follow in the footsteps of famous explorers from long ago in the Canadian High Arctic. The picturesque Inuit hamlet of Pangnirtung, nicknamed the Switzerland of the Arctic, is nestled beneath the jagged peaks of Mount Duval. An artist's hub, Pang is renowned for its traditional Inuit arts and crafts, especially lithographs and intricate tapestries. At the Uqurmiut Centre for Arts & Crafts, watch craftspeople in the tapestry studio and pick up a limited-edition print. A must for visitors, a colorful Pang hat will keep you warm during the remainder of your Arctic voyage. You'll also visit nearby Kekerten, an uninhabited island that was a major whaling destination in the 1800s. At the southern tip of the Cumberland Sound, Cape Mercy was named by British explorer John Davis (yes, he of the Davis Strait), who sailed through it in 1585. The site of an old Distant Early Warning Line installation, it's an ideal spot to go ashore for a hike. As icebergs travel down the Davis Strait, they're naturally trapped at Qikiqtarjuak (formerly known as Broughton Island), the iceberg capital of the world. The icy waters here are sometimes also home to narwhals, beluga and right whales, and ring and harp seals. A hike up to the hilltop inukshuk (a stone figure made by the Inuit) rewards with spectacular views of the community. Cruising farther north along the east coast of Baffin Island, we'll approach Isabella Bay, an important summer and fall feeding area for a large population of bowhead whales. Stacked side by side, the dozens of soaring cliffs of Sam Ford Fjord make for a majestic site as you sail by. One of the most isolated places on the planet, the big-wall playground attracts climbers eager to scale the sheer rock faces that shoot straight out of the sea. At the northern tip of Baffin Island, near the eastern entrance to the Northwest Passage, is the picturesque hamlet of Pond Inlet. Spend some time exploring this traditional Inuit community that's surrounded by scenic mountains, fjords, glaciers and icebergs. The area around Lancaster Sound affords several hiking opportunities. At Dundas Harbour, on Devon Island, you'll visit an abandoned beachside outpost of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. At nearby Croker Bay, cruise in a Zodiac (at a safe distance) along the face of an actively calving glacier. Your Expedition Team will also keep its eyes peeled for the muskoxen and walrus that are known to visit the bay. A hike to a nearby archaeological site is another possible excursion. Farther west, some of the best ancient Thule remains in the Arctic are at Radstock Bay, beside the soaring Caswell Towers, a polar bear observation site. Exploring the area, you'll gain insight into how these pre-Inuit people lived. At the western end of Devon Island, the windswept Beechey Island might be small, but it's steeped in history. Named after famed British explorer Frederick William Beechey, it's a Canadian National Historic Site. You'll visit the small marked graves of three crew members who died during Sir John Franklin's tragic 1845-46 expedition. Roald Amundsen landed here in 1903, during the first successful voyage by ship through the Northwest Passage. Sailing down the east coast of Somerset Island, you may be fortunate to spot beluga whales and narwhals, as they feed on the large numbers of Arctic char that enter Creswell Bay in late summer. An Important Bird Area, the bay also attracts such species as black-bellied plovers, king eiders and whit



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DAY 16: Disembark in Resolute, Canada & fly to Calgary

After disembarking in Resolute, you'll be transferred to your charter flight to Calgary, where you'll spend the night at your well-appointed hotel.




DAY 17: Depart Calgary

Today, make your way to the airport to catch your homeward flights, or spend the day exploring this fascinating city.




INCLUSIONS & DETAILS	
Accommodation	Cabin on board ship & Hotel

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Inclusions	<p>INCLUSIONS</p> <p>Cabin accommodation on board ship</p> <p>All meals, snacks, soft drinks and juices on board throughout your voyage.</p> <p>Select beer and wine during dinner; and coffee, tea and cocoa available around the clock</p> <p>All scheduled landings and excursions</p> <p>Guiding and leadership by expert exploration team and crew</p> <p>A pair of waterproof expedition boots on loan for landings and Zodiac cruising excursions</p> <p>An Expedition parka (yours to keep)</p> <p>Emergency Evacuation insurance for all passengers to a maximum benefit of USD \$500,000 per person</p> <p>One 10 to 15 minute helicopter flight-seeing excursion (weather permitting)</p> <p>MANDATORY TRANSFER PACKAGE (INCLUDED)</p> <p>Includes one night pre expedition hotel accommodation in Toronto & one night post expedition in Calgary</p> <p>Group transfers from Toronto Hotel to airport on day 2 and Calgary Airport to Hotel post expedition</p> <p>Charter flights between Toronto and Kangerlussuaq and Resolute to Calgary</p> <p>Return group transfers between Kangerlussuaq Airport and the ship and the ship and Resolute Airport</p> <p>EXCLUSIONS</p> <p>International flights</p> <p>Any other pre or post land arrangements not mentioned above</p> <p>Passport and visa expenses</p> <p>Canadian eTA required for non-Canadian or U.S. visa-exempt passengers</p> <p>Government arrival and departure taxes not mentioned above</p> <p>Baggage, cancellation, interruption and medical travel insurance—strongly recommended</p> <p>Mandatory waterproof pants for Zodiac cruising, or any other gear not mentioned</p> <p>Voluntary gratuity at the end of the voyage for shipboard staff and crew</p> <p>Meals ashore unless otherwise specified</p> <p>Excess-baggage fees on international and domestic flights</p> <p>Laundry, bar and other personal charges unless specified</p> <p>Optional Adventure Activities</p>
	<p>Difficulty Rating</p> <p>2 (light adventure)</p>
	<p>Single Surcharge</p> <p>A single supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information.</p>

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Notes	<p>Prices are based on per person, and vary from single, quad, triple, and twin cabins.</p> <p>Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.</p> <p>All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice.</p> <p>Please note this itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.</p> <p>Includes charter flights from Toronto to Kangerlussuaq and Calgary to Resolute</p>
Price Dependent upon	<p>Departure date, seasonality, currency fluctuation and availability.</p>

SUSTAINABILITY

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