



# INTRODUCTION

Undertake an incredible 13 day voyage to the amazing sights of the largest national park in the world. One of the most difficult regions to access in the world, now made more easier and luxurious than ever onbaord Le Commondant, the first hybrid powered vessel to sail the polar regions. Gaze upon alpine colored landscapes and powerful glaciers as far as the eye can see. Get the chance to have a look at the unique wildlife of the region including narwhals, walrus, arctic foxes, whales and even the legendary polar bear.

# ITINERARY

### DAY 1: Embarkation In Reykjavik

Iceland's capital stretches along the edge of a vast bay in the west of the country. A little further, one can easily spot the signpost showing the way to the evangelical Hallgrímskirkja church, and to the historical centre where one can stroll along the Skólavördustígur and the Laugavegur, two lively streets with charming small shops. Please make your way to the port in time for embarkation which will commence from 4:00pm with sailing due to commence at 6:00pm.



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DAY 2: At Sea

During your day at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Take this time to familiarise yourself with your fellow crew and passengers.



Located between the largest national park and the longest system of fjords in the world, the town of Ittoqqortoormiit, whose name means "great house" in Greenlandic. Covered with ice and snow for nine months of the year, you will be able to discover the ancestral way of life of the last hunters of the polar region. As soon as the thickness of the ice floe allows, they set out on the trail of walruses, seals, narwhals, musk ox and polar bears, travelling by traditional dog sleds.

DAY 4: Northeast Greenland National Park - Day 4-9

With a craggy coastline formed by gigantic fjords, magnificent alpine mountains looming over them, the shores of north-east Greenland offer breathtaking landscapes and are home to the largest national park in the world. Cut off for many months of the year by the ice floe, it is renowned for its pristine nature and rich wildlife.

### DAY 10: Ittoqqortoormitt Region

Return again to the Ittoqqortoormiit Region one of the remotest inhabited places in the world.





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DAY 11: At Sea - Day 11 & 12

Commence the return journey to Reykjavik at sea. As your journey slowly starts to come to a close, take this time to bask in the wonderful memories of this journey.

DAY 13: Disembarkation In Reykjavik

Disembarkation is scheduled for 7:00am. Disembark your vessel in Reykjavik, where your journey began. Say farewell to your crew and fellow passengers. Take memories with you that will inspire future journeys to come.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS	
Accommodation	Cabin on board ship
Inclusions	All accommodation on board Le Commondant All meals whilst on board including snacks All scheduled landings and excursions Guiding and lectures by English-speaking expedition leader and team Expedition jacket provided (yours to keep) A pair of expedition boots for use during your voyage Group transfer to/from pier Kayaking included as part of National Geographic Voyage Open Bar (excluding premium brands) Room Service All port taxes <b>Exclusions</b> Airfares to/from embarkation and disembarkation city Visa fees (if applicable) Travel Insurance Personal expenses such as laundry, on-board communication (telephone calls, faxes) Gratuities for the crew (recommend US\$15 per person per day)
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)

# **INCLUSIONS & DETAILS**



Single Surcharge	Available upon request, contact us for more details.
Notes	itinerary subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, season and availability.

# SUSTAINABILITY

Being environmentally accountable is a crucial part of our organisation. Chimu is currently striving towards using less paper, taking several initiatives to do so and tracking our progress along the way. Our goal: A paperless organisation. For this reason, all information given to you will be sent electronically. We encourage those who choose to travel with us to support our aspirations and actions and ask that you reconsider printing out documentation. To view these documents, you can download them to your iPad or portable computer before and during your trip.

Chimu is passionate and dedicated to sustainability measures and understands the crucial part sustainability plays within the tourism industry.

We use local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprint. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting. Our guides are all highly qualified (most with university degrees) or equip with many years of experience and are paid above the standard wage. Whether it be our knowledgeable local guides, locally produced meals or the transport on tour, we do not use imported goods when local products are available. We aim to minimise our impact on the environment and give as much back as possible to the communities we work in.

You will undertake this voyage on board the Le Commondant. This new, state-of-the-art vessel utilises the latest technology to minimise its impact upon the serene environments through which it sails. Liquid Nitrogen Gas (LNG) is used as opposed to regular fuel in order to limit the damage done to water and ocean life. While visiting the many national parks, heritage sites, museums and landmarks our travellers are encouraged to explore whilst remaining culturally aware and sensitive. We further encourage you to buy appropriate souvenirs and discourage the buying of anything wrongfully made or taken from the environment i.e. shells and endangered species products. Information on how you can be environmentally conscious, and travel responsibly will be made available in our Travellers Guides and provided during your travels by guides and staff.

For more information on our sustainability policies, including how we are striving towards being a paperless organisation, click <u>HERE</u>

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