

## THE ARCTIC - BAFFIN ISLAND & GREENLAND | OCEAN NOVA



### TRIP CODE

ACADNBIG

### DEPARTURE

15/08/2026

### DURATION

14 Days

### LOCATIONS

The Arctic, Greenland, Canadian Arctic

## INTRODUCTION

Embark on a unique adventure through Inuit Nunangat, exploring the ice, waters, and lands integral to Inuit culture. Discover Inuit traditions, language, arts, cuisine, and customs through educational programs on board and onshore. Gain insights into the deep connection between the Inuit people and their land, the nuna, through interactions with artists, educators, and experts. Enjoy hands-on activities like playing Inuit games, sampling traditional foods, and exploring local hamlets and the tundra with Inuit guides.

Experience the wildlife and stunning landscapes of Greenland, Baffin Island, and the Davis Strait through hiking, Zodiac excursions, and from the ship. Visit Panniqtuuq (Pang), known for its art, and the Uqqurmiut Inuit Arts Centre. Spend two days on the Cumberland Peninsula, hiking the tundra and spotting wildlife like polar bears and beluga whales.

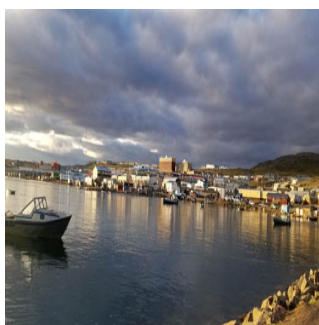
Explore the natural wonders and cultural heritage of Southeast Baffin Island, and visit the world's fastest-calving glacier in Ilulissat Icefjord, Greenland. Conclude with the breathtaking fjords and glaciers of West Greenland, offering awe-inspiring views from both land and sea.



## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: Iqaluit, NU, Canada

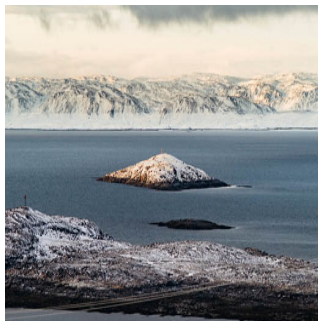
Begin your journey by transferring to the ship via Zodiac through Iqaluit harbour. Iqaluit, at the head of Frobisher Bay, is Nunavut's capital. A population of nearly 8,000 calls the city home. Local attractions include the territorial Legislature, igloo-inspired St. Jude's Cathedral, art shops, and more.



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### DAY 2: Frobisher Bay

Sail through this beautiful bay named for bygone explorer Martin Frobisher and stay on the lookout for wildlife. Our geologists will have you raving about rocks! Expect compelling scenery and soak up the Arctic splendour.



### DAY 3: Kitigtung (Lady Franklin Island)

Journey to Lady Franklin Island, one of the many rugged and wildlife-rich islands dotting the south Baffin Island coast. Explore the coastline by Zodiac keeping watch for seabirds, polar bears, and marine life. A wonderful introduction to the geology of Nunavut, examine the rock formations from the sea. With Inuit expedition team members by your side, you'll gain an intimate perspective on the captivating wildlife and geological wonders that cross your path.



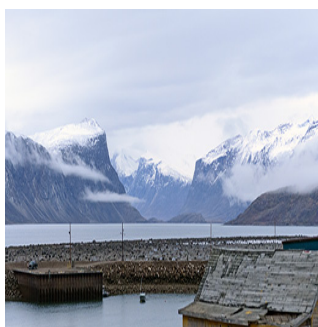
### DAY 4: Southeast Baffin Island

Spend time on the nuna—the Inuktitut name for land. Take a hike that best suits your interest accompanied by our expert expedition team who offer insightful interpretations of the surroundings. Soak in the full seasonal blooms at the height of Arctic summer as you explore the rolling tundra. A stop here will give you a unique opportunity to connect with nature on a profound level.



### DAY 5: Panniqtuuq (Pangnirtung)

Experience Panniqtuuq, nestled on a coastal plain amidst stunning mountains and a winding river valley. Meaning “the place of the bull caribou” in Inuktitut, this charming community is embraced by snow-capped peaks and the ocean. Soak in the area’s striking beauty on a community tour, with the opportunity to visit the Angmarlik Visitor Centre. Explore exhibits showcasing both Thule and modern Inuit life, as well as information about the community’s available activities.



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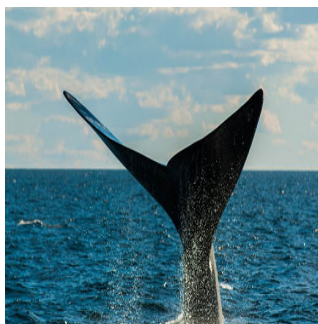
### DAY 6: Cumberland Peninsula - Day 6 & 7

Spend two days exploring the Cumberland Peninsula, a stunning Arctic region steeped in cultural heritage. Jutting from the southeastern coast of Baffin Island, this peninsula encompasses Cumberland Sound, whose wildlife sustained Inuit and their predecessors for thousands of years. We hope to experience the same natural wonders as we sail through the marine-rich waterway. It was even considered a potential missing link in the early search for the Northwest Passage. While exploring, you'll have the opportunity to delve into the captivating maritime history of the region, gaining a deeper understanding of its past and present significance. We'll make the most of every opportunity to hike the vast tundra and Zodiac in the ice-strewn waters. Make sure to keep an eye out for the abundant wildlife that calls this region home, including polar bears, Arctic foxes, and beluga whales.



### DAY 8: At Sea — Davis Strait

Deepen your understanding of the environment, cultures, and history of the region as we sail across the Davis Strait towards Greenland. Get the privileged opportunity to engage with and learn from Inuit in their homeland. Enjoy workshops and presentations, watch a documentary, and get out on deck! Try your hand at athletic feats during an interactive cultural performance of Inuit games. Through shared experiences and interactions, develop a deep appreciation for the culture and gain a connection to the stunning landscapes we traverse. Keep your binoculars ready to spot whales and seabirds who follow in our wake.



### DAY 9: Western Greenland - Day 9 & 10

Welcome to Kalaallit Nunaat, or Greenland! Choose the activity you like best during an expedition landing on Greenland's spectacular west coast. Whether you prefer hiking, walking, photography, or sitting contemplatively, you'll be delighted! Alongside our team of knowledgeable naturalists, marine biologists, and geologists, embrace every opportunity to learn and deepen your connection to the landscapes we explore. Admire the mighty mountains and the tiniest tundra flowers—a stop in this area will offer many outstanding features to pique your interest.



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### DAY 11: Ilulissat

Experience the remarkable beauty of Ilulissat Icefjord, renowned for its enormous icebergs. Ilulissat means “iceberg”—an apt name for this site at the outlet of the Sermeq Kujalleq glacier. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the source of many of the icebergs in the North Atlantic. Marvel at the sheer grandeur of the towering ice formations as you take a stroll along the boardwalk—truly a sight to behold! Visit the town, with its museums, charming cafes, craft shops, and bustling fishing harbour. Be sure to make your way to the Ilulissat Icefjord Centre, where you can delve into the fascinating narratives surrounding the ice and gain a deeper appreciation for this awe-inspiring natural wonder.



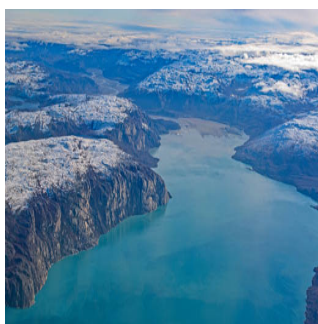
### DAY 12: Sisimiut Coast - Day 12 & 13

Explore West Greenland’s complex coastal waterways that include glaciers, islands, and fjords against a towering mountain backdrop, with plentiful opportunities for hiking and Zodiac cruising. Learn about the Saqqaq, Dorset, Thule, and modern Inuit cultures that have called the Sisimiut region home for the past 4,500 years. The waters are relatively warm here, due to the West Greenland Current and the subarctic location.



### DAY 14: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord) is one of the longest fjords in the world and boasts 190 kilometres of superb scenery. We end our adventure by sailing up this dramatic fjord. Kangerlussuaq, the town at its eastern head, is a former U.S. Air Force base. Here we will disembark for our (optional) return charter flight to Toronto, ON.



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## INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

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<p><b>Inclusions</b></p>	<p><b>INCLUSIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cabin aboard the Ocean Nova</li> <li>All meals on board</li> <li>Applicable taxes and credit card fees</li> <li>Complimentary expedition jacket</li> <li>Special access permits, entry, and park fees</li> <li>Expert expedition team</li> <li>Guided activities</li> <li>Sightseeing and community visits</li> <li>All zodiac excursions</li> <li>Port fees</li> <li>Pre-departure materials</li> <li>Educational program</li> <li>Interactive workshops</li> <li>Evening entertainment</li> <li>Basic Wi-Fi (Please note: Travel to remote regions and therefore the connection can be unreliable)</li> </ul> <p><b>EXCLUSIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Optional charter flights (Please see notes for more details)</li> <li>International flights</li> <li>Program enhancements/Optional excursions</li> <li>Gratuities</li> <li>Alcoholic &amp; non-alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, juices</li> <li>Personal expenses</li> <li>Mandatory medical evacuation insurance</li> <li>Additional expenses in the event of delays or itinerary changes</li> <li>Possible fuel surcharges and administrative fees</li> <li>Any pre or post land arrangements</li> </ul>
<p><b>Difficulty Rating</b></p>	<p>2 (Light Adventure)</p>
<p><b>Single Surcharge</b></p>	<p>A limited number of single cabins, with their own designated cabin price, are available. Subject to availability. <a href="#">Contact us</a> for more details.</p>

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<p><b>Notes</b></p>	<p>Prices are based on per person, and may be based on quad/triple/twin share.          Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.          Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.</p> <p><b>Optional charter flights on day 1 and day 14 are excluded from the advertised cost.</b> Please advise your booking agent if you wish for this to be added on.  <b>Northbound Charter Flight:</b> \$1,045 USD          Ottawa, ON, Canada to Iqaluit, NU, Canada.          Early-morning departure.  <b>Southbound Charter Flight:</b> \$1,595 USD          Kangerlussuaq, Greenland to Toronto, ON, Canada.          Evening arrival.</p>
<p><b>Price Dependent upon</b></p>	<p>Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.</p>

## SUSTAINABILITY

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