

# Life. Changing. ARCTIC

## CANADIAN ARCTIC

The Arctic Archipelago is made up of over 36,000 islands which form a natural barrier between Hudson's Bay and the Arctic Circle. Explore the history or experience the legendary Northwest Passage. Visit Inuit settlements marvel, at formations of sea ice, and enjoy an array of birdlife. Keep an eye out for the majestic polar bear, also known as Nanook in this part of the world.

### The Arctic's Top Predator

Polar bears are a powerful symbol of strength and endurance of the Arctic. Beneath all that thick fur, polar bears have black skin and the fur is also translucent and only appears white because it reflects visible light. Polar bears can also swim for long distances for many hours to get from one piece of ice to another, with large paws adapted for swimming.



## GREENLAND

A trip to Greenland takes you to one of the planet's last great wildernesses, a remote land of ice and snow. With otherworldly landscapes and a beguiling mix of Viking history and contemporary Inuit culture, Greenland offers you an unforgettable and unique adventure.



### The Northern Lights – Aurora Borealis

Explore the Arctic Circle on select voyages in September, where eyes turn upwards in the hope of witnessing the natural phenomenon of the Northern Lights. Caused by a collision between the sun's electrically charged particles and the Earth's atmosphere, these dazzling light shows of green, blue and yellow are a true bucket-list experience to treasure.

Atlantic Ocean



### Scuba Diving\*

Discover the hidden wonders of the underwater world. Witnessing grounded icebergs and rare creatures seen by a select group of daring adventurers, is guaranteed to stir your soul and offer unbeatable memories, and stories to share and cherish.

### Zodiac Experiences

True exploration is spending more time off the ship and into Zodiacs where you have the opportunity to experience multiple shore landings, with up to two excursions per day. Witness incredible wildlife, marvel at spectacular icebergs and glaciers, and explore otherwise hard-to-reach coastlines in our trusty Zodiacs.



**Did You Know:**  
Only with Aurora can you go Rock Climbing in Greenland.

We offer the Most Comprehensive Activity Program, including Scuba Diving<sup>^</sup>, Sea Kayaking, Hikes, Zodiac cruises and much more.

Arctic Ocean

Baffin Bay

Northwest Passage

### Greenland UNESCO World Heritage Site

The Ilulissat Icefjord, situated on the west coast was Greenland's first ever UNESCO World Heritage Site. One of the most active and fastest moving glaciers in the world, its huge ice sheets and dramatic sounds make it an awe-inspiring natural phenomenon to witness.



### Rock Climbing in Greenland\*

Climb the striking granite peaks of remote East Greenland in pursuit of breathtaking views of Scoresbysund's ice-filled fjords. Relish the chance to scale the rarely accessed peaks that dominate the landscape.



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## SVALBARD

Svalbard is a Norwegian archipelago located well above the Arctic Circle. Offering everything from incredible wildlife, fascinating human history and some of the most spectacular glaciers and Arctic landscapes and National Parks on the planet.



### Kayaking in the Arctic

Kayaking is an extraordinary way to observe the Arctic and its surrounds, and is offered on most of our Arctic expeditions. The opportunity to explore the watery wilderness by paddle power is an unforgettable experience.

Kara Sea

## NORWAY

Known for its stunning landscapes and natural beauty. One of the most beautiful areas is the Lofoten Islands in the north. The islands are known for their dramatic peaks and pristine fjords, as well as their unique culture and traditions.



## ARCTIC CIRCLE

### The Northwest Passage

Get a glimpse into a world that captivated early explorers and experience the fabled Northwest Passage. Meet some of the Inuit who call this remote wilderness home; look for wildlife and traverse a maze of waterways that hug the islands of the Canadian Arctic.



CANADA

Hudson Bay

### Greenland Culture

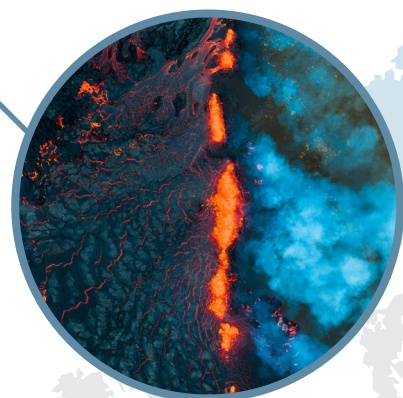
Meaning "Big- House Dwellers" in the local dialect, Iltoqqortoormiit is considered one of the most remote communities in the western hemisphere. Home to only 450 residents, it is always a privilege to be welcomed into the community when we visit.



ICELAND

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Strewn with volcanoes and ice, Iceland is sometimes called the "Land of Fire and Ice". It is also dotted with natural wonders such as the Blue Lagoon and Dettifoss Waterfall; and offers a rich cultural history.



### Birdlife

Over 200 species of birds arrive in the Arctic during the spring and summer months to breed and feed. The steep-sided cliffs found on many of the islands in the North Atlantic and Arctic - including the Faroe Islands, Iceland, the Svalbard archipelago and in Northern Norway - provide the perfect perches for colonies that can number in the millions. Enjoy the spectacle that is the 'hustle and bustle' of colonies of murres or guillemots, razorbills, kittiwakes, little auks and puffins.

North Atlantic Ocean

\*Subject to appropriate weather and sea conditions.  
^Available in select Arctic regions.