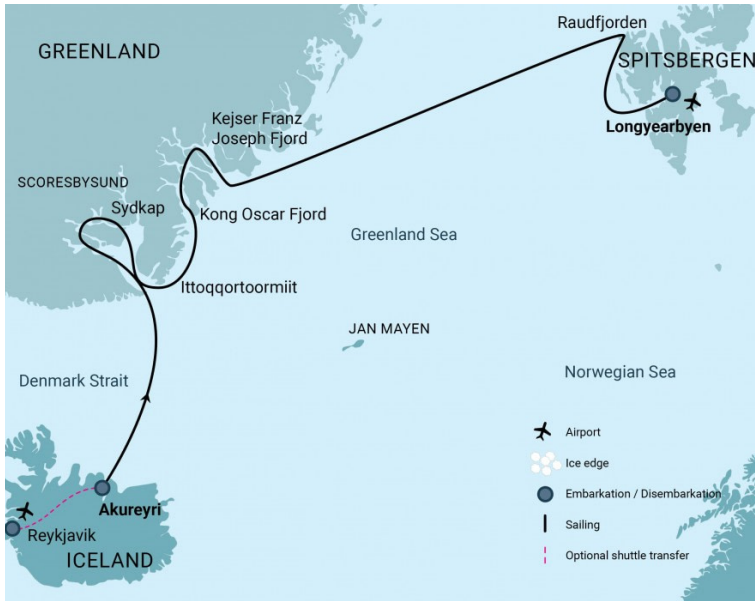


# Iceland - Northeast Greenland – Spitsbergen

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| Title:          | Iceland - Northeast Greenland – Spitsbergen |
| Dates:          | 20 Aug - 2 Sep, 2023                        |
| Tripcode:       | OTL08x23                                    |
| Duration:       | 13 nights                                   |
| Ship:           | m/v Ortelius                                |
| Embarkation:    | Akureyri                                    |
| Disembarkation: | Longyearbyen                                |
| Language:       | English speaking voyage                     |

## Possible combinations

This cruise can be combined with other cruises for a better experience and price

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**20%**  
Combination  
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| Ship:                         | m/v Ortelius                                       |
| Embarkation – Disembarkation: | Akureyri – Tromsø                                  |
| Duration:                     | 13 nights  |
| Price:                        | <b>7760 USD</b><br>20% off from individual cruises |

- Benefits:**
- ✓ More activities
  - ✓ More experiences
  - ✓ Cheaper in total
  - ✓ Chance to see bears!
  - ✓ Etc

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### Cruises included:

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#### South Spitsbergen – Bear Island

Exploring key areas of southern Svalbard as well as the seldom-visited Bear Island, this adventurous expedition gives you the chance to enjoy exotic wildlife sightings and glimpses of the Arctic wilderness

OTL09x23 The South of Spitsbergen and Bear Island cruise sails waters filled with breathtaking scenery. The expedition passes through areas that are home to seals, seabirds, whales, and polar bears. This voyage can be combined with the Greenland voyage starting...

Cruise date: **2 Sep - 7 Sep, 2023**  
Price: **2700 USD**

## ITINERARY

### PLEASE NOTE:

The probability of sailing into Scoresby Sund is high (based on our experiences from 1993 - 2019), but there is still a chance (about 10%) that ice will obstruct passage into the fjord system. All itineraries are for guidance only. Programs may vary depending on ice, weather, and wildlife conditions. Landings are subject to site availabilities, permissions, and environmental concerns per AECO regulations. Official sailing plans and landing slots are scheduled with AECO prior to the start of the season, but the expedition leader determines the final plan. Flexibility is paramount for expedition cruises. The average cruising speed of our vessel is 10.5 knots.

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### Day 1: On the Iceland road

Your journey begins in the morning, where by request you can transfer via chartered bus (T) from the city hall of Reykjavik (the meeting point) to the ship in Akureyri (the embarkation point). You arrive in the afternoon after a six-hour drive through northern Iceland.

PLEASE NOTE: This transfer (T) must be booked and paid for in advance. In the early evening, the ship departs from the port of Akureyri, sailing north toward the Denmark Strait.

### Day 2: Sailing to East Greenland

While sailing north, you're likely to see fulmars, kittiwakes, gannets, and common guillemots. We will then cross the Arctic Circle, possibly spotting whales. By evening the first icebergs flash into sight with our approach to the east Greenland coast, near Brewster, and at night you might enjoy views of the enchanting aurora borealis.

### Day 3: Into Scoresby Sund

Today we reach Scoresby Sund, Earth's largest fjord system, sailing along the glaciated Volquart Boons Kyst. You may also enjoy a Zodiac cruise past one of the glacier fronts, along with a visit to the basalt columns and ice formations of Vikingebugt. The afternoon goal is to visit Danmark Island, where we find the remains of an Inuit settlement abandoned around 200 years ago.

The circular stone tent rings indicate the summer houses, while the winter houses can be seen closer to a small cape. The sites are well preserved, with easy identifiable entrances, bear-proof meat caches, and grave sites. In the evening, we continue sailing the berg-crowded fjords to the west.

### Day 4: Colors of the cape

The goal is a Zodiac cruise near Røde Ø, one of the world's most cherished iceberg attractions. The austere blue-white of the icebergs sets sharp against the brooding red backdrop of the sediment slopes. The afternoon plan is to sail through the northern parts of Røde Fjord, with the chance to see musk oxen and warm autumnal foliage.

### Day 5: Enormous bergs, Arctic hares

In the morning, we encounter colossal icebergs, some of which are over 100 meters (328 feet) high and more than a kilometer (.62 mile) long. Most of them are grounded, as the fjord is only about 400 meters deep (1,312 feet). We will then land near Sydkap, with fine views of Hall Bredning and a good shot of seeing Arctic hares.

### Day 6: Jameson Land and Ittoqqortoormiit

For the first half of the day, we will have an easy landing and excursion at a lagoon 4 km (2.5 miles) west of Kapp Stewart, a place where migrating geese and waders collect for their autumn migration. The low and gently undulating tundra is ideal for some easy walks, and hopefully we will continue to see other local wildlife. In the afternoon, we visit the settlement of Ittoqqortoormiit.

### Day 7: Sights of the Arctic autumn

In the morning, we pass through the strait between North Liverpool Land and the island of Uunartoq Qogertaq. Last century it was connected by a glacier with the mainland, but in 2005 an OEX expedition discovered that the glacier had disappeared and that you can now sail through the strait. In the afternoon, we land at Antarctic Havn, an extensive valley where you can spot groups of musk oxen. At this time of year, the sparse vegetation is dressed in the fiery colors of autumn.

### Day 8: Alpefjord's lofty peaks

We enter Segelsällskapets Fjord in the morning, seeing the streaked slopes of the Berzelius Mountains bordering the north side. Our landing will be on the south shore, where you can see ancient sedimentary formations lying right at your feet. A hike takes us near a small lake with good chances to see musk oxen, Arctic hares, and ptarmigans. In the afternoon, the ship ventures into Alpefjord, aptly named for the spire-like peaks that thrust up around it. You may then embark on a Zodiac cruise around Gully Glacier, which once blocked access to the interior of these waters. Continuing deep into the fjord, we experience a definitive Greenland adventure.

### Included in this voyage

- Voyage aboard the indicated
- All meals throughout the voyage
- All shore excursions and activities
- Program of lectures by noted
- Free use of rubber boots and
- Transfers and baggage handling
- All miscellaneous service tax
- AECO fees and government
- Comprehensive pre-departur

**Day 9: Islands of Antarctic Sound**

Our morning plan is to head into Antarctic Sound, where we find the islands of Ruth, Maria, and Ella. Maria is the most likely spot for a landing. We arrive at Teufelschloss (Devil's Castle), a mountain with layered geology. On the other side of the fjord is Blomsterbugt and the intended landing site.

**Day 10: Tundra, mountains, and icebergs**

Today we sail through Kaiser Franz Josef Fjord, surrounded by towering mountains and bright interior icebergs. In the morning, we land in Margrethe Dal near Thule/Dorset remains, and later we will sail into Foster Bay at Myggebugten. Beyond the old hunters' hut where Norwegian trappers hunted for polar bear and Arctic fox in the first half of the 20th century, there is a sprawling tundra populated by musk oxen, with geese floating the small lakes. In the afternoon, we sail northward along the Greenland coast and will probably have our last sights of Greenland when we sail by Shannon Island.

**Day 11-12: Along the sea ice to Spitsbergen**

We sail northeast along the outer fringes of the southward moving Greenland sea ice, with its seabirds, whales, seals, and maybe a polar bear sighting. Our aim is Spitsbergen.

**Day 13: Raudfjorden glaciers**

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**Day 14: Journey's end in Longyearbyen**

You disembark in Longyearbyen at 09:00 AM at the latest. From here you can take a shuttle to the airport, departing for home or wherever your next adventure lies.

## ACTIVITIES YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN









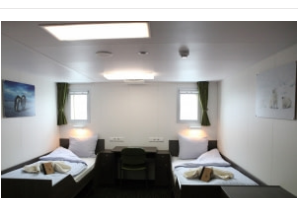

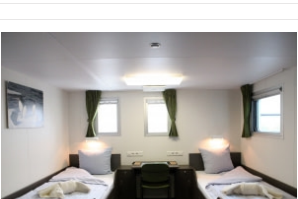

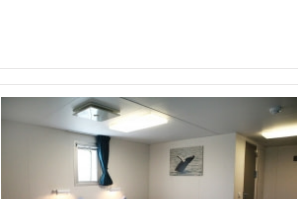

### Swarovski Binoculars

**FREE**

#### Terms of this limited-time offer

- For new bookings on select cruises only
- Cannot be combined with other offers, past or future
- Guests receive voucher at booking to use for collecting binoculars on board
- One pair of binoculars per newly booked guest
- Each guest free to choose between the option of a cash discount or binoculars
- Offer continues only while supply lasts

## CABINS & PRICES

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|       | <p><b>Quadruple Porthole</b></p> <p>2 portholes<br/>2 upper / lower berths<br/>Private shower &amp; toilet<br/>Desk &amp; chair<br/>Flatscreen TV<br/>Telephone &amp; WiFi (supplemented)<br/>Hair dryer<br/>Safe deposit box<br/>Ample storage space</p>   | <p><b>4</b> people<br/><b>Complete cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied. <b>28000 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>3</b> people<br/><b>Sharing berth</b><br/>Share your cabin with others for the best price <b>7000 USD</b></p>  |
|       | <p><b>Triple Porthole</b></p> <p>2 portholes<br/>1 upper / lower berth + 1 single lower berth<br/>Private shower &amp; toilet<br/>Desk &amp; chair<br/>Flatscreen TV<br/>Telephone &amp; WiFi (supplemented)<br/>Hair dryer<br/>Safe deposit box<br/>Ample storage space</p>                                      | <p><b>3</b> people<br/><b>Complete cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied. <b>29400 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Sharing berth</b><br/>Share your cabin with others for the best price <b>9800 USD</b></p>  |
|       | <p><b>Twin Porthole</b></p> <p>2 portholes<br/>2 lower berths<br/>Private shower &amp; toilet<br/>Desk &amp; chair<br/>Flatscreen TV<br/>Telephone &amp; WiFi (supplemented)<br/>Hair dryer<br/>Safe deposit box<br/>Ample storage space</p>  | <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Complete cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied. <b>19600 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>1</b> person<br/><b>Single cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate). <b>16660 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Sharing berth</b><br/>Share your cabin with others for the best price <b>9800 USD</b></p>  |
|    | <p><b>Twin Window</b></p> <p>2 windows<br/>2 lower berths<br/>Private shower &amp; toilet<br/>Desk &amp; chair<br/>Flatscreen TV<br/>Telephone &amp; WiFi (supplemented)<br/>Hair dryer<br/>Safe deposit box<br/>Ample storage space</p>  | <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Complete cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied. <b>21600 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>1</b> person<br/><b>Single cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate). <b>18360 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Sharing berth</b><br/>Share your cabin with others for the best price <b>10800 USD</b></p> |
|   | <p><b>Twin Deluxe</b></p> <p>3 windows<br/>2 lower berths<br/>Private shower &amp; toilet<br/>Desk &amp; chair<br/>Small sofa<br/>Refrigerator<br/>Coffee &amp; tea maker<br/>Flatscreen TV<br/>Telephone &amp; WiFi (supplemented)<br/>Hair dryer<br/>Safe deposit box<br/>Ample storage space</p>               | <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Complete cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied. <b>22800 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>1</b> person<br/><b>Single cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate). <b>19380 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Sharing berth</b><br/>Share your cabin with others for the best price <b>11400 USD</b></p> |
|   | <p><b>Superior</b></p> <p>2 windows (minimum)<br/>1 double bed<br/>1 single (sofa) bed<br/>Private shower &amp; toilet<br/>Desk &amp; chair<br/>Flatscreen TV<br/>Telephone &amp; WiFi (supplemented)<br/>Refrigerator<br/>Coffee &amp; tea maker<br/>Hair dryer<br/>Safe deposit box<br/>Ample storage space</p> | <p><b>2</b> people<br/><b>Complete cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied. <b>25400 USD</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>1</b> person<br/><b>Single cabin</b><br/>Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate). <b>21590 USD</b></p>  |