

# **EXPLORING ICELAND: FJORDS, WATERFALLS AND WILDLIFE EXPEDITION**

Discover the land of fire and ice on a six-day voyage to the remote shores and volcanic isles of northwest Iceland. Hike and bike along rugged fjords and discover stunning waterfalls and nature-filled landscapes. Set out by Zodiac to navigate dramatic shorelines, from the dramatic Westfjords to the storied and adventurous Skagafjorður region. Explore the legacy of Viking explorers and intrepid fishermen during visits to historic villages.



#### **ITINERARY**

Day 1 Reykjavík, Iceland / Embark Ship

Arrive in Reykjavik, the world's northernmost capital, which lies just below the Arctic Circle. Transfer from the airport to the city and spend the day at your own pace exploring the sights, sounds and tastes of this Arctic capital. Check in with the hospitality desk this afternoon before embarking the ship.

Arrival Time: Arrive before 10:00 a.m.

Arrival City: Reykjavik, Iceland

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 2 Djúpavík





Enjoy a leisurely morning at sea learning about Iceland and its incredible biodiversity. Join your expedition staff on the bow of the ship as you keep watch for the close to 20 whale species that call the Westfjords home. Spend the afternoon on the remote eastern side of the Westfjords, an area difficult to access but boasting spectacular beauty and rich history. The tiny town of Djupavik held its place on the map because of the golden age of herring. During its heyday in the 1930s, its herring plant was the largest concrete structure in Iceland. The plant closed in 1954 but remains as a small museum and a memory of the rich productivity of the herring industry in Iceland. Visit the museum and learn about the significance of this resource to all of Iceland in the 20th century.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3 Skagafjörður

Skagafjorður is the gateway to north Iceland, known for its glacial rivers, Icelandic horses and saga history. Take a float trip on the Jokulsa river or visit a historic rural turf farm to understand rural life in Iceland. Finally, learn about Grettir the Strong and the saga named after him by exploring Drangey Island and spotting the multitudes of birds that call the island home like kittiwakes, shearwaters and possibly even ravens and gyrfalcons.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4 Ísafjörður / Vigur

Explore the beautiful and peaceful Westfjords region of Iceland. Enter Ísafjarðardjup and land at Vigur Island to visit an eider farm and learn about the down cleaning process. Get to know Ísafjorður, the capital of the Westfjords, on a walking tour--complete with local sights, sounds and tastes--or venture through the trails at a local forest.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5 Grundarfjörður

Serving as the center of trade on the Snaefellsnes Peninsula since the 15th century, Grundarfjorður is now best known for its Kirkjufell Mountain and picturesque waterfall. Alongside the National Geographic Photography Expert, capture your own images amongst this dynamic landscape and the weather swirling around the Peninsula. Alternatively, hike through a local lava field or explore the town's Saga Center.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6 Reykjavík / Disembark Ship

Disembark in Reykjavik and transfer to the airport for flights home.

Departure Time: Depart anytime after 10:30 a.m.

Departure City: Reykjavik, Iceland

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.





### YOUR SHIP: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

YOUR SHIP: National Geographic Explorer

VESSEL TYPE: Luxury Expedition

LENGTH: 108 meters

PASSENGER CAPACITY: 148 (single & twin cabins)

BUILT/REFURBISHED: 1982 / 2008

\_National Geographic Explorer\_ is a state-of-the-art expedition ship. It is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, enabling it to navigate polar passages while providing exceptional comfort. It carries kayaks and a fleet of Zodiac landing craft. An Undersea Specialist operates a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) and sophisticated video equipment, extending access to the underwater world.

Public areas: Bistro Bar; Chart Room; Restaurant; Global Gallery; Library, Lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for films, slideshows and presentations; Mud Room with lockers for expedition gear, and Observation Lounge. Our "Open Bridge" provides guests an opportunity to meet our Officers and Captain and learn about navigation.

Meals: Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Menu is international with local flair.

Cabins: A New Look for National Geographic Explorer Suites National Geographic Explorer recently debuted updated suites, enhanced with the sleek, Scandinavian design that has become the hallmark of our polar fleet. Each of these elegant cabins now holds a Command Center, which allows guests to continue to

explore from the comfort of their suites with a set of tools that includes a barometer, a National Geographic Atlas, a television that broadcasts entertainment and ship navigation, a coffee maker, and multiple USB and universal electric ports for cameras and other devices. 81 outside cabins

All feature windows or portholes, private facilities, climate controls, hair dryers, and TV, plus Ethernet, Wi-Fi connections, and USB ports for mobile devices. Some cabins have balconies. Single cabins in Category SA and Category SB are located on the main deck and upper deck.

Expedition Equipment: Zodiac landing craft, kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, SplashCam, underwater video camera, Crow's Nest remote controlled camera, video microscope, snorkeling gear.

Special Features: A full-time doctor, Undersea Specialist, LEX Photo Specialist and Video Chronicler, Internet Cafe and laundry.

Wellness: The vessel is staffed by two Wellness Specialists and features a glass enclosed Fitness Center, outdoor stretching area, two LEXspa treatment rooms and Sauna.





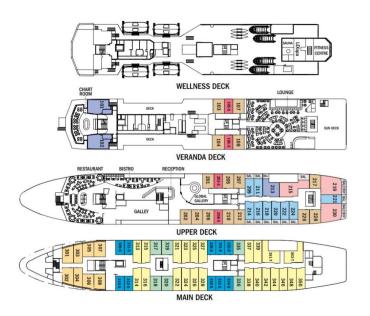


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