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### WILD ICELAND ESCAPE - NORTHWEST ICELAND EXPEDITION CRUISE

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 and spend the day exploring the sights, sounds, and tastes of this Arctic capital before embarking the ship in the afternoon.

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

Arrival City: Reykjavik, Iceland

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### DAY 2 Djúpavík



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Enjoy a leisurely morning at sea learning about Iceland and its incredible biodiversity. Join our expedition staff on the bow of the ship as we keep watch for the close to 20 whale species that call the Westfjords home. We 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. We 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 the capital of the Westfjords, Ísafjorður, 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

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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.



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### 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

Originally constructed for Norway's renowned Hurtigruten Coastal Express, National Geographic Explorer was a natural fit for the Lindblad Expeditions fleet thanks to her exceptional manoeuvrability, ice-strengthened hull, and purpose-built expedition design. Now fully stabilised and refitted with over five decades of exploration expertise, she is ideally suited for navigating the most remote corners of the globe--from the rugged coasts of Europe to the icy passages of the polar regions. With vast windows throughout and а Scandinavian-inspired interior, the ship invites guests to stay connected with their environment at every turn.

Aboard National Geographic Explorer, every feature is tailored to enhance discovery. From the open Bridge and observation deck to the Chart Room and mudroom for expedition gear, the ship is an authentic platform for adventure. Her recently updated suites offer comfort and understated elegance, while public spaces such as the library, Global Gallery, and multiple dining areas encourage camaraderie and relaxation. Carrying expert guides, state-of-the-art tools, and a fleet of Zodiacs and kayaks, this 148-guest ship brings guests closer to nature with all the style and substance expected of a flagship expedition vessel.



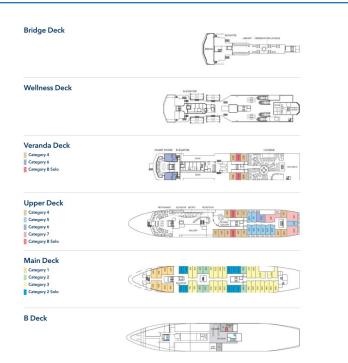
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