

# HEART OF THE ARCTIC

## DETAILED ITINERARY

Jan 25/26



This Arctic journey traces a living thread between Greenland and Canada, where land, sea, and culture are inseparable. Begin in Nuuk, Greenland's vibrant capital, set against fjords and rugged peaks, where contemporary life and deep history coexist.

Sail through the immense Nuup Kangerlua and across Davis Strait, learning from Inuit educators and scientists as whales, seabirds, and ice shape the days at sea. Along the shores of southern Baffin Island, visit artistic communities such as Kimmirut and Kinngait, where carving and printmaking express generations of connection to place.

Explore the wide tundra of the Ungava Peninsula, share stories and traditions in Salluit, and witness the dramatic seabird cliffs of Akpatok Island. Glacier carved coastlines, drifting icebergs, and quiet Zodiac cruises lead you through Frobisher Bay to journey's end in Iqaluit. Throughout, this voyage invites reflection, learning, and a deeper understanding of the Arctic's people and landscapes.

## FACTS & HIGHLIGHTS

- 13 days • Start in Nuuk, Greenland and finish in Iqaluit, Canada • All meals on board included • Travel aboard the Ocean Victory • Visit the colorful Arctic capital of Nuuk, where history and modern life meet • Sail into Nuup Kangerlua, surrounded by glaciers, islands, and misty peaks • Cross Davis Strait while learning from Inuit educators and spotting wildlife • Discover Inuit art traditions in Kimmirut and Kinngait, centers of creativity • Explore tundra landscapes and warm community life in the Ungava Peninsula and Salluit • Zodiac beneath towering seabird cliffs on remote Akpatok Island • Cruise ice-sculpted shores before arriving in Iqaluit, capital of Nunavut

## DEPARTURE DATES & PRICES FROM (Per person)

**Aug 02 – Aug 14, 2027**

<b>Triple</b>	-	<b>\$8995 USD</b>
<b>Albatross</b>	-	<b>\$11195 USD</b>
<b>French</b>	-	<b>\$12095 USD</b>
<b>Balcony</b>	-	<b>\$12895 USD</b>
<b>Superior Balcony</b>	-	<b>\$13495 USD</b>
<b>Grand Balcony</b>	-	<b>\$14395 USD</b>
<b>Solo Cabin</b>	-	<b>\$16010 USD</b>

Charter flights not included. Approximate cost \$2650 USD

## Activity Level: 1

## Comfort Level:

Seas can be rough. Wet and dry zodiac landings required.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

All travel aboard the Ocean Victory.

# ELDERTREKS



SMALL GROUP  
**EXOTIC ADVENTURES**  
FOR TRAVELERS 50 PLUS

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## DAY 1 NUUK, GREENLAND

Arrive in Nuuk, Greenland's vibrant capital, where ancient stone meets modern rhythm. Set at the mouth of a vast fjord, the city's colourful houses climb the hillsides against a backdrop of rugged peaks. Contemporary art, lively cafés, and a strong sense of community give Nuuk an energy that feels both cosmopolitan and deeply rooted in place.

Visit the Greenland National Museum to meet the Qilakitsoq mummies—silent witnesses to lives once lived along this coast. Then wander through the old harbour, where sea air mingles with roasted coffee and the scent of salt and wood. Here, history and daily life flow together, revealing a city that looks both forward and back.



## DAY 2 CAPTIAL REGION

Sail into the immense Nuup Kangerlua, where mountains veiled in mist rise from glacial water. The ship weaves between islands and ice, each turn revealing new light and texture. Watch for seals and seabirds while your expedition team shares stories of geology, glaciation, and change. The day drifts by in a quiet rhythm of movement, reflection, and wonder.

## DAY 3 AT SEA - DAVIS STRAIT

As the ship crosses Davis Strait toward Canada, the open ocean becomes classroom and companion. Learn from Inuit cultural educators and scientists who share perspectives on climate, language, and

life in the North. Join an Inuit games workshop or simply watch the horizon, where whales surface in slow arcs and seabirds follow our wake. The crossing is a time to listen, to voices, to water, to wind.

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#### **DAY 4 KIMMIRUT (LAKE HARBOUR) NU, CANADA**

Kimmirut, meaning “the heel,” lies where marble cliffs meet the sea. Here, art and land intertwine—ivory carvings, jewelry, and stonework shaped by generations of artists. Walk among blooming tundra and feel the marble stone underfoot, luminous against the Arctic light. In this small community, every creation tells a story of place.

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#### **DAY 5 KINNGAIT (CAPE DORSET)**

In Kinngait, creativity fills the air. Visit the historic West Baffin Eskimo Co-operative, birthplace of Inuit printmaking, and meet the artists whose hands shape visions from stone and ink. The hum of carving tools, the scent of paper and pigment; every detail speaks of tradition evolving with each generation. Here, art is a shared language between past and present.

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#### **DAYS 6-7 UNGAVA PENINSULA, QC**

Step ashore on the vast, treeless tundra of the Ungava Peninsula. With Inuit guides, trace the contours of ancient rock, learn the names of hardy plants, and pause on a glacial boulder to listen to the stillness. Zodiac along the coast to watch for wildlife and seabirds in motion. The landscape is quiet yet alive—a lesson in subtlety and endurance.

#### **DAY 8 SALLUIT**

Salluit greets visitors with open hands and open hearts. In this northern community, traditions are lived with joy and belonging. Share laughter and music in the community hall, taste local food, and explore the artistry of mittens, carvings, and jewelry. On the hills above town, look out over the bay—a view of connection between people and place.

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#### **DAY 9 UNGAVA BAY**

Akpatok Island rises sheer and white from Ungava Bay, its cliffs crowded with thick-billed murre. Zodiac beneath the walls of limestone where air thrums with wings. Keep watch for polar bears and walrus along the shore. The scale and sound of this place remind you how full the Arctic can be—alive, vast, and brimming with presence.

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#### **DAYS 10-11 SOUTHEAST BAFFIN**

Along the wild coast of Baffin Island, glacier faces and sculpted rock tell the story of ice’s long hand. Cruise by Zodiac or ship as light reveals the texture of the cliffs, catching on ridges and folds of stone. Geologists on board (known for listening to rocks) interpret the patterns and folds, revealing how the land remembers its making.

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#### **DAY 12 FROBISHER BAY**

Sail through Frobisher Bay, where icebergs drift between dark headlands. Wildlife may gather in the calm coves—seals, seabirds, and perhaps a distant bear. The ship moves slowly, and time seems to loosen. This is a day for quiet observation, for feeling the expanse and beauty of the North.



## DAY 13 IQALUIT, NU, CANADA

Arrive in Iqaluit, capital of Nunavut, and the journey's end. The city stands at the head of Frobisher Bay, a meeting place of modern life and traditional strength. As you board the Zodiac for your final shore landing, look back once more at the horizon—the light, the land, the learning you now carry within you.









## THE OCEAN VICTORY DETAILS:



Maximum: 186 passengers

Life aboard the Ocean Victory feels like stepping into a welcoming community at sea. Panoramic decks, bright lecture lounges, a cozy library, and excellent outdoor spaces provide natural gathering places—perfect for sharing discoveries, swapping stories, or reflection. Guests also enjoy hands-on workshops that spark creativity and learning. Accommodation includes ninety-three ocean-view cabins, most with private balconies, plus single-occupancy options for independent travellers. Wi-Fi (basic service included) ensures guests stay connected while immersed in the adventure.



Beagle Restaurant aboard the Ocean Victory.



Panorama Restaurant aboard the Ocean Victory.

## CABIN CATEGORIES:

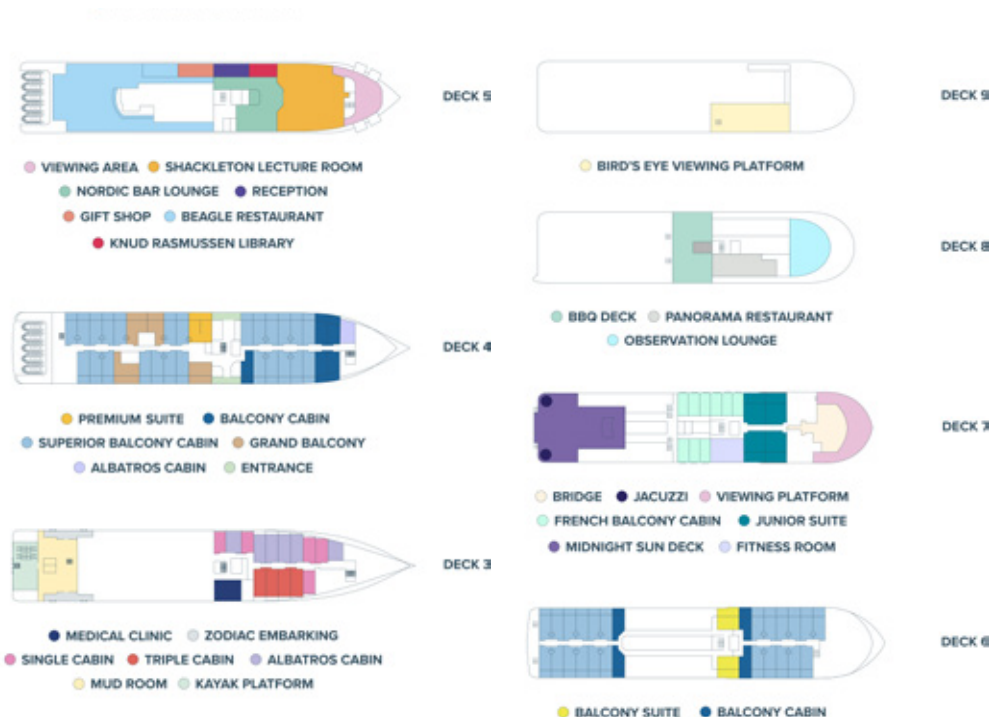
**Albatros Cabin**  
Deck 3

**French Bacony Cabin**  
Deck 7

**Balcony Cabin**  
Deck 4

**Superior Balcony Cabin**  
Deck 4

**Grand Balcony Cabin**  
Deck 5















## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

### 1. HOW BIG ARE THE GROUPS?

The Ocean Victory is a 175 passenger vessel which was specifically built for expedition travel.

### 2. WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE?

From Day 1 to disembarkation, all meals, beer and wine (with dinner), wifi, lectures, expeditions, entertainment and services of naturalist guides are included. An expedition jacket is also included.

### 3. WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE?

International and charter flights, and tips. Personal expenses like telephone calls and laundry are not included and put onto your shipboard account which is payable in USD the night prior to disembarkation. Gratuities are not included. Automatic gratuity of \$15 USD per guest/per day will be added to shipboard account. This goes into a lump sum and distributes to the entire crew equally. Mandatory Medical evacuation insurance is not included.

### 4. ARE THESE “EDUCATIONAL” TOURS?

Yes, in the broadest sense of the word, “educational”. We visit museums, national parks and reserves and have talks and discussions on many aspects of history, culture and nature. But this is only a portion of the educational experience. We believe that it is equally educational to meet local people on a non-commercial basis, and even try to learn a few words in the native language. Sometimes the most “educational” moments are wandering through the streets of a mountain village.

### 5. HOW DO WE TRAVEL DURING THE TOUR?

We cruise on our vessel and often use zodiac’s for our adventure excursions.

### 6. WHAT ARE OUR ACCOMMODATIONS LIKE?

Accommodation includes ninety-three ocean-view

cabins, most with private balconies, plus single occupancy options for independent travellers. Wi-Fi (basic service included) ensures guests stay connected while immersed in the adventure.

### 7. WHAT ABOUT THE WEATHER?

We travel during the northern summer season. In general, we can experience temperatures between 35-55 F (1-12 C).

### 8. WHEN IS PAYMENT DUE?

A non-refundable deposit of \$3000 USD is due as soon as you decide to go and will reserve your place on the tour. The balance of the payment is due 150 days before departure. Cancellation charges are applicable and these are outlined in the “Terms & Conditions” section of our brochure.

### 9. IS MEDICAL INSURANCE REQUIRED?

Insurance coverage is not included in the cost of your trip. Please note that medical insurance is required for this adventure with a minimum of \$500,000 USD coverage for evacuation insurance, including air ambulance. We strongly recommend cancellation and interruption insurance as well! ElderTreks offers comprehensive travel insurance and we are happy to provide you with a quote if you call our office. If you are purchasing insurance elsewhere, please ensure you provide the details to ElderTreks as soon as possible

### 10. WHAT SHOULD I TAKE ON THE TOUR?

There is a detailed “What to Take” list in our Trip Kit, which we will send to you after you have booked the trip.

### 11. WHAT MEALS ARE INCLUDED?

All meals during the itinerary are included, starting with dinner on day 1 and finishing with breakfast on departure day.



## 12. CAN YOU ARRANGE MY FLIGHTS?

We would be happy to take care of your air arrangements. ElderTreks offers personalized flight itineraries, not group flights. Stop over enroute, come in a few days early, or extend your stay. Call us for a customized itinerary.

## 13. WHAT IF I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION?

If you have any further questions about the adventure, please call our office for more details. A Trip Specialist will be happy to answer your questions. A Trip Kit containing further details on the destination will be sent to you once you have booked the trip.

