

..... POLAR BEARS OF CHURCHILL

DETAILED ITINERARY

Jul 15/26



Our Polar Bear dventure starts and finishes in Winnipeg, Manitoba and includes return airfare to Churchill, a northern community with lots of character. Our hotel-based Adventures offer a well rounded program combining polar bear viewing with activities in and around the community of Churchill. This program is designed for those who wish to learn about the history and culture of Churchill and region, as well as experience incredible polar bears.

On days that have a Tundra Buggy® Adventure scheduled, participants will be transferred from town to the Tundra Buggy launch where they will board a Buggy and begin their search for wildlife. The Buggy meanders over a system of established trails, stopping at leisure to enjoy the scenery, search for wildlife, and take photos. When daylight begins to fade, we'll head back to the launch and be transferred back to our hotels in town.

FACTS & HIGHLIGHTS

- 6 days • Includes all meals in Churchill • Maximum 22 passengers • Charter flights included • Visit the premier location in the world for getting up close and personal to polar bears • Well-rounded experience on Tundra Buggy® and activities such as dog sledding, museum visits, cultural programs and a slide show of the seasons in Churchill • One year membership to Polar Bears International

DEPARTURE DATES & PRICE

\$11034 CAD p/p

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Single travelers may be matched up if there is another single willing to share. If not, there is a mandatory single supplement of \$1280 CAD
Prices do not include 8.5% sales tax.

Activity Level: 1

Comfort Level:

Comfortable hotels and lodges throughout.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Standard tour:
2 nights in Winnipeg, 3 nights in Churchill Lodge.

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EXOTIC ADVENTURES
FOR TRAVELERS 50 PLUS**

DEPARTURE DATES

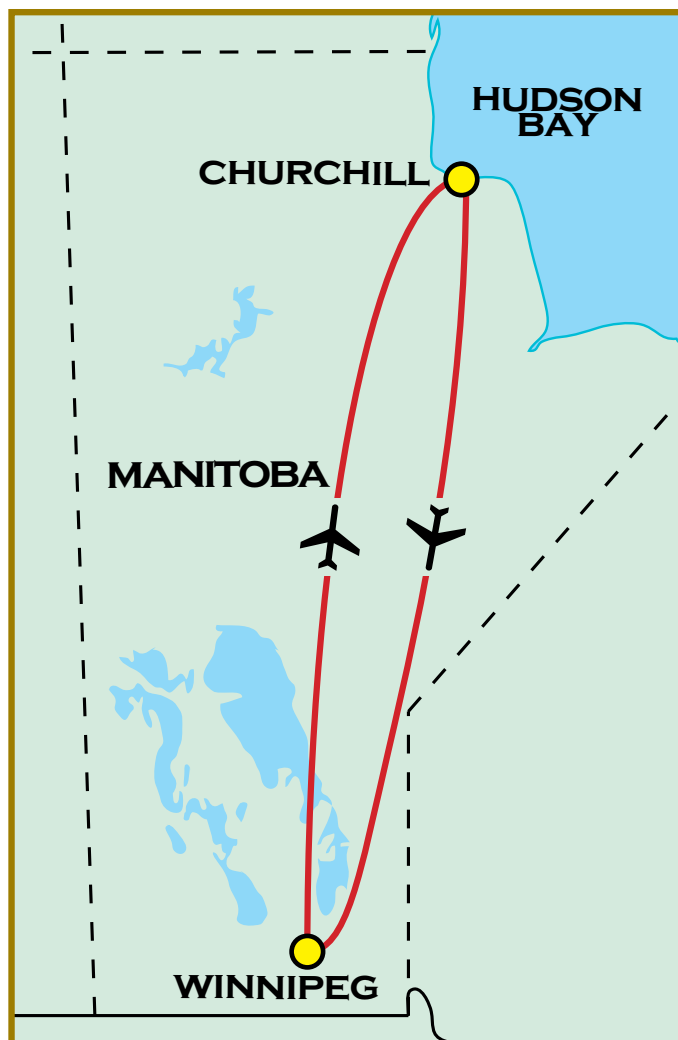
Oct 10	-	Oct 15, 2027
Oct 13	-	Oct 18, 2027
Oct 16	-	Oct 21, 2027
Oct 19	-	Oct 25, 2027
Oct 22	-	Oct 27, 2027
Oct 25	-	Oct 30, 2027
Oct 26	-	Oct 31, 2027
Oct 28	-	Nov 03, 2027
Oct 29	-	Nov 03, 2027
Oct 31	-	Nov 05, 2027
Nov 08	-	Nov 13, 2027
Nov 09	-	Nov 14, 2027
Nov 11	-	Nov 16, 2027
Nov 12	-	Nov 17, 2027
Nov 15	-	Nov 20, 2027

PRICE - \$10597 CAD

Prices do not include 8.5% sales tax.

*pre night in Winnipeg may be required at an additional cost depending on flight arrival times
Mandatory single supp: \$1180+tax CAD.

This is not an ElderTreks operated tour. As such, participants on this tour are not exclusive ElderTreks clients and it may not adhere to ElderTreks' maximum size restrictions of our tours.



CHALLENGING ASPECTS

- Must be able to walk up 15 stairs to board Tundra Buggy at Launch site
- Will be walking on snow and sometimes ice around Churchill
- Must be able to walk from Churchill hotel to Gypsy's Bakery alone every am for breakfast
- Must be able/comfortable to walk from hotel to local restaurants in town daily
- Weather can be unpredictable, high winds, cold, snow, ice

DAY 1 ARRIVE AND OVERNIGHT IN WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

Arrive in Winnipeg and check into your hotel. Meet the group members at welcome reception hosted the local guide.

Overnight in Winnipeg.

DAY 2 EARLY MORNING FLIGHT TO CHURCHILL, TOWN TOUR AND PARKS CANADA VISITOR CENTER

Today there is an early morning flight to Churchill. Upon arrival you will be transferred into town where we will have a guided bus tour of local and historical points of interest surrounding Churchill, including such attractions as Cape Merry, Port of Churchill and Manitoba Conservation's Polar Bear Holding Facility (weather permitting). In the afternoon we will visit the Parks Canada Interpretive Center for a walk back in time, viewing detailed and exciting wildlife dioramas and fur trade exhibits. View a series of videos on the history, culture and wildlife of the area. Overnight in Churchill.

DAYS 3 - 4 TUNDRA BUGGY ADVENTURES

The best way to experience an intimate encounter with a wild polar bear is on an authentic Tundra Buggy. The next two days will be spent in a Tundra

Buggy with your knowledgeable guide, viewing polar bears and other Arctic wildlife. All of our Tundra Buggies are furnished with dual-pane frost-free windows and contain propane-heating systems that closely resemble a cozy fireplace, with real flame (behind glass). Each day, we depart early and board our world famous Tundra Buggies looking for polar bears and other wildlife out on the tundra. You will enjoy picnic style lunches and refreshments while you are bear watching.

Overnight in Churchill.

DAY 5 DOG SLEDDING, ITSANITAQ MUSEUM

Today you have the opportunity to try dog sledding. Enjoy an exhilarating ride through the boreal forest on a custom made sled or cart. Learn about Métis culture and the history of dog sledding in northern Canada from local resident. Afterwards, explore the town of Churchill and visit the Itsanitaq Museum. The museum contains one of Canada's finest collections of Inuit carvings, kayaks, and artifacts dating from pre-Dorset, Dorset, Thule, and modern Inuit times

In the evening transfer to the airport for your return flight to Winnipeg.

Overnight in airport hotel, Winnipeg.

DAY 6 DEPARTURE

This day is at leisure for you to enjoy before departing Winnipeg.



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. HOW BIG ARE THE GROUPS?

Each group is limited to 22 participants. Medium size groups are an important ingredient in adventure travel. This will size allow for more interaction and better viewing on the Tundra Buggy (22 guests on a 40 passenger buggy allows everyone to have a window seat) as well as more personalized service throughout the itinerary.

2. WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE?

All accommodations throughout; all meals in Churchill; all internal transportation; all airport transfers; and all day trips and entrance fees as outlined in the itinerary.

3. WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE?

International flights, tips to the tour leader, national guides, alcoholic drinks, and travel insurance.

4. ARE THESE “EDUCATIONAL” TOURS?

Yes, in the broadest sense of the word, “educational”. We visit the Northern Cultural Museum and Parks Canada Interpretive Centre, soak up a slide show presentation, experience an authentic dog sledding adventure (weather permitting) and a unique cultural arts program. You will also experience interesting discussions onboard the Tundra Buggy with regards to the life cycle of polar bears along with all the challenges they face in today’s world.

5. HOW DO WE TRAVEL DURING THE TOUR?

All land transportation is included in the land price of the trip. As you are in the far north, we use different modes of transportation from school buses to coaches depending on what is available at the time and let’s not forget the incredible experience of the journey inside the Wapusk National Park on a Tundra Buggy.

6. WHAT ARE OUR ACCOMMODATIONS LIKE?

We stay in comfortable hotels with private bathroom facilities. There is a very basic bathroom onboard the Tundra Buggy.

7. WHAT ABOUT THE WEATHER?

We travel to Churchill during the months of October and November. The average temperature varies between 0 and -20 degrees Celsius or the mid 30’s to 10 degrees Fahrenheit. To be prepared for the weather you are likely to encounter, you will need to take casual appropriate attire for the range of temperatures you may experience.

8. WHEN IS PAYMENT DUE?

A non-refundable deposit of \$1050 CAD (plus insurance if you desire it) is due as soon as you decide to go and will reserve your place on the tour. The balance of the land 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 INSURANCE REQUIRED?

Insurance coverage is not included in the cost of your trip. Please note that comprehensive insurance is mandatory for this adventure. 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 MEALS ARE INCLUDED?

All meals in Churchill are included.

11. 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.

12. CAN YOU ARRANGE MY FLIGHTS?

We would be happy to take care of your air arrangements. ElderTreks offers personalized flight itineraries to and from Winnipeg, the flight from Winnipeg to Churchill return is part of your tour cost. We do not arrange group flights. If you wish to 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.





