

GREENLAND & WILD LABRADOR

DETAILED ITINERARY

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Follow the route of Leif Erickson. From Kangerlussuaq, Greenland to St. John's, NL, via coastal Labrador—stopping at incredible Canadian National Parks along the way!

Sailing south over the Arctic Circle, we are surrounded by mountains and glaciers. Greenland's coast is sublime! Nuuk, one of the world's northernmost capitals, offers shopping, dining, and handicrafts.

Crossing the Davis Strait to Canada, we visit Torngat Mountains National Park. This jewel in the Canadian park system is the first and only national park in Canada to be staffed completely by Inuit. We'll honour this monumental achievement while hiking and exploring the deep fjords with Inuit hosts. Our southerly journey will follow the rugged Labrador coast.

Across the Strait of Belle Isle in Newfoundland, we'll roam North America's only authenticated Norse site before sailing the picturesque coast of northeast Newfoundland.

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FACTS & HIGHLIGHTS

- 15 days • Start in Kangerlussuaq, Greenland and finish in St. John's, Canada • All meals on board included • Travel aboard the Ocean Endeavour • Zodiac along the face of a Greenlandic glacier • Cross the Arctic Circle by ship via glorious Sondre Stromfjord • Meet elders and share in a community event in Kangiqsualujuaq, Nunavik • Hike and Zodiac among the fall colours of Torngat Mountains National Park, a model of Inuit leadership • Enjoy a warm welcome in Nain, the administrative capital of Nunatsiavut • Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of L'Anse-aux-Meadows • Sail into St. John's historic harbour for a spectacular finale

DATES & PRICES

Sep 28 - Oct 12, 2024

Triple	-	\$9995 USD
Interior Twin	-	\$11295 USD
Exterior Twin	-	\$12595 USD
Main Twin	-	\$13595 USD
Comfort Twin	-	\$14595 USD
Select Twin	-	\$15595 USD
Superior Twin	-	\$16595 USD
Junior Suite	-	\$17595 USD
Suite	-	\$18595 USD

Does not include charter flight cost of \$1375 USD.

Activity Level: 1

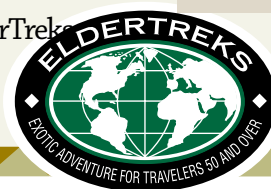
Comfort Level:

Seas can be rough. Zodiac landings required

ACCOMMODATIONS

Travel aboard the Ocean Endeavour.

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DAY 1 KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND

Kangerlussuaq is a former US Air Force base and Greenland's primary flight hub. Here we will be transferred by Zodiac to the Ocean Endeavour.

–With 168 kilometres of superb scenery, Sondre Stromfjord is one of the longest fjords in the world. We begin our adventure by sailing down this dramatic fjord, crossing the Arctic Circle southbound as we go.

DAY 2 KANGERLUSSUATSIAQ FJORD

West Greenland's complex coastal waterways include glaciers, islands and fjords against a towering mountain backdrop. The waters are relatively warm here, due to the West Greenland Current and the sub-Arctic location. We'll explore this sublime landscape by ship and by Zodiac.

DAY 3 NUUK

Nuuk, the capital of Greenland, bridges old and new. The old harbour region of town includes many buildings dating from the Danish colonial days. Nuuk is known for great art, shopping and cafes.



The Greenland National Museum is one of Nuuk's many outstanding features; the world-famous Qilakitsoq mummies are housed here.

DAY 4 AT SEA - DAVIS STRAIT

Our onboard presentation series will continue as we steam across Davis Strait towards Canada. This is an excellent time to enjoy workshops, watch a documentary, and get out on deck looking for whales, seabirds and marine wildlife.

DAYS 5-7 TORNGAT MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK, NL, CANADA

Canada's highest peaks east of the Rockies are found in Torngat Mountains National Park. Here, the Inuit of Nunatsiavut will be our guides in their spiritual homeland. Polar bears, black bears, caribou, falcons, and eagles are among the species we hope to spot. We'll also be on the lookout for marine mammals.

We'll spend our time hiking, searching for wildlife, visiting archaeological sites, and Zodiac cruising.

DAY 8 HEBRON

This haunting site preserves a Moravian Mission station dating from the 1830s. The mission was abandoned in 1959, forcing the relocation of the Inuit who resided there. In 2005, Newfoundland & Labrador issued an apology to people affected by the relocations.

Former Hebron residents and their kin continue to visit the site, and to hunt and fish nearby.

DAY 9 NAIN

The administrative capital of Nunatsiavut, Nain is the most northerly community in Labrador. We'll visit Illusuak, the stunning new cultural centre, and the beautiful Moravian Church among other community highlights.

We always enjoy a warm cultural welcome. Expect music, food, and handicrafts at this dynamic visit.

DAYS 10-12 LABRADOR COAST

Along the Labrador coast we find coastal barrens, high subarctic tundra, high boreal forest, mid-boreal forest, and string bog. The area is dotted with islands and we'll select a landing based on the conditions of the day

DAY 13 L'ANSE AUX MEADOWS

L'Anse aux Meadows is the only authenticated Norse settlement in North America—a UNESCO World Heritage Site and National Historic site. The archaeological remains found here in 1960 date to approximately 1,000 AD.

Today, a superb interpretive centre and several reconstructed Norse-style sod buildings evoke the spirit of the Viking voyages.

DAY 14 EASTERN NEWFOUNDLAND

The east coast of Newfoundland is known for the dozens of picturesque villages that dot its rocky shores. We'll find harbour in one of these unique communities. We look forward to a characteristically warm Newfoundland welcome upon our arrival. Photographers will have their work cut out for them capturing the special charm of classic island communities and picturesque coastlines.

DAY 15 ST. JOHN'S, NL

Sailing into the port of St. John's has to be experienced to be believed. Watch for locals waving from Signal Hill as we take on our pilot and enter the world-famous Narrows to North America's oldest city. The colourful houses of The Battery are always a hit with shutterbugs!

Today we disembark the Ocean Endeavour. We will say our farewells and the expedition team will be on hand to assist you with luggage and transportation arrangements.





THE OCEAN ENDEAVOUR DETAILS:



Maximum: 198 passengers

Outfitted with twenty Zodiacs, advanced navigation equipment, multiple lounges and a top deck observation room, the Ocean Endeavour is purpose-built for passenger experiences in remote environments. The Ocean Endeavour boasts a 1B ice class, enabling her to freely explore throughout the Arctic summer. Launched in 1982, she has had numerous upgrades, most recently in 2010 and 2014.



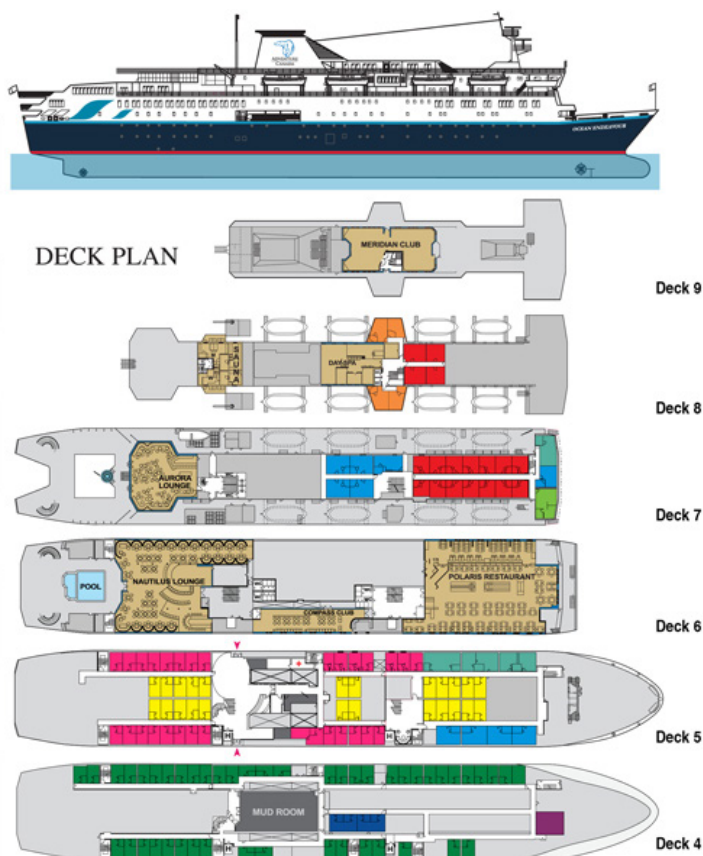
Aurora Lounge aboard the Ocean Endeavour.



Exterior Twin Cabin aboard the Ocean Endeavour.

CABIN CLASS CATEGORIES

CATEGORY 2	TRIPLE
Deck four. Interior Cabin, three lower berths, private bath	
CATEGORY 3	INTERIOR TWIN
Deck five. Interior Cabin, two lower berths, private bath	
CATEGORY 4	EXTERIOR TWIN
Deck four. Porthole window, two lower berths, private bath	
CATEGORY 5	MAIN TWIN
Deck five. Picture window, two lower berths, private bath	
CATEGORY 6	COMFORT TWIN
Deck seven & eight. Picture windows (obstructed view), two lower berths or matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator	
CATEGORY 7	TOP DECK TWIN
Deck eight. Large picture windows (partial obstruction), matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator	
CATEGORY 8	SUPERIOR TWIN
Deck five & seven. Picture windows, twin or matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator	
CATEGORY 9	JUNIOR SUITE
Deck five & seven. Picture windows, separate sitting area, sofa, desk, refrigerator, matrimonial bed, private bath	
CATEGORY 10	SUITE
Deck seven. Picture windows overlooking the bow, separate sitting area, sofa, desk, refrigerator, matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub	



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. HOW BIG ARE THE GROUPS?

The Ocean Endeavour is a 198 passenger vessel. On board there will also be resource staff.

2. WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE?

From day 1 to disembarkation meals, entrance fees, and accommodations are included.

3. WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE?

International & charter flights, and tips. Personal expenses like alcoholic beverages, telephone calls, internet & laundry are not included and put onto their ship board account which is payable in USD the night prior to disembarkation. Ships crew gratuities are not included, we suggest between \$10-\$14 per day per passenger. This goes into a lump sum and distributed to the entire crew equally.

4. WHAT IS THE DISCOVERY FUND?

The Discovery Fund is the result of committed passengers longing for a way to give back to the regions they have visited during their expeditions. Our local supplier has made a point to support local organizations and groups focusing on the environmental, cultural and educational needs of each region you will visit. Our local supplier, in cooperation with their friends in the North, assess where the demand is the greatest and supports each cause through monetary donations. Each passenger who travels with our local supplier donates an additional \$250 USD to ensure the longevity and success of the initiatives in these regions. Throughout the voyage you will see some of the projects that we have funded over the years. Your donation goes a long way and helps ensure that many of these important organizations, many at the grassroots level, are able to carry on. Most of these local initiatives do not have charitable status and thus do not have the ability

to issue tax receipts. If it is essential for you to obtain a tax receipt for your donation, the local supplier will send your portion to an organization which has this capability.

5. ARE THESE “EDUCATIONAL” TOURS?

Yes, in the broadest sense of the word, “educational”. We visit museums and local villages. We also have talks and discussions on many aspects of the history and culture Newfoundland, but this is only one aspect of what we do. We believe that it is equally educational to meet new people on a non-commercial basis. Sometimes the most “educational” moments are spent having a cold drink with the locals.

6. HOW DO WE TRAVEL DURING THE TOUR?

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

7. WHAT ARE OUR ACCOMMODATIONS LIKE?

The ship offers interior and exterior cabins. All cabins have private washroom facilities, a phone for internal calls, radio, TV and air-conditioning. There are a variety of cabin categories available ranging from 9-30 m2 (100-320 sq ft). Please call for pricing and cabin availability.

8. WHAT ABOUT THE WEATHER?

We travel to Greenland during early autumn. In general, Greenland can experience temperatures between 35-55 F (1-12 C).

9. WHEN IS PAYMENT DUE?

A non-refundable deposit of \$2500 USD 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.

10. IS MEDICAL INSURANCE REQUIRED?

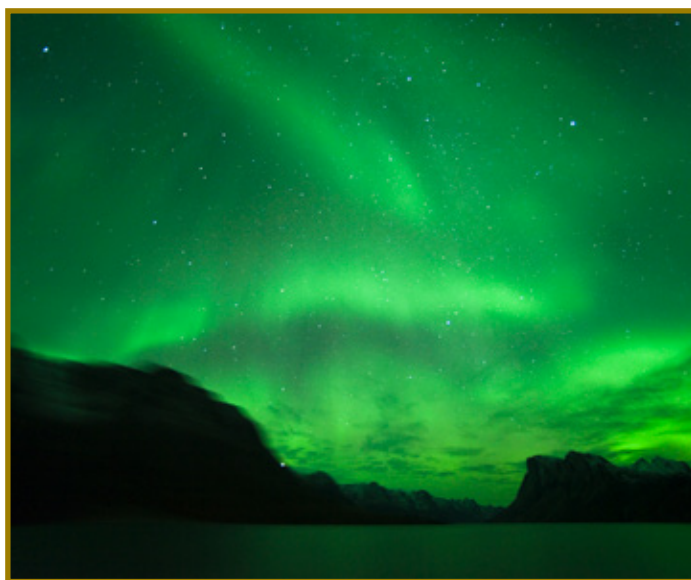
Insurance coverage is not included in the cost of your trip. Please note that medical insurance is required for this adventure with a minimum of \$500,000 coverage for evacuation insurance, including air ambulance. We strongly recommend cancellation and interruption insurance as well! ElderTreks offers 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.

11. WHAT MEALS ARE INCLUDED?

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

12. 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.



13. 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.

14. 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.

