



ARCTIC 2022/2023

Quark Expeditions®

The Leader in Polar Adventures

*Remote &
Ruggedly
Beautiful
Arctic*



Brand New Ship

The inaugural Arctic season of *Ultramarine*: a game-changer in polar travel.

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Greenland

By air, land and sea! Our first-ever helicopter-supported Greenland adventure program.

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Severnaya Zemlya, Russia

The last territorial discovery on the planet deep in the Russian Arctic.

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the Adventure

The most off-ship adventures: heli-skiing, alpine kayaking, hiking...

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A person wearing a bright yellow jacket and dark pants is walking away from the camera on a rocky, uneven shore. They are holding a silver trekking pole. In the background, a calm lake reflects the overcast sky, with dark, rugged mountains rising from the far shore. Another person in a yellow jacket is partially visible on the right side of the frame.

 the Arctic

*Fulfill your
wildest dreams.*

The Arctic has long transfixed travelers seeking to get as close as safely possible to the natural wonders of the northern Polar Region: sculpted icebergs, expansive glaciers, great stretches of oceanic waters, snow-topped mountain peaks, and ice-covered landscapes where few humans have ever set foot. And there's the wildlife: polar bears, whales, reindeer, muskoxen, walruses, and seals, plus thousands of seabirds dominating the clifftops.

Immersive polar experiences are the irresistible lure for many visitors. Quark Expeditions offers more off-ship

adventure activities than any other operator, enabling guests to customize their expedition experience. Our fleet of small vessels now includes the game-changing new ship *Ultramarine*, which offers an incredible range of helicopter-supported adventure options that utterly transforms what you can see and do in the Arctic. Quark Expeditions is your most experienced and trusted partner to fulfill your Arctic dream.

AND THAT MOMENT HAS ARRIVED.



Hiking the spectacular Arctic scenery.

Awards & Accolades

WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS

- › *World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line 2020*
- › *World's Leading Polar Expeditions Operator 2018*

USA TODAY

10 BEST READERS' CHOICE TRAVEL AWARD

- › *Best Adventure Cruise Line 2018*

SIGNATURE LUXURY TRAVEL & STYLE CRUISE AWARD

- › *Best-of-the-Best Luxury Cruise Awards Winner, Expedition 2018*
- › *Winner, Expedition 2017*

TRAVEL WEEKLY

GOLD MAGELLAN AWARD

- › *Best Expedition Itinerary: Spitsbergen Explorer 2019*
- › *Northwest Passage 2018*
- › *North Pole 2018*
- › *Best Small Ship Expedition 2019*
- › *Marketing Promotional Video 2019: Face to Face With Iconic Arctic Wildlife*

TRAVEL WEEKLY

SILVER MAGELLAN AWARD

- › *Best Expedition Itinerary: Essential Greenland 2019*
- › *Greenland Explorer 2018*
- › *West Greenland 2017*
- › *Best Small Ship Expedition 2017*
- › *Best Adventure Destination: Greenland 2017*

TRAVEL + LEISURE

WORLD'S BEST AWARD

- › *Small-Ship Ocean Cruise Line 2016*

FODOR'S TRAVEL GUIDES

WORLD'S BEST CRUISES

- › *Kapitan Khlebnikov's Northwest Passage Expedition 2016*

Association of
Arctic Expedition Cruise
Operators **AECO** 

AECO (Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators) is an international association for expedition cruise operators operating in the Arctic and others with interests in this industry.



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A herd of sunbathing walrus.

Qthe Arctic

Going Beyond in Polar Adventure.

As the Leader in Polar Adventures, we are committed to taking travelers beyond the ordinary, outside the predictable and expected.

For the last 30 years we've focused exclusively on polar exploration. We have the most experienced team in the polar industry. We have the most diverse fleet, which allows guests to personalize their voyage. We offer more off-ship adventure options than anyone else—which means guests can choose how they wish to explore the Arctic. Our fleet of small ships, including our newest ship, *Ultramarine*, can take you places other vessels cannot reach.

Our obsession to explore new frontiers and create new guest experiences is part of our DNA. That philosophy—that obsession to go beyond—is reflected in our 30-year history of polar firsts.



30 Years of Exploration.



August 1991

Quark Expeditions takes the first commercial passengers to the North Pole—something no other expedition company had achieved.

For more information about the North Pole. See page 32

Check out our Northwest Passage itineraries for 2022-23. See pages 28 & 29

August 1991

Quark Expeditions celebrates the first-ever passenger transit of the Northeast Passage, the historic route across the top of the world.

December 1991

Quark Expeditions charts the first series of oceanographic research vessels specially converted for adventure travel, heralding a new phase in polar exploration.

November 1992

Quark Expeditions departs Cape Town for the first passenger voyage to the Far Side of Antarctica, the most remote coastal region of the continent.

November 1993

For the first time, Quark Expeditions guests retrace the voyage of Sir Ernest Shackleton's ship *Endurance*.

November 1996

Quark Expeditions begins a circumnavigation of Antarctica for commercial passengers, the first-ever voyage of its kind.

July 1999

Quark Expeditions completes its first passenger circumnavigation of the Arctic Ocean.

Choose from 18 amazing Arctic itineraries starting on page 10

November 2003

Quark Expeditions passengers become the first humans to witness a Total Solar Eclipse in Antarctica.



November 2004

Quark Expeditions becomes the first operator to confirm the existence and location of the Snow Hill Emperor colony.



March 2006

Quark Expeditions breaks Roald Amundsen's record set nearly 100 years ago, attaining the most southerly latitude of any vessel.



To find out more about 50 Years of Victory. See page 46

June 2008

Quark Expeditions offers maiden voyage to the North Pole on nuclear icebreaker *50 Years of Victory*, the most powerful icebreaker on the planet at the time.

April 2011

Quark Expeditions' Three Arctic Islands voyage is voted one of National Geographic Traveler's "50 Tours of a Lifetime."



Find out more about hot-air ballooning at the North Pole. See page 53

June 2012

Quark Expeditions becomes the first tour operator to successfully offer passenger hot-air ballooning at the North Pole.

February 2013

Quark Expeditions hosts Jonathan Shackleton (Ernest Shackleton's cousin) and Falcon Scott (Robert Falcon Scott's grandson) as they walk, and camp, on the 7th continent together.

November 2013

Quark Expeditions teams up with Hot Docs Canadian International Film Festival to offer the first-ever floating polar film festival onboard *Sea Spirit*.

December 2013

Quark Expeditions is named World's Leading Polar Expedition Operator at the World Travel Awards in Lisbon.



October 2017

Quark Expeditions launches Quark Academy training program for expedition team members, the first training program of its kind in the industry.

Meet our incredibly talented team on page 56



December 2018

Quark Expeditions is again named World's Leading Polar Expedition Operator at the World Travel Awards.



January 2019

Quark Expeditions launches the construction of the game-changing ship *Ultramarine*, the very first vessel purpose-built for polar exploration.

To find out more about Ultramarine. See page 36



April 2019

Quark Expeditions unveils Polar Promise, the most holistic sustainability policy in the polar expedition industry.

Get the scoop on our Polar Promise sustainability strategy and how we're preserving the Polar Regions one goal at a time. See page 64



December 2020

Quark Expeditions is named World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line at the World Travel Awards.



April 2021

Quark Expeditions officially takes ownership of *Ultramarine* after successful sea trials in Croatia, marking one of our greatest polar milestones!





The Arctic

AT A GLANCE

GREENLAND'S NORTHERN LIGHTS

Aurora displays occur when protons and electrons from the sun slam into the Earth's magnetic field, resulting in an awe-inspiring dance of multi-coloured lights across the night sky. The Northern Lights in Greenland tend to be green, white and purple, and can sometimes be viewed during the month of September.



GREENLAND (Kalaallit Nunaat)

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE

Ilulissat Icefjord, a tidal fjord and UNESCO World Heritage site, is home to Sermeq Kujalleq, one of the fastest and most active glaciers in the world.



GREENLANDIC CULTURE

A visit to Ittoqqortoormiit, the most isolated town in Greenland, is a window into the daily life of a remote community where many inhabitants still hunt and fish to continue their traditional heritage.



THE HEART OF THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE



The quest for trade routes to the Far East ignited the passions and obsessions of early explorers. Discover the great sea route at the top of the world.

SIR JOHN FRANKLIN EXPEDITION

TASERMIUT FJORD

Paddling and Zodiac excursions into the fjord allow for closer connection with a landscape that is considered one of the most beautiful places in Greenland.



ANCIENT HISTORY & CULTURE

Visiting local communities in the Canadian Arctic connects travelers to 4,000 years of Inuit history and culture. Pangnirtung, Pang for short, is an artistic community known for its beautiful hand-woven tapestries and lithographic prints.



EVOLUTION OF THE KAYAK

It's believed that kayaks were invented in Greenland. The Inuit used the slim, one-person vessel—called qajaq—to hunt and fish. It's only fitting that Quark Expeditions chose Greenland to launch a brand new kind of kayaking—alpine kayaking—as part of our Greenland Adventure Program.

CANADA

ICELAND

NORTH
POLE
90°N



THE ULTIMATE ARCTIC ADVENTURE

Even during the Arctic summer, it takes the strength of a nuclear ice-breaker to reach the North Pole.

THE LAST TERRITORIAL DISCOVERY ON THE PLANET

The rarely-visited, extremely remote Russian archipelago Severnaya Zemlya, "Northern Land," was only discovered in 1917 and not charted until 1930-32. Severnaya Zemlya is home to the Academy of Sciences Glacier, the largest glacier in Russia.

EXPLORING SVALBARD

About 60% of Svalbard's mountains, glaciers and islands are protected within seven national parks: Forlandet, Indre Wijdefjorden, Nordenskiöld Land, Nordre Isfjorden, Sassen-Bünsow Land, Sør-Spitsbergen and Nordvest-Spitsbergen. Visitors can find various historical monuments including former whaling stations and burial grounds.

ROCKY PHENOMENON

Witness a rare geological phenomenon at Champ Island in Franz Josef Land archipelago, the northernmost territory in Russia. Stone spheres found here likely formed when masses of minerals came in contact with organic material, creating a chemical reaction shaping the ball in layers, often as perfect spheres.



THE KING OF THE ARCTIC

Although a polar bear's fur appears white, it is actually a layer of transparent hair with special characteristics that create the illusion of white fur. A polar bear's skin is black. An optimal time to view polar bears in Spitsbergen is during the months of May, June and July.



ARCTIC ARCHIPELAGO

Novaya Zemlya, "New Land," is the third largest wilderness area in Europe. This remote Russian destination is abundant in wildlife and steeped in polar history.

MAMMOTH CLIFFS

Approximately 110 bird species nest in the towering cliffs of the Faroe Islands. Cape Enniberg, which stands at 2,400 feet (754 m) high, is one of the highest cliffs in the world.



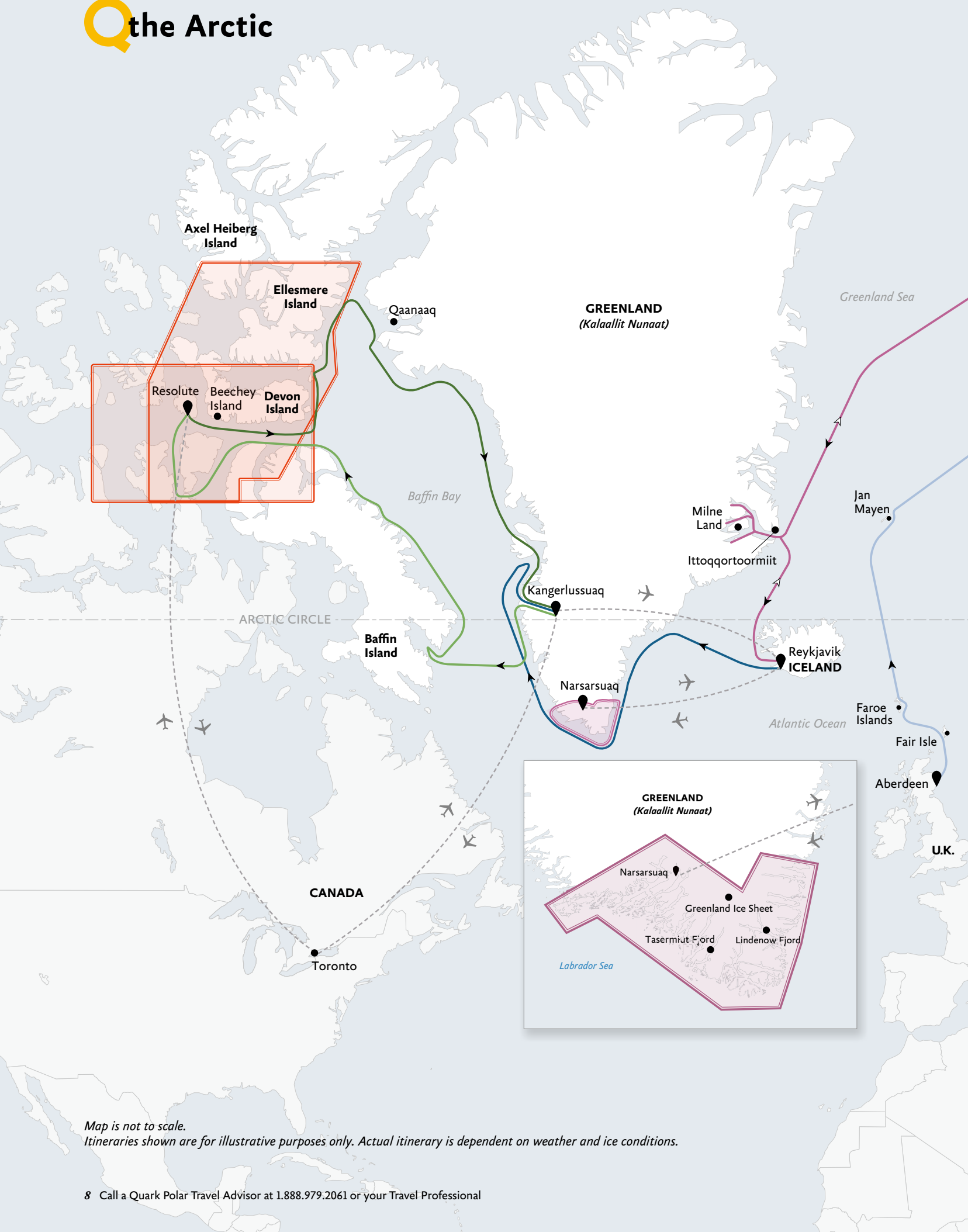
ICONIC ARCTIC WILDLIFE

From spotting polar bears in Spitsbergen, to sightings of muskoxen in Greenland, the Arctic is teeming with diverse wildlife. Here are some of the animals you may see:

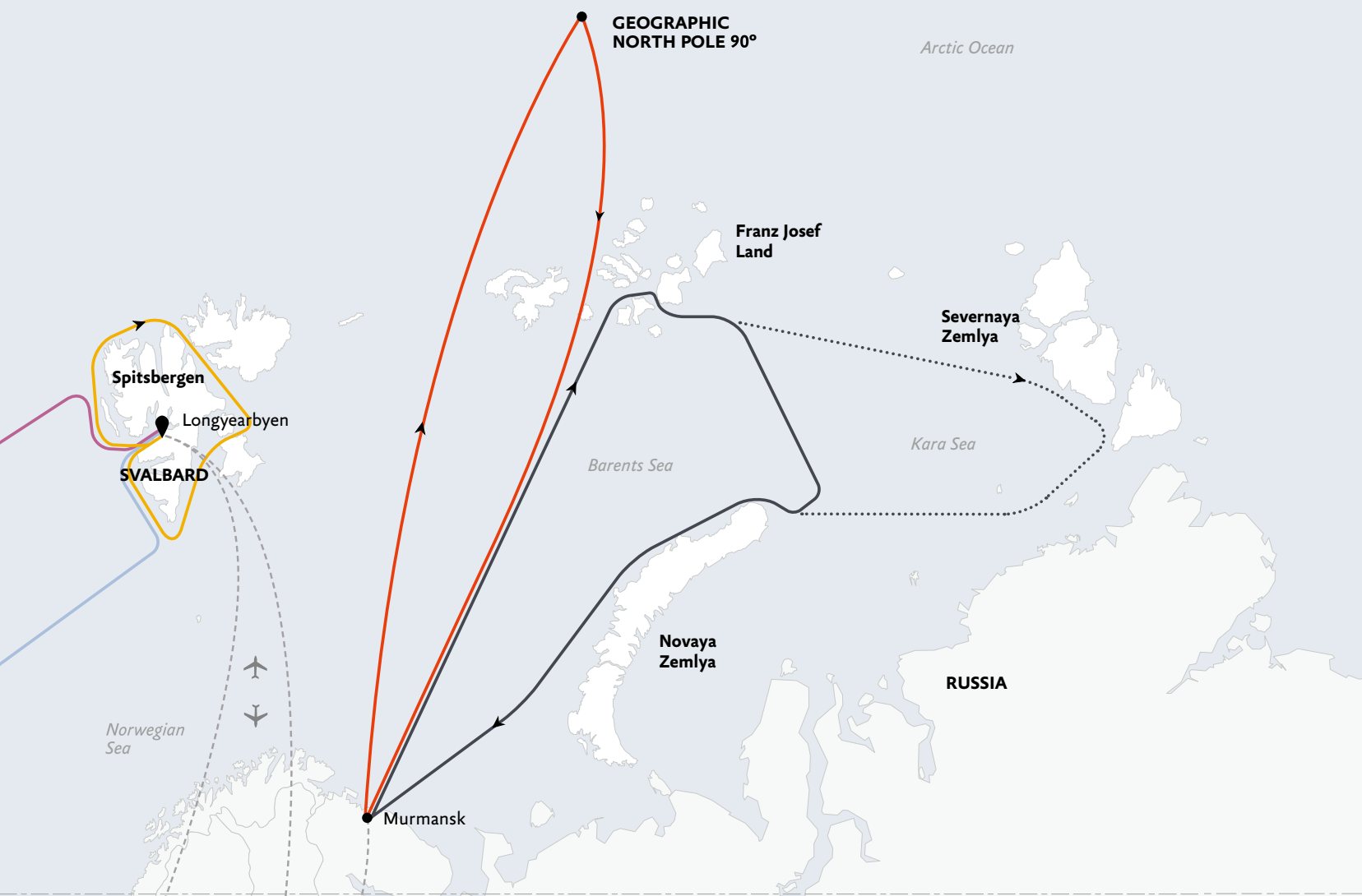


Arctic fox, walrus, muskox, reindeer, polar bear, whales, birds & more.

The Arctic is a mass of sea ice floating over the Arctic Ocean, surrounded by North America, Europe and Asia. Use this infographic to help narrow down your choices of *where to explore*.



Map is not to scale.
Itineraries shown are for illustrative purposes only. Actual itinerary is dependent on weather and ice conditions.



CANADA, GREENLAND, ICELAND, NORWAY, RUSSIA. Where do you want to go? With itineraries to the rarely visited Russian High Arctic and the remote Canadian Arctic—plus time-honored favorites brought back by popular demand—Quark Expeditions' lineup for 2022 and 2023 offers guests the chance to experience a complete range of Arctic adventures, some of them never-before-offered. There are multi-destination voyages tailored to those who want to sample a little bit of everything the Arctic has to offer and our In-Depth Explorations, which dig deep into specific Arctic regions. Let your Arctic voyage begin!

ITINERARIES AND SCHEDULED ROUTES

This is a sample of our Arctic itineraries. For even more options, please see additional voyage pages.

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Multi-destination voyages.

Perfect for first-time travelers to the Arctic, our Multi-Destination itineraries let you experience impressive icebergs, iconic wildlife, traditional Inuit culture and other highlights in different parts of the Arctic and Sub-Arctic. Two voyages (ranging from 14 to 15 days) take in the best that Greenland, Iceland, Spitsbergen, the Faroe Islands and the seldom-visited Jan Mayen have to offer.

NATURE IS THE TOUR GUIDE:

Sea, ice, and weather conditions will ultimately influence your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!

Zodiac cruising in Nordvestfjord, East Greenland.



In This Section

- › Two immersive itineraries
 - › A three islands itinerary exploring Spitsbergen, Greenland and Iceland
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Exploring the Fair Isle coastline; an encounter with Svalbard Reindeer; capturing the scenery.

Arctic Saga: Exploring Spitsbergen via the Faroes and Jan Mayen

Departing from Aberdeen, Scotland, the *Arctic Saga* voyage visits four remote Arctic islands. Sail through the North Atlantic to Fair Isle, famous for its bird observatory, followed by two days exploring the Viking and Norse sites on the Faroe Islands. Then it's onto the world's northernmost volcanic island, Jan Mayen. The last two days of your 14-day voyage are spent exploring Spitsbergen, always on the lookout for polar bears.

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2 departures | 14 days

May 2022 & 2023

Embarkation: Aberdeen, Scotland

Disembarkation: Longyearbyen, Norway

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To Oslo, Norway (2022)

To Helsinki, Finland (2023)

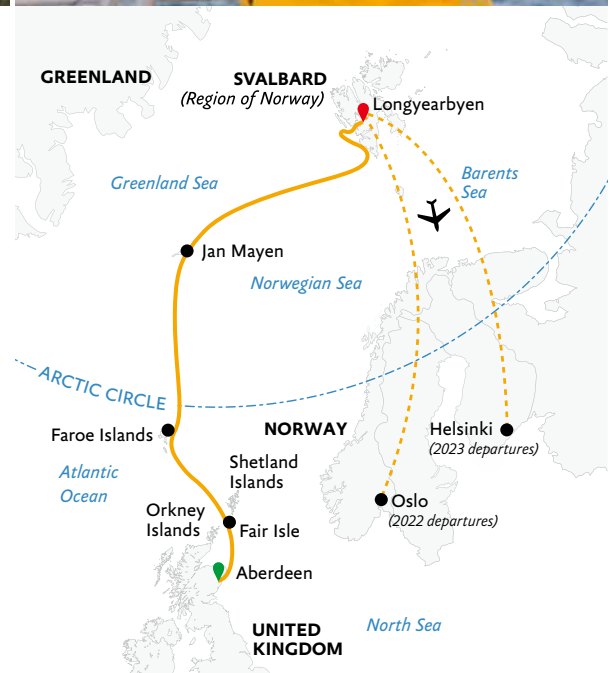
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Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

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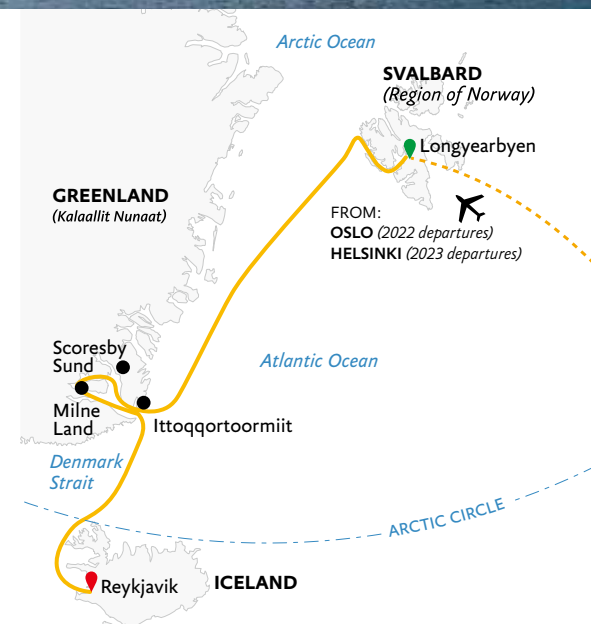


A Zodiac cruise with a view.

Three Arctic Islands: Spitsbergen, Greenland and Iceland

Named one of the *50 Tours of a Lifetime* by *National Geographic Traveler*, this voyage offers the best of the eastern Arctic in one voyage. You start in Spitsbergen, Norway, then sail south to Greenland to explore the world's largest fjord system and end in Iceland. There's something for everyone: polar bears, walrus, muskoxen, local culture, ancient Thule settlements (predecessors of the Inuit), hikes along the glacial moraine and tundra, and more.

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2 departures | 15 days

August 2022 & 2023

Embarkation: Longyearbyen, Norway

Disembarkation: Reykjavik, Iceland

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

From Oslo, Norway (2022)

From Helsinki, Finland (2023)

(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 52-53 for more details



A person with long dark hair, wearing a yellow and black jacket, is seen from behind, looking out over a vast, snowy mountain range under a clear blue sky. The person is standing on a wooden deck or walkway. The mountains in the background are covered in patches of snow and dark rock, with a body of water visible in the distance.

In-depth explorations.

Our region-specific expeditions to Norway, Greenland, Russia and Canada are ideal for those who know where they want to go and for past travelers who've explored the highlights and would now like to drill a little deeper and explore a little further into one Arctic domain. Such trips are also ideal for first-timers who are eager to explore one specific region in depth. Our range of itineraries covers four Arctic regions, allowing you to choose the adventure that best suits your travel desires.

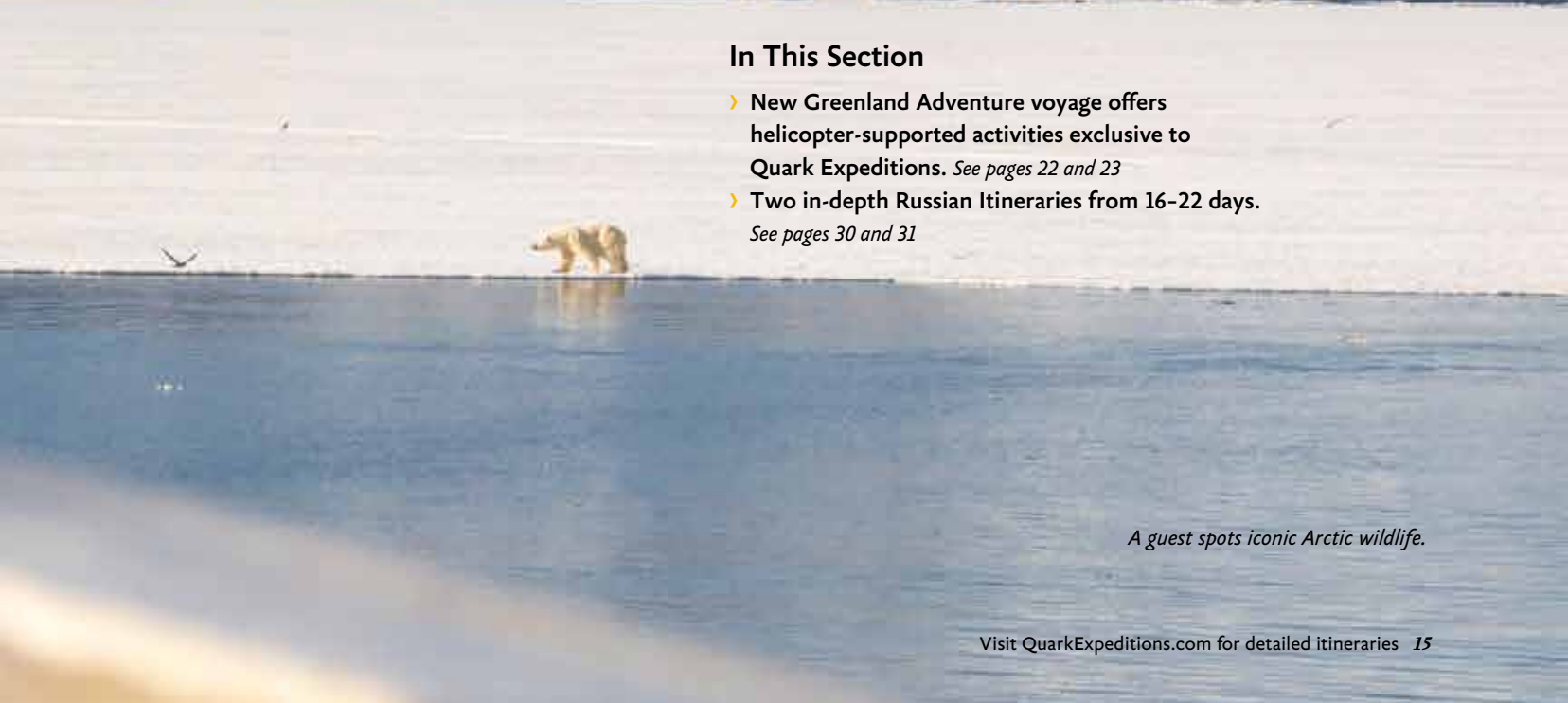
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In This Section

- › New Greenland Adventure voyage offers helicopter-supported activities exclusive to Quark Expeditions. *See pages 22 and 23*
- › Two in-depth Russian Itineraries from 16-22 days. *See pages 30 and 31*



A guest spots iconic Arctic wildlife.



Enjoying the incredible landscapes of Spitsbergen.

Spitsbergen Highlights: Expedition in Brief

Our popular *Spitsbergen Highlights* expedition is ideal for guests who are looking to experience the best of Spitsbergen but are short on time. You can pack a lot into just seven days, including a scenic journey along the island's west coast, where you'll encounter rocky mountains, glaciers, towering cliffs and fjords. You'll be on a constant lookout for wildlife—especially for the majestic polar bear.

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5 departures | 7 days

May/June 2022 & July 2023

📍 Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈️ Charter flight:

To/from Oslo, Norway (2022)

To/from Helsinki, Finland (2023)

(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 52–53 for more details





Zodiac cruising around Spitsbergen; hiking the Arctic terrain; a pair of walrus.

Introduction to Spitsbergen: Fjords, Glaciers and Wildlife of Svalbard

Experience everything this island has to offer on our 10-day itinerary, which covers western Spitsbergen as well as the stunning fjords and outlying islands to the north. You'll hike the tundra, zip through fjords on a Zodiac and experience vast expanses of icebergs. Wildlife-viewing includes walrus, reindeer and polar bears. The Norwegian Arctic has been inspiring explorers for centuries—it's time you joined their ranks.

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7 departures | 12 days

May/June 2022 & 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Oslo, Norway (2022)

To/from Helsinki, Finland (2023)

(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Spotting a herd of Svalbard reindeer.

Spitsbergen Explorer: Wildlife Capital of the Arctic

Explore Spitsbergen's rugged west coast enroute to the lesser visited southern and northern shorelines on a 12-day sailing. We journey in continuous daylight, seeking walrus and polar bears amidst stunning glaciers, towering cliffs, abandoned historical sites and colorful tundra. The landscapes in the outlying islands to the north are as varied as the animal life and will leave you with indelible memories.

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7 departures | 12 days

May/June 2022 & 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Oslo, Norway (2022)

To/from Helsinki, Finland (2023)

(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Guests hiking the Svalbard landscape; icy waters; an Arctic fox.

Spitsbergen In Depth: Big Island, Big Adventure

Our longest Spitsbergen expedition attempts to circumnavigate the island and, if conditions allow, venture around the entire Svalbard archipelago. This trip offers maximum exploration time on land and at sea, making it the best voyage for viewing polar bears and walruses, reindeer and foxes, whales and seabirds. Landing sites yield abandoned whaling settlements, tundra meadows, glaciers and icebergs, seabird breeding grounds and more.

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2 departures | 14 days

July 2022 & 2023

♥ **Embarkation/Disembarkation:**

Longyearbyen, Norway

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ **Charter flight:**

To/from Oslo, Norway (2022)

To/from Helsinki, Finland (2023)

(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 52-53 for more details





A curious polar bear; capturing the Arctic scenery; spotting iconic wildlife on a Zodiac cruise.

Back by
POPULAR
DEMAND

Spitsbergen Photography: In Search of Polar Bears

Embrace your expeditionary spirit on this new voyage which enables the quest for polar bears and other photogenic wildlife to determine our route amidst the raw beauty of the Norwegian Arctic. The opportunities to photograph wildlife and awe-inspiring polar landscapes in continuous daylight are more than plentiful. An early-season departure offers more opportunity to search for elusive polar bears on the sea ice.

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2 departures | 14 days

June 2022 & May 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Oslo, Norway (2022)

To/from Helsinki, Finland (2023)

(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Scoresby Sund.



Under the Northern Lights: Exploring Iceland and East Greenland

Our most comprehensive exploration of East Greenland begins in the seldom-visited Vestfjords in Iceland's north and then on to Greenland's Scorebysund and King Oscar Fjord systems. You'll search for wildlife, visit the world's largest national park, Northeast Greenland National Park, where 40% of the world's muskoxen live, and possibly witness the Northern Lights. Visiting the remote Inuit community of Ittoqqortoormiit will make for an unforgettable experience.

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4 departures | 14 days

September 2022 & 2023

📍 **Embarkation/Disembarkation:** Reykjavik, Iceland

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Taking a moment to enjoy the stunning Greenlandic scenery; amping up the adventure with a paddling excursion; fresh local ingredients prepared at Tasermiut Camp.



Greenland Adventure: Explore by Land, Sea and Air

Quark Expeditions has once again accomplished another polar first by offering the first voyage developed in partnership with local communities. Leveraging the best of South Greenland, this expedition will allow you to set foot on the Greenland Ice Sheet, go heli-hiking in the high alpine regions, or choose to participate in one of many adventurous added Adventure Activities. Our local partners will help you experience the best South Greenland has to offer while also enjoying the creature comforts of *Ultramarine* alongside her exceptional expedition facilities including two-twin engine helicopters and a custom zodiac hangar capable of getting you out on your experiences faster than any other vessel.

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4 departures | 9 days

July 2023 & 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation: Narsarsuaq, Greenland

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Reykjavík, Iceland
(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Qthe Greenland Adventure

The Adventure Options on this trip (many of them supported by helicopter) provide guests with the exclusive opportunity to experience remote, seldom-visited parts of Greenland where so few have gone before.

Incredible aerial views of Lake Tasersuaq in South Greenland.

Included Activities:



HIKING

Guided hikes are designed to suit guests of different hiking abilities and diverse interests.



PADDLING EXCURSION

Our program provides sit-on-top, two-person, inflatable kayaks that give guests an intimate, water-level experience.

As with any activity the Polar Regions, our Greenland Adventure Options are weather dependent. Guest safety always comes first.

See pages 52–53 for more details on Adventure Options.



FLIGHTSEEING

Guests enjoy an unforgettable aerial tour of South Greenland on *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine helicopters.



HELI-HIKING

Our twin-engine helicopters transfer you to and from the most scenic hiking routes of Southern Greenland.



ICE SHEET EXPERIENCE

Ascend high above the cascading coastal glaciers onto the immense plateau of the Greenland Ice Sheet.

Paid Activities:



ALPINE KAYAKING | \$595

Kayak remote glacial lakes high in the upper alpine zones of remote Southern Greenland.



MOUNTAIN BIKING | \$595

Ultramarine's twin-engine helicopters will take you to incredible mountain biking routes of Southern Greenland.



GREENLAND CAMPING EXPERIENCE | \$795

Join local hosts overnight at Tasermiut Camp, one of the most exclusive camps in Greenland.



Guests enjoying a community visit; exploring Ilulissat icefjord; two playful Greenlandic dogs.

Essential Greenland: Southern Coasts and Disko Bay

One of our most popular itineraries, *Essential Greenland: Southern Coasts and Disko Bay* is enhanced with the introduction of our game-changing polar vessel *Ultramarine*. Sail the icy waters of the southeast coast, then voyage down to the lush southern tip, stopping to visit picturesque villages and Norse ruins while admiring the rugged landscape. Then you'll head all the way up to Disko Bay to experience some of the best scenery and culture that Greenland (known by the Inuit as Kalaallit Nunaat) has to offer.

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2 departures | 15 days

July 2022 & June 2023

Embarkation: Reykjavik, Iceland

Disembarkation: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

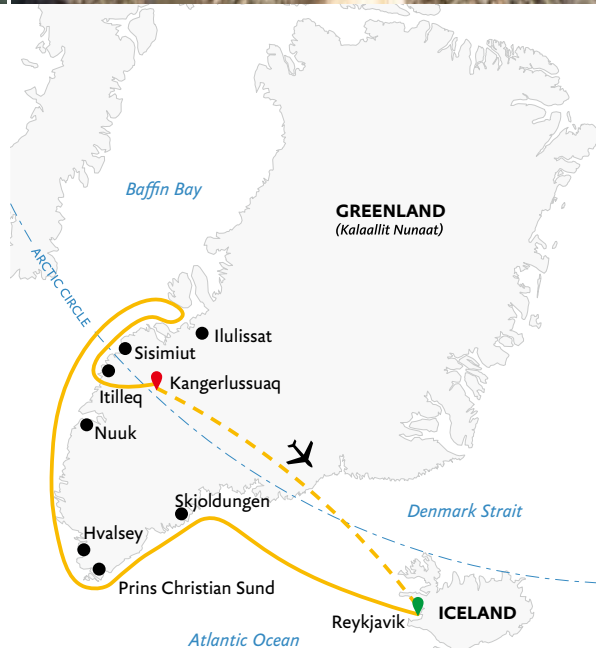
Kangerlussuaq to Reykjavik
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Guests exploring Ilulissat Icefjord.

Best of the Western Arctic: Canada and Greenland

Venture far above the Arctic Circle to a land where polar bears roam. On *Best of the Western Arctic: Canada and Greenland*, you'll explore the northerly shores of Canada's Baffin Island and the western coast of Greenland, visiting local communities and searching for wildlife. Expect stunning views of the soaring cliffs and the sculpted icebergs.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

2 departures | 20 days

September 2022 & 2023

📍 **Embarkation/Disembarkation:**

Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈️ **Charter flight:**

To/from Toronto, Canada
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Inuit woman in traditional dress; breathtaking landscapes of the Canadian Arctic; whale sighting.



Arctic Express Canada: The Heart of the Northwest Passage

Explore the iconic sea route at the top of the world on our new expedition ship, *Ultramarine*. You'll get to admire breath-taking landscapes, calving glaciers, polar bears and other iconic wildlife as you journey along the Northwest Passage. Stop at remote outposts such as Beechey Island, where you can pay your respects at the graves of members of the ill-fated Franklin expedition of 1845-46. Experience all the highlights of the Northwest Passage in just 9 days.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

2 departures | 9 days

August 2022 & 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Resolute, Canada

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

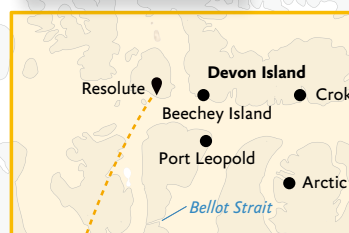
To/from Toronto, Canada
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details



TO/FROM
TORONTO

**NUNAVUT
(Canada)**

**Approximate limit
of exploration area**



Guests on a hike in Radstock Bay.



Canada's Remote Arctic: Northwest Passage to Ellesmere and Axel Heiberg Islands

Journey through the Northwest Passage to Ellesmere and Axel Heiberg Islands on our new expedition vessel *Ultramarine*. You'll enjoy unique perspectives of the remote bays, inlets and channels of Canada's remote Arctic on *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs. The wildlife sightings in this rugged, rarely-visited region will astound you: polar bears, whales, seals, walruses and muskoxen.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

2 departures | 12 days

August 2022 & 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Resolute, Canada

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

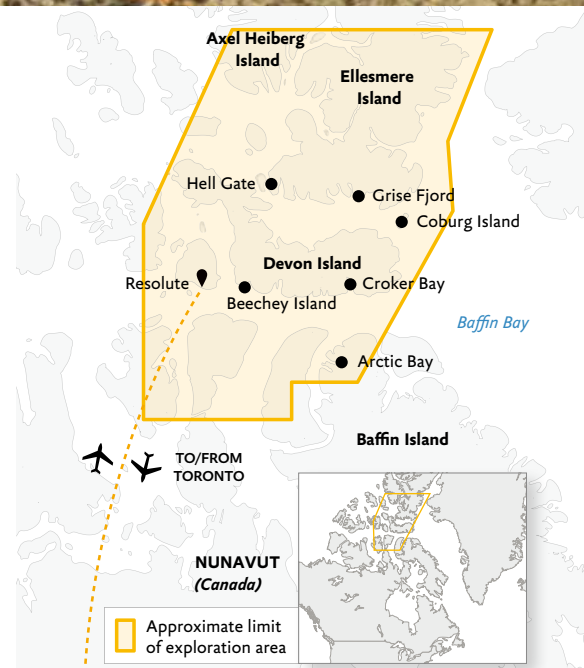
To/from Toronto, Canada
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages 48-49 for more details





Exploring Pangnirtung Fjord; a polar bear and her cub; a performance from Pond Inlet locals.

Northwest Passage: In the Footsteps of Franklin

Sail along the coast of Greenland before setting off for the remote Canadian Arctic as we retrace the route of the intrepid Franklin Expedition of 1845 on our game-changing new vessel, *Ultramarine*. The ship's two helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs enable you to explore Greenlandic villages, view glaciers, dramatic fjords and towering icebergs, and hike the Arctic tundra while looking for whales, walruses, muskoxen and polar bears.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

2 departures | 17 days

July 2022 & August 2023

Embarkation: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

Disembarkation: Resolute, Canada

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Toronto, Canada
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Taking in the dramatic scenery of Uummannaq, West Greenland.

Northwest Passage: Epic High Arctic

You'll spend more than two weeks on our new ship, *Ultramarine*, as we explore the fabled Northwest Passage. We'll take advantage of *Ultramarine's* two helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs to explore the highlights of the Canadian Arctic and Greenland's stunning west coast, visiting traditional Inuit and Greenlandic communities, and witnessing one of the world's fastest moving glaciers at Ilulissat Icefjord. As always, we'll stay on the lookout for whales, walruses, muskoxen and elusive polar bears.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

2 departures | 17 days

August 2022 & 2023

Embarkation: Resolute, Canada

Disembarkation: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Toronto, Canada
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Quark Expeditions' staff exploring the Russian High Arctic.

Jewels of the Russian Arctic: Franz Josef Land and Novaya Zemlya

Retrace the route of Willem Barentsz, the first European explorer to overwinter in the Arctic in 1596, and visit research stations in the rarely traveled Russian Arctic. The two captivating archipelagos offer up breathtaking views of pristine wilderness, calving glaciers and rugged shorelines, some of the richest history of polar expedition, and iconic wildlife such as walrus, whales, seabirds and polar bears.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

2 departures | 16 days

July 2022 & 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Murmansk, Russia

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details





Taking in the vast Russian landscape; top view of a Tellman Fjord glacier; a herd of walrus.



High Arctic Odyssey: Remote Russian Archipelagos

In the spirit of a true Arctic adventure, this 22-day voyage to the Russian Arctic will explore the rarely-visited Kara Sea—and journey toward Severnaya Zemlya, the last territorial discovery on the planet. You'll also experience Novaya Zemlya, the remote archipelago where the earliest explorers overwintered, and visit historical sites at Franz Josef Land, the world's northernmost archipelago, and look for iconic Arctic wildlife such as polar bears, walruses and seabirds.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



2 departures | 22 days

August 2022 & 2023

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Murmansk, Russia

See Dates and Rates for details.

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

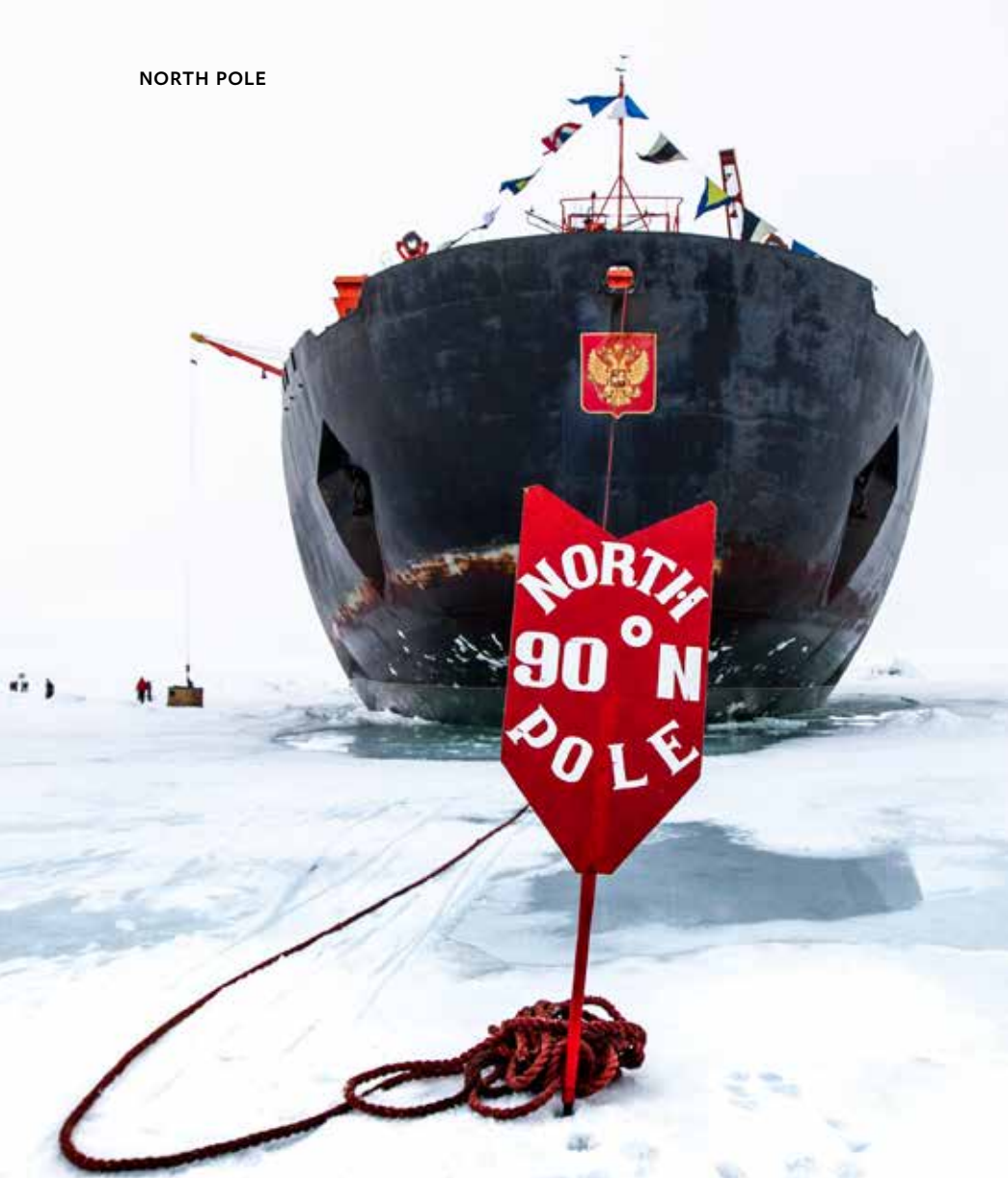
Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 52-53 for more details





50 Years of Victory; hot air ballooning at the North Pole; an inquisitive polar bear.



North Pole: The Ultimate Arctic Adventure

Traveling on the legendary *50 Years of Victory* icebreaker, you'll venture to 90° North to stand at the very top of the globe. Quark Expeditions recently celebrated the 30th anniversary of our inaugural North Pole journey in 1991. Your vessel will crush through thick pack ice, enabling you to view Arctic wildlife, enjoy helicopter flightseeing, view bird colonies, enjoy a barbecue on the ice—and perhaps take a polar plunge. Later, you'll visit historical sites of Franz Josef Land archipelago.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



14-Day Voyage

📍 **Embarkation/Disembarkation:**
Murmansk, Russia

✈️ **Charter flight:**

To/from Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

50 Years of Victory

Adventure Options:

See pages S2-S3 for more details



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We had the most perfect day as we approached Franz Josef Land. It was so sunny when I woke up, **I had to open the window [and saw] three bowhead whales not that far from the ship.** This was very auspicious... It was like they came to welcome us to these islands that few people ever see.”

— MEGAN MITCHELL

North Pole: The Ultimate Arctic Adventure
50 Years of Victory | July 2017



A man with grey hair and a mustache, wearing sunglasses and a bright yellow jacket, is seated in a boat. He is looking out towards a vast, cold landscape featuring large icebergs floating in the water and snow-capped mountains in the distance under a cloudy sky. Another person in a similar yellow jacket is partially visible behind him. The boat's interior, including a red and black striped surface and some equipment, is visible in the foreground.

*Our
superior
fleet.*

Qthe Adventure

Quark Expeditions maintains the largest, most diverse fleet of small polar vessels in the industry, offering guests a wide range of choice based on the polar experience they'd like. The capacity of our ships ranges from 128 to 199 guests, which creates an intimate, relaxed onboard ambience. The small size of our vessels also means we're able to navigate hard-to-reach Arctic destinations that are inaccessible to larger vessels.

Each ship delivers a unique experience of its own. You get to choose. For instance, *Ultramarine*, with its two helicopters and 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs—not to mention superior onboard amenities—offers the most off-ship adventure activities in the Polar Regions. Then there's the legendary polar ice-breaker *50 Years of Victory*, much respected for its unrivalled ability to navigate the remote, ice-laden waters of the Arctic. And there are the classic touches of *Ocean Adventurer* that make it a favorite with guests and crew alike.



Rendering of Ultramarine.



BALCONY SUITE



TERRACE SUITE



DELUXE BALCONY SUITE

NEW Ultramarine

The newest ship in our fleet, *Ultramarine* is designed to take you deeper into the Polar Regions than any other operator for a truly immersive polar experience.

Equipped with two twin-engine helicopters, *Ultramarine* offers the most robust portfolio of adventure activities in the industry, and features the category's most spacious suites, breathtaking public spaces, and more outdoor wildlife viewing spaces than other expedition ships its size, complemented by an innovative mix of sustainability features that exceed all industry standards.

Q the Adventure on Ultramarine! This game-changing ship is positioned to deliver the most immersive polar experiences in the Arctic.

Ship Specifications:

Staff & Crew: 140

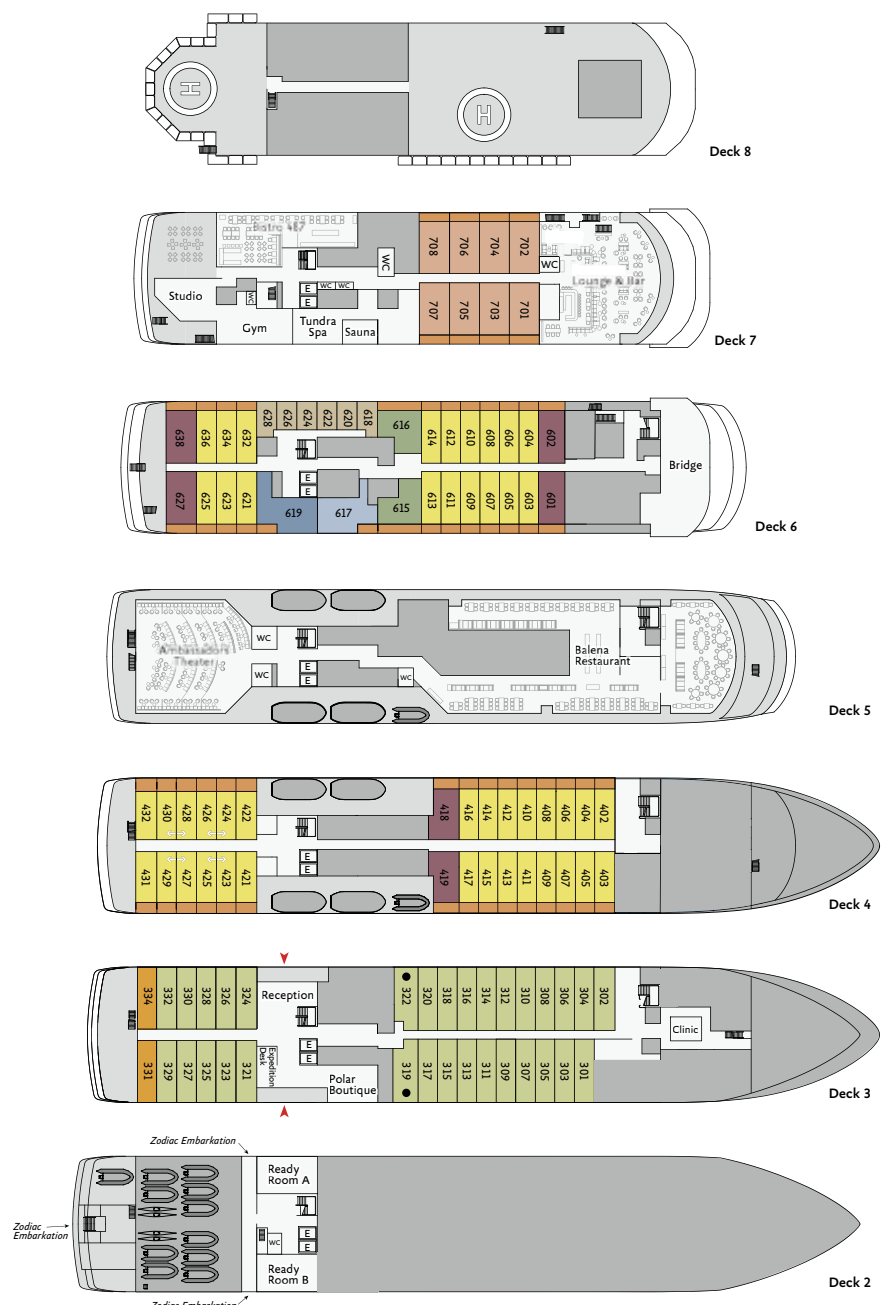
Guests: 199

Lifeboats: 4, fully enclosed

Ice Class: PC6

Suite Categories:

- **ULTRA SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, bedroom/walk-in closet, sitting area/additional walk-in closet, two separate living spaces, powder room, bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **OWNER'S SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, bedroom/walk-in closet, sitting area/additional closet, two separate living spaces, powder room, bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **PENTHOUSE SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **TERRACE SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **DELUXE BALCONY SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **BALCONY SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors. Some cabins in this category offer interconnecting rooms.
- **EXPLORER SUITE:** One double or two single beds, picture window, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors.
- **EXPLORER TRIPLE:** Three single beds, two of which can be combined into a double bed, picture window, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors.
- **SOLO PANORAMA:** One single bed, floor-to-ceiling windows, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors.



See Dates & Rates for cabin pricing.

[Visit QuarkExpeditions.com](http://VisitQuarkExpeditions.com) to view deck plan details.

Unbeatable helicopter experience.

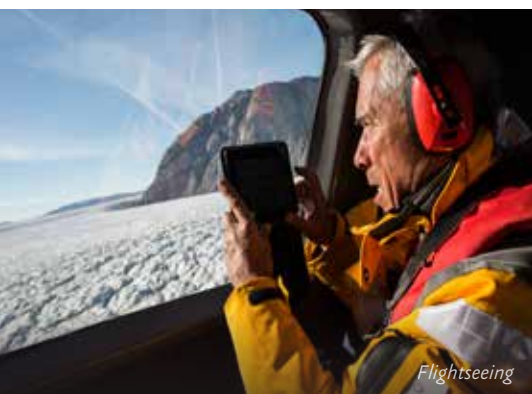
Quark Expeditions has the longest-running helicopter program in the Polar Regions—dating back to 1991. Today, our two best-in-class twin-engine helicopters on *Ultramarine* go further into the Polar Regions and get guests off the ship and enjoying their immersive polar excursions faster than any other operator.

The largest portfolio of off-ship adventure options in the industry.

Our two twin-engine helicopters (and two helidecks) plus our fleet of 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs enable guests to enjoy off-ship adventures never before possible, making Quark Expeditions the Leader in Polar Helicopter Adventure. Our helicopter-supported activities—designed to take guests beyond the polar horizons—include:

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|---|---|--|--|
|  Flightseeing |  Ice Sheet Experience |  Heli-Landing |  Greenland Camp Experience |
|  Heli-Hiking |  Mountain Biking |  Alpine Kayaking | |

See pages 52-53 for more details on all Adventure Options.



Flightseeing



Adventure meets luxury



Industry leading safety

Advanced sustainability.

In keeping with our Polar Promise, our helicopters were selected for their:

- Status as the most fuel-efficient aircrafts of their category
- Small external footprint
- Reduced noise pollution.

Most experienced crew.

Our expedition team draws on 30 years of heli-expertise.

You'll fly with:

- The best trained helicopter pilots in the polar industry
- Pilots who are well-travelled and worldly
- Guides who are personable, and always create an intimate and accessible flight experience.

Industry leading polar safety.

Our state-of-the-art aircrafts are equipped with the latest technology, placing our helicopters among the safest in their class.

Adventure meets luxury.

You'll enjoy superior comfort in a sleek, best-in-class helicopter while flying over the pristine polar landscape.

Highlighting your polar flight:

- Best-in-class window sizes for viewing and photography opportunities
- The layout gives almost everyone on board an excellent window view (7 out of 8 get a window seat)
- Quiet flying experience
- Designed for ultimate comfort.

Ultramarine Amenities

In addition to the game changing off ship experiences, *Ultramarine* will provide you with an exceptional onboard experience. *Ultramarine* features 102 suites across nine categories, including six solo suites with floor-to-ceiling windows and the largest entry-level twin suites of its class. Each suite has been meticulously designed to keep guests inspired by, and connected to, the breathtaking polar landscapes outside. Learn all about what these cabins have to offer.

	<i>Solo Panorama</i>	<i>Explorer Triple</i>	<i>Explorer Suite</i>	<i>Balcony Suite</i>	<i>Deluxe Balcony Suite</i>	<i>Terrace Suite</i>	<i>Penthouse Suite</i>	<i>Owner's Suite</i>	<i>Ultra Suite</i>
Number of Cabins available	6	2	30	46	6	2	8	1	1
Balcony Size	-	-	-	52 ft ² (4.8 m ²)	70 ft ² (6.5 m ²)	100 ft ² (9.3 m ²)	67 ft ² (6.2 m ²)	46 ft ² (4.3 m ²)	46 ft ² (4.3 m ²)
Cabin Size	132 ft ² (12 m ²)	285 ft ² (26.5 m ²)	285 ft ² (26.5 m ²)	226 ft ² (21 m ²)	299 ft ² (28 m ²)	350 ft ² (32.5 m ²)	369 ft ² (34 m ²)	446 ft ² (41 m ²)	563 ft ² (52 m ²)
CABIN FEATURES									
Climate control	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fridge	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
In-cabin safe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Individual cabin storage space	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Heated bathroom floors	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Separating beds	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sofa bed	-	-	<i>Select Suites</i>	<i>Select Suites</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dedicated living area	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bathtub	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Enclosed toilet	-	-	-	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓
Powder room	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Private bedroom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Walk-in closet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
EXTERIOR VIEWS									
Picture windows	-	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Floor to ceiling windows	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Walk out balcony	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AMENITIES									
Quark Expeditions parka	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Reusable water bottle	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Muck Boots, on loan for duration of voyage	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dedicated locker in Ready Room	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shampoo, conditioner and shower gel	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bathrobes and slippers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hair dryer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Upgraded bedding	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
In suite coffee	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
Binoculars, on loan for duration of voyage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
ENTERTAINMENT/TECHNOLOGY									
USB charging station	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
43" TV	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓
55" TV	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Onboard WiFi credit	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
OCCUPANCY OPTIONS									
Interconnecting cabins	-	-	-	<i>Select Suites</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Solo Request Share Cabins	-	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
SERVICES									
Access to fitness facilities	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Laundry service (<i>for a fee</i>)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Laundry service (<i>free of charge</i>)	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
Light menu bistro service available in between meals	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
In suite dining (<i>during restaurant hours</i>)	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
One hour spa treatment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Arrival transfers, where applicable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Upgraded pre/post-expedition hotel room, where applicable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓

A day onboard *Ultramarine*

*Relax, explore, learn, reflect,
and so much more!*



Penthouse Suite



Ready Room



Balena Restaurant

Wake up in your spa-inspired suite.

Every guest on *Ultramarine* wakes up to a view of the polar landscape. Private bathrooms with heated floors add to your morning comfort. Other possible amenities, depending on your suite: a picture window and/or balcony, a walk-in closet and sitting area, among other extra touches.

Join the early birds in Bistro 487.

Consider a quiet walk on the deck and then enjoy a morning cup of java with other early risers before breakfast.

Enjoy breakfast with a view.

Feel free to remain in Bistro 487 for your breakfast, or choose a table in our sleek, modern dining-room, Balena, which is designed with window views in every direction.

Get ready to explore the polar environment.

Get suited up for an off-ship excursion in *Ultramarine's* specially-designed Ready Rooms, complete with individual lockers to store and dry personal items and expedition gear while you enjoy your Zodiac cruise through the polar waters.

Keep your ears open for morning announcements.

Your Expedition Leader will announce any updates to the daily program and share weather announcements over the PA system to help you plan your day.

Enjoy wildlife views from the ship.

Ultramarine has more open deck space for viewing wildlife than any other ship of its size. Watch for whales, polar bears and other wildlife from the comfort of the ship.

Lunch.

Enjoy a delicious lunch while swapping stories and expedition experiences with fellow guests in our Balena Restaurant or Bistro 487.

Relax in the *Ultramarine* library.

Lose yourself in one of the many books on a wide array of polar subjects in the comfortable library.

Enjoy an unforgettable off-ship Adventure Option.

Choose from *Ultramarine's* robust portfolio of off-ship adventure options, such as sea kayaking, paddling excursions, or sign up for one of our helicopter-supported adventure options such as mountain biking or alpine kayaking.

Relax and rejuvenate back on the ship.

Consider a soothing massage or visit the steam room in Tundra, *Ultramarine's* beautifully designed spa. Or practice yoga in the Studio. Then perhaps experience our sauna with floor-to-ceiling windows that allow you to stay connected to the polar landscape while relaxing indoors.

Attend an expert presentation.

Join fellow guests in *Ultramarine's* Ambassadors Theater to learn from knowledgeable experts who present on various polar subjects. The schedule of these presentations will be determined by the day's activities.



Pre-dinner cocktails.

Enjoy a cocktail with fellow guests while your Expedition Leader enthusiastically shares the daily recap and outlines the plan for the following day.

Dinner is served.

Sit down to a gourmet meal—inspired by cuisines from around the world—in the Balena Restaurant, which features outstanding views from every seat, full access to the 360-degree wraparound deck, and a variety of seating configurations to comfortably accommodate all guests and expedition staff. You also have the option of dining in the more casual and intimate Bistro 487.

Call it a day.

Wrap up your day with a drink in the Panorama Lounge with your new friends, or head out onto the deck to take in the calm, low-light at the end of the day. Then it's back to your spa-inspired cabin to rest up for tomorrow—another life-changing day on *Ultramarine*.



From wilderness to wellness.

Guests traveling on *Ultramarine* have plenty of opportunities to rejuvenate and relax back onboard the ship after a day spent exploring the polar wilderness. Tundra, our state-of-the-art spa on Deck 7, is the onboard space where our guests can fully relax and unwind before their next off-ship adventure.



Tundra Spa

Inspired by the calming and serene polar landscapes, our Tundra spa, in collaboration with VOYA of Ireland, is the core of our wellness offering onboard *Ultramarine*. Guests can enjoy thoughtfully selected wellness treatments and luxurious organic products designed to nourish the body and relax the mind.

Amenities include:

- › Two dedicated treatment rooms with luxurious heated massage beds, as well as shower facilities, hair treatment studio, and a post-treatment relaxation room with ocean views.
- › An array of massages, body scrubs and wraps, including our signature Tundra Hot Stone Massage Journey.
- › All treatments feature VOYA organic skincare products, based on organic hand-harvested seaweed oils.



Sauna

Sauna

The beautifully-designed co-ed sauna on *Ultramarine* features floor-to-ceiling windows, which enable guests to relax back on the ship while still remaining connected to the icy waters and pristine Arctic landscape outside.



Fitness Center

Steam Room

The steam room is available for you to relax and rejuvenate after a hike or a workout.

Fitness Center and Studio

Our onboard fitness center is fully equipped with state-of-the-art equipment by Technogym, allowing guests to maintain their fitness regimen while traveling. The Studio also features mats and balls for stretching or informal yoga practice.



Studio



Nutritious Meals

With two onboard restaurants, our culinary team delivers contemporary meals with lighter options at every service. *(Please notify us of any dietary preferences at the time of booking.)*

Clean Air

In addition to the fresh air in the wide open spaces of the remote Polar Regions, guests also benefit from *Ultramarine's* advanced air filtration system. We want you to breathe easy on board and off-ship.

Food & drinks.

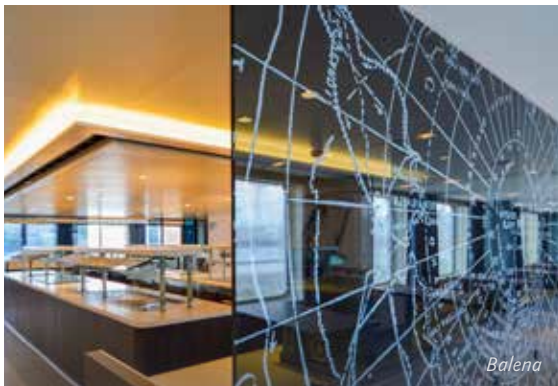
Food is an integral element of the expedition experience on *Ultramarine*. In addition to enjoying fine dining inspired by cuisines from around the world, meal times are excellent opportunities to share the day's highlights with fellow guests and engage with members of the expedition team and onboard polar experts.

Our internationally-trained chefs work with local experts across our far-flung destinations to source local items that provide an authentic flavor accent to selected food and beverage offerings. *(Please inform our team of dietary restrictions when you book your voyage.)* Desserts are fabulous! Afternoon tea, with pastries or cookies, is provided about 4 pm every day. Fresh pastries arrive warm from the oven for early birds about 6 am. Guests on *Ultramarine* can choose from two restaurants, as well as two additional bars.

Balena

Balena is our finer dining restaurant on *Ultramarine*, serving contemporary cuisine for breakfast, lunch and dinner with capacity to seat all guests and the entire expedition team at the same time. Expect globally-inspired dishes and regional specialties that feature locally sourced and sustainable ingredients. Savor house wines and beers at

lunch and dinner, or select from our in-restaurant beverage menu, featuring fine regional and global wines, as well as spirits (at an additional cost). Balena is designed so that every seat has a good view and there are four exits directly onto the wraparound deck, ensuring guests have easy access to the sometimes fleeting wonders of nature outside.



Balena



Ambassadors



Panorama

Bistro 487

Bistro 487 is the more casual restaurant on Deck 7, serving extended breakfast, lunch and dinner to accommodate those who rise early or late or simply want a change of scenery. The Bistro 487 menu features quicker meals and offers "grab and go" staples between meal times. With access to outdoor seating on the aft deck, Bistro 487 hosts the ever-popular Quark Expeditions barbecues and serves as an ideal location for those who relish the opportunity to enjoy a coffee or cocktail in the great outdoors.

Ambassadors

Ambassadors is the main theater/lounge on *Ultramarine*, where guests enjoy informative talks and presentations from a variety of expedition staff, polar experts and special guests. The Ambassadors bar will be open during presentation hours and for special events.

Panorama Lounge

The Panorama Lounge on Deck 7 is the main bar on *Ultramarine* and features spectacular forward views, a variety of comfortable seating and a convivial bar atmosphere offering an array of specialty cocktails, 24-hour coffee and tea, plus a well-stocked polar library.

Travel Well!



MAIN DECK TWIN WINDOW



DELUXE



OWNER'S SUITE

Ocean Adventurer

A guest favorite, *Ocean Adventurer* recently underwent a multi-million-dollar restoration. The ship's traditional mahogany and brass décor has been complemented by a completely refreshed lounge and dining room, as well as new bathrooms in public spaces and all cabins, updated Suites, and the addition of six Deluxe and three Owner's Suites. Technical improvements feature two new Rolls-Royce engines that increase fuel efficiency and minimize the ship's carbon footprint. Facilities include a dining room, multipurpose lounge and bar, gym, Polar Library and Polar Boutique.

Ship Specifications:

Staff & Crew: 87

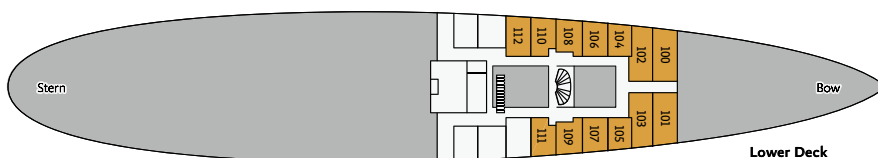
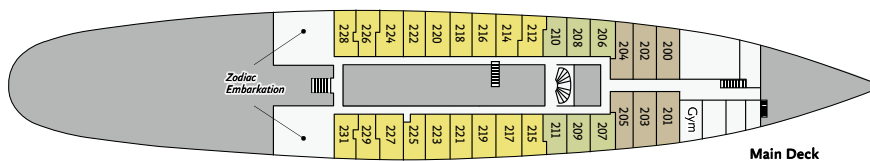
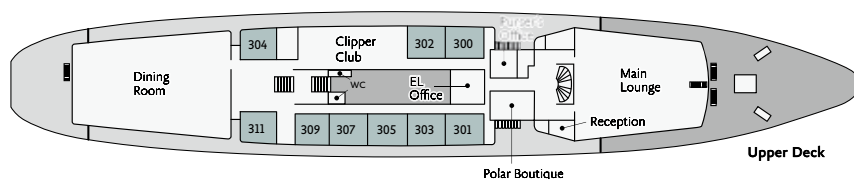
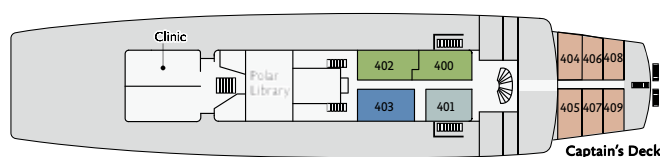
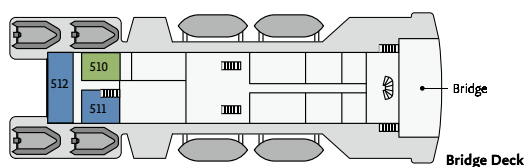
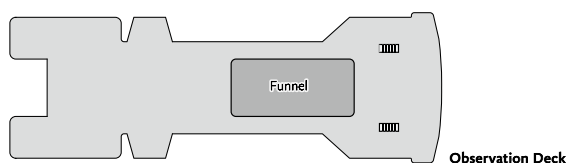
Guests: 128

Lifeboats: 4, partially enclosed

Ice Class: 1A

Cabin Categories:

- **OWNER'S SUITE:** Double bed, private sitting area, private bathroom, multiple windows with exterior views.
- **SUITE:** Double bed, private bathroom (Cabin 403 has bathtub, others have showers), windows with exterior views.
- **DELUXE:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, windows with exterior views.
- **SUPERIOR:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, windows with exterior views.
- **MAIN DECK TWIN WINDOW:** Two lower beds, private bathroom and window with exterior view.
- **MAIN DECK PORTHOLE:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, porthole with exterior views.
- **LOWER DECK TWIN:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, porthole with exterior views.
- **TRIPLE:** Two lower beds and one upper bed, private bathroom, porthole with exterior views.



See Dates & Rates for cabin pricing.

[Visit QuarkExpeditions.com](http://VisitQuarkExpeditions.com) to view deck plan details.



ARKTIKA



SUITE



MINI SUITE

50 Years of Victory

This nuclear-powered icebreaker is one of the most powerful in the world, capable of breaking through ice up to 8.2 feet thick. As such, the *50 Years of Victory* is in high demand, busy keeping shipping routes open the rest of the year. Having completed more than 50 journeys to the North Pole—and in record times—the ship carries with it a definitive cachet unmatched by any other. Facilities include a dining room, lounge and presentation room, all-inclusive bar, gym, basketball court, sauna, plunge pool, Polar Library, Polar Boutique and onboard helicopter for aerial sightseeing.

Ship Specifications:

Staff & Crew: 140

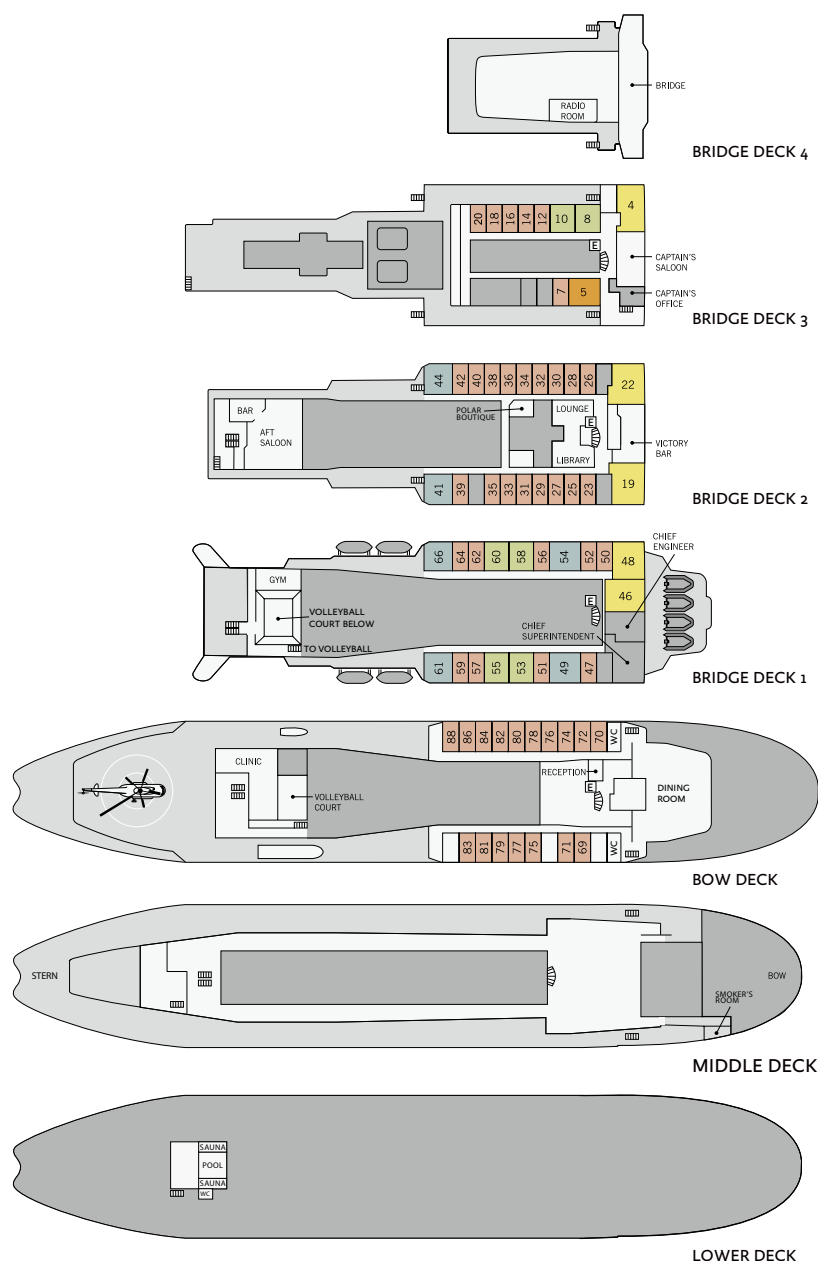
Guests: 128

Lifeboats: 4, fully enclosed

Ice Class: LL1 (highest rating possible)

Suite Categories:

- **ARKITKA SUITE:** Spacious bedroom with single bed and sitting room with sofa bed, private bathroom with bathtub, TV, DVD player, coffee maker, exterior window opens
- **VICTORY SUITE:** Spacious bedroom with single bed and sitting room with sofa bed, private bathroom with shower, refrigerator, TV, DVD player, coffee maker, exterior window opens
- **SUITE:** Bedroom with sitting area and sofa bed, private bathroom with bathtub or shower, refrigerator, TV, DVD player, coffee maker, exterior window opens
- **MINI SUITE:** Sitting area with a sofa bed and curtained-off bedroom, TV and DVD player, private bathroom, exterior window opens
- **TWIN:** One lower bed and sofa bed, TV and DVD player, private bathroom, exterior window opens



See Dates & Rates for cabin pricing.

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Q the On-Ship Experience

Quark Expeditions' fleet provides guests with many options to engage, relax, learn and stay connected to the polar environment even when they're onboard the ship.

Your life onboard.



Onboard enrichment

Daily presentations by experts in glaciology, penguinology, history, ornithology, marine biology and other polar-related subjects deepen your expedition experience.



Daily briefings and recaps

Guests can expect updates each morning on the day's highlights, weather changes and itinerary along with daily summaries in the afternoon/evening.



Opportunities to connect

Connect with fellow guests and expedition team members. Guests frequently interact with expedition team members in the dining room and on outer decks.



Superb dining

Our internationally-trained chefs oversee a menu that changes daily. Our culinary team strives to satisfy dietary preferences and tastes. Breakfast and lunch feature a buffet while dinner is a plated service. Afternoon tea (with pastries or cookies) is provided late afternoon, and fresh pastries are available for early birds before breakfast.



Exercise and wellness

Amenities vary from ship to ship. Guests on *Ocean Adventurer* have access to a gym, while those traveling on *50 Years of Victory* can relax in the sauna. Guests on our new ship *Ultramarine* can book into Tundra spa, enjoy the sauna with floor-to-ceiling windows or practice yoga in the Studio.



Wildlife viewing

Every ship has easy-access spots to observe wildlife while onboard. Our newest ship, *Ultramarine*, has more outdoor wildlife viewing spaces than other expedition ships its size.



Lounge and bar

Each ship offers a lounge and bar(s) for guests to gather together to enjoy coffee and afternoon snacks, socialize over drinks and for staff presentations.



*Amazing off-ship
experiences.*

Qthe Adventure

Quark Expeditions has the most robust portfolio of adventure options in the polar industry—offering guests the opportunity to experience the Arctic landscape in ways never before imagined. The addition of the game-changing new vessel *Ultramarine*—with its two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs—

is a game changer in polar adventure. Quark Expeditions' portfolio of off-ship activities include heli-hiking, Zodiac cruising, alpine-kayaking, heli-flightseeing, mountain biking, participation in the polar plunge, photography excursions, hot-air ballooning and more.



Paddle excursion in Arctic waters.

Included in your expeditions



Heli-Landing

You'll be transported in small groups on *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine helicopters to landing sites only accessible by air. Expect stunning aerial views from your seat in the helicopter—and yet more incredible polar vistas once you land: glaciers, icebergs, remote landscapes, wildlife and more.

**Select departures.*



Heli-Hiking

Helicopters will transfer you to the start of the most scenic hiking routes of Southern Greenland and then pick you up at the end point of the route. Each heli-hiking departure will be tailored to your personal needs and level of interests.

**Greenland Adventure voyages only.*



Ice Sheet Experience

Ascend high above the cascading coastal glaciers onto the immense polar plateau of the Greenland Ice Sheet and take in the immensity of this overwhelming landscape. An excursion on one of *Ultramarine's* helicopters means you'll enjoy polar views very few others have ever experienced.

**Greenland Adventure voyages only.*



Flightseeing

Enjoy a bird's-eye view of the Arctic—icebergs, glaciers, snow-capped peaks, expansive waterways, fjords—while seated comfortably in one of *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine helicopters. Looking down upon the magnificent Arctic wilderness will give you a unique perspective of the polar environment.

**Select departures.*



Walking/Hiking

Each shore landing is an excellent opportunity for you to explore the terrain on foot. Travelers are split into groups based on hiking ability and area of interest, giving everyone a satisfying hour or two of exploration.



Polar Plunge

As madcap as it looks, willingly jumping into the bone-chilling ocean waters has become a polar rite of passage—and the photo ops are priceless. Dare yourself to take the plunge!



Zodiac Cruising

These polar-sturdy, reinforced rubber skiffs whisk you safely from the ship to the remote shorelines and back, taking you into the shallow waters that the ship can't reach. Touring around by Zodiac while looking out for wildlife is an intimate and relaxing way of exploring the Arctic bays and inlets.

All of our Adventure Options are weather-permitting. Not all activities are included on all voyages. See individual itineraries for specific details.

Additional activities



Greenland Camp Experience

Join local hosts at Tasermiut Camp for a night at one of the most exclusive camps in Greenland. Enjoy an intimate small-group walk through the beautiful Greenlandic landscapes with a local chef who will identify fresh ingredients, after which you and your fellow guests will prepare an incredible meal together.

**Greenland Adventure voyages only. No experience required.*



Mountain Biking

Keen for a more active adventure? Our team has joined with local partners to identify incredible mountain biking routes through the stunning scenery of Southern Greenland. *Ultramarine's* helicopters will take you to the best terrain and be there to pick you up so you're always covering new ground along the way.

**Greenland Adventure voyages only. Must be moderately fit. Previous mountain biking experience required.*



Alpine Kayaking

Our expert kayak guides will take—by *Ultramarine's* helicopters—to remote glacial lakes high in the upper alpine zones of Southern Greenland. Find yourself in complete tranquility as you pioneer the untouched and raw beauty of these isolated lakes.

**Greenland Adventure voyages only. No experience required.*



Hot Air Ballooning

See the North Pole in a way few will ever experience, looking down from the basket of a tethered hot-air balloon. Weather permitting, we take you up for a breathtaking bird's-eye view of 90° North—a vista you will never forget.

**North Pole voyages only.*



Sea Kayaking

Kayaking along the rugged coastlines and through the calm bays with an experienced guide is one of the most inspiring ways to explore the pristine regions of the Arctic. Guests in the sea kayaking program typically paddle out onto the water multiple times during their expedition. This adventure option is weather-dependent.

**Select departures. Some previous experience is required.*



Paddling Excursion

A guided, one-time paddle enables you to enjoy your polar surroundings from a unique and intimate perspective. Just imagine yourself gliding on a stable, sit-on-top kayak, at one with the water, experiencing the Arctic at its most tranquil. That's the kind of memory that will last forever.

**Select departures. No experience required.*



Qthe Ensemble

Talk to anyone who's traveled on a Quark Expeditions voyage and the first thing they'll talk about is the team—the ensemble cast of Polar Travel Advisors, Expedition Leaders, Adventure Guides and other on-ship staff who do everything possible to curate unforgettable guest experiences in the Polar Regions. Passion, determination, expertise, commitment to safety, and curiosity have defined the Quark Expeditions team since 1991. As the most experienced team in the expedition industry, we draw on our 30 years of polar exploration to ensure you have the polar trip of a lifetime.

Polar Travel Advisors.

Our dedicated team of polar specialists are available to help you from the first email exchange or initial phone call to the friendly follow-up after you've returned home after your voyage. Trust our team of Polar Travel Advisors to have the information you need to plan your life-changing Arctic journey.



Polar experience: All of our Polar Travel Advisors have first-hand experience in the Polar Regions. Some have made multiple polar voyages throughout their career.



In-depth knowledge: Our Polar Travel Advisors undergo rigorous training. All of them are thoroughly versed in the guidelines and regulations of the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO).



Multilingual: Collectively, our Polar Travel Advisors are fluent in English, French, Spanish, Mandarin and Egyptian Arabic.

Quark Expeditions staff on the lookout for wildlife.

Your Expedition Leaders.

We have the most experienced and most passionate team of Expedition Leaders in the industry. They bring an incredible range of experience and skill to every adventure they lead. Simply put, they know the Arctic like the back of their hands.

All of our Expedition Leaders undergo rigorous training at Quark Expeditions' very own polar training institute, Quark Academy. Along with hands-on training, our teams are fully immersed in the regulations and guidelines established by the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO), the two bodies which serve to protect the two Polar Regions where we operate.



Abbey Weisbrot

Home base: Haida Gwaii, British Columbia

Years of polar experience: 7

Polar expeditions to date: 70

Areas of expertise: Bachelor of Tourism Management with a major in Adventure Studies. Certified Level 3 Lead Sea Kayak Guide with Sea Kayak Guides Alliance of British Columbia.

Advice to polar travelers: "Consciously slow down and soak up the incredible beauty around you, both big and small. Be present, take opportunities as they arise, and spend as much time out on the outer decks as possible."



Alison Gordon

Home base: Canberra, Australia

Years of polar experience: 7

Polar expeditions to date: 100

Areas of expertise: Alison, who speaks Mandarin, has studied geopolitics and founded a company that tackles the issues of food waste and sustainable protein. She's an avid skier, scuba diver, cyclist, runner and conservationist.

Advice to polar travelers: "Be open to what it feels like to fall in love (again) with our planet and the beauty it contains."



Andrea Machacek

Home base: Salzburg and Vienna, Austria

Years of polar experience: 11

Polar expeditions to date: 85

Areas of expertise: Quark Expeditions Destination Consultant for North Atlantic and Greenland. Andrea is multilingual: German, English, French, Spanish and "Survival Russian"

Advice to polar travelers: "A true engagement with nature requires you to bring all of yourself, body and soul, your attention and focus—as opposed to living your life through your viewfinder or camera lens. Live in the moment, let your senses and horizon expand, and you will feel the magic happen."



Christian Geissler

Home base: Cumberland, BC

Years of polar experience: 15

Polar expeditions to date: 130

Areas of expertise: Christian has developed an expertise in marine mammals and orcas, most recently supporting scientific observations in the Canadian Arctic. Christian is also a skilled artist, creating paintings depicting the wildlife and seascapes of the West Coast of Canada, the Arctic and Antarctica.

Advice to polar travelers: "Being an explorer can be subjective and a personal experience and you're never too old to start."





David Burton

Home base: Shetland Islands, UK

Years of polar experience: 10

Polar expeditions to date: 90

Areas of expertise: History and glaciology

Advice to polar travelers: "Head to the outer decks after dinner to take an evening constitutional. There's no better place than the Polar Regions to take some time and reflect on the serene beauty you've witnessed that day, as well as contemplate the life-changing moments you're experiencing. You never know what you might catch sight of—the majesty of the northern lights or a sighting of some wildlife!"



David (Woody) Wood

Home base: Melbourne, AU

Years of polar experience: 20

Polar expeditions to date: 300

Areas of expertise: Woody has developed in-depth knowledge of numerous aspects of polar wilderness throughout two decades of polar expedition.

Advice to polar travelers: "Polar voyages touch people in different ways. The polar environment has a power which sets people thinking about their place in our world. Get prepared with gear and have the time of your life! Travel with eyes wide open, with no fixed ideas and be open to the beauty, wonder, tranquility and fury of the polar environment."



Laurie Di Vincenzo

Home base: Toronto, ON

Years of polar experience: 8

Polar expeditions to date: 100

Areas of expertise: Marine logistics and operations management are Laurie's specialties. Laurie has also been appointed the first-ever Expedition Leader of *Ultramarine*.

Advice to polar travelers: "Find a quiet moment, sit still, put down your camera, and fully immerse yourself in your polar surroundings. Don't let your mind drift to anything else other than that moment, and just give yourself space and time to absorb the landscape (and perhaps the wildlife!) around you."



Shane Evoy

Home base: Pointe au Baril, Ontario

Years of polar experience: 26

Polar expeditions to date: 250

What guests are apt to learn on a polar voyage:

"I hope guests will learn a lot about the areas we go into so they can protect what they love. There's a quote from environmentalist Baba Dioum that I live by when I'm on an expedition: 'In the end, we will conserve only what we love; we will love only what we understand; and we will understand only what we are taught.'"

Advice to polar travelers: "Sit, look, listen, and feel what is around you and take it all in."



Solan Jensen

Home base: Juneau, AK

Years of polar experience: 15

Polar expeditions to date: 134

Areas of expertise: Solan's roles have included wilderness ranger, expedition leader, kayak guide, boat builder and marine mammal emergency responder.

Advice to polar travelers: "Bring a receptivity to continuously absorb the experience, every gust of wind, wild shoreline and mountain, every creature that calls the polar regions home—and the ice that is home. Bring binoculars everywhere. Go on every off-ship excursion and spend as much time as you can on the outer decks of the ship. Come with curiosity and a heightened awareness because the polar regions are as huge and magnificent as they are subtle and intricate."



Experience Matters!

We have the most experienced team in the Polar Regions. Each Expedition Leader brings years of polar experience to the role—as well expertise. Some are marine mammal experts, glaciologists and polar historians while others have specialties in whale studies, marine logistics and conservation. Our guests reap the benefits of this vast polar knowledge.



The people of the North.

Whenever Quark Expeditions ventures to the remote Arctic, we are ever mindful that we're visiting lands long inhabited by Indigenous peoples who've thrived across the circumpolar north—long before European explorers conceived the notion of setting out to explore new lands.

For the northern lands we visit—Nunavut (Canadian Arctic) and remote Greenland, among them—were already known by the Indigenous people who hunted, fished, nurtured their cultural traditions, co-existed with the wildlife, and were caretakers of the vast lands we're fortunate to explore today. Whether we're visiting a community, hiking across the rugged and undulating tundra or Zodiac cruising a majestic fjord in Nunavut on itineraries such as *Arctic Express Canada: The Heart of the Northwest Passage*, we are visitors to the Nunavummiut homeland. Nunavut, in the Inuktitut language, means "our land."



Similarly, when we set foot on the Greenland Ice Sheet, visit a historic Thule site, view traditional qajaq (kayak) demonstrations or share traditional culinary experiences, we are doing so on the homeland of the Greenlandic Inuit, or Kalaaliit. This land is known to its residents as Kalaallit Nunaat, meaning “The Land of the People”.

Qaanaaq (formerly known as Thule or New Thule), included in the *Best of the Western Arctic: Canada and Greenland* itinerary, is one of the northernmost towns in the world, where the inhabitants speak the local Inuktun language, as well as Kalaallisut and Danish. The Thule were predecessors to the modern Inuit.



TO THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTH:

For inviting us into your homes,
for giving us the opportunity to
experience the beauty of your
lands and your rich culture, we
say Nakurmiik. Qujannamiik.
Matna. Qujanaq. Thank you.

*For itineraries that celebrate
the Indigenous culture
of Greenland or introduce
guests to the rich Inuit culture
of the Canadian High Arctic,
see pages 26–29.*



Why travel with us?

We've been exploring the Polar Regions for three decades, which means we've been taking guests on life-changing journeys to the Arctic and Antarctic longer than anyone else. As the Leader in Polar Adventures, we're committed to taking travelers beyond the ordinary, outside the predictable and expected. We were the first expedition company to take commercial guests to the North Pole—back in 1991. We led the first-ever passenger transit of the Northeast Passage. We were the first to offer hot-air ballooning at the North Pole. We've always been driven to discover what's out there—and we're committed to taking you places no one else can—and we're the first expedition company to offer helicopter-supported alpine kayaking in the Arctic.

Here are 11 more reasons why Quark Expeditions should be your first choice for your Arctic expedition:

WE ONLY DO POLAR.

Exclusively! We're not a cruise company that dabbles in the Arctic and Antarctic. Polar is all we've been doing for the last three decades. You can have absolute trust in the expedition team that knows the Arctic and Antarctic inside out.

WE HAVE THE MOST EXPERIENCED TEAM IN THE POLAR REGIONS.

After 30 years of polar adventure, our seasoned expedition team and polar specialists have endless passion and unparalleled knowledge to share with guests. Our high ratio of expedition staff-to-guests means a more personal experience.

WE BELIEVE IN BEING ENGAGED TRAVELERS—NOT PASSIVE OBSERVERS.

Quark Expeditions invites guests to experience the Polar Regions by land, sea, air and ice—not merely just see it through a window.

WE OFFER MORE OFF-SHIP ADVENTURE OPTIONS THAN ANYONE ELSE.

We offer more ways to experience the polar environments than any other expedition company: flightseeing, sea kayaking, hiking, alpine heli-trekking and more. Our robust portfolio of adventure options means guests can truly personalize their polar experience.

WE IMMERSE YOU IN NATURE.

Our expert guides, innovative itineraries and quick-deploy Zodiacs enable spontaneous, wildlife encounters never before imagined!

WE DELIVER THE MOST INNOVATIVE ITINERARIES.

Quark Expeditions constantly pushes the boundaries of discovery. This year we offer our Greenland Adventure Program, the first of its kind to be fully developed in partnership with local Greenlandic communities.

WE'RE AN INDUSTRY LEADER IN HEALTH & SAFETY.

Quark Expeditions has an externally-accredited safety program (British Standard BS8848). In addition, every member of our expedition team undergoes in-depth safety training at Quark Academy, our proprietary polar training institute.

WE ENGAGE AND EDUCATE OUR GUESTS THROUGH ONBOARD PRESENTATIONS.

Our onboard experts (in glaciology, history, biology, geology and other subjects) share their in-depth knowledge with guests throughout the entire voyage.

WE TAKE GUESTS DEEPER INTO THE POLAR REGIONS THAN ANYONE ELSE.

Our two twin-engine helicopters enable guests to experience the most remote destinations in the Polar Regions.

WE USE THE RIGHT SHIPS FOR THE JOB.

Quark Expeditions maintains the largest, most diverse polar fleet in the industry, offering guests a wide range of choice. Our polar ships carry fewer than 200 guests and are small enough to allow guests access to hard-to-reach areas. Our ship sizes allow for customized and more personalized experiences.

WE HAVE THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY IN THE POLAR REGIONS.

Our Polar Promise is the most holistic sustainability strategy of its kind. Since 2010, we've decreased emissions from our fleet by 28%. In 2017, we eliminated single use plastics. By 2025, we aim to reduce carbon emissions by 10%, ensuring we can protect the areas we visit for generations to come.

Polar Boutique.

Get polar-ready for your expedition with stylish, brand-name gear that's designed for optimal performance in the Arctic. Learn how to outfit yourself from head to toe and get tips on what to pack at Shop.QuarkExpeditions.com

Base Layer

Wicking is king. Tops and pants specifically designed to wick moisture away from the body and keep your core body temperature regulated are ideal. Choose synthetic fibers or wool/wool blends.



WARM HAT

Outer Layer

Top quality waterproof pants and gloves will protect you from the elements.

You'll receive Quark Expeditions' signature yellow parka when you embark on your voyage.

Get a better look at the 3-in-1 parka and its polar-perfect features

OUTER LAYER
waterproof mitts
or gloves

OUTER LAYER
waterproof pants

*Mandatory on polar trips.
Stay warm. Stay comfortable!*

OUTER LAYER
Waterproof Muck Boots
*Loaned to you by Quark Expeditions
for the duration of your voyage!*

MID LAYER
layered wool and
synthetic socks

BASE LAYER
worn next to skin

MID LAYER
fleece sweater

MID LAYER
leggings

WARM
GLOVES

Mid Layers

Worn over your base layer, mid layers will help keep you warm during your expedition. Visit the online polar boutique for options.

Golden Rules

RULE 1: Layers, layers, layers

Dressing in layers means you'll be ready for any type of weather you'll encounter.

RULE 2: Wear breathables (no cotton)

Wearing breathable materials ensures you stay warm and dry on polar landings.

RULE 3: Waterproof, not water repellent

Waterproof pants are essential for trips to the polar regions as you'll likely encounter splashes of water when going ashore.

*Model Jaymie MacAulay is one of
Quark Expeditions' expedition staff.*

A Polar-Perfect Parka

(yours to keep!)

3-IN-1 HOODED PARKA

Water resistant shell with removable insulating layer can be worn as a stand-alone piece for warmer polar days or your journey home.

REMOVABLE,
ADJUSTABLE HOOD

REFLECTIVE
PATCHES

5 OUTER AND 2 INNER POCKETS

for carrying
camera accessories
and extra gear.

DROP TAIL

For added protection
when seated outdoors.

Recommended extras

Here are a few more suggested items to ensure that you are protected and comfortable on your polar expedition.



We've got your polar needs covered.

Every ship in Quark Expeditions' fleet has a shop for expedition essentials (in case you forget anything), as well as souvenirs and keepsakes to mark your special journey to the Arctic.

Visit our online Polar Boutique
and get ready for your trip.

Shop.QuarkExpeditions.com

Q Sustainability

In April 2019, we reinforced our commitment to the polar regions with the unveiling of **POLAR PROMISE**—the most comprehensive and holistic sustainability strategy in place in the polar regions. In Polar Promise, Quark Expeditions identifies measurable goals to be reached by 2025.

This infographic reflects
QUARK EXPEDITIONS'
sustainability successes and goals—
celebrating our past while...

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!

REDUCE SINGLE-USE PLASTICS

Quark Expeditions continues to drastically reduce single-use plastics on board our ships. In 2019, we eliminated:



320,000

Single use bottles.
Our guests receive their own reusable water bottles!



14,000

Individual yogurt containers.



7,600

Parka bags.
Now in bundles *versus* individual plastic bags.

**FUN
FACTS**

By working with our hotel provider, we've **replaced individually wrapped items** like butter, sugar, jam, honey, and yogurt with bulk versions.

We've **installed water fountains** on our vessels so that guests can refill their own reusable Quark Expeditions water bottle as needed.

Cabins have been **outfitted with soap and shampoo dispensers** to reduce waste, and we provide straws, paper napkins, and receipts only on request.

OFFSHIP INITIATIVES

\$500,000

Our annual goal to support Polar Research and Conservation.



Quark Expeditions provides free berths to conservation and scientific organizations, giving scientists access to remote regions to further their research. In addition, a portion of the proceeds from our onboard auctions are directed to these organizations.

\$169,924

Auction proceeds supporting South Georgia Heritage Trust and Friends of South Georgia.



The funds, raised since 2014, support the Habitat Restoration project, whose goal was to restore the sub-Antarctic island to its original status as one of the world's most important seabird sites. Funds were used for baiting during the eradication phase and to support rodent-detecting dogs for the current monitoring and maintenance phase.

TRAINING THROUGH NALUNAIQSIJIT:

THE INUIT CRUISE TRAINING INITIATIVE

Through Nalunaiqsijit—The Inuit Cruise Training Initiative (ICTI), Quark Expeditions hired two interns on *Ocean Adventurer* voyages to Nunavut during the Arctic 2019 season, both of which were hired as staff during the 2019/20 Antarctic season. The goal of this Government of Nunavut program is to equip Nunavummiut with the qualifications and certifications needed to pursue opportunities in the expedition cruise industry.



EVERY PESO COUNTS

Quark Expeditions participated in SeaGreen recycling initiative during our 2018/19 Antarctic season. Proceeds from the sale of our recyclables raised **120,000 PESOS** to assist Argentinians living with a disability.



GREEN TECHNOLOGIES FOR OUR VESSELS

ULTRAMARINE

like the recently-launched *World Explorer*, will be equipped with a Micro Auto Gasification System that thermally breaks down waste, reducing its volume by

UP TO 95%



**40 DAYS
ZERO
WASTE**

These advanced waste systems mean the technologically-advanced vessel can operate for **40 DAYS** and discharge no solid waste!

Ultramarine has sufficient effluent storage to operate at full capacity with **340 PEOPLE** (guests and crew) for **5 DAYS**, eliminating the need for any discharge in particularly sensitive areas.



Ultramarine's LED lighting can potentially use **50% LESS** energy than standard fluorescent lighting.

The future looks bright!



Fuel-efficient *Ultramarine*
We expect the average daily fuel consumption of *Ultramarine* to be approximately half the consumption of older chartered vessels of similar size.

WINNING THE CARBON EMISSIONS CHALLENGE!

28%

Reduction in Carbon Emissions
Quark Expeditions' historical analysis confirms that we have decreased emissions from vessels by 28% from 2010 levels.

OUR GOAL BY 2025

Quark Expeditions will reduce carbon emissions by:

10%



**PER PASSENGER
PER DAY**
from the 5-year
rolling average

Our Polar Promise



PRINCIPLES

Embedding responsible practices throughout our business, whether it's in polar wilderness or in the places we work each day.

Goal: By 2025, our goal is to work exclusively with suppliers, vendors and external partners who share our commitment to preserving the polar regions.



PLANET

Reducing our footprint and building resilience through best practices and advanced sustainability technologies.

Goal: By 2025, Quark Expeditions will reduce carbon emissions per passenger by 10%, and Quark Expeditions-owned fleet will have a plan for all waste brought on board.



PARTNERSHIPS

Making a positive impact on the people, environment, and communities we visit through outreach, collaboration, and innovation.

Goal: By 2025, Quark Expeditions will continue to lead change through community engagement and by supporting scientific, conservation and sustainable development in polar communities.



POSITIVE IMPACT

Inspiring and empowering our guests to make changes that create positive impacts, wherever they live.

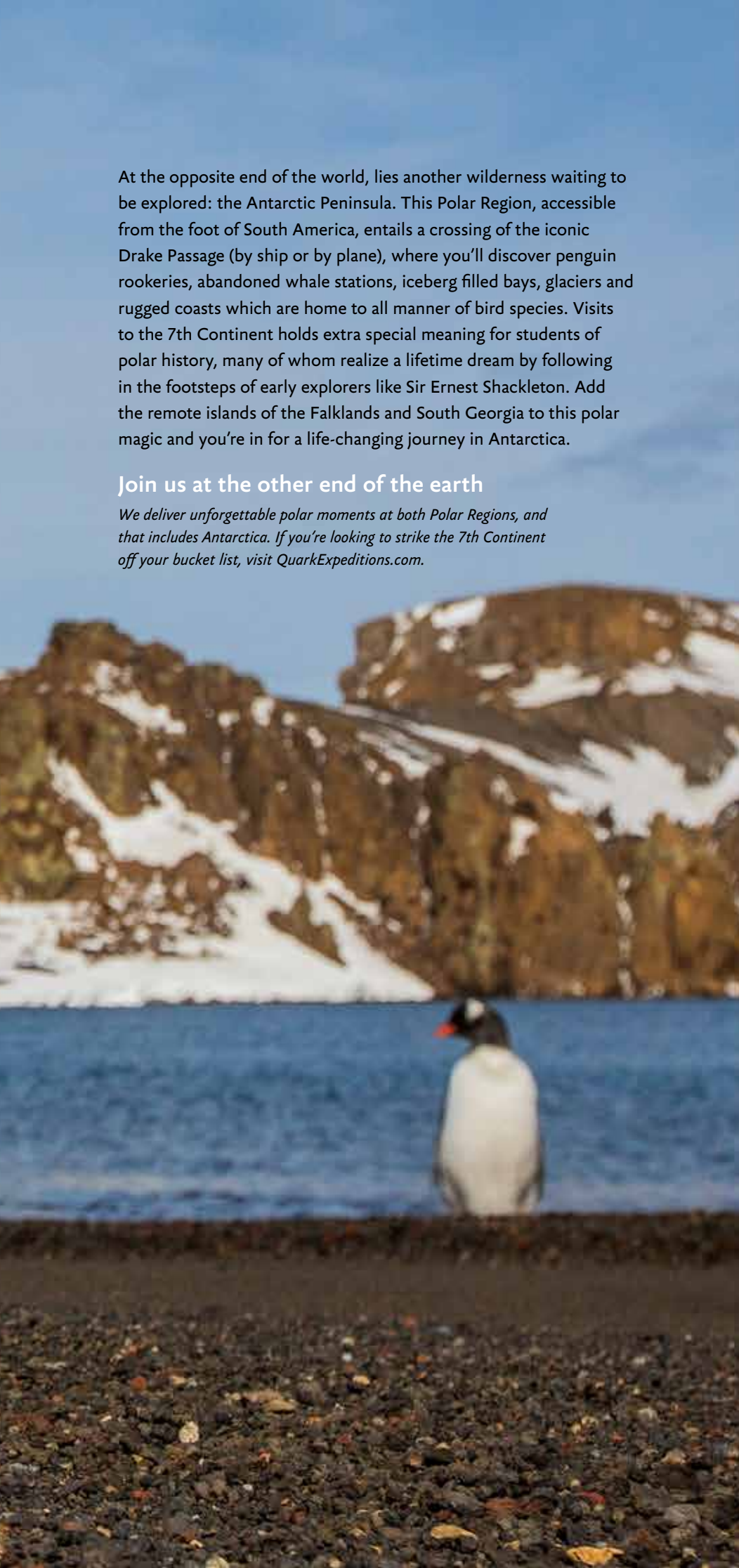
Goal: By 2025, the positive benefit of bringing people to the polar regions will far outweigh any impact of taking people there.

Our sustainability strategy is an ongoing journey. Join us on our voyage to preserve the Polar Regions for generations to come!

For more on our comprehensive Polar Promise strategy, visit: [QUARKEXPEDITIONS.COM/SUSTAINABILITY](https://www.quarkexpeditions.com/sustainability)

*More unforgettable
journeys await.*





At the opposite end of the world, lies another wilderness waiting to be explored: the Antarctic Peninsula. This Polar Region, accessible from the foot of South America, entails a crossing of the iconic Drake Passage (by ship or by plane), where you'll discover penguin rookeries, abandoned whale stations, iceberg filled bays, glaciers and rugged coasts which are home to all manner of bird species. Visits to the 7th Continent holds extra special meaning for students of polar history, many of whom realize a lifetime dream by following in the footsteps of early explorers like Sir Ernest Shackleton. Add the remote islands of the Falklands and South Georgia to this polar magic and you're in for a life-changing journey in Antarctica.

Join us at the other end of the earth

We deliver unforgettable polar moments at both Polar Regions, and that includes Antarctica. If you're looking to strike the 7th Continent off your bucket list, visit QuarkExpeditions.com.

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A group of people, likely expedition guides and clients, are seen from behind as they walk through a vast, snowy Arctic landscape. They are wearing bright yellow expedition jackets and carrying gear. In the background, a massive, rugged mountain peak is covered in snow under a clear blue sky. The scene conveys a sense of adventure and exploration in a remote, high-altitude environment.

**Our seasoned expedition guides will
immerse you in the Arctic landscape
in ways no one else can.**



Our ethos at Quark Expeditions is to get guests off the ship as often as possible for an authentic polar experience. We've always maintained that the Arctic can't be fully appreciated when viewed through the window of a ship. That's why our dedicated expedition team—the most seasoned in the Polar Regions—have created innovative ways for travelers to fully immerse themselves in the wonders of the Arctic. Our guests can explore by ship, kayak, twin engine helicopter and on foot. Our robust portfolio of off-ship excursions—the largest in the industry—includes everything from Exclusive Helicopter Landings and camping to Zodiac cruises and guided hikes. **The ways you can explore the Arctic are endless!**

Hiking the spectacular Arctic landscape.

Awards & Accolades

CRUISE CRITIC EDITOR'S PICKS AWARDS

› *Best in Adventure (Expedition) 2022*

WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS

› *World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line 2022*

› *World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line 2021*

› *World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line 2020*

› *World's Leading Polar Expeditions Operator 2018*

USA TODAY

10 BEST READERS' CHOICE

TRAVEL AWARD

› *Best Adventure Cruise Line 2018*

SIGNATURE LUXURY TRAVEL & STYLE CRUISE AWARD

› *World's Best Four-Star Expedition Ships (four-star ship, five-star experience) 2022*

› *Best-of-the-Best Luxury Cruise Awards Winner, Expedition 2018*
Winner, Expedition 2017

TRAVEL WEEKLY

GOLD MAGELLAN AWARD

› *Best Expedition Itinerary: Spitsbergen Explorer 2019*
Northwest Passage 2018
North Pole 2018

› *Best Small Ship Expedition 2019*

› *Marketing Promotional Video 2019: Face to Face With Iconic Arctic Wildlife*

TRAVEL WEEKLY

SILVER MAGELLAN AWARD

› *Best Expedition Itinerary: Essential Greenland 2019*
Greenland Explorer 2018
West Greenland 2017

› *Best Small Ship Expedition 2017*

› *Best Adventure Destination: Greenland 2017*

TRAVEL + LEISURE

WORLD'S BEST AWARD

› *Small-Ship Ocean Cruise Line 2016*

FODOR'S TRAVEL GUIDES

WORLD'S BEST CRUISES

› *Kapitan Khlebnikov's Northwest Passage Expedition 2016*

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Operators **AECO** 

AECO (Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators) is an international association for expedition cruise operators operating in the Arctic and others with interests in this industry.

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Svalbard reindeer.

Going Beyond in Polar Adventure.

As the Leader in Polar Adventures, we're committed to taking our guests deeper into the Polar Regions than they ever thought possible. Breaking boundaries is part of our DNA—so, too, is innovation.

For the last 32 years we've pushed the limits of our own imagination to provide our guests with the most immersive—and imaginative—adventures in the Polar Regions. We have the most experienced team in the industry. We have the most diverse fleet, which allows guests to personalize their voyage. We offer the most off-ship adventure options—enabling guests to customize their expedition experience. Our fleet of small ships, including our newest vessel, *Ultramarine*, can take you places other larger ships cannot reach.

Do you want to go on a vacation—or on the expedition of a lifetime?



30 years of polar pride



August 1991

Quark Expeditions takes the first commercial passengers to the North Pole—something no other expedition company had achieved.

August 1991

Quark Expeditions celebrates the first-ever passenger transit of the Northeast Passage, the historic route across the top of the world.

December 1991

Quark Expeditions charts the first series of oceanographic research vessels specially converted for adventure travel, heralding a new phase in polar exploration.

LEADER IN POLAR ADVENTURES

November 1992

Quark Expeditions departs Cape Town for the first passenger voyage to the Far Side of Antarctica, the most remote coastal region of the continent.



November 1993

For the first time, Quark Expeditions guests retrace the voyage of Sir Ernest Shackleton's ship *Endurance*.

November 1996

Quark Expeditions begins a circumnavigation of Antarctica for commercial passengers, the first-ever voyage of its kind.

CIRCUMNAVIGATION

Choose from 18 amazing Arctic itineraries starting on page 12

July 1999

Quark Expeditions completes its first passenger circumnavigation of the Arctic Ocean.

November 2003

Quark Expeditions passengers become the first humans to witness a Total Solar Eclipse in Antarctica.

November 2004

Quark Expeditions becomes the first operator to confirm the existence and location of the Snow Hill Emperor colony.

March 2006

Quark Expeditions breaks Roald Amundsen's record set nearly 100 years ago, attaining the most southerly latitude of any vessel.



NORTHERN EXPLORATION

June 2008

Quark Expeditions offers maiden voyage to the North Pole on nuclear icebreaker *50 Years of Victory*, the most powerful icebreaker on the planet at the time.

April 2011

Quark Expeditions' Three Arctic Islands voyage is voted one of National Geographic Traveler's "50 Tours of a Lifetime."



June 2012

Quark Expeditions becomes the first tour operator to successfully offer passengers hot-air ballooning at the North Pole.



February 2013

Quark Expeditions hosts Jonathan Shackleton (Ernest Shackleton's cousin) and Falcon Scott (Robert Falcon Scott's grandson) as they walk, and camp, on the 7th continent together.

November 2013

Quark Expeditions teams up with Hot Docs Canadian International Film Festival to offer the first-ever floating polar film festival onboard *Sea Spirit*.

December 2013

Quark Expeditions is named World's Leading Polar Expedition Operator at the World Travel Awards in Lisbon.



October 2017

Quark Expeditions launches Quark Academy training program for expedition team members, the first training program of its kind in the industry.

Meet our incredibly talented team on page 60



December 2018

Quark Expeditions is again named World's Leading Polar Expedition Operator at the World Travel Awards.



January 2019

Quark Expeditions launches the construction of the game-changing ship *Ultramarine*, the very first vessel purpose-built for polar exploration.

ULTRAMARINE

April 2019

Quark Expeditions unveils Polar Promise, the most holistic sustainability policy in the polar expedition industry.

Get the scoop on our Polar Promise sustainability strategy. See page 66



December 2020

Quark Expeditions is named World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line at the World Travel Awards.



April 2021

Quark Expeditions officially takes ownership of *Ultramarine* after successful sea trials in Croatia, marking one of our greatest polar milestones!

December 2021

Yet another accolade! Quark Expeditions is once more named the World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line at the World Travel Awards.



December 2021

Ultramarine sets sail at last! Fittingly, the ship's inaugural voyage is a celebration of the life of polar explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton.

To find out more about *Ultramarine*. See page 42



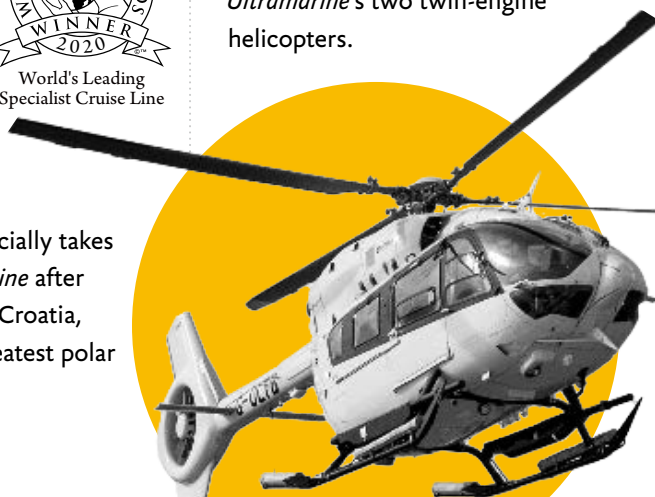
July 2022

We present the first Tundra to Table: Inuit Culinary Experience with local chefs on board *Ultramarine* during a voyage to Greenland.



July 2022

For the first time ever, guests aboard take to the polar skies in *Ultramarine*'s two twin-engine helicopters.





The people of the North.

Whenever Quark Expeditions ventures to the remote Arctic, we are ever mindful that we're visiting lands long inhabited by Indigenous peoples who've thrived here long before Europeans set out to explore new territories.

For the northern lands we visit—Nunavut (Canadian Arctic) and remote Greenland, among them—were already known by the Indigenous people who hunted, fished, nurtured their cultural traditions and co-existed with the wildlife in the regions we're fortunate to explore today. Whether we're visiting a community, hiking across the rugged tundra, Zodiac cruising a majestic fjord in Nunavut on itineraries such as Arctic Express Canada: The Heart of the Northwest Passage, or inviting guests to join our Tundra to Table: Inuit Culinary Experience, we recognize we are visitors to the Nunavummiut homeland. Nunavut, in the Inuktitut language, means "our land."



Similarly, when we set foot on the Greenland Ice Sheet, visit a historic Thule site, view traditional qajaq (kayak) demonstrations or share traditional culinary experiences, we are doing so on the homeland of the Greenlandic Inuit, or Kalaaliit. This land is known to its residents as Kalaallit Nunaat, meaning “The Land of the People”.



TO THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTH:
For inviting us into your homes,
for giving us the opportunity to
experience the beauty of your
lands and your rich culture, we
say Nakurmiik. Qujannamiik.
Matna. Qujanaq. Thank you.

*For itineraries that celebrate
the Indigenous culture
of Greenland or introduce
guests to the rich Inuit culture
of the Canadian High Arctic,
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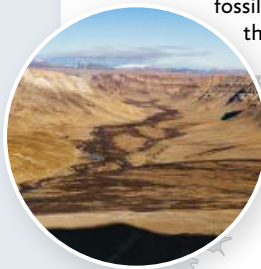
the Arctic at a glance.

DEVON ISLAND is where visitors will find the remains of a Royal Canadian Mounted Police outpost, established at Dundas Harbour in 1924 to prevent foreign whaling and other activities. Guests can visit the small cemetery, one of the most northerly in Canada, which is still maintained by the Royal Canadian Mountain Police.

BEECHY ISLAND is one of the most significant historical sites in Canada. Here, visitors can pay their respects at the marked graves of three crew members of the ill-fated Franklin expedition of 1845-46. Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen stopped here when he made the first successful transit of the Northwest Passage (1903-1906) to pay his respects to Franklin.



AXEL HEIBERG ISLAND is an uninhabited island in the Qikiqtaaluk Region of Nunavut. It's home to the famous mummified trees (or fossil forest) dating back more than 30 million years.



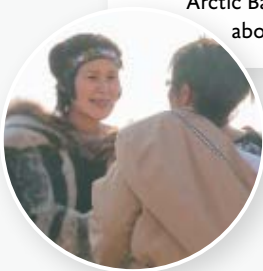
Axel Heiberg Island

GRISE FJORD, an Inuit community of about 150 residents, was created in 1953 when the government forcefully relocated eight Inuit families from northern Quebec. It's now Canada's most northern settlement, where many inhabitants rely on hunting and fishing for their livelihoods.

Devon Island

ARCTIC BAY

The sheltered shores and steep cliffs of Arctic Bay (Ikpiarjuk in Inuktitut) in northwest Baffin Island provide an ideal nesting habitat for Brünnich's guillemots and kittiwakes. The community's ancestors lived a traditional Inuit nomadic lifestyle for almost 5,000 years, making Arctic Bay an ideal spot to go ashore and learn more about Inuit culture and cuisine.



Baffin Island

ANCIENT HISTORY & CULTURE

Visiting local communities in the Canadian Arctic connects travelers to 4,000 years of Inuit history and culture. Pangnirtung, Pang for short, is an artistic community known for its beautiful hand-woven tapestries and lithographic prints.



CANADA

The Arctic is a mass of sea ice floating over the Arctic Ocean, surrounded by North America, Europe and Asia. Use this infographic to help narrow down your choices of **where to explore**.



GREENLAND'S NORTHERN LIGHTS

Aurora displays occur when protons and electrons from the sun slam into the Earth's magnetic field, resulting in an awe-inspiring dance of multi-colored lights across the night sky. The Northern Lights in Greenland tend to be green, white and purple, and can sometimes be viewed during the month of September.

UUMMANNAQ ISLAND is one of the few places in the world where local Inuit still follow a traditional lifestyle based on hunting and fishing. Formerly known as Thule (after the ancestors of modern Inuit), Uummannaq is located off the west coast of Greenland and is home to about 1,200 Inuit, making it the second-largest town in North Greenland.

GREENLAND

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE

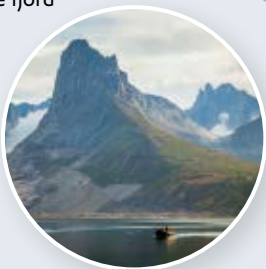
Ilulissat Icefjord, a tidal fjord and UNESCO World Heritage site, is home to Sermeq Kujalleq, one of the fastest and most active glaciers in the world.



MANITSOQ, a town of 2,500 people, is the gateway to some of the most stunning landscapes, fjords, and sharp-peaked mountains in West Greenland. A stop at Manitsog typically includes a visit to Eternity Fjord, one of the longest and most beautiful fjords in Greenland.

TASERMIUT FJORD

Paddling and Zodiac excursions into the fjord allow for closer connection with a landscape that is considered one of the most beautiful places in Greenland.



GREENLANDIC CULTURE

A visit to Iltoqqortoormiit, the most isolated town in Greenland, is a window into the daily life of a remote community where many inhabitants still hunt and fish to continue their traditional heritage.



EXPLORING SVALBARD

About 60% of Svalbard's mountains, glaciers and islands are protected within seven national parks: Forlandet, Indre Wijdefjorden, Nordenskiöld Land, Nordre Isfjorden, Sassen-Bünsow Land, Sør-Spitsbergen and Nordvest-Spitsbergen. Visitors can find various historical monuments including former whaling stations and burial grounds.

SVALBARD

THE KING OF THE ARCTIC

Although a polar bear's fur appears white, it is actually a layer of transparent hair with special characteristics that create the illusion of white fur. A polar bear's skin is black. An optimal time to view polar bears in Spitsbergen is during the months of May, June and July.



ICELAND

FAROE ISLANDS

MAMMOTH CLIFFS

Approximately 110 bird species nest in the towering cliffs of the Faroe Islands. Cape Enniberg, which stands at 2,400 feet (754 m) high, is one of the highest cliffs in the world.



THE HEART OF THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE



The quest for trade routes to the Far East ignited the passions and obsessions of early explorers. Discover the great sea route at the top of the world.

SIR JOHN FRANKLIN EXPEDITION

the Arctic.

CANADA, GREENLAND, NORWAY, ICELAND. Where do you want to explore with the most seasoned expedition team in the Polar Regions? With itineraries to the remote Canadian High Arctic, Greenland and Norway, Quark Expeditions' lineup for 2024 offers guests a comprehensive range of Arctic adventures! Guests can choose from multi-destination voyages tailored to those who wish to explore a little bit of everything the Arctic has to offer, as well as our In-Depth Explorations, which allow travelers to truly immerse themselves in specific Arctic regions.

Come, explore with us!

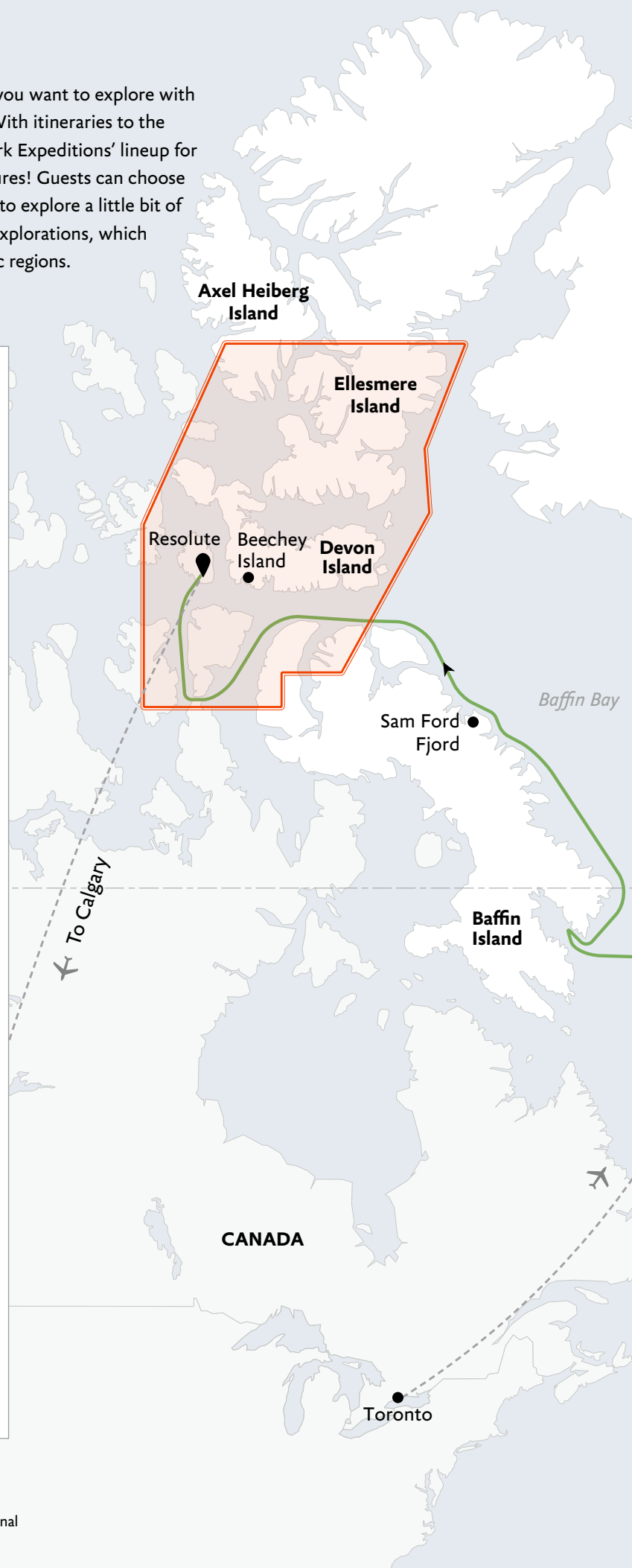
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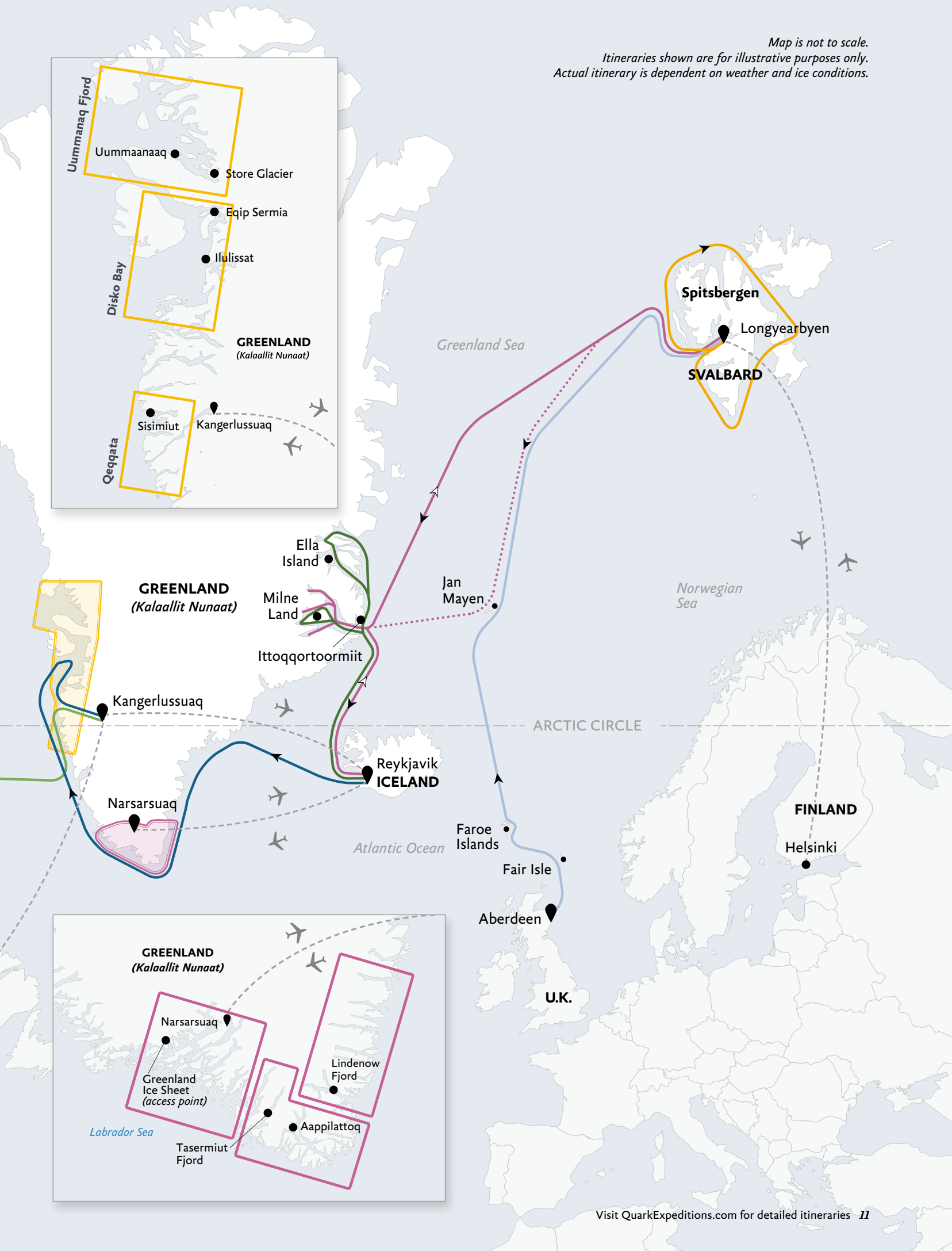
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Map is not to scale.
Itineraries shown are for illustrative purposes only.
Actual itinerary is dependent on weather and ice conditions.



In-depth explorations.

Our region-specific expeditions to Norway, Greenland and Canada are ideal for those who know where they want to go and for past travelers who've explored the highlights and would now like to drill a little deeper and explore a little further into one Arctic domain. Such trips are also ideal for first-timers who are eager to explore one specific region in depth. Our range of itineraries covers four Arctic regions, allowing you to choose the adventure that best suits your travel desires.

NATURE IS THE TOUR GUIDE:

Sea, ice, and weather conditions will ultimately influence your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!

Guests photograph the northern landscape on a shore landing.

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Spitsbergen

Spitsbergen, known as the Wildlife Capital of the Arctic, is the largest island in Norway's Svalbard archipelago. Located about 1,300 kilometers from the North Pole, Spitsbergen is dark four months of the year, but when the sun returns in April, the days lengthen until sometime in June when the sun never sets. It's this near-constant light that creates the perfect conditions to view the wildlife species that have made Spitsbergen so popular: polar bears, walruses, reindeers, arctic foxes, beluga whales, seals and seabirds—all of which can be viewed against a backdrop of snow-capped mountains, glaciers and fjords.

A polar bear prowls along the sea ice in Spitsbergen.





Enjoying the incredible landscapes of Spitsbergen.

Spitsbergen Highlights: Expedition in Brief

Our popular *Spitsbergen Highlights* expedition is ideal for guests who are looking to experience the best of Spitsbergen but are short on time. You can pack a lot into just seven days, including a scenic journey along the island's west coast, where you'll encounter rocky mountains, glaciers, towering cliffs and fjords. You'll be on a constant lookout for wildlife—especially for the majestic polar bear.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



2 departures | 7 days

May/June 2024

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 56–57 for more details





Zodiac cruising around Spitsbergen; hiking the Arctic terrain; a pair of walrus.

Introduction to Spitsbergen: Fjords, Glaciers and Wildlife of Svalbard

Experience everything this island has to offer on our 10-day itinerary, which covers western Spitsbergen as well as the stunning fjords and outlying islands to the north. You'll hike the tundra, zip through fjords on a Zodiac and experience vast expanses of icebergs. Wildlife-viewing includes walrus, reindeer and polar bears. The Norwegian Arctic has been inspiring explorers for centuries—it's time you joined their ranks.

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5 departures | 10 days

May-July 2024

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine
Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

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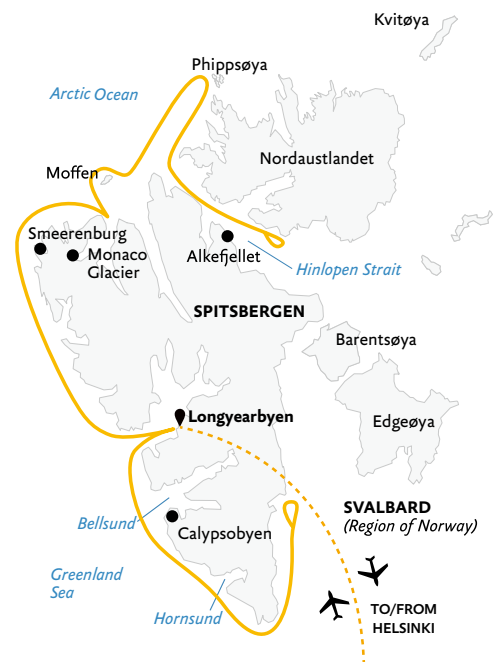


Spotting a herd of Svalbard reindeer.

Spitsbergen Explorer: Wildlife Capital of the Arctic

Explore Spitsbergen's rugged west coast enroute to the lesser visited southern and northern shorelines on a 12-day sailing. We journey in continuous daylight, seeking walrus and polar bears amidst stunning glaciers, towering cliffs, abandoned historical sites and colorful tundra. The landscapes in the outlying islands to the north are as varied as the animal life and will leave you with indelible memories.

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6 departures | 12 days

May-July 2024

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

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✈ Charter flight:

To/from Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine
Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

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Guests hiking the Svalbard landscape; icy waters; an Arctic fox.

Spitsbergen In Depth: Big Island, Big Adventure

Our longest Spitsbergen expedition attempts to circumnavigate the island and, if conditions allow, venture around the entire Svalbard archipelago. This trip offers maximum exploration time on land and at sea, making it the best voyage for viewing polar bears and walruses, reindeer and foxes, whales and seabirds. Landing sites yield abandoned whaling settlements, tundra meadows, glaciers and icebergs, seabird breeding grounds and more.

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1 departure | 14 days

July 2024

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 56-57 for more details



"We were able to see and photograph almost everything on the list, including a polar bear and cub, Arctic foxes, blue whales, walrus, seals and myriad seabirds. The Expedition Team was stellar and the food on-board was 5-star." —Robert D.





Guests admire the snow-capped peaks; nature photographer; a majestic polar bear; puffin; guests on a Zodiac cruise spot a polar bear.

Spitsbergen Photography: Domain of the Polar Bear

Rather than follow a set itinerary, our quest to photograph polar bears, walrus, birds, reindeer and other Arctic wildlife will determine our route and shore landings as we cruise along the coast, ice edge and inner fjords of Spitsbergen. This unique 14-day voyage will also enable you to photograph snow-topped mountains, massive glaciers, deep-walled fjords, and the untouched tundra in the land of the midnight sun.

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1 departure | 14 days

May 2024

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Longyearbyen, Norway

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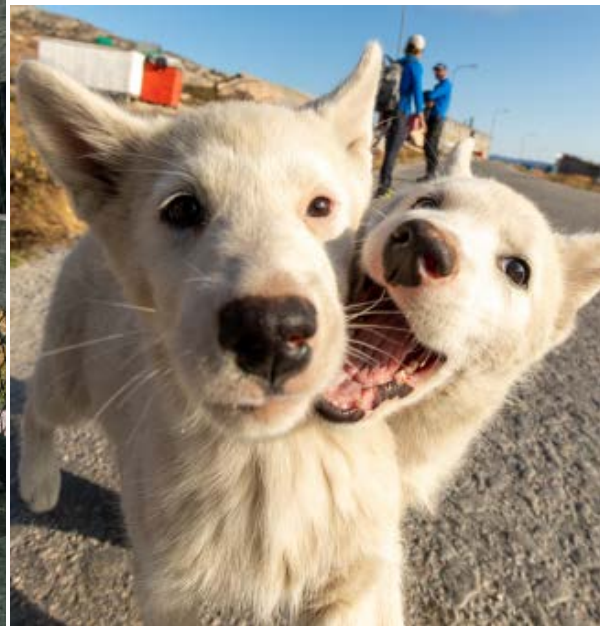
Greenland

The world's largest island teems with life, welcoming visitors with its breathtaking scenery. East Greenland is vast, sparsely inhabited, and stunning in its austere beauty, while West Greenland offers more Indigenous community experiences, icebergs, Viking history—and much more. Then there's South Greenland, home of the 70-kilometre long Tasermiut Fjord, a vast largely unexplored landscape that beckons to adventurers who long to explore some of the most remote parts of Greenland.



Guests visit a Greenlandic community during a shore excursion.





Guests interact with locals on a community visit; playful Greenlandic dogs; Viking ruins.

Essential Greenland: Southern Coasts and Disko Bay

One of our most popular itineraries, *Essential Greenland: Southern Coasts and Disko Bay* is enhanced with the introduction of our game-changing polar vessel *Ultramarine*. Sail the icy waters of the southeast coast, then voyage down to the lush southern tip, stopping to visit picturesque villages and Norse ruins while admiring the rugged landscape. Then you'll head all the way up to Disko Bay to experience some of the best scenery and culture that Greenland (known by the Inuit as Kalaallit Nunaat) has to offer.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



1 departure | 15 days

July 2024

Embarkation: Reykjavik, Iceland

Disembarkation: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

Kangerlussuaq to Reykjavik
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages S6-S7 for more details





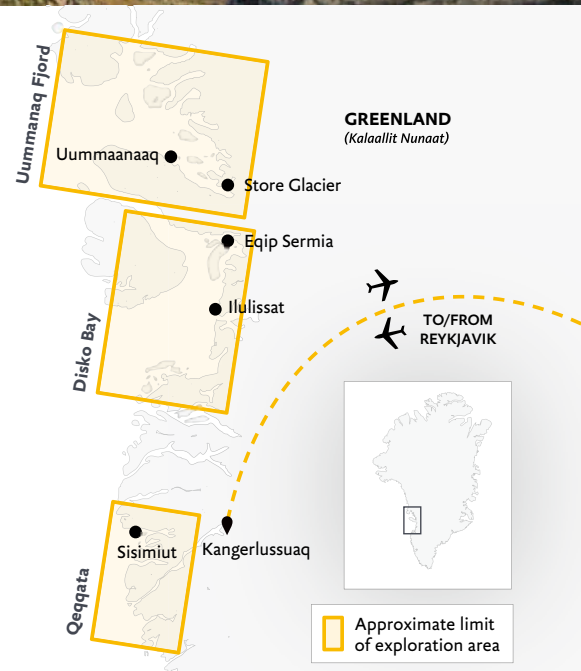
Guests get close-up views of expansive ice formations.



Gems of West Greenland: Fjords, Icebergs, and Culture

Explore the dramatic coast of West Greenland with its deep fjords and stunning islands. This trip features the best sites of West Greenland in just 12 days. Visit towns such as Sisimiut and Uummannaq, and coast by massive glaciers on *Ultramarine*. At summer's peak, you'll enjoy long days, clear vistas, and longer opportunities to see wildlife.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



2 departures | 12 days

July 2024

📍 **Embarkation/Disembarkation:**
Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈️ **Charter flight:**

To/from Reykjavík, Iceland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages 56-57 for more details





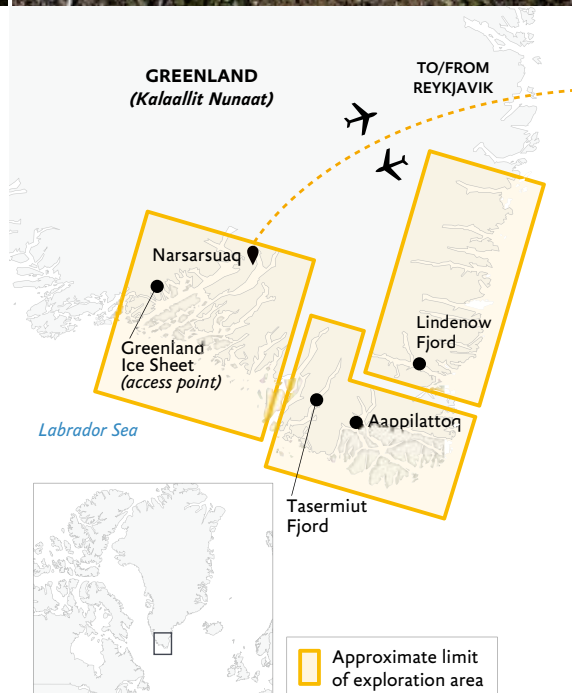
Taking a moment to enjoy the stunning Greenlandic scenery; amping up the adventure with a paddling excursion; fresh local ingredients prepared at Tasermiut Camp.



Greenland Explorer: Sail and Soar the Alpine Arctic

Quark Expeditions has once again accomplished another polar first by offering the first voyage developed in partnership with local communities. Leveraging the best of South Greenland, this expedition will allow you to set foot on the Greenland Ice Sheet, go heli-hiking in the high alpine regions, or choose to participate in one of many adventurous added Adventure Activities. Our local partners will help you experience the best South Greenland has to offer while also enjoying the creature comforts of *Ultramarine* alongside her exceptional expedition facilities including two-twin engine helicopters and a custom zodiac hangar capable of getting you out on your experiences faster than any other vessel.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will determine your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



2 departures | 11 days

September 2024

Embarkation/Disembarkation: Narsarsuaq, Greenland

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Reykjavík, Iceland
(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Greenland Explorer

The Adventure Options on this trip (many of them supported by helicopter) provide guests with the exclusive opportunity to experience remote, seldom-visited parts of Greenland where so few have gone before.

Incredible views of Lake Tasersuaq in South Greenland.

Included Activities:



HIKING

Guided hikes are designed to suit guests of different hiking abilities and diverse interests.



PADDLING EXCURSION

Our program provides sit-on-top, two-person, inflatable kayaks that give guests an intimate, water-level experience.

Limited availability.

As with any activity the Polar Regions, our Greenland Adventure Options are weather dependent. Guest safety always comes first.

See pages 56-57 for more details on Adventure Options.



ZODIAC CRUISING

Enjoy scenic excursions by Zodiac boats to explore remote fjords, shorelines and Arctic bays.



EXCLUSIVE HELI LANDING

Enjoy stunning aerial views as helicopters transport you to landing sites reachable only by air. Expect more great views when you land.



ICE SHEET EXPERIENCE

Ascend high above the cascading coastal glaciers onto the immense plateau of the Greenland Ice Sheet.

For the full list of Included Activities visit the Greenland Explorer itinerary page Online.

Paid Activities:



HELI-HIKING

Our twin-engine helicopters transfer you to and from the most scenic hiking routes of Southern Greenland.



GREENLAND CAMPING EXPERIENCE

Join local hosts overnight at Tasermiut Camp, one of the most exclusive camps in Greenland.



TUNDRA TO TABLE: INUIT CULINARY EXPERIENCE

Our ground-breaking Tundra to Table experience, hosted by local chefs, offers guests a one-of-a-kind into the culinary traditions of the Inuit in Greenland and Nunavut.

Canadian Arctic

The Canadian High Arctic is massive, stretching across the Northwest Territories, Yukon and Nunavut. Canada has more land mass in the Arctic region than any other country. While the population base is relatively small, the Canadian Arctic is rich in Inuit culture, especially in Nunavut. Visitors are often amazed upon realizing there are 35,563 islands in the remote Canadian Arctic Archipelago, of which Baffin Island, the fifth-largest island in the world, is just one. Remote, austere and rugged, the Canadian High Arctic beckons to those who long to navigate its icy channels, following in the footsteps of legendary explorers who braved the unknown to seek the fabled sea route to Asia.



Guests hike along the Arctic shoreline.





Inuit woman in traditional dress; breathtaking landscapes of the Canadian Arctic; whale sighting.

Arctic Express Canada: The Heart of the Northwest Passage

Explore the iconic sea route at the top of the world on our new expedition ship, *Ultramarine*. You'll get to admire breath-taking landscapes, calving glaciers, polar bears and other iconic wildlife as you journey along the Northwest Passage. Stop at remote outposts such as Beechey Island, where you can pay your respects at the graves of members of the ill-fated Franklin expedition of 1845-46. Experience all the highlights of the Northwest Passage in just 9 days.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!

1 departure | 9 days

September 2024

📍 **Embarkation/Disembarkation:**
Resolute, Canada

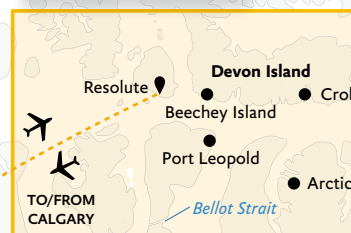
[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈️ **Charter flight:**
To/from Calgary, Canada
(included in mandatory transfer package)

Ship:
Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages 56-57 for more details



**NUNAVUT
(Canada)**

📍 Approximate limit of exploration area

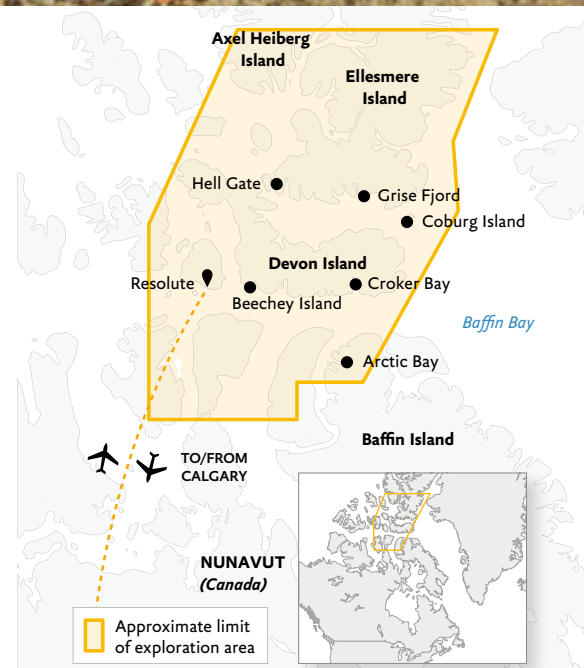


Guests on a hike in Radstock Bay.

Canada's Remote Arctic: Northwest Passage to Ellesmere and Axel Heiberg Islands

Journey through the Northwest Passage to Ellesmere and Axel Heiberg Islands on our new expedition vessel *Ultramarine*. You'll enjoy unique perspectives of the remote bays, inlets and channels of Canada's remote Arctic on *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs. The wildlife sightings in this rugged, rarely-visited region will astound you: polar bears, whales, seals, walruses and muskoxen.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



2 departures | 12 days

August 2024

Embarkation/Disembarkation:

Resolute, Canada

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

To/from Calgary, Canada
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages 56-57 for more details



Multi-destination voyages

Perfect for first-time travelers to the Arctic, our Multi-Destination itineraries let you experience impressive icebergs, iconic wildlife, traditional Inuit culture and other highlights in different parts of the Arctic and Sub-Arctic. Two voyages (ranging from 14 to 18 days) take in the best that Greenland, Iceland, Spitsbergen, the Faroe Islands and the seldom-visited Jan Mayen have to offer.

NATURE IS THE TOUR GUIDE:

Sea, ice, and weather conditions will ultimately influence your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!

A herd of walrus makes for an imposing wildlife photograph.

A group of walrus are resting on a sandy beach. In the background, there is a large, snow-covered mountain under a clear sky. The walrus are in the foreground, with their heads and tusks visible. One walrus in the center has its head turned towards the camera, showing its tusks and whiskers. Other walrus are visible behind it, some with their heads resting on the sand.

In This Section

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- › Four Arctic Islands: Spitsbergen, Jan Mayen, Greenland and Iceland, a 16-day voyage that gives you the best of the Arctic.

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guest spots iconic Arctic wildlife



Exploring the Fair Isle coastline; an encounter with Svalbard reindeer; capturing the scenery.

Arctic Saga: Exploring Spitsbergen via the Faroes and Jan Mayen

Departing from Aberdeen, Scotland, the *Arctic Saga* voyage visits four remote Arctic islands. Sail through the North Atlantic to Fair Isle, famous for its bird observatory, followed by two days exploring the Viking and Norse sites on the Faroe Islands. Then it's onto the world's northernmost volcanic island, Jan Mayen. The last two days of your 14-day voyage are spent exploring Spitsbergen, always on the lookout for polar bears.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!

1 departures | 14 days

April 2024

Embarkation: Aberdeen, Scotland

Disembarkation: Longyearbyen, Norway

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:
To Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:
Ultramarine

Adventure Options:
See pages S6-S7 for more details





A Zodiac cruise with a view.

Three Arctic Islands: Spitsbergen, Greenland and Iceland

▼ SOUTHBOUND

Named one of the *50 Tours of a Lifetime* by *National Geographic Traveler*, this voyage offers the best of the eastern Arctic in one voyage. You start in Spitsbergen, Norway, then sail south to Greenland to explore the world's largest fjord system and end in Iceland. There's something for everyone: polar bears, walrus, muskoxen, local culture, ancient Thule settlements (predecessors of the Inuit), hikes along the glacial moraine and tundra, and more.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



1 departure | 15 days

September 2024

Embarkation: Longyearbyen, Norway

Disembarkation: Reykjavik, Iceland

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

From Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages S6-S7 for more details





Getting a new Arctic perspective while paddling.

Three Arctic Islands: Iceland, Greenland and Spitsbergen

▲ NORTHBOUND

Start in cosmopolitan Reykjavik, before heading to the eastern coast of Greenland to visit ancient Thule settlements, look for grazing muskoxen and experience local culture. Then it's on to Norway via Spitsbergen, the largest island in the Svalbard archipelago, which is abundant in wildlife (walrus, polar bears and reindeer), as well as glacier fronts and steep-walled fjords. Witnessing calving glaciers will take your breath away!

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



1 departure | 15 days

August 2024

📍 **Embarkation:** Reykjavik, Iceland

📍 **Disembarkation:** Longyearbyen, Norway

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈️ **Charter flight:**
To Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:
Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:
See pages S6-S7 for more details





A passenger taking in the view; Glaucous gulls; chatting with the locals.

Four Arctic Islands: Spitsbergen, Jan Mayen, Greenland and Iceland

This expedition offers the best of the Three Arctic Islands voyage, plus it's one of only two opportunities in 2024 to visit the volcanic Norwegian island of Jan Mayen. This small, mountainous island nature reserve in the remote North Atlantic is inhabited only by military and meteorological personnel—and numerous colonies of breeding seabirds. Sample four very different Arctic regions, and their respective highlights, in one unforgettable trip.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



1 departure | 18 days

August 2024

Embarkation: Longyearbyen, Norway

Disembarkation: Reykjavik, Iceland

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

From Helsinki, Finland
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 56–57 for more details





A guest admires the sculpted ice of Scoresby Sund.

Under the Northern Lights: Exploring Iceland and East Greenland

Our most comprehensive exploration of East Greenland begins in the seldom-visited Vestfjords in Iceland's north and then on to Greenland's Scoresbysund and King Oscar Fjord systems. You'll search for wildlife, visit the world's largest national park, Northeast Greenland National Park, where 40% of the world's muskoxen live, and await the Northern Lights. Visiting the remote Inuit community of Ittoqqortoormiit will make for an unforgettable experience.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!

1 departure | 14 days

September 2024

📍 **Embarkation/Disembarkation:** Reykjavik, Iceland

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)



Ship:

Ocean Adventurer

Adventure Options:

See pages 56-57 for more details





Exploring Pangnirtung Fjord; a polar bear and her cub; a performance by Pond Inlet locals.

Northwest Passage: In the Footsteps of Franklin

Sail along the coast of Greenland before setting off for the remote Canadian Arctic as we retrace the route of the intrepid Franklin Expedition of 1845 on our game-changing new vessel, *Ultramarine*. The ship's two helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs enable you to explore Greenlandic villages, view glaciers, dramatic fjords and towering icebergs, and hike the Arctic tundra while looking for whales, walruses, muskoxen and polar bears.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



1 departure | 17 days

August 2024

Embarkation: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

Disembarkation: Resolute, Canada

[Visit the Expedition Page for details.](#)

✈ Charter flight:

From Toronto, Canada;
To Calgary, Canada
(included in mandatory
transfer package)

Ship:

Ultramarine

Adventure Options:

See pages 56-57 for more details



Join our fleet on
the frozen seas.



Quark Expeditions maintains the most diverse fleet of small polar vessels in the industry, offering guests a wide range of choice based on the polar experience they'd like. The capacity of our ships ranges from 128 to 199 guests, which creates an intimate, relaxed onboard ambience. The small size of our vessels also means we're able to navigate hard-to-reach Arctic destinations that are inaccessible to larger vessels.

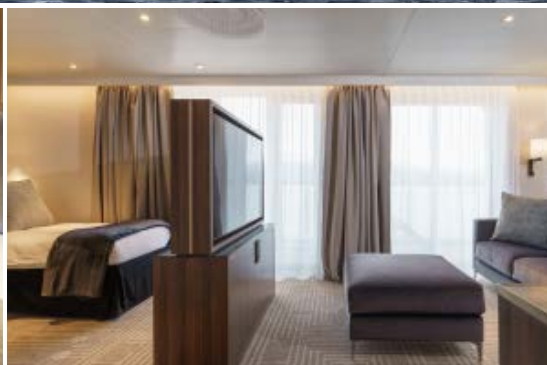
Each ship delivers a unique experience of its own. You get to choose. For instance, *Ultramarine*, with its two helicopters and 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs—not to mention superb onboard amenities—offers the most off-ship adventure activities in the Polar Regions. *World Explorer*, much-loved for its all-balcony suites, is home to the only l'Occitane Spa at Sea in the entire world. And there are the classic touches of *Ocean Adventurer* that make it a favorite with guests and crew alike.



Ultramarine against a dramatic Arctic backdrop..



BALCONY SUITE



TERRACE SUITE



DELUXE BALCONY SUITE

NEW Ultramarine

The newest ship in our fleet, *Ultramarine* is designed to go beyond the familiar in polar exploration, to help you explore new places, and to immerse you in the best the region has to offer. Equipped with two twin-engine helicopters, *Ultramarine* offers the most robust portfolio of adventure activities in the industry, and features the category's most spacious suites, breathtaking public spaces, and more outdoor wildlife viewing spaces than other expedition ships its size, complemented by an innovative mix of sustainability features that exceed all industry standards.

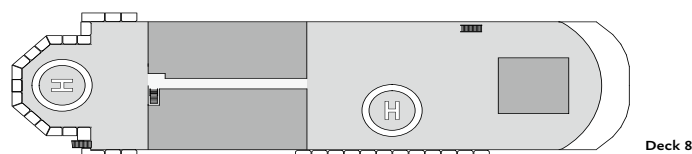
SHIP SPECIFICATIONS:

Staff & Crew: 140
 Guests: 199
 Lifeboats: 4, fully enclosed
 Ice Class: PC6

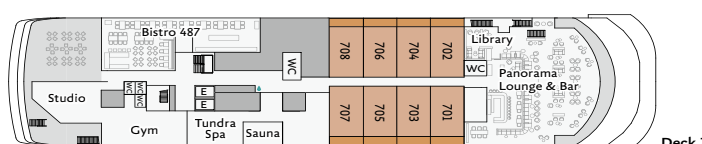
Ultramarine, with its two helicopters and 20 Zodiacs, offers more ways to explore the Arctic than ever before.

NINE TIERS OF ACCOMMODATION:

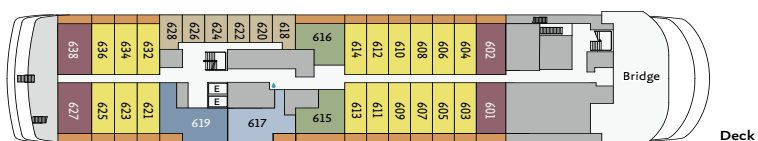
- **ULTRA SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, bedroom/walk-in closet, sitting area/additional walk-in closet, two separate living spaces, powder room, bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **OWNER'S SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, bedroom/walk-in closet, sitting area/additional closet, two separate living spaces, powder room, bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **PENTHOUSE SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **TERRACE SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **DELUXE BALCONY SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower, bathtub and heated floors.
- **BALCONY SUITE:** One double or two single beds, balcony, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors. Some cabins in this category offer interconnecting rooms.
- **EXPLORER SUITE:** One double or two single beds, picture window, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors.
- **EXPLORER TRIPLE:** Three single beds, two of which can be combined into a double bed, picture window, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors.
- **SOLO PANORAMA:** One single bed, floor-to-ceiling windows, refrigerator, safe, TV, and a private bathroom with shower and heated floors.



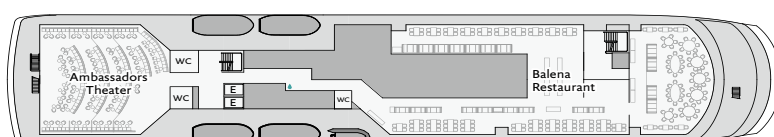
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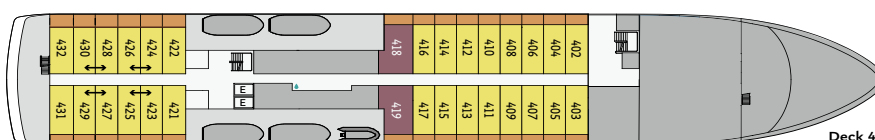
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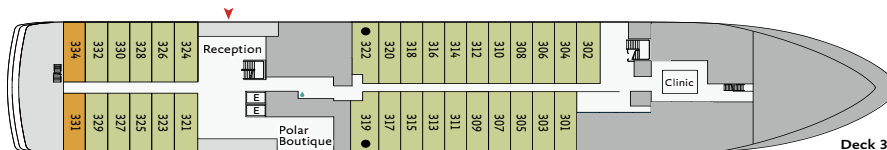
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Deck 5



Deck 4



Deck 3



Deck 2

[See Dates & Rates for cabin pricing.](#)

[Visit QuarkExpeditions.com to view deck plan details.](#)

Unbeatable helicopter experience.

We invite you to venture beyond the ordinary with us, whether it's by ship, kayak, Zodiac—or by helicopter. Quark Expeditions has the longest-running helicopter program in the Polar Regions—dating back to 1991. Today, our two best-in-class twin-engine helicopters on *Ultramarine* go further into the Polar Regions and get guests off the ship and enjoying their immersive polar excursions faster than any other operator.

The largest portfolio of off-ship adventure options in the industry.

Our two twin-engine helicopters (and two helidecks) plus our fleet of 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs enable guests to enjoy off-ship adventures never before possible, making Quark Expeditions the Leader in Polar Helicopter Adventure. Our helicopter-supported activities—designed to take guests beyond the polar horizons—include:

 Flightseeing

 Ice Sheet Experience

 Greenland Camp Experience

 Heli-Hiking

 Exclusive Heli-Landing

See pages 56-57 for more details on all Adventure Options.



Flightseeing



Adventure meets luxury



Advanced sustainability.

In keeping with our Polar Promise, our helicopters were selected for their:

- Status as the most fuel-efficient aircrafts of their category
- Small external footprint
- Reduced noise pollution.

Most experienced crew.

Our expedition team draws on 32 years of heli-expertise.

You'll fly with:

- The best trained helicopter pilots in the polar industry
- Pilots who are well-traveled and worldly
- Guides who are personable, and always create an intimate and accessible flight experience.

Industry leading polar safety.

Our state-of-the-art aircrafts are equipped with the latest technology, placing our helicopters among the safest in their class.

Adventure meets luxury.

You'll enjoy superior comfort in a sleek, best-in-class helicopter while flying over the pristine polar landscape.

Highlighting your polar flight:

- Best-in-class window sizes for viewing and photography opportunities
- The layout gives almost everyone on board an excellent window view (*5 out of 8 get a window seat*)
- Quiet flying experience
- Designed for ultimate comfort.

Ultramarine Amenities

In addition to the game changing off ship experiences, *Ultramarine* will provide you with an exceptional onboard experience. *Ultramarine* features 102 suites across nine categories, including six solo suites with floor-to-ceiling windows and the largest entry-level twin suites of its class. Each suite has been meticulously designed to keep guests inspired by, and connected to, the breathtaking polar landscapes outside. Learn about everything these cabins have to offer.

	<i>Solo Panorama</i>	<i>Explorer Triple</i>	<i>Explorer Suite</i>	<i>Balcony Suite</i>	<i>Deluxe Balcony Suite</i>	<i>Terrace Suite</i>	<i>Penthouse Suite</i>	<i>Owner's Suite</i>	<i>Ultra Suite</i>
Number of Cabins available	6	2	30	46	6	2	8	1	1
Balcony Size	-	-	-	52 ft ² (4.8 m ²)	70 ft ² (6.5 m ²)	100 ft ² (9.3 m ²)	67 ft ² (6.2 m ²)	46 ft ² (4.3 m ²)	46 ft ² (4.3 m ²)
Cabin Size	132 ft ² (12 m ²)	285 ft ² (26.5 m ²)	285 ft ² (26.5 m ²)	226 ft ² (21 m ²)	299 ft ² (28 m ²)	350 ft ² (32.5 m ²)	369 ft ² (34 m ²)	446 ft ² (41 m ²)	563 ft ² (52 m ²)
CABIN FEATURES									
Climate control	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fridge	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
In-cabin safe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Individual cabin storage space	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Heated bathroom floors	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Separating beds	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sofa bed	-	-	<i>Select Suites</i>	<i>Select Suites</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dedicated living area	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bathtub	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Enclosed toilet	-	-	-	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓
Powder room	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Private bedroom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Walk-in closet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
EXTERIOR VIEWS									
Picture windows	-	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Floor to ceiling windows	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Walk out balcony	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AMENITIES									
Quark Expeditions parka	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Reusable water bottle	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Muck Boots, on loan for duration of voyage	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dedicated locker in Ready Room	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shampoo, conditioner and shower gel	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bathrobes and slippers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hair dryer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Upgraded bedding	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
In suite coffee	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
Binoculars, on loan for duration of voyage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
ENTERTAINMENT/TECHNOLOGY									
USB charging station	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
43" TV	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓
55" TV	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
WiFi package	<i>Complementary</i>	<i>Complementary</i>	<i>Complementary</i>	<i>Complementary</i>	<i>Complementary</i>	<i>Priority</i>	<i>Priority</i>	<i>Priority</i>	<i>Priority</i>
OCCUPANCY OPTIONS									
Interconnecting cabins	-	-	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Solo Request Share Cabins	-	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-
SERVICES									
Access to fitness facilities	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Laundry service (<i>for a fee</i>)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Laundry service (<i>free of charge</i>)	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
Light menu bistro service available in between meals	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
In suite dining (<i>during restaurant hours</i>)	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
One hour spa treatment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Arrival transfers, where applicable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓
Upgraded pre/post-expedition hotel room, where applicable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓

ULTRAMARINE

A day onboard.

Relax, explore, learn, reflect,
and so much more!



Penthouse Suite



Ready Room



Balena Restaurant

Wake up in your spa-inspired suite.

Every guest on *Ultramarine* wakes up to a view of the polar landscape. Private bathrooms with heated floors add to your morning comfort. Other possible amenities, depending on your suite: a picture window and/or balcony, a walk-in closet and sitting area, among other extra touches.

Join the early birds in Bistro 487.

Consider a quiet walk on the deck and then enjoy a morning cup of java with other early risers before breakfast.

Enjoy breakfast with a view.

Feel free to remain in Bistro 487 for your breakfast, or choose a table in our sleek, modern dining-room, Balena, which is designed with window views in every direction.

Get ready to explore the polar environment.

Get suited up for an off-ship excursion in *Ultramarine's* specially-designed Ready Rooms, complete with individual lockers to store and dry personal items and expedition gear while you enjoy your Zodiac cruise through the polar waters.

Keep your ears open for morning announcements.

Your Expedition Leader will announce any updates to the daily program and share weather announcements over the PA system to help you plan your day.

Enjoy wildlife views from the ship.

Ultramarine has more open deck space for viewing wildlife than any other ship of its size. Watch for whales, polar bears and other wildlife from the comfort of the ship.

Lunch.

Enjoy a delicious lunch while swapping stories and expedition experiences with fellow guests in our Balena Restaurant or Bistro 487.

Relax in the *Ultramarine* library.

Lose yourself in one of the many books on a wide array of polar subjects in the comfortable library.

Enjoy an unforgettable off-ship Adventure Option.

Choose from *Ultramarine's* robust portfolio of off-ship adventure options, such as sea kayaking, paddling excursions, or sign up for one of our helicopter-supported adventure options such as mountain biking or alpine kayaking.

Relax and rejuvenate back on the ship.

Consider a soothing massage or visit the steam room in Tundra, *Ultramarine's* beautifully designed spa. Or practice yoga in the Studio. Then perhaps experience our sauna with floor-to-ceiling windows that allow you to stay connected to the polar landscape while relaxing indoors.

Attend an expert presentation.

Join fellow guests in *Ultramarine's* Ambassadors Theater to learn from knowledgeable experts who present on various polar subjects. The schedule of these presentations will be determined by the day's activities.



Pre-dinner cocktails.

Enjoy a cocktail with fellow guests while your Expedition Leader enthusiastically shares the daily recap and outlines the plan for the following day.

Dinner is served.

Sit down to a gourmet meal—inspired by cuisines from around the world—in the Balena Restaurant, which features outstanding views from every seat, full access to the 360-degree wraparound deck, and a variety of seating configurations to comfortably accommodate all guests and expedition staff. You also have the option of dining in the more casual and intimate Bistro 487.

Call it a day.

Wrap up your day with a drink in the Panorama Lounge with your new friends, or head out onto the deck to take in the calm, low-light at the end of the day. Then it's back to your spa-inspired cabin to rest up for tomorrow—another life-changing day on *Ultramarine*.



From wilderness to wellness.

Guests traveling on *Ultramarine* have plenty of opportunities to rejuvenate and relax back onboard the ship after a day spent exploring the polar wilderness. Tundra, our state-of-the-art spa on Deck 7, is the onboard space where our guests can fully relax and unwind before their next off-ship adventure.



Tundra Spa

Inspired by the calming and serene polar landscapes, our Tundra spa, in collaboration with VOYA of Ireland, is the core of our wellness offering onboard *Ultramarine*. Guests can enjoy thoughtfully selected wellness treatments and luxurious organic products designed to nourish the body and relax the mind.

Amenities include:

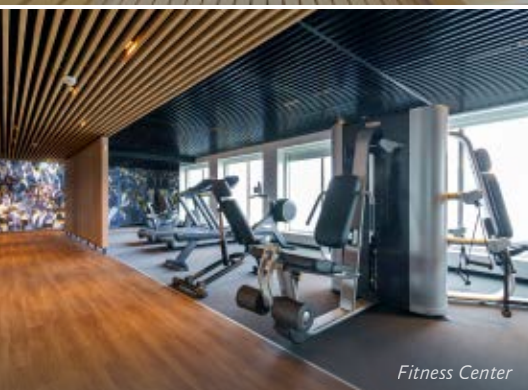
- › Two dedicated treatment rooms with luxurious heated massage beds, as well as shower facilities, hair treatment studio, and a post-treatment relaxation room with ocean views.
- › An array of massages, body scrubs and wraps, including our signature Tundra Hot Stone Massage Journey.
- › All treatments feature VOYA organic skincare products, based on organic hand-harvested seaweed oils.



Sauna

Sauna

The beautifully-designed co-ed sauna on *Ultramarine* features floor-to-ceiling windows, which enable guests to relax back on the ship while still remaining connected to the icy waters and pristine Arctic landscape outside.



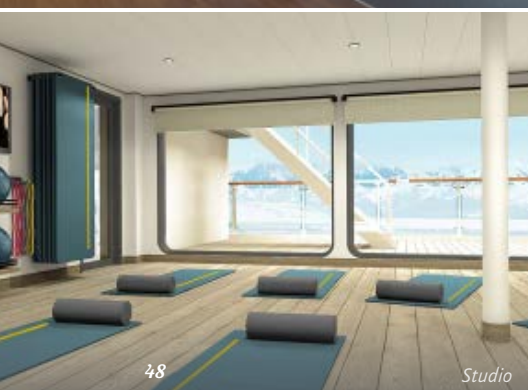
Fitness Center

Steam Room

The steam room is available for you to relax and rejuvenate after a hike or a workout.

Fitness Center and Studio

Our onboard fitness center is fully equipped with state-of-the-art equipment by Technogym, allowing guests to maintain their fitness regimen while traveling. The Studio also features mats and balls for stretching or informal yoga practice.



Studio



Nutritious Meals

With two onboard restaurants, our culinary team delivers contemporary meals with lighter options at every service. *(Please notify us of any dietary preferences at the time of booking.)*

Clean Air

In addition to the fresh air in the wide open spaces of the remote Polar Regions, guests also benefit from *Ultramarine's* advanced air filtration system. We want you to breathe easy on board and off-ship.

Food & drinks.

Food is an integral element of the expedition experience on *Ultramarine*. In addition to enjoying fine dining inspired by cuisines from around the world, meal times are excellent opportunities to share the day's highlights with fellow guests and engage with members of the expedition team and onboard polar experts.

Our internationally-trained chefs work with local experts across our far-flung destinations to source local items that provide an authentic flavor accent to selected food and beverage offerings. (Please inform our team of dietary restrictions when you book your voyage.) Desserts are fabulous! Afternoon tea, with pastries or cookies, is provided about 4 pm every day. Fresh pastries arrive warm from the oven for early birds about 6 am. Guests on *Ultramarine* can choose from two restaurants, as well as two additional bars.

Balena

Balena is our finer dining restaurant on *Ultramarine*, serving contemporary cuisine for breakfast, lunch and dinner with capacity to seat all guests and the entire expedition team at the same time. Expect globally-inspired dishes and regional specialties that feature locally sourced and sustainable ingredients. Savor house wines and beers at

lunch and dinner, or select from our in-restaurant beverage menu, featuring fine regional and global wines, as well as spirits (at an additional cost). Balena is designed so that every seat has a good view and there are four exits directly onto the wraparound deck, ensuring guests have easy access to the sometimes fleeting wonders of nature outside.



Balena



Ambassadors



Panorama Lounge

Bistro 487

Bistro 487 is the more casual restaurant on Deck 7, serving extended breakfast, lunch and dinner to accommodate those who rise early or late or simply want a change of scenery. The Bistro 487 menu features quicker meals and offers "grab and go" staples between meal times. With access to outdoor seating on the aft deck, Bistro 487 hosts the ever-popular Quark Expeditions barbecues and serves as an ideal location for those who relish the opportunity to enjoy a coffee or cocktail in the great outdoors.

Ambassadors

Ambassadors is the main theater/lounge on *Ultramarine*, where guests enjoy informative talks and presentations from a variety of expedition staff, polar experts and special guests. The Ambassadors bar will be open during presentation hours and for special events.

Panorama Lounge

The Panorama Lounge on Deck 7 is the main bar on *Ultramarine* and features spectacular forward views, a variety of comfortable seating and a convivial bar atmosphere offering an array of specialty cocktails, 24-hour coffee and tea, plus a well-stocked polar library.

Travel Well!



MAIN DECK TWIN WINDOW



DELUXE



OWNER'S SUITE

Ocean Adventurer

A guests favorite, *Ocean Adventurer* underwent a multi-million-dollar renovation several years ago. The ship's traditional mahogany and brass décor has been complemented by a completely refreshed lounge and dining room, as well as new bathrooms in public spaces and all cabins, updated Suites, and the addition of six Deluxe and three Owner's Suites. Technical improvements feature two new Rolls-Royce engines that increase fuel efficiency and minimize the ship's carbon footprint. Facilities include a dining room, multipurpose lounge and bar, gym, Polar Library and Polar Boutique.

SHIP SPECIFICATIONS:

Staff & Crew: 87

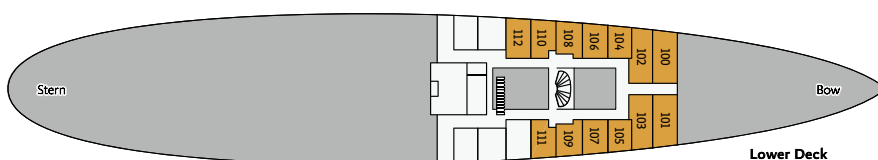
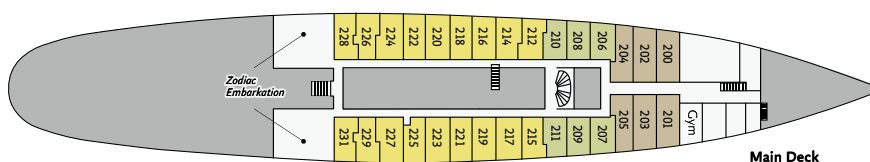
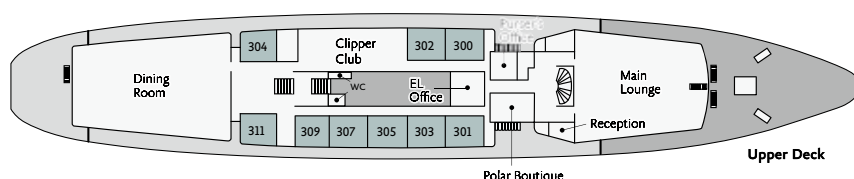
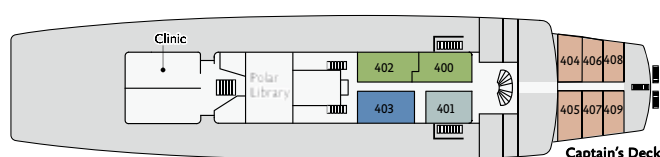
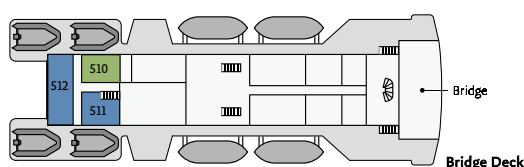
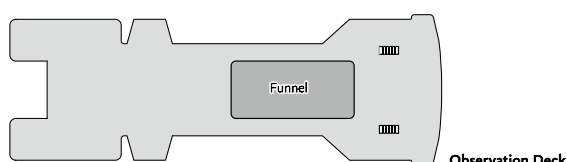
Guests: 128

Lifeboats: 4, partially enclosed

Ice Class: 1A

EIGHT TIERS OF ACCOMMODATION:

- **OWNER'S SUITE:** Double bed, private sitting area, private bathroom, multiple windows with exterior views.
- **SUITE:** Double bed, private bathroom (Cabin 403 has bathtub, others have showers), windows with exterior views.
- **DELUXE:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, windows with exterior views.
- **SUPERIOR:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, windows with exterior views.
- **MAIN DECK TWIN WINDOW:** Two lower beds, private bathroom and window with exterior view.
- **MAIN DECK PORTHOLE:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, porthole with exterior views.
- **LOWER DECK TWIN:** Two lower beds, private bathroom, porthole with exterior views.
- **TRIPLE:** Two lower beds and one upper bed, private bathroom, porthole with exterior views.



[See Dates & Rates for cabin pricing.](#)

[Visit QuarkExpeditions.com to view deck plan details.](#)

Your life onboard.

Quark Expeditions' fleet provides guests with many options to engage, relax, learn and stay connected to the polar environment even when they're onboard the ship.



Onboard enrichment

Daily presentations by experts in glaciology, penguinology, history, ornithology, marine biology and other polar-related subjects deepen your expedition experience.



Daily briefings and recaps

Guests can expect updates each morning on the day's highlights, weather changes and itinerary along with daily summaries in the afternoon/evening.



Opportunities to connect

Connect with fellow guests and expedition team members. Guests frequently interact with expedition team members in the dining room and on outer decks.



Superb dining

Our internationally-trained chefs oversee a menu that changes daily. Our culinary team strives to satisfy dietary preferences and tastes. Breakfast and lunch feature a buffet while dinner is a plated service. Afternoon tea (with pastries or cookies) is provided late afternoon, and fresh pastries are available for early birds before breakfast.



Exercise and wellness

Amenities vary from ship to ship. Guests on *Ocean Adventurer* have access to a gym, while those traveling on *World Explorer* can relax in the sauna. Guests on our new ship *Ultramarine* can book into Tundra spa, enjoy the sauna with floor-to-ceiling windows or practice yoga in the Studio.




Wildlife viewing

Every ship has easy-access spots to observe wildlife while onboard. Our newest ship, *Ultramarine*, has more outdoor wildlife viewing spaces than other expedition ships its size.



Lounge and bar

Each ship offers a lounge and bar(s) for guests to gather together to enjoy coffee and afternoon snacks, socialize over drinks and for staff presentations.

A yellow helicopter is shown in flight, positioned in the center-right of the frame. It is flying over a vast, icy Arctic landscape. In the background, there are steep, rugged mountains and a body of water. The sky is a pale, hazy blue. The helicopter has a yellow body and black rotor blades. The overall scene conveys a sense of adventure and exploration in a remote, polar environment.

Set foot where few ever will, and do what few ever dream.

Quark Expeditions has the most robust portfolio of adventure options in the polar industry—offering guests the opportunity to experience the Arctic landscape in ways never before imagined. The addition of the technologically-advanced new vessel *Ultramarine*—with its two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs—is a game changer in polar adventure. Quark Expeditions' portfolio of off-ship activities include heli-hiking, Zodiac cruising, heli-flightseeing, mountain biking, participation in the polar plunge, photography excursions and more.



One of Ultramarine's two twin-engine helicopters soars over the Arctic landscape.

Adventure Activities

Quark Expeditions offers a full range of adventure activities (some included in the cost of your trip, and some which cost extra) to suit every type of traveler regardless of experience. Please visit the relevant itinerary page on our web site to see what's included in your voyage.



Flightseeing

Enjoy a bird's-eye view of the Arctic—icebergs, glaciers, snow-capped peaks, expansive waterways, fjords—while seated comfortably in one of *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine helicopters. Looking down upon the magnificent Arctic wilderness will give you a unique perspective of the polar environment.

**Select departures.*



Zodiac Cruising

These polar-sturdy, reinforced rubber skiffs whisk you safely from the ship to the remote shorelines and back, taking you into the shallow waters that the ship can't reach. Touring around by Zodiac while looking out for wildlife is an intimate and relaxing way of exploring the Arctic bays and inlets.



Heli-Hiking

Helicopters will transfer you to the start of the most scenic hiking routes of Southern Greenland and then pick you up at the end point of the route. Each heli-hiking departure will be tailored to your personal needs and level of interests.

**Select departures.*



Exclusive Heli-Landing

You'll be transported in small groups on *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine helicopters to landing sites only accessible by air. Expect stunning aerial views from your seat in the helicopter—and yet more incredible polar vistas once you land: glaciers, icebergs, remote landscapes, wildlife and more.

**Select departures.*



Ice Sheet Experience

Ascend high above the cascading coastal glaciers onto the immense polar plateau of the Greenland Ice Sheet and take in the immensity of this overwhelming landscape. An excursion on one of *Ultramarine's* helicopters means you'll enjoy polar views very few others have ever experienced.

**Select departures.*



Greenland Camp Experience

Join local hosts at Tasermiut Camp for a night at one of the most exclusive camps in Greenland. Enjoy an intimate small-group walk through the beautiful Greenlandic landscapes with a local chef who will identify fresh ingredients, after which you and your fellow guests will prepare an incredible meal together.

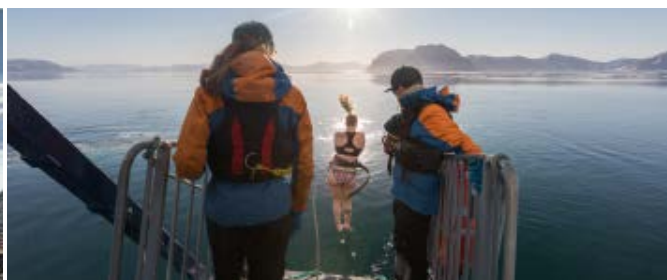
**Greenland Explorer voyages only. No experience required.*

All of our Included Activities and Adventure Options are weather-permitting. Not all activities are included on all voyages. [See individual itineraries for specific details.](#)



Walking/Hiking

Each shore landing is an excellent opportunity for you to explore the terrain on foot. Travelers are split into groups based on hiking ability and area of interest, giving everyone a satisfying hour or two of exploration.



Polar Plunge

As madcap as it looks, willingly jumping into the bone-chilling ocean waters has become a polar rite of passage—and the photo ops are priceless. Dare yourself to take the plunge!



Tundra to Table: Inuit Culinary Experience

This one-of-a-kind adventure into the culinary traditions of the Inuit in Greenland and Nunavut is hosted by Inuit chefs who are experts in Indigenous cuisine. Guests get to enjoy four courses of modern Inuit fusion-style cuisine while chefs talk about the origins of the food and elements of Inuit cooking. The dinner, featuring regional tableware, includes cultural storytelling.

**Select departures.*



Mountain Biking

Keen for a more active adventure? Our team has joined with local partners to identify incredible mountain biking routes through the stunning scenery of Southern Greenland. Our guides will take you to the best terrain so you can enjoy some of the most scenic—and unforgettable—mountain biking of your life!

**Select departures.*



Sea Kayaking

Kayaking along the rugged coastlines and through the calm bays with an experienced guide is one of the most inspiring ways to explore the pristine regions of the Arctic. Guests in the sea kayaking program typically paddle out onto the water multiple times during their expedition. This adventure option is weather-dependent.

**Select departures. Some previous experience is required.*



Paddling Excursion

A guided, one-time paddle enables you to enjoy your polar surroundings from a unique and intimate perspective. Just imagine yourself gliding on a stable, sit-on-top kayak, at one with the water, experiencing the Arctic at its most tranquil. That's the kind of memory that will last forever.

**Select departures. No experience required.*

Explore alongside the most experienced polar experts on Earth.

Talk to anyone who's traveled on a Quark Expeditions voyage and the first thing they'll talk about is the team—the ensemble cast of Polar Travel Advisors, Expedition Leaders, Adventure Guides and other on-ship staff who do everything possible to curate unforgettable guest experiences in the Polar Regions. Passion, determination, expertise, commitment to safety, and curiosity have defined the Quark Expeditions team since 1991. As the most experienced team in the expedition industry, we draw on our 32 years of polar exploration to ensure you have the polar trip of a lifetime.



Polar Travel Advisors

Our dedicated team of polar specialists is available to help you from the first email exchange or initial phone call to the friendly follow-up after you've returned home after your voyage. Trust our team of Polar Travel Advisors to have the information you need to plan your life-changing Arctic journey.



Polar experience: All of our Polar Travel Advisors have first-hand experience in the Polar Regions. Some have made multiple polar voyages throughout their career.



In-depth knowledge: Our Polar Travel Advisors undergo rigorous training. All of them are thoroughly versed in the guidelines and regulations of the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO).



Multilingual: Collectively, our Polar Travel Advisors are fluent in English, French, Spanish, Mandarin and Egyptian Arabic.



Quark Expeditions staff on the lookout for wildlife.

Your Expedition Leaders.

We have the most experienced and most passionate team of Expedition Leaders in the industry. They bring an incredible range of experience and skill to every adventure they lead. Simply put, they know the Arctic like the back of their hands.

All of our Expedition Leaders undergo rigorous training at Quark Expeditions' very own polar training institute, Quark Academy. Along with hands-on training, our teams are fully immersed in the regulations and guidelines established by the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO), the two bodies which serve to protect the two Polar Regions where we operate.



Abbey Weisbrot

Home base: Haida Gwaii, British Columbia

Years of polar experience: 8

Polar expeditions to date: 70

Areas of expertise: Bachelor of Tourism Management with a major in Adventure Studies. Certified Level 3 Lead Sea Kayak Guide with Sea Kayak Guides Alliance of British Columbia.

Advice to polar travelers: "Consciously slow down and soak up the incredible beauty around you, both big and small. Be present, take opportunities as they arise, and spend as much time out on the outer decks as possible."



Alison Gordon

Home base: Canberra, Australia

Years of polar experience: 10

Polar expeditions to date: 100

Areas of expertise: Alison, who speaks Mandarin, has studied geopolitics and founded a company that tackles the issues of food waste and sustainable protein. She's an avid skier, scuba diver, cyclist, runner and conservationist.

Advice to polar travelers: "Be open to what it feels like to fall in love (again) with our planet and the beauty it contains."



David Burton

Home base: Shetland Islands, UK

Years of polar experience: 11

Polar expeditions to date: 90

Areas of expertise: History and glaciology

Advice to polar travelers: "Head to the outer decks after dinner to take an evening constitutional. There's no better place than the Polar Regions to take some time and reflect on the serene beauty you've witnessed that day, as well as contemplate the life-changing moments you're experiencing. You never know what you might catch sight of—the majesty of the northern lights or a sighting of some wildlife!"



David (Woody) Wood

Home base: Melbourne, AU

Years of polar experience: 21

Polar expeditions to date: 300

Areas of expertise: Woody has developed in-depth knowledge of numerous aspects of polar wilderness throughout two decades of polar expedition.

Advice to polar travelers: "Polar voyages touch people in different ways. The polar environment has a power which sets people thinking about their place in our world. Get prepared with gear and have the time of your life! Travel with eyes wide open, with no fixed ideas and be open to the beauty, wonder, tranquility and fury of the polar environment."



Jake Morrison

Home base: Lake Simcoe, Ontario, Canada

Years of polar experience: 13

Polar expeditions to date: 75

Areas of expertise: Jake spent six years in Quark Expeditions' head office where he managed multiple elements of shore-side operations. He's a licensed aircraft pilot, sailboat skipper and scuba diver. Jake is passionate about operation logistics.

Advice to polar travelers: "Slow down, let your soul absorb every majestic moment, and spend plenty of time out on deck."



Experience Matters!

Each Expedition Leader brings years of polar experience to the role—as well expertise. Some are marine mammal experts, glaciologists and polar historians while others have specialties in whale studies, marine logistics and conservation. Our guests reap the benefits of this vast polar knowledge.



Why travel with us?

We go to the ends of the earth to chart new adventures, so you can set foot where few ever will. We've been exploring the Polar Regions for three decades, which means we've been taking guests on life-changing journeys to the Arctic and Antarctic longer than anyone else. As the Leader in Polar Adventures, we're committed to taking travelers beyond the ordinary, outside the predictable and expected. We were the first expedition company to take commercial guests to the North Pole—back in 1991. We led the first-ever passenger transit of the Northeast Passage.

We were the first to offer hot-air ballooning at the North Pole. We've always been driven to discover what's out there—and we're committed to taking you places no one else can.

An arctic fox.

Explore alongside the most experienced polar experts on Earth.

When you venture into the untouched wilds of the Arctic and Antarctic, you need a great team around you. And we have the greatest. You'll join elite guides trained at Quark Academy—which surpasses every standard imaginable for safety and preparedness in the Polar Regions—and interact directly with world-class polar experts. Our philosophy? The team that explores together, discovers more together.

Venture far beyond the ordinary with us.

Quark Expeditions goes where others simply can't. Or won't. But our expert guides' abilities to read unknown terrain means where there's a will, there's a way—and that way could be by kayak, Zodiac boat, helicopter, mountain bike, or even hot air balloon. In an environment so unpredictable, it pays to have a few backup plans. We don't just expect the unexpected, we embrace it.

We go to the ends of the earth to chart new adventures.

We've been pioneering new types of expeditions into the Polar Regions for over 30 years now. We not only offer the most itineraries, but the most varied as well. Because no matter where you venture, you can explore culture, wildlife, science, physical activity, and beyond. To put it simply: More places to explore, more ways to explore them.

Discover Earth's hidden beauty with a team dedicated to polar exploration.

Polar exploration is our life's work. It's the only thing we do—in fact, the only thing we've done since 1991, when we brought the very first group of commercial travelers to the North Pole. We understand these unique, otherworldly domains like few others do. So, it's our pleasure to journey with like-minded explorers, giving you the most in-depth experience possible. If these fascinating environments speak to you, speak to us.

Good explorers respect their environment.

Great ones protect it.

The beauty of the Arctic and Antarctic should be appreciated and preserved by all who are lucky enough to experience it. That's why we've developed Polar Promise, a comprehensive sustainability plan which includes key initiatives like reducing emissions and reusing or recycling 100% of waste. After all, polar exploration should leave a lasting impression—but only on the explorers like you.

Join the greatest fleet on the frozen seas.

When it comes to polar expeditions, you're only as good as your ships. And our diverse fleet of small polar vessels can take you to places where larger ships can't navigate. Equally key is our fleet of Zodiac boats, which let us make landfall where others are not able. Trust us: when you travel all the way to the edge of the world, you'll want to reach out and touch it too.

Set foot where few ever will, and do what few ever dream.

Every voyage starts on a ship, but the real adventure happens off-ship. In the polar wilds, we camp, climb, kayak, mountain bike, and helicopter to remote locations. We paddleboard on icy waters, and rise above the horizon in hot air balloons. With the most adventure options available, how you experience the Polar Regions is entirely up to you.

Have the most immersive off-ship experience possible.

Quark Expeditions offers the largest and most diverse portfolio of off-ship Adventure Options in the industry. This allows guests to customize their polar experience by choosing from an array of activities, including kayaking, heli flightseeing, Zodiac cruising, camping, Exclusive Heli Landings, hiking and mountain biking. Our goal is for guests to have the most immersive polar experience possible.

Traveling Solo on a Quark Expeditions Voyage.

Quark Expeditions welcomes couples, groups of friends, families, and solo travelers. Our voyages are especially popular with solo travelers for a variety of reasons.

Cost-saving for solo travelers.

Solo travelers can take advantage of Quark Expeditions Request-Share program. Rather than paying a single supplement for your polar voyage, you can request to share a cabin with another guest of the same gender. Both guests will save the single supplement. If a cabin mate cannot be found for you, the single supplement is waived. It's risk-free, plus you're on your way to making a new friend.

Small group ambience.

Quark Expeditions limits the number of guests to 199. One of our ships accommodates 128. That makes it very easy to recognize familiar faces. You'll be on first-name basis with fellow guests and staff in no time at all.

Intimate atmosphere and instant camaraderie.

Guests often comment on the friendliness of our voyages, which extends to guests and expedition team members, alike. Our adventure guides and expert presenters are approachable, and always eager to talk about their polar expertise. As a solo traveler, you certainly won't lack for passionate conversations!

Meals together.

There is no assigned seating on any of our ships. Our restaurants and dining-rooms include tables for two, four, eight and even larger groups. Solo travelers are often welcomed to join guests with whom they've spent the day exploring.



Off-ship adventure options.

Zodiac cruises with 8 or so fellow guests, onshore hikes, helicopter flightseeing with 7 guests, being paired up in a tandem kayak... Many of Quark Expeditions' off-ship activities are perfectly suited for connecting and "becoming best buddies" with fellow guests enjoying the same adventure. Invariably, after you're back on the ship, you'll be sharing photographs and memories with your new friends over drinks or during dinner.

Communal spaces throughout the ship.

Our fleet of small polar vessels are designed with spaces to meet and mingle, talk about the day's adventures, or enjoy a drink at the end of the day. Lounges, lecture theaters (some with small tables and chairs), bars, library, and viewing spaces on the deck are conducive to spontaneous discussions.

Polar passion is a great connector.

It's impossible to stand on the deck of a ship watching a polar bear, gaze up at the Northern Lights, or hear your first thunderous glacier calving—and not turn to the guests next to you and share the incredible polar wonder you've just experienced. As a solo traveler, the joy of being with like-minded travelers is that you already have so much in common.

Get ready to explore the Arctic with the best expedition team in the industry—and the most amazing fellow adventurers!

From time to time we feature special offers for solo travelers. Subscribe to our [newsletter](#) to find out about these special promotions, as well as updates on new products and itineraries.

A Polar-Perfect Parka

(yours to keep!)

3-IN-1 HOODED PARKA

Water resistant shell with removable insulating layer can be worn as a stand-alone piece for warmer polar days or your journey home.

REMOVABLE,
ADJUSTABLE HOOD

REFLECTIVE
PATCHES

5 OUTER AND 2 INNER POCKETS

for carrying
camera accessories
and extra gear.

DROP TAIL

For added protection
when seated outdoors.

Additional Inclusions:

- › Access to the best people in the polar travel industry, the most experienced polar experts
- › The best educational programming led by the top specialists in their fields
- › Zodiac cruising and shore landings, morning and afternoon, weather permitting
- › Three delicious meals a day, plus snacks
- › Wine or beer with dinner, soft drinks any time, coffee and tea around the clock
- › The polar parka, yours to keep
- › The loan of waterproof neoprene boots
- › Taxes, port charges and emergency evacuation insurance for total peace of mind
- › Online photo journal post-voyage
- › Included hotels
- › Port transfers



Sustainability.

Good explorers respect their environment. Great ones protect it. In April 2019, we reinforced our commitment to the polar regions with the unveiling of **POLAR PROMISE**—the most comprehensive and holistic sustainability strategy in place in the polar regions. In Polar Promise, Quark Expeditions identifies measurable goals to be reached by 2025.

This infographic reflects
QUARK EXPEDITIONS'
sustainability successes and goals—
celebrating our past while...

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!

REDUCE SINGLE-USE PLASTICS

Quark Expeditions continues to drastically reduce single-use plastics on board our ships. In 2019, we eliminated:



320,000

Single use bottles.
Our guests receive their own reusable water bottles!



14,000

Individual yogurt containers.



7,600

Parka bags.
Now in bundles versus individual plastic bags.

**FUN
FACTS**

By working with our hotel provider, we've **replaced individually wrapped items** like butter, sugar, jam, honey, and yogurt with bulk versions.

We've **installed water fountains** on our vessels so that guests can refill their own reusable Quark Expeditions water bottle as needed.

Cabins have been **outfitted with soap and shampoo dispensers** to reduce waste, and we provide straws, paper napkins, and receipts only on request.

OFF-SHIP INITIATIVES

\$500,000

Our annual goal to support Polar Research and Conservation.



Quark Expeditions provides free berths to conservation and scientific organizations, giving scientists access to remote regions to further their research. In addition, a portion of the proceeds from our onboard auctions are directed to these organizations.

\$219,924_{USD}

Auction proceeds supporting South Georgia Heritage Trust and Friends of South Georgia.



The funds, raised since 2014, support the Habitat Restoration project, whose goal was to restore the sub-Antarctic island to its original status as one of the world's most important seabird sites. Funds were used for baiting during the eradication phase and to support rodent-detecting dogs for the current monitoring and maintenance phase.

TRAINING THROUGH NALUNAIQSIJIT:

THE INUIT CRUISE TRAINING INITIATIVE



Through Nalunaiqsijit—The Inuit Cruise Training Initiative (ICTI), Quark Expeditions hired two interns on *Ocean Adventurer* voyages to Nunavut during the Arctic 2019 season, both of which were hired as staff during the 2019/20 Antarctic season. The goal of this Government of Nunavut program is to equip Nunavummiut with the qualifications and certifications needed to pursue opportunities in the expedition cruise industry.

EVERY PESO COUNTS

Quark Expeditions participated in SeaGreen recycling initiative during our 2018/19 Antarctic season. Proceeds from the sale of our recyclables raised **120,000 PESOS** to assist Argentinians living with a disability.



GREEN TECHNOLOGIES FOR OUR VESSELS

ULTRAMARINE

like *World Explorer*, will be equipped with a Micro Auto Gasification System that thermally breaks down waste, reducing its volume by

UP TO 95%



**40 DAYS
ZERO
WASTE**

These advanced waste systems mean the technologically-advanced vessel can operate for **40 DAYS** and discharge no solid waste!

Ultramarine has sufficient effluent storage to operate at full capacity with **340 PEOPLE** (guests and crew) for **5 DAYS**, eliminating the need for any discharge in particularly sensitive areas.



Ultramarine's LED lighting can potentially use **50% LESS** energy than standard fluorescent lighting.

The future looks bright!



Fuel-efficient *Ultramarine*
We expect the average daily fuel consumption of *Ultramarine* to be approximately half the consumption of older chartered vessels of similar size.

THE CARBON EMISSIONS CHALLENGE!

OUR GOAL BY 2025

Quark Expeditions will reduce carbon emissions by:

10%



**PER PASSENGER
PER DAY**
from the 5-year
rolling average

Our Polar Promise.



PRINCIPLES

Embedding responsible practices throughout our business, whether it's in polar wilderness or in the places we work each day.

Goal: By 2025, our goal is to work exclusively with suppliers, vendors and external partners who share our commitment to preserving the polar regions.



PLANET

Reducing our footprint and building resilience through best practices and advanced sustainability technologies.

Goal: By 2025, Quark Expeditions will reduce carbon emissions per passenger by 10% and Quark Expeditions-owned fleet will be zero waste to landfill.



PARTNERSHIPS

Making a positive impact on the people, environment, and communities we visit through outreach, collaboration, and innovation.

Goal: By 2025, Quark Expeditions will continue to lead change through community engagement and by supporting scientific, conservation and sustainable development in polar communities.



POSITIVE IMPACT

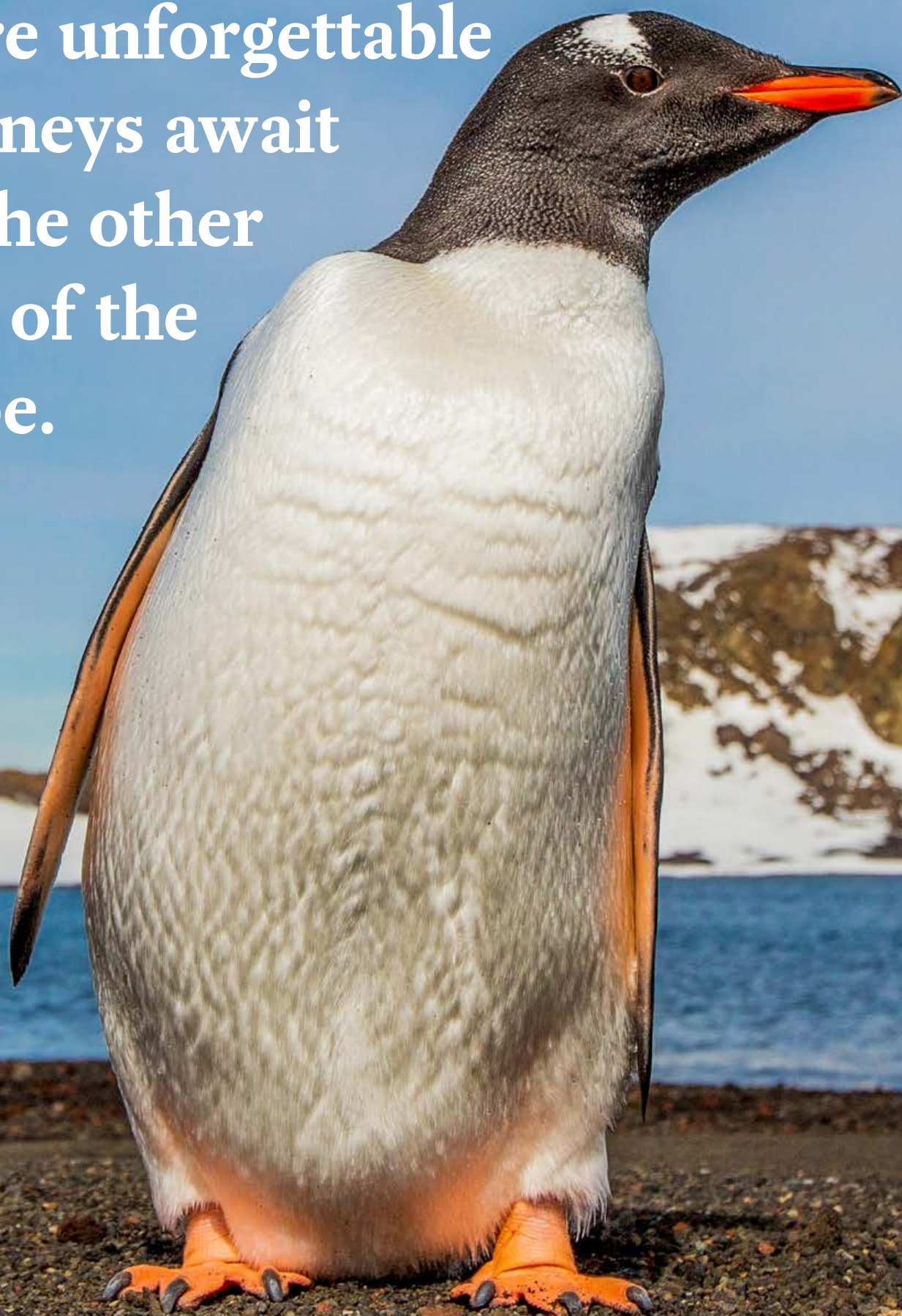
Inspiring and empowering our guests to make changes that create positive impacts, wherever they live.

Goal: By 2025, the positive benefit of bringing people to the polar regions will far outweigh any impact of taking people there.

Our sustainability strategy is an ongoing journey. Join us on our voyage to preserve the polar regions for generations to come!

For more on our comprehensive Polar Promise strategy, visit: [QuarkExpeditions.com/Sustainability](https://www.quarkexpeditions.com/sustainability)

More unforgettable
journeys await
on the other
side of the
globe.



At the opposite end of the world, lies another wilderness waiting to be explored: the Antarctic Peninsula. This Polar Region, accessible from the foot of South America, entails a crossing of the iconic Drake Passage (by ship or by plane), where you'll discover penguin rookeries, abandoned whale stations, iceberg filled bays, glaciers and rugged coasts which are home to all manner of bird species. Visits to the 7th Continent hold extra special meaning for students of polar history, many of whom realize a lifetime dream by following in the footsteps of early explorers like Sir Ernest Shackleton. Add the remote islands of the Falklands and South Georgia to this polar magic and you're in for a life-changing journey in Antarctica.

Join us at the other end of the earth

We deliver unforgettable polar moments at both Polar Regions, and that includes Antarctica. If you're looking to strike the 7th Continent off your bucket list, visit QuarkExpeditions.com

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