

The Northwest Passage through the Arctic Labyrinth

Starting from € 21 990

Full board included

**REYKJAVIK/SEATTLE
26 DAYS**

Departure on August 26, 2025

Northwest Passage: A Fabulous Journey Through the Arctic Labyrinth

Crossing the Northwest Passage aboard a modern expedition ship with ice certification is a fascinating experience that combines wonders of nature, culture, and history. The passage, once an elusive route reserved for explorers, now offers intrepid travelers a chance to discover breathtaking Arctic landscapes and engage with indigenous communities through authentic experiences. During this adventure, we will attempt to take you from Nuuk in Greenland to Nome in Alaska.

Breathtaking Beauty of the Arctic Canada and Alaska

Our 26-day journey takes us over the North American continent to the icy expanses of the Far North. In the Eastern Canadian Arctic, specifically the waterways around the Lancaster Strait, you'll discover pristine and remote nature offering grand panoramas of frozen sea expanses. The Western part, on the other hand, is a region marked by its proximity to Alaska. Keep an eye out for wildlife as we traverse the famous Beaufort Sea and the Bering Strait, concluding our passage in the Northwest Pacific region of the United States.



Overview

Day 1 Reykjavik, the Cosmopolitan

Day 2 Nuuk, the Colorful City on the Hill

Days 3-5 West Greenland

Days 6-7 Crossing Baffin Bay

Days 8-11 Eastern Canadian Arctic

Day 12 Bellot Strait

Days 13-20 Heading West

Days 21-24 Along the Alaskan Coastline

Day 25 Final Stop - Nome, a Destination Like No Other

Day 26 Breathtaking Seattle

Trip Highlights:

- **Follow in the Footsteps of Legendary Explorers:** Embark on a journey to explore the wonders of Greenland and attempt the legendary Northwest Passage **to reach Alaska, tracing the routes of legendary explorers.**
- **Discover UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Explore UNESCO World Heritage Sites, spectacular landscapes, abundant wildlife, and Inuit villages with the expert guidance of your expedition team.
- **Navigate the Breathtaking Bering Strait:** Sail through the stunning Bering Strait and marvel at the majestic landscapes of Alaska.

Itinerary

DAY 1 | REYKJAVIK, THE COSMOPOLITAN DISCOVER THE MODERN CAPITAL OF ICELAND

Your adventure begins with a night in Reykjavik. A city of art, culture, and history with a laid-back atmosphere, delightful Reykjavik is well worth exploring. Stroll along Laugavegur, lined with shops and outdoor activity equipment stores, admire the striking Hallgrímskirkja cathedral, or visit the fascinating Reykjavik Art Museum.

If time allows, we recommend booking a pre-program with us to explore a selection of Iceland's natural wonders.

DAY 2 | THE VIBRANT CITY OF NUUK WELCOME TO THE CAPITAL OF GREENLAND

The day begins with a flight from Reykjavik to Nuuk, the colorful capital of Greenland. With a population of 18,000, it offers a striking mix of old and new buildings. If time allows, we will explore this fascinating city, providing an opportunity to compare historical structures like the Hans Egede House and Nuuk Cathedral with the ultra-modern architecture of the Greenlandic Parliament building.

Your ship awaits at Nuuk's port. After receiving your complimentary expedition jacket, it's time to settle into your cabin, meet the expedition team, and explore the ship as we set sail for this fantastic journey through the Northwest Passage.

DAYS 3-5 | WEST GREENLAND DISCOVER THE MAGICAL BEAUTY OF WEST GREENLAND

The first chapter of our journey unfolds along the majestic west coast of Greenland. Over the next three days, immerse yourself in the wonders of one of Greenland's most iconic regions. You will witness:

EVIGHEDSFJORD

Heading north, we plan a day of exploration in the enchanting and pristine Evighedsfjord, near Maniitsoq. The specific adventures for the day will be defined on-site. The "Fjord of Eternity" is fed by an ice cap, pouring massive icebergs into its 700-meter deep waters. It is surrounded by mist-shrouded mountains with beautiful white ridges, punctuated by crystal blue ice caves.

DAYS 6-7 | BAFFIN BAY CROSSING GET READY TO OBSERVE WILDLIFE AND PARTICIPATE IN CITIZEN SCIENCE PROJECTS

We bid farewell to Greenland and continue our journey towards Nunavut on the other side of Baffin Bay. The expedition team will continue onboard lectures on topics such as Arctic wildlife, Inuit culture, and the history of exploration in this region. Take this opportunity to engage in one of our citizen science projects, helping to photograph and track whales or observing clouds to assist scientists in studying our climate and contributing to the GLOBE program.

DAYS 8-11 | EASTERN CANADIAN ARCTIC ENTERING THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE

After crossing Baffin Bay, we find ourselves in the eastern part of the Canadian Arctic. The main waterway in this area is Lancaster Sound (Tallurutiup Imanga), which leads to the Northwest Passage.

This chapter of our exploration is expected to be very active, with excursions planned for all four days we hope to spend in this region. Keep in mind that all our excursion programs depend on weather conditions and ice conditions, but if the weather is on our side, our days will be filled with discoveries and excitement.

We hope to introduce you to many remarkable local sites throughout the expedition, including:

- Pond Inlet (Mittimatalik)
- Dundas Harbour
- Croker Bay
- Beechey Island (Iluvilik)
- Prince Leopold Island (Appait)
- Fort Ross

DAY 12 | BELLOT STRAIT SAIL ALONG THE BORDER BETWEEN EAST AND WEST

As we sail through the Arctic Canadian Rubicon, the famous Bellot Strait marks the passage between the East and the West. This strait separates the northernmost part of the North American continent from Somerset Island, one of the largest islands in the Canadian Arctic Archipelago.

Approximately 35 kilometers long, this passage is only one kilometer wide at its narrowest point. We can navigate through it only if weather conditions and ice conditions permit.

DAYS 13-20 | HEADING WEST SPEND EIGHT DAYS EXPLORING THE WESTERN PART OF THE FAMOUS NORTHWEST PASSAGE

Over the next eight days of our journey, we will navigate through three distinct regions: Nunavut, Northwest Territories, and Yukon, covering two traditional Inuit territories—Inuvialuit and Nunavut. We anticipate up to five days of onshore excursions and four days of sailing. Throughout the expedition, we hope to introduce you to many remarkable local sites, including:

- Gjoa Haven (Uqsuqtuuk)
- Cambridge Bay (Iqaluktuuttiaq)
- Coronation Gulf
- Ulukhaktok
- Smoking Hills
- Herschel Island

DAYS 21-24 | ALONG THE ALASKAN COAST MARINE SCIENCE AND WILDLIFE OBSERVATION

Attend fascinating lectures from the expedition team as we sail through the waters of the Beaufort Sea and the Bering Strait. Upon entering the Beaufort Sea, the sea ice conditions are unpredictable. If the sea ice level is higher than average for the season, our navigation speed may be significantly reduced. This is the nature of expedition cruises—expect the unexpected!

- Highlights of this crossing:
- Beaufort Sea
- Bering Strait
- International Date Line
- Wildlife Observation

DAY 25 | LAST STOP - NOME, A DESTINATION LIKE NO OTHER DISCOVER THE GOLDEN AGE OF ALASKA

Nome attracted its first prospectors in 1898, and gold is still being sought after to this day. Remnants of the gold rush era are scattered throughout, including abandoned dredges, early 20th-century steam engines, and old railway tracks, lending the city its unique and intriguing atmosphere.

You will be in good company while exploring the town. Wyatt Earp, the famous sheriff, once opened a saloon here. Nome was also the final destination for three of Roald Amundsen's great polar expeditions.

From Nome, you will take a flight to Seattle where you will spend the night.

DAY 26 | BREATHTAKING SEATTLE COMPLETE YOUR ADVENTURE IN THE "EMERALD CITY"

Waking up in your Seattle hotel marks the end of your journey through the Arctic labyrinth. After breakfast, if time permits before your return flight, why not explore the "Emerald City" and see what it has to offer?

Head to the Seattle Aquarium to observe sea otters and a giant Pacific octopus. You can also enjoy breathtaking views of Puget Sound and the surrounding mountains as you stroll through the Olympic Sculpture Park, adorned with works by renowned artists. Alternatively, visit the famous Pike Place Market, which will tantalize all your senses. Open for over a century, this market of local producers is a true attraction with its fishmongers tossing their salmon, street musicians, and lively bars.

OUR PRICES INCLUDE:

Hotel

- Night in Reykjavik with breakfast before the expedition cruise
- Night in Seattle with breakfast after the expedition cruise

Flights

- Economy class flights from Reykjavik to Nuuk before the expedition cruise
- Economy class flights from Nome to Seattle after the expedition cruise

Transfers

- Transfer from the hotel to Reykjavik airport before the expedition cruise
- Transfer from the airport to the ship in Nuuk before the expedition cruise
- Transfer from the ship to Nome airport after the expedition cruise
- Transfer from the airport to the hotel in Seattle after the expedition cruise

Expedition Cruises

- Expedition cruise in the cabin category of your choice
- Full board on board, with drinks during meals at the Aune and Fredheim restaurants
- Access to the à la carte Lindstrøm restaurant for suite passengers
- Free tea and coffee
- Free Wi-Fi on board†
- Complimentary reusable water bottle
- English-speaking expedition team organizing and guiding activities on board and ashore
- Many included activities
- Please note that Wi-Fi coverage and phone signal are very limited in the remote areas we explore, and streaming services are not available.

Onboard Activities

- Exciting lectures and discussions led by the experts of the expedition team
- Access to our Science Center, library, and advanced biological and geological equipment
- Participatory science program allowing you to get involved in ongoing scientific research
- Tips and photography techniques shared by our professional photographer on board to capture landscapes and wildlife
- Access to hot tubs, infinity pool, sauna with panoramic view, indoor and outdoor fitness rooms, and the ship's running track
- Daily informal meetings with the crew

Onshore Activities

- Guided landings in expedition boats
- Loan of boots, hiking poles, and all equipment needed for activities
- Complimentary windproof waterproof expedition jacket
- Expedition photographers at your disposal to assist you

OUR PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE:

- International flights
- Additional night(s) if necessary due to international flight schedules
- Optional land excursions with our local partners
- Portage
- Optional small-group activities with our expedition team
- Optional wellness and spa treatments on board
- Cancellation insurance "PREMIUM" (please consult us)

Notes:

- Prices are in EUR per person, based on two people staying together in a double cabin
- Not all cabin categories are available on each departure
- Single cabin prices are available on request
- Hurtigruten applies a flexible pricing system, and all prices are determined based on capacity and availability.
- All planned activities are subject to weather conditions and ice conditions
- Excursions and activities are subject to change
- Please ensure that you complete all entry and embarkation formalities
- Tips are included
- Depending on your flight schedule, an additional hotel night may be necessary.