ARCTIC EXPRESS
GREENLAND’S NORTHERN LIGHTS

Sep 1 - Sep 10, 2018

COMMONWEALTH CLUB TRAVEL
Dear Club Travelers,

We invite you to come explore the iceberg-packed fjords, tundra, and the arctic wildlife of Northeast Greenland National Park. Greenland is the second largest ice-cap in the world next to Antarctica. Rife with glaciers and icebergs, each day reveals more spectacular scenery, while nights entice visitors with star filled skies and the possibility of witnessing the aurora borealis, the northern lights.

The Inuit settlement of Ittoqqortoormiit and its inhabitants offer a rare connection to the past with their tradition of living off the land, just as their ancestors did hundreds of years ago. Scoresbysund, the world’s largest fjord system, beckons with stunning vistas. This is pure Arctic wilderness at its finest.

We are sailing with our partners at Quark Expeditions. Their years of experience in Greenland and the Arctic will make this an incredible journey of learning and outdoor adventure.

Join us!

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Arctic Express: Greenland’s Northern Lights

Voted one of the top destinations to see in 2015 by the New York Times, Greenland has been dramatically shaped—geographically and culturally—by the ice that dominates and is one of the best places to witness the magic of the Northern Lights. The best way to experience the rugged beauty of this nature-lover’s paradise is by ship. This East Greenland fly-in expedition makes this amazing destination more accessible than ever.

Program Highlights

- Experience Greenland’s vast landscapes.
- Explore the world’s largest fjord system.
- Visit the largest & most remote national park on the planet.
- Possibly catch sightings of muskoxen & whales.
- Cruise in a Zodiac.
- Visit an Inuit community.
- Take advantage of optional kayak adventure.
- Northern Lights (sighting is a possibility and cannot be guaranteed).

Trip Inclusions

- 8 nights aboard Ocean Nova.
- 2 nights at Grand Hotel Reykjavik*.
- All breakfasts, lunches and dinners throughout the expedition.
- Internal flights from Reykjavik to the ship and return.
- A Quark Expeditions parka — yours to keep.
- Emergency Evacuation Insurance for all passengers to a maximum benefit of $500,000 USD per person.

Contact the Commonwealth Club for a complete list of included and not included features.

*Hotel subject to change
Your 10-Day Itinerary

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DAY 1 Reykjavík, Iceland
Your adventure begins with an overnight stay at Grand Hotel Reykjavík, in the world’s northernmost capital city.

DAY 2 Embarkation Day at Constable Point
You’ll fly from Reykjavik to Constable Point to board your vessel and begin your expedition. Get ready for a great adventure ahead!

DAY 3 – 4 Alpefjord, Brogetdal and Watershausen Glacier
You’ll view colorful vistas, and fascinating geology. Fjords punctuate the scenery all around. Your day will be spent exploring and Zodiac cruising through a multitude of dazzling icebergs, fjords and sounds in all shapes and sizes. Be on the lookout for arctic fox and musk ox, which roam free here. Later, you’ll travel to the impressive and rarely visited Waltershausen Glacier, an imposing ice floe at the head of Nordfjord, named after German explorer Baron Wolfgang Sartorius von Waltershausen, after his failed 1869 attempt to reach the North Pole via East Greenland.

DAY 5 – 6 Blomsterbugten, Renbugten, and Ella Oya (Ella Island)
Blomsterbugten, the “Bay of Flowers,” is home to beautiful purple and gold colored rocks that you’ll view from a distance, or on a hike for those who wish. Or enjoy Ella Oya—the area is surrounded by ice-choked waters, rugged cliffs and sky-blue icebergs. Challenge yourself with a climb to the top of the island—the views are worth it.

DAY 7 – 8 Ittoqqortoormiit to Sydkap
At the start of the sound, Itoqqortoormiit is East Greenland’s most northerly community and boasts a blend of traditional and modern lifestyles. Sailing on, deeper into Scoresby Sund you’ll encounter massive icebergs and an ancient Thule settlement as we approach Sydkap.

DAY 9 – 10 Disembarkation at Constable Point and depart Reykjavik
Arrive at Constable Point and disembark the ship. Sit back and enjoy your charter flight from Constable Point to Reykjavik, the vibrant and artistic capital of Iceland. Overnight in the comfortable Grand Hotel Reykjavik.
Adventure Options

Your Arctic voyage includes great daily outdoor activities like Zodiac cruises and hiking. Kayaking is available on most of our voyages, a great way to experience the beauty of the Arctic in a more personal way. Contact the Commonwealth Club to learn more about adventure options, including physical requirements.

Iceland Experience Package
Pre- and Post-Trip Options

From the charming city of Reykjavik, to the therapeutic waters of the Blue Lagoon, and the bubbling hot springs of Thingveller National Park, you will be mesmerized by the unique beauty and striking geography of this Nordic island. Iceland offers adventures for every activity and skill level—ask about the other options available to enjoy the fresh air and explore the dramatic landscape.
Ocean Nova

Designed to carry travelers in comfort to the most remote corners of the world, Ocean Nova is a modern and comfortable vessel carrying just 78 passengers on our Arctic Voyages.

*All cabins have exterior window views*
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CABIN CATEGORY | RATE
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Quad | $6,395
Triple | $6,895
Upper/Lower | $8,495
Bridge Deck | $8,895
Upper Deck | $9,395

*Conditions: Prices in USD and based on shared occupancy rates. Singles are available at 1.7X the per person share rates above.

Secure your reservation by credit card

Arctic Express: Greenland’s Northern Lights $____ $____ $____ (Program deposit)

A deposit of **20%** will be charged to the credit card below.

Credit card: **MasterCard** **Visa** **American Express**

Card # ________ CVV Code # ________ Exp. Date: ________

Name (as it appears on your passport): ________________

Passenger #1 ________________ Passenger #2 ________________

Phone: ________ Email: ________

Billing address:

City: ________________ State: ________________ Zip Code: ________

Cabin Category Preference: ________

Signature: ________ Date: ________

We have read, understood, and agree to the full Terms & Conditions at www.QuarkExpeditions.com/en/Terms-and-Conditions and detailed program documents to charge my credit above and take a deposit for this program. Final payment is due 180 days prior to departure. You will receive an invoice from Quark Expeditions. You will also receive a hard copy of the agreed upon Terms and Conditions in your confirmation packet which includes cancellation policies. We highly recommend trip cancellation insurance.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP:

We require membership to The Commonwealth Club to travel with us. Please check one:

_ I am a current member of The Commonwealth Club.

_ Please sign me up or renew my membership with the credit card information provided here.

_ I will visit commonwealthclub.org/membership to sign up for a membership.

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FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CONTACT US:

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Please Note: The information contained in this brochure was prepared well in advance of the departure date. Because of the program provided, dates, pricing, hotels, modes of transportation and in some cases, itineraries, change. If this situation does occur, we will attempt to provide similar alternatives but are not always able to do so. We hope you understand. Please be certain to read Terms & Conditions and Refund & Cancellation Policy prior to signing on to this adventure.

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