

# 11D10N Circumnavigation Spitsbergen – In the Realm of Polar Bears



## Trip Overview

### Svalbard Island

Venture deep into the High Arctic, crossing the 80th parallel toward the North Pole. Under the glow of the Midnight Sun, explore icy fjords and remote coastlines alive with polar bears, walruses, and seabirds—an expedition few will ever experience.

## Trip Highlights

- ~ Join an unforgettable expedition from Valparaíso to Ushuaia, taking in the beauty of the Chilean fjords.
- ~ See spectacular national parks, UNESCO sites and bustling cities, and visit remote communities at Puerto Williams and Caleta Tortel
- ~ Attempt an exciting shore landing at legendary Cape Horn.
- ~ Sailing into the awe-inspiring Chilean fjords, we encounter a rugged, maze-like coastline with a multitude of islands, steep mountains and glittering glaciers~ Use of our Science Centre, including the library and advanced biological and geological equipment
- ~ Citizen Science Programme allows guests to assist with ongoing scientific research

# Trip Itinerary

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| Destination:        | Norway       |
| Departure Location: | Longyearbyen |
| Return Location:    | Longyearbyen |
| Tour Validity:      |              |

## Day 01: Arrive in Longyearbyen

Fly from Oslo to Longyearbyen, the world’s northernmost town. Explore this colourful Arctic frontier before your expedition begins, or extend your stay for more land adventures.

## Day 02: Longyearbyen

Explore Longyearbyen on foot, discovering its shops, galleries, and local charm. Join an included excursion before boarding your ship to begin your Arctic voyage.

## Day 03: Peaceful Ny-Ålesund

Explore Ny-Ålesund, one of the world’s northernmost settlements and a hub for Arctic research. Discover its historic past and stunning fjords, with chances for hikes and small-boat excursions.

## Day 04: Northwest Spitsbergen National Park

### Exploring Arctic Landscapes

Discover the striking beauty of the national park, with its rugged tundra, glaciers, and dramatic mountain scenery. Venture ashore or explore by small expedition boat to fully experience this pristine wilderness.

## Day 05: The waters of Patagonia

### Wildlife Encounters & Adventure

Keep watch for Arctic wildlife, including seals, walruses, and reindeer—and possibly polar bears early in the season. Join kayaking excursions, guided hikes, or take part in a beach clean-up for a hands-on exploration of the Arctic.

## Day 06: Ice edge attempt

Sail toward the edge of the polar ice cap, where seals and walruses rest on drifting ice. If conditions allow, explore by small boat or enjoy the stunning fjords and blooming Arctic landscapes.

## Day 07: Eastern Spitsbergen

### Into Eastern Spitsbergen

If conditions allow, venture across the sea ice toward Eastern Spitsbergen. Keep watch for polar bears, walruses, and vast seabird colonies. Enjoy landings, hikes, or kayak trips for an up-close Arctic experience.

## Day 08: Eastern Spitsbergen

### Exploring the Svalbard Wilderness

Continue your search for Arctic wildlife as you explore fjords, glaciers, and ice-filled bays. In true expedition style, your route will depend on the conditions—each moment offering new opportunities for discovery and adventure.

## Day 09: Hornsund and Bellsund

Sail into the stunning Hornsund Fjord, surrounded by towering peaks and colourful tundra. Watch for seals, whales, and bird colonies nesting on the cliffs. Learn about Wanny Woldstad, Svalbard's first female trapper, as glaciers sparkle in the distance.

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## Day 10: Hornsund and Bellsund

Cruise through Bellsund's snowcapped landscapes, rich with stories of past whaling and mining. Depending on weather, enjoy landings or small-boat excursions to explore this scenic and historic Arctic region.

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## Day 11: Return to Longyearbyen

Your Arctic adventure ends in Longyearbyen, where you'll catch your flight back to Oslo. You'll return home knowing more about Arctic animals, history, polar ice and climate change than you arrived with – and memories of an incredible experience.

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## What's included

### PACKAGE INCLUDES

- ~1-nights pre-cruise accommodation and 9 Night Onboard cruise
- ~A stay in a cabin of your choice
- ~Economy Flight between Oslo and Longyearbyen
- ~All transfers in Longyearbyen, including a pre-cruise excursion
- ~Breakfast, lunch and dinner including beverages\* in restaurants
- ~Complimentary hot & cold beverages, beer, wine throughout your cruise
- ~Complimentary Wi-Fi on board
- ~Complimentary reusable water bottle
- ~Lecture programs by expedition team and guest speakers
- ~Complimentary wind- and water-resistant expedition jacket
- ~Professional onboard photographer gives tips and tricks for the best landscape and wildlife photos
- ~Onboard gratuities & port taxes
- ~Range of included activities

### PACKAGE EXCLUDE

- ~International flights
- ~Optional shore excursions & Optional small-group adventures
- ~Travel insurance
- ~Luggage handling other than those specified
- ~Additional overnight(s) if required due to international flight timings
- ~Optional Excursion

## Price & Cost

No fare dates found.