



ADVENTURE
CANADA

⚓ SMALL-SHIP EXPEDITION

The Northwest Passage

AUGUST 16–SEPTEMBER 1, 2025
SEPTEMBER 1–17, 2025

Contents

- 4 Travel in Great Company
- 5 Regenerative Travel
- 6 Transform the Way You See the World

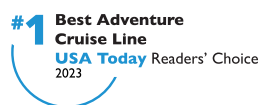
- 10 Ten Fascinating Points of Interest on Into the Northwest Passage
- 14 Into the Northwest Passage Itinerary

- 20 Ten Incredible Experiences on Out of the Northwest Passage
- 24 Out of the Northwest Passage Itinerary

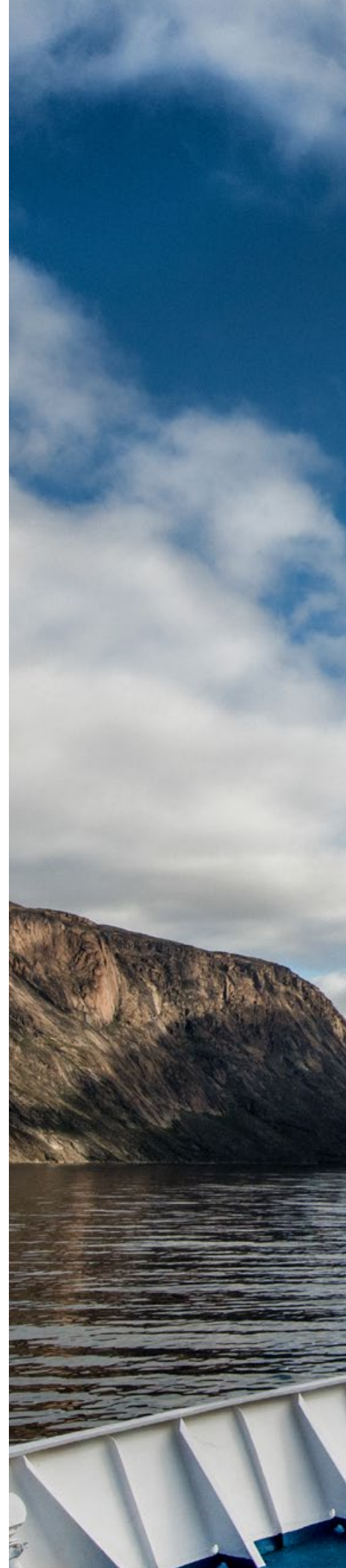
THE SHIP

- 30 *Ocean Endeavour*

- 32 Expedition and Charter Flight Prices
- 33 Specials and Incentives
- 34 Program Enhancements



Cover photo by Michelle Valberg





**ADVENTURE
CANADA**



©Michelle Valberg



Deanna Leonard-Spitzer
Naturalist



Martha Flaherty
Inuit Cultural Educator



Marc St-Onge, PhD
Geologist



Looee Okalik
Inuit Cultural Educator



Jacquie Matechuk
Photographer



Jason Edmunds
Expedition Leader



James Raffan, PhD
Explorer & Author



Mark Terry, PhD
Climate Action Specialist



Mark Mallory, PhD
Arctic Ecologist & Canada Research Chair



Susie Evyagotailak
Inuit Cultural Educator

Travel in Great Company

For more than thirty-five years, Adventure Canada has been taking people to some of the most inspiring destinations on the planet. And we've been doing it in the company of some of the most inspiring folks around!

By travelling with local experts, cultural educators, learned scholars, scientists, artists, and expedition specialists, we hope to help our guests open their minds and hearts. We know we've succeeded when our guests become ambassadors for the places we visit, the cultures we get to know, the animals, and the environment we appreciate along the way—and the planet itself!

We build our expedition team around the knowledge and experience of a team of cultural educators, many of whom call the regions to which we travel their homes. With their guidance, we gain locals' perspective while giving back to communities.

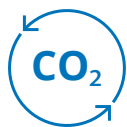
Adventure Canada always has been and always will be a family operation and a close-knit team. Now in our second generation of management, we carry on the tradition of excellence and community fostered by our founders. We believe in the transformative power of nature and fostering a sense of fun and wonder. We value meaningful cultural exchange. Our team thrives on having a hands-on involvement and our owners can be found on almost every expedition.

Regenerative Travel

Adventure Canada's vision is a world where travellers are ambassadors for the future, the climate is balanced, oceans are clean, and people are well because of tourism—not despite it.

We believe travel can make the world a better place. Imagine a planet with a healthy climate, healthy environments, healthy cultures, and healthy communities. We're working towards building this reality through our ongoing goals.

Our Commitment



We commit to becoming carbon neutral.



We commit to achieving net zero waste operations.



We commit 30% of our corporate giving towards cultural preservation and revitalization projects.



We commit to building equitable employment opportunities and growing local businesses.

We know these ambitious initiatives require a long-term vision, and we're dedicated to seeing them through. We invite you to read more about our regenerative travel initiatives on our website and follow our progress in our annually published reports. advcan.ca/reg-travel

TRANSFORM the Way You See the **World**

*Wherever you journey with us,
you can always expect to travel
with purpose. Satisfy your
curiosity. Immerse yourself in
local culture. Bear witness to
stunning vistas. Cherish the
joy of being out on the water.
Experience the transformative
power of nature.*







Encounter wildlife in pristine natural environments

Our expert guides take you to where you're most likely to see abundant and elusive wildlife: whales and seabirds in Atlantic Canada and North Atlantic Europe, and muskox, seals, and polar bears in the High Arctic.



Immerse yourself in local culture and tradition

No matter where you go with us, you'll always travel with local guides who know the place best and can share their cultures with you firsthand. You'll do more than just drink whisky in Scotland, kiss the cod in Newfoundland, or watch throat singing in Nunavut.



Enrich your knowledge of the places we visit

Our expedition team members are warm, friendly, and approachable individuals who will help you in and out of a Zodiac or tear it up on the dance floor. Presentations, hands-on workshops, guided hikes, and hosted dinner tables are just some of the ways you'll learn more about where we're travelling.



See stunning vistas seldom visited

Our expeditions take you to hard-to-reach destinations that are best explored by small ship. Explore beautiful and rugged Arctic waterways where Inuit have called home for generations. Or kick up a jig at kitchen parties in remote Atlantic fishing villages.



©Dennis Minty

Experience the joy of being out on the water

By Zodiac, we search for wildlife, cruise amongst icebergs, explore natural and historic sites, visit welcoming communities, and meander dramatic coastlines. Our goal is to get off the ship as often as possible so that you can experience the environment to the fullest.



©Jen Derbach

Be part of a community of like-minded travellers

Get involved with the unique mix of entertainment and camaraderie onboard. Meet interesting folks with similar interests and fascinating life stories, make new friends, and travel in great company.



©Dennis Minty

Choose the activity that suits you best

Make the most of your expedition with activities tailored to your preferences: from hiking and community visits to wildlife viewing and historic site tours. Join on-board education sessions, relish the fresh air on deck, or relax with a book from our library.



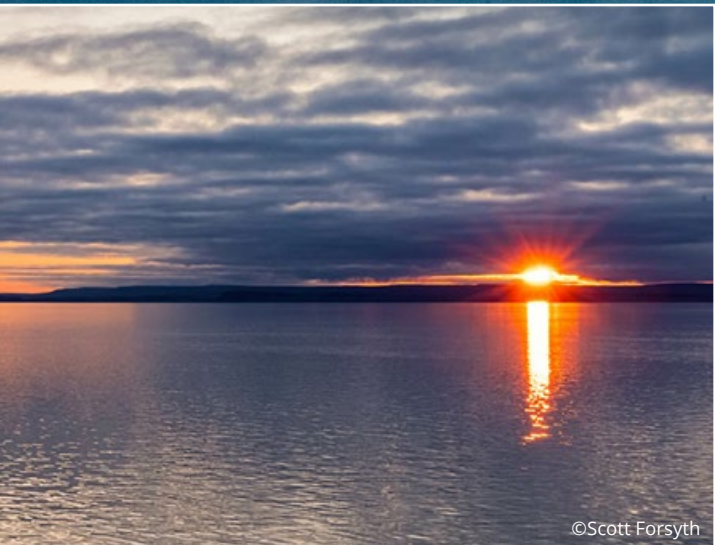
©Dennis Minty

Make a difference

As part of our regenerative travel plan, we champion community-driven initiatives. Your trip fare directly supports the positive work undertaken by communities and our partners: capacity building, language revitalization, habitat protection, and more. Make a positive impact by travelling with Adventure Canada.

Ten Fascinating Points of Interest on Into the Northwest Passage

Each Adventure Canada expedition holds its own unique highlights. On Into the Northwest Passage, the poignant historical sites, spectacular scenery, beautiful Inuit communities, and incredible ice leave us in awe. These are our picks for Into the Northwest Passage's top ten highlights.



©Scott Forsyth

1 Sneak through haunting straits, following the sea lanes of history

Along the south end of King William Island is the crux of the Northwest Passage, where the straits are shallow but the past runs deep. Squeak past bleak headlands and islands where Franklin's men fell in their tracks. Most eerie of all, sail near the graveyards of the Arctic's most infamous shipwrecks, the *Erebus* and *Terror*. Did they drift here? Were they sailed? Are there photographs, journals, or bodies aboard? Learn about the ongoing investigations and marvel at the mysteries of that most tragic expedition.



2 Visit Mittimatalik, one of Nunavut's most scenically situated communities

The biggest town in the High Arctic of Canada is also—we would argue—one of its most beautifully located. Mittimatalik, also known as Pond Inlet, nestles along whale-laden Eclipse Sound, peering toward the peaks and glaciers of Sirmilik National Park. For its 1,500 or so Inuit residents, this community is a cultural haven. Tour around town with warm local guides, hear (and likely learn a bit of) the Inuktitut language, witness a cultural extravaganza of Inuit sports and song, and purchase unique local carvings and craftworks.



3 Pay homage to adventurers past at historic, haunting Beechey Island

With shattered shale plains, eroding bluffs, and little greenery, Beechey Island appears utterly sterile. But to history buffs, it's hallowed ground. Here, three mariners with the lost Franklin expedition were interred. For 170 years—until the recent discovery of Franklin's ships—their graves were the prime monument to that tragic, mysterious voyage. Pay respects to the trio, explore artifacts left by Franklin searchers, and marvel at what it was like for Englishmen to live and die here, so distant from the only world they knew.

4 See icebergs bigger than you ever imagined—all while sipping a latte

Ilulissat means “icebergs.” The name says it all. Beside this renowned town of 4,700 people is Sermeq Kujalleq (Jakobshavn Glacier), the busiest glacier in the Northern Hemisphere, spewing 20 billion tonnes of ice per year into the local waterfront. Appropriately, this is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, not to mention Greenland's top tourist attraction. Tour amongst the skyscraping bergs by Zodiac (often accompanied by humpback whales!), peruse the local museums and shops (sealskin chic!), and dine on distinctive Greenlandic fare (muskox burgers anyone?).

©Michelle Valberg



©Dennis Minty



5 Have a whale of a time in Tallurutiup Imanga, a protected Inuit waterway

Overlaying much of the Northwest Passage is Tallurutiup Imanga, a landmark marine sanctuary established through a pact between Inuit and Canada. Sail and Zodiac through this natural and cultural seascape, witnessing ecological wonders. Here, the greatest Arctic whales, bus-sized bowheads, skim for plankton—while belugas and narwhal gobble cod in the fjords. On sea cliffs, murrens and guillemots nest by the countless thousands. And on the drifting ice floes? Seals and the white bears that love to feed on them.

6 Experience the west Greenland coast, where the Arctic is sublime

Sailing down the legendary Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord) is a true polar pleasure. A whopping 190 kilometres long but just two kilometres wide, this intimate seaway is flanked by countless frosted peaks and glaciers. The rest of Greenland's west coast is no less majestic—think icebergs, jagged isles, and misty summits. Explore this glittering land and seascape by ship, Zodiac, or on shore. Keep your eyes peeled for whales and make sure your camera has a spare memory card, because you might just fill it up!



©Dennis Minty

7 Stay cool while exploring the face of some of Canada's greatest glaciers

Devon Island, the world's largest uninhabited island, makes up for what it lacks in people with its ample ice—4,000 gigatons of the stuff, forming an ice cap almost a kilometre deep and sending glaciers churning down to the sea. By ship and Zodiac, explore the faces of these tidewater glaciers, while watching for the calving of house-sized icebergs, weaving amongst iridescent blue "bergy bits," and marvelling at the diversity of wildlife—including greedily feeding seabirds and, often, polar bears, beluga, and narwhal.



©Scott Forsyth



©Dennis Minty

8 Tour a town steeped in the legacy of the Amundsen and Franklin voyages

Snug in what Roald Amundsen proclaimed “the finest little harbour in the world” is historic Uqsuqtuuq, also known as Gjoa Haven, on King William Island. En route through the Northwest Passage, Amundsen spent two light-hearted winters here, learning how to drive dogsleds, make igloos, and wear fur from Inuit who chose to stay here with him. At the excellent cultural centre you, too, can learn from the locals—not just about Amundsen’s journey but also Franklin’s, including the key role Inuit played in finding, and now guarding, the long-lost ships *Erebus* and *Terror*.

9 Experience a polar hardship posting

A century ago the Arctic was disputed territory. Mounties and Inuit special constables were thus sent to Devon Island to fly Canada’s flag, make sovereignty patrols, and staff a remote station at Dundas Harbour. After the Mounties left, this was the site of the first Arctic relocation, when Inuit families were infamously moved to bolster Canada’s claims to the Far North. Tour the station’s eerie structures, learn about the hardships here, and take in the tundra’s local wildlife, which often includes foxes, muskoxen, and walrus.



©Lee Narraway

10 Sail historic Davis Strait, a crossroads of whalers, Inuit, and explorers

For at least a millennium, this shivering sea has united Europe and Arctic North America. Inuit travel here, as did Vikings, Scottish whalers, explorers like Franklin and Amundsen, and more. On the outer decks, keep your eyes peeled for pilot and sperm whales, sea birds, and fantastical icebergs.

⚓ SMALL-SHIP EXPEDITION CRUISE

Into the Northwest Passage

August 16–September 1, 2025

Starts: Toronto, ON, Canada

Ends: Yellowknife, NT, Canada

From **\$14,495** to **\$28,995** USD
per person

Charter Flights **\$2,450** USD

Solo cabins based on availability



©Dennis Minty

ⓘ Published itineraries are examples only, weather, ice, government regulations, and community requests may necessitate changes to the planned schedules. These sometimes necessary adjustments present exciting opportunities for exploration, discovery, and adventure.

Itinerary Map



- Day 1:** Kangerlussuaq, Greenland
- Day 2–3:** Sisimiut Coast
- Day 4:** Ilulissat
- Day 5:** Western Greenland
- Day 6:** At Sea—Davis Strait
- Day 7:** Mittimatalik (Pond Inlet), NU, Canada
- Day 8–9:** Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound) and Devon Island
- Day 10:** Beechey Island
- Day 11:** Prince Regent Inlet
- Day 12:** Ikirahaq (Bellot Strait)
- Day 13–16:** Kitikmeot Region
- Day 17:** Kugluktuk, NU, Canada

Highlights

- Experience the extraordinary privilege of journeying through Inuit Nunangat—the ice, water, and lands of Inuit
- Cross the Arctic Circle as you sail the length of Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord)—190 kilometres!
- Cruise among icebergs at Ilulissat Icefjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Spend time in one of Canada’s largest National Marine Conservation Areas, Tallurutiup Imanga, searching for marine life
- Seek polar bears, seabirds, and other Arctic wildlife in pristine natural environments
- Retrace the historic route of European explorers, who for centuries picked their way through ice in hopes of finding a sailing route through the passage
- Transit Ikirahaq (Bellot Strait), the narrow and dramatic waterway at the very northern tip of continental North America

Itinerary

Day 1: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

Cross the Arctic Circle

Your journey begins in Kangerlussuaq, a former U.S. Air Force base. After our charter flight from Toronto, we will transfer to the ship by Zodiac.

With 190 kilometres of superb scenery, Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord) is one of the longest fjords in the world. We begin our adventure by sailing down this dramatic fjord, crossing the Arctic Circle as we go.

Day 2–3: Sisimiut Coast

Explore Vibrant Sisimiut

Colourful Sisimiut is Greenland’s second largest city. Access the museum through a towering whalebone archway and be sure to stop in at the artisan’s studio for the chance to purchase outstanding handicrafts. Traditional qajaq (kayaking) is in resurgence here, and there are plenty of other fun outdoor activities for the adventurous to enjoy.

Enjoy exploring West Greenland’s complex coastal waterways that include glaciers, islands, and fjords



against a towering mountain backdrop, with plentiful opportunities for hiking and Zodiac cruising.

Day 4: Ilulissat

Take a Cruise Around Towering Icebergs

Experience the remarkable beauty of Ilulissat Icefjord, renowned for its enormous icebergs. Ilulissat means “iceberg”—an apt name for this site at the outlet of the Sermeq Kujalleq glacier. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the source of many of the icebergs in the North Atlantic.

Marvel at the sheer grandeur of the towering ice formations as you take a stroll along the boardwalk—truly a sight to behold!

Visit the town, with its captivating museums, charming cafes, craft shops, and bustling fishing harbour. Be sure to make your way to the Ilulissat Icefjord Centre, where you can delve into the fascinating narratives surrounding the ice and gain a deeper appreciation for this awe-inspiring natural wonder.

Day 5: Western Greenland

Hike the Tundra

Exploring by ship and Zodiac along the west coast of Greenland, we have numerous options for expedition stops, to make the most of weather and wildlife conditions.

Whether you're setting foot on land, cruising by Zodiac, or out on the ship's deck, you'll have plenty of chances to learn alongside expert geologists, naturalists, and marine biologists. With Inuit expedition team members at your side, you'll gain an intimate perspective on the abundant flora and fauna you encounter.

Take a moment to savour the tranquility and absorb the knowledge and stories shared by Inuit cultural educators, which will deepen your connection to this breathtaking landscape. Departing Greenland, we cross Baffin Bay toward Nunavut.

Day 6: At Sea — Davis Strait

Learn From Inuit in Their Homeland

As we sail toward Nunavut, our expedition team will deepen your understanding of the Arctic. This is an excellent time to enjoy workshops, watch a documentary, or get out on deck. Keep your binoculars ready for minke and humpback whales, as well as the seabirds that are sure to mark our passage.

Take the unique opportunity to learn from Inuit in their homeland, gaining a better understanding of the daily lives of the regions we visit. Enjoy cultural performances and maybe even participate in Inuit games, or sample country food.

Through shared experiences and interactions, develop a deep appreciation for the region's vibrant culture and gain a connection to the stunning landscapes we traverse.

Day 7: Mittimatalik (Pond Inlet), NU, Canada

Experience Inuit Culture

Attend a cultural performance put on by the talented Tununiq Arsarniit Theatre Group, featuring drum dancing, throat singing, and storytelling.





©Jen Derbach

Mittimatalik is a busy Arctic community in a beautiful setting—the views of nearby Bylot Island are stunning!

Enjoy exploring the town and take the opportunity to purchase unique handcrafted mementos when available, too.

Day 8-9: Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound) and Devon Island

Seek Whales, Seabirds, and Polar Bears

We will spend ample time exploring Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound), one of the newest National Marine Conservation Areas in Nunavut. Narwhal, beluga, and bowhead whales transit and feed in this area.

Cruise by ship and Zodiac in search of wildlife with expert biologists and ecologists. Learn more about the crucial role Inuit play in conserving the vibrant biodiversity of these waterways and the enduring connection between the ocean and Inuit.

On the northern border of Tallurutiup Imanga lies Devon Island, the largest uninhabited island on Earth at over 50,000 square kilometres.

Flat-topped mountains, glacial valleys, and a substantial ice cap give Devon Island its unique character. We will hike the tundra, cruise a glacier face, and seek wildlife from the ship and on shore.

Visit archaeological sites and the remains of an RCMP and Hudson's Bay Company site at Dundas Harbour.

Day 10: Beechey Island

Visit a Franklin Expedition Historical Site

In 1845, Sir John Franklin set out from England with HMS *Erebus* and HMS *Terror*, attempting to sail through the Northwest Passage. His crew overwintered at Beechey Island, where three of his men died.

Numerous search parties later used Beechey as a depot and rendezvous. Amundsen, Bernier, and Larsen visited Beechey. Thomas Morgan of the HMS *Investigator* was buried here in 1854 alongside Franklin's men. The graves and ruins of Northumberland House are a haunting memorial.

Day 11: Prince Regent Inlet
Enjoy Birdwatching and Zodiac Cruising

This passage marks an area rich in marine and avian life. Thick-billed murrets, ivory gulls, beluga whales, narwhals, and bowhead whales reside in the ice-strewn waters.



©Dennis Minty



©Todd Mintz

©Dennis Minty



©Michelle Valberg



In addition to wildlife, we'll delve deeper into the exploration of the Northwest Passage and mercantile efforts of the Hudson's Bay Company.

Day 12: Ikirahaq (Bellot Strait)

Witness the Most Northerly Point of Continental North America

Discover the famed Ikirahaq (Bellot Strait), a narrow passage separating Somerset Island from the Boothia Peninsula. As we sail through this two-kilometre-wide waterway, get the unique opportunity to reach the northernmost part of mainland North America.

Keep watch for an array of enchanting marine mammals from beluga whales to narwhals and seals. Delve into the region's fascinating history and learn about Joseph René Bellot, French naval officer and Arctic explorer who joined an 1850s expedition in search for Sir John Franklin, who inspired the strait's namesake.

Day 13-16: Kitikmeot Region

Sail the Northwest Passage

Navigate the ice-strewn waters of this fabled waterway in search of wildlife. Although this is Nunavut's least-populated region, this area is home to a diverse range of wildlife, both in the sea and on land.

Visit a local community where Inuit hosts will share their knowledge of their home and the area's history.

Discover the legacy of this important waterway and the captivating story of Roald Amundsen, who overwintered in the bay for two years while searching for the Northwest Passage. Learn more about the triumphs of explorers like Amundsen and the vital role that Inuit knowledge played in successful crossings.

Day 17: Kugluktuk, NU, Canada

Wave a Fond Farewell

Located at the mouth of the Coppermine River, Kugluktuk is the westernmost community in Nunavut. Known for many years as Coppermine, the community reverted to its original Inuinnaqtun name—meaning “place of moving waters”—on January 1st, 1996.

Iqaluktuuttiaq (Cambridge Bay), NU, is an alternate disembarkation point, and may be used based on sea, ice, and weather conditions.

Today we will disembark and make our way to the airport to meet our charter flights to Yellowknife, NT.



©Dennis Minty



Multi-Trip Promotion

Extend your voyage—join us aboard Out of the Northwest Passage, September 1–17, 2025, and save 30% off the berth cost of each expedition with our Multi-Trip Promotion. Can be combined with the Free Single Supplement and League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program.

Contact Adventure Canada or your travel advisor for details.

Ten Incredible Experiences on Out of the Northwest Passage

Each Adventure Canada expedition holds its own unique highlights. On Out of the Northwest Passage, we're amazed by welcoming Inuit communities, far northerly vistas, fascinating history, and aurora viewing opportunities. Join us for this trip of a lifetime and tick these experiences off your bucket list.



©Rob Poulton

1 Achieve your own “farthest north” with a sail up surreal Smith Sound

The waters dividing Ellesmere Island from Greenland were once known as “the American route to the pole.” Explorers like Kane, Hall, Greeley, and Peary came this way—and often came to grief. Follow their tracks, using the benefit of charts and sonar, sailing as far up Smith Sound as possible, into a realm ringed by ice floes, ominous headlands, and ghostly ruins like Camp Clay and Fort Conger. Up here, the animals are all white, the shadows are all long, the silence practically roars, and nearly everyone else on Earth is behind you—way down south.

©Scott Forsyth



2 Sneak through haunting straits, following the sea lanes of history

Along the south end of King William Island is the crux of the Northwest Passage, where the straits are shallow but the past runs deep. Squeak past bleak headlands and islands where Franklin's men fell in their tracks. Most eerie of all, sail near the graveyards of the Arctic's most infamous shipwrecks, the *Erebus* and *Terror*. Did they drift here? Were they sailed? Are there photographs, journals, or bodies aboard? Learn about the ongoing investigations and marvel at the mysteries of that most tragic expedition.



©Dennis Minty

3 Pay homage to adventurers past at historic, haunting Beechey Island

With shattered shale plains, eroding bluffs, and little greenery, Beechey Island appears utterly sterile. But to history buffs, it's hallowed ground. Here, three mariners with the lost Franklin expedition were interred. For 170 years—until the recent discovery of Franklin's ships—their graves were the prime monument to that tragic, mysterious voyage. Pay respects to the trio, explore artifacts left by Franklin searchers, and marvel at what it was like for Englishmen to live and die here, so distant from the only world they knew.



©Dennis Minty

4 See icebergs bigger than you ever imagined—all while sipping a latte

Ilulissat means "icebergs." The name says it all. Beside this renowned town of 4,700 people is Sermeq Kujalleq (Jakobshavn Glacier), the busiest glacier in the Northern Hemisphere, spewing 20 billion tonnes of ice per year into the local waterfront. Appropriately, this is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, not to mention Greenland's top tourist attraction. Tour amongst the skyscraping bergs by Zodiac (often accompanied by humpback whales!), peruse the local museums and shops (sealskin chic!), and dine on distinctive Greenlandic fare (muskox burgers anyone?).



5 Have a whale of a time in Tallurutiup Imanga, a protected Inuit waterway

Overlaying much of the Northwest Passage is Tallurutiup Imanga, a landmark marine sanctuary established through a pact between Inuit and Canada. Sail and Zodiac through this natural and cultural seascape, witnessing ecological wonders. Here, the greatest Arctic whales, bus-sized bowheads, skim for plankton—while belugas and narwhal gobble cod in the fjords. On sea cliffs, murrens and guillemots nest by the countless thousands. And on the drifting ice floes? Seals and the white bears that love to feed on them.



6 Tour the town at the top of the world, on dazzling Ellesmere Island

Welcome to *Ausuittuq*, “the place that never thaws.” Also known as Grise Fiord, this is Canada’s northernmost community, where 129 hardy locals thrive amidst glittering glaciers and peaks. This place wasn’t always so pleasant: the first Inuit residents, the Arctic Exiles, were brought here in the 1950s to bolster Canada’s sovereignty and faced untold hardships. Witness the haunting monument erected in their memory, hear tales about the intrepid local culture, and take in sweeping views while trekking in the frosty foothills.



7 Experience the west Greenland coast, where the Arctic is sublime

Greenland’s west coast is majestic—think icebergs, jagged isles, and misty summits. Explore this glittering land and seascape by ship, Zodiac, or on shore. Sailing up the legendary Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord) is a true polar pleasure. A whopping 190 kilometres long but just two kilometres wide, this intimate seaway is flanked by countless frosted peaks and glaciers. Stay alert for possible aurora sightings in the early autumn’s dark skies and be sure your camera has a spare memory card!



©Mark Edward Harris

8 Stay cool while exploring the face of some of Canada's greatest glaciers

Devon Island, the world's largest uninhabited island, makes up for what it lacks in people with its ample ice—4,000 gigatons of the stuff, forming an ice cap almost a kilometre deep and sending glaciers churning down to the sea. By ship and Zodiac, explore the faces of these tidewater glaciers, while watching for the calving of house-sized icebergs, weaving amongst iridescent blue "bergy bits," and marvelling at the diversity of wildlife—including greedily feeding seabirds and, often, polar bears, beluga, and narwhal.



©Scott Forsyth

9 Tour a town steeped in the legacy of the Amundsen and Franklin voyages

Snug in what Roald Amundsen proclaimed "the finest little harbour in the world" is historic Uqsuqtuuq, also known as Gjoa Haven, on King William Island. En route through the Northwest Passage, Amundsen spent two light-hearted winters here, learning how to drive dogsleds, make igloos, and wear fur from Inuit who chose to stay here with him. At the excellent cultural centre you, too, can learn from the locals—not just about Amundsen's journey but also Franklin's, including the key role Inuit played in finding, and now guarding, the long-lost ships *Erebus* and *Terror*.



©Dennis Minty

10 Enter a place that's a world apart: ancient, icy Northwest Greenland

Northwest Greenland is home to the isolated, resilient Inughuit, the world's northernmost people, who still prefer dogsleds over snowmobiles, skin kayaks over motorboats, and polarbear trousers over flimsy commercial snowpants. It's also home to history: the verdant abandoned village of Etah, the coveted Cape York meteorites, and artefacts of the ancient Inuit, Dorset, and Paleo-Eskimos, all of whom passed this way en route to populating Greenland. Add dovekie colonies, muskox herds, and Arctic hares, and you've got one heckuva tundra hike.

SMALL-SHIP EXPEDITION CRUISE

Out of the Northwest Passage

September 1–17, 2025

Starts: Yellowknife, NT, Canada

Ends: Toronto, ON, Canada

From **\$14,495** to **\$28,995** USD
per person

Charter Flights **\$2,450** USD
Solo cabins based on availability

©Scott Forsyth

Published itineraries are examples only, weather, ice, government regulations, and community requests may necessitate changes to the planned schedules. These sometimes necessary adjustments present exciting opportunities for exploration, discovery, and adventure.

Itinerary Map



- Day 1:** Kugluktuk (Coppermine), NU, Canada
- Day 2–5:** Kitikmeot Region
- Day 6:** Ikirahaq (Bellot Strait)
- Day 7:** Beechey Island
- Day 8–9:** Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound)
- Day 10:** Ausuittuq (Grise Fiord)
- Day 11:** Smith Sound
- Day 12:** At Sea
- Day 13–14:** Northwest Greenland
- Day 15:** Ilulissat
- Day 16:** Sisimiut Coast
- Day 17:** Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

Highlights

- Experience the extraordinary privilege of journeying through Inuit Nunangat—the ice, water, and lands of Inuit
- Sail the fabled Northwest Passage
- Seek polar bears, walrus, seabirds, and other Arctic wildlife in pristine natural environments
- Experience the majesty of the Northern Lights
- See the Franklin Expedition graves at Beechey Island
- Watch for marine mammals and wildlife in Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound) National Marine Conservation Area
- Visit Ausuittuq (Grise Fiord), Canada's northernmost community
- Seek your 'furthest north' in Smith Sound
- Cruise among icebergs at Ilulissat Icefjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Voyage the length of Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord)—190 kilometres long!

Itinerary

Day 1: Kugluktuk (Coppermine), NU, Canada **Begin Your Adventure**

Located at the mouth of the Coppermine River, Kugluktuk is the westernmost community in Nunavut. Known for many years as Coppermine, the community reverted to its original Inuinnaqtun name—meaning “place of moving waters”—on January 1st, 1996. Our charter flight will land in Kugluktuk and we will embark the ship by Zodiac.

Iqaluktuuttiaq (Cambridge Bay), NU, is an alternate embarkation point, and may be used based on sea, ice, and weather conditions.

Day 2–5: Kitikmeot Region **Sail the Northwest Passage**

Navigate the ice-strewn waters of this fabled waterway in search of wildlife. Although this is Nunavut's least-populated region, this area is home to a diverse range of wildlife, both in the sea and on land.

Visit a local community where Inuit hosts will share their knowledge of their home and the area's history.

Discover the legacy of this important waterway and the captivating story of Roald Amundsen, who overwintered in the bay for two years while searching for the Northwest Passage. Learn more about the



©Michelle Valberg

triumphs of explorers like Amundsen and the vital role that Inuit knowledge played in successful crossings.

Day 6: Ikirahaq (Bellot Strait)
Witness the Most Northerly Point of Continental North America

Discover the famed Ikirahaq (Bellot Strait), a narrow passage separating Somerset Island from the Boothia Peninsula. As we sail through this two-kilometre-wide waterway, get the unique opportunity to reach the northernmost part of mainland North America.

Keep watch for an array of enchanting marine mammals from beluga whales to narwhals and seals.

Delve into the region's fascinating history and learn about Joseph René Bellot, French naval officer and Arctic explorer who joined an 1850s expedition in search for Sir John Franklin, who inspired the strait's namesake.

Day 7: Beechey Island
Visit a Franklin Expedition Historical Site

In 1845, Sir John Franklin set out from England with HMS *Erebus* and HMS *Terror*, attempting to sail

through the Northwest Passage. His crew overwintered at Beechey Island, where three of his men died.

Numerous search parties later used Beechey as a depot and rendezvous. Amundsen, Bernier, and Larsen visited Beechey. Thomas Morgan of HMS *Investigator* was buried here in 1854 alongside Franklin's men. The graves and the ruins of Northumberland House are a haunting memorial.

Day 8-9: Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound)
Seek Whales, Seabirds, and Polar Bears

We will spend ample time exploring Tallurutiup Imanga (Lancaster Sound), one of the newest National Marine Conservation Areas in Nunavut. Narwhal, beluga, and bowhead whales transit and feed in this area.

Cruise by ship and Zodiac in search of wildlife with expert biologists and ecologists. Learn more about the crucial role Inuit play in conserving the vibrant biodiversity of these waterways and the enduring connection between the ocean and Inuit.

On the northern border of Tallurutiup Imanga lies Devon Island, the largest uninhabited island on Earth at over 50,000 square kilometres. Flat-topped mountains, glacial valleys, and a substantial ice cap give Devon Island its unique character. We will hike the tundra, cruise a glacier face, and seek wildlife from the ship and on shore.

Visit archaeological sites and the remains of an RCMP and Hudson's Bay Company site at Dundas Harbour.



©Dennis Minty

Day 10: Ausuittuq (Grise Fiord), NU
Experience Inuit Culture

Ausuittuq means "place that never thaws." 1,150 kilometres above the Arctic Circle, Canada's northernmost civilian community originated during the Cold War. In 1953, Inuit were relocated here by the Canadian government under false pretenses, with the aim of asserting Canadian sovereignty.

We'll be welcomed into the hamlet, where we will have a chance to meet members of the community, learn about their way of life, and hear their poignant stories.

Day 11: Smith Sound
Reach Your Furthest North

Smith Sound, an ancient Inuit travel route, divides Ellesmere Island from Greenland, and served as the main route for explorers and adventurers searching for the North Pole. Adolphus Greely, Sir George Nares, and Elisha Kent Kane all travelled these waters with varying degrees of success.

Day 12: At Sea
Learn From Inuit in Their Homeland

On this exploration day, we'll be making the most of what the wind, weather, and wildlife have to offer. Our expedition team will scan for polar bears, walrus, whales, seals, and seabirds as we go.

This is an excellent time to enjoy workshops, watch a documentary, or get out on deck. Keep your binoculars ready for minke and humpback whales,

as well as the seabirds that are sure to mark our passage.

Indulge in the unique opportunity to learn from Inuit in their homeland, gaining a better understanding of the daily lives of the regions we visit. Enjoy cultural performances and maybe even participate in Inuit games, or sample country food.

Through shared experiences and interactions, develop a deep appreciation for the region's vibrant culture and gain a connection to the stunning landscapes we traverse.

Day 13-14: Northwest Greenland
Hike the Tundra

We will explore stunning fjords that line the coast. Glaciers and icebergs abound here. In true expedition style, we will seek opportunities to hike, explore, and view wildlife as conditions allow.

Whether you're setting foot on land, cruising by Zodiac, or out on the ship's deck, you'll have plenty of chances to learn alongside expert geologists, naturalists, and marine biologists. You'll gain an intimate perspective on the abundant flora and fauna you encounter.

Take a moment to savour the tranquility and absorb the knowledge and stories shared by



Inuit cultural educators, which will deepen your connection to this breathtaking landscape.

Day 15: Ilulissat
Take a Cruise Around Towering Icebergs

Experience the remarkable beauty of Ilulissat Icefjord, renowned for its enormous icebergs. Ilulissat means “iceberg”—an apt name for this site at the outlet of the Sermeq Kujalleq glacier. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the source of many of the icebergs in the North Atlantic.

Marvel at the sheer grandeur of the towering ice formations as you take a stroll along the boardwalk—truly a sight to behold! Visit the town, with its museums, charming cafes, craft shops, and bustling fishing harbour. Be sure to make your way to the Ilulissat Icefjord Centre, where you can delve into the fascinating narratives surrounding the ice and gain a deeper appreciation for this awe-inspiring natural wonder.



Day 16: Sisimiut Coast
Witness Stunning Glaciers, Islands, and Fjords

Explore West Greenland’s complex coastal waterways that includes glaciers, islands, and fjords against a towering mountain backdrop, with plentiful opportunities for hiking and Zodiac cruising.

Learn about the Saqqaq, Dorset, Thule, and modern Inuit cultures that have called the Sisimiut region home for the past 4,500 years.

The waters are relatively warm here, due to the West Greenland Current and the subarctic location.

Day 17: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland
Cross the Arctic Circle

Kangerlussuaq Fjord (Søndre Strømfjord) is one of the longest fjords in the world and boasts 190 kilometres of superb scenery. We end our adventure by sailing up this dramatic fjord.

Kangerlussuaq, the town at its eastern head, is a former U.S. Air Force base. Here we will disembark for our return charter flight to Toronto, ON.





©Lee Narraway



Multi-Trip Promotion

*Extend your voyage—join us aboard Greenland & Wild Labrador: A Torngat Mountains Adventure, September 17–October 1, 2025, and save 30% off the berth cost of each expedition with our Multi-Trip Promotion. Can be combined with the Free Single Supplement and League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program. **Contact Adventure Canada or your travel advisor for details.***

SHIP

The *Ocean Endeavour*

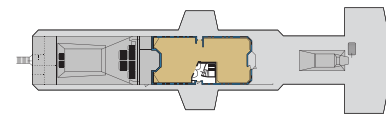
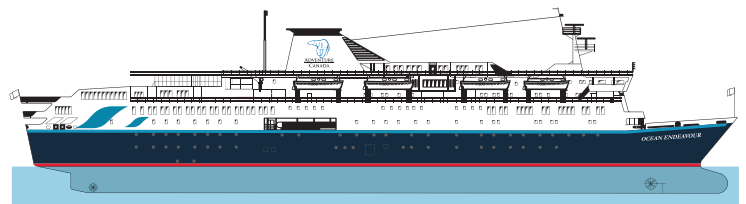


©Dennis Minty

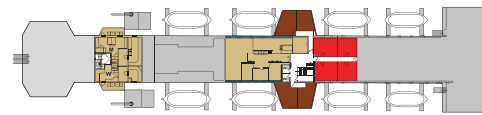
Capacity: 198 passengers
Length: 137 metres (450 ft.)
Registry: Portugal

The *Ocean Endeavour* is the perfect vessel for expedition cruising. Outfitted with twenty Zodiacs, advanced navigation equipment, multiple lounges, and a top deck observation room, she is purpose-built for passenger experiences in remote environments. The *Ocean Endeavour* boasts a 1B ice class, enabling her to explore throughout the polar summers. Launched in 1982, she has had numerous upgrades, most recently in 2016.

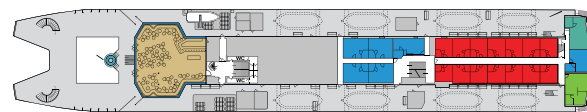
At 137 metres in length, the *Ocean Endeavour* has plenty of interior and exterior space. Ample deck space offers comfortable lounge chairs, a swimming pool, two saunas, and a hot tub. The spacious interior allows for varied workshops and presentations to occur simultaneously. The three lounges aboard the *Ocean Endeavour* are optimal locations for seminars, events, parties, and conversation.



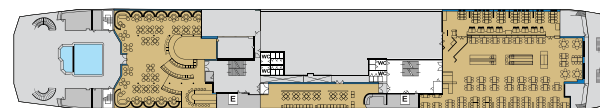
DECK 9



DECK 8



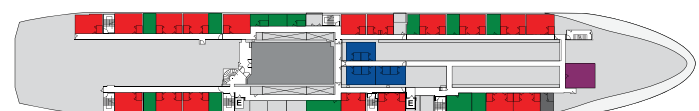
DECK 7



DECK 6



DECK 5



DECK 4



● **CATEGORY 10 SUITE**

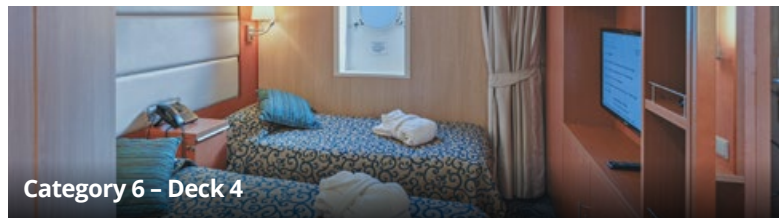
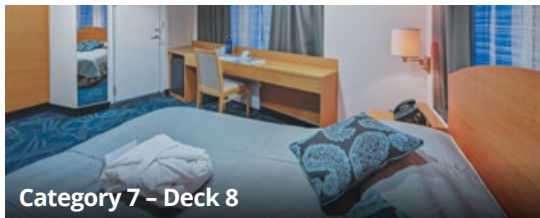
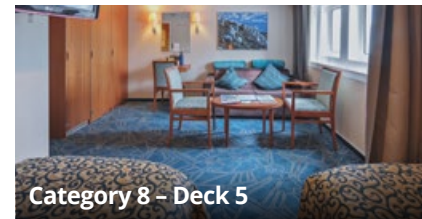
Deck seven: forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub, refrigerator — approx. 310 sq. ft.

● **CATEGORY 9 JUNIOR SUITE**

Deck five: picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, sitting area — approx. 270 sq. ft. **Deck seven forward:** forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, sitting area, private bath with full tub, refrigerator — approx. 290 sq. ft.

● **CATEGORY 8 SUPERIOR TWIN**

Deck five: two picture windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths, sitting area — approx. 210 sq. ft. **Deck seven forward:** forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub — approx. 180 sq. ft. **Deck seven midship:** picture windows, partial obstruction; matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator — approx. 190 sq. ft.

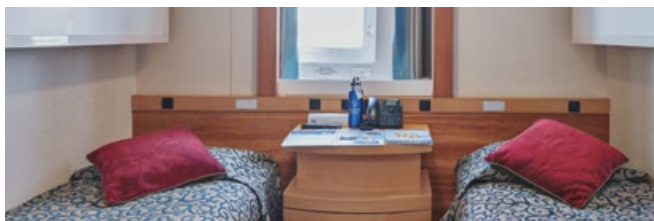


● **CATEGORY 7 SELECT TWIN**

Deck five: picture windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths, approx. 190 sq. ft. **Deck eight:** oversize windows, partial obstruction; matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator — approx. 145 sq. ft.

● **CATEGORY 6 COMFORT TWIN**

Deck four: two porthole windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths — approx. 175 sq. ft. **Deck seven:** picture window, partial obstruction; two lower berths — approx. 135 sq. ft. **Deck eight:** picture windows, obstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator — approx. 160 sq. ft.



● **CATEGORY 5 MAIN TWIN**

Deck five: picture window, unobstructed view; two lower berths, private bath — approx. 115 sq. ft.

● **CATEGORY 4 EXTERIOR TWIN**

Deck four: porthole window, unobstructed view; two lower berths, private bath — approx. 100 sq. ft. (twin) / 90 sq. ft. (single).

● **CATEGORY 3 INTERIOR TWIN**

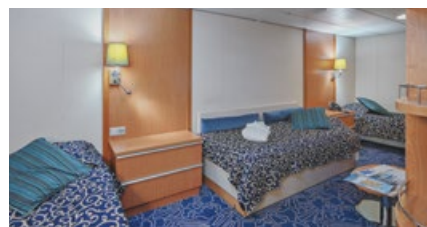
Deck five: interior cabin, two lower berths, private bath — approx. 125 sq. ft. (twin) / 110 sq. ft. (single).

● **CATEGORY 2 TRIPLE**

Deck four: interior cabin, three lower berths, two private baths — approx. 200 sq. ft.

● **CATEGORY 1 QUAD**

Deck four: interior cabin, four lower berths, private bath — approx. 240 sq. ft.



Expedition and Charter Flight Prices

ALL PRICES ARE PER PERSON, IN US DOLLARS

Early Booking Bonus Available!

To learn about your saving options please contact us or your preferred travel advisor for more details.

Can be combined with the Free Single Supplement, Multi-Trip Promotion, and League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program.

EXPEDITIONS	DAYS	CABIN CLASS CATEGORIES										CHARTER FLIGHT
		10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
INTO THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE AUGUST 16–SEPTEMBER 1, 2025	17	\$28,995	\$27,495	\$25,995	\$24,495	\$22,995	\$21,495	\$19,995	\$18,495	\$16,495	\$14,495	
		Northbound Charter Flight: Toronto, ON to Kangerlussuaq, Greenland. Early-morning departure.										\$1,450
		Southbound Charter Flight: Kugluktuk, NU to Yellowknife, NT. Evening arrival.										\$1,000
OUT OF THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE SEPTEMBER 1–17, 2025	17	\$28,995	\$27,495	\$25,995	\$24,495	\$22,995	\$21,495	\$19,995	\$18,495	\$16,495	\$14,495	
		Northbound Charter Flight: Yellowknife, NT to Kugluktuk, NU. Early-morning departure.										\$1,000
		Southbound Charter Flight: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland to Toronto, ON. Evening arrival.										\$1,450

Canadian residents may opt to use our in-house exchange rate (fixed quarterly) and pay for their voyage in Canadian dollars. Contact your preferred travel advisor for more details.

EXPEDITION COSTS INCLUDE:

*Passage aboard the *Ocean Endeavour* *Applicable taxes and credit card fees *Complimentary expedition jacket *Special access permits, entry, and park fees *Expert expedition team *Guided activities *Sightseeing and community visits *All Zodiac excursions *Port fees *Pre-departure materials *Educational program *Interactive workshops *Evening entertainment *All shipboard meals

EXPEDITION COSTS DO NOT INCLUDE:

*Commercial and charter flights *Program enhancements/optional excursions *Gratuities *Personal expenses *Mandatory medical evacuation insurance *Additional expenses in the event of delays or itinerary changes *Possible fuel surcharges and administrative fees *Pre- and post-trip hotel accommodation



TICO Reg# 4001400/5002 1860

As a registered Ontario company, we are licensed to sell travel packages through the Travel Industry Council of Ontario (TICO). Adventure Canada is required to keep all customer deposits in Client Trust Accounts and may only use the funds once the trip has begun, or to make a deposit to an operator on behalf of the client. Our Client Trust Accounts are subject to audit by a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) on an annual basis and are regularly inspected by TICO auditors.



Adventure Canada is a Certified Safe Travels Operator

Adventure Canada has been awarded a Safe Travels certificate by the World Travel & Tourism Council and the Tourism Industry Association of Ontario. This accreditation recognizes us as a global leader in our adopted health and hygiene protocols and confirms our commitment to putting the safety, health, and security of our clients, staff, and crew before all else.



League of Adventurers LOYALTY REWARDS PROGRAM



Exploring with Adventure Canada just got better with our exclusive loyalty program: The League of Adventurers.

The number of people who keep travelling with us continues to grow and, in response, we want to thank our returning clients by offering special rewards and benefits. As a past traveller you are automatically a valued member of the League and eligible for special rewards.

SAVE 5%

When booking your second to fifth shipboard expedition operated by Adventure Canada

SAVE 10%

When booking your sixth or more shipboard expedition operated by Adventure Canada

PLUS

- League of Adventurers welcome package
- Early notifications of upcoming promotions and events

Terms and conditions apply.

Specials and Incentives

Available exclusively aboard *Ocean Endeavour* expeditions, excluding Antarctica



Free Single Supplement

For those who prefer not to share, we have a limited quantity of cabins in category 3 through to category 7 with no single supplement! Once these cabins are sold, the single supplement fee is 1.5 times the berth cost. Single occupancy in categories 8–10 is available at full double-occupancy rates. Can be combined with the Multi-Trip Promotion, League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program, and 2025 Early Booking Bonus. Subject to cabin availability.



Multi-Trip Promotion

Save 30% off the berth cost when you book more than one 2025 *Ocean Endeavour* expedition (excluding Antarctica). Can be combined with the Free Single Supplement, and League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program.



Family Friendly

Children four years old and younger pay only for charter airfare—and children two years and younger travel free! Children must be accompanied by a full-fare adult. Can be combined with the League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program.



Save 30% under 30

Save 30% on the berth cost for travellers under thirty years of age. Can be combined with the Free Single Supplement and League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program.

Program Enhancements Aboard the *Ocean Endeavour*

We're pleased to provide the following optional program enhancements to help you make the very most of every day—in your own way!

Expedition Jackets

COMPLIMENTARY



©Michelle Valberg

You will receive a complimentary expedition jacket to keep you protected from the elements. Designed specifically for expedition travel, your jacket is waterproof and windproof. This jacket is yours to keep as a coveted and useful memento of your adventure.

Biking

PAID



©Dennis Minty

Experience communities and landscapes at your own pace! For fitness enthusiasts and independent explorers, we carry a fleet of Kona mountain bikes. These multi-gear, all-purpose bikes are available during select community excursions.

Qajaq/Kayak

PAID



©Victoria Polsoni

Explore at sea level in small groups with our experienced kayak guides. We offer excursions on double kayaks, as well as the essential gear for safety and comfort.



**ADVENTURE
CANADA**

+1.800.363.7566

info@adventurecanada.com

www.adventurecanada.com

1865 Lakeshore Rd W #200, Mississauga,
ON L5J 4P1, Canada

TO BOOK DIRECTLY

Please call us at **+1 800 363 7566** or
download and submit the registration
form at our secure site
advcan.ca/book

BOOK VIA YOUR TRAVEL ADVISOR

Call your Travel Advisor for more
information on how to book a trip.

Your Travel Advisor

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS



Parks Canada
Parcs Canada

