



Eastern Greenland – Scoresby Sund Aurora Borealis including Long Hikes

5th to 14th of September 2025



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WELCOME YOU ON BOARD!

Day 1 – Friday 05th September. Embarkation: Akureyri

19h00 GPS Position: 62°12.5'N, 018°26.0'W

Wind: W-3 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Overcast • Air temperature: +7°C

Our journey to Greenland began today in Akureyri as we all embarked on our vessel for the trip, *Hondius*. Despite the rainy and grey conditions as we were welcomed onboard by the crew and staff, there was huge excitement in the air for the journey ahead, and it wasn't long before the weather changed, and the sun began to shine through the clouds as we left port.

After we had all settled into our cabins for the voyage, it was soon time to join all together in the lounge for our mandatory safety and emergency drill. Donning our bright orange life-jackets, we were guided through the procedures and locations that will keep us safe throughout our time at sea.



Following the mandatory safety briefing, we all returned to the lounge for a cocktail or two and a warm welcome onboard from the ship's Captain, Ernesto. This was shortly followed by an introductory briefing from the Hotel Manager, Albert, and Expedition Leader, Chris, to orientate us to life on board and explain the plan for the forthcoming days.

While the welcome introductions were underway, we were also treated to a brief sighting of three feeding humpback whales off the port side. They were most likely feeding and every so often would show off their tail flukes while diving down.

With all the various welcomes completed, it was soon time to visit the dining room and treat ourselves to a delicious meal served by the galley team. There was one more round of briefings after dinner - AECO, Bear safety, and Zodiac safety briefing - before we could head off to our cabins for some well-earned rest.



Day 2 – Saturday 06th September. At sea in the Denmark Strait

12h00 GPS Position: 68°35.8'N, 019°08.9'W

Wind: NE-6 • Sea: Rough • Weather: Fog • Air temperature: +6°C

Today the sea reminded us of its power. We woke up to fierce weather, with strong winds sweeping across the decks and waves climbing to nearly 4 meters. The ship rolled and pitched, groaning with each swell, and the expedition team confirmed it was the worst weather of the season so far. Many passengers decided to spend the morning resting in their cabins, rocked gently (or not so gently) by the ship. Others bundled up in layers and waterproofs to face the rain and spray outside. On the outer decks, those who ventured out were rewarded with fresh, salty air and the sight of northern fulmars and gannets soaring with incredible grace, gliding just above the crests of the waves, unfazed by the storm.



For the hikers among us, the morning brought our very first briefing with Marco, one of the expedition guides. He outlined what we could expect from the long hikes in Greenland: uneven terrain, variable weather, and the breathtaking

rewards of reaching high viewpoints over fjords and glaciers. His words made us eager to set foot ashore.

Late in the morning, we gathered in the lounge where KJ gave a presentation titled “First Impressions of Greenland.” It was the perfect introduction, painting a picture of towering mountains, vast ice, colorful tundra and endless cultural history. Listening to him while the ship rolled outside helped us begin to imagine the landscapes waiting just beyond the horizon.

Lunch was served in the dining room, a welcome chance to sit together, share stories, and recover some energy. In the afternoon, those of us interested in kayaking met the kayak team for a detailed briefing. We learned about the equipment, safety procedures, and the magic of paddling quietly among icebergs, getting as close as possible to nature without disturbing it.

Excitement filled the room—we could already picture ourselves gliding silently across mirrored waters.



Not long after, Joyce gave a fascinating lecture on the whales of the Arctic seas. She described the different species we might encounter, beluga, minke, humpback, fin, even the elusive blue whale, and shared tips on how to spot them

from the ship. Her passion was contagious, and many of us left with our eyes fixed on the waves, hoping for a spout or a tail fluke, although we learned that it is not easy to encounter them.

As evening approached, the expedition team gathered us once again for our first daily recap. We reviewed the day, looked ahead to tomorrow's plans, and then came the highlight—the Blue Nose Ceremony! This centuries-old sailor's tradition celebrates crossing the Arctic Circle. Since we had crossed it last night at 22:30, we were invited to officially join the Blue Nose Society. Laughter and applause filled the room as expedition staff painted our noses blue, one by one. It was lighthearted, fun, and unforgettable—a memory we will all carry with us.

We ended the day with a light dinner, while the Expedition Leader warned us that “the worst weather is approaching.” Comforted by the safety of the ship and the coziness of our cabins, we retired for the night, the sea still restless outside. Tomorrow, however, promises calm seas. By morning, we will enter Scoresby Sund, the world's largest fjord system, and at last, we will set our eyes on the rugged and magnificent coast of Greenland.



Day 3 – Sunday 07th September. Scoresby Sund and Bear Islands

12h00 GPS Position: 71°06.9'N, 025°14.5'W

Wind: SW-1 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Part. Cloudy • Air temperature: +6°C

After a night rocked by the open sea, what a joy it was to awaken to the serene embrace of Scoresby Sund — its waters glassy, its grandeur unfolding beneath a tender morning light. In the early hours, we entered the world's largest fjord, and the call of the ice drew us swiftly to the outer decks. There, the first great icebergs drifted past like ancient sentinels, ethereal and immense — a spectacle that left many of us hushed in awe.



Hana Špišková

The morning was abuzz with curiosity. Marco delivered a compelling lecture on the dynamics of glaciers, also shedding light on the vast Greenlandic ice sheet with the kind of insight that deepens knowledge. After we collected our gear for the afternoon's excursions — collecting our trusty muck boots — a photography workshop was offered at the ship's bow. Koen, Matt, and Juan, our onboard photographers, shared their expertise with warmth and precision, guiding us in how best to frame this otherworldly landscape. Now, with cameras in hand, we feel equipped to capture the Arctic in all its fleeting majesty.



Eager to stretch our sea-legs, we boarded the Zodiacs after lunch and made landfall on one of the Bear Islands — Bjørnøyer. The island chosen for the landing was Nanuaraq Avannarteq and it was the first time Oceanwide was setting foot on it. Spirits were high as we split into hiking groups: the adventurous set off towards the island's lofty heights, while

others chose a gentler pace, wandering through the lush tundra, alive with berries, Arctic blooms, and the fiery hues of dwarf birches and willows already donning their autumn cloaks.

The island unfolded like a dream — alpine peaks lightly dusted with snow reflected in still ponds, as monumental icebergs floated silently in the distance. With clear skies above and a kind, mild breeze, we paused often to soak in the Arctic silence.



Fortune smiled on a few walkers, who encountered an utterly serene Arctic hare, seemingly posing for our cameras, and even caught sight of the elusive snow bunting flitting between the brush.



Meanwhile, a small group ventured out by kayak, gliding through the fjord's stillness to meet great northern divers, harbor seals, and elegant eider ducks — wild moments that stitched themselves into memory.

Back aboard, our Expedition Leader Chris gathered us in the lounge to outline tomorrow's plans — our first full day hike awaits. After dinner, Marco and Jerry held a briefing, offering insight into the terrain and the journey ahead.



Dinner itself was a quiet joy — a moment to savor not just the food but the stories, reflections, and shared wonder of our first landing. But the Arctic had more to give. As the sun sank low, a hush fell over the ship and once more, we drifted to the decks. The sky bloomed in shades of rose and gold, the mountains and icebergs ignited with the soft fire of dusk, then deepened into crimson. Cameras clicked; hearts swelled.



Now, the ship grows still, cloaked in quiet anticipation. The day has given so much — but it may not be over yet. Our expedition team remains on watch... should the Northern Lights decide to dance.

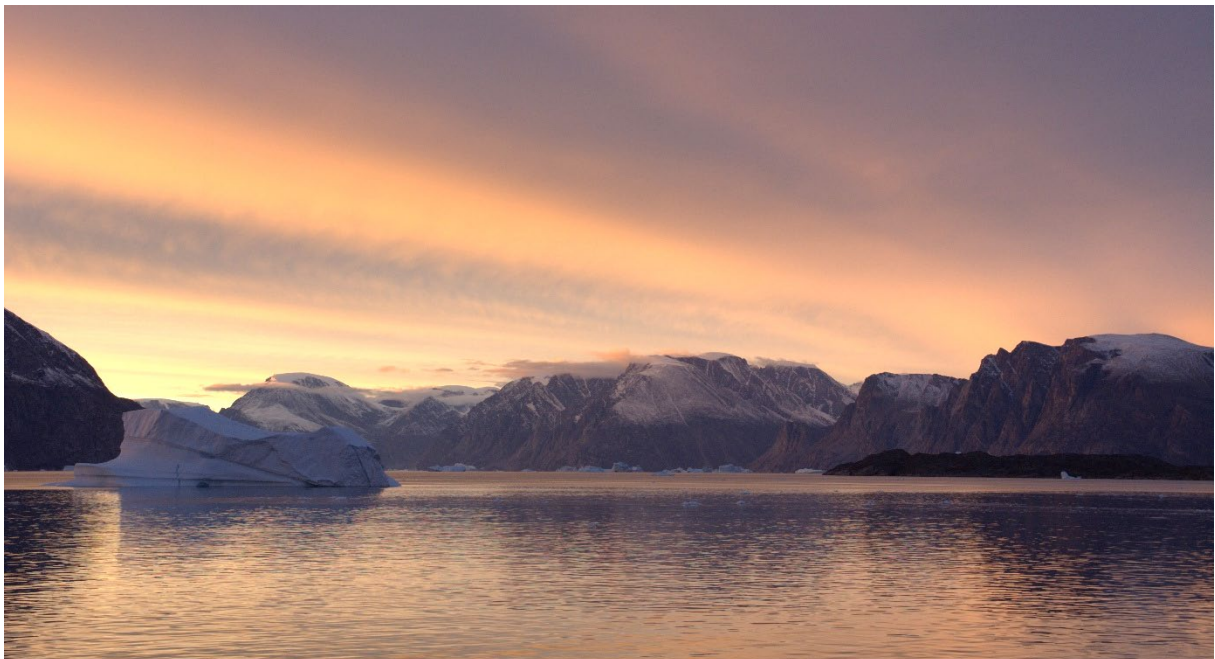
KAYAK TRIPLOG

The kayakers headed out between two of the larger northern islands to explore the rugged coastline. The tundra covered this wild environment and the exposed rock showed off the beautiful geology of this location.



As we headed north, we spotted seals, and birdlife which were dwarfed in this enormous landscape. Calls of the great northern diver could be heard as they passed overhead, and eider ducks took cover as we

approached. The kayaks passed through this tranquil landscape silently enjoying the sounds of Greenland, the mountains of the mainland towering up in the background made this location spectacular.



Day 4 – Monday 08th September. Rødefjord and Harefjord

12h00 GPS Position: 70°55.4'N, 027°48.8'W

Wind: SW-2 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Overcast • Air temperature: +2°C

We woke at 07:15, roused by the familiar morning call as soft Arctic light filtered through the cabin windows. Outside, the steep cliffs of Harefjord stood wrapped in mist, ancient and unmoved by time. There was a stillness in the air — not silence, exactly, but the kind of quiet that only exists in remote places untouched by roads or power lines.

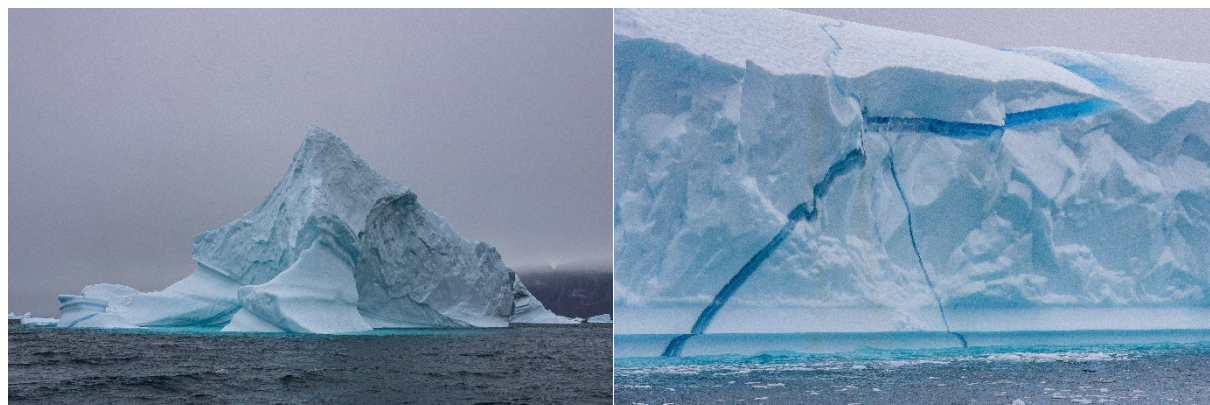
Breakfast was served from 07:30 to 08:30 in the dining room on Deck 4. The scent of fresh coffee, baked bread, and warmth was comforting after the cold night. Those of us preparing for the long hike ate first, loading up on energy for what we knew would be an intense day.



By 08:30, the first group of hikers was off — loaded into Zodiacs and ferried ashore to begin a 6-7-hour trek through the rugged terrain of Harefjord. They crossed tundra patches, climbed ridgelines, and walked in the shadow of the Inland Ice. Along the way, they spotted signs of muskoxen, startled Arctic hares,

and paused often — not from exhaustion, but from awe.

The rest of us boarded our Zodiacs for a cruise through Røde Fjord. The water was a mirror, broken only by drifting icebergs — massive, sculpted, and impossibly blue. We drifted quietly past towering red cliffs, their faces scarred by ice and time. The silence was broken only by the occasional thunderclap of calving ice in the distance. Cameras clicked. Eyes stayed wide.



Lunch, served from 12:00 to 13:00, brought us back to warmth — and stories. The dining room buzzed with shared photos, breathless retellings, and laughter echoing through the ship.



In the afternoon, around 14:00, the medium hikers took to the land. Their 3–3.5-hour hike revealed views of distant glaciers and wide Arctic valleys carpeted with moss and stone. The terrain was kinder, but no

less magnificent.

Not long after, the rest of our group disembarked for a perimeter landing — a chance to roam freely at our own pace. Some of us wandered toward a glacial stream. Others sat quietly, sketching or simply watching the wind push through the tundra. Every few moments, a sudden silence reminded us just how far we were from anywhere else.

And then came the call: Polar Plunge.

A few brave souls among us stripped down to swimsuits worn under our expedition layers and lined up by the shore. One by one, we ran, jumped, screamed — and plunged into the ice-cold water. It was madness, exhilarating, and over in seconds. We emerged to applause, wrapped in towels provided by the crew, shivering and grinning.

Back aboard, we gathered in the lounge for our daily recap with the Expedition





Team. They shared stories from the long hike — wildlife tracks, ancient rocks, and views that looked like another planet. We shared ours too — a collective scrapbook of wind, ice, and stillness.

As the evening set in, we made our way to the aft deck on Deck 5 for a special treat: an Arctic BBQ dinner under the open sky. Wrapped in hats, gloves, and thick coats, we dined on grilled fish, roasted vegetables, and hot drinks as the fjord grew darker around us. The cold bit at our cheeks, but the food, the fire, and the camaraderie kept us warm.

Later that night, some among us spotted faint bands of green light weaving through the sky — aurora borealis, ghostly and elusive. A quiet moment. A perfect end.

KAYAK TRIPLOG

The morning started out calm, but the wind soon picked up and the conditions became a little bumpy making the kayaking good fun. The coastline was dramatic with the crisp red and gold of the tundra punctuating the landscape. The beauty of the land paled in



comparison to the icebergs which rose up from the sea like giant statues. Each piece of ice a piece of art left strewn throughout the environment.

The blue and white of the icebergs made even brighter by the dark overcast clouds and the tumultuous water surrounding them their beauty on show for everyone. The kayakers managed to navigate this iceberg garden and enjoy nature's sculptures from each ever-changing angle.

A fun and exciting morning filled with interesting conditions and beautiful landscapes.

Day 5 – Tuesday 09th September. Sydkap and Jameson Land

12h00 GPS Position: 71°17.5'N, 025°01.8'W

Wind: W-1 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Rainy • Air temperature: +4°C



We woke early to a dramatic Arctic landscape—grey skies hanging low over jagged cliffs, with patches of sunlight glinting off the still waters of the fjord. After a warm breakfast aboard the ship, we geared up and boarded the Zodiacs for our morning landing at Sydkap, a rugged and hauntingly beautiful

peninsula known for its sweeping tundra and ice-carved valleys.

The hike was bracing. The terrain alternated between soft moss and rocky ridges, with views stretching out over Scoresby Sund, the largest fjord system in the world. We walked in near silence at times, the only sounds being the crunch of our boots,





the wind threading through low Arctic willows, and the occasional call of a distant seabird. Our guide pointed out ancient Inuit hunting shelters made from stones, worn smooth by centuries of weather.

In the meantime, KJ and Marco led three fearless hikers across

the tundra from Sykap's abandoned refuge to Nordøstbugta located on the east. Despite the heavy rain they crossed a rugged terrain, had a fabulous encounter with Arctic Hares and a curious family of Muskoxen. Climbed the ancient moraine deposited during the Yungur Dryas to finally reach the peatland towards the landing site. Despite the chilly air, the hike felt invigorating - a rare chance to be completely immersed in a place that feels untouched by time.

By midday, dark clouds gathered fast. The wind picked up sharply, and rain swept over the fjord in sheets. The decision was made to cancel our afternoon landing for safety reasons, this is the Arctic, after all, and the weather writes its own script.



Instead, we enjoyed a scenic cruise through the fjord, staying warm and dry on deck as the ship cut through icy waters flanked by towering cliffs and drifting icebergs. The rain gave the landscape a dramatic, almost cinematic quality. It felt like sailing through the pages of a Norse saga.

Later, we gathered in the lounge for a fascinating presentation on Inuit culture. Our expedition team shared stories, photographs, and artifacts that brought depth to the land we were exploring. We learned about traditional Inuit life, seasonal hunting practices, and how people have adapted to such a harsh environment for thousands of years. It was humbling and deeply enriching.

Today was a reminder of the duality of the Arctic—wild and unpredictable, but also generous



in what it offers. Though we didn't set foot on land in the afternoon, the landscape still reached us, both visually and emotionally. Days like this are why we travel to the ends of the Earth—not just for what we do, but for what we come to understand.

KAYAK TRIPLOG

The morning started with beautiful light and calm conditions. The clouds soon became heavy, and rain started to fall, making the area atmospheric. We set out along the coast admiring the geology as we made our way eastward. The banded folded rocks made for an excellent backdrop as we headed through the rain. The rocks glistened in the rain and the basalt intrusion with its black hue stood out with its stark contrast.

Large icebergs punctuated the bay and stood tall and proud. Geese and ducks frequented the shallows. Barnacle geese flew overhead their distinctive call could be heard as they flew. Eider ducks as shy as every kept their distance from us. Great northern divers hid from us under the waves as we moved on past the hunting cabins at Sydkap.

We saw an arctic fox on the shoreline but sadly it was caught within the fishing net left to dry on the shore. Another victim of careless human behavior.

We headed towards the icebergs to enjoy the beauty of this landscape once again before hailing our Zodiac back to our ship.

Day 6 – Wednesday 10th September. Gubbedal and Ittoqqortoormiit

12h00 GPS Position: 70°37.2'N, 022°27.3'W

Wind: N-1 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Overcast • Air temperature: +5°C

Our day began anchored in the dramatic and remote surroundings of Hurry Inlet, a quiet arm of Scoresby Sound, where low clouds hung close to the rugged slopes and mist drifted across the calm water. Though the sky remained overcast and occasional rain passed through, the morning brought an undeniable improvement in conditions compared to the previous days. Visibility had opened, and the subdued light gave the landscape a haunting beauty that only the Arctic can offer.



Eager to take advantage of the better weather, we disembarked in Zodiacs and went ashore for a morning hike across the tundra. The terrain was soft and damp underfoot, the mossy ground interspersed with late-season wildflowers clinging to the last warmth of

summer. As we made our way through this raw and peaceful landscape, the highlight of the morning took us all by surprise: a rare snowy owl was spotted perched on a low ridge. Pure white with striking yellow eyes, the owl watched us calmly from a distance, giving everyone ample time to take photographs and simply observe in awe. For many onboard, it was a true expedition highlight—one of those unexpected and magical wildlife encounters that make Arctic travel so special.

Back onboard *Hondius*, lunch was served as we began our short transit southward, heading toward one of the most remote settlements in Greenland: Ittoqqortoormiit. Situated near the entrance to Scoresby Sound, this small Inuit community—home to just a few hundred residents—



offered a fascinating glimpse into modern life in one of the harshest inhabited environments on Earth.



Upon landing at the small harbor in the afternoon, we were welcomed by a landscape of colorful wooden houses scattered across the rocky hillside, their vivid hues a stark contrast to the grey sky and surrounding wilderness. We split into small groups for a relaxed walk around town, where we had the opportunity to visit the local museum, showcasing traditional hunting tools, clothing, and photographs that speak to the deep cultural heritage of the region. At the community center, we learned more about contemporary life in Ittoqqortoormiit, including how families here continue to blend traditional practices with modern conveniences.

A particularly heartwarming moment came when we encountered several litters of Greenland dog puppies, tumbling over each other in play, thick fur and oversized paws hinting at their future roles as





powerful sled dogs. These working dogs remain an essential part of life in East Greenland and seeing them up close—especially the younger ones—was a treat for dog lovers and photographers alike.

As we returned to the ship in the early evening, the clouds began to lift slightly, revealing

glimpses of blue sky above the jagged peaks in the distance. The day left us with a rich tapestry of impressions: the stillness of the tundra, the wild elegance of the snowy owl, the enduring spirit of the people of Ittoqqortoormiit, and the unmistakable feeling of being somewhere truly remote and extraordinary.

KAYAK TRIPLOG

As the mist lifted towards the higher peaks of the fjord the calm waters were inviting. As we headed out, the low cloud clung to the mountain side adding an atmospheric air to this wonderful place. The landscape had changed from the



rugged geology to a more rounded environment of this sedimentary area. The bands of each geological era on display for those wishing to look.

The kayakers headed north into the 40km long inlet, the water changing colors as we passed tributaries and rivers. The gray blue of the ocean behind us, turquoise waters in front with reddish brown waters of the tributaries. Where the waters mixed the sediments fell and after the clear water showed us the sandy bottom of this fjord.



It was a pleasantly relaxing paddle with no wind and very little swell. Surrounded by the high sides of the fjord with its sparse tundra and moss banks. The occasional eider was seen at a distance, and ravens flew overhead. We also were visited by barnacle geese and kelp gulls, a welcome injection of life in this beautiful barren landscape.

Day 7 – Thursday 11th September. Helgenaes and Vikingebugt

12h00 GPS Position: 70°21.9'N, 025°25.2'W

Wind: SW-2 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Rainy • Air temperature: +6°C



We woke to a mystical fog as *Hondius* entered Vikingebugt, the largest of several inlets in the outer part of the Scoresby Sund fjord. The inlet stretches about fourteen kilometers long and six kilometers wide, a grand gateway that held both mystery and promise. At its head a medium-sized glacier

called Bredegletscher drains the fringe of the Geike ice field into the waters below. Yet Helgenaes, the northeastern corner of Vikingebugt is most renowned for its extraordinary hexagonal basalt columns, a sight that seemed almost otherworldly in the grey morning light.

As we boarded the Zodiacs, the rain began to fall more steadily, though it did little to dampen our resolve. We stepped ashore and set out to explore the towering basalt formations, their striking patterns rising out of the rugged landscape. The rocks were slick and



challenging to cross, but the reward was the chance to witness geology at its most remarkable.

This unique geological formation was created by huge basaltic subaerial plateau floods during the opening of the North Atlantic in the Paleogene (60-50 Ma).

After our excursion we returned to the vessel where a hearty lunch of pork belly and quesadillas awaited, warming and satisfying our bellies and giving us the much-needed fuel for the rest of the day.





The afternoon brought preparations for a Zodiac cruise in the cold and persistent rain. Those who ventured out were treated to an unforgettable surprise when a female polar bear with two cubs appeared along the shoreline. Such an encounter is rare in Greenland, and we were filled with awe at this incredible sight. The weather was harsh and the rain relentless but, in the moment, we almost forgot the cold. Navigating through the ice was most certainly worth



the effort and the memory will remain vivid for years to come. Female polar bears have a unique reproductive cycle adapted to the harsh Arctic environment. Mating typically occurs between April and May, but fertilized eggs undergo delayed implantation, meaning they do not immediately attach to the uterine wall. This allows the female to gain enough body fat during the summer months to support pregnancy. If she reaches sufficient weight, the embryo implants in the fall, and gestation continues for about two months. Pregnant females then dig dens in snowdrifts, usually between October and November, where they give birth to one to three cubs between November and January. The mother and cubs remain in the den until March or April, relying solely on her fat reserves for nourishment during this time.

In the evening, we gathered once again on board, enjoying a delicious dinner that lifted our spirits after the day's exertions. The night closed with Eric's enthralling story of his journey from working as an interior designer to pursuing life as a mountaineer, ultimately summiting the mighty Grand Jorases in Italy.

KAYAK TRIPLOG



The morning held host to low clouds and a slight drizzle in the air, the mountains had a dusting of snow on the peaks showing the geological strata lines in all their beauty. Icebergs littered the bay, and the basalt columns could be picked out of the landscape from the ship.

As the kayaks approached the shoreline, ice all around, the gentle waves lapped at the rocky beaches. We navigated our way through the ice, its speed around 2 knots at it floated on the tide out of the bay. This every changing landscape was spectacular to be amongst.

We headed to the mouth of the bay passing towering blue chunks of ice, towards the open water of Scoresby Sund. Skirting around the coastline the rocks upwelled into dramatic cliffs of basalt. Behind the mountains towered even higher. Waterfalls cascaded down this spectacular rock face and added to the wild and remote feeling of this location. The cliffs we were looking for loomed ahead in the mist, and as we approached, we could see the wonderful, curved lines of the basalt columns, contorted and twisted over millennia, subject to pressure and geological timelines. These columns towered above us, a wonderful bit of geology in this vast and beautiful Landscape.

Day 8 – Friday 12th September. Charcot Havn

12h00 GPS Position: 70°46.8'N, 025°25.2'W

Wind: W-2 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Overcast • Air temperature: +4°C



This morning was calm and clear. The rain stopped, the clouds lifted, and we could see Charcot Havn where meltwater from the Charcot Glacier flows down to the sea. The tundra was glowing with autumn colors – red and orange everywhere – and the tall peaks

around us were covered fresh with snow.

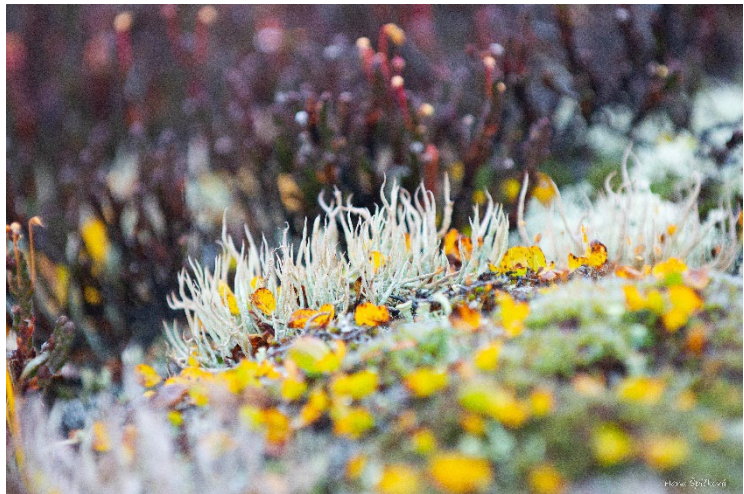
Charcot Havn is a small fjord or natural harbor located within the larger Scoresby Sund fjord system on the east coast of Greenland. It is named after the French polar explorer Jean-Baptiste Charcot. It lies in an area characterized by dramatic mountains, glacially carved





terrain, and deep waters that are seasonally navigable by ships during the brief Arctic summer. The surrounding region is part of the Northeast Greenland National Park, the largest national park in the world, and is virtually uninhabited except for occasional scientific and exploratory expeditions. Charcot Havn, like much of Scoresby Sund, offers a glimpse into the raw beauty and isolation of the Arctic wilderness.

We split into three groups. The long hikers packed their lunches and set off on a five-hour trek toward the glacier. The medium hikers climbed to nearby peaks for amazing views of the glacial valley and the bay where *Hondius* was at anchor waiting to bring us back to Iceland in the next day. For those who chose the shorter hike, the day was no less magical. The short hikers stayed closer but still enjoyed stunning views of the bay, where our ship floated among huge icebergs.



After a prolonged morning landing in the wilderness of East Greenland, we returned to the ship for lunch. In the afternoon, we cruised slowly through the stunning fjords of Scoreby Sund, heading toward the open ocean.

On the bow, we said our final goodbye to Greenland with hot chocolate in hand, watching the snowy peaks fade into the distance.

As usual, we ended the day with an evening recap. This time it was special with the Captain's Cocktail at the end, as we prepared to sail into the rough seas of the Denmark Strait.



Day 9 – Saturday 13th September. Rock & Roll across the Denmark Strait

12h00 GPS Position: 67°54.7'N, 020°46.7'W

Wind: NE-9 • Sea: Rough • Weather: Overcast • Air temperature: +5°C



We awoke to a ship in motion — *Hondius* was making her way south across the Denmark Strait, but the sea had grown restless overnight. With swells reaching 5 to 6 meters, the vessel rose and dipped with the long, rolling waves, creaking softly as we made steady progress toward Iceland. Outside, the wind howled,

and thick fog blurred the horizon, leaving the ocean feeling vast, cold, and wild.

Not everyone made it to breakfast — the motion proved a bit much for a few. But those who did gathered in the lounge, sipping hot drinks and steadying themselves with the ship's rhythm.



Our first lecture of the day was from Joyce, who introduced us to one of the Arctic's most mysterious and ancient inhabitants: the Greenlandic shark. As the ship rocked and swayed, Joyce spoke about these deep-dwelling

creatures that can live for hundreds of years beneath the ice. Her presentation — rich with research, surprising facts, and haunting deep-sea footage — made for a perfect match to the moody weather outside. It was easy to imagine these elusive giants swimming silently in the cold depths below.

Following a brief break and a few cautious strolls down the hallways, we gathered again for Chris's presentation on Oceanwide's history of polar exploration. With three decades of experience, he shared stories of epic voyages across the Arctic and Antarctic — from the remote Ross Sea to the emperor penguins of Snow Hill. His enthusiasm and first-hand tales reminded us of the rare journey we'd just completed, and the many paths still waiting for future explorers.

Lunch in the dining room was an experience. The swells had not let up, and as the *Hondius* pitched and rolled, plates were held a little tighter, and conversations leaned toward laughter and sea stories. Despite the motion, the mood was light and communal — the shared



challenge only added to the sense of camaraderie.

The afternoon brought a touch of calm — not from the sea, but from routine and familiarity. Koen took the stage with his heartfelt lecture about working as a whale-watching guide. From the cold waters of Iceland to the tropical Pacific off Tonga, his stories of close encounters with humpbacks and orcas were captivating. Stunning footage of these gentle giants brushing past his boats, breaching against snow-covered backdrops, or gliding gracefully beneath clear waters made for a fitting contrast to the rough sea outside our windows.



As evening drew near the swell started to slowly subside whilst we approached the northern coast of Iceland. Instructions for the next day's disembarkation were laid down during the recap, followed by one last dinner and the tribute to the entire crew who made this memorable voyage possible with all their dedication, professionalism and smiles.

Day 10 – Sunday 14th September. Disembarkation, Akureyri

08h00 GPS Position: 65°40.8'N, 018°07.3'W

Wind: S 1 • Sea: Calm • Weather: Overcast • Air temperature: +7°C

The wake-up call came at 7:15 AM, though many of us were already awake—quietly packing our bags and taking in the final views from our cabin windows. The ship had docked in Akureyri, marking the end of our Arctic journey with a mix of gratitude and melancholy.

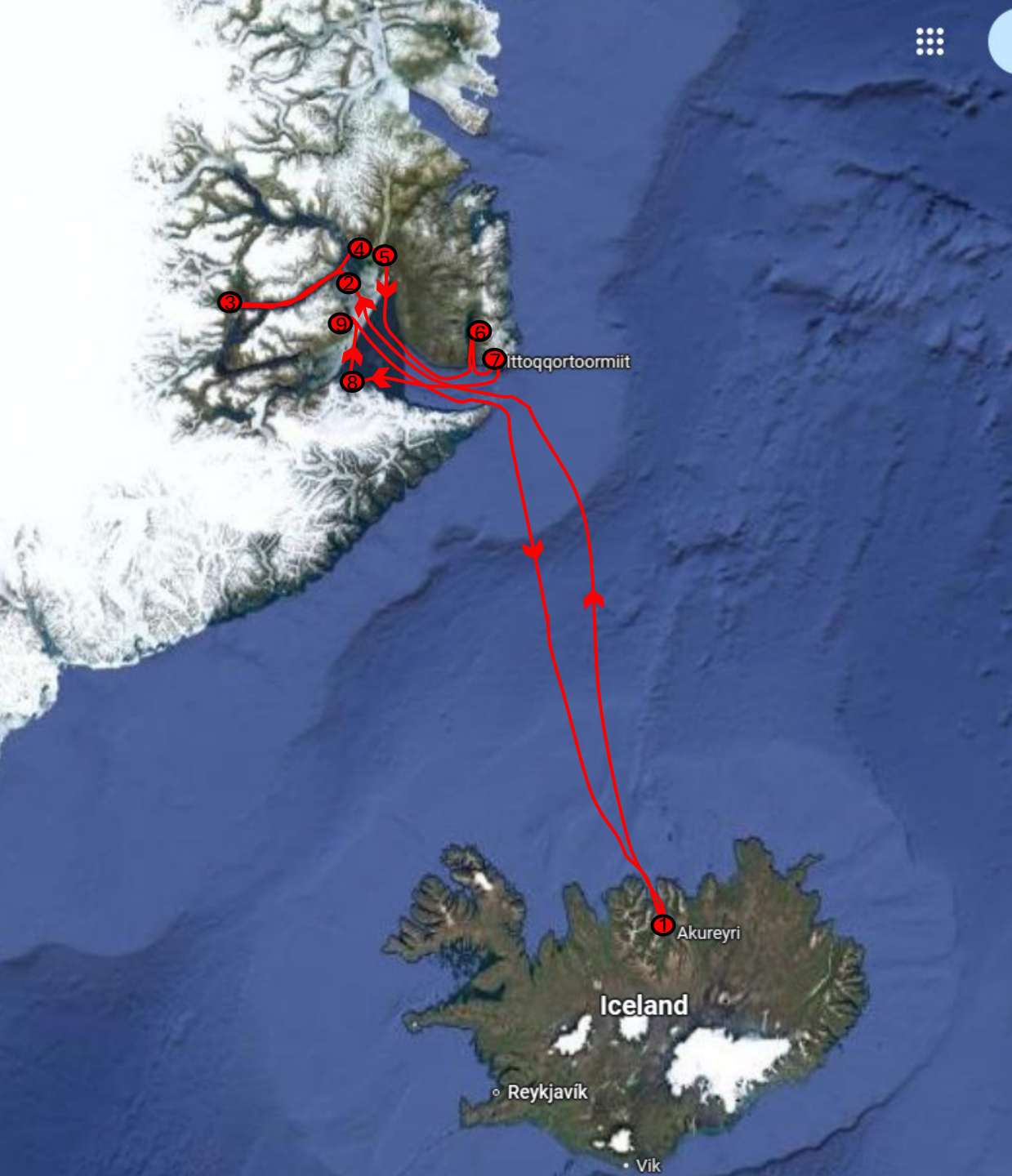
After setting our luggage out in the hallway for transfer, we made our way to the dining room for one last breakfast together. The atmosphere was calm and reflective. We shared stories, exchanged quiet laughter, and lingered over our coffee, reluctant to let the moment slip away.

After a smooth passport check with Icelandic customs, we disembarked *Hondius* for the final time. On the pier, those heading to Reykjavik by coach collected their luggage and said goodbyes. There were hugs, quiet promises to stay in touch, and one last look back at the ship that had carried us through ice, sea, and silence.

On behalf of Oceanwide Expeditions, Captain Ernesto Barria Vargas, Expedition Leader Chris Long, Hotel Manager Albert Don, and all the crew and staff of m/v *Hondius*, it has been a pleasure traveling with you!



Eastern Greenland – Scoresby Sund Aurora Borealis including Long Hikes 5th -14th of Sep 2025



1. Akureyri
2. Bjørneøer/Bear islands
3. Harefjord (ZC + Landing)
4. Sydkap
5. Nordøstbugten
6. Hurry Fjord - Nøkkedal
7. Ittoqqortoormiit
8. Vikingebugt (Landing + ZC)
9. Charcot Havn
10. Akureyri

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Arctic Hare	<i>Lepus timidus</i>	北极兔					√	√				
Muskox	<i>Ovibus moschatus</i>	麝香牛				√	√					
Arctic Wolf	<i>Canis lupus</i>	北极狼										
Ermine or Stoat	<i>Mustela erminea</i>	白鼬										
Collared Lemming	<i>Dicrostonyx torquatus</i>	旅鼠				√						

Christan Long – Expedition Leader



Chris grew up as a part of New Zealand's remotest family two long days hike from the nearest road at a place called Gorge River, on the South Islands West Coast, New Zealand.

His family lives as self-sufficiently as possible in a small cabin surrounded by the jungled rainforest, the rough rugged coastline, and an untouched emerald green river. Most of their food comes from a huge vegetable garden or is fished from the ocean. This wild untouched natural corner of New Zealand was Chris's home for the first 17 years of his life, until, one day, he set off to explore what the rest of the world had to offer.

Since leaving Gorge River, Chris has set out to see, explore and experience as much of the globe as possible. This constant search for adventure has seen him travel to over 65 countries on all seven continents. Along this journey, he spent two full summer seasons living and working as a field trainer at Scott Base, a New Zealand research station in Antarctica, as well as multiple voyages to the Ross Sea, Antarctic

Peninsula, East Antarctica and the Atlantic Ocean.

Chris is also no stranger to the arctic. He once sailed the notorious northwest passage across the top of Greenland, Canada, and Alaska on a small yacht and spent much of the covid pandemic living with 150 husky dogs in Tromso, northern Norway. Here he endured two long cold dark arctic winters training for long distance dog races. He also guides with Oceanwide in Svalbard each summer.

In 2022, Chris published a best-selling autobiography *"The Boy From Gorge River"* and when he is not at sea you will find him training for his commercial fixed-wing pilot's license or exploring a new corner of the globe.

中文

克里斯在新西兰最偏远的乡村长大，他们家距离最近的公路需要跋涉两天的山路，那条公路就位于新西兰西海岸的乔治河边。

他的家人在小木屋里过着尽可能自给自足的生活，木屋四周被丛林环绕，海岸线崎岖，河流翠绿。他们的大部分食物来自一个巨大的菜园或从海洋中捕捞。在这个未受破坏的自然角落，克里斯度过了人生中的前17年，直到有一天，他决定开始探索世界其他有趣的地方。

离开乔治河后，克里斯开始尽可能多地去体验和探索世界。对冒险的不断追求让他走遍了七大洲60多个国家。此外，他在新西兰南极洲研究站斯科特基地作为野外训练员度过了两个完整的夏季工作，并多次航行到罗斯海和东南极洲。

克里斯对北极也不陌生。他曾经在凶险的西北航道航行，穿越格陵兰岛、加拿大和阿拉斯加的顶部，并在新冠大流行期间在挪威北部小城特罗姆瑟，和150只哈士奇狗一起生活，忍受了两个漫长寒冷黑暗的北极冬季，为雪地赛狗耐力赛训练。

最近返回新西兰后，带着亲身经历的真情实感和切身感受，克里斯出版了一本自传，并正在接受商业固定翼飞行员执照的培训。

Jerry Zhao – Asst. Exp. Leader



Jerry has been in love with nature and wildlife and traveling all his life. Soon after completing his degree in Business Administration at Drexel University in Philadelphia, Jerry began a career in the travel industry. Jerry first started as an international travel consultant and tour leader and led exclusive small high-end groups throughout Europe.

He then became partner in an international traveling consulting firm and focused on route planning and employee training.

As he searched for more adventure, He collected skills and knowledge while he traveled around to world. Finally, his step stopped at Polar regions, and joined Oceanwide Expeditions as Expeditions Guides, He has guided expeditions to the North Pole, Svalbard, Greenland, Antarctic Peninsula, South Georgia many times.

Along the way as he spent more time in polar regions, learns more about polar regions, he is more interested in polar regions. He has self-studied the geography,

wildlife and history of the Polar regions. He is beginning to learn wildlife photography.

When he is not in polar regions, he likes to spend his time in the forest, dessert, and plains in Northwestern part of China. He loves nature, wildlife, and he loves to share all that he knows to everyone who comes across.

中文

Jerry 一直都很喜爱自然野生动物和旅行。从美国 Drexel University 毕业后，开始从事旅游业。开始作为高端客户旅行顾问和领队走遍了欧洲。然后作为一家旅行社的合伙人，主要从事路线规划和员工培训。为寻找更多的冒险，Jerry 去往世界各地学习所需技能，足迹踏遍 7 大洲 4 大洋，然后在 2015 年作为探险队员加入 Oceanwide 探险队。他曾多次前往北极点，北极斯瓦尔巴地区，和南极地区，在这期间他自学关于极地的地理，野生动物和环境知识。他热爱大自然和野生动物并喜爱与人分享他的故事。

Koen Jongerling –Asst. Exp.Leader



Having grown up in the Netherlands Koen always knew he wanted to live in a more rugged landscape than the rather flat lowlands that surrounded him. That is why after finishing his outdoor education in 2011, he chose to move to Patagonia, Chile to find the mountains he was longing for.

Combining his love for nature and the desire to learn more, he started guiding expeditions through the mountain ranges of Patagonia. Travelling back and forth to Europe for additional mountain courses - every time feeling more at home in the rough conditions of Patagonia. In 2017 he started his own guide company, introducing travelers to the beauty of Southern Chile.

Living in Puerto Natales he came to love the cold and extreme weather and after years of working in one of the most southern mountain ranges in the world, he could not stop looking further south to the great white continent, Antarctica.

中文

科恩在荷兰长大，但他一直向往生活在地型崎岖、地貌特殊的地方，绝非是低地国家的平原，这就成为为什么在2011年完成野外生存培训后，科恩选择搬到智利巴塔哥尼亚的缘由，因为这里有他向往并追寻的连绵起伏的山脉。

出于对自然的热爱和对未知世界的渴望，科恩带领探险队穿越巴塔哥尼亚的山脉。科恩也会往返欧洲参加额外的山地课程，助力他能更加自如地应对巴塔哥尼亚恶劣的气候条件。2017年，他创办了自己的导游公司，以专业的视角向游客展示智利南部的壮美风景。

生活在纳塔莱斯港的经历也让科恩爱上了寒冷和极端的天气，在这个世界最南端的山脉之一工作多年后，科恩开始向南探寻未知的白色大陆——南极洲。

Eric Wong – Expedition Guide



Eric Wong is a mountaineer and documentary photographer from Hong Kong who Specialises in landscape, mountaineering and wildlife photography in the Alps, Himalaya and Polar region.

In 2016 he became the first foreigner graduated in the Khumbu climbing centre and qualified as professional mountaineer with the famous tribe Sherpa climbers in Nepal. In 2017 he started his trekking tour career in the Alps and Himalaya. Also, he started his climbing projects in various mountain ranges.

During 2017 and 2018, he successfully completed several remarkable projects which included Eiger, Matterhorn and Grand Jorasses in the Alps, speed ascent North America highest peak, Denali (6190m); solo climb Winter Fuji (3778m); solo climb Winter Island Peak (6189m); and solo climb Ama Dablam (6812m) in Himalaya.

Besides his climbing projects, Eric and his climbing partner established a non-profit initiative mentoring program designed for young individuals who aspire to

become alpinists and polar explorers to promote clean, lightweight, and low impact climbing and exploration.

In 2019, Eric started his Polar guide career and started to work in both the Arctic and Antarctic area. Also, as a documentary photographer and adventure columnist, Eric's work has been published in National Geographic, Leica Fotografie International Gallery Master Shot and several travel and outdoor magazines.

中文

Eric Wong, 來自香港的登山家，生態和極地紀實攝影師，專注於阿爾卑斯山脈，喜馬拉亞山脈和南北兩極進行不同的拍攝項目。

2016 年，他成為首位在 Khumbu climbing centre 畢業並與尼泊爾當地雪巴人（喜馬拉雅山脈的一個部族）一起獲得職業登山家資格的外國人。他成功完成了多個卓越的項目，包括阿爾卑斯山的艾格峰、馬特洪峰，北美最高峰德納利（6190米）的速度攀登，冬季富士山（3778米）的單獨攀登，冬季島峰（6189米）的單獨攀登，以及阿馬達布拉姆峰（6812米）的單獨攀登。

2019年，Eric開展他的極地嚮導生涯，並在北極和南極地區工作。協助科學家完成不同的研究，並且教育旅客有關南極的生態環境。Eric的攝影作品和見於 National Geographic 《國家地理雜誌》、《Leica 攝影國際畫廊大師作品集》和多家知名的旅遊雜誌。

Koen Hoekemeijer – Exp. Guide



Koen Hoekemeijer was born in 1974 in The Netherlands. When it comes to nature and wildlife Koen was quite a late bloomer as he had always been more into nightlife and sunny beaches. But that all changed when he discovered his passion for wildlife and photography in 2009 in Costa Rica. It was during this trip that Koen saw his first humpback whales and he fell in love with them instantly. Not only did it make him eager to see more and different types of whales in locations all over the world, but he also wanted to learn to take better photos of these amazing creatures. And with the love for whales

and photography, came a broader passion for all sorts of wildlife.

Since that memorable vacation in 2009, Koen has been travelling the planet to see and photograph the world's most beautiful places. Usually from boats, jeeps or simply face down in the mud, but since 2016 also underwater. Snorkeling in the presence of whales and orcas is bringing Koen pure happiness.

Among his favourite animals are whales, orcas, penguins, tigers and jaguars. But in between safaris, he also likes to do street photography and capture life and portraits of people all over the world.

Koen believes that travelling does not only enrich your life, it also makes you more humble, more appreciative and it provides new levels of perspective and understanding. Koen has won the prestigious WWF Frans Lanting Photo contest, and in 2020 he won the Ellen Fitzgibbon Memorial Photography competition. It's Koen's dream to one day have a Vizsla dog and own a small cabin somewhere in northern Norway surrounded by snow and trees ;).

Marco Rosso – Expedition Guide



Marco was born in the country of Pasta & Pizza. He graduated in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Padua, his native city in Italy, and subsequently achieved a Master's degree in "Turbomachinery and Fluid Dynamics" at the Von Karman Institute in Brussels, Belgium.

After a few years working in the industry, he decided to embark himself on a quest. For two years he carried his tent and camping equipment; backpacking from the steamy jungle of Mexico and Central America, through the snowy peaks of the Peruvian Andes and the dry highlands of Bolivia. Rolling all the way down to the tip of South America.

The raw and powerful beauty of Patagonia convinced him to swap Mother Nature wonders for mankind artifacts. Fascinated by applied geophysics, he therefore decided to use his deep and broad knowledge in thermodynamics and fluid mechanics to satisfying his innate curiosity, thus self-teaching Earth Science natural processes such as geological volcanism, sea ice and glaciers formation and dynamics, wind patterns and oceanic currents.

During the last decade he has been living in Puerto Natales, Chile; leading groups as a trekking guide and tour leaders in some of the most beautiful and rugged trails of Patagonia, such as Torres del Paine, Fitz Roy and Cerro Torre circuits as well as the southernmost trekking in the world, Dientes de Navarino.

One step further from Patagonia lies the Antarctic peninsula, where he is willing to share with you an incredible camping experience in this truly pristine and untouched environment.

中文

马克出生在披萨的故乡——意大利。马克毕业于家乡意大利的帕多瓦大学机械工程专业，随后在比利时布鲁塞尔冯·卡门研究所获得涡轮机械和流体动力学硕士学位。

在该行业工作了几年后，马克决定开始他的自然探险生涯。两年来，他一直带着帐篷和露营设备，穿梭在墨西哥和中美洲潮湿的丛林中，并在秘鲁安第斯山脉的雪峰和玻利维亚的干燥高地当背包客，并最终抵达了南美洲的尖端。

巴塔哥尼亚自然的原始之美促使马克对相关专业的产生了兴趣。他开始对地球物理学着迷，于是决定利用热力学和流体力学方面深厚而广泛的知识来满足他与生俱来的好奇心。他自学了地球的演变过程，如地质火山作用、海冰和冰川的形成以及大气环流和洋流等。

在过去的十年里，马克一直住在智利纳塔莱斯港。作为徒步导游和领队，他带领探险团队游览了巴塔哥尼亚美丽和崎岖的小径，例如托雷斯德尔潘恩、菲茨罗伊和托雷山环线以及号称“世界最南端的徒步旅行”的迪恩特斯德纳瓦里诺。

距离巴塔哥尼亚更远的地方就是南极半岛，在那里，马克愿意与您分享这片真正原始、未受破坏的环境，并和您一起带着好奇，全程体验充满刺激、难以置信的南极行程。

Alexander Romanovskiy – Exp.Guide



Aleksander Romanovskiy comes from Saint-Petersburg, the Northern capital of Russia. He was born in 1981. After having graduated from the boarding school Alexander entered Saint-Petersburg State University, where he spent 5 years studying physical geography, ecology, regional geography and international tourism. Afterwards he was working on his PhD thesis in Herzen State Pedagogical University of Russia, doing geoeological researches.

In the year of 2011 however, Alexander decided to pause his scientific career and start doing something completely different, which means working in tourism and traveling the world. He spent 2 seasons working as a trekking guide in Fann mountains (Tajikistan), 1 season on Novolazarevskaya Antarctic scientific station (Queen Maud Land, Antarctica) working as a member of a guesthouse crew.

Since February of 2012 most part of the year he spends on Svalbard. For five seasons in a row Alexander has been living and working as a guide in a ghost town of

Pyramiden. In 2016 a new page in Alexander's guiding career was opened: he started working as a naturalist guide on cruise ships in polar regions of the world – Svalbard and Antarctica.

3 to 4 months a year Alexander dedicates to his main passion – traveling the world. No public transport, no hotels, only hitch-hiking and staying overnight with locals or sleeping in a tent. This way he has already visited almost all Soviet republics, Middle East (Iran, Turkey), Asia (China), South America (Argentina, Chile, Paraguay), and it is hopefully far not the end! The world is big, friendly and interesting to explore!

中文

亚历山大·罗曼诺夫斯基来自俄罗斯北部首都圣彼得堡，他出生于1981年。从寄宿学校毕业后，亚历山大进入圣彼得堡国立大学，5年中，他学习了包括自然地理学、生态学、区域地理学和国际旅游在内的许多课程。随后，他在俄罗斯赫尔岑国立师范大学攻读博士学位，涉足地质生态学研究。

然而 2011 年，亚历山大决定暂停他的科研生涯，开始从事一些与研究完全不同的事情——环游世界。他在范恩山脉（塔吉克斯坦）担任了两个季节的徒步向导，在 Novolazarevskaya 南极科学站担任了一整个冬季的酒店工作人员。

自 2012 年 2 月起，亚历山大一年中的大部分时间都在斯瓦尔巴群岛度过。其中，亚历山大连续五个冬季都在皮拉米登，这个被俄罗斯政府废弃的城市生活和工作。2016年，亚历山大的导游生涯翻开了新的一页，他开始在世界极地地区——斯瓦尔巴群岛和南极洲的游轮上担任博物学家和导游。

每年，亚历山大有3到4个月的时间仍致力于他的主要爱好——环游世界。没有公共交通，没有酒店，只能搭便车，与当地人一起过夜或睡在帐篷里，就这样他已经走遍了几乎所有的前苏联加盟共和国、中东（伊朗、土耳其）、亚洲（中国）、南美洲（阿根廷、智利、巴拉圭），但他的旅程还远没有结束，对亚历山大来说，世界很大，很友好，也很有趣，他将继续他的探索之旅。

Juan Berenstein – Expedition Guide



Juan is a professional photographer and drone pilot born in Ushuaia, Argentina and is a Zodiac driver, expedition and photography guide.

He is a young and highly motivated person, who loves enjoying the outdoors and being in the mountains. His hobbies are hiking, FPV drone flying and photography.

His passion for nature started at an early age with his family, who enjoyed the weekends camping at the end of the world and travelling around the country on holidays.

He studied photography in Buenos Aires and decided to return to his hometown to start his career and develop an independent way of life.

Juan has been working in the polar regions for several years now, including Antarctica, South Georgia, Falkland Islands, Svalbard, Greenland, and the Great Lakes in North America.

中文

胡安·贝伦斯坦（Juan Berenstein）是一位出生于阿根廷乌斯怀亚的专业摄影师和无人机飞行员，也是冲锋舟驾驶员、探险队员和摄影向导。

他是一个年轻且积极进取的人，喜欢享受户外活动和山里的时光。他的爱好是户外徒步、FPV 无人机飞行和摄影。

他对自然的热情源于从很小的时候，他的家人给他的户外启蒙，他们喜欢周末在世界的尽头露营，并在假期环游全国。

他在布宜诺斯艾利斯学习摄影，但最后决定回到他的家乡开始自己的职业生涯并发展独立的生活方式。

胡安多年来一直在极地地区工作，包括南极洲、南乔治亚岛、福克兰群岛、斯瓦尔巴群岛、格陵兰岛和北美五大湖。

Li Ye – Expedition Guide



Li was born and raised in China, her childhood's dream was to travel the world and she had visited more than 50 cities in more than 20 countries around the world.

She fell in love with polar expedition on her first trip to the Antarctica and plans to continue her career in this field to become a professional expedition guide.

Li has wide range of hobbies, she likes calligraphy, incense, tea, sports and travel. When not working in the polar region, Li also likes to try and challenge new things. It's hard to imagine such a slim girl like her once went to Chiang Mai, Thailand, to learn Muay Thai by herself. Li is also an influencer who loves to share her experiences traveling around the world and working in the polar regions.

中文

叶丽在中国出生并长大，她从小梦想是环游世界，她的足迹遍布全球20多个国家，50多个城市。在她第一次来到南极时，她便爱上了极地探险，并计划在这个行业继续深入，成为一名优秀专业的探险队员。

丽的爱好广泛，她喜欢书法，香道，茶道，运动健身和旅行。当不在极地工作时，她也喜欢尝试和挑战新鲜事物，很难想象像她这样一个苗条的女生，曾独自一人去泰国清迈学习泰拳。丽也是一名博主，她喜欢与大家分享她在旅行和极地工作时的所见所闻。

Nathalie Ansel – Expedition Guide



娜塔莉是一位受过历史和艺术史训练的学者。但她很快意识到，自己对历史与文化的热爱，必须在实地去体验和分享。因此，她踏上旅途，跨越海洋，追随伟大探险家的足迹。第一次踏上北极冰原时，她被这片壮丽、变幻莫测且充满挑战的环境深深震撼，从此她的生活发生了改变。

她对斯瓦尔巴和格陵兰尤为关注，曾深入探索因纽特文化，以及当地原住民如何适应极端环境。同时，她也对塑造极地历史的探险者、捕兽人和捕鲸者充满兴趣。她的好奇心不仅停留在人类历史，也延伸至北极的其他生物——从海鸟到鲸类，她研究它们在这一独特生态系统中的生存之道。

凭借丰富的知识分享经验，娜塔莉通过讲座传播她的热情。从历史到动物行为学，她总是以充满激情的方式，为人们讲述极地的故事。

Lucia Romero – Expedition Guide



Lucia is an extroverted and curious person always looking for new challenges and experiences worldwide.

Born and raised in Puerto Madryn, a small town of Argentinian Patagonia coast, she grew up surrounded by marine wildlife and outdoor lifestyle. This led her to choose her career, with a bachelor degree in hospitality and tourism and becoming a professional tour guide and kayak guide.

She loves sharing her passion for exploration, learning, discovering, conservation and wildlife.

With over 12 years of experience on leading groups around Patagonia, she is now focusing on the wonders and biodiversity of the polar environments.

中文

露西娅·罗梅罗（Lucia Romero）是一个外向的且充满好奇心的人，总是在世界各地寻找新的挑战 and 经历。

她在阿根廷巴塔哥尼亚海岸的一个小镇马德林港出生和长大，在海洋野生动物和户外生活方式的包围下长大。这促使她选择了自己的职业走向，获得了酒店和旅游学士学位，并成为了一名专业导游和皮划艇向导。

她喜欢分享她对探索、学习、发现、保护和野生动物的热情。

她拥有超过 12 年带队巴塔哥尼亚旅行的经验，现在专注于极地环境的奇观和生物多样性。

Rose Li Hong – Expedition Guide



Originally from China, Rose Li Graduated from Wuhan college with a major in Interior Design. She has worked on well-known international cruise ships since 2014 as an expedition guide and in Asia as a VIP services shift leader and Head cruise ambassador on a Mediterranean cruise line.

She has worked in the polar regions since 2017, as expedition guide, Zodiac driver, Chinese interpreter and guest services manager.

She has many talents such as dancing, drawing, skiing, hosting, and loves creating new activities. Her two academic passions are history and geology.

During her spare time, she has continued to develop her passion for traveling, and has visited more than 40 countries and looks forward to visiting many others in the near future.

中文

罗斯李来自中国，毕业于武汉学院室内设计专业。自 2014 年以来，她一直在知名国际游轮上担任探险导游，并在亚洲的地中海游轮上担任 VIP 服务值班领队和首席游轮大使。

自2017年起，罗斯一直在极地工作，担任探险导游、冲锋舟司机、中文翻译和宾客服务经理。

罗斯多才多艺，她拥有舞蹈、绘画、滑雪、主持等多项才能，并且乐于开发新爱好。此外，她还喜欢钻研历史和地质两门学科。在业余时间，罗斯继续培养对旅行的热情。截至目前，她已经访问了 40 多个国家，并期待在未来访问更多国家。

Joshua Peck – Expedition Guide



A native Falkland Islander, Josh has always been fascinated by the natural world and exploring new destinations.

Growing up in the wildlife haven of the Falklands - with the polar regions on his doorstep - Josh has spent most of his life living alongside penguins, seals and whales, most recently in South Georgia where he was based for 4 months working for the Government of South Georgia.

Josh loves living and working in remote locations and on isolated islands, especially in his homeland of the

Falklands, where he has been involved in conservation projects since an early age. Josh has also travelled and worked extensively around the world from the USA and Canada to Iceland, Zambia, Australia and Poland.

Following on from obtaining degrees in History and Politics in Bristol and London in the United Kingdom, Josh returned home to the Falkland Islands to pursue his passion for wildlife and wild places, co-founding a local tour company with two childhood friends in 2016. Focussing on nature and historical tours, Josh worked for the following four seasons guiding and sharing his love of his home with the many guests that visited.

An avid photographer and an international footballer for his home country (soccer), he is always looking for new experiences and places to visit to broaden his horizons, and is looking forward to more adventures with Oceanwide Expeditions this season.

Hana Spickova – Expedition Guide



Hana is a chemist who is working the last two years at the University Centre on Svalbard. She comes originally from the Czech Republic and has spent the last 11 years in Norway.

Her love for nature and outdoor life brought her first to Tromsø in Northern Norway where she did her master degree while working as a northern light guide, photographer, dog sledding guide and dog handler. She likes to spend her free time in the mountains skiing, hiking, kayaking and diving. She spent two years traveling to Asia, Africa, South America and Patagonia. She worked as a volunteer in rescue stations for wild animals in Bolivia and Peru and as a humanitarian helper in Iraq, Rwanda and Ethiopia. After finishing her studies, she has been working as an analytical chemist in Norway. Her curiosity and enthusiasm for outdoor life brought her all the way to Svalbard where she enjoys ski touring, dog sledding and exploring new places on a snowmobile. She speaks Czech, English and Norwegian.

中文

汉娜在斯瓦尔巴大学做了两年化学师。她出生于车臣，在挪威生活了11年。

她对自然和户外生活的热爱将她带到了挪威北部的特朗姆森，她在完成硕士学位期间并成为极光领队，雪橇犬领队。她的空闲时间都在山间滑雪，徒步，皮划艇，潜水。她花了两年时间在亚洲，非洲，南美洲旅行。在玻利维亚和秘鲁做野生动物救护的志愿者，在伊拉克，卢旺达和埃塞俄比亚做人道主义救援。在她完成学业后，他在挪威作为化学分析师。她对户外生活的好奇和热情将她带到了斯瓦尔巴并在此享受滑雪，带领雪橇犬和发现新地点。她会说法语，英语和挪威语。

Chloe Wang - Translator



Chloe, originally from China, has always had a profound passion for nature and its diverse living creatures. She earned a Master's degree in marine microbiology and biogeochemistry in Denmark, which allowed her to explore her fascination with the ocean's mysteries. Her interest in polar ecosystems and landscapes peaked during a three-month research project in Arctic biology in Svalbard university centre. Following this, she worked as a marine biologist or translator, guiding in polar regions.

Chloe hopes to use her scientific expertise and linguistic skills to bridge the gap between complex scientific concepts and the broader public. She is dedicated to raising awareness and support for environmental and biodiversity conservation in our planet's fragile polar ecosystems. Outside of her research and work, Chloe enjoys outdoor adventures, freediving, and photography.

来自中国的 Chloe 一直对大自然和各种生物怀有深厚的热情。她在丹麦攻读海洋微生物学硕士学位，这让她有机会探索海洋的奥秘。在斯瓦尔巴大学中心进行的为期三个月的北极生物学研究项目，让她对极地生态系统和地貌的兴趣达到了顶峰。随后她选择在极地地区担任向导。Chloe希望利用她的科学专业知识和语言技能，为来到极地的人们架起一座沟通的桥梁。她致力于提高人们对生物多样性和环境的认知，以保护我们星球脆弱的极地生态系统。在研究和工作之余，Chloe喜欢户外运动、自由潜水和摄影。

Joyce Mulder – Expedition Guide



Joyce is a passionate guide with an interest for exploring and understanding the marine life in polar regions. Her journey began in 2018 as a whale-watching guide in the Azores, where she developed a deep appreciation for marine life. After this, she studied the Arctic snowfall variability at the Royal Netherlands Meteorological Institute, laying the foundation for her future career in Polar research.

Continuing her academic pursuits, Joyce studied Arctic biology at the University Centre in Svalbard in 2019, acquiring insights into the valuable ecosystems of the far north. With a bachelor's degree in Coastal and Marine Management, she followed a master's program in the same field in Ísafjörður, Iceland, making it her home from 2021 to 2023.

Her academic journey also brought her to the Norwegian town of Tromsø, where she studied fish migrations, further honing her expertise in marine biology. For her master thesis, she joined a research vessel in Greenland, where she studied the benthic communities

by mapping the seabed in previously unexplored regions in both 2022 and 2023.

Now, Joyce brings her knowledge and interest for marine wildlife to Oceanwide Expeditions as an expedition guide. Through her role, she shares her expertise and fosters a deeper appreciation for the polar regions.

中文

乔伊斯是一位充满热情的导游，对学习和探索极地海洋生物感兴趣。她的探险旅程始于 2018 年，在亚速尔群岛担任观鲸导游的经历，也让她对海洋生物有了更深刻的认识。此后，她在荷兰皇家气象研究所研究北极的降雪变化，为她后来从事极地研究奠定了基础。

为了继续自己的学术追求，乔伊斯于 2019 年在斯瓦尔巴群岛大学中心研究北极生物学，深入了解极北地区珍贵的生物物种和生态系统。她拥有海岸和海洋管理学士学位，并于 2021 年至 2023 年在冰岛伊萨菲厄泽（Ísafjörður）攻读同一领域的硕士学位。

她的学术之旅还把她带到了挪威小镇特罗姆瑟，在那里潜心研究的鱼类迁徙，进一步夯实了她在海洋生物学方面的专业知识。为了完成硕士论文，她加入了格陵兰岛的一艘研究船，2022年至2023年，通过绘制以前从未开发和勘探的海底区域地图，逐步涉猎海底群落的研究。

现在，乔伊斯将对海洋野生动物的兴趣、知识和经验带到了泛海探险队，担任探险导游，乔伊斯希望通过这样一种交流，向更多人分享她的专业知识和研究成果，进一步加深人们对极地的感受与认知。

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Matt Cheok – Expedition Guide



Matt is an adventure photographer and videographer from Sydney, Australia.

His work has taken him to some of the planet's most remote and captivating destinations – from the polar regions of Antarctica, Svalbard and Greenland to the majestic African savannah, landlocked steppe countries of Central Asia, and rugged mountains of South America.

In Antarctica, Matt's favourite subjects to capture are the playful gentoo penguins and the dramatic polar landscapes in the late afternoon light.

As a photography educator, Matt enjoys sharing his expertise with fellow travellers and inspiring them to connect with the natural world.

Matt's career path has been full of surprises. He previously worked as a commercial and insurance lawyer in Sydney, but he's now much happier pursuing his passion for photography and adventure.

When he's not guiding, Matt spends much of his time camping, thru-hiking, drinking lots of Bialetti coffee, and exploring the outdoors, having recently returned from the Fann Mountains in Tajikistan.

Onboard, you'll find Matt out on deck, cameras in hand. Don't hesitate to approach him with any photography questions or just for a friendly chat!

Adam Harmer – Kayak Leader



Adam has been paddling for over 20 years and this includes on all seven Continents. He calls the mountains and the Ocean his home.

Currently Adam lives in North Wales UK. He spends much of his life training and assessing outdoor instructors around the world.

Whether that is sea kayaking in Canada or Chile or raft guides and instructors on rivers in Africa.

Adam is also more than happy when he is working at home, where he shares his passion and extensive outdoor experience in training outdoor professionals and guides.

A previous winner of the Yukon 1000, the Worlds Longest Kayak race, first descents in Africa and South America and coaching under the Golden Gate Bridge and Antarctica so some of his highlights.

Adam also loves sharing the outdoors with people, sharing the interaction of nature, the sounds of waves crashing or seeing something special means the world to Adam.

He has two children and loves taking his family on 'Outdoor Adventures'

Adam Burke – Kayak Guide



Adam has always had a love of the outdoors and adventure, from an early age he dreamt of visiting exotic places and immersing himself in other cultures.

This love of the outdoors led him to work teaching adventurous activities and for over fifteen years this pursuit has given him the opportunity to live and work all over the globe. He has taught sailing in Australia, paddle sports on Europe's rivers and led expeditions in Africa.

After spending five years teaching white water safety & rescue and boat handling techniques to the fire brigade, he moved on to providing marine science support in Antarctica. He has spent over five years living between the Antarctic continent and the island of South Georgia, including overwintering twice.

Whilst providing science support he spent his time in Antarctica managing boating operations and helming RIBs for diving operations. This covered understanding environmental changes and its effects, wildlife

monitoring and counting as well as water sampling for a long-term data collection.

Adam enjoys travelling with his partner who shares the same values and love of the outdoors. This has taken them from deserts to rain forests and ultramarathons in the mountains.

亚当 一直是户外活动和冒险的钟爱者，很小的时候，他就梦想着能游遍异国他乡，体验他国文化和风土人情。

对户外活动的热爱，促使亚当选择了探险活动作为自己的职业，十五年来，这份工作使他有机会在 globally 各地生活和工作。他曾在澳大利亚教授帆船运动，在欧洲教授水上皮划艇运动，同样，在非洲也当过探险活动的向导。

他花了五年时间，向消防队传授白水漂流的安全性及救援以及船只处理技术，之后，亚当便正式开始为南极洲海洋科学研究提供技术支持，他往返于南极大陆和南乔治亚岛之间，在那里生活了五年多，其中包括两个完整的南极冬季。

在提供科学支持的同时，亚当还潜心于南极洲的划船作业和掌舵充气潜水艇潜水作业，他的任务包括了解环境变化及其影响、野生动物监测和计数以及用于长期数据收集的水采样。

亚当和他的朋友们一起曾穿过沙漠和雨林，参加山区超级马拉松，共同的爱好与相同价值观让旅行成为他们一致的志趣与爱好。

Loel Collins –Kayak Guide



Loel comes from a small village in the mountains of Snowdonia National Park, North Wales in the UK. Over a forty-year career he has worked around the globe, in North and South America.

Europe, Arctic Greenland and Canada, the middle and far East as a kayak and canoe guide and coach. In the winter you can find him telemark skiing and training other outdoor professionals in rescue and emergency care.

He has a background as a performance psychologist with a focus on performance in expedition and adventure. He lectures at The University of Edinburgh in Moray House, the School of Education and Sport where he teaches and researches in adventure sports coaching and leadership.

He has several first kayak descents of remote gorges to his name as well as many expeditions to wilderness areas, among them the highland rain forests of Papua New Guinea, the Himalaya in Northern Pakistan and Nepal, and the Arctic of Northern Canada and Greenland.

Julien Burellier – Kayak Leader



Julien was born and raised in the Auvergne region in central France. He started kayaking and skiing as a child and never stopped.

Sea kayak instructor since 1998, he is also a whitewater kayak and ski instructor. He travelled all over the world paddling and guiding guests in various locations such as Papua, Oman, Philippines, Malaysia, Thailand, Sweden, Greece, Corsica... and of course Norway!

He visited North Norway for the first time in 2010 and fell in love with the sea and mountain mix. Snow and northern lights in the winter combined with midnight sun during summer produce many breathtaking moments. Since then, Julien goes several times a year to Norway either for kayaking, skiing or hiking.

When he is not traveling, Julien lives in the French Alps and teaches skiing at Serre Chevalier or supervises whitewater rafting activities on the local rivers. He is also passionate about photography which led him to collaborate with French outdoor and kayak magazines, writing articles and reporting on his trips.

Marina Donner – Ships Doctor



Marina Donner is a specialist in general medicine from Finland, and she is the ship's physician on this voyage. Marina is fluent in English, Swedish and Russian.

At home dr Donner shares her working time between a public primary care clinic and a private occupational health clinic. During her residency years she has also done quite a number of shifts at the emergency department at Åland islands' central hospital.

Marina's passions are sports, medicine and travel. She has visited 70+ countries and counting.

She has additional education in Travel Medicine and has done assignments as an expedition medic on treks in several remote countries such as Togo, Cameroon and Kyrgyzstan.

Apart from being a doctor Marina is also an elite table-tennis player, competing on the European and World stage for the Finnish National Team. She also enjoys training triathlon and has even done an Ironman!

Marina lives in Åland islands, Finland, together with her husband and 2 kids. A fun fact: despite living in Finland she doesn't speak Finnish because Åland islands is the only 100% Swedish-speaking area of Finland.

Marina has been influenced by meeting patients with different health issues and in different stages of their lives, so she believes that we should not delay exploring and experiencing our lives to the fullest!

中文

玛丽娜-多纳 (Marina Donner) 是来自芬兰的全科医学专家，也是本次航行的船医。玛丽娜能说流利的英语、瑞典语和俄语。

在多纳医生的国家，她主要在一家公共初级保健诊所和一家私人职业健康诊所工作。在实习期间，她还在奥兰群岛中心医院的急诊科值过多次班。

玛丽娜热爱运动、医学和旅游。她曾到过 70 多个国家和地区旅行。

她还接受过旅游医学方面的教育，并曾在多哥、喀麦隆和吉尔吉斯斯坦等多个偏远国家担任过远征军医生。

除了医生，玛丽娜还是一名乒乓球精英，曾代表芬兰国家队参加欧洲和世界乒乓球比赛。她还喜欢铁人三项训练，甚至参加过铁人三项比赛！

玛丽娜与丈夫和两个孩子住在芬兰奥兰群岛。一个有趣的事实是：尽管生活在芬兰，她却不会说芬兰语，因为奥兰群岛是芬兰唯一一个 100% 讲瑞典语的地区。

玛丽娜在人生的不同阶段遇到过不同健康问题的病人，这对她影响很大，因此她认为我们不应该耽误探索 and 充分体验我们的生活！



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Welcome on Board!

Date: 5th September 2025

Day 1: Akureyri

Please make yourselves at home in your cabins and check you have received all your luggage!
Tea/coffee is available in the Observation Lounge on Deck 5.

PLEASE LISTEN FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

17:00+/- Ship safety briefing, in the **Observation Lounge on Deck 5**. Attendance to this is **MANDATORY**. After the briefing the emergency alarm will be sounded, and you will need to go back to your cabin and get your life jacket. All guests accommodated on Deck 3 will go to **MUSTER STATION A** which is the Restaurant on Deck 4. All guests accommodated on decks 4, 6, and 7 will go to **MUSTER STATION B** which is the Observation Lounge on Deck 5.

18:15+/- Please join the Captain and Expedition Team in the **Observation Lounge on Deck 5** for a celebratory toast to the voyage.

This will be followed by an introductory briefing by the Hotel Manager and Expedition Leader to orientate you to life on board and explain the plan for the forthcoming days.

19:30-20:30 Buffet dinner in the **Restaurant on Deck 4**.

20:30 Please join us for AECO, Bear safety, and Zodiac safety briefing, in the Observation Lounge and lecture room on Deck 5. Attendance to this is **MANDATORY** so please join us straight after dinner. For english this will be given in the observation lounge on deck 5 forward with Chris, and in Mandarin it will be in the lecture room with Jerry on deck 5 aft.

"All things considered there are only two kinds of men in the world; those that stay at home and those that do not, the latter are more interesting." - Rudyard Kipling



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Date: 6th September 2025

Day 2: At sea heading towards Greenland

07:45 Wake-up call

08:00-09:00 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

09:30 For all those guests wanting to do the **long hikes**, there will be a **Mandatory** briefing in the lecture room. Anyone who hasn't signed up for the long hikes before the voyage but still want to join are all welcome.

11:30 KJ welcomes you to the lounge for a lecture titled 'First Impressions of Greenland'. This will be given in **English** and translated into **Mandarin**

12:30-13:30 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

14:15 Please join the kayak team in the lecture room for your mandatory kayak briefing

15:15 Please join Joyce in the Lounge on deck 5 for her lecture about the different kinds of Whales that we can encounter in the Arctic Sea.

17:45 Please join the Expedition Team in the lounge for daily recap.

18:30 Plated dinner will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

20:00+/- We will call you deck by deck down to **Deck 3** to collect your Muck Boots, please bring your thick socks so you can try them for size

"You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore"- Christoph Columbus



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Date: 7th September 2025

Day 3: Scoresby Sund and Bjørne øer

07:45 Wake-up call

08:00-09:00 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

This morning we will be cruising through the ice bergs in the middle of the worlds largest fjord, Scoresby Sund. Be up and about to enjoy this spectacle.

09:15 Marco invites you to join him in the observation Lounge for his lecture titled: Glaciers Formation and Dynamics in the Greenland Ice Sheet

10:45 We will call you deck by deck down to **Deck 3** to collect your Muck Boots, please bring your thick socks so you can try them for size

11:15 Our photography guides invite you outside to the bow for a photography work shop. There you can learn some polar photography tips for your voyage

12:00-13:00 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

In the afternoon we hope to do a landing on the Bear Islands. The Bear Islands (Bjørneøer) in Scoresby Sund, East Greenland, are a remote and rugged archipelago known for their dramatic cliffs, rich birdlife, and occasional polar bear sightings.

TBD We invite the Long Hikers ashore for a hike on the Bear Islands.

TBD We invite the medium hikers ashore for a hike at Bear Islands

TBD We invite the short hikers ashore for a hike at Bear Islands

18:45 Please join the Expedition Team in the lounge for daily recap.

19:30 Plated dinner will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.



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Date: 8th September 2025

Day 4: Harefjord and Rodefjord

07:15 Wakeup call.

07:30-08:30 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4. (Please let the long hike go first for breakfast)

Harefjord (Hare Bay) is the innermost branch of Scoresbysund, furthest to the west and nearest to the Inland Ice. The slopes around inner Harefjord are pretty steep, but the occasional patch of tundra, gives muskoxen and the Arctic hare space to live and to roam around in these areas.

08:30+/- We invite the **long hikers** for a landing at Harefjord, this will be a 7-8 +/- hour hike with lots of available breaks. Please pack your lunch in the dining room at breakfast.

08:45+/- We invite everyone else for a Zodiac cruise of Rodefjord.

12:00-13:00 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

14:00+/- We welcome the **medium hikers** ashore for a landing at Harefjord, this will be a 3-3.5+/- hour hike.

14:15+/- We invite **all other guests** for a perimeter style landing at Harefjord, giving you the chance to roam at your own pace and to enjoy the beautiful scenery of Greenland

We hope to offer a **polar plunge** at the end of the landing, if you wish to take part, please wear your swimwear under your expedition clothing. We provide the towels so please do not bring them from your cabin.

18:30 Please join the Expedition Team in the lounge for daily recap.

19:00 Please join us on the back of deck 5 for an Arctic BBQ Dinner! Dress warmly for this incredible experience.

During the evening, we will sail through Øfjord, meaning 'Island fjord', it was named in 1891 by Carl Ryder during his 1891–92 East Greenland Expedition. The steep sided fjord is between two large islands, Renland and Milneland and it is common to find large icebergs grounded in here so it should make for a very picturesque backdrop for during our dinner and evening entertainment.



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Date: 9th September 2025

Day 5: Sydkap and Nordøstbugten

Today we will be in Sydkap. Sydkap is a prominent cape on the southern shore of Scoresby Sund in eastern Greenland, known for its dramatic Arctic scenery and proximity to some of the largest fjord systems in the world.

- 07:15 Wake up call.
- 07:30-08:30 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4. Please let the long hikers go to breakfast first, and long hikers please make a packed lunch
- 08:30+/- We invite the **Long hikers** for a landing at Sydkap, this will be a 7-8 +/- hour hike with lots of available breaks.
- 09:00+/- We invite the **Medium hikers** for a landing at Sydkap, this will be a 2+/- hour hike with lots of available breaks
- 09:30+/- We invite the **Short hikers** for a landing at Sydkap, this will be a perimeter style landing.
Zodiac shuttles will be available for those that wish to go back to the ship sooner.
- 12:00-13:00 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.
- 14:00+/- We welcome the **Medium hikers** ashore for a landing at Nordøstbugten, this will be a 3-3.5+/- hour hike.
- 14:30+/- We invite **all other guests** for a perimeter style landing at Nordøstbugten, giving you the chance to roam at your own pace and enjoy the afternoon.
- 18:15 Please join the Expedition Team in the lounge for daily recap.
- 19:00 Plated dinner will be served in the dining room

"People do not decide to be extraordinary. They decide to accomplish extraordinary things." - Sir Edmund Hillary



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Date: 10th September 2025

Day 6: Hurry Inlet, Nøkkedal and Ittoqqortoormiit

07:45 Wakeup call.

08:00-09:00 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

Please can the long hikers go to breakfast first.

08:30 We invite the **long hikers** for a landing in Hurry Inlet at Nøkkedal, this will be a 5+/- hour hike.

09:15 We welcome the **medium hikers** ashore for a landing in Hurry Inlet at Nøkkedal, this will be a 3+/- hour hike.

09:30 We welcome the **short hikers** ashore for a landing at Hurry Inlet, this will be inside a perimeter. Zodiac shuttles will be available for those that wish to go back to the ship sooner.

12:30-13:30 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

14:30 Please join the Expedition Team in the lounge for daily recap.

17:00 We invite the **RED** group for a landing at Ittoqqortoormiit.

17:15 We invite the **BLUE** group for a landing at Ittoqqortoormiit.

There will be shuttles back to the ship all afternoon, the last shuttle will be 19:00, please do not be late.

19:30 Buffet dinner will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

"People do not decide to be extraordinary. They decide to accomplish extraordinary things." - Sir Edmund Hillary



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Day 7: Vikingebugt

07:45 Wakeup call.

08:00-09:00 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

Today we plan to do a landing and zodiac cruise in Vikingebugt. Vikingebugt is the largest of a series of small inlets in the broad outer portion of the Scoresby Sund fjord, it is approximately 14 km long and 6 km wide. A medium-sized glacier, Bredegletscher, drains from a small ice cap into the head of the inlet but Vikingebugt is probably most famous for its spectacular hexagonal basalt columns and chance to see wildlife.

08:45 We invite the long hikers ashore for a hike at Vikingebugt. This will be about 3 hours

09:15 We invite the **BLUE** group for a perimeter style landing at Vikingebugt. Please dress warmly and only come to the shell door when your group has been called.

09:30 We invite the **RED** Group for a perimeter style landing at Vikingebugt. Please dress warmly and only come to the shell door when your group has been called.

12:00-13:00 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

14:00 We invite the **RED** group for a Zodiac cruise at Vikingebugt. Please dress very warmly to maximize our chance to see wildlife.

14:15 We invite the **BLUE** Group for a Zodiac cruise at Vikingebugt. Please dress very warmly to maximize our chance to see wildlife.

18:30 Please join the Expedition Team in the lounge for daily recap.

19:00 Dinner will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

20:45+/- Please join Eric in the lecture room for his lecture about his inspirational life as a mountaineer.

"The ice and the long moonlit polar nights, with all their yearning, seemed like a far-off dream from another world, a dream that has come and passed away. But what would life be without dreams?"
-Fridtjof Nansen



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Day 8: Charcot Haven

- 07:45 Wake-up call
- 08:00-09:00 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.
- 08:30 We invite the **long hikers** ashore at Charcot Haven, this will be for a hike of about 5+/- hours.
- 09:00 We welcome the **medium hikers** ashore for a landing at Charcot Haven, this will be a for a 3-4 hour hike.
- 09:15 We welcome the **short hikers** ashore for a perimeter landing at Charcot Haven, this will be for 1.5-2 hours. Zodiac shuttles will be available for those that wish to go back to the ship sooner.
- 13:00-14:00 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.
- We will spend the rest of the afternoon ship cruising down the coast of Liverpool Land as we head through Scoresby Sund towards the open sea.*
- 15:30 Please join the expedition team on the bow for a hot chocolate as a farewell to Greenland.
- 16:15 Please join KJ in the observation Lounge for his lecture about, Polar Bears!
- 18:15 Please join us for captains farewell cocktails and recap in the Observation Lounge.
- 19:00 Dinner will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

"What is the urge to travel? I think it comes from the desire to see what is behind the next hill; a sense of adventure and restlessness." - Peter Schmidt Mikkelsen, A member of the military Sirius Dog Sledge Patrol



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Day 9: Heading towards Iceland.

Today there will be no wake up call. You may wake up at your leisure

08:00-09:00 Breakfast buffet will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

09:15 Please join Joyce in the Observation lounge for her lecture about the Greenland Shark

Please pass by reception any time after breakfast to settle your account at reception, please ensure this is done before 17:00.

PLEASE NOTE THE SHOP WILL SHUT AT 12:00

11:15 Please join Chris for a lecture about "Oceanwide's other destinations". This will be given in the lecture room on deck 5.

12:30-13:30 Buffet lunch will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4

16:15 Koen welcomes you to the Lounge for a presentation about his incredible personal experiences with Humpback whales.

18:15 Join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for a final thank you.

19:00 A final farewell dinner will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

"One must never be in haste to end a day; there are too few of them in a lifetime". - Sir Francis Drake.



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Date: 14th September 2025

Day 10: Akureyri.

07:15 Wakeup Call.

Please ensure your luggage is outside your room by 07:15am as we need to move it to the pier for you during breakfast.

07:30-08:30 Buffet breakfast will be served in the Dining Room on Deck 4.

08:00+/- Disembarkation once the busses have arrived. Anyone not taking a bus may leave the vessel whenever the ship has been cleared by customs.

For those guests who have prebooked the bus from Akureyri to Reykjavik, please ensure you take your luggage with you on the bus.

From all the Expedition Team and Crew on board the MV Hondius, we wish you safe onward travel, and thank you for sharing this incredible voyage with us. We look forward to sailing with you again in the future.

"It's when you are safe at home that you're having an adventure. When you're having an adventure, you wish you were safe at home." - Thorton Wilder