



**ARCTIC KINGDOM**  
POLAR EXPEDITIONS INC.



**POLAR BEARS, BOWHEAD WHALES AND  
GLACIERS OF BAFFIN ISLAND**

Pure white polar bears, crimson red sunsets, electric blue glaciers and purple exotic flowers, make this a journey colorful to the extreme

## itinerary

(group size 8-12 people)

*The following itinerary is used as a guideline for what to expect, but due to animal movements, ice conditions and weather, the daily itinerary may change.*

### Day 0

Arrival in Ottawa. Check into the hotel of your choice.

### Day 1

Depart Ottawa for Iqaluit by jet. Transfer planes for Qikiqtarjuaq. Fly over Auyuittuq National Park. Keep an eye out for Mt. Asgard and Mt. Thor with the world's tallest vertical cliffs at over 5000ft. On arrival, transfer to your waiting local cruiser boat and thread your way past islands to the upscale base camp located on a pebble beach. Keep an eye out for polar bears on islands as you pass by!

### Day 2-7

From the pebble beach base camp you will experience the true essence of the Arctic in the summer. The following is a sample of what can be done over the course of your stay:

Surrounded by islands and steep walled fiords, the scenery, the activities and opportunities of observing bowhead whales and polar bears is second to none at this time of year. Polar bears often



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## life defining moments...



- Experience and observe polar bears at eye-level in their natural habitat as they ring edges of surrounding islands in search of seals
- Bowhead whales spy-hopping, finning and slapping their flukes sometimes meters away
- Vast fiords and awe-inspiring Penny Ice Cap glaciers that end abruptly in the sea
- Dorset ruins, Inuit culture, blue berries and crimson arctic sunsets

## activities

- wildlife viewing
- boat cruising
- hiking and kayaking
- upscale tent camping

## testimonial

*We had a great time! We had a great guide introducing us to Inuit culture as well as wildlife. We enjoyed getting to know our guides and their family. The scenery is too amazing to capture in pictures.*

D. H. - California, USA



are seen on islands throughout the area. In some cases, more than 20 polar bears have been seen on the boat ride from Qikiqtarjuaq to base camp alone.

Travel by boat down the long and deep fiords including Coronation Fiord and North Pangnirtung Fiord with sheer walls 1000's of feet high on each side.

Bowhead whales, the largest whale in Canadian waters, are known to frequent the open waters about a 30 min boat ride from camp.

A day trip to the Akshakyuk Pass in one of Canada's most beautiful National Parks. You can hike at the base of North Pangnirtung Fiord amongst braided streams that flow into the fiord from the pass.

Visit Dorset ruins about 1 hour boat ride further south along the coast of Baffin Island. As we get closer to the Dorset ruins, keep an eye out for Bowhead whales.

Hike at the Penny Ice Cap glacier that sweeps down Baffin Island and into Coronation Fiord. To see where the ice caps - one of the last ice age glaciers to remain,

meets ocean and calves icebergs is a wonder few have seen.

Relax and absorb the long Arctic sunset where it seems almost impossible that the sun hangs on the horizon - almost as if someone hit the pause button as it pans across the mountains and bathes the land in a crimson light. All this from the upscale base camp of which the location was carefully selected to be near the most picturesque lakes and boulder strewn rivers. Take a glass and drink. It doesn't get any fresher or more pure than this.

While in camp, feel free to pick blue berries, or try fishing for Arctic Char.

### *Day 5*

Transfer back to Qikiqtarjuaq by boat and take a mid-morning flight back to Iqaluit and onto Ottawa.



## experience designer

Just say "Qikiqtarjuaq" to anyone from Baffin Island and all respond with the same "It's beautiful!"...and there's a good reason why!

With the rarely visited stunning Auyuittuq National Park right at our doorstep, polar bears, and whales this is 'the' Arctic experience to get away from it all and connect with the real Arctic with some of the friendliest Inuit guides I know.

Want to know more? Ask for me anytime!

Thomas Lennartz

# where we sleep

## Upscale seasonal Arctic safari-style tented camp

Inspired by safari camps, we bring you the ultimate in comfort to the high Arctic.

Set directly on the sea ice (conditions permitting), we enjoy hearty food prepared by a private chef. The dining lounge is a place to relax with your fellow travellers. Afterwards, retire to your spacious tent through a large door-way onto a wooden floor equipped with electric power, heaters, elevated beds and ample standing room. We have perfected the art of a remote camp with all the amenities of home.



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- The services of a highly qualified Inuit Guides and staff Leader
- All transportation duration of trip
- All accommodations from Qikiqtarjuaq- 6 nights arctic safari-style upscale base camp
- All meals from Qikiqtarjuaq

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Ottawa Hotels and meals
- Airfare to/from Qikiqtarjuaq
- Tips/Gratuities, Personal Expenses, Travel, Luggage, Medical and Search and Rescue Insurance
- Additional costs associated with weather/flight delays and/or layovers in Qikiqtarjuaq, Iqaluit or Ottawa including flight changes, additional hotels and meals.

## details

<b>trip length</b>	8 d / 7 n
<b>2011 dates</b>	<b>Departures:</b> Jul 26 Aug 2, 9, 18, 25 Sep 8, 15
<b>price</b>	\$9,100 dbl occupancy
<b>sgl supplement</b>	\$2,900
<b>air package</b>	\$2,200
<b>daylight hours</b>	18 hours
<b>average temp</b>	+5 C

## terms & conditions

### Payment & Deposit:

- \$1000 deposit required at time of booking
- Full payment due 90 days prior to departure date

### Cancellation Terms:

- Outside 90 days - full refund of deposit less \$500 admin charge
- 90 to 60 days prior to trip - 50% refund
- 0 to 60 days prior to trip - no refund

All prices quoted in Canadian Dollars

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