

# **Voyage to the Frozen North**

2015 Special – starting from £995 (before flights)



Newly launched for 2015, this superb six-day cruise provides a wonderful overview of Spitsbergen, the largest island in the Svalbard Archipelago. The cruise begins in Longyearbyen, capital of the Frozen North, and continues to visit the old mining towns of Barentsburg and Ny-Ålesund on the North Spitsbergen coast. Inbetween these stop-off points, you will have plenty of opportunities to marvel at the striking landscapes and wildlife of the Arctic, as you explore the Northwest Spitsbergen National Park, including famous landmarks such as Magdalenefjord.

This six-day itinerary is ideal for those who desire a more active cruise holiday. Throughout the journey you will have the chance to take part in interesting landings in small boats led by trained Polar guides. If the weather is favourable, you will also venture to the 80<sup>th</sup> Parallel, as far north as it is possible to get on open water. Here, above the Arctic Circle, you will be able to experience the midnight sun.

### Day 1 - Arrive Longyearbyen

Arrive in Longyearbyen this evening. On arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to the Spitsbergen Hotel, where you stay one night.

Depending on your arrival time, you may like to share dinner with the other guests departing with you on the cruise tomorrow.

#### Your Financial Protection

All monies paid by you for the air holiday package shown [or flights if appropriate] are ATOL protected by the Civil Aviation Authority. Our ATOL number is ATOL 3145.





## Day 2 - Explore Longyearbyen & Barentsburg

The day starts with a guided sightseeing tour of Longyearbyen, the capital of Svalbard. The tour ends at the harbour, where your ship, the MS Nordstjernen, awaits.

Depart Longyearbyen and stop at the town of Barentsburg for a guided tour and folklore show, before leaving the Isfjord and continuing north along Prins Karls Forland.

## Day 3 - Magdalenefjord

Today you have the chance to explore Magdalenefjord. First discovered in 1596 by W. Barentz, the steep fjord is instantly recognisable as one of Spitsbergen's most famous and often photographed landmarks. You'll have the chance to head ashore the beautiful beach at Trinity Haven.



Day 4 - Crossing the 80th Parallel / Explore Monaco Glacier and the northern fjords

Today, if the conditions are favourable, you will head as far north as the  $80^{th}$  Parallel, sailing past the island of Moffen (home to many walrus). You will also have the chance to visit the Monaco Glacier and explore the northern fjords – Woodfjord and Liefdefjord.







# Day 5 - Explore Kongsfjord & Ny-Ålesund

Visit Kongsfjord, the 'King's fjord', and take in the stunning Arctic peaks and glaciers that define this northernmost region. In the afternoon, take a guide tour of Ny-Ålesund, a remote scientific outpost and former mining town. Begin the return journey to Longyearbyen overnight.

### Day 6 - Arrive Longyearbyen

Arrive Longyearbyen today and transfer to the airport for your connecting flight home.



### **Price Guide:**

The cost of this cruise is from **£995 per person**, based on shared accommodation in a twin/double cabin (single, triple and quadruple cabins also available). The cruise departs at regular dates during June, July and August. To book your place, please <u>contact us</u>.

### **Includes**:

- Full-board accommodation
- Guided tours of Longyearbyen, Barentsburg and Ny-Ålesund
- Regular landings in open boats
- Experienced Polar guides

### **Excludes:**

- International flights please ask us for a quote
- Personal travel insurance
- Personal expenses and tips
- Drinks, including bear, wine and soft drinks



