

ARCTIC ISLANDS OF NORWAY



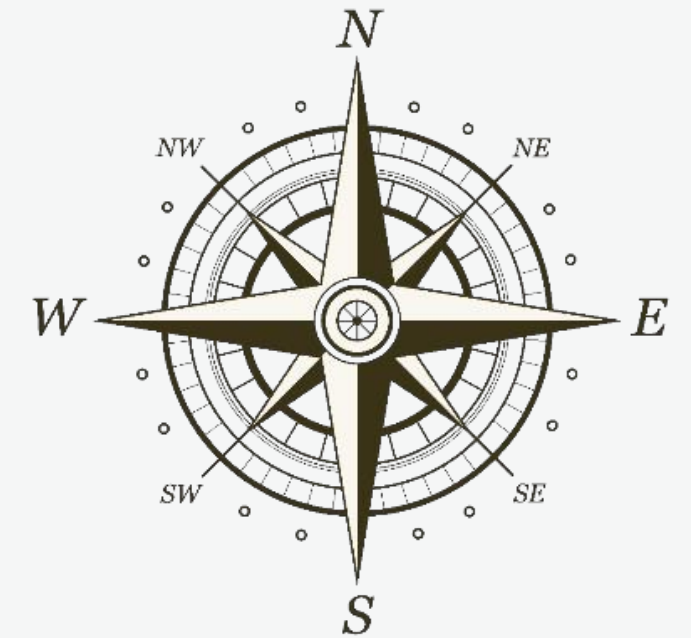
FROM THE BEAUTIFUL LOFOTEN ISLANDS

TO THE WILD SVALBARD ARCHIPELAGO



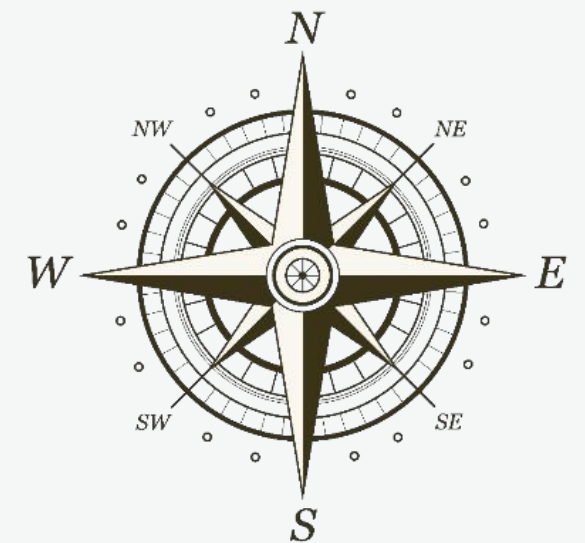
highlights

- The Norwegian arctic is an original destination with some of the most spectacular landscapes on the planet
- The feeling of travelling on a different and exclusive way in the polar regions
- The big chances to find Northern lights and enjoy the arctic skies
- The Arctic and Nordic gastronomy
- Hotels and lodges carefully selected, full of charm and very authentic
- Crossing the Arctic Ocean and getting the 78° degrees north and the last islands before the North Pole
- Getting to know Longyearbyen, the northernmost town in the planet
- Sailing in Lofoten islands between snowy marine landscapes and fjords
- The expedition to the East Coast & the blue glaciers driving snowmobiles searching for polar bears
- The ice caves & dogs in Svalbard
- The town of Tromso, the Arctic gate



the journey, the adventure...

DESTINATION:	LOW & HIGH ARCTIC_NORWAY_ARCTIC ISLANDS
DATES:	31 MARCH – 07 APRIL 2023
TRAVELLERS:	12 PEOPLE
NUMBER OF DAYS:	8 DAYS (7 NIGHTS)
ROUTE:	3 NIGHTS IN LOFOTEN ISLANDS, 1 NIGHT IN TROMSO, 3 NIGHTS IN SVALBARD ISLANDS
CLIMA:	BETWEEN +10° Y -20° CELSIUS



31 March, 2023

Travelling to the beautiful Lofoten Islands, the jewel of Norway



Flight from Oslo to Svolvær crossing the Escandes mountain range, islands and fjords. **Landing in the spectacular Lofoten Islands, 250 km above the Arctic Circle on the Nordland's region**



Meet & Greet and private transfer to Nyvågar Rorbu Hotel in the fishing area of Kabelvåg



Accommodation in Sea View cabins

NYVAGAR RORBU HOTEL. You will enjoy your stay in a charming cabin idyllically located at the Norwegian Sea, in the historically area of Storvågan surrounded by a unique landscape. Decoration is simple but cozy... pure Lofoten style. The lodge has a sauna with sea views, an

arctic bar and hot tub. Each cabin has a living room and bathroom downstairs and the bedroom upstairs

Sauna ready for the guests at the lodge



20.00. **Welcome drink and dinner will be served at the lodge**

It is possible to watch northern lights from your hotel due to the poor lighting pollution (until middle April)

Night at Nyvågar Rorbu Hotel.



Dinner

Arrival to Svolvær airport (SVJ) in the Lofoten Islands on your own. At Svolvær airport, Ishav Arctico's staff will be waiting to drive you to your hotel

01 April, 2023

North of Lofoten: Rubber boat expedition to the Raftsundet & Trollfjord



10.00. RUBBER BOAT AND EAGLE SAFARI (3 HOURS)

Equipment with floating suits. Your skipper will take you on a private rib boat tour to enjoy the mountains, hundreds of islands and the spectacular north coast. During the expedition you will enjoy local wildlife as cormorants, eiders and white-tailed eagles, specie protected since 1978. Scenic itinerary

You will skirt the impressive mountains of the Vest Fjord till Raftsundet (Strait of Raft), to enter on the scenic Troll Fjord, one of the most emblematic places of the islands. It is well known for its stunning beauty, steep mountain range and narrow inlets



13.00. Arrival to Henningsvaer, a unique arctic fishing village between bridges and islands and well known because of its wooden drying cods.



13.30. Lunch in a local restaurant.

Enjoy the afternoon on your own in Henningsvaer to walk and visit the town, maybe some shopping...



16.30. Return to your lodge by car. Enjoy the views to Vagakallen Mountain from your terrace maybe with a coffee or a glass of wine...

The sauna will be ready for those who wish. It is also possible a plunge into the ocean from the lodge



20.00. Today's dinner will be served in a local restaurant in Svolvaer to meet the local atmosphere

Night at Nyvågar Rorbu Hotel.



Breakfast, lunch & dinner

02 April, 2023

South of Lofoten: white beaches and fishing towns



10.00. **LOFOTEN SIGHTSEEING TO THE SOUTH BY PRIVATE ROAD.** Today you will discover with your guide and a private vehicle the scenic roads of Lofoten towards south.

Stops on the strategic places as wild beaches of white sand and turquoise waters. Glacier valleys, granite mountains, polar fishing villages await us during this day.

“Arctic Brunch” in a beautiful spot.

Continue to the arctic fishing village of Nusfjord or Sakrisoy; depending on the weather conditions we will take different routes.



14.00. Lunch in a local restaurant.

In the afternoon return to your hotel while discovering new landscapes and views. Scenic itinerary on your way back.



17.30. Arrival at the lodge. **Enjoy the views to Vagakallen Mountain from your terrace** maybe with a coffee or a glass of wine...

The sauna will be ready for those who wish. It is also possible a plunge into the ocean from the lodge



20.00. **Dinner will be served at the lodge**

Night at Nyvågar Rorbu Hotel.



Breakfast, lunch & dinner

03 April, 2023

Travelling to Tromso, the Arctic Gate



SNOWSHOEING IN THE MORNING. You will put on modern snowshoes to access the snowy hills and frozen lakes. Snowshoes have been used for centuries by indigenous communities living long winters in the snow; the nowadays version are made of lightweight aluminum that fits any walking boots. You will have your personal guide for this activity. Lunch will be served after the activity.



Private transfer to Svolvær airport.

13.25. **FLIGHT SVOLVÆR- BODO- TROMSØ.**

16.25. **Arrival at Tromsø airport and private transfer to your hotel,** located a few meters from the port.

Accommodation in a **Superior room with views to the Strait of Troms.**



POLAR MUSEUM IN PRIVATE FOR THE GROUP. We will introduce you in the world of the arctic hunters and explorers one day before travelling to the Svalbard island. This briefing will give you the opportunity to know more about the lands you will discover in the next days.

Dinner will be served in one of the best restaurants in the city where we will continue trying some arctic specialties.

After dinner, we can enjoy a drink together at one of the lively live music venues in the city.

Night at Scandic Ishavs Hotel.



Breakfast, lunch & dinner

04 April, 2023

Flying over the Arctic Ocean, the roof of the world



10.30. Private transfer to Tromso airport.



12.20. **FLIGHT TROMSO - LONGYEARBYEN (SVALBARD ISLANDS)** . During the flight you will cross the Arctic Ocean



14.00. Arrival at Longyearbyen at 78° North, the northernmost town in the planet and private transfer to your “arctic hotel” located in the center of Longyearbyen.

Accommodation and lunch in a local restaurant.

SVALBARD POLFAREREN HOTEL: With 31 brand new “arctic designed” rooms, newer and better facilities. Centrally located in Longyearbyen, Svalbard Hotel offers a terrace and modern comfortable rooms. Complimentary tea and coffee is available in the lobby.

Leisure time to walk in the streets of Longyearbyen.



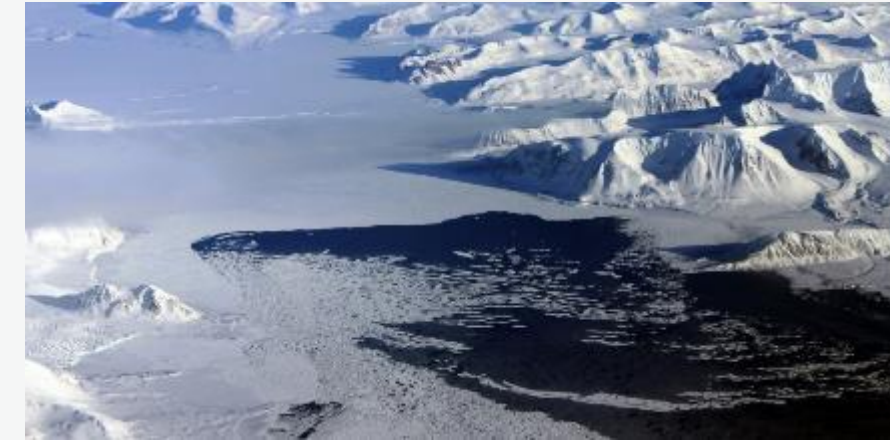
19.00. **SNOWMOBILE EVENING EXPERIENCE IN THE ADVENTVALLEY.** Today’s goal is having the first contact with the equipment, the terrain and the equipment while discovering the special light of Svalbard on April. It will be a training experience for tomorrow’s full day snowmobile safari

You will drive your own snowmobile (Remember to bring your driving license)

At the end, dinner will be served in a very special atmosphere.

Return to your hotel.

Night at Polfareren Svalbard Hotel.



Breakfast, lunch & dinner

05 April, 2023

Snowmobile expedition in the realm of polar bears



7.00- 10.00. Hotel breakfast



9.00. **FULL DAY SNOWMOBILE SAFARI IN THE LAND OF POLAR BEARS** After providing you some equipment and safety instructions, **you will start by driving your single snowmobiles along Spitsbergen Island and the remote landscapes** (remember to bring your driving license)

During the itinerary **you will do some photographic stops and enjoy the polar wildlife** (seals, wild reindeers, may be a polar bear...). You will drive through mountainous landscapes and reach the blue glaciers fronts falling into de iced sea.

With snowmobiles you will cross the marine ice, glaciers and you will find remains of hunter(s) old cabins in the middle of the remotest scenery.

Expedition lunch.

In the afternoon, continue driving the snowmobiles discovering new arctic landscapes and the amazing arctic light.



17.00. **Return to Longyearbyen in the afternoon** and transfer to your hotel for a well deserved rest

Today ´s dinner will be on your own so you can try one of the restaurants in Longyearbyen. Our staff will be glad to assist you with your bookings.

Night at Polfareren Svalbard Hotel.



Breakfast & lunch

06 April, 2023

Dogsledding adventure



7.00- 10.00. Hotel breakfast

DOGSLEDDING TO THE ICE . After a short stop to get some equipment, you will be to “Trapper's Station”, one of the best dog farms in Longyearbyen located 10 km from Longyearbyen. There, you will learn how to prepare your sleighs following directions from our guides and choosing the appropriate dogs.

Then you will go through the Bolterdalen valley in a crossing of about 6 hours long. Surrounded by the Svalbard mountains and with your dogs and the silence as a companion, you will hear the sound of your skis as they slide over the snow to arrive to the ice caves.

You will get into the caves wearing helmets and front lights. Expedition lunch (dehydrated food).

Return to the farm dog where you will have a hot cup of tea or coffee gathered around the bonfire sharing the anecdotes and experiences of the day.



15.00. Return to Longyearbyen in the afternoon and transfer to your hotel. Afternoon on your own



20.00. Farewell dinner will be served in the most emblematic restaurant in Longyearbyen

Night at Polfareren Svalbard Hotel.



Breakfast, lunch & dinner

07 April, 2023

Back to Oslo

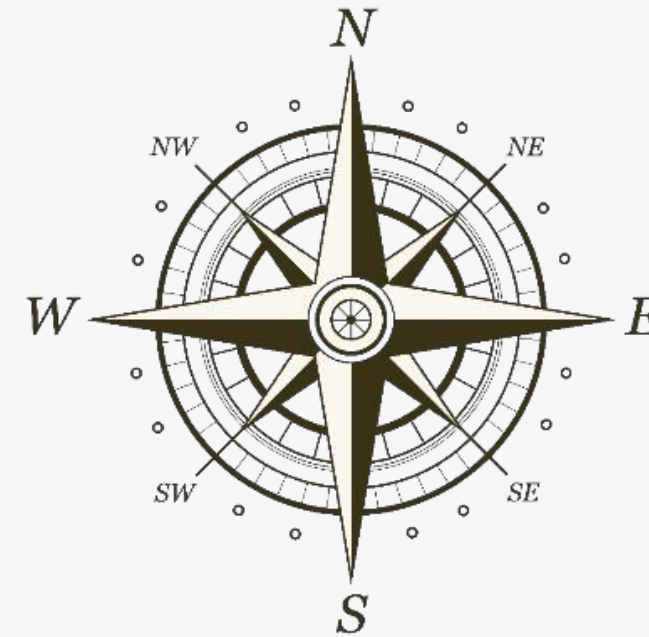
Enjoy the last hours in Longyearbyen for some shopping or visiting the Polar Museum, North Pole Museum...



Private transfer to Longyearbyen´s airport



14.10. FLIGHT FROM LONGYEARBYEN TO OSLO.
18.30. ARRIVAL IN OSLO GARDERMOEN AIRPORT



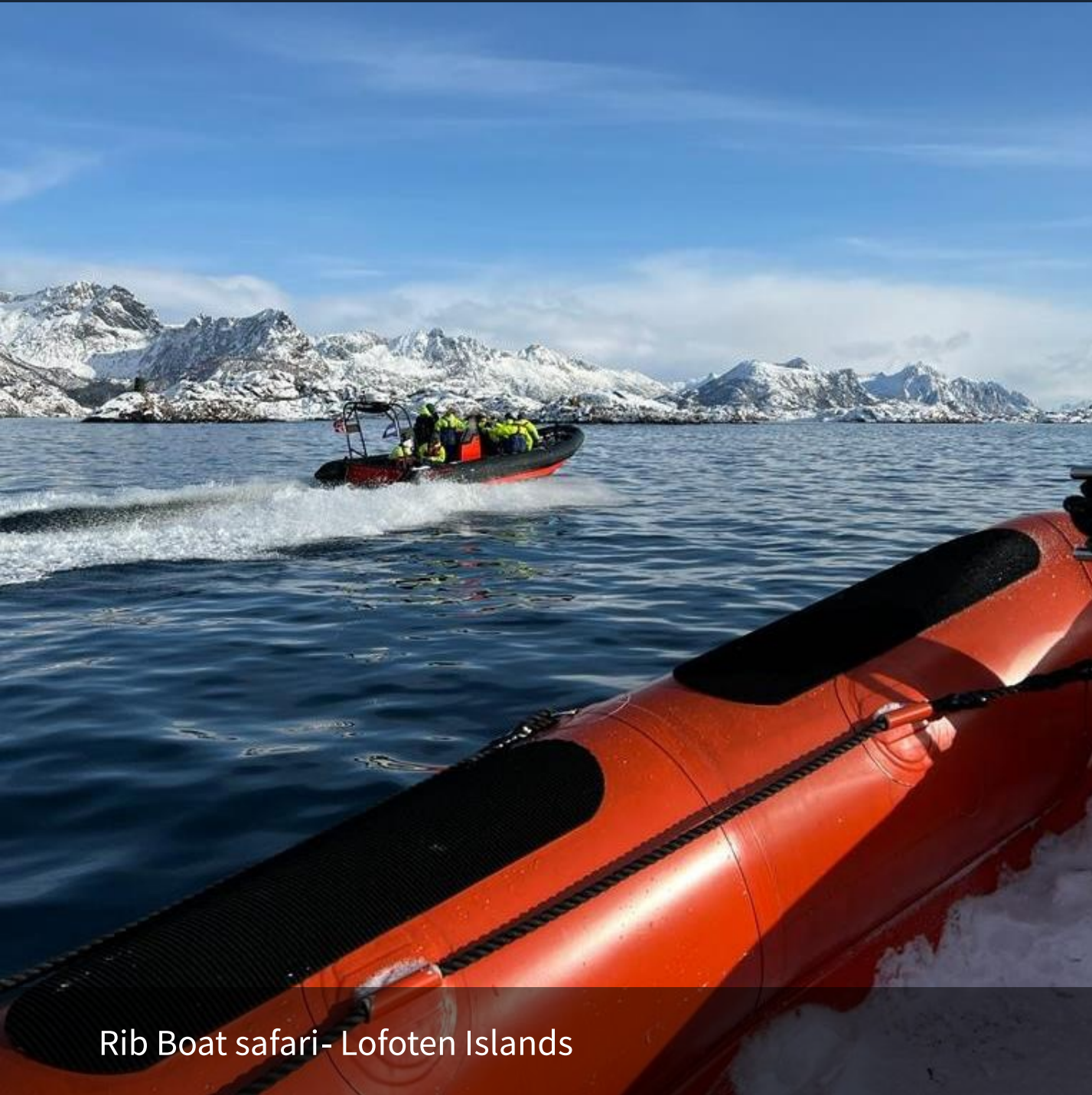
Breakfast



Henningsvaer- Lofoten Islands



Lofoten- Rib Boat safari



Rib Boat safari- Lofoten Islands

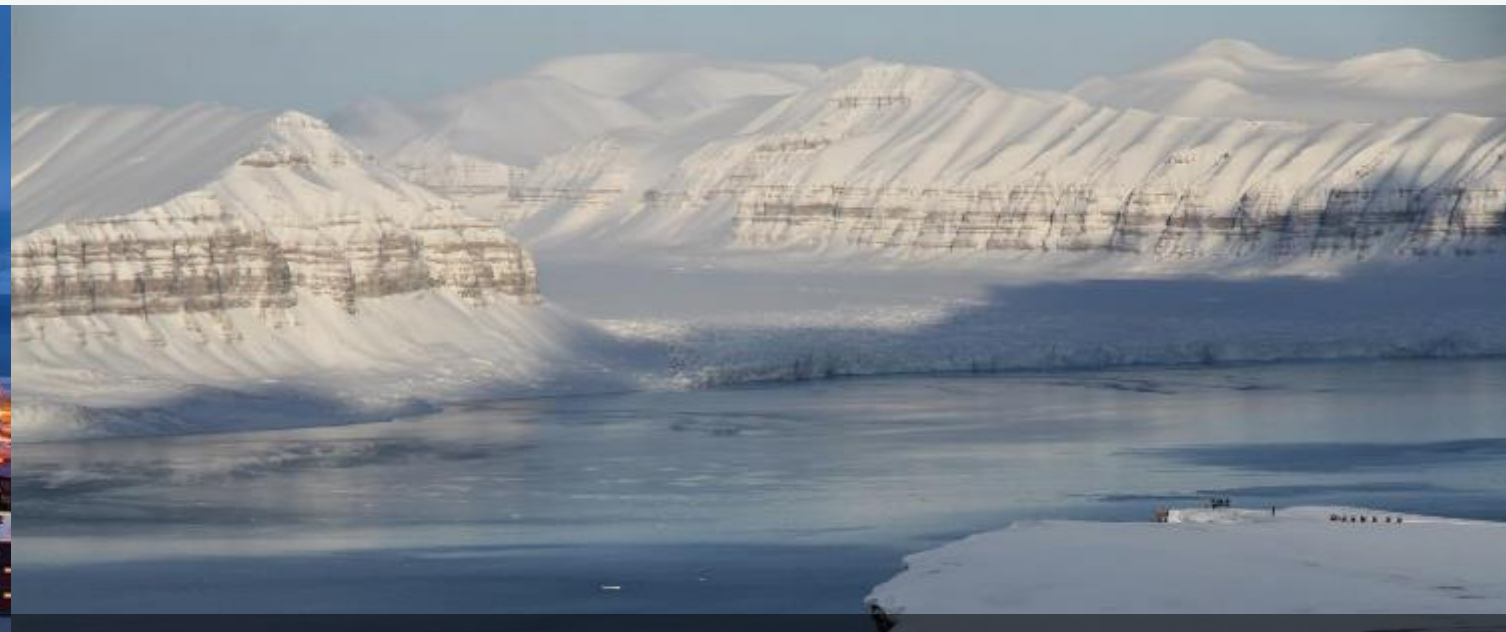


the way to the arctic lands



Tromso, the Arctic Gate

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Svalbard islands







HOTELS & LODGES



Nyvagar/ Lofoten Islands



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Polfareren/ Svalbard



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The Lofoten Islands

This archipelago is placed in the Nordland's region at 69° latitude and 187 miles to the north of the Arctic Circle . It is a mountain range which emerges dramatically from the sea, dominated by rough ocean's landscapes and fjords sculpted in the last glacial era.

Its inhabitants, joyful and welcoming, spend their time fishing “Skrei” and whaling. The small villages sprinkle crammed bays between granite walls and turquoise blue beaches while hundreds of islets and skerries appear and disappear with the tides.

The currents of the islands were mentioned by writers as Jules Verne or Edgar Allan Poe. The changing weather, the saline lakes, the white-tailed eagles and the small fishing and whaling villages with their wooden drying cods are very special and make this archipelago really unique.

Tromso

It is the capital of the Troms' region and **the most important city of the north of the country**. Its streets and harbor reflect a past of polar adventures. Until here arrived important expeditions from the most northern areas of the high Arctic. **In this town you get a lively atmosphere, mainly because here is set the most northerly university of the planet. Its polar museums and its restaurants have a lot to offer.**

Here we find one of the most important observatories on the whole Arctic. It specializes on studies of cosmic radiation, meteorology, northern lights and the earth's magnetic field.

The region where it is settled is formed by small fishing villages where the Sami culture is still latent.

At the Tromso port, different ships arrive rhythmically with varied objectives (fishing, transportation, scientific expeditions, cargo, tourism...).

The city is surrounded with a privileged landscape between the Strait of Troms, Tromsoya and Kvaloy islands and the mountains.

The Svalbard islands

Is a Norwegian archipelago in the Arctic Ocean. **Situated midway between continental Norway and the North Pole. The islands of the group range from 74° to 81° north latitude.** The largest island is Spitsbergen, followed by Nordaustlandet and Edgeøya. **While part of the Kingdom of Norway since 1925, Svalbard is not part of geographical Norway proper; administratively, the archipelago is not part of any Norwegian county.**

Since 2002, Svalbard's main settlement, **Longyearbyen, has had an elected local government, somewhat similar to mainland municipalities.** Other settlements include the Russian mining community of Barentsburg, the research station of Ny-Ålesund, and the mining outpost of Sveagruva. Other settlements are farther north, but are populated only by rotating groups of researchers.

The archipelago features an Arctic climate, **although with significantly higher temperatures than other areas at the same latitude.** Svalbard is a breeding ground for many seabirds, and also features polar bears, reindeer, the Arctic fox, and certain marine mammals. **Approximately 60% of the archipelago is covered with glaciers, and the islands feature many mountains and fjords.**

Technical information





RATES & NOTES

RATE IN DOUBLE ROOM

6.600,00 € per person

EXTRA CHARGE IN SINGLE ROOM

1.250,00 €

Note I: Prices are net and exclude commissions

Note II: GST & TCS will be additional

PAYMENT POLICIES

A deposit of 30% of the full price is required to confirm the reservation

A second payment equivalent to 70% is required 8 weeks prior to departure date

CANCELLATION POLICIES

Cancelled trip between 6 months and 3 months before arrival: 10% of the full price

Cancelled trip between 3 months and 1 month before arrival: 30% of the full price

Cancelled trip less than 1 month before arrival: 100% of the full price



WHAT'S INCLUDED

THE PRICE INCLUDES,

3 nights accommodation at Nyvågar Rorbu hotel in Lofoten Islands in Sea View cabin

1 night accommodation at Scandic Ishavs Hotel in Tromso in Superior room

3 nights accommodation at Svalbard - Polfareren Hotel in Longyearbyen

Specified transfers in the program always in private

All meals detailed in the program.

All activities and visits as described in the program on a private basis for our group

Material or/and equipment for some technical activities

1 Ishav Arctico guide, expert in arctic areas escorting the group

Domestic flights except the flight to Lofoten Islands on 31th March

All taxes and entrances to National Parks

Snowmobile insurance

THE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE,

international flights to/ from Norway and flight to Lofoten Islands on 31st March

Drinks in addition to the ones specified in the program

Travel insurance (Highly recommended) / Cancellation insurance

Any expenses not specified in the section "THE PRICE INCLUDES"



DISCLAIMER

We will adapt ourselves to the meteorological conditions of the Arctic and the weather to enjoy some pleasant days. Even though we have established a route plan, said plan can suffer modifications for any of the mentioned reasons, always having the safety and well-being of our travelers in mind.

Delays to the start of the journey due to

airline personnel strikes, airport closures for climatologically reasons, flight delays or any other meteorological or logistical cause that could affect the safety of the group or one of the participants, and/or any other reason unrelated to Ishav Arctico won't be a motive to claim for a breach of contract to the expected journey.

The company as much as the coordinator, the captains or the arctic guides reserve the right to modify, change or omit any part of the itinerary , journey plan or the order of the activities detailed in the program, only when necessary.



“There is a before and an after a polar journey”



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