Discover why Iceland is known as the “land of fire and ice” on a voyage to the remote fjords and volcanic isles along the country’s western coast. Venture across the stark landscape of an island formed by volcanic eruptions, where the ground is still warmed by geothermal activity. Set out by Zodiac to view towering cliffs teeming with nesting seabirds and snowcapped plateaus rising into the clouds. Explore the legacy of Viking explorers and intrepid fishermen as you visit historic villages and navigate dramatic shorelines from the wild Westfjords region to the volcanic Westman Islands.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore Iceland’s pristine fjords and fascinating tundra, accompanied by a dedicated team of naturalists.
- Encounter evidence of volcanic activity as we hike over cooled lava fields and view Iceland’s newest isle, Surtsey.
- Discover the rich biodiversity of the remote Westfjords, spotting nesting puffins and gannets on the Látrabjarg cliffs and watching for humpback and minke whales in the surrounding waters.
- Choose your own adventure on one of five optional trip extensions, from a hiking excursion across Iceland’s untamed highlands to an exploration of the Snæfellsnes peninsula’s epic natural wonders.

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John’s research interests focus on the recent retreat history of the Antarctic Ice Sheet and controls on ice sheet stability and the response of coastal environments to climate change and sea-level rise. John has participated in 24 oceanographic expeditions to Antarctica and several other polar expeditions from Alaska to Chile. He has authored and coauthored over 270 peer-reviewed publications, edited five volumes and published two books, “Antarctic Marine Geology” (Cambridge University Press) and “Formation and Future of the Upper Texas Coast.” He has received several awards, including two Rice teaching and mentoring awards, the Outstanding Educator Award of the Gulf Coast Geological Society, and the 2007 Shepard Medal of the Society for Sedimentary Research.
DAY 1: U.S./FLY TO REYKJAVIK, ICELAND
Depart on an overnight flight to Reykjavík.

DAY 2: ARRIVE REYKJAVÍK, ICELAND/EMBARK
Arrive in Reykjavík, the world’s northernmost capital, which lies only a fraction below the Arctic Circle and receives just four hours of sunlight in winter and 22 in summer. Have a guided overview of the Old Town, including Hallgrímskirkja Cathedral with its 210-foot tower, and perhaps shed some light on Nordic culture at the National Museum, with its Viking treasures and artifacts, and unusual whalebone carvings on display. Embark National Geographic Explorer. (L,D)

DAY 3: DJÚPAVÍK
Enjoy a leisurely morning at sea, learning about Iceland and its incredible diversity. We will spend the afternoon on the remote eastern side of the Westfjords to experience rural Iceland. This corner of Iceland is difficult to access and is seldom visited by many people but boasts spectacular beauty and rich history. We will take advantage of the dramatic landscape of the fjord to offer hiking, leisurely explorations of the tundra, and perhaps photography of wildflowers. The tiny town of Djúpavík held its place on the map because of the golden age of herring. During its heyday in the 1930’s, its herring plant was the largest concrete structure in Iceland. The plant closed in 1954 but remains as a small museum and a memory of the rich productivity of the herring industry in Iceland. We’ll visit the museum and learn about the significance of this resource to all of Iceland in the 20th century. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: ARNAFJÖRÐUR AND LÁTRABJARG CLIFFS
In the early morning, our ship will glide into beautiful Arnafjörður, along the northwest coast of Iceland. For a more active experience, disembark early and hike several miles along the base of the fjord to visit spectacular Dynjandi Waterfall. Alternatively, join our expedition staff on the bow of the ship as we venture ever deeper into the fjord and then go ashore by Zodiac to walk up to the base of the waterfall, passing nesting arctic terns along the way. This afternoon, sail past the immense Látrabjarg Cliffs, the westernmost point of Iceland and home to a huge population of razorbills. The cliffs are an area once famous for egg collecting; the men were tied to ropes and lowered like spiders down onto the ledges. Conditions permitting, we may also launch our Zodiacs to see the incredible cliffs from the waterline. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: ISLANDS OF SURTSEY & HEIMAey, WESTMAN ISLANDS
The Westman Islands were formed by undersea volcanoes between 5,000 and 10,000 years ago and are among the youngest of the world’s archipelagos. In 1973, Heimaey was threatened by lava flows that nearly closed off its harbor. Drive between the two volcanoes of the island then visit the ruins of old Viking houses dating back to the year 900 AD. Opt to hike up Eldfell volcano, formed during the 1973 eruption, and have amazing views of areas that were engulfed by lava. In some places the ground is still warm with thermal vents. Watch for nesting Atlantic puffins and gannets along the shores of the island. In 1963, the world witnessed on film the birth of its newest island, Surtsey—a newly designated UNESCO World Heritage Site—which we see as we cruise past the coast. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: REYKJAVÍK, ICELAND/DISEMBARK/HOME
Today we disembark in Reykjavík. Choose to visit the famous Blue Lagoon thermal baths or enjoy a visit to a hot spring, a geothermal power plant and an Icelandic horse farm, prior to flights home. Alternatively, join us for one of the optional post-voyage land extensions and continue your explorations of this amazing country! (B, L)

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VOYAGE COST INCLUDES: Accommodations aboard ship; meals indicated and beverages while onboard (including alcohol); excursions; sightseeing and entrance fees; use of kayaks; special access permits; transfers to and from group flights; gratuities to guides and ship’s crew; taxes, port charges and service charges; services of an expedition leader, naturalist staff and expert guides and ship’s physician.

NOT INCLUDED: Air transportation; extensions; passport, visa, immigration fees (if applicable); meals not indicated; travel protection plan; items of a personal nature such as certain super premium brands of alcohol, Wi-Fi, laundry, and voyage DVD.

FREE BAR AND CREW TIPS INCLUDED!

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Important Flight Information: Please confirm arrival and departure dates prior to booking flights.

Advance Payment: $750

Sample Airfares:
Round-trip NY/Reykjavik: Economy from $525; Business from $2,300

Airfares are subject to change
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

CAPACITY: 148 guests in 81 outside cabins.

REGISTRY: Bahamas. OVERALL LENGTH: 367 feet. National Geographic Explorer is a state-of-the-art expedition ship. It is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, with an ice-reinforced hull, enabling it to navigate polar passages while providing exceptional comfort. It carries kayaks and a fleet of Zodiac landing craft. An undersea specialist operates a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) and sophisticated video equipment, extending access to the underwater world.

PUBLIC AREAS: Bistro bar; chart room; restaurant; global gallery; library, lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for films, slide shows and presentations; mud room with lockers for expedition gear, and observation lounge. Our “open bridge” provides guests an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

MEALS: Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Menu is international with local flair.

CABINS: All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies.

EXpedition EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, splashcam, underwater video camera, crow’s nest remote controlled camera, video microscope, snorkeling gear.

SPECIAL FEATURES: A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, LEX/NG-certified photo instructor and video chronicler, internet café and laundry.

WELLNESS: The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features a glass-enclosed fitness center, outdoor stretching area, two LEXspa treatment rooms and sauna.
RESERVATION FORM:

WILD ICELAND ESCAPE:
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Please send me information on these extensions:
❑ Reykjavik’s Golden Circle    ❑ Highlands & Lowlands    ❑ Snaefellsnes
❑ The Volcanic Northeast    ❑ Heli-Hiking
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