

The Top Ten Marvels of the North Atlantic Saga: Scotland, the Faroe Islands, and Iceland

Welcome to a place of hearty folks, haunting lore, ragged coasts, emerald moors, misty peaks, and cacophonous bird-cliffs, all embraced by the big brooding sea.



Explore Faroe's Eysturoy Island, an outpost of Vikings, fjords, and trolls

The shores of Eysturoy Island are perfect for hiking, birding, and photography. Charming villages are linked by futuristic tunnels through mountains and beneath the ocean floor. The tiny town of Gjógv, on the northeast tip of the island, is small but steeped in Viking history. Fuglafjørður ("fjord of the birds"), a village on Eysturoy's east coast, lives up to its name. And then there's Risin og Kellingin ("The Giant and Hag"), two massive basaltic stacks said to be trolls who were caught by the rising sun and turned to stone.



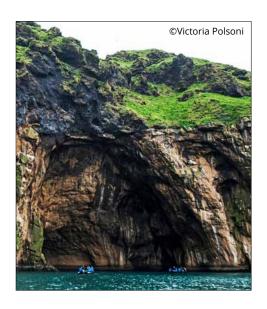


Travel back through the centuries to the ancient, unspoiled Orkneys

Though just offshore of the Scottish mainland, the Orkneys are a world apart. This gaggle of green isles, sandstone cliffs, stormy beaches, and ancient villages is an outpost of Viking heritage. Its main town, Kirkwall, is dominated by the monumental St. Magnus Cathedral, dating from 1137. Be sure to check out the Hall of Clestrain, childhood home of Arctic explorer John Rae. The Heart of Neolithic Orkney, a UNESCO World Heritage site, home to the eerie Stonehenge-like standing stones of the 4,000-year-old Ring of Brodgar.

Live large in the Faroe's micro-metropolis, the wild yet cultured Tórshavn

Overlooked by peaks and embracing the sea, Tórshavn means "harbour of Thor." With 20,000 residents, this former Viking trading centre is quaint—yet it's the capital and by far the biggest city of the Faroes. Culture is rich here. The National Art Gallery is a treasure, set amid gorgeous grounds with walking trails. Tinganes is the town's historic centre, home to grass-roofed buildings and the Faroese government headquarters. Nordic House hosts sonorous musical performances. And be sure to pop in to one of the wide range of shops, eateries, and pubs.



Visit Iceland's famous Heimaey, the town that was nearly buried in ash

Off Iceland's south coast, Vestmannaeyjar comprises countless rocks, skerries, and islands. Only one of these has residents—and they're lucky to be alive. Heimaey became famous in 1973 when it was nearly destroyed by the erupting volcano Eldfell. Hike to the now-peaceful volcano and visit the Eldheimar museum, built around a house excavated after being buried in ash. Nearby sea cliffs offer excellent opportunities for Zodiac cruises with bird sightings, including razorbills, fulmars, and puffins.





Drop anchor at faraway Fair Isle, a haven for history buffs and birders

The most remote inhabited island in the United Kingdom, mystic Fair Isle lies amid rich fishing grounds halfway from the Orkneys to the Shetlands. This former Viking hub belonged to Norway until the fifteenth century. Now it's an idyllic colony of roughly sixty-five shepherds and craftspeople, the latter of whom are famous for their knitted wool sweaters. Visit the local museum, dedicated to preserving island heritage. Fair Isle is also celebrated for its birds: some 350 species flocks here, including fulmars, kittiwakes, skuas (locally called "bonxies"), and the sweetest wee puffins you'll ever see.

Soak it all in at the stunning Múlafossur waterfall, where a river spouts into the sea

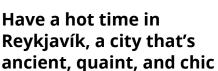
Farther afield from the capital of Tórshavn, the Faroes truly go wild. Take advantage of the many natural highlights of the region, including the dramatic and commanding overlook at Kaldbaksfjorour, the bird cliffs and sea caves of Vestmanna, and probably the most photographed spot in the whole country: the spectacular Múlafossur waterfall in Gásadalur. The latter is reached by a convenient tunnel, but be sure to note the old switchback trail over the mountain, once used by the local postman!



Marvel at Faroese creatures and culture at Suðuroy Island

Awash in the cold froth of the Atlantic, the Faroes are eighteen islands forming an autonomous protectorate under the Danish Crown. Fjords, crags, moors, fog, Viking rune stones, and grassy-roofed cottages abound. Suðuroy Island, famed for its sea cliffs, is an avian paradise, featuring storm petrels and puffins. In the tiny village of Sumba, dating from the seventh century, try your hand (or is it foot?) at Faroese dancing. Hiking is also excellent in the foothills of Beinisvørð Mountain, affording panoramic views of this mysterious, enchanting region.





According to lore, Iceland's hip little capital was founded by Ingólfr Arnarson, who liked the steamy local hot springs (Reykjavík means "smokey bay"). Today, eleven centuries later, the city boasts dozens of geothermal heated outdoor pools. It's worth extending your stay here by a few days to take a dip, check out the towering expressionist-style Hallgrímskirkja Church, stroll by the placid Tjörnin pond in the city centre, or visit the National Culture House (which preserves the Norse Sagas in their original manuscripts).



Commune with sea stacks and seabirds at rugged Mykines Island

Mykines is the westernmost of the Faroes and a geological marvel. Great columns of basalt called the Stone-wood tower thirty metres above the ocean. On the western end of the island, connected by a forty-metre footbridge, is the islet Mykineshólmur, famed for its century-old lighthouse. Watch for seabirds, including puffins, guillemots, and storm petrels by the thousands. Meanwhile, the human population of Mykines is far smaller—just ten friendly full-time locals, who for the most part can only come and go by helicopter.

Be dazzled by energetic Aberdeen, Scotland's glittering city on the sea

Aberdeen sparkles—in more ways than one. Tucked between the mouths of the Dee and Don rivers, this is Scotland's economic dynamo, glittering with riches from North Sea oil. It also glitters, literally, from the mica infusing its historic stone buildings. Arrive here at least a day early to marvel at the city's many attractions: its famously verdant parks (forty-five in all!); its museums, the most renowned of which is the Aberdeen Maritime Museum; and its bustling port—a cradle of shipbuilding, fishing vessels, oil tenders, and, of course, your very own floating home away from home!





Immerse yourself in the wonders of nature and culture. Travel alongside scientists, historians, naturalists, cultural educators, and artists, who share their passion and experience with you.

A dventure Canada's expeditions are more than phenomenal expeditions of a lifetime; they are lifelong learning journeys for the heart and mind. Your expedition is an immersive cultural experience both on and off the ship.

Our shipboard program is educational and fun. You can join daily presentations, debates, and workshops that provide perspective and understanding. Our expedition team—experts

OUR EXPEDITION TEAM—EXPERTS IN THEIR FIELDS—ARE APPROACHABLE, AVAILABLE ON DECK AND AT MEALS, AND ALWAYS ON SHORE DURING EXCURSIONS

in their fields—are approachable, available on deck and at meals, and always on shore during excursions. Our unique mix of entertainment and camaraderie is integral to our evening concerts, daily gatherings, and learning opportunities.

Each day, your onboard and onshore programming is thoughtfully planned to make the most of the local environment. Hiking, wildlife viewing, historic sites, community visits, and Zodiac cruising are regular activities. You can spot wildlife from the deck, take a polar plunge, relax in the hot tub, take care of yourself at a stretch class, or unwind with a great book from our onboard library. You choose the activities that are best suited to your abilities and interests.



Learn from the locals

Adventure Canada has a myriad of connections in the regions we visit; nothing beats being welcomed as an honoured guest. Esteemed local guides connect you to destinations, people, and culture—personally!

Safety first. Experience, foremost

You're in good hands: our expedition team members are experienced, knowledgeable, and attentive. They'll ensure your comfort and safety—then enlighten, inspire, and entertain you!

Our expedition team is at the heart of our programming—and there's something for everyone! Join us at presentations, workshops, discussion panels, Q & A sessions, and more.











Enriching Expeditions in Spectacular Locations



Your personal voyage of discovery

Explore and learn about new lands and peoples as you experience the rich cultures and fascinating landscapes we sail to. Take the road less travelled and enrich your perspective during visits to communities, natural habitats, and historic sites that can be otherwise difficult to reach.

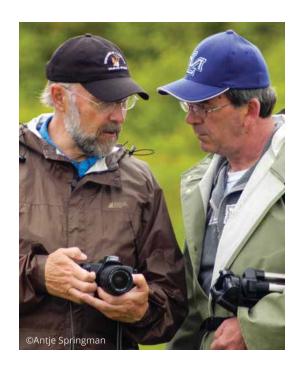
Our expeditions are designed to be flexible and allow us to make the best of Mother Nature's conditions. We often make landfall at new places and are able to share new discoveries and local knowledge with you. Your voyage will be marked with thoughtful discussions, expert interpretation, and the spirit of discovery.



Get off the ship, get into a Zodiac!

Search for marine mammals, visit an outport community, wander remote coastlines. Simply enjoy the freedom of being out on the water daily! Our goal is to get you off the ship as often as possible.

Zodiacs free us from the dependency on ports, piers, and other built infrastructure. These safe, stable, versatile boats take you where the action is.



Learn from passionate experts

Why would an esteemed Canada Research Chair, for example, travel with us on a working vacation? It's simple: they can't resist the opportunity to engage, excite, educate, and enlighten you! Make the most of every learning opportunity, aboard and ashore, in geology, botany, marine biology, archaeology, photography, cultural history, and more!

Our hand-picked experts are as excited as you are to be on board. Join them on deck searching for wildlife, share daily meals for personal in-depth conversations, participate in workshops, attend presentations, and learn on the land. The Adventure Canada team has a deep love for discovery, learning, exploration, and growth, and is at your service.



Experience local culture and traditions

From Arctic communities to wild, uninhabited European coastlines, to the outports of Newfoundland and Labrador, we embrace local music, dance, food, language, and traditions, everywhere we go!

Expedition travel isn't just about what you see, or where you go. It's who you meet and get to know.



Wildlife encounters

Daily excursions with expert guides put you where you are most likely to see wildlife such as whales and seabirds. Whether viewing on deck, in the Zodiac, or learning during our presentation series, you'll come away with an appreciation for the fine creatures that inhabit our world. Our best practices ensure the safety and integrity of the wildlife we have the privilege to view.

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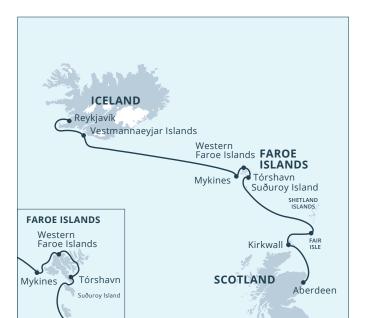
June 24-July 4, 2023

Starts: Aberdeen, Scotland

Ends: Reykjavík, Iceland

From **\$4,395** to **\$13,495** USD *plus \$528 USD fuel surcharge (\$48 USD per day) per person

Aboard the Ocean Endeavour Solo cabins based on availability



Itinerary Map

Day 1: Aberdeen, Scotland

Day 2: Kirkwall, Orkney

Day 3: Fair Isle

Day 4: Sumba, Suðuroy Island, Faroe Islands

Day 5: Tórshavn

Day 6-7: Western Faroe Islands

Day 8: Mykines Island

Day 9: At Sea

Day 10: Heimaey, Vestmannaeyjar

(Westman Islands)

Day 11: Reykjavík, Iceland

Highlights

- Wander among Neolithic standing stones at Brodgar, Scotland
- Visit St. Magnus Cathedral, a stunning red sandstone structure that dominates the vibrant town of Kirkwall
- Search the skies for fulmars, puffins, gannets, skuas, and other North Atlantic seabirds
- Shop for woolens and other unique handicrafts in the Orkneys, Shetlands, and Faroes
- Experience the Faroe Islands's dramatic, otherworldly land and seascapes
- Visit Heimaey, Westman Islands—a town nearly destroyed by a volcano!
- Explore Reykjavík; a clean, green, ancient, and contemporary city bustling with culture





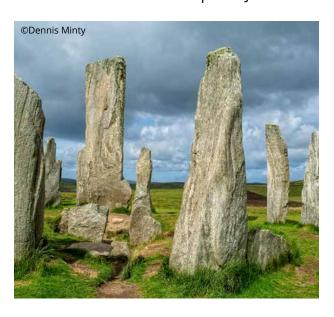
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DAY 1: ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND

Many of Aberdeen's historic stone buildings are made of locally quarried granite; high in mica, they can sparkle like silver. The city is famed for its forty-five parks, gardens, and floral displays. Though it is now a modern city, Aberdeen retains its old world charm. We board the *Ocean Endeavour* in the afternoon.

DAY 2: KIRKWALL, ORKNEY

Kirkwall is dominated by the massive St. Magnus Cathedral, dating from 1137. We'll visit the Heart of Neolithic Orkney, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where we'll find the 4,000-year-old Ring of Brodgar. We'll also tour the Hall of Clestrain, childhood home of Arctic explorer John Rae.



DAY 3: FAIR ISLE

Once a Viking hub, Fair Isle is now an idyllic island colony of artists and shepherds. The island boasts 350 bird species, including puffins and great skuas in substantial numbers. The local museum is dedicated to preserving island heritage.

DAY 4: SUMBA , SUÐUROY ISLAND, FAROE ISLANDS

Suðuroy Island, Faroes, is famed for its dramatic cliffs towering over the North Atlantic, and is a paradise for birds, including European storm petrels and Atlantic puffins. The village of Sumba, population 239, occupied since the seventh century, is a stronghold of Faroese chain dancing. Hiking is excellent in the foothills of nearby Beinisvørð Mountain, affording spectacular, panoramic views of the region.

DAY 5: TÓRSHAVN

Tórshavn, "Thor's harbour," is the Faroe Islands' capital and largest town. A former Viking trading centre, Tórshavn is a splendid little city to explore. The National Art Gallery is a treasure, surrounded by gorgeous grounds with walking trails. We will visit Nordic House and experience excellent shopping, restaurants, and pubs.

DAY 6-7: WESTERN FAROE ISLANDS

The northwestern shores of Eysturoy and Streymoy islands are perfect for hiking, birding, and photography. Charming villages connected by high-tech tunnels through mountains and beneath the ocean floor are a unique and startling feature of Faroese life. The spectacular waterfall at Gásadalur is reached through one such tunnel—but look for the old switchback trail over the mountain, once used by the local postman!

DAY 8: MYKINES ISLAND

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DAY 9: AT SEA

Today we will enjoy a day at sea. With onboard education and time spent on deck, we will keep our eyes open for marine wildlife and seabirds!

DAY 10: HEIMAEY, VESTMANNAEYJAR (WESTMAN ISLANDS), ICELAND

Vestmannaeyjar lies off the south coast of Iceland and comprises fourteen islands, numerous rocks, and skerries. Only the largest island, Heimaey, is inhabited.

Numerous species of seabirds, including the famous puffin, nest in the steep rock faces along the ocean cliffs. The volcanically active area has seen two major eruptions in recent times: the formation of the island of Surtsey in 1963, and the Eldfell eruption ten years later that destroyed much of Heimaey.



DAY 11: REYKJAVÍK, ICELAND

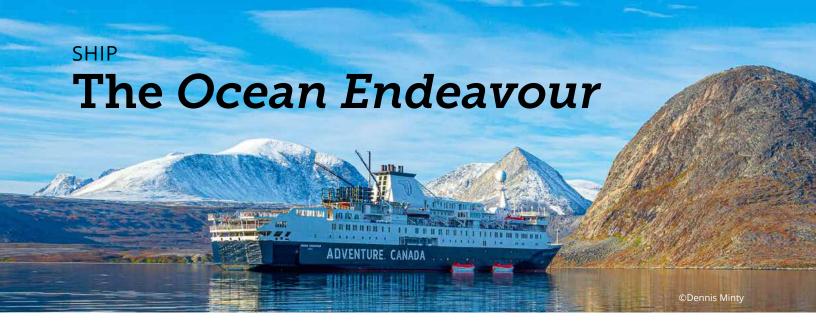
Reykjavík, "smoky bay", is a cosmopolitan capital city on the site of what is believed to be the first permanent settlement in Iceland, established in 874 AD. Entirely powered by geothermal energy, Reykjavík is among the cleanest, greenest, and safest cities in the world.

We'll disembark the *Ocean Endeavour* in the morning.



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Extend your voyage—join us aboard Iceland Circumnavigation, July 4–13, 2023, and save 10% off the berth cost with our Multi-Trip Promotion. Can be combined with the Early Booking Bonus, Free Single Supplement, and League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program. Call for details.

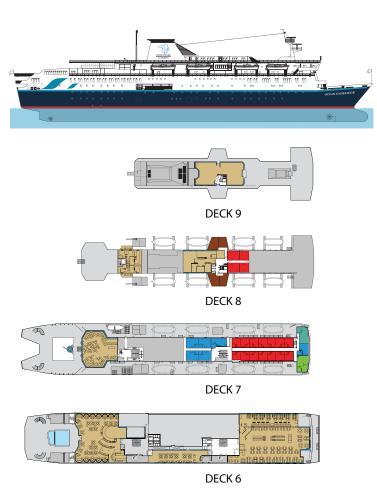


Capacity: 198 passengers **Length:** 137 metres (450 ft.)

Registry: Bahamas

The *Ocean Endeavour* is the perfect vessel for expedition cruising.
Outfitted with twenty Zodiacs, advanced navigation equipment, multiple lounges, and a top deck observation room, she is purpose-built for passenger experiences in remote environments. The *Ocean Endeavour* boasts a 1B ice class, enabling her to explore throughout the polar summers. Launched in 1982, she has had numerous upgrades, most recently in 2016.

At 137 metres in length, the *Ocean Endeavour* has plenty of interior and exterior space. Ample deck space offers comfortable lounge chairs, a swimming pool, two saunas, and a hot tub. The spacious interior allows for varied workshops and presentations to occur simultaneously. The three lounges aboard the *Ocean Endeavour* are optimal locations for seminars, events, parties, and conversation.



DECK 5

DECK 4



CATEGORY 10 SUITE

Deck seven: forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub, refrigerator — approx. 310 sq. ft.



CATEGORY 9 JUNIOR SUITE

Deck five: picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, sitting area — approx. 270 sq. ft. **Deck seven forward:** forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, sitting area, private bath with full tub, refrigerator— approx. 290 sq. ft.

CATEGORY 8 SUPERIOR TWIN

Deck five: two picture windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths, sitting area — approx. 210 sq. ft. **Deck seven forward:** forward-facing picture windows, unobstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath with full tub — approx. 180 sq. ft. **Deck seven midship:** picture windows, partial obstruction; matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator — approx. 190 sq. ft.





CATEGORY 7 SELECT TWIN

Deck five: picture windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths, approx. 190 sq. ft. **Deck eight**: oversize windows, partial obstruction; matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator — approx. 145 sq. ft.



CATEGORY 6 COMFORT TWIN

Deck four: two porthole windows, unobstructed view; two lower berths — approx. 175 sq. ft. **Deck seven:** picture window, partial obstruction; two lower berths — approx. 135 sq. ft. **Deck eight:** picture windows, obstructed view; matrimonial bed, private bath, refrigerator — approx. 160 sq. ft.



CATEGORY 5 MAIN TWIN

Deck five: picture window, unobstructed view; two lower berths, private bath — approx. 115 sq. ft.



CATEGORY 4 EXTERIOR TWIN

Deck four: porthole window, unobstructed view; two lower berths, private bath — approx. 100 sq. ft. (twin) / 90 sq. ft. (single).

CATEGORY 3 INTERIOR TWIN

Deck five: interior cabin, two lower berths, private bath — approx. 125 sq. ft. (twin) / 110 sq. ft. (single).

• CATEGORY 2 TRIPLE

Deck four: interior cabin, three lower berths, two private baths — approx. 200 sg. ft.

CATEGORY 1 QUAD

Deck four: interior cabin, four lower berths, private bath — approx. 240 sq. ft.







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Early Booking Bonus Available!

To learn about your saving options please contact us or your preferred travel advisor for more details.

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EXPEDITIONS	DAYS	CABIN CLASS CATEGORIES										CHARTER
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SCOTLAND, THE FAROE ISLANDS, & ICELAND: NORTH ATLANTIC SAGA JUNE 24-JULY 4, 2023		\$13,495	\$12,495	\$11,495	\$10,995	\$9,995	\$8,995	\$7,995	\$6,695	\$5,395	\$4,395	
	11	*plus \$528 fuel surcharge per person (\$48 per day)										
		No charter flights available.										_

Canadian residents may opt to take advantage of Adventure Canada's in-house exchange rate (fixed quarterly) and pay for their voyage in Canadian dollars, if desired. Contact your preferred travel advisor for more details.

EXPEDITION COSTS INCLUDE:

*Passage aboard the *Ocean Endeavour* *Applicable taxes and credit card fees *Complimentary expedition jacket *Contribution to Adventure Canada's Discovery Fund *Special access permits, entry, and park fees *Expert expedition team *Guided activities *Sightseeing and community visits *All Zodiac excursions *Port fees *Pre-departure materials *Educational program *Nikon Camera Trial Program *Interactive workshops *Evening entertainment *All shipboard meals

EXPEDITION COSTS DO NOT INCLUDE:

*Commercial and charter flights *Program enhancements/optional excursions *Gratuities *Personal expenses *Mandatory medical evacuation insurance *Additional expenses in the event of delays or itinerary changes *Possible fuel surcharges and administrative fees *Pre- and post-trip hotel accommodation



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PLUS

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Free Single Supplement

For those who prefer not to share, we have a limited quantity of cabins in category 3 through to category 7 with no single supplement! Once these cabins are sold, the single supplement fee is 1.5 times the berth cost. Single occupancy in categories 8–10 is available at full double-occupancy rates. Can be combined with the Multi-Trip Promotion, League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program, and 2023 Early Booking Bonus. Subject to cabin availability.



Multi-Trip Promotion

Receive 10% off the berth cost when you book more than one 2023 *Ocean Endeavour* expedition (excluding Antarctica). Can be combined with the Early Booking Bonus, Free Single Supplement, and League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program.



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Children four years old and younger pay only for charter airfare—and children two years and younger travel free! Children must be accompanied by a full-fare adult. Can be combined with the League of Adventurers Loyalty Rewards Program.



Save 30% under 30

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Price Guarantee

If Adventure Canada reduces the price of the berth portion of the fare of any expedition more than 120 days prior to departure, previously booked clients may claim the lower rate. For more information, please visit adventurecanada.com/price-guarantee.

Program Enhancements Aboard the Ocean Endeavour

We're pleased to provide the following optional program enhancements to help you make the very most of every day—in your own way!

Expedition Jackets

COMPLIMENTARY



You will receive a complimentary expedition jacket to keep you protected from the elements. Designed specifically for expedition travel, your jacket is waterproof and windproof. This jacket is yours to keep as a coveted and useful memento of your adventure.

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a fleet of Kona mountain bikes. These multigeared, all-purpose bikes are available during select community excursions.





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