



# **Canada's Premier Polar Bear Adventure**

The World's Most Coveted Small-Group Polar Bear Expedition





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## **Trip Details:**

**Days:** 6 or 7 Days / Oct–Nov

Price: From \$7995 (+ Air)

Physical Requirements:

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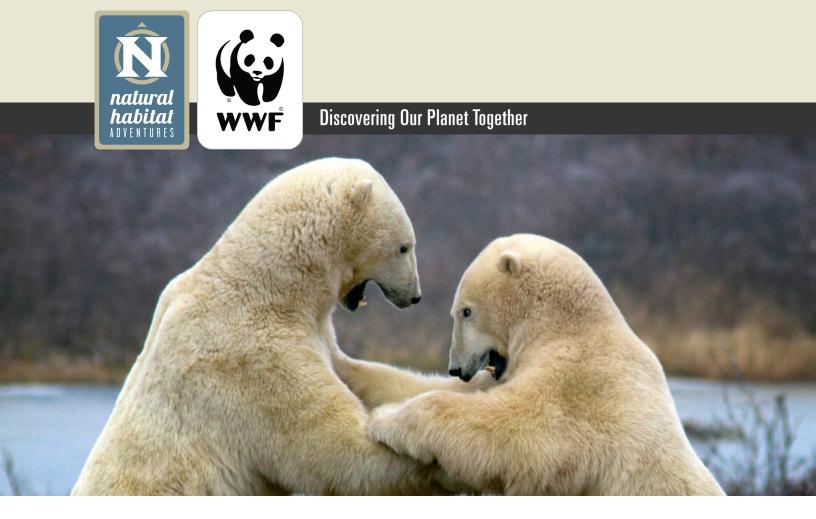
When you're standing on the outdoor platform of our Polar Rover, the chill Arctic air feels invigorating. But not as much as the sight of the huge polar bear ambling toward us. Sometimes they are silhouetted against the horizon, slowly moving shadows on the vast expanse of tundra. Other times, we'll see a mother with cubs up close, or young males play-fighting. Occasionally, one may wander up directly below us. Safely elevated, you're nonetheless just feet away as you look down on his shaggy, cream-colored bulk. Noticing us, he stops, sniffs and turns his face our way, curious. We grin with delight. The big bear rises on his haunches to peer at us more deliberately. We watch in wonder. Minutes go by, perhaps an hour, who knows? Out here among the bears, time stands still. Join us for one of nature's most wondrous wildlife encounters—no one does it better than Nat Hab!

### **Trip Highlights**

In the smallest groups available—capped at just 16—meet the world's greatest concentration of polar bears, as they gather to wait for freeze-up on Hudson Bay

The newest fleet of technologically advanced Polar Rovers, with huge windows and a see-through steel outdoor viewing deck, get you closest to the bears

An exclusive tundra excursion after dark provides a unique perspective, including the chance on a clear night to view northern lights away from town



### **Itinerary At A Glance**

#### Day 1

Winnipeg, Manitoba

#### Day 2

Winnipeg / Private Chartered Flight to Churchill

#### Days 3 & 4

Polar Bear Viewing

#### Day 5

Exploring Churchill / Evening on the Tundra

#### Day 6

Churchill—Dog Sledding / Private Chartered Flight to Winnipeg

#### Day 7

Winnipeg / Depart

# Canada's Premier Polar Bear Adventure Itinerary

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### Day 1: Winnipeg, Manitoba

Our Churchill polar bear tour begins in Winnipeg, the capital of Manitoba. Once a center of fur trade and a Canadian Pacific Railway boomtown, Winnipeg today is a major cultural and commercial center on the eastern edge of the vast Canadian prairie. Overnight at the historic Fort Garry Hotel, grande dame of Winnipeg hospitality and one of the city's most prestigious landmarks, where we gather with our Expedition Leader for a welcome dinner this evening. You'll also have a chance to visit our gear room to borrow a heavy parka and winter boots to use during your time on the tundra in Churchill.







### Day 2: Winnipeg / Private Chartered Flight to Churchill

Transfer to the airport to fly by chartered plane to Churchill this morning. This hospitable frontier town, originally a Hudson's Bay Company fur trading post, is our base for adventure. On the 6-day trip we head to the tundra this evening for our first glimpse of the bears, although we sometimes see them from the bus as we leave the airport, even before boarding our Polar Rover. The 7-day trip opens with an evening presentation on polar bears and the northern environment by our professional naturalist staff.

### Days 3 & 4: Polar Bear Viewing

Custom-built Polar Rovers are our mobile means for spending time among the bears. Though they can accommodate more than 30 passengers, we take a maximum of 16, ensuring everyone has a window seat and plenty of space to move about. Our Expedition Leaders know the best places to observe polar bears, which congregate here each fall as they wait for Hudson Bay to freeze, signaling the start of the winter seal-hunting season. As we watch them interact, we're delighted by their antics and rugged beauty. We may see mothers with cubs, young males play-fighting, or a lone bear ambling over the silent tundra. Our Expedition Leader interprets all we observe, explaining the bears' behavior and how they thrive in such a harsh environment. In the evenings, we gather for dinner and presentations on wildlife and local cultures.

### Day 5: Exploring Churchill / Evening on the Tundra

On the 7-day trip, tour historic Churchill today, then head out to the tundra for evening bear viewing and dinner aboard the Polar Rover. During the day we follow the coastal road on a drive to Cape Merry, often spying Arctic fox and Arctic hare. Look closely for them, as their winter-white coats offer excellent camouflage later in the season when the ground is covered with snow. If the skies are clear, our nighttime tundra excursion might reveal one of nature's most exhilarating experiences—a chance to view the northern lights away from town. Though never predictable, the auroral display typically starts as a pale glow in the northern sky. The lights often begin to undulate in shimmering curtains of color, most typically green but occasionally red or violet. On the 6-day trip (during which your nighttime tundra outing takes place on Day 2), there is free time in Churchill, or choose an optional helicopter excursion over the vast expanse of frozen tundra before boarding our flight back to Winnipeg.

### Day 6: Churchill—Dog Sledding / Private Chartered Flight to Winnipeg

Our return flight to Winnipeg is scheduled to depart mid- to late afternoon, offering as much time as possible for exploring Churchill today. A highlight this morning is an authentic dog sled ride. We meet a local musher and his team, spending time with the lively and affectionate dogs before taking turns riding behind them on an exhilarating trot through the boreal forest. If time permits, you may be able to pick up some locally made handicrafts or take an optional helicopter tour over the tundra before we depart. We'll have a farewell lunch together before flying back to Winnipeg, where a final reception concludes our adventure together.





### **Day 7: Winnipeg / Depart**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for flights home.

Please note: Itineraries may vary slightly and activities may happen at times different from what is listed, but inclusions are the same. On the 6-day trip, our sled dog excursion typically takes place on Day 5 with a return to Winnipeg that afternoon, and flights home are scheduled for Day 6. On the 7-day trip, the nighttime tundra trip occasionally alternates between Day 4 and Day 5. An important note on polar bear viewing: Since 1989, we have operated approximately 1,500 departures to Churchill to view polar bears, and we've missed seeing them on only a handful of occasions. Some of our sightings are up close while others are from afar, or even from a helicopter. It's important to remember that while there is no better opportunity to see polar bears in the wild than our Churchill trips offer, the experience is weather-dependent. That means viewing polar bears—and the distance at which we may see them—is unpredictable and not guaranteed. Check out more details on the ebbs and flows of the Churchill polar bear viewing season.







### **Accommodation Details:**

### Winnipeg & Churchill Hotels

For detailed descriptions, visit nathab.com/polar-bear-tours/classic-polar-bear-expedition/accommodations/

# **Canada's Premier Polar Bear Adventure Accommodations**

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### **Winnipeg & Churchill Hotels**

In Winnipeg, stay at the historic Fort Garry Hotel, an elegant landmark built by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in 1913. In remote Churchill, our simple hotels are clean, comfortable and centrally located.





# There is a Difference in Polar Bear Tours—Choose Wisely!

We know that most travelers who come to see the polar bears of Churchill will do so just once in their lives. For that reason, we promise you will enjoy the highest-quality polar bear trip available! Here's why our polar bear adventures stand apart from the rest:

### Hold Exclusive Permits for the Best Bear Viewing Area

Not every polar bear tour operator in Churchill holds permits to access the full range of the Churchill Wildlife Management Area where the best—and often only—polar bear viewing occurs. Naturally, the Nat Hab/Great White Bear team possesses one of these permits. Those who don't can only offer trips along the road to Halfway Point, which is, as the name implies, only halfway to the prime polar bear-viewing area. If you're going to Churchill just once in your life, make it a complete experience!

### Our Polar Rovers are the Most Impressive Vehicles in the North

The original tundra buggy designed for polar bear viewing was invented in the 1980s, an innovative concept that has since been substantially improved upon. Our partner in Manitoba, a world-renowned specialty vehicle designer, has created the world's premier tundra vehicle—the Polar Rover—which we operate exclusively in Churchill. Its innovative drive train allows us to traverse the tundra with virtually no chance of breakdowns. With the advanced elite suspension system that smooths the ride, plus on-board flush toilet facilities, our guests enjoy a superior level of comfort and safety.

## Steel Mesh Flooring Offers Close-Up Bear Observation

Built into the rear viewing platform of every Polar Rover is an innovative and exclusive feature we've pioneered for optimal polar bear viewing—corrugated steel-mesh floors that facilitate remarkably close encounters with curious bears that sometimes wander beneath our vehicles!

### The Smallest Groups Ensure the Best Nature Adventures

A fundamental element of the best polar bear expedition is a small group. It may cost a little more, but considering the hugely superior experience, we know it's well worth it. By limiting our groups to approximately 16 guests (even though our Polar Rovers hold more than 30 passengers), we ensure plenty of space aboard our vehicles, room to angle for the best photos, and a window seat for all.





must provide the best!

## **Discovering Our Planet Together**

Private Chartered Planes Maximize Time with the Bears

So we don't waste time dealing with airline schedules and airport security screenings, we charter our own aircraft to fly directly between Winnipeg to Churchill at a time that's most convenient for us. We know you'd rather spend your time watching polar bears rather than sitting around airports.

Sled Dog Experience Included on Every Departure

Every one of our Churchill tours includes a personal visit with a local dog musher and his team, and a ride through the boreal forest behind a team of sled dogs. Earlier in the season, if there isn't sufficient snow cover, the dogs pull us in a wheeled cart. But whenever you come to Churchill, this authentic northern adventure is part of your experience.

- We Provide Heavy Parkas & Winter Boots for Your Use

  No need to go spend a lot of money buying heavy outdoor gear you may use just once—we provide Arctic-style parkas and heavy-duty winter boots for your use in Churchill, at no cost.
- The Finest Naturalist Guides on the Planet

  Natural Habitat Adventures is known for employing the highest-quality guides in the industry.

  Our Polar Bear Expedition Leaders—who have been guiding bear tours for an average of more than 10 years each—receive additional training and resources from WWF's top scientists, ensuring a superlative interpretive experience. Expedition Leaders meet you in Winnipeg and travel with the group the entire way, sharing their wealth of knowledge and insight at every turn. Our philosophy is pretty simple: a nature adventure is only as good as the guide, so we simply
- Local Cultural Interactions Enhance Our Adventures

  Through years of developing close relationships with local people, we are able to offer our guests exclusive opportunities to meet revered elders of First Nations, Inuit and Metis cultural groups in Churchill. These storytellers are some of the most senior in their communities, passing on their

knowledge of the past to younger generations and also to our travelers.

- Our Quality-Value Guarantee Ensures Your Special Polar Bear Experience

  Natural Habitat Adventures offers an exclusive guarantee, clearly stating that we will meet the lofty expectations we set in our promotional materials. To our knowledge, this is the most ambitious guarantee made by any adventure travel company.
- Feel Good About Your Carbon-Neutral Journey

  We care deeply about our planet, as we know you do. When you travel with us, the carbon emissions from your trip are 100% offset—including your round-trip flights from home. Natural Habitat Adventures has been the world's first carbon-neutral travel company since 2007.





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### **Natural Habitat Adventures is WWF's Travel Partner**

Because of our commitment to environmentally friendly travel, as well as the exceptional quality of our adventures, World Wildlife Fund, the world's leading environmental conservation organization, has named Natural Habitat Adventures as its worldwide travel partner, a designation that makes us exceedingly proud!







# **Make It Private with Your Family or Friends**

Travel privately, exclusively with your immediate family, multi-generational family or group of friends. And when you choose a private departure, you're assured the most exclusive and authentic Churchill Polar Bear Adventure on offer. Request your private departure by completing the form below.

Please note that on Premier Polar Bear Make It Private departures we require a minimum group size of 8 travelers.

Also, please be aware that your per-person cost on a Make It Private trip will vary depending on the number of travelers in your group and may be as much as 10%-30% higher (ship-based trips may be even higher) than our normal trip cost unless you fill the trip.

This **Make It Private** option is available on nearly every Nat Hab trip for family and friend groups. Call an Adventure Specialist at 800-543-8917 or look for the "Make It Private" icon in the **pricing section** of a trip online at nathab.com to see prices based on your specific group size.



# Dates & Pricing Summary:

Prices: From \$7995 (+ Air)

#### **Group Size:**

Please note that on Make It Private departures we have a minimum group size of half the maximum size of our regularly scheduled departures.

Physical Requirements:

# **Canada's Premier Polar Bear Adventure Dates, Pricing & Info**

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### **2025 Departures**

Departure	Return	Notes
Oct 2, 2025	Oct 7, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 3, 2025	Oct 8, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 3, 2025	Oct 9, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 4, 2025	Oct 9, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 4, 2025	Oct 10, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 5, 2025	Oct 11, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 5, 2025	Oct 10, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 6, 2025	Oct 11, 2025	6-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Oct 6, 2025	Oct 12, 2025	7-Day Trip





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Departure	Return	Notes
Oct 8, 2025	Oct 13, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 8, 2025	Oct 14, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 9, 2025	Oct 14, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 10, 2025	Oct 16, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 11, 2025	Oct 16, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 12, 2025	Oct 17, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 13, 2025	Oct 19, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 14, 2025	Oct 20, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 14, 2025	Oct 19, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 15, 2025	Oct 20, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 15, 2025	Oct 20, 2025	6-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Oct 15, 2025	Oct 21, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 16, 2025	Oct 22, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 17, 2025	Oct 22, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 17, 2025	Oct 22, 2025	6-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Oct 17, 2025	Oct 23, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 18, 2025	Oct 24, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 18, 2025	Oct 23, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 19, 2025	Oct 25, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 20, 2025	Oct 25, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 20, 2025	Oct 26, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 21, 2025	Oct 27, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 22, 2025	Oct 27, 2025	6-Day Trip





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Oct 23, 2025	Oct 28, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 23, 2025	Oct 29, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 24, 2025	Oct 29, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 25, 2025	Oct 30, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 25, 2025	Oct 31, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 26, 2025	Nov 1, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 27, 2025	Nov 1, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 29, 2025	Nov 3, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 29, 2025	Nov 4, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 30, 2025	Nov 4, 2025	6-Day Trip
Oct 30, 2025	Nov 5, 2025	7-Day Trip
Oct 31, 2025	Nov 5, 2025	6-Day Trip
Nov 1, 2025	Nov 6, 2025	6-Day Trip
Nov 1, 2025	Nov 7, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 2, 2025	Nov 7, 2025	6-Day Trip
Nov 2, 2025	Nov 8, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 3, 2025	Nov 8, 2025	6-Day Trip
Nov 5, 2025	Nov 11, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 5, 2025	Nov 10, 2025	6-Day Trip
Nov 6, 2025	Nov 11, 2025	6-Day Trip
Nov 6, 2025	Nov 12, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 7, 2025	Nov 12, 2025	6-Day Trip
Nov 8, 2025	Nov 14, 2025	7-Day Trip   Special Climate Change Trip





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Nov 12, 2025	Nov 17, 2025	6-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Nov 13, 2025	Nov 19, 2025	7-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Nov 13, 2025	Nov 19, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 14, 2025	Nov 20, 2025	7-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Nov 15, 2025	Nov 21, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 16, 2025	Nov 22, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 20, 2025	Nov 26, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 21, 2025	Nov 27, 2025	7-Day Trip
Nov 22, 2025	Nov 28, 2025	7-Day Trip

### **2026 Departures**

Departure	Return	Notes
Oct 2, 2026	Oct 7, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 3, 2026	Oct 8, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 3, 2026	Oct 9, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 4, 2026	Oct 9, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 4, 2026	Oct 10, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 5, 2026	Oct 10, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 5, 2026	Oct 11, 2026	7-Day Trip





# **Dates & Pricing Summary:**

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Oct 14, 2026	Oct 20, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 15, 2026	Oct 20, 2026	6-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Oct 15, 2026	Oct 21, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 16, 2026	Oct 22, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 17, 2026	Oct 22, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 17, 2026	Oct 23, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 18, 2026	Oct 23, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 18, 2026	Oct 24, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 19, 2026	Oct 25, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 20, 2026	Oct 25, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 21, 2026	Oct 27, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 22, 2026	Oct 27, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 23, 2026	Oct 28, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 23, 2026	Oct 29, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 24, 2026	Oct 29, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 25, 2026	Oct 30, 2026	6-Day Trip





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Oct 29, 2026	Nov 4, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 30, 2026	Nov 4, 2026	6-Day Trip
Oct 30, 2026	Nov 5, 2026	7-Day Trip
Oct 31, 2026	Nov 5, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 1, 2026	Nov 7, 2026	7-Day Trip
Nov 3, 2026	Nov 8, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 5, 2026	Nov 10, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 5, 2026	Nov 11, 2026	7-Day Trip
Nov 6, 2026	Nov 11, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 7, 2026	Nov 12, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 8, 2026	Nov 13, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 8, 2026	Nov 14, 2026	7-Day Trip   Special Climate Change Trip
Nov 9, 2026	Nov 14, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 9, 2026	Nov 15, 2026	7-Day Trip
Nov 10, 2026	Nov 15, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 11, 2026	Nov 17, 2026	7-Day Trip
Nov 12, 2026	Nov 17, 2026	6-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure
Nov 13, 2026	Nov 18, 2026	6-Day Trip
Nov 13, 2026	Nov 19, 2026	7-Day Trip   Women-Only Departure





# **Dates & Pricing Summary:**

Prices: From \$7995 (+ Air)

**Group Size:** 

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Departure	Return	Notes
Nov 15, 2026	Nov 21, 2026	7-Day Trip
Nov 16, 2026	Nov 22, 2026	7-Day Trip





### **Pricing**

#### 2024 Prices

> Trip Price

**6-Day Itinerary:** \$7795 (+internal air) **7-Day Itinerary:** \$8595 (+internal air)

**Internal Air Cost:** \$1297 per person (this will be listed separately on our invoicing) **Single Occupancy:** For a single room add \$995 on 6-day trips or \$1295 on 7-day trips.

**Deposit:** \$500 per person.

Trip prices are per person based on double occupancy and are given in U.S. dollars. **2025 Prices** 

> Trip Price

**6-Day Itinerary:** \$7995 (+internal air) **7-Day Itinerary:** \$8995 (+internal air)

**Internal Air Cost:** \$1497 per person (this will be listed separately on our invoicing) **Single Occupancy:** For a single room add \$995 on 6-day trips or \$1295 on 7-day trips. **Deposit:** \$500 per person.

Trip prices are per person based on double occupancy and are given in U.S. dollars. **2026 Prices** 

We're still in the process of confirming 2026 pricing. Please contact an Adventure Specialist for more details: 800-543-8917.

### Included

- > Trip price includes: Accommodations, services of Nat Hab's professional Expedition Leader(s) and assistants, Polar Rover excursions, dog sledding excursion, evening wildlife and cultural presentations, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through breakfast on final day, cold-weather gear including the use of a parka and boots during your trip, some gratuities, airport transfers on Day 1 and final day, all activities and entrance fees, all taxes, permits and service fees.
- > Internal air cost includes: Round-trip private charter flights from Winnipeg to Churchill (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).

### Not Included

Travel to and from the start and end point of your trip, alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, passport and visa fees (if any), optional activities, items of a personal nature (phone calls, laundry and internet, etc.), airline baggage fees, airport and departure taxes (if any), optional travel protection and medical evacuation insurance.

## **Physical Requirements**

#### Easy

A polar bear tour with Natural Habitat Adventures requires very little walking. Travelers must be able to







walk up/down stairs. Our Polar Rover vehicles, designed to travel over the tundra for polar bear observation, can sometimes offer a bumpy ride. Travelers must be prepared for below-freezing temperatures and slippery surfaces.

On custom or private departures with smaller groups, our ability to accommodate varying levels of physical abilities or interests is limited, since these trips are staffed with a single Expedition Leader who may be assisted, pending availability, by local guides.

### **Important Information About This Trip**

This flagship polar bear tour has been our most popular adventure for more than two decades. Its longstanding success is due to the outstanding bear viewing opportunities in Churchill, the Polar Bear Capital of the World, as well as the broad introduction the trip offers to the natural and cultural history of the Hudson Bay region and daily life in the Canadian North. The trip includes two day trips by Polar Rover and a nighttime Rover excursion, complemented by time spent exploring the frontier outpost town of Churchill. All activities are enhanced by expert interpretation and personalized attention from our affable naturalist Expedition Leaders.

Regarding polar bears: They are typically in the Churchill area year-round. The highest concentration occurs in October and November as the bears gather to await freeze-up on Hudson Bay and the beginning of their winter hunting season. But bear viewing is never predictable. Sometimes the best viewing happens at the beginning of the season, sometimes it occurs in the middle, and sometimes it's at the end—we never know for sure. Once the bay freezes, many of the bears depart. Historically, this has happened in early December, but an unusually early cold spell can sometimes occur, hastening their departure to the ice. Please be aware that conditions vary, and polar bears here live wild and free: we can never guarantee that you will see them or promise exactly what your experience will be.

#### Meals

Please understand that the meals in Churchill are specially planned and prepared for well in advance. With ample notice, dietary requirements due to serious medical conditions or strict personal restrictions can be met but must be adhered to during the trip. If you have a very restricted diet, we recommend bringing your own preferred snacks along with the understanding that certain foods are limited in this remote part of the world.

## **Mandatory Insurance**

Since the areas we travel to are remote and wild (that's why we go there!), we require that all guests have, at minimum, medical evacuation insurance for this program. This is for the safety of all guests. We require that your chosen independent insurance plan includes at least \$250,000 in medical evacuation coverage.

To protect your investment and to provide peace of mind while you travel, we also strongly recommend purchasing comprehensive travel insurance. Plans may cover everything from medical treatment to trip cancellations and delays and lost luggage. Please contact our office if you would like more information about the medical evacuation and comprehensive travel insurance policies we offer by calling 800-543-8917.





## **Getting There & Getting Home**

In case of flight or weather delays, we recommend that you arrive a day early. Please schedule your flights to arrive by 5 pm in order to attend a 7 pm orientation dinner on Day 1 of your program. You are free to depart at any time on the final day.



### **Extension Details:**

Northern Tundra Helicopter Adventure \$690

# **Canada's Premier Polar Bear Adventure Extensions**

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### **Northern Tundra Helicopter Adventure**

Our exclusive helicopter flight over the tundra is an exhilarating way to view northern wildlife. Track migrating caribou, Arctic fox and the mighty polar bear from an exciting aerial perspective. \$690





### **Natural Habitat & WWF: Discovering Our Planet Together**

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