

# HIGH ARCTIC TOTAL ECLIPSE

10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS ON BOARD

REYKJAVIK TO KANGERLUSSUAQ

**Witness totality in wild East Greenland.** Step aboard Ocean Victory and join a once-in-a-lifetime adventure to view the total solar eclipse in the high Arctic. A dazzling spectacle in one of the world's most breathtaking destinations. From the vibrant Icelandic capital of Reykjavik, we set sail for adventure packed days in the Northeast Greenland National Park – Earth's largest protected wilderness, brimming with wildlife above and below the water. From the National Park, we sail to the storied fjords of Scoresbysund, a maze of fjords and islands in the depths of which we will experience the total solar eclipse. As we depart Scoresbysund we will visit the Inuit village of Ittoqqortoormiit, a remote yet welcoming settlement brimming with Greenlandic culture. Our voyage concludes in Reykjavik, the perfect jumping off point to explore the Land of Ice and Fire.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Witness totality in wild East Greenland
- Set foot in the Northeast Greenland National Park - Earth's largest national park
- Experience Tunumiit Inuit culture in Ittoqqortoormiit
- Explore the vast fjord network of Scoresbysund, realm of the polar bear

## EXPEDITION DATE ABOARD OCEAN VICTORY

Board	Disembark
August 6, 2026	August 15, 2026

### Day 1, All aboard in Reykjavik!

Hallgrímskirkja Church towers over Reykjavik, a vibrant city known for Nordic cuisine, unique museums, and lively shopping. After safety briefings, we set sail toward East Greenland.

### Day 2, At sea, crossing the Denmark Strait

The Denmark Strait, a narrow passage between Iceland and Greenland, teems with rich marine life. Our onboard experts guide guests in safely viewing the eclipse. Nearing Greenland, the team shares insights on ecology, geology, and wildlife, preparing guests for Zodiac operations and polar bear safety.

### Days 3–5, Northeast Greenland National Park

As the ship sails past the rugged Liverpool Land peninsula, we enter the vast Northeast Greenland National Park — the world's largest protected land



area, spanning nearly a million square kilometers and encompassing the northernmost land on Earth. Uninhabited today, the region was once home to nomadic Inuit hunters who thrived off its natural abundance until the mid-19th century.

Due to the extreme remoteness and unpredictable Arctic conditions, the itinerary within the park is flexible and dictated by weather, wind, sea, and ice. The Captain and Expedition Leader determine daily plans, which are announced the evening before. Potential highlights include Ella Island's dramatic 1300-meter cliffs at Bastionen, the historically significant Maria Island — site of a German WWII camp — and Blomsterbugten on Ymer Island, where visitors may enjoy views of the striking Teufelsschloss mountain and its vivid geological layers. Other possible destinations include the calving Waltershausen Glacier, the magnificent Moskusokse Fjord, and the wildlife hotspots of Jameson Land.

Throughout our time in the Park, your Expedition Team provides engaging lectures, friendly discussions, and onshore insights, while always scanning the landscape for Arctic wildlife. In this remote and pristine wilderness, guests are promised a journey rich in natural beauty, discovery, and adventure.

### Day 6, Expedition Scoresbysund

Venturing deep into the maze of fjords and islands that comprise Scoresbysund, it is easy to see why this region is spoken of with awe by even experienced explorers! The exact locations we visit in Scoresbysund will be dictated by Mother Nature – this far north, all human activity is subject to wind, sea, and ice conditions. Options include the Bjerne Islands, a labyrinth of skerries which trap vast icebergs in their rocky net, the sweeping basalt mountains of Cape Brewster, and the abandoned remains of European and Inuit settlements. Wherever we visit in the depths of Scoresbysund, adventure is guaranteed!

### Day 7, Eclipse Day

On Eclipse Day, Ocean Victory approaches the heart of Scoresbysund as the heavens begin to align. The moon begins to drift over the sun at 16:37 as the

partial eclipse begins, building to totality at 17:37, with darkness settling over the landscape. Witness the stunning “Diamond Ring” effect at 17:40 as totality ends. The eclipse concludes by 18:33 as the moon’s shadow moves northward towards the Arctic Ocean. After this unforgettable spectacle, guests return to the ship for a gala dinner.

#### **Day 8, Ittoqqortoormiit**

The only settlement in this region, Ittoqqortoormiit is among the most remote communities on Earth. While the establishment of the town by Danish authorities in 1925 was challenging, residents continue a subsistence hunting lifestyle, essential when supply ships arrive only once or twice per year. Ittoqqortoormiit is a town with a strong sense of community and traditional culture, hosting an excellent museum, a beautiful traditional church, and locals often welcome visitors wearing

colourful traditional costumes. Ittoqqortoormiit is the perfect introduction to the culture and lifestyle of Greenland.

#### **Day 9, At sea, en route to Reykjavik**

During our time at sea approaching Reykjavik, relax and reflect on your thrilling Arctic adventure. Attend final lectures from the Expedition Team, relive your adventure at the voyage slideshow, and celebrate your voyage with new friends at the Captain’s Farewell Cocktail Party.

#### **Day 10, Reykjavik disembarkation**

As our journey concludes, we sail up the 160 km Kangerlussuaq Fjord and disembark by Zodiac. Though Kangerlussuaq is more known for its Cold War-era military roots and role as a transport hub than cultural heritage, its surrounding wilderness offers striking natural beauty.

