Cruise Details

Name:	Churchill’s Polar Bears & the Canadian Arctic to New York - Cruise & Land Journey
Reference:	SCENICOYW2070927-1
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse
Regions:	Canada
Departs On:	07 Sep 27
Departs From:	Winnipeg, Manitoba
Arrives On:	27 Sep 27
Arrives At:	New York, New York
Cruise Nights:	20
Total Vacation Days:	21

Itinerary

Day 1: Winnipeg, Manitoba (Canada)

Welcome to Winnipeg, known as “Canada’s Gateway to the West”. Your journey of wonder begins with a relaxing and luxurious stay at the Fairmont hotel. In the evening, gather with your fellow travellers and tour director for a welcome dinner.

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Day 2: Winnipeg, Manitoba (Canada)

Depart Winnipeg early in the morning for Churchill, a remote subarctic port town in northern Manitoba. On arrival, you’ll be greeted by our expert staff and transferred to a private charter for a one-hour flight to Nanuk Polar Bear Lodge, your home for the next three nights. Keep your camera ready during the journey - wildlife sightings are often common en route.

Once at the lodge, your hosts will provide a warm welcome. After lunch, you'll receive a full orientation on staying in polar bear country before setting out on your first afternoon excursion along the coastline in search of the majestic "Great Ice Bear".

Evenings at Nanuk are as memorable as the days. After returning from the tundra, relax with appetiser hour and indulge in one of our signature tundra-inspired dinners. The night may feature an engaging presentation from a knowledgeable local guide, deepening your understanding of the region's wildlife and environment. On clear nights, you might even be treated to the breathtaking spectacle of the northern lights dancing across the Arctic sky.

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Day 2: Churchill, Manitoba (Canada)

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Day 3: Nanuk Polar Bear Lodge (Canada)

Begin the morning with a hearty breakfast as your guide shares the day's plan. If polar bears are spotted near the lodge, the schedule may shift to allow you to capture these once-in-a-lifetime moments right outside your door.

Afterward, choose to stay in the lodge or set out on an unforgettable excursion along the tidal flats and Hudson Bay shoreline, travelling by foot and specially outfitted all-terrain vehicles. With routes chosen according to conditions, you'll have plenty of time to photograph polar bears in their natural environment, as well as other remarkable wildlife that inhabit this rugged coastal ecosystem.

As evening falls, return to the lodge for a warm meal and the chance to unwind by the fire.

Arrives On: 09 Sep 27

Day 4: Nanuk Polar Bear Lodge (Canada)

Another delicious breakfast prepares you for the day's excursions. This time, your journey may take you inland to explore the winding river deltas and vast beach ridges that define this untouched region. Wildlife photography opportunities abound, from possible polar bear sightings roaming the landscape to the delicate details of the tundra itself. For those who prefer a slower pace, staying close to the lodge offers equally rewarding chances to observe and photograph bears and other animals that frequent the surrounding wilderness.

In the evening, enjoy another of the lodge's signature dinners before gathering for an engaging presentation led by your local guide. With luck, the aurora borealis may once again provide the perfect finale to your day.

Arrives On: 10 Sep 27

Day 5: Nanuk Polar Bear Lodge (Canada)

After a final hearty breakfast at the lodge, board your air transfer back to Churchill. Keep your camera ready for the return flight, which often provides spectacular aerial views of the landscape below.

Once in Churchill, enjoy a guided exploration of this fascinating northern town, known for its history as both a seaport and a military base. Highlights include the Parks Canada exhibit, the Itsanitaq Museum, and the Polar Bear Jail, along with striking murals created during the 2016 SeaWalls festival that bring the town's streets to life.

Your day concludes at the Churchill wharf, where your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht awaits. Step aboard and be greeted with a glass of champagne as you settle into your spacious suite. Later, meet your fellow guests in the Scenic Lounge Bar for a welcome toast, followed by an engaging introductory presentation from the Polar Discovery Team, who will outline the exciting excursions that lie ahead on your unforgettable journey.

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Day 5: Churchill, Manitoba (Canada)

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Day 6: Churchill, Manitoba (Canada)

Located on the shores of Hudson Bay, Churchill is famously known as the "polar bear capital of the world." With its rugged streets and vast, sweeping landscapes, offers a sense of being at the edge of the world. Surrounded by the untamed beauty of the northern wilderness, it's the stark solitude and endless expanses that make this remarkable destination truly captivating. In the evening, share your travel notes with your new friends over dinner in one of up to 10 all-inclusive dining experiences on board your Discovery Yacht.

Arrives On: 12 Sep 27

Day 8: Digges Island, Nunavut (Canada)

Where Hudson Strait meets the northeastern Hudson Bay, the remote Digges Islands rise with dramatic rocky cliffs, creating the perfect sanctuary for seabirds. This untamed wilderness is also home to thriving walrus colonies and the majestic polar bear. As we navigate the waters by zodiac, we'll keep watch for these incredible Arctic icons, always from a safe and respectful distance, but close enough for an unforgettable encounter. Scenic Discovery:
Weather permitting, embark on thrilling Zodiac excursions with the expert Discovery Team.

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Day 9: Cap Wolstenholme (Canada)

Cap Wolstenholme, a striking stretch of cliffs along Nunavik’s Hudson Strait, features a sheer, towering rampart on its western side. In summer, this dramatic headland transforms into a bustling nesting ground for swarms of thick-billed murres. Sail to Erik Cove, surrounded by towering cliffs and floating icebergs, presenting a breathtaking and pristine landscape. Watch for seals, whales and a wide variety of seabirds in this wildlife haven. There’s also the possibility of spotting polar bears. Scenic Discovery:
Both destinations are perfect for exploring by Zodiac, offering access to unique ecosystems and opportunities to observe Arctic wildlife in their natural habitats.

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Day 9: Erik Cove (Canada)

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The strait from Hudson Bay to the Atlantic Ocean was navigated by Henry Hudson in 1610; today it bears his name. You’ll trace his path between Baffin Island and Nunavik to a spectacular wildlife haven. The islands are teeming with bird species while the surrounding waters are full of marine mammals. You may spot polar bears, seals, walruses and whales during your visit to this thriving ecological hotspot. While the island’s rugged cliffs are too harsh for humans, they offer an ideal nesting site for Murres, who build their homes on the narrow ledges. Scenic Discovery:
Weather permitting, embark on thrilling Zodiac excursions with the expert Discovery Team today. Paddle through serene waters by kayak or step ashore for an unforgettable exploration with your expert guides.

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Day 12: Saglek Fjord, Newfoundland and Labrador (Canada)

Today, prepare for an unforgettable experience as your Discovery Yacht journeys through Saglek Fjord, a hidden Arctic paradise nestled in the rugged wilderness of Newfoundland. Known for its dramatic cliffs, pristine waters, and untouched landscapes, this remote fjord offers a unique opportunity to explore the raw beauty of Canada’s northern coastline. Keep your eyes peeled for abundant wildlife, from playful seals to soaring seabirds, and immerse yourself in the natural splendour of one of the world’s most pristine environments. This expedition is a true escape into nature.

Arrives On: 18 Sep 27

Day 14: Rigolet, Newfoundland and Labrador (Canada)

Experience the charm of Rigolet, a picturesque town with a deep Inuit heritage on Labrador’s North coast. Engage with local artisans, learn about traditional craftsmanship. For wildlife lovers, this is a dream destination, and keep watch for wildlife, including whales and Arctic foxes, as you explore this fascinating region.

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Day 15: Saint-Anthony, Newfoundland and Labrador (Canada)

Nestled on Newfoundland's Great Northern Peninsula, St. Anthony is a charming town with a rich maritime heritage. It served as the base for the Grenfell Mission, established in the early 20th century to provide medical services to remote communities. The town's coastal waters are renowned for whale watching opportunities, offering sightings of majestic marine mammals during their migratory seasons. Additionally, the nearby L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, marks the only known Norse village in North America, dating back to around 1000 AD.

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Day 16: Saint-John's, Newfoundland and Labrador (Canada)

Welcome to St. John's, the vibrant capital of Newfoundland and Labrador, celebrated as North America's oldest city. Its downtown area is characterized by brightly coloured heritage buildings lining Water and Duckworth Streets, housing an array of boutiques, restaurants, and galleries. A visit to Signal Hill National Historic Site offers panoramic views of the city and harbour. This historic landmark is where Guglielmo Marconi received the first transatlantic wireless signal in 1901.

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Day 18: Halifax, Nova Scotia (Canada)

Halifax, Nova Scotia's dynamic capital, has long been tied to the sea. It has one of the largest and deepest ice-free harbours in the world and has been an important military and commercial port for more than 250 years. Today, you can learn about its rich cultural heritage through the city’s many museums and historical sites. Wander through bustling downtown streets and picturesque waterfronts, savouring maritime delights and charming cafes. A late departure gives you time to sample the city’s famed live music scene, which takes over historic pubs and cosy venues every night of the week.

Arrives On: 24 Sep 27

Day 20: New York, New York (United States)

Cruise past the iconic Statue of Liberty and the breathtaking Manhattan skyline as you cruise into New York. From the bright lights of Broadway to leafy Central Park and the glitzy boutiques of Fifth Avenue, the Big Apple is an unmissable experience. Spend the afternoon exploring this global city. Walk the bustling streets of Lower Manhattan's financial district, the charming corners of Greenwich Village, and uncover New York's tapestry of culture, culinary delights, and architectural splendour. In the metropolis that never sleeps, there's something for everyone. Return for your final night on board your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht.

Arrives On: 26 Sep 27

Day 21: New York, New York (United States)

Your unforgettable Expedition Voyage ends today in New York City. Savour one last luxurious breakfast on board your 6-star Discovery Yacht before saying farewell to the crew and new friends who have shared this remarkable journey with you. Please book your flight to depart out of New York City after 12:00 PM. Due to strict luggage capacity limits on the charter flight, all guests are required to travel with a pack down bag for essential items only. Any excess luggage will be securely stored at the Churchill Wild offices in Churchill for the duration of your stay at the Nanuk Lodge. #Senses Spa treatments and services at additional cost. Daily activities may be subject to change; please consult your Daily Wonder for updates. +All drinks on board, including those stocked in your mini bar, are included, except for a very small number of rare, fine and vintage wines, Champagnes and spirits. Specialty restaurants require a reservation, enquire on board. ^Flights on board our two helicopters and submersible experiences are at additional cost, subject to regulatory approval, availability, weight restrictions, medical approval and weather conditions. Helicopter not operational on this voyage. Submersible not operational on this voyage. The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Scenic cannot guarantee the voyage will operate unaltered from the itinerary stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

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