

## Baffin Explorer | Narwhals & Polar Bears

Holiday Duration: 8 Nights



### Overview

Rugged mountains, stunning glaciers, northern seabirds, narwhals, and Inuit culture await you on a truly amazing Baffin Island Arctic tour.

Wildlife is returning to this very rich area of the Arctic as the summer dawns. There are northern birds in abundance, including thick-billed murre, black-legged kittiwake, and king and common eiders. You may see Sabine's and Thayer's gulls, red-throated loons, or even all-white ivory gulls!

The mixing of ocean currents makes for very rich marine life. Hopefully you will see several species of seals, and the amazing spiral-tusked narwhal. With luck you may see polar bear or the endangered bowhead whale. Remote wilderness, Arctic landscapes, northern wildlife, and fascinating culture promise to make this the trip of a lifetime.

**The trips runs in June – ask us for exact dates.**

**This itinerary is flexible and can be tailor-made to suit you; if you want to add extra days in one area, extend the holiday or maybe**

**change the direction of travel. Talk to one of our experts about how to make this holiday the perfect one for you.**

Here's a day-by-day guide to your itinerary. Feel free to ask us to add other days or ideas and excursions by contacting us directly, so we can give you the best price.

## **Day 1**



### **Ottawa**

Arrive into Ottawa from the UK and overnight in the capital of Canada.

**1 night in Ottawa.**

## **Day 2**



### **Ottawa to Pond Inlet**

Meet for breakfast before heading to the Ottawa airport. Depart on a morning flight north to Iqaluit, with a connecting flight to Pond Inlet, some 2000 miles north of Ottawa.

After dinner you will have plenty of time for a walk around—the sun does not set at this time of year! Spend the night in a hotel in Mittimatalik

**1 night at Pond Inlet.**

**Day 3**



**Pond Inlet to Floe Edge**

Explore this vibrant community and take your choice of a variety of local tours. Head out to the floe edge to see the arctic mammals, walk through the community or hike to the high ridges on the outskirts and enjoy the spectacular view. En route, you may view icebergs frozen in place.

**5 nights comfortable camping near floe edge.**

**Day 4-7**



## Floe Edge

The daily activities will depend on the location of the floe edge and weather conditions. You will use a camp near the floe edge for these nights.

Bylot Island is part of Sirmilik National Park. If conditions permit, you will travel to the seabird colony north of Cape Graham Moore. You will likely spend most of our time at the floe edge, hoping for narwhal, bowhead, walrus, various seals—even polar bear!

## Day 8



## Floe Edge to Pond Inlet

After a final morning at the floe edge, leave your camp for the return to Mittimatalik (Pond Inlet). On the journey you'll view the towering cliffs of Bylot Island—plus the spectacular landscape of mountains and massive glaciers.

Arrive in Mittimatalik (Pond Inlet) in the afternoon in time for dinner and a possible final walk around town in the evening.

**1 night in Pond Inlet.**

## Day 9



### to Ottawa

You will have the morning free to explore the community and perhaps do some last minute shopping before returning south to Ottawa where the tour will end. You should be able to take a connecting flight back to the UK this evening. Alternatively overnight and relax before heading home.

**If you are interested in a holiday to Canada please contact us on 020 8776 8709 to discuss your plans with a Canada expert, or send an email to [canada@frontier-travel.co.uk](mailto:canada@frontier-travel.co.uk) with your requirements and we will put together your ideal itinerary and quotation. Let us take you there.**