Day 2: Evighedsfjorden & Kangaamiut

Today we arrive at Evighedsfjorden, known as the Eternity Fjord. As we cruise along this meandering fjord, we find ourselves surrounded by the highest mountains in West Greenland - reaching heights of over 2,000 meters! We'll seek out the seals and whales who reside in the area, and scan the bird cliffs. Kangaamiut, is a small fishing community in the municipality of Qeqqata. During our visit to this colourful town, we'll be hosted by a local family and enjoy a presentation in the church before and optional hike.

Day 3: Nuuk

Welcome to Nuuk, the capital of Greenland! Nuuk, meaning 'the headland' and is situated at the mouth of a gigantic fjord system. Established as the very first Greenlandic town in 1728, Nuuk has a history that dates back over 4,200 years. Today, Nuuk is the world's smallest capital city with a population of only 15,000. Here we have a chance to spot Humpback whales in the fjord, reindeer roaming the land and birds soaring in the sky. The town itself is home to Greenland's University, a cathedral dating back to 1849 and Greenland’s National Museum. We will visit some of the city’s most important sites, before free time to explore on your own.

Day 4: Monumental Island

The tiny pile of rocks known as Monumental Island lies at the mouth of Frobisher Bay, where the mixing of ocean currents from Hudson Strait creates a rich environment for ocean life. The tides here are some of the strongest in the world; depending on ice and tide conditions we will explore the area in search of polar bear, walrus and whale.

Day 5: Kangiqsualujuaq

In the shelter of a commanding granite rock outcrop we find the easternmost community of Kangiqsualujuaq, or George River. Twenty-five kilometers upstream from Ungava Bay, the ebb and flow of the tides define the summer lives of the people and fauna of this area. Arctic flora thrives in the protected valley. The calving grounds of the George River herd, the largest ungulate population in the world estimated at several hundreds of thousands of head is nearby. After our welcome back to Canada, we will have the freedom to explore the community, meet with locals and strike out of town for a hike on the tundra.

Day 6-7: Torngat Mountains National Park

From the Inuktitut word Torngait, meaning ‘place of spirits’, the Torngat Mountains have been home to Inuit and their predecessors for thousands of years, with archaeological evidence reaching back almost 7,000 years. The fjords here reach well back into the depths of the Torngats as we are overshadowed by cliffs rising straight up from the sea, peaking at 1,700 m, the highest point of land in Labrador. The Torngat Mountains claim some of the oldest rocks on the planet and provide some of the best exposure of geological history. The rocky landscape is a challenge to life, and the species that make their home here are a resilient bunch with fascinating survival adaptations. We hope to see a number of species during our time in Northern Labrador. Our intention is to make expeditionary stops in the northern reaches of Labrador, including the Eclipse Bay, Nackvak Fiord and Saglek Bay.

Day 8: Torngat Mountains National Park & Hebron

Long-abandoned Hebron was once one of the most northerly communities on the north Labrador coast. A Moravian Mission station was constructed here from 1829 to 1831 but the main buildings - the church, the mission house and the store - were not inhabited until 1837. The Moravian Mission has had a very strong influence on the history of northern Labrador. Originally known as the Unitas Fratrum, the Moravian Church traces its roots to 15th century central Europe, in what is now the Czech Republic. In 1751, a group of merchants attached to the Moravian congregation in London decided to outfit a trading and missionary voyage to the Labrador coast in order to convert the Inuit. In a highly controversial move, the station was abandoned in 1959, forcing the relocation of the Inuit who resided there. In 2005, Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Danny Williams apologized to people affected by the relocations. In August of 2009, the provincial government unveiled a monument at the site of Hebron with an inscribed apology for the site closure.

Day 9: Okak

The permantant settlement of Okak occurred during the first expansion of the Moravian missionaries from Nain. However, the region itself represents a microcosm of more than 5000 years of prehistory. In 1776 when the Moravians settled, 250 Inuit inhabited the area and survived primarily on whale and seal hunting. Tragedy struck the village in 1918 when over eighty percent of the 263 residents died from the Spanish influenza. Many of the survivors endured in the pretty community, but in 1965 the residents were relocated to other coastal towns by the government. Today, what remains of Okak town is a graveyard and ruins of the former mission. Our morning will be spent on zodiac and foot exploring the network of islands and haunting remnants of Okak.

Day 10: Hopedale

Originally called Agvituk meaning 'place of whales', Hopedale was first established in 1782 by Moravian Missionaries. Today the community is a mix of Inuit and settler populations. Traditional Inuit practices remain strong and most of
the six hundred plus residents are members of the Labrador Inuit Association. The Hopedale Mission is considered to be the oldest wooden-frame building east of Quebec and has been declared a National Historic Site. There is a wonderfully run museum located by the Mission.

**Day 11: Mealy Mountains**

Infused in the Mealy Mountains in the traditional history of the first peoples of the land. The Labrador Innu, Labrador Inuit and Labrador Métis have binding subsistence, traditional and cultural bonds. The creation of the Mealy Mountain National Park was announced in early February 2010 and celebrated by all Canadian. Larger than Yellowstone and Yosemite combined, the new park will be the single largest conservation zone in Eastern Canada. The area boasts boreal ecosystem and wildlife and threatened woodland caribou herd, along with moose, black bear, osprey, bald eagles and a species of special concern, the eastern population of the harlequin duck will now have a protected area. We will seek to explore a small portion of this vast new protected area while keeping an eye out for the six species of seal and sixteen species of whales and dolphins known to frequent these waters.

**Day 12: L’Anse aux Meadows and Conche**

L’Anse aux Meadows, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is the only authenticated Viking settlement in North America. Located at the tip of Newfoundland’s Great Northern Peninsula, it is widely regarded as one of the most important archaeological sites globally.

On the Great Northern Peninsula, the people of Conche welcome us into their charming community. Complete with ties to its history, religion, the fishery and wildlife, Conche is made up of mostly Irish descent. We will explore the colourful town on foot, but don’t be surprised if you are invited in by local residents for a ‘mug up’!

**Day 13: Botwood**

The Town of Botwood, incorporated in 1960 with a current population of approximately 3100, is a small community nestled in the heart of the Exploits Valley - a beautiful area which encompasses much of Central Newfoundland. Primarily a seaport town, Botwood has a stunning landscape, including a scenic and peaceful harbour. While the Town of Botwood is geographically confined within a small area, its history is reminiscent of a community ten times its size. Botwood’s history has not only played an important role in the development of Newfoundland, but also that of the world.

**Day 14: St. John’s, Newfoundland**

We finish in St. John’s, Newfoundland’s historic, vibrant capital. Picturesque and welcoming, it has been continuously fished since 1498, allowing it to boast the designation of North America’s oldest European settlement. We will leave the Clipper Adventurer here.

**Highlights**

- Purchase some highly prized qiviut product (muskox wool)
- Visit Greenland’s capital city, Nuuk
- A chance to experience the Northern Lights
- Visit a walrus haul out
- Three days in the Torngat National Park
- Call in at the proposed site for the Mealy Mountain Park
- Visit to the UNESCO world heritage site at L’Anse aux Meadows
- Explore the community of Hopedale
- Marvel at the magnificent fjords and inland lakes at Saglek & Hebron
- Take part in a traditional Newfoundland kitchen party

**Pricing and Details**

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**September 5 - September 18, 2013 aboard the Clipper Adventurer**

**What’s Included:**

- All entry & park fees
- Your complete itinerary
- Team of resource specialists
- Educational program and pre-departure materials
- All shipboard meals
- All Zodiac excursions
- Service charges and port fees

**What’s Not Included:**
- Commercial flights to and from Canada, and (charter from Toronto to ship, USD1,085.53 per pers.)
- Mandatory medical / evacuation insurance
- Personal expenses
- Additional expenses in the event of delays or Itinerary changes
- Discretionary gratuities to ship's crew (approximately $10 - 14 per passenger per day)
- Visas, or inoculations, if required
- Physician's fees confirming you are fit to travel
- Possible fuel surcharges
- $250 Discovery Fund Fee

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