

SUMMER ADVENTURE IN SVALBARD

4 nights/ 5 days

Departures: Thursday's in July & August

Eco friendly



Experience magnificent Arctic scenery close up and join us on our summer adventure to beautiful Basecamp Isfjord radio at Cape Linnè. We embark for Longyearbyen by boat, on our way we will have time to enjoy the fantastic fjord, the bird cliffs and the animal wildlife. Far away from the civilization in Longyearbyen you'll discover a history, biological diversity and geological conditions which make Basecamp Isfjord Radio a fascinating place to visit. The former radio station is situated at the outermost part of the Isfjord with majestic mountains overlooking the Arctic Ocean.

In combination with our unique accommodation, you will enjoy a level of quality and comfort that is unexpected so far into the wilderness.

Day 1 On arrival at Longyear airport the airport shuttle bus will take you to Basecamp Trapper's Hotel. In the afternoon you are free to explore Longyearbyen on your own. We recommend dinner at one of the excellent restaurants in town (not included/should be booked in advance). Accommodation in double room at Basecamp Trapper's Hotel (or hotel with similar standard/service).

Day 2 Breakfast is served from 0700 hrs. After breakfast you will be met by your guide for short briefing about the trip, equipment and outfit details. Transport to the quay, where our polarcircleboat is ready to start the safari tour towards Isfjord Radio. On the way, we have time to enjoy the fantastic fjord scenery, animal wildlife and Arctic seabirds. After arrival and station welcome we will be served a 2-course warm lunch. We spend the afternoon exploring the great area of Kapp Linné, and learn more about the wildlife at the station. We'll be served a 3-course dinner in the evening. Accommodation in comfortable double rooms at Basecamp Isfjord Radio.

Day 3 Breakfast is served from 8.00 am. At 10:00 am we'll board the boat for an exciting safari to the west side of the fjord. The route will be east along the coastline before crossing Isfjorden at Kapp Starostin and go straight to the mighty bird cliffs of Alkehornet with thousands of nesting birds .

In Trygghamna we go ashore and enjoy expedition lunch at the beach. After lunch, we'll have a closer look at the area before boarding the safari boat and head for the fantastic Esmark Glacier in Ymerbukta. If we are lucky, we might observe whales, seals or get a glimpse of "king of the Arctic", the polar bear. In the evening a 3-course dinner awaits us at the Isfjord Radio. Accommodation in double rooms.

Day 4 Breakfast is followed by a new day of adventure. We go for a walk along the fantastic coastline. The guide tells us stories about old hunters and their rough life at Spitsbergen. We will also learn more about the geology, flowers and animal life in the area. After a well deserved brake, we return to Isfjord Radio and a 2-course warm lunch before returning to Longyearbyen. Arrival in Longyearbyen approx 15:00. Dinner is recommended at the legendary Huset restaurant (table should be booked up front). Accommodation in double room at Basecamp Trapper's Hotel (or hotel with similar standard/ service).

Day 5 Breakfast is served from 07:00. We recommend taking a dog sledge trip on wheels before departure (not included/should be booked in advance) or exploring Longyearbyen and its sights on your own. Transport to the airport in the airport shuttle.

Departure from Longyearbyen: Thursdays in July and August.

Minimum: 2 persons/ maximum 10 (groups on request)

Age limit: Minimum 6 years

Clothes/ equipment: Summer temperatures in the Arctic very seldom go beyond 12 `celsius, therefore we recommend to bring warm and windproof clothing. Also a small backpack per person (preferably waterproof) suitable for the overnight stay at Basecamp Isfjord Radio should be brought. Your remaining luggage can be stored at Bascamp Spitsbergen, Longyearbyen. Remember to bring your camera and binoculars!

Note: This expedition is not recommended if you suffer from low back pain.