Ultimate Polar Bear Adventure Tour

featuring Churchill & Winnipeg, Manitoba

October 22-29, 2018

Journey to the Polar Bear Capital of the World!
Travel to the edge of the Arctic and the western shore of Hudson Bay to one of the few places in the world where you can come face to face with the “King of the Arctic” from unique tundra vehicles that let you travel in comfort and safety over the snowy terrain. This once in a lifetime journey incorporates the capital city of Winnipeg into our sightseeing adventure.

Highlights of this 8 Day /7 Night tour include:
Four nights hotel in Winnipeg (or 1 Night in Montreal & 3 Nights in Winnipeg depending on flight schedule) • Visit the Assiniboine Park Zoo which features the Journey to Churchill exhibit - one of the world's best Arctic zoo exhibits • Admission to the Manitoba Museum - an award-winning heritage and edutainment center featuring a planetarium and a variety of touring and specialty exhibits • Discover Winnipeg’s rich historic past and its connection to Churchill through the fur trade during a guided city tour • Three nights at Lazy Bear Lodge in Churchill – an authentic northern lodge with modern amenities - selected as one of North America’s top hotels by National Geographic Traveler magazine • Two days of exploration on the Tundra in Arctic Crawlers™- custom-built Tundra vehicles - that will take us into the Churchill Wildlife Management Area • Cultural and Heritage Tour - explore the various historic sites in Churchill including Cape Merry, the Polar Bear Jail (outside), the famous plane crash site of "Miss Piggy" and more • Dog Mushing experience – Take an exhilarating ride with a team of dogs! • Naturalist Tour Guide while in Churchill • All transportation from Concord, NH (round-trip) which includes: Motorcoach transportation Concord to Montreal; Commercial Flights - Montreal (or alternate airport) to Winnipeg; Chartered Flights - Winnipeg to Churchill; Shuttle Service between airports and hotels • 14 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches & 4 Dinners • Luxury motor coach transportation • Services of a Professional Tour Director

Deluxe Tour Cost: $6,995 per person  * based on double occupancy / $8,490 single occupancy

DEPARTURE FROM CONCORD, NH ~ Group Size Limited to 24 Passengers Maximum

PLEASE NOTE: All passengers MUST carry a valid U.S. Passport to travel between the United States and Canada. Travelers convicted of a felony or misdemeanor will not be allowed to cross the border.

For More Information or to Reserve:
Call: 603-348-7141 or Email:info@terrapintours.com
Register online! www.TerrapinTours.com
**SPECIAL NOTES REGARDING THIS TOUR:**

- While it is HIGHLY unlikely that we won’t see polar bears while in Churchill, they are wild animals and sightings cannot be guaranteed.
- Be prepared for winter weather! **Average** temperatures range from 15-40 degrees Fahrenheit in Churchill during the month of October.
- **This itinerary is subject to change.** The itinerary/schedule is based on current and historical air flight times, but the 2018 schedules have not been confirmed yet. Modifications to the schedule are possible, but the dates of the tour will not change. We will make every attempt to book non-stop flights from Montreal for this tour, but connecting flights from Montreal, Boston or alternate airports may be used.
- This itinerary serves as a basic overview of the tour - additional details will be provided once available.

**Day 1 - October 22** - Today we will depart Concord, NH and journey by bus and cross the border into Canada. This afternoon we will fly from Montreal to Winnipeg, Manitoba. **Overnight: Winnipeg** (hotel TBA)

*(PLEASE NOTE: This schedule is subject to change, an overnight stay in Montreal is possible if we are unable to confirm flights to Winnipeg in the late afternoon or early evening).*

**Day 2 - October 23** - Once a fur-trading post and boomtown for the Canadian Pacific Railway, today Manitoba’s capital is its cultural and commercial center at the eastern edge of Canada’s vast prairies. Today, we will discover Winnipeg’s rich historic past and its connection to Churchill through the fur trade during a **guided city tour**.

We’ll also visit the **Manitoba Museum** - an award-winning heritage and edutainment center featuring a planetarium and a variety of touring and specialty exhibits. The museum is noted for the dramatic walk-through settings among nine spectacular permanent galleries. From the Nonsuch, a replica of a full-size 17th century ship that sailed the world, to the Urban Gallery, a trip back through time to the roaring ’20s, to the dramatic Orientation Gallery with its recreation of an early bison hunt, a trip to the museum is a journey through Manitoba’s past, present, and future. **Overnight: Winnipeg** (hotel TBA)

**Day 3 - October 24** – Today we will have additional time for sightseeing and exploration in Winnipeg. A highlight will be a visit to the **Assiniboine Park Zoo** which features the Journey to Churchill exhibit - one of the world’s best Arctic zoo exhibits. Your journey starts with a tour of the 10 acre exhibit, where you’ll get unobstructed views of a variety of northern species, including one of Canada’s most iconic animals - the polar bear. Then join a member of the animal care team behind the scenes to learn about the care of our arctic species including polar bears, musk ox and snowy owls. You’ll visit the Sea Ice Passage underwater viewing tunnels where polar bears can be found swimming and playing in the water overhead. **Overnight: Winnipeg** (hotel TBA)

**Day 4 - October 25** – Today we will bid farewell to Winnipeg before checking in for our chartered flight to Churchill! Marvel in the ever-changing landscape as we fly to the edge of the Arctic. This hospitable frontier town, originally a Hudson’s Bay Company fur-trading post, is our base for adventure. We’ll check into our lodge this evening and enjoy an included welcome dinner. *(Flight schedule TBA)* **Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge, Churchill**

**Day 5 & 6 - October 26 & 27** – Welcome to the Polar Bear Capital of the World! Churchill is one of the few human settlements where polar bears can be observed in the wild. Each fall, the world’s greatest concentration of polar bears convenes at the edge of Hudson Bay, waiting for the ice to form and their winter seal-hunting season to begin.

During our **3-night stay at the lodge**, prepare to be wowed! Each day we’ll explore the amazing Hudson Bay coastline observing the majestic Polar Bear up close and personal. Along the way, look for Arctic Fox, Arctic Hare, Camouflaged Ptarmigan and other wildlife. We’ll also have a **Dog Mushing Experience** (evening) and a **Culture and Heritage Tour** of historic Churchill, Manitoba. After each day’s adventures, we’ll return home to our cozy wood-fire heated log lodge, sumptuous local cuisine and warm rooms with comfy beds and all the modern amenities.

We’ll have **two days** of exploration on the Tundra tracking along the coastline in Arctic Crawlers™- custom-built Tundra vehicles - that will take us into the **Churchill Wildlife Management Area**. We will go to the polar bear gathering spot where the bears wait for the winter icepack to freeze on the Hudson Bay. Curious and far from shy, the bears will sometimes come right alongside the vehicles to sneak a peek at their visitors.
During our stay at the Lodge, the Cultural and Heritage Tour takes you to Churchill and the surrounding area. You will explore the various historic sites including Cape Merry, the Polar Bear Jail (outside), the famous plane crash site of "Miss Piggy", and many other historic spots that make Churchill the town it is today.

Your evening Dog Mushing experience includes an approximate 1-2-mile dog mushing ride. The ride will be on sleds if there is snow, and on wheels if there is none. Since the dogs love to run, either ride will be exhilarating! Inside a warm tent with fresh bannock, local berry jam, coffee, hot chocolate and tea, you will learn how the dogs are trained, plus hear many entertaining stories. *(Included in cost, but optional - you can relax in the tent or back at the lodge if you choose not to participate).*

In Churchill, the Northern Lights can make an appearance about 300 out of 365 days a year, so if weather permits, there may also be an opportunity to see them.

Day 7 - October 28 – Today we will bid farewell to Churchill after our final exploration of the area. We will return via our chartered flight to Winnipeg and check into our hotel. **Overnight: Winnipeg** (hotel TBA)

Day 8 - October 29 – Today we will fly from Winnipeg back to Montreal. Upon arrival we will board our coach for the return trip to New Hampshire. *(PLEASE NOTE: This is subject to change, we may fly into an alternate airport if necessary)*

**ABOUT THE LAZY BEAR LODGE:** Selected as one of North America’s top hotels by *National Geographic Traveler* magazine’s annual Stay List. At Lazy Bear Lodge, the thrill of the arctic doesn't end when you return to the Lodge. That’s because the Lodge itself is an authentic northern wonder! Lazy Bear Lodge is located at 313 Kelsey Blvd., which is Churchill’s main street. A walk across the town of Churchill is approximately 15 minutes one way. The Eskimo Museum and Canada Parks Museum as well as several gift shops are within walking distance. At Lazy Bear, you'll have all the modern amenities you need, situated in an authentic northern lodge, creating a warm and comfortable environment in the midst of the wilderness. The Lazy Bear Café serves local specialties and an on-site espresso bar add to the lodge’s list of amenities.

**TOUR COST:** $6,995 per person *(Double/Sharing a Room)*  
**Single Rate:** $8,490

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• Three nights at Lazy Bear Lodge in Churchill • Two Arctic Crawler™ excursions • Cultural and Heritage Tour of the Churchill area with local guide • Dog Mushing experience *(optional)* • Naturalist Tour Guide while in Churchill • City Sightseeing Tour in Winnipeg • Admission to the Manitoba Museum • Admission to the Assiniboine Park Zoo & Journey to Churchill Exhibit • 14 Meals: 7 Breakasts, 3 Lunches, 4 Dinners - schedule to be determined • Services of a professional tour director

**REMAINDER:** All passengers MUST carry a valid U.S. Passport to travel between the United States and Canada. Passengers without proper documentation will be denied boarding and refunds will not be given. Travelers convicted of a felony or misdemeanor will not be allowed to cross the border. *(Please Note: U.S. Passport Cards are NOT acceptable for international air travel.)* If you are not a U.S. Citizen, it is your responsibility to obtain the required travel documents to enter Canada. Please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**  Failure to make payments as scheduled can result in cancellation of your reservation and refunds will not be given. Checks are the preferred method of payment. A 2% surcharge will apply for the use of credit cards on this tour.

- $1000 per person due to secure your reservation  
- October 22, 2017 – 2nd Deposit of $1,500 per person  
- January 22, 2018 – 3rd Deposit of $1,500 per person  
- June 22, 2018 - Final payment due

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** All payments are NON-REFUNDABLE. Cancellation for ANY REASON *(including, but not limited to, illness, injury, family engagements, work-related issues, or geopolitical concerns, etc.)* will result in the forfeit of payments made. *Please understand that there will be no exceptions to our cancellation policy.*

Option Travel Protection is available and encouraged. Plans include insurance benefits and non-insurance worldwide assistance services. Please contact Terrapin Tours for more information regarding optional coverage. Travel Protection is non-refundable after the 14 day free look period.

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