







Europe & Atlantic Isles  
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# Roots of the Atlantic: Portugal, Morocco and the Canary Islands

Experience the diverse beauty and history of the Atlantic’s most captivating shores where European and African influences intertwine, shaped by the tides of culture, commerce and resilience. From the hills of Lisbon to the volcanic peaks of Cabo Verde and the vibrant streets of Dakar, trace the path of explorers, traders and storytellers on a voyage that spans continents and centuries. Stand beneath inspiring architectural wonders in Casablanca like the Hassan II Mosque, hike through the lava-carved landscapes of Teide and Fogo and wander markets alive with the colors and rhythms of West Africa.

From  
**A\$ 21,261** / per person  
 Does not include flights

 <b>DATES</b> Oct	 <b>DURATION</b> 15 Days
 <b>SHIPS</b> <i>National Geographic Endurance</i>	
 <b>STARTS AT</b> Lisbon, Portugal	  <b>ENDS AT</b> Dakar, Senegal

## Highlights

- ★ Explore Casablanca's bustling market in Old Medina, then marvel at the vibrant mosaics, marble inlays and hand-carved stonework of Hassan II Mosque, an architectural masterpiece set against the ocean
- ★ Discover Madeira's diverse flora and fauna, from its emblematic bird of paradise flower to rare monk seals, while immersing yourself in the island's Portuguese heritage and centuries-old architecture
- ★ Hike the dramatic volcanic landscapes of Fogo and Cabo Verde, shaped by recent lava flows, and visit Portela, a resilient village rebuilt atop hardened lava
- ★ In the Canary Islands, stand beneath Spain's highest peak and trek through Teide National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that's home to awe-inspiring volcanic peaks





# Day by day

## ■ DAY 1

### Lisbon, Portugal / Embark Ship

Arrive in Lisbon on an overnight flight. The capital of Portugal, Lisbon maintains a reputation as one of Europe's most vibrant and charismatic cities, with captivating history, art, culture and delectable cuisine. Transfer from the airport to the city and spend the day exploring at your own pace. Check in with the hospitality desk this afternoon before embarking the *National Geographic Endurance* in the late afternoon.

**Arrival time:** Arrive before 3:00 p.m. local time.

**Arrival City:** Lisbon, Portugal

Meals included: dinner

## ◇ DAY 2

### Portimão

Portimão is the gateway to Portugal's southernmost province, the Algarve, known for its picturesque beaches, whitewashed villages, lush farmlands and remnants of Moorish culture. Travel north into the countryside to explore Moorish castles and remains of this cultural history dating from the 8th century. Or, spend the afternoon exploring the sea caves of the Algarve coast by small boat or hiking the striking coastline along limestone cliffs dotted with unique rock formations and arches.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

## ◇ DAY 3

### Casablanca, Morocco

Meaning 'White House' in Spanish, Casablanca is the largest city in Morocco and a hub of industry on Africa's west coast. The architecture of the city is an eclectic blend of influences from the Moors, French, Art Deco era and more. Explore

the bustling Old Medina, alive with activity and an array of whitewashed buildings on twisting cobbled streets. Stroll along the Corniche, the popular boardwalk by the sea. Witness the vast beauty of Hassan II Mosque, built on an outcrop jutting out over the ocean.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

## ◇ DAYS 4-5

### Agadir / At Sea

Nestled between the foothills of the Atlas Mountains and the Atlantic Ocean, Agadir is one of Morocco's most modern cities. Destroyed by a major earthquake in 1960, the city has been rebuilt to its current vitality while retaining its rich history. A beautiful example of this is La Medina d'Agadir which was recreated in the 1990s using traditional Berber methods. Overlooking the city, The kasbah is one of the few structures that survived the quake. Hike to the top to take in stunning views and the medieval architecture of this fortress.

Alternatively, spend time exploring Souss-Massa where birders will delight in the many species who call this region's estuaries, grassy dunes and shoreside habitats home.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

## ◇ DAY 6

### Funchal, Madeira, Portugal

Arrive in enchanting Madeira, a subtropical island abloom in flora. First settled by the Portuguese in 1419, the island's capital city of Funchal is filled with a trove of architecture from the 15th through the 19th centuries. Spend the day exploring the winding streets on a guided tour.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAYS 7-8

## La Palma, Canary Islands, Spain / Tenerife

Drop anchor in the azure waters of the Canary Islands, which occupied a central place in the history of Atlantic exploration. The island of La Palma is known as La Isla Bonita, or “the pretty island,” for its lushly forested mountain slopes set against crystal-clear waters. More recently, the island experienced volcanic activity that gave birth to the Atlantic ridge. Take in fantastic island views and experience the contrasts between the lush hillsides and the newly created lava moonscape.

Then visit Tenerife, the largest of the Canary Islands. Explore the winding streets of the historic district or hike the trails of the Teide National Park—a UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to the impressive Mount Teide, the highest volcanic peak in Spain.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAYS 9-10

## At Sea

Soak up the serenity of these days at sea as the ship sails south across the Tropic of Cancer. Visit the Bridge to learn about navigation from your captain, enjoy time in the spa, listen to one of the amazing staff presentations or relax with a book on the observation deck.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 11

## Fogo, Cabo Verde

Today, arrive at Sao Filipe, the capital city on the western side of the island of Fogo. The striking landscape here has been shaped and transformed by lava flows from its namesake volcano, Pico do Fogo, most recently in 2015. Visit Portela, one of

the villages that was swallowed up by lava in that eruption. The locals have since reclaimed the land, rebuilding and restoring their restaurants, shops and homes.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 12

## Praia

Start the day in this island paradise with a walking tour of the old town center or “Plateau.” Learn about the island’s rich history as you discover the colonial influence on the architecture of the Presidential Palace and Main Square. Explore the open-air market where displays of local fruits and vegetables are works of natural art.

Travel via bus to Cidade Velha, the historic center of Ribeira Grande and the first city built by the Portuguese in Africa. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the ruins tell the story of the buildings that protected the city against pirates, provided sanctuary within the cathedral and convent and supported everyday life with the thatched roofs of Banana Street.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAYS 13-14

## At Sea / Dakar, Senegal

Following a day at sea, arrive early evening in the capital of Senegal, Dakar a city often referred to as the cultural center of French-speaking West Africa. You’ll discover a mosaic of traditions, cuisines, dance and architecture along with Senegalese music which is a blend of many ethnic influences. Enjoy an onboard concert from local musicians for a sample of this lively, invigorating sound.

Explore the remains of the colonial architecture of Île de Goree (Goree Island), a UNESCO World Heritage Site and center of slave trade to the Americas. Test your bartering skills at the massive Sandaga Market where you can find local crafts,

textiles and more. Spend some quiet time exploring Dakar Grand Mosque, built by French and Moroccan architects. Adorned in glazed Moroccan tiles, it's one of the most important religious centers in the city.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

## ■ DAY 15

### Dakar / Disembark Ship

Disembark in Dakar and transfer to the airport for flights home.

**Departure Time:** Depart after 12:00 p.m. local time.

**Departure City:** Dakar, Senegal

Meals included: breakfast

## Expedition

Lisbon, Portugal → Dakar, Senegal

### 2026 DEPARTURE DATES

Aboard *National Geographic Endurance*

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## National Geographic Endurance

GUESTS

138

CABINS

76

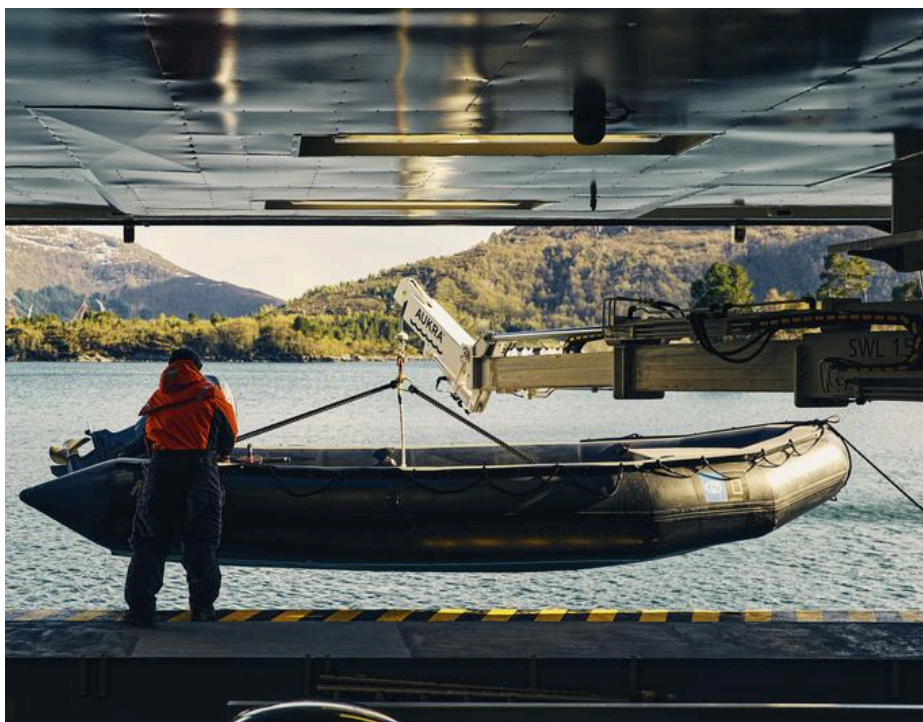
**The most advanced ice-class expedition ship afloat, the *National Geographic Endurance* offers unprecedented access to polar regions.**

The first new polar build in Lindblad's 50-year history, *National Geographic Endurance* is named to honor explorer Ernest Shackleton and his legendary Transantarctic Expedition.

A fully-stabilized vessel of the highest ice class (PC5 Category A), she will enable adventurous guests to go where few have or can. Endurance's most striking exterior feature is her distinctive profile, the patented X-Bow®, a game-changing design that guarantees the smoothest, most comfortable ride in all kinds of conditions; and since it eliminates bow impact, a quieter ride, as well.

An equally impressive feature may well be her capacity: she carries just 138 guests, a commitment to expedition excellence over scale. Scandinavian-inflected, luxuriously appointed, her inviting interiors would be a destination in themselves. Because she is a Lindblad expedition ship, however, her attention is focused on the world outside –with acres of window glass to keep you connected to the stunning views beyond the pane, and a fleet of expedition tools to get you out exploring.

*National Geographic Endurance* and *National Geographic Resolution* are next-generation expedition ships, purpose-built for polar navigation. Fully stabilized, highly strengthened, ice-class Polar Code PC5 (Category A) vessels, they are designed to navigate polar passages year-round, and safely explore uncharted waters, while providing exceptional comfort. The patented X-bow<sup>®</sup> is key to their design; its powerful wave-slicing action provides an extremely smooth ride even in adverse conditions, and even reduces spray on deck for superior observation. They carry a full suite of expedition tools and offer a variety of experience-enhancing amenities.



# Cabin Categories

## Category 1

FORE DECK #406, 408, 411, 413, 415

Fore Deck, with two large windows, two singles that can convert to a queen, armchair, writing desk and chair, two bedside tables, window sofa and a closet.



## Category 2

FORE DECK #410, 412, 414, 416-419, 421-427

Fore Deck, with two large windows, two single beds that can convert to a queen, window sofa, 2 seat sofa, coffee table, armchair, writing desk with an office chair, two bedside tables and a closet.



## Category 3

MAIN DECK #512, 514-524

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; two single beds that convert to a queen, convertible sleeper sofa, writing desk with a chair, two bedside tables and a closet.



## Category 4

LOUNGE DECK #608, 610, 612, 613-623

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; two single beds that convert to a queen, convertible sleeper sofa, writing desk with a chair, two bedside tables and a closet.



## Category 5

BRIDGE DECK #700-707, 712, 713, 715, 717

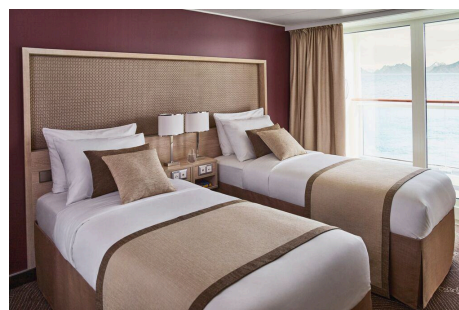
Cabin with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; two single beds that convert to a queen; convertible sleeper sofa; coffee table; writing desk with chair; two bedside tables; and a closet.



## Category 6

BRIDGE DECK #714

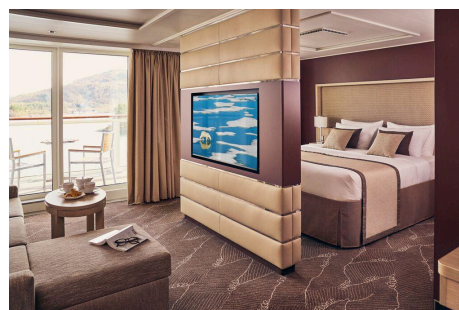
Junior suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and table; two single beds that convert to a queen; pull-out sofa; writing desk with chair; two bedside tables; coffee table; espresso maker; and a closet. Guests receive a welcome amenity, complimentary laundry, priority access to one igloo reservation, and one spa appointment per departure.



## Category 7

BRIDGE DECK #708-711, 716, 718, 719, 721

These large balcony suites feature two balcony chairs, hammock, and table; two single beds that can convert to a queen; pull-out sofa; coffee table; writing desk and chair; espresso maker; hammock; and a large walk-in closet with full length mirror. Expanded bathroom has a double vanity, bathtub, towel warmer, and rain shower. Guests receive a welcome amenity, complimentary laundry, priority access to one igloo reservation, and one spa appointment per departure.



## Category A Solo

MAIN DECK #504, 506-511, 513

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs and a table; single bed, writing desk with an office chair, bedside table, and a closet.



## Category B Solo

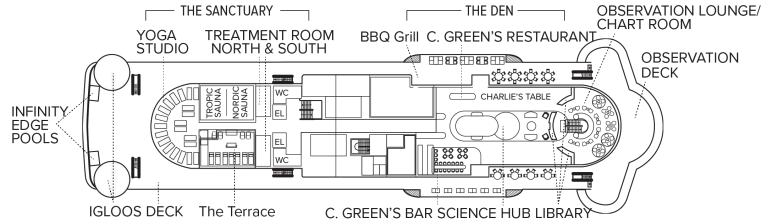
LOUNGE DECK #604-607, 609, 611

Suite with balcony that features two balcony chairs, hammock, and a table; single bed, bedside table, writing desk with chair, hammock, and a closet.



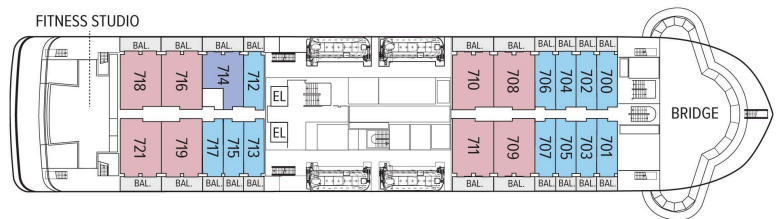
# Deck Plans

## Observation Deck



## Bridge Deck

- Category 5
- Category 6
- Category 7



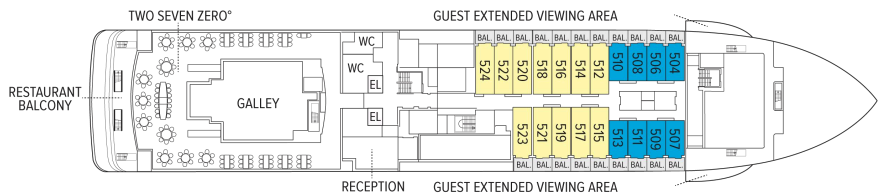
## Lounge Deck

- Category 4
- Category B Solo



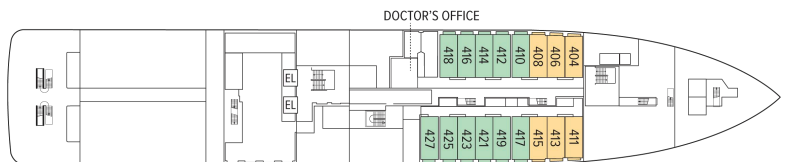
## Main Deck

- Category 3
- Category 2 Solo

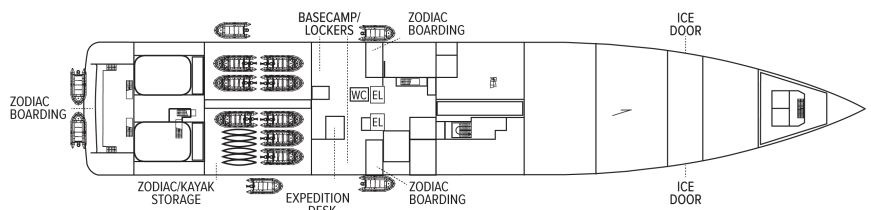


## Fore Deck

- Category 1
- Category 2



## Expedition Deck



# Ship Amenities

## Public Areas

Reception; three dining areas; an observation lounge with bar, gym, wellness area, infinity-style outdoor hot tubs with adjacent igloos; library; main lounge with full service bar, 24-hour beverage station, state-of-the-art tech for films/presentations; OM System photo locker and a photo workshop area; science hub; an onboard broadcast studio; an expedition base with lockers for expedition gear; and open access to the Bridge, Captain, officers and on-duty wildlife spotters.

## Meals

Restaurant 270° features wrap-around views; two other dining areas offer lighter, made-to-order fare or intimate, small group dinners. All feature sustainable choices, local where possible, and unassigned, flexible, inclusive seating.

## Cabins

All cabins face outside with large windows, private bathroom, and climate controls. Cabins are equipped with expedition command centers with iPad tablets, multiple electrical and USB outlets, TVs, with on demand entertainment, phone, Wi-Fi, clock, barometers, hygrometers, vanity mirror, mini refrigerator, small safe, ice bucket, glasses, hair dryer, reading lights and National Geographic Atlas. Luxury linens and pillows. Bathrooms outfitted with rain showers & hand held shower, botanically inspired shampoo, conditioner, shower gel and lotion. Complimentary insulated water bottles. Balcony cabins have hammocks, chairs and table.

## Expedition Equipment

Zodiac landing craft, kayaks, snowshoes, cross-country skis, an ROV and underwater video camera for unique access to the polar undersea, hydrophone, aerial remote-controlled camera and video microscope.

## Special Features

A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, National Geographic-Lindblad Expeditions certified photo instructor and video chronicler, an internet cafe and laundry. A forward and aft staircase, and elevators, reach all decks. Echoing the pioneering installation aboard *National Geographic Endurance*, artist Zaria Forman has curated a new exhibit featuring a wide range of artists.



## Wellness

A glass-enclosed yoga studio, gym, treatment rooms and spa relax area, and high and low-heat saunas with ocean views, staffed by wellness specialists.

## Self-Disinfecting Ships

ACT Clean Coat™ is a light-activated, self-disinfecting cleaning process that continuously breaks down viruses, bacteria, mold, and airborne allergens across all ship surfaces. Not only does this create a cleaner, healthier shipboard environment for guests and crew alike, but this non-toxic, chemical-free system also saves more than one million gallons of water each year in our cleaning procedures, and reduces our carbon footprint as well as the amount of plastic and waste in our supply chain.

## Special Offers

### CELEBRATE LIFE'S MILESTONES

Celebrate a milestone with a group of eight or more and enjoy a special amenity package including: 5% savings on voyage fares, custom group photo, US\$150 shipboard credit for the group, and other special gifts. Milestone celebration to be communicated at time of booking.

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### SAVE 5% TRAVELING AS A GROUP

Save 5% when traveling as a group of 8 or more people. Valid for new bookings only on select departures, subject to availability, not applicable on extensions, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

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### COMBINING OFFERS

Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities, except where noted otherwise.

For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings.

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### 10% OFF BACK-TO-BACK VOYAGES

Save 10% on consecutive departures, applicable on voyage fares only and not valid on extensions or airfare. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

## TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN

We strongly recommend our guests to take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, damage or loss of baggage, medical assistance, and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date, Travel Protection premiums are non-refundable once plan is purchased. Learn more about our Travel Protection "Plus" Plan: <https://www.expeditions.com/terms-conditions/travel-protection-plan/>

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## CANCELLATION POLICY

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