

Wrangel Island — Detailed description

Trip Length: 15 Group: 45-50 Departure: Fixed Period: December - January

Trip overview

Have you ever noticed that nature's true treasures are always hidden from us: the pearl hides in shells in the sea depth, gold and diamonds are mined from the bowels of the earth. And our cruise is not an exception. Wrangel Island is one of the most incredible places on Earth. In spite of technological progress, it remains difficult for humans to access. The harsh Arctic safely hides it from human's eyes.

The only way to visit this biosphere reserve of Wrangel Island is to go on cruise – a true museum of Arctic Flora and Fauna. You will have an opportunity to see the bears and walruses. The route passes through the territories where whales feed themselves and where thousands of birds gather in colonies. The island has the richest diversity of arctic flora, including a unique collection of "cold-resistant" plants. And more to that you will get acquainted with the culture of local people and pass through the legendary Bering Strait.

The cruise is held on board of the ice breaker "The Kapitan Khlebnikov".

Technical description: length - 122 m, width - 26 m, maximum speed - 15 knots, cabins - 51, accommodation - maximum 110 berths expedition.

Highlights

- According to National Geographic magazine this cruise is in the list of 50 best tourist programs
- Visit to Whale Bone Alley
- Visit to the northernmost point of Eurasia, where you can see America
- Animals observation
- Acquaintance with the culture of local peoples
- Time travel opportunity

Tour type

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Difficulty

Easy - nothing more than normal walking while sight-seeing

Comfort

Upgraded — all nights in comfortable rooms.

Beginning / end of the tour

Tour starts: Anadyr, End of the tour: Anadyr

Program

Day 1 — Arrival to Anadyr

10:30 — Meeting in the Anadyr airport

11:00 — Transfer to the port

13:00 — Lunch on board

15:00 — Start of the navigation

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19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 2 — Anadyrsky bay

09:00 — Breakfast

10:00 — Navigation in the Anadyrsky bay

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — First landing

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 3 — Whale Bone Alley

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Landing on the Yttygran island

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Visit of other islands

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 4 — Locals of Chukotka

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Landing near the Dezhnev cape

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Discovery of the Uelen village

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 5 — Kolyuchin island

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Stop near the Kolyuchin island

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 6 — Departure to the Wrangel islands

09:00 — Breakfast

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11:00 — Navigation to the the Wrangel islands

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 7 — Polar Bears

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Polar bear observation

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 8 — Bird-watching

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Stop near the islands

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 9 — Landings on the islands

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Landing by zodiac

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 10 — Day at sea

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Free time on board

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

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Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

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Day 11 — North Siberian coast

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Debarkation of the coast

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 12 — Bird-watching

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Debarkation of the coast

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Animal observation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 13 — Tomorrow and yesterday island

09:00 — Breakfast

10:00 — Debarkation on the Diomed island

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 14 — Day at sea

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Free day

13:00 — Lunch

15:00 — Continuation of the navigation

19:00 — Dinner

Overnight on board

Hotels: Accommodation in the cabin Spirit of enderby, Twin standard cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 15 — Return to Anadyr

09:00 — Breakfast

11:00 — Debarkation in the port of Anadyr

12:00 — Transfer port - airport/hotel

Departures


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Start	End	Basic price per person
08.07.2019	22.07.2019	13125.00 USD
22.07.2019	05.08.2019	13125.00 USD
05.08.2019	19.08.2019	13125.00 USD
06.07.2020	20.07.2020	11300.00 USD
20.07.2020	03.08.2020	11300.00 USD
03.08.2020	17.08.2020	11300.00 USD
17.08.2020	31.08.2020	11300.00 USD

Note

The price of the cruise is fixed in dollars. 2018: The price is given for the Standard Twin Cabin/ for 1 person with simple comfort accommodation. The cabin has 2 beds, wardrobe, drawers, toilet and douche. Port charges - 500 \$. Single supplement: 10 500 \$ 2019: The price is given for the Standard Cabin/ for 1 person with simple comfort accommodation. The cabin has 2 beds, wardrobe, drawers, toilet and douche. Port charges - 500 \$. Single supplement: 9 400 \$ For visiting the Wrangel island the special permission is required. We need at least to ask this permission 40 days before the cruise starts.

What's included

Price includes

- English-speaking guide services
- Accommodation as per itinerary
- Transport as per itinerary
- Meals
- Excursions and visits as per itinerary
- Transfer from airport / railway station on first day
- Transfer to airport / railway station on last day
- Letter of invitation

Price does not include

- Medical insurance
- Personal expenses and tips
- Visa fees and travel insurance
- Beverages
- Airline tickets

Recommended checklist

Sunglasses

Raincoat or wind and waterproof shell jacket (with hood !)

POLARTEC or similar pullover

Windproof waterproof pants and jacket (GORE-TEX, EVENT, SIMPA-TEX)

Long sleeve shirts or sweatshirts

Shorts

T-shirts

Down jacket

Fleece jacket or warm sweater

Comfortable pants

Wool gloves and winter cap

Warm gloves or mittens

Important travel documents: Passport and visa, original or electronic airplane tickets (with a sets of photocopies kept separately), bank card

Binoculars

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Charger and spare battery for camera/phone
Photo / video camera
Tour vouchers and programme
Currency in euros, dollars
Seasickness remedies

Meals

Three meals a day on shipboard, cuisine, based on fresh products and caught fish.
If you are a vegetarian or have any particular preferences, please let us know, so we could adapt the menu.

Visa

You need a tourist visa to travel to Russia. It can be issued for a maximum period of 30 days. Your passport has to be valid for at least six months after the expiry date of your visa and to have at least two blank pages.

BaikalNature offers visa support and has created "BaikalNature letter of invitation" package. If you buy a BaikalNature tour, this package is absolutely free; when you buy any other BaikalNature service, you will have to pay for this package.
For more information please contact your nearest Russian Embassy or Visa Application Center.

Money

The Russian currency is ruble. In all cities and many large villages of Russia, you can easily withdraw rubles, using a Visa or MasterCard, from ATMs, located in banks, department stores or hotel lobbies, some of them are open 24 hours a day. If you have euros or dollars with you, exchange offices will allow you to change them easily in the cities, seldom in the countryside. However, it can be difficult to exchange traveler's checks, even in cities.

Tipping

All persons who compose the BaikalNature travel team (guides, drivers, cooks, etc.) are paid a decent wage for their services and do not expect any tips from you. So you have no obligation to leave anything. If you really want to express your satisfaction by leaving a gratuity, and if it is in foreign currency, be aware that torn or glued coins and banknotes cannot be exchanged. Anyway, thank you for your tips, left at your discretion in envelopes.

Health

No compulsory vaccination.
You need to get a health examination before a great trip. Consult your doctor. Get a dental checkup. If you have health problems that could worsen during the trip, make sure you have taken all your medications with you.

Medical Form

No particular physical condition is required.

Emergency Contact

You can contact BaikalNature by phone: +73952 26 56 94.
In addition, your call will be forwarded to your manager, reachable 7/7.

Legal Mentions

Professional Guarantees: BaikalNature LLC (ООО "БайкалНейче"), United Federal Register of Tour Operators number: RTO 009402.
Financial Guarantee: "Gaide insurance company" JSC (АО "Страховая компания Гайде"). Insurance contract N 7902/20-49 from October 08, 2020. Amount of coverage: 500 000 RUB. Legal and actual address: BaikalNature LLC 119A Dekabrskikh Sobyti Str., office 13 664007 Irkutsk Russia

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Cancellation Options

Cancellation policy:

If cancelled more than 180 days before embarkation – refundable deposit minus \$ 1500 (processing fee)

179-121 days before embarkation – non-refundable deposit

Less than 121 days before embarkation -100% of cruise price is non-refundable

Travel Insurance

In addition to your personal insurance, you have an opportunity to purchase local insurance. Please, do not hesitate to ask us about our services.

Security

The travelers' security is our primary aim and also the long-term reputation of our travel agency. First-aid kit, adapted for this tour, is available at your guide.

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