



the island beneath the ice has sunk to a depth of 1,180 feet below sea level. Around the edges of Greenland, the ice sheet spills over, forming thousands of glaciers that have sculpted the coast into deep fjords and dramatic landscapes.

AT SEA

Sunday, August 24

As the *Peregrine Mariner* cruises north along the coast of Greenland, relax on board and enjoy lectures by expert study leaders.

Coastal Greenland meets the sea alongside towering cliffs of ancient rock and walls of glacial ice. Join naturalists on deck to look for the numerous marine mammals inhabiting Greenlandic waters. Watch for beluga whales and spiral-tusked narwhals as well as pilot, fin, orcas, and blue whales. Also look for walrus, sea lions, hooded seals, bearded seals, and harp seals, a mainstay of Inuit life. Observe some of the 150 species of birds that breed on or near the shore, among them cormorants, puffins, and guillemots.



Top to Bottom:
Greenland Glacier;
Disko Bay Iceberg

ARRIVE OTTAWA, CANADA / SONDRE STROMFJORD, GREENLAND / EMBARK

Friday & Saturday, August 22 & 23

On Friday, take independent flights to Ottawa. Upon arrival, you will be met and taken to the Fairmont Chateau Laurier for a welcome reception and dinner. On Saturday morning, take a group charter flight to Søndre Strømfjord, Greenland, where you embark the *Peregrine Mariner*. This evening, observe the dramatic, mountainous cliffs lining this impressive fjord, the longest in the world. Most of Greenland lies under a vast ice sheet up to 9,800 feet thick, a burden so great that the interior of

ILLULISSAT / DISKO BAY

Monday, August 25

The Illulissat Glacier moves an astounding 100 feet each day and calves an iceberg into Disko Bay about every five minutes. Board Zodiacs to witness up close the immense bergs—castles of ice—that are born here and drift south. Choose an optional helicopter flight along the 30-mile, ice-filled fjord leading to the glacier. Later, enjoy a guided walk through Illulissat village and over the tundra to vantage points overlooking this incomparable ice field.



Greenland Fjord