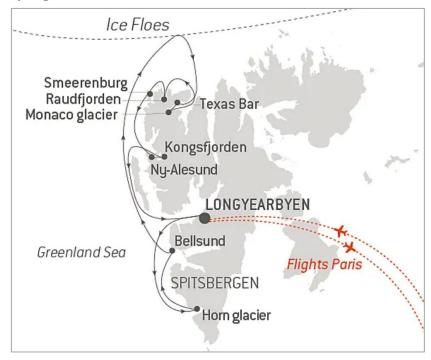
# FJORDS AND GLACIERS OF SPITSBERGEN



You will lift the anchor in Longyearbyen, where colorful wooden homes dot the landscape with a human presence that will certainly be the last you see for a while. The sea rolls on, and the white-striped mountains, which gave the region its name, rise up from deeply tinted waters. The polar light combines with the changing weather of the Arctic, a big blue sky, the horizon scattered with clouds, the enveloping mist erasing the border between the land and the sea: these variations all provide the magical, almost surreal, setting with new nuances. **Included round-trip flight from Paris.** 



**DATES: 2025 – JUN** 7, 14, 15B, 21, 22B, 28, 29B | **JUL** 5, 12, 19

**2026 – JUN** 13, 20, 27 | **JUL** 4, 11, 18, 25

**DURATION:** 8-DAYS/7-NIGHTS

EMBARK: LONGYEARBYEN
DISEMBARK: LONGYEARBYEN

**SHIP:** LE LYRIAL **B**=LE BOREAL

FROM: \$9,910
AFTER 30% SAVINGS
NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

# **HIGHLIGHTS**

- A cruise to discover the riches of Svalbard, in search of mysterious wild fauna, in the comfort of an exceptional ship.
- Outings and shore visits in zodiac inflatables with a team of experienced naturalist guides.
- The possibility of hiking on the island, between tundra, beaches and glaciers.
- The history of Spitsbergen connected to hunting and fishing, the mining industry and polar exploration, with the possibility of discovering Ny-Alesund.
- Discovering the incredible geology of Spitsbergen, easily observable with the naked eye due to the archipelago's short vegetation.
- Scenic sailing past glaciers or cliffs, inside huge fjords, between dazzling blue sky or mysterious polar mist.
- Landscapes: rugged mountains, icebergs, ice caps, deep valleys, striated cliffs, vertiginous walls, gigantic glaciers, glacier fronts, tundra and the possibility of observing the ice floe.
- Wildlife: polar bears, Arctic foxes, Svalbard reindeer, walruses, bearded seals, harbor seals, Arctic fulmars, Arctic terns, blacklegged kittiwakes, eiders, guillemots, blue whales, minke whales, orcas.

**ITINERARY** - We can arrange air, and pre- and post-cruise arrangements for you.

**DAY 1 – June 20, 2026 - Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen** Embarkation from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM Departure at 6:00 PM

Your included flight from Paris will arrive in Longyearbyen this afternoon. Transfer is provided to the ship. Settle into your suite.



Longyearbyen is the capital of the Norwegian Svalbard archipelago, located on Svalbard's main island, and is the northernmost territorial capital on the planet. With winter temperatures dropping to below 40°C, the landscapes of this mining town are simply breathtaking. The glaciers, the mountains stretching as far as the eye can see and the untouched nature, make you feel like you're in completely unexplored territory.



DAYS 2-3 - June 21-22, 2026 - South-West Region of Spitsbergen

Set sail for southwest Spitsbergen, immerse yourself in this environment unlike any other and explore its unexpected riches. In this natural sanctuary, the polar light combines with the changing weather of the Arctic, a big blue sky, the horizon scattered with clouds, the enveloping mist erasing the border between the land and the sea. Follow in the footsteps of the first explorers and admire the majestic fjords and glaciers sculpting the breathtaking landscapes, their icy waters shimmering beneath the midnight sun. The fjords, veritable cathedrals of ice, reveal their millennial secrets, while the glaciers, like sleeping giants, move slowly towards the sea, setting free sparkling icebergs. On the water, you might spot belugas and rorquals, while on the shores, seals and Arctic foxes add a touch of mystery to this living tableau, where the steep cliffs become breeding grounds for thousands of seabirds, like guillemots.





DAY 4 - June 23, 2026 - Sailing toward the ice floes

Your captain will sail right up to the limit of the ice, to the edge of the ice floe. Weather conditions and state of the ice allowing, you will be able to go out in a zodiac dinghy for a unique experience in the middle of these floating slabs of ice. In addition to this grandiose journey through the middle of these floes with their cut and blue-tinged edges, sometimes over 2 meters thick, it is also often an opportunity to see a particular kind of fauna, totally dependent on the ice floe: birds, seals and polar bears.



DAYS 5-6 - June 24-25, 2026 - North-West region of Spitsbergen

A kingdom of contrasts and natural marvels dotted with islands and peninsulas, northwest Spitsbergen fascinates with its preserved beauty. On these pristine lands, infinity unveils itself, treating the eyes to beauty sculpted by nature and enhanced by the changing light. The fjords bathed by icy waters, the jagged mountains and the imposing glaciers stand majestically before you, like monumental sculptures. In these lands, where souls are filled with deep serenity, only the murmur of broken ice, bearing mysteries and legends, disturbs the calmness. Aboard our Zodiacs and in the company of naturalist-guides, get as close as possible to this unique fauna and discover this centre for scientific expedition departures. In the distance, majestic whales glide silently through the

glacial waters, whereas seals, walrus and Arctic foxes add a playful touch of life. As Svalbard reindeer wander the vast expanses, Arctic terns liven up the polar sky with their gracious flight and polar bears, which you may be lucky enough to see, patrol magnificently along the icy shores.



DAY 7 - June 26, 2026 - Ny-Alesund, Spitsbergen

During your cruise, discover Ny-Ålesund, a former mining town that has been transformed into a scientific base. Founded in 1916, this small town was the departure point for many Arctic expeditions, including those of the famous explorer Roald Amundsen. Don't miss a visit to the museum and its famous post office, considered to be the most northerly in the world!



DAY 89 - June 27, 2026 - Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Arrival early morning - Disembarkation at 8:00 AM After breakfast, you will transfer to the airport for your included flight to Paris, France.



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# **Deck Plan**

(Except Deck 3 Superior)

# **BOOK EARLY FOR 30% Savings.**

Rates are per person, Double Occupancy.

# Pre- and Post-Cruise tours are available to suit your interests.

# **Included features:**

- Round-trip air Paris-Longyearbyen-Paris
- All accommodations, meals, and excursion described above
- Gratuities to crew, guides and drivers on included excursions
- Comprehensive 7-night cruise aboard the deluxe Le Lyrial or Le Boreal, with all the amenities for which Ponant ships are famous.

### Not included:

- Meals and beverages other than those specified above
- Optional excursions
- Personal expenses (such as laundry, telephone, etc.)

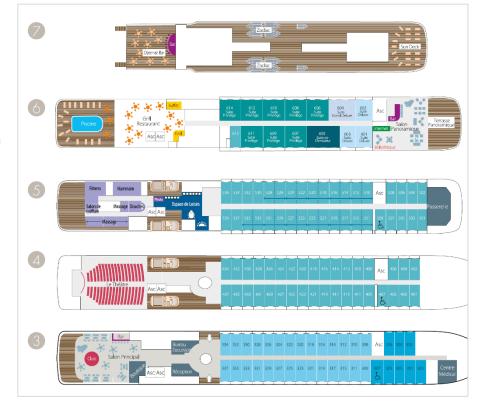
# Rates subject to change without notice.



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RATES – Per person	2025 - Save 25% Jun 7-21; Jul 5	2025 - Save 30% Jun 22-Jul 19	2026 Save 30%
Superior – Deck 3	\$11,170	\$10,620	\$9,910
Deluxe – Deck 3	\$11,890	\$11,290	\$10,560
Prestige – Deck 4	\$12,930	\$12,260	\$11,480
Prestige – Deck 5	\$13,440	\$12,740	\$11,940
Presitige – Deck 6	\$14,060	\$13,310	\$12,480
Deluxe Ste – Deck 6	\$18,610	\$17,560	\$16,520
Prestige Ste – Dk 5	\$24,290	\$22,860	\$21,570
Privilege Ste – Dk 6	\$25,420	\$23,920	\$22,580
Grand Deluxe – Dk 6	\$28,830	\$27,100	\$25,610
Grand Privilege	\$33,690	\$32,500	\$29,930
OWNER SUITE	47,410	\$47,410	\$44,930