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CANADA'S MOST EXCLUSIVE POLAR BEAR LODGES



POLAR BEAR PHOTO SAFARI

7 Days, 6 Nights trip to Seal River Heritage Lodge

\$9730 per person aud

Includes roundtrip airfare between Winnipeg, Churchill, and Lodge
Wildlife viewing ~ Expert guides ~ Aerial tours ~ Tundra treks ~ Specializing in ground level photography

Seal River Eco-Lodge Features

Wildly rugged and remote - this tundra coastal lodge provides the discerning photographer the ability to dedicate long days in the field getting up close and personal with Arctic Wildlife. Ground level photo opportunities are offered for arctic wildlife, including polar bears, in a pristine untrammelled wilderness setting in the heart of polar bear country. Polar bears, caribou, and Arctic fox in a backdrop of stunning sea and landscapes. Our Lodge's shoreline location is ideal for photographing bears on ice and snow. Custom polar bear photo adventures for singles to small groups.

Seal River Eco-Lodge offers:

- ❖ Unlimited photography time, best light
- ❖ Ground level photo opportunities for Arctic wildlife including polar bears
- ❖ Exceptional number of clear nights for northern light photography
- ❖ Highest number of sunshine days on the coast, best morning and evening light
- ❖ Finest food and wine in the Arctic. Mealtimes will be adjusted or delayed as required to ensure maximum photo opportunities
- ❖ Professionally led instructional photo safaris on request

Your journey of exploration and adventure will take place at Seal River Heritage Lodge. Our Lodges are the first remote Eco-Lodges on the Hudson Bay coast, north of Churchill, in the heart of polar bear country.

2010 Polar Bear Photo Safari Itinerary

Day 1 – ARRIVE IN WINNIPEG FOR YOUR OVERNIGHT STAY

Arrive in Winnipeg where you will enjoy a relaxing stay at our choice hotel. You'll need your rest for your early morning departure to Churchill. At 6:00pm a dinner will be held at the Four Points Sheraton where you will meet your group and your adventure specialist.

Day 2 – AN ARCTIC ARRIVAL AND AERIAL TOUR

Arrive in Churchill by air where one of our expert staff will meet you at the airport and will provide you with an orientation to the tour including a clothing check (in order to crosscheck your "What to Bring" list as provided to you in email and in your Adventure Album). You will then be transferred by fixed wing aircraft or helicopter to our Seal River Heritage Lodge. This exciting flight takes you out over the historic Churchill River, and then northwest up the rugged Hudson Bay coast to Canada's most exclusive Polar Bear viewing properties. Keep a sharp eye out en route for caribou, moose, seals, wolves and of course the "Great Ice Bears". Upon your arrival, your hosts will provide a tour of the Lodge and get you settled into your room. A thorough orientation on travelling in polar bear country will be provided prior to any outings. Then it's time to assemble all those priceless cameras, hard drives, and tripods and start burning some serious gigabytes!

Day 3 - 5 – TUNDRA TREKKING, POLAR BEARS, AND PRICELESS PHOTOGRAPHY!

Our Seal River Heritage Lodge is a wildly rugged and remote location catering to the dedicated wildlife photographer willing to spend long hours in the field getting up close and personal with the arctic wildlife. Ground level photo opportunities are offered for arctic wildlife including polar bears in a pristine wilderness setting. We ARE in the heart of polar bear country! Your photos will have stunning backdrops with the sea and or landscapes surrounding the Lodge. Its shoreline location is ideal for photographing bears on snow and ice. Furthermore we have an exceptional number of clear nights for northern lights photography.

As we mentioned in the features our gourmet meal service times will be adjusted to accommodate photo opportunities which are the priority so expect many a meal to be interrupted. Generally breakfast is served at 8:00 am, lunch as required; with appetizers at 6:00 pm followed by a veritable feast for the palate at 7:00 pm. Evenings are spent near the fireplace downloading images, sharing the day's adventures, or taking in an informative lecture or slide show. Bedtime is at your leisure. The entire Lodge area is patrolled for polar bears all night by one of our night watchmen so be prepared to have your sleep cut short by a nocturnal visit by one of the Great Ice Bears (or by one of our dazzling displays of northern lights!).

Day 6 – SAY GOODBYE TO THE LODGE!

After another hearty breakfast and it is time to pack for the flight back to Churchill, say good-byes and snap a few more pictures. After another exciting aerial tour, you'll arrive in Churchill where your bags will be stored for you until your flight back to Winnipeg later in the day. You are then free to explore and wine & dine in this frontier community at your leisure. We recommend local places such as Cape Merry, the Port of Churchill, the Eskimo Museum, the Polar Bear Holding Compound (otherwise known as the Polar Bear Jail), as well as the Parks Canada exhibit which are all of great interest. Dog sledding and helicopter charters fit nicely into this afternoon if you're so inclined. If you are interested in a dog sledding tour please book through us so we can ensure you arrive in Churchill in time for your tour departure. We work with Blue Sky Mushing and you can visit their website at www.blueskymush.com. For aerial tours you can contact Hudson Bay Helicopters at info@hudsonbayheli.com or by phone at 204-675-2576. You will be provided with a \$30.00 dinner voucher. The participating restaurants will be outlined on the voucher. After dinner you will meet up with our expeditor and you will be transferred to the airport in preparation for your flight back to Winnipeg. Upon your arrival into Winnipeg you will check back into the Four Points Sheraton for the night.

Day 7 – TIME FOR REALITY...

After a restful sleep you will pack your bags in preparation for your flight home. You will also enjoy a breakfast at your hotel before your trip back to reality. If you've not had enough bear action for one lifetime, ask us about our Birds, Bears & Belugas adventure which takes place in July and August annually where instead of this...

Your photographs might look more like this...

Package Inclusions- All accommodations and transfers required within the package dates are included in the cited price.

Meal inclusions are as follows:

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
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