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EXPEDITIONS

July 7-14, 2027 | Aboard the *National Geographic Orion*

SPECIAL OFFER: 5% GROUP SAVINGS



Dear Traveler,

Rising from the heart of the North Atlantic, the Azores are a world apart—nine volcanic islands where emerald-green hills tumble toward the sea, fishing villages cling to dramatic coastlines and life unfolds at an unhurried pace. Shaped by powerful natural forces and centuries of maritime history, this remote Portuguese archipelago is one of Europe's most rewarding places to explore.

We invite you to join us aboard the intimate *National Geographic Orion* for an immersive exploration of these remarkable islands. Carrying just 102 guests, this elegant expedition vessel is ideally suited to navigating the Azores, allowing us to venture beyond conventional cruise routes and experience the archipelago at a more meaningful pace. Equipped with Zodiacs and kayaks, the ship offers exceptional access to remote coastlines, hidden coves and communities where life remains deeply connected to the sea.

Throughout the voyage, a veteran expedition team of naturalists, cultural specialists and a National Geographic Photographer will help bring the islands vividly to life. Their insights illuminate the geology, ecology and culture of the archipelago, while expert photography guidance helps you capture the beauty and character of these remarkable islands.

Equally memorable are the opportunities to connect with local culture. From family-run vineyards and artisanal food traditions to communities dedicated to sustainable stewardship of their natural environment, the Azores offer a rich sense of place that is increasingly rare to find.

This is a voyage that blends discovery, culture and natural beauty in equal measure, revealing a timeless Atlantic world. I hope you will be able to join us **July 7-14, 2027**. To make your reservation, please email groups@expeditions.com or call **833-985-1261**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tricia' followed by a stylized surname.

Tricia Essenpreis
Director,
Forever Buffs Engagement & Outreach



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8 Days | From \$8,645pp

July 7-14, 2027 | *National Geographic Orion*

Towering basalt peaks, steaming hot springs, emerald-green pastures, a rich seafaring legacy and world-class wines and cuisine—this is the vibrant spirit of the Azores, Portugal's dramatically beautiful Atlantic archipelago. Journey into the North Atlantic to discover these hidden isles, each with its own distinct rhythm. Hike along crater lakes and rugged cliffs, and encounter Azorean communities whose culture reflects centuries of resilience, ingenuity and abundance.



Day 1 • Ponta Delgada, Azores, Portugal / Embark Ship

Day 2 • Pico / Faial

Day 3 • Faial

Day 4 • São Jorge

Day 5 • Terceira

Day 6 • Santa Maria

Day 7 • Ponta Delgada

Day 8 • Ponta Delgada / Disembark Ship

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

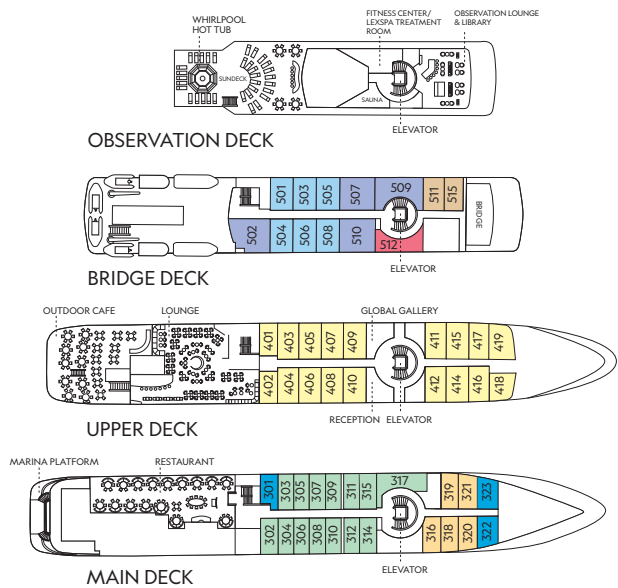
- Search for marine life, follow scenic hiking trails and learn of the volcanic history unique to the Azores.
- Soak up Azorean culture, sampling local wine and cheese, and dine on a delectable local specialty: a stew cooked underground by volcanic heat.
- Discover the varied past and the stories of explorers, whalers and conquerors who all had a part in weaving the tapestry of island history.
- Experience the commitment residents have to sustainable growth and protecting the natural beauty and ecosystems of the archipelago.



National Geographic Orion

The *National Geographic Orion* accommodates 102 guests in 53 cabins and takes travelers to little-known waters and isles to experience each location's natural and cultural wonders up close. *National Geographic Orion's* elevated maneuverability allows for navigation of inshore waters, secluded bays and sinuous rivers—practically anywhere accessible by sea.

SHIP DECK PLAN & PRICING



VOYAGE DATE: JULY 7-14, 2027

Advance Payment Details: 15% of the cabin fare, per person

Prices are per person, double-occupancy unless indicated as solo		5% Savings
Category 1	\$9,100	\$8,645
Main Deck—With an armchair, reading lamps, TV, bedside tables, coffee table, desk and marble bathrooms. #316, 318–321		
Category 2	\$10,130	\$9,624
Main Deck—With an armchair, reading lamps, TV, bedside table, coffee table, desk and marble bathrooms. #302–312, 314, 315, 317		
Category 3	\$13,230	\$12,569
Upper Deck—Cabins with a sitting area, sofa, armchair, writing desk, reading lamps, coffee table, TV, bedside table and marble bathrooms. #401–412, 414–419		
Category 4	\$14,610	\$13,880
Bridge Deck—Deluxe suites with separate sleeping and sitting areas, a chair and armchair, coffee table, a sofa, reading lamps, TV and marble bathrooms. #511, 515		
Category 5	\$15,300	\$14,535
Bridge Deck—Suites with French balcony and a separate sitting area with armchairs and a sofa, a writing desk, coffee table, reading lamps, TV and marble bathrooms. #501, 503–506, 508		
Category 6	\$16,680	\$15,846
Bridge Deck—Owner's suites with French balcony with a separate living area with a sofa, armchairs, coffee table, vanity, reading lamps, TV and marble bathrooms. #502, 507, 509**, 510		
Category 1 Solo	\$13,650	\$12,968
Main Deck—#301, 322, 323		
Category 3 Solo	\$19,850	\$18,858
Main Deck—#301, 322, 323		

Note: Solo occupancy cabins are available in Categories 1 and 2 only. Third-person rates are available in certain categories at one-half the double-occupancy rate.

Shared Accommodations: Shares can be arranged at the double-occupancy rate in Categories 1 and 2 only.

SPECIAL GROUP SAVINGS:

Enjoy 5% savings on the cabin fare (as indicated) when traveling with University of Colorado Boulder Alumni Association. Valid on this departure date of *Islands of the Azores: Basalt Peaks to Volcanic Vineyards*, for new bookings only, subject to availability, may not be combined with other offers, and is not applicable on airfare or extensions.

INCLUSIVE PRICING

- All accommodations aboard ship
- Excursions and hotels as indicated in the itinerary
- Airport transfers for flights arriving and departing within the recommended window
- All meals as indicated in the itinerary, plus hors d'oeuvres and 24-hour access to snacks, premium coffees and teas, nonalcoholic beverages and filtered water
- Selection of exploration tools curated to the destination, such as kayaks, Zodiacs, etc.
- Presentations on your destination by expedition staff and expert guest speakers
- Crew gratuities
- Gratuities to local guides, drivers and local tour escorts where applicable
- The services of a medical professional where applicable
- Morning stretch classes and 24-hour access to exercise equipment where available
- 24-hour access to the lounge, library, observation decks and other shared spaces
- Complimentary reusable water bottle
- Park and site entrance fees, special access permits and port taxes

Beer, Wine, Cocktails & Spirits: Your bar tab is included. Premium wines and spirits are available for purchase.

Complimentary Wi-Fi: Wireless internet is offered through Speedcast and Starlink. Enjoy a complimentary basic Wi-Fi plan that accommodates email, messaging and social media apps. Upgrades are also available, ranging in price from \$25 per day to \$300 for the entire voyage.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Prices quoted in this brochure are per person based on double-occupancy in USD. Prices quoted are valid at the time of printing, and are subject to change and availability at time of booking.

COST INCLUDES: All amenities listed in inclusive pricing above. Unused services or items included in this program are non-refundable.

NOT INCLUDED: Airfare (except flights when indicated as included and/or as required); pre- and post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights; premium brand cocktails and spirits; private transfers; enhanced and premium Wi-Fi plans aboard expedition fleet; laundry, spa treatments, and phone services; travel protection plans; passport, visa and immigration fees.

ITINERARY MODIFICATIONS: Itineraries, routing and speakers listed are correct at time of publication, and are subject to change.

AIRFARE: Airfare is an additional cost unless otherwise indicated. National Geographic-Lindblad Expeditions will gladly assist in making your air arrangements for a \$50 per person service fee.

RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS: To confirm your place, an advance payment of 15% of the cabin fare, per person is payable by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover or check. Receipt of advance payment indicates your acceptance of the terms and conditions.

FINAL PAYMENT: Due no later than 120 days prior to departure. Lindblad Expeditions reserves the right to cancel your reservation if payment has not been received by final payment due date.

TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN: It is strongly recommended that you purchase a travel protection plan and medical insurance, which are available at an extra cost. Information will be sent upon registration.

ENTRY AND VISA REQUIREMENTS: Guests are advised to verify travel documents (passport/transit visa/entry visa) for the country(s) through which they are transiting and/or entering. Reliable and most current information regarding international travel can be found by contacting the consulate/embassy of the country(s) you are visiting or transiting through. We will not be responsible if you are denied entry or transit into a country if you are unable to provide valid documents as per the country's requirement.

RESPONSIBILITY AND OTHER TERMS & CONDITIONS: Certain provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic Expeditions' (a division of National Geographic Partners, LLC) liability for loss of property, injury, illness, or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship's ticket sent prior to departure, or upon request. By registering for a trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

CANCELLATION FEE POLICY (PER PERSON)

120 or more days prior to expedition start: **No penalty.** Advance Payment will be credited toward your next expedition*

119-90 days prior to expedition start: **50% of trip cost****

89-0 days prior to expedition start: **100% of trip cost****

**Advance payments will be credited in the form of a Lindblad Expeditions Travel Certificate, valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation, and which may only be applied towards final payment on any future booking.*

***Trip cost is total price paid including extensions, charter airfare and other additional services.*

This cancellation policy applies to expeditions, extensions and all other additional services. The effective date of a cancellation will be the date on which your cancellation notice is received. Note: Airline cancellation policies vary by carrier and type of fare used to issue your ticket.

Any revisions you make within the cancellation penalty period, such as departure date or choice of voyage, are subject to cancellation fees. The cancellation policy for certain longer voyages and holiday departures may vary due to high demand for these voyages. We strongly recommend purchasing a travel protection plan to protect yourself from fees in the event you need to cancel your reservation.

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ABOARD THE *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

Passenger Information

Please reserve ____ place(s).

Guest 1: _____

(Name as it appears on passport)

Date of Birth: _____ M/F: _____

Guest 2: _____

(Name as it appears on passport)

Date of Birth: _____ M/F: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please indicate choice of cabin category in order of preference:

1st choice: _____ 2nd choice: _____

Accommodations: ☐ Double ☐ Single ☐ Twin share with a friend

☐ Share with roommate assigned by tour operator.

Advance Payment Information: 15% of the cabin fare per person.

☐ If paying by check, please make payable to: Lindblad Maritime Enterprises, Ltd.

Enclosed is my advance payment of \$ _____

☐ If paying by credit card, we will contact you to finalize your booking and collect payment information.

Interested in extending your travels? Be sure to check the MYLEX portal after your booking is confirmed to explore available options.



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Pioneering Responsible Exploration: From our consistent quest to improve our practices to offsetting 100% of our carbon emissions, supporting conservation, science, and education initiatives around the planet, and investing in the communities in the places we explore, we are guided by our commitment to explore responsibly.

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