

2024

Welcome on board

Whale Watching & Arctic Expeditions



NORTH SAILING
SINCE 1995

97% Average Sightings
— Since 1995 —

Let's go Whale Watching!

Best time of the day to see whales?

Great news! Any time of day is good to go whale watching. After nearly three decades, we have discovered that there is no specific time of day when whales are more active than others. Whether you are an early bird or a sunset lover, your chance of seeing whales is just as good.

How likely is it to see whales?

Every tour in wild nature is unique, and the element of surprise makes it exciting! But with a noteworthy 97% overall sightings for the last 29 years, the chances are definitely in your favour!

Refreshments on all tours

On all trips, we offer fairtrade hot chocolate and cinnamon buns from the local bakery—perfect for wrapping up a successful tour!

We'll keep you warm!

We provide everyone with warm overalls and raincoats if needed. However, we still recommend bringing warm clothes, hats, and gloves.

Toilets on board

No need to worry, there are toilets on board all our boats.

Whale Watching area

On all our tours we visit the same traditional whale watching area within Skjálfandi Bay.



Book now – pay later
Pay online or upon arrival



Free for children
6 years and younger



Total flexibility
To update your booking



Free cancellation
Up to 24 hours before

We recommend booking *in advance*
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Best Seller

Original Whale Watching

3 HOURS approx.

12.990 ISK
6.500 ISK 7–15 years
FREE 0–6 years

Eco-friendly

Silent Whale Watching

3 HOURS approx.

13.990 ISK
7.000 ISK 7–15 years
FREE 0–6 years

Home of the Puffins

Whales & Puffins

3,5 HOURS approx.

14.990 ISK
7.500 ISK 7–15 years
FREE 0–6 years

Traditional Sailing

Whales & Sails

3 HOURS approx.

13.990 ISK
7.000 ISK 7–15 years
FREE 0–6 years

Citizen Science

Whales, Sails & Science

3,5 HOURS approx.

14.490 ISK
7.000 ISK 7–15 years
FREE 0–6 years

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On electric boat Andvari * Except on Thursdays ° Every Thursday

North Sailing reserves the right to change all scheduled tours with short notice. That can include changes in departure time, boats, type and length of the tour (depending on the location of whales in the bay and weather and sea conditions).

Timetable shows availability for the season of 2024 and is subject to change. Visit www.northsailing.is for updates. All prices in this brochure are valid for the season of 2024.

Best Seller

Húsavík Original Whale Watching

A truly memorable whale watching exploration,
recommended by thousands of travellers.

“We were lucky to spot feeding humpback whales, a group of dolphins,
and on the way home we even had the privilege of encountering a mother
humpback whale and her calf. An unforgettable experience!”

Hot chocolate and
cinnamon buns served
on the way home!

More space for passengers

For an even better experience we have
reduced the **capacity** on all our boats
down to approximately 80%!

Researchers on board

University of Iceland's Research Centre in
Húsavík **studies whales and marine life**
in cooperation with North Sailing, so you
might see **researchers** working on board.
Don't hesitate to ask them about their
work if you wish to learn more.

Keep your eyes open

Let's see if you can spot a whale before
the crew does! When **searching** for
whales, the crew relies on their vision,
binoculars and their experience
in reading nature.

Classic Whale Watching on a Traditional Icelandic Oak Boat

Discover the magnificent nature of Skjálfandi Bay, where you can see
whales and sea birds in their natural habitat. Explore their world while on
board a **traditional Icelandic oak boat** with our professional and highly
qualified crew. Can you imagine a nicer day at sea?

12.990 ISK

6.500 ISK 7–15 years

FREE 0–6 years



Eco-friendly

Silent Whale Watching

Glide silently alongside the whales on an electric boat.
A tranquil whale watching experience.

“Overall, an experience worth everyone’s time! I highly recommend joining this trip as it is as eco-friendly as possible and the crew really knows what they’re doing!”



The electric boat Andvari

Join the **quiet** Andvari for a breathtaking trip
and visit the whales in an **eco-friendly** way.

Departures: 1 June–15 Sept

Eco-Friendly Whale Watching on an Electric Boat

Andvari, our **electric and silent boat**, is among the most animal and environmentally friendly whale watching vessels in the world! While quietly sailing through the sea, you will get a unique opportunity to observe the whales with minimal disturbance.

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HOURS

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on the way home! 



Home of the Puffins

Whales and Puffins

The perfect combination. A whale watching excursion with a stop by the peaceful Puffin Island.



Whale Watching with a Visit to the Friendly Puffins

How could your whale watching tour possibly get better? Of course by **sailing around Puffin Island**, the home of thousands of puffins! In this authentic wildlife adventure, **whale and puffin watching** are combined. In addition to seeing whales in their natural habitat, you get to see the funny little puffins nesting, flying around and diving for food.

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Hot chocolate and cinnamon buns served on the way home! ☕

Skjálfandi Bay *

Puffin Island

Húsavík

“Seeing both whales and puffins was truly an amazing experience that I will never forget.”

- Puffin Island is home to over **100.000 puffins!**
- **60%** of the world's puffins breed in Iceland.



* As shown on the map above, the tour starts by sailing around Puffin Island before heading out to the whale watching area or the other way around. Don't worry—we still spend the same amount of time observing whales as we do on the other tours.

Whales and Sails

Experience the best of Iceland's fantastic wildlife and traditional sailing culture!

"We got to see whales and sail on a really beautiful boat! They even let passengers help raise the sails, which I loved!"

Built on Tradition

Our fleet consists of traditional oak boats that were common fishing boats in Iceland but are nowadays quite rare. All boats have been restored and adapted to a new role without compromising their original character.

Authentic Whale Watching on a Traditional Sailboat

Sail through Skjálfandi Bay on a traditional **Icelandic schooner** and observe an abundance of **marine wildlife** as you take in the stunning surroundings. Learn traditional sailing techniques by participating in hoisting the sails with the crew. Let our schooners inspire you and **discover your inner sailor** on this authentic whale watching adventure!

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All our sailing tours are powered by the boats' engines as we cannot count on the wind in the sails to be our primary source of power. However, we will use every opportunity that comes to hoist the sails.



Whales, Sails & Science

Participate in ocean research, micro-plastic analysis and gain a deeper insight into the life of whales.

"The marine biologists on board were great storytellers and carried out scientific research during the tour."

Join the Mission!

15% of your ticket price goes to Ocean Missions, a non-profit organisation in Húsavík focused on ocean conservation, research, and education. Visit their **exhibition room** by the harbour to learn more about their inspiring work.

Educational Whale Watching with a Positive Impact

Together with **Ocean Missions** we want to **inspire people** to take direct action towards ocean conservation by combining science, education and adventures on board our traditional sailing boats. Join us on this meaningful citizen-science whale watching tour and make a **positive impact** on the sustainable future of our oceans.

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Árskógssandur Whale Watching

Join us for an unforgettable whale watching adventure from the charming village of Árskógssandur, in the heart of North Iceland.

Hot chocolate and 
cinnamon buns served
on the way home!



Classic Whale Watching on a Traditional Icelandic Oak Boat

Step aboard our traditional wooden vessel and sail around the scenic **Eyjafjörður** for a chance to watch whales and dolphins in their summer dwelling. Our **friendly crew** will share knowledge about the area and these amazing creatures throughout the tour.

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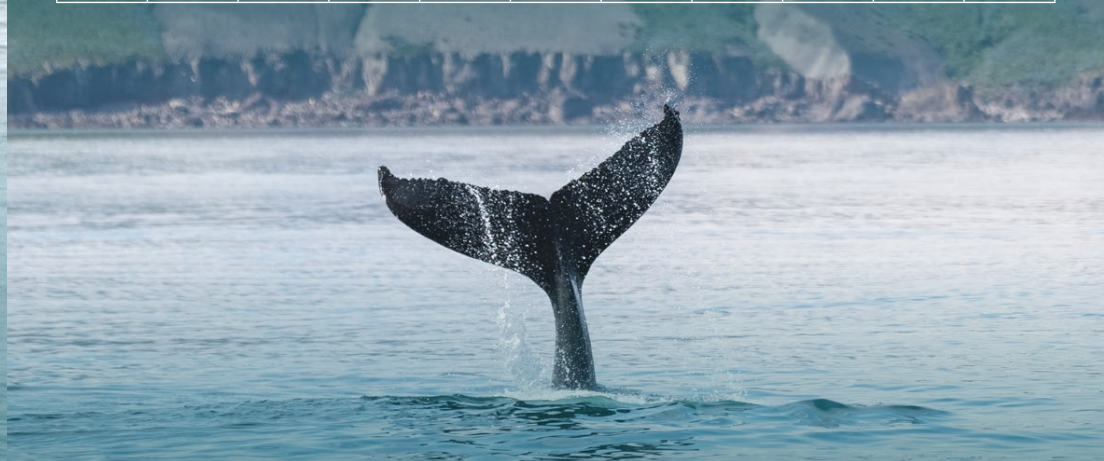


“The trip itself was fabulous! The crew was lovely, and we got to see a few humpback whales and a minke whale in the distance. It was awe-inspiring to be out on the Fjord and the hot cocoa they gave us in the cool wind hit the spot. I definitely recommend it for families, friends, and couples!”



Daily departures from Árskógssandur 2024

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Book your tour at

whalewatchingeyjafjordur.is

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*Except on weekends *Until 15th December

3-Day Sailing Expedition

Sailing the Edge of the Arctic

Cross the Arctic Circle during Summer Solstice onboard the award-winning sailboat Ópal.

“Our trip to the ‘Edge of the Arctic’ was a fantastic experience, never have I been so close to dolphins, whales and birds. So, being at the edge of the arctic is also being right in the centre of wildlife.”

Summer Solstice at the Arctic Circle on board Schooner Ópal

Set sails into the remote wilderness of the Arctic Coast of Iceland. Rugged and untouched nature, otherworldly landscapes. Slow down and discover the authentic North; Viking settlements, arctic wildlife and the original coastal culture.

We travel from Husavik harbour to explore the remote Islands and majestic coastline at the Edge of the Arctic. Our experienced crew will guide you along to discover the hidden treasures and historical settlements of the north. All meals onboard cooked by our very own arctic chef – inspired by local traditions and ingredients. The journey is full of exploration and experiences.

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8-Day Sailing Expedition

Greenland Expedition

Encounter the arctic landscape and wildlife in one of the most remote places in the world.

“A wooden sailing ship, wonderful cooking, beautiful views and excellent crew. The strong presence by nature, a polar bear, snow haze, grouse and muskox, flowers and other vegetation. The unreal view of icebergs nearby and the light at dusk and dawn gave the trip a very strong impression. Thanks for a wonderful trip and truly a lifechanging experience!”

Sail and Explore the Natural Wonders of Scoresby Sound in East Greenland

Sail in the largest and one of the most remote fjords on Earth, surrounded by untouched natural phenomena such as glaciers, icebergs and ice crusts. Far from being your everyday experience, the picturesque sceneries are unparalleled. Whether in Red Island's Iceberg city, the mountainous Øfjord, overlooking amazing archipelagos near Bear Island or scouting for wildlife in Harefjord, Greenland's spectacular landscape leaves everyone speechless.

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Evening Sailing Reykjavík

Sails, Lights & Winter Nights

Dancing lights in total silence — powered by wind and electricity. Evening tours from Reykjavík old harbour on the award-winning electric sailboat Ópal.

”It was an incredible evening sail and the food, crew and company were phenomenal. Seeing Reykjavík from the sea and Taking in the Arctic sky from the hot pot on deck was an experience we’ll never forget.”

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Step aboard the authentic Schooner Ópal for a chance to see the Northern Lights

Enjoy a silent-running, eco-friendly cruise onboard the authentic sailboat Ópal. The guide will share interesting tales of the past while you enjoy the view of nearby islands and legendary lighthouses. Assist our crew with the sails, enjoy warm drinks and snacks on board, have a beer in the on-deck hot tub or sip a glass of wine by the fireplace below deck.

AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

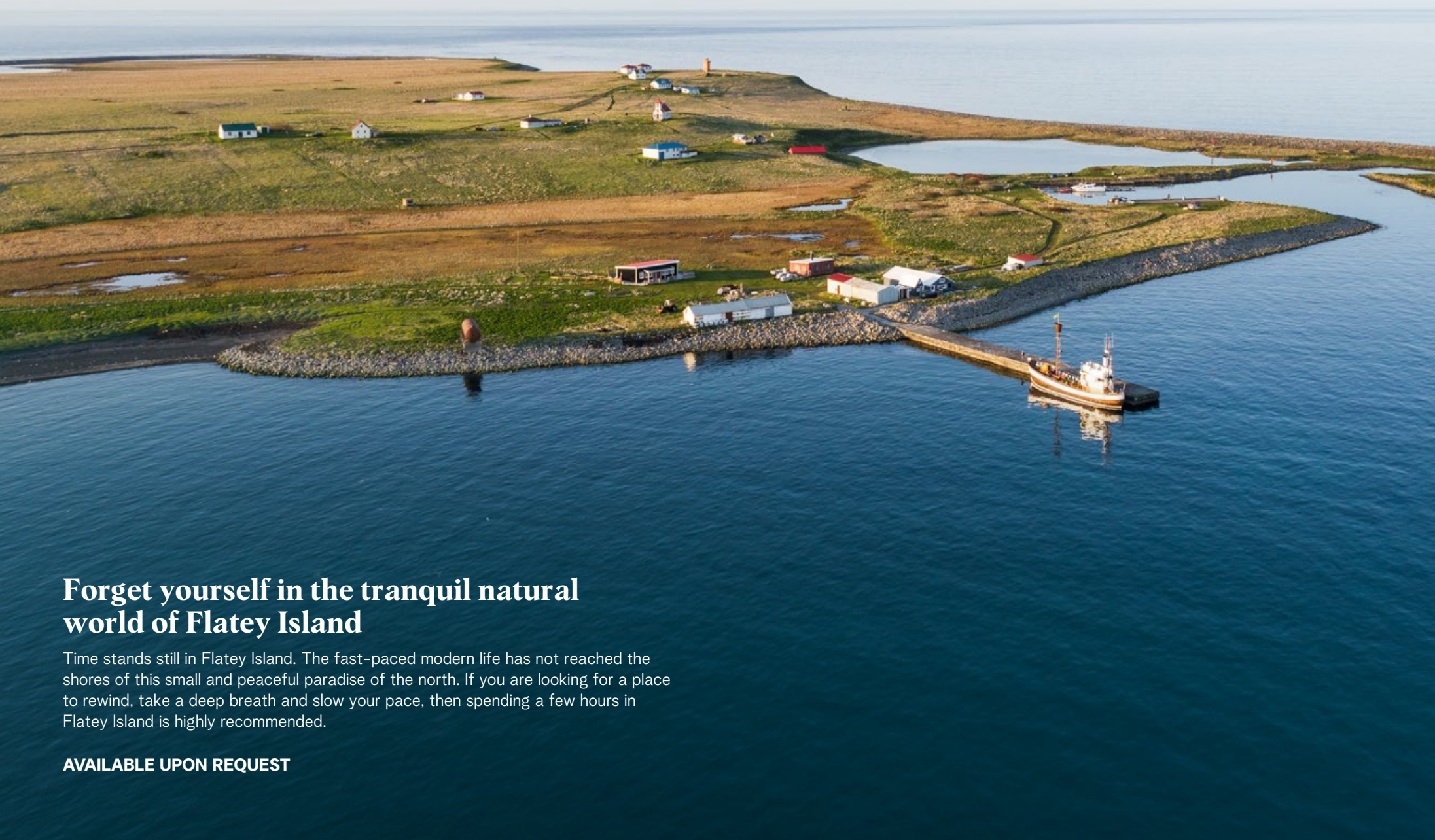


Visit the peaceful

Flatey Island Skjálfandi

Travel back in time to the deserted Flatey Island in Skjálfandi Bay. Once home to a small community of fishermen and their families, this tranquil birding paradise offers a glimpse into a world that once was.

“The island has an extraordinary birdlife with over 30 species to be seen during the summertime, including the Arctic Tern, Common Eider and Puffins. It is easy to forget yourself in the tranquil natural beauty of the island.”



Forget yourself in the tranquil natural world of Flatey Island

Time stands still in Flatey Island. The fast-paced modern life has not reached the shores of this small and peaceful paradise of the north. If you are looking for a place to rewind, take a deep breath and slow your pace, then spending a few hours in Flatey Island is highly recommended.

AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

Meditation at Sea

Sailing with Gong

Come and enjoy the healing sound of the gong while sailing out in Skjálfandi Bay. Meditation and relaxation in beautiful surroundings.

“Gong sailing on Opal! So nourishing and a whole different world. Thank you to North Sailing, Huld and Arnbjörg for Fully charging my batteries!”

Get closer to your inner self and experience the gong while sailing in Skjálfandi Bay

Yoga instructors Huld Hafliðadóttir, from Spirit North, and Arnbjörg Kristín Konráðsdóttir, from Gong North, lead the journey and play the gongs. The gong sailing will take place in the scenic surroundings of Skjálfandi Bay, which is renowned as the Whale Capital of Iceland. Onboard our sailing ships, you become one with the ocean while rocking back and forth significantly enhancing the gong experience.

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Blue Therapy and Gong by the Arctic

Solstice Meditation Journey

Sailing meditation onboard the authentic sailboat
Opal towards the tranquil Flatey Island in
Skjálfandi Bay, North Iceland.



The healing ocean world of Skjálfandi Bay

Sail around Skjálfandi Bay, a beloved Hope Spot in North East Iceland and nestled only a few nautical miles from the Arctic Circle for a two-day immersive Solstice meditation journey where we will enjoy the healing benefits of Blue Therapy. The eco-friendly, award-winning schooner Ópal will be our home for the trip, giving us an experience of silent, slow travel while mindfully recharging in pure nature.

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Tailor-Made

Sailing Adventures

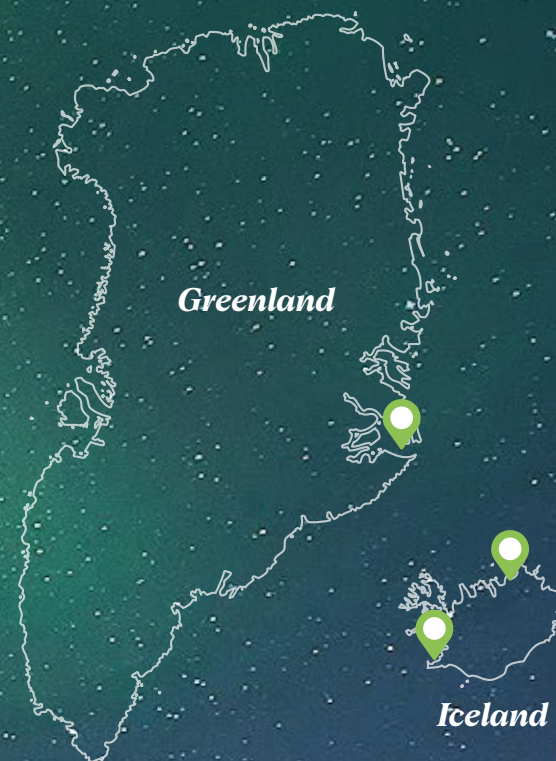
With our fleet of eleven fantastic boats and highly experienced crew we can create every arctic adventure you can dream of. Get in touch and let's explore together!

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