Sunday 24th June we Fly from our Home Australian airport to Singapore.

Singapore: [The Quincy Hotel](http://www.stayfareast.com/en/Hotels/The-Quincy-Hotel) or similar

Check-in 24 June out 26 June with late check out on the 26th

Return airport transfers.

Full breakfast

City Tour

Dinner and nightlife tour at the Singapore Zoo

Tuesday 26th June we fly overnight from Singapore to Norway where we join are cruise package.

**West Spitsbergen and Polar Ice Edge Cruise Wednesday 27th June – 05 July Thursday 2018**

Day 1: Longyearbyen, Svalbard

Welcome to Longyearbyen, the administrative capital of the Norwegian territory of Svalbard and starting point of our expedition. After arriving via scheduled commercial flight service, you are free to explore this fascinating Arctic settlement. Be sure to see the excellent Svalbard Museum and take advantage of quality shopping and dining opportunities in the town center. Your hotel for the night has been arranged by us and is included in the price of the voyage.

Day 2: Embarkation in Longyearbyen

In the afternoon we welcome you aboard the luxury expedition ship *M/V Sea Spirit*. Explore the ship and get comfortable in your home away from home for the extraordinary adventure to come. Savour the anticipation of your Arctic dreams coming true as we slip our moorings and sail into a true wilderness where wildlife abounds. The scenery as we sail through Isfjorden on our first evening is spectacular and there is already the possibility of marine mammal encounters.

Day 3-8: Exploration of West Spitsbergen

This is a real expedition in a true High Arctic wilderness. As such, our route and exploration opportunities here are heavily dependent on the weather and sea ice conditions we encounter. Our experienced captain and expedition leader decide the itinerary and continually adjust plans as conditions and opportunities warrant. You can be sure that the best possible advantage will be taken of the circumstances presented to us by Nature in this wild and remote corner of the Arctic.

Polar bears and other quintessential Arctic wildlife can be spotted anytime, anywhere in and around Svalbard. We exploit every opportunity to experience excellent wildlife viewing, to discover incredible scenery, and to walk in the footsteps of the historic polar expeditions that came before us.

We anticipate exploring the spectacular fjords, coasts, and islands in the northwestern part of Svalbard. This area contains the archipelago’s most impressive scenery and some of the Arctic’s best wildlife viewing opportunities. Deep fjords and narrow channels are flanked by jagged snowy mountain peaks. Immense tidewater glaciers calve icebergs into turquoise waters. On ice floes and on fast ice several species of seals watch vigilantly for polar bears. Fields of flowering tundra are home to grazing reindeer and playful Arctic fox. Bountiful inshore and offshore waters are home to walrus and a wide variety of whales. The whole area is alive with migratory birds, including numerous rare species, taking advantage of summer’s fecundity in 24-hour daylight.

And over it all presides the polar bear, monarch of the North. This wild corner of Svalbard is one of the best places in the world to observe polar bears hunting in their preferred habitat: the pack ice. We take the ship as close as safely possible to the jumbled and broken edge of the polar ice cap, where polar bears stalk the frozen sea in search of seals.

To complete the Arctic experience we also explore places rich with history. Our area of exploration contains the historical remnants of whaling camps, coal mining operations, trappers’ cabins, staging areas for historic attempts to discover the North Pole, and even an abandoned polar research station.

Human habitation in this area can be found only at Ny Ålesund, a former mining town that is now home to an international community of Arctic researchers. This is one of the world’s most northerly settlements, complete with museum, gift shop, and post office.

The days are filled with memorable excursions, sumptuous meals, presentations by our experts, and enough stunning scenery and wildlife to fill your camera and overwhelm your emotions.

Day 9: Disembarkation in Longyearbyen, Svalbard

After breakfast we say farewell in the town of Longyearbyen, where we started. We provide a transfer to the airport or to the town center if you wish to spend more time here. As you look back on your wonderful experience in Svalbard, you may already be looking forward to your next incredible adventure to the ice!

Thursday 5th July our cruise package finishes and we fly to our next destination:

If you select to fly home to Australia we have included a 2 night stopover on the way home and you may select from Singapore or Hong Kong or Bangkok / transfers-breakfast and city tour included.

Or ask for other options as the return is very flexible you may like to consider a Baltic cruise or a land based tour or a river cruise as an add on just ask us for options.

Early Bird Fares available till end July 2017 or until sold out.

Twin share

Outside cabin cost $11,999.00 per person.

Balcony cabin cost $13,999.00 per person.

Single costings and costs to upgrade to a Suite on application.

Deposit $4,000 per person due 14 days after confirmation and is non-refundable / Insurance quote will be given

Final payment 01 March 2018

Inclusions:

Return economy class airfare and taxes from your home Australian Airport

All transfers

2.5 night Hotel package in Singapore

8 night cruise package that includes 1 nights pre-cruise hotel accommodation and the 7 night cruise

All meals and most expeditions whilst on board our ship The Sea Spirit

2.5 night stopover package on your return trip home to Australia

Wildlife that we may have the opportunity to see on our trip pending on weather conditions:

We will have daylight 24 hours each day during our cruise.

19 species of Mammal are known to be in the area that we are visiting & some are:

Polar Bears / Walruses / Seals / Whales / Reindeer / Arctic Fox

30 Sea Bird species call Spitsbergen home during summer and some we are hoping to see are:

Atlantic Puffin / Snow Bunting / Pink-Footed Geese / Purple Sandpiper / Ptarmigan / Common Guillemot / Arctic Terns / Black Legged Kittiwake / Great Skua and if we are very lucky we may spot the Sabine Gull or a King Elder.

Whilst the above cannot be guaranteed it is know that most visitors do spot approximately 23 species during similar trips.

Best Regards,

Lance Mumby

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