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POLAR BEARS & BELUGA WHALES

With beluga whales filling the bay and polar bears roaming the shoreline, summer is the perfect time to visit Churchill to experience this amazing wildlife spectacle.

Head north and discover the beauty and wildness of Churchill, Manitoba. This small town on the banks of the Hudson Bay is known for hosting polar bears in the fall. During summer, visitors have the opportunity to spot for polar bears along the local shores—swimming and walking around the rocks and wildflowers—before they return to the pack ice when it forms in early winter. Summertime is also when the bears share the area with more than 60,000 beluga whales—who come to feed, mate, and give birth in the shallow waters—as well as a wide variety of other wildlife. Come and see this annual exhibition that can only be found here in the Canadian north, and meet the local people who call it home. Pioneering spirits and welcoming smiles are waiting for you.

Dear Spartans,

Join fellow travelers for a special opportunity to witness the diverse wildlife and pioneer spirit of the Canadian Arctic in summer.

During this seven-day journey to remote Churchill, Manitoba, you may have the opportunity to observe polar bears interact and play along the shore of the Hudson Bay. During outings in Zodiac boats, watch as beluga whales, seals, and a multitude of other wildlife enjoy the brief arctic summer. Back on land, explore the plants and animals who live in this vast arctic wilderness. Meet and greet sled dogs and their experienced handler, then enjoy the thrill of a dog mushing ride along local trails.

The expert guidance of an Orbridge Expedition Leader and a local guide, as well as exclusive educational experiences—
including presentations from Assiniboine Park Zoo and Churchill’s Northern Studies Centre—distinguish this program.

Our rate for Michigan State guests represents a savings of more than $1,000 per couple over the rate that would be charged to non-affiliated passengers. Please reserve your space today online at http://msu.orbridge.com, by calling (866) 639-0079 or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

Go Green,

[Signature]

Regina Cross
Director of Alumni Travel
MSU Alumni Association

*Please note: The information contained in this document is current as of 8/30/2017*
Program Highlights:

- Begin in Winnipeg with a private reception and three-course welcome dinner at Assiniboine Park Zoo along with a presentation on polar bears.
- In Churchill, stay at the iconic Lazy Bear Lodge, hand-built by local pioneer Wally Daudrich from boreal forest timbers and stone.
- Explore Churchill’s waterfront area including panoramic visits to the sites of Miss Piggy Plane Crash, Polar Bear "Jail," and Cape Merry.
- Enjoy a 6-8 hour Hudson Bay area tour, on board a custom-designed viewing boat to spot for polar bears, beluga whales, seals, a multitude of birds, and much more.
- Embark on Zodiacs to see and experience pods of friendly beluga whales up close, and watch the shoreline for other wildlife.
- Take a Summer Tundra Tour on the Arctic Crawler to observe wildlife and vegetation.
- Meet an energetic team of huskies and their experienced handler, then climb into a dog cart for your own exciting ride.

**What’s included:** 6 nights hotel and lodge accommodations; 6 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 3 dinners including a special welcome reception and dinner plus a farewell reception; all excursion transportation and entry fees; full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader and a local guide; and all gratuities.
Day-by-Day Itinerary*:

ITINERARY NOTE: You are embarking on an adventure where daily activities will be determined by weather, opportunities to view wildlife, and other various elements that make up the incredibly diverse arctic summer. Guests will receive a daily itinerary while in Churchill, which will be flexible and updated frequently. The itinerary below is a general listing of activities and excursions that may happen during any part of the program.

Day 1: Arrive Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada / Assiniboine Park Zoo
Welcome to Canada! Join fellow travelers for a warm welcome, then step out for a special evening reception in the Assiniboine Park Zoo’s underwater viewing tunnels. Observe polar bears and seals as they swim in the crystal clear pools above you. A three-course meal with wine is served under the dancing Northern Lights, in the Aurora Borealis Theatre. Following dinner, enjoy a presentation on the magnificent polar bears.
Overnight: Hilton Winnipeg Airport Suites (R,D)

Day 2: Winnipeg / Churchill / Cultural and Heritage Tour
Arrive in beautiful Churchill after a morning flight and transfer to the Lazy Bear Lodge. Enjoy a Cultural and Heritage tour where you’ll have guided site visits of the town’s waterfront area, Miss Piggy Plane Crash, Polar Bear "Jail," and Cape Merry.
Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge (B,L)

Day 3: Churchill / Boat Tour / Prince of Wales Fort / Dog Mushing
Board Zodiac boats with your Orbridge Expedition Leader for a 3-hour tour of the Churchill River/Hudson Bay area to learn more about the 60,000 beluga whales that inhabit the area. Visit the Prince of Wales Fort, built to protect the business interests of the Hudson Bay Company. After lunch, you may choose to explore the area on foot, including several galleries and shops carrying local Inuit and Aboriginal art from the Canadian arctic, or you may select to participate in one of the following optional excursions available for purchase:

A) 3-Hour Kayaking Tour: includes a single or double kayak, paddles, wet suit, life jacket, transfers, and an experienced guide. This is an intermediate-level kayaking excursion and includes limited instruction. It is not recommended for beginners.

B) 3-Hour Snorkeling Tour: includes all equipment including arctic dry suit and snorkeling gear, and all transfers.

This evening, meet an energetic team of huskies and their experienced handler. Learn about these industrious animals and the important role they play in the heritage of this remote region. Then, get ready for your own exciting dog mushing experience.
Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge (B,D)

Day 4: Churchill / Hudson Bay Coastal Tour
Today we explore the Hudson Bay area during a full-day water excursion aboard a custom designed wildlife viewing vessel—led by your naturalist leader and boat captain, Wally Daudrich. The shoreline of this entire area is a rich ecosystem of life—home to a diverse group of animals including polar bears, belugas, caribou, harbor and bearded seals, and more than 270 species of birds. Stop at Seal River, a favorite polar bear gathering spot.
Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge (B,L)

Day 5: Churchill / Arctic Crawler Experience / Itsanitaq Museum
Grab your camera, board your expedition vehicle, and head out onto stark yet beautiful landscapes, stopping to enjoy the scenery and search for wildlife. Your expert naturalist will provide details on the wildlife, vegetation, and ecosystem of the Arctic Tundra. After lunch, visit the well known local Itsanitaq Museum to learn more about the indigenous population and its rich history and culture. While downtown, take some free time to explore on your own.
Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge (B,L,D)

Day 6: Churchill / Winnipeg
This afternoon, transfer to the airport for your flight to Winnipeg where you will rejoin fellow travelers for a farewell reception.

*Overnight: Hilton Winnipeg Airport Suites (B,L-aloft,R)*

**Day 7: Depart Winnipeg**

Enjoy breakfast, then bid a fond farewell to Canada and head to the airport for your flight home. *(B)*

*Itinerary subject to change*

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**What’s Included:**

- Six nights ideally-situated and comfortable accommodations
- 6 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 3 dinners—including a special, private welcome reception and three-course dinner at Assiniboine Park Zoo—and a farewell reception
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader and a local guide
- In-depth educational program with informative presentations
- Park and entry fees, and all excursion transportation
- All gratuities

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Your Guide(s):

Orbridge Expedition Leader

On this program you will have the benefit of an expert Expedition Leader with extensive local knowledge and experience as a cultural, historic, and naturalist interpreter. With their contribution of exceptional know-how and enthusiasm adding depth to your experience, enjoy the cultures and locations you explore with added confidence, understanding, and appreciation.
Program Accommodations:

Hilton Winnipeg Airport Suites (or similar)

Located near Winnipeg’s airport terminal, this classic property provides well-appointed accommodations and thoughtful amenities. The hotel’s restaurant, Oak and Grain, features comfort food with a contemporary twist.

*Room Amenities: Climate control, Hilton’s “Serenity Collection” pillowtop mattress, flat screen TV, alarm clock, complimentary Wi-Fi, mini-refrigerator, microwave, coffee-making facility, and en suite bathroom with toiletries and hair dryer.*

Lazy Bear Lodge—Churchill

This remarkable, handcrafted log lodge will provide cozy comfort during your stay. A log house builder by trade, Wally Daudrich built the Lazy Bear Lodge himself, literally. Drawn to the area by its sense of freedom, he and a partner dragged logs from the forest by snowmobile, crafting them first into a small café, then a small lodge and finally the two-story, modern lodge of today. The friendly staff and scenic surroundings make this property supremely memorable. Cozy up in the comfortable lounge and feast on homemade northern cuisine at the Lazy Bear Cafe.

*Room Amenities: Two double beds, cable television with movie channels, complimentary Wi-Fi, and en suite bathroom with shower, toiletries and hairdryer.*

Activity Level:

Easy

Guests should be sure-footed on stairs, ramps, and small vessels, and able to walk on uneven ground without assistance. Skiffs provide the mode for much of the exploration on this program and guests should be sure-footed to enter/exit the vessel.
What Guests Are Saying:

“We loved Lazy Bear Lodge—very rustic, and the food was excellent. Our Expedition Leader went over and above to make sure we always knew what was going on and when. She was very knowledgeable about Churchill and the wildlife.”
–William & Luanne T., Centreville, VA

“The Zodiac ride was outstanding! We saw a bear and the whales were awesome—came so close to the boat I actually was able to touch one. Amazing experience. The zoo experience, particularly the food, was also outstanding.

Our Expedition Leader was very nice, very knowledgeable and always available to us.”
–Tom H., Miami, AZ

“This was our second experience with Orbridge and we were not disappointed. They are the best travel group we’ve encountered. Our guide was an excellent, knowledgeable leader. We could not have had better!”
–Frances & Michael S., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA
Reservation Form

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☐ Option 1: Reserve online now at http://msu.orbridge.com or call (866) 639-0079.

☐ Option 2: Secure your reservation with a deposit charged to the credit card below, or with an enclosed check payable to: Orbridge, LLC.

Guest Information:
Guest #1 Name: ___________________________ Class Year __________
Guest #2 Name: ___________________________ Class Year __________
Address:____________________________________
City:_________________________________ State:_________ Zip:__________
Email:_________________________________ Phone:_________ Cell Phone:__________
Category Preference (if applicable): 1st choice__________________ 2nd choice__________________

Deposit:
(#) ______ guests joining program ($850/person) +
(#) ______ guests joining extension ($500/person) = Total deposit: $ __________

Deposit Payment:
☐ Check enclosed ☐ Online Check/ACH ☐ MasterCard/Visa ☐ American Express ☐ Discover
Card #:______________________________ Exp. date: __________ CVV:__________
Name (as printed on card):_____________________________________________________
Billing address (if different from above):________________________________________
City:________________________ State:_________ Zip:________________________

I/we have read, understand, and agree to the full Terms & Conditions at http://terms.orbridge.com and detailed in program documents; and that Orbridge LLC is authorized to charge my credit card above and/or take my/our deposit for this program.

Signature:__________________________________________ Date:________________________

Mail or fax reservation form: Orbridge
and deposit to: P.O. Box 10339, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110
Fax: (206) 452-5655

We strongly suggest purchasing travel insurance. Travel insurance information will be sent to you with your confirmation letter from the MSU Alumni Association.

*Special group rate; limited offer. Rate is per person based on double occupancy except where noted as Single, in U.S. dollars. Single availability limited. Airfare not included. Group airfare for the charter flight between Winnipeg and Churchill is charged additionally at $995 per person.
Terms and Conditions

ORBRIDGE® TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND BINDING ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

This Agreement is important. It includes contractual terms and conditions and releases Orbridge, LLC from liability. It must be signed by all participants.

Responsibility. Orbridge, its shareholders, directors, officers, employees and affiliates (collectively, “Orbridge”), does not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your trip including, for example, ownership or control over hotels or other lodging facilities, airline, vessel, bus, van or other transportation companies, local ground operators, providers or facilitators of optional excursions or equipment used thereon, food service or entertainment providers, etc., even if they use the “Orbridge” name. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. Orbridge is not responsible for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity, or of any other third party. Without limitation, Orbridge is not responsible for any injury, loss, or damage to person or property, death, or inconvenience in connection with the provision of any goods or services occasioned by or resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God, acts of government, force majeure, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind, or the threat thereof, closure of accommodations due to sanitation problems, food poisoning, lack of access to or quality of medical care, difficulty in evacuation in case of a medical or other emergency, illness, epidemics or the threat thereof or for any other cause beyond the direct control of Orbridge. In addition, we reserve Orbridge from its own negligence and assume all risk thereof.

Rates. Program rates are based on minimum participation levels. Current fares, air, water, land, tariffs and currency values. While Orbridge does everything possible to maintain the listed program rates, they are subject to change effective immediately upon posting unless otherwise specified by Orbridge. In the case of invoicing errors, we reserve the right to re-invoice with the correct pricing.

Registration, Deposits and Final Payment. To confirm and secure your reservation, a deposit of $1,700 per person is due for the Astounding Antarctica program. A deposit of $850 per person and $500 per person is required for all other programs. Reservation deposits, plus any non-refundable deposits are due at the time of registration and payable by check, ACH, money order, wire transfer of same day U.S. funds, or major credit card. Final payment including any extension(s) and optional(s) is payable by check, ACH, money order, wire transfer of same day U.S. funds and due no later than 120 days prior to Astounding Antarctica program departure dates. Final payments for all other programs are due 90 days prior to the scheduled program departure date. If your reservation is made between the final payment due date and the date the program starts, the entire cost of the program, plus any extension and optional(s), is due at the time of registration by check, money order, ACH or wire transfer of same day U.S. funds. Final payments made by credit card are subject to a 2.5% transaction fee. If final payment is not received by Orbridge by the final payment due date, Orbridge may, at any time and with or without notice, cancel your reservation in its sole discretion with no right of refund.

Reservation Grace Period. Reservations (other than for the Rwanda Extension on the Tanzania Safari Migration program) made no fewer than 128 calendar days prior to the scheduled program departure date for Astounding Antarctica, and no fewer than 98 calendar days prior to the scheduled program departure date for other Orbridge programs may be canceled at any time during the scheduled “Grace Period” immediately following the deposit period. Notice of termination must be in writing, must be received by Orbridge in the Grace Period and is effective only on timely receipt of such written notice by Orbridge. For all other reservations and cancellations, the terms of the Cancellations and Refunds section below apply.

Cancellations and Refunds. All cancellations must be submitted to Orbridge in writing and will be subject to a cancellation fee (“Cancellation Fee”) as follows: (a) if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge 275 or more calendar days prior to the scheduled departure date, all deposits, other than for the Rwanda Extension on the Tanzania Safari Migration program, will be fully refunded; (b) if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 274 and 151 days prior to the scheduled departure date, the Cancellation Fee will be $500 per person per program and $100 per person per extension other than Rwanda; (c) if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 150 days prior to the scheduled departure date and the day before the final payment due date, the Cancellation Fee will be the full deposit per person program including any full deposit for per person program including the extension; (d) if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge on the final payment due date or closer to the scheduled departure date, the Cancellation Fee will be the full program price. In addition to and not in lieu of the foregoing, a Cancellation Fee equal to 100% of the carrier charge applies to all non-refundable airfares due to your cancellation made at any time prior to the scheduled program departure date, as applicable. Refunds, if any, of any Payments in excess of the aggregate Cancellation Fee shall be processed within 30 calendar days of our receipt of your written notice.

Travel Insurance. Orbridge strongly recommends that you purchase travel and cancellation insurance to protect your investment in the event of unexpected unforeseen circumstances. In addition, we recommend that you consider obtaining a policy(ies) that will cover some or all of your losses associated with damage or loss of luggage or personal effects. If you do not have, but are interested in purchasing, travel and cancellation insurance please contact us immediately. For the Astounding Antarctica program, purchasing emergency medical, evacuation and repatriation insurance is required.

Cancelled Programs. All programs are subject to cancellation by Orbridge prior to the scheduled departure date for such reasons as, but not limited to, insufficient participation, or logistical problems that, in Orbridge’s sole judgment, may impede program operations or represent conditions or events that may expose program guests and/or Orbridge to undue risk of harm, injury, damage or inconvenience. In the event of program cancellation by Orbridge, Orbridge may offer you alternative arrangements such as the option to join another tour on a different date or to a different location. If the price of your alternative booking is lower than your original booking price, Orbridge will refund the difference; or Orbridge shall refund all payments made to Orbridge at the time of cancellation should the alternative arrangement not be offered or selected.

Itineraries. Accommodations, the itinerary, and arranged excursions are subject to change at any time without unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond Orbridge’s control. Reasonable efforts will be made to operate programs as planned, but adjustments, substitutions and changes may occur after the final itinerary has been issued. Orbridge may, in its sole discretion, without limitation, alter the itinerary or program inclusions as it deems necessary or desirable, and pass on to program participants any expenditures, additional costs or losses caused by such any adjustments, by delays or events beyond its control.

Not Included. Unless otherwise specifically noted in the itinerary, program prices do not include the following expenses, which if applicable are your sole responsibility to pay and satisfy: trip cancellation insurance and passenger protection plan; domestic, international, and internal airlines; transfers and luggage handling fees except in connection with scheduled group flights; costs of obtaining passports or entry visas; costs of personal trips transfers when arriving/departing; air tickets, airport departure taxes, tips and gratuities, any applicable luggage charges; any new value added taxes or GST taxes added to program costs by applicable government authorities; gratuities to drivers, guides, or ship’s crew not specified; meals and drinks other than those specified as being included in the itinerary; sightseeing not included in the itinerary; personal expenses such as laundry, communication charges and optional activities (e.g., private tours, special availability); and air, or other transportation fuel surcharges, if applicable.

Health and Fitness to Travel. Some programs include physically active elements. To enjoy these programs as intended, a minimum level of fitness is required. Accordingly, you must be in good physical and mental condition and otherwise physically able. You represent that you have no physical, mental or other condition, impairment or disability that may or will cause you to become or create a risk of injury or other hazard to yourself or others in respect to any aspect of the program you have selected. Orbridge may, in its sole discretion, limit, restrict or prohibit from participation in any aspect of any program any individual that it considers in its sole discretion to be impaired or unable due to fitness level. In addition, Orbridge may, in its sole discretion and at the participant’s sole expense, remove from the program, or restrict the program-related activities of any individual whose physical or mental condition may or is likely to cause a hazard to himself/herself or others, or otherwise impair the enjoyment of other program participants. Any physical condition requiring special attention, diet, or treatment must be reported in writing to Orbridge at the time a program reservation is made.

Should you have any questions or need any clarification about a specific program, please ask for details at the time of registration. Orbridge will try to accommodate your interests if possible.

Travel Advisors and Warnings. The State Department and the Centers for Disease Control periodically issue statements, advisories and warnings about risks to travelers. These statements are country specific and contain important information. The State Department information can be found at http://travel.state.gov, and the CDC statements can be found at http://www.cdc.gov. We urge everyone to review these sites.

Children. Orbridge welcomes the participation of children in most of its programs. However, in the event you do include your children or other minors for whom you serve as legal guardian (“Dependents”) in your travel plans, you hereby agree that you are and shall be at all times solely responsible for their care, actions, safety and protection during the program and any extension(s). Should you have any questions whether a particular program or inclusion is suitable for your Dependent(s), please contact us.

Baggage. Program rates include the price of two (2) pieces of policy-compliant baggage per person during the land or cruise portion of the program only unless specified in the itinerary. Air carriers, and motor coaches often impose significant other restrictions or limitations on the number of pieces, size and weight of luggage and may reject or impose additional fees on luggage exceeding those restrictions or limitations. All such fees related to your solo cost and transportation method, your baggage and personal effects are and shall at all times be at your sole risk throughout the entire program. Please check with your air carrier for other applicable baggage restrictions and limitations.

Travel Documents. For U.S. citizens, valid passports are required for travel to foreign destinations and some countries require specific visas prior to entry. Please direct any questions in respect to visa requirements to Orbridge, which shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide answers as a courtesy, provided that it shall remain your sole responsibility and obligation to obtain and verify travel documents, visas, and other travel permissions or approvals including but not limited to any vaccinations or health certificates, and other similar travel documents. In addition, some countries require your passport have an expiry date of not less than six month after your anticipated return trip to the United States. Orbridge disclaims all liability for any expenses or costs you may incur due to your prohibition or restriction from entering a country on a program itinerary or reentering the United States at the conclusion of the program.

Photos and Videos. Orbridge may take photographs and/or video of its trips and participant grants Orbridge permission to do so and for it to use such for promotional or commercial use without participant permission. In addition, you agree to take any photographs or video taken by participants and submit to Orbridge or to Smugmug without payment of any compensation. In submitting any such photographs or videos to Orbridge or Smugmug, participant warrants that he or she took the image and that the dissemination of same does not violate the copyright rights of any person.

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Other. Dates, program details and costs, although given in good faith and based on tariffs, exchange rates and other information current at the time of printing, are subject to change at any time. While we do not anticipate material revisions of the itinerary or its included features, we do reserve the right to substitute accommodations or modes of transportation and to make any changes in the itinerary Orbridge, in its sole discretion, deems necessary and in that case any additional expense or cost will be paid by the individual guest. Your baggage and personal effects are your sole responsibility at all times.

Orbridge may at any time and without notice modify these terms and conditions, and any modification so made will be effective for all reservations made from and after the posted Effective Date.

In the event any term in these terms and conditions is deemed unenforceable the unenforceable clause shall be interpreted to give effect to the parties’ intentions to the greatest enforceable extent, and all other provisions hereof shall remain fully enforceable according to their terms.

Binding Arbitration. I agree that any dispute concerning, relating, or referring to this contract, the brochure, or any other literature concerning my trip, or the trip itself shall be resolved exclusively by binding arbitration in Seattle, Washington, according to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. Such proceedings will be governed by substantive (but not procedural) Washington law. The arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable.

Acceptance of Contract. ANY PAYMENT TO ORBRIDGE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DEPOSITS, CONSTITUTES YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AND AGREEMENT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH ABOVE AND IN MORE SPECIFIC TOUR DOCUMENTS.

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Please sign, date and print guest name(s).

___________________________________________________________________
Guest #1 Signature Date

Print Name

___________________________________________________________________
Guest #2 Signature Date

Print Name

For a Minor

I, as an authorized parent or guardian of the below named minor, hereby give my permission for my child or ward to participate in the trip and further agree, individually and on behalf of my child or ward, to the terms of the above. In the event the minor is not accompanied by all legal guardians on this trip, I agree to carry with me a notarized document from each legal guardian, not on the trip, granting his or her approval for the minor to travel on this trip and to present said document(s) to any authority requesting such. In the event I am the sole guardian of the minor, I agree to carry documentation evidencing such and present to any authority when requested.

___________________________________________________________________
Name of Minor

Signature of Parent or Guardian Date

Print Name