Dear UCLA Alumni and Friends,

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

On this seven-day journey, discover the beauty and magnitude of Churchill, Manitoba—a remote town on the banks of the Hudson Bay renown for hosting polar bears in the fall.

Visitors hope to glimpse polar bears lazily roaming the local shores as well as spot some of the 60,000 beluga whales—who come to feed, mate, and give birth in the shallow waters—alongside a multitude of other wildlife enjoying the fleeting summer season.

The expert guidance of an Orbridge Expedition Leader and a local naturalist, plus exclusive educational experiences—including presentations from the Manitoba Museum and Churchill’s Northern Studies Centre—distinguish this program.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than $1,000 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly, so be certain to reserve your spot today and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested in traveling with you.

Sincerely,

Christel Aragon
Director, UCLA Alumni Travel

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Free Expedition Library
AN EARLY RESERVATION BONUS

Reserve your space by December 21, 2018 to receive the FREE Orbridge Expedition Library we’ve assembled for this program.

This exclusive gift is to thank you for joining us early. Guests who reserve after the specified date may purchase libraries. Call for details.
Your 7-Day Itinerary

NOTE: Daily activities will be determined by weather, opportunities to view wildlife, and other various elements that make up the diverse arctic summer. Guests will receive a daily itinerary, 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 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada / Assiniboine Park Zoo (R,D) Welcome reception and dinner; presentation Overnight: Inn at the Forks

Day 2: Winnipeg / Churchill / Cultural and Heritage Tour (B,L,D) Flight to Churchill; panoramic site visits: Miss Piggy Plane Crash site, Polar Bear “Jail,” and Cape Merry Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge

Day 3: Churchill / Boat Tour / Prince of Wales Fort / Dog Mushing (B) Zodiac boat tour providing up-close whale watching and photography opportunities; dog cart ride Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge

Day 4: Churchill / Hudson Bay Coastal Tour (B,L) Full-day bear- and whale-spotting excursion aboard a custom water vessel Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge

Day 5: Churchill / Arctic Crawler Experience / Itsanitaq Museum (B,L,D) With cameras in-hand, board the Arctic Crawler to traverse the beautiful landscapes and search for wildlife; Itsanitaq Museum tour Overnight: Lazy Bear Lodge

Day 6: Churchill / Northern Studies Centre / Winnipeg (B,L,R) Interactive presentation and learn about current research; flight to Winnipeg; farewell reception Overnight: Hilton Winnipeg Airport Suites

Day 7: Depart Winnipeg (B)

Program Highlights

- Join fellow travelers for a warm welcome, then step out for a special evening reception in Assiniboine Park Zoo’s underwater viewing tunnels. Observe the 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.

- Embark upon two separate water tours of Hudson Bay and learn more about the 60,000 beluga whales that inhabit the area, plus keep an eye out for polar bears, caribou, seals, and a multitude of bird species found along the shore.

- Aboard the Arctic Crawler, venture out onto stark and beautiful landscapes, stopping to enjoy the scenery as you search for arctic hare, snowy owl, ptarmigan, or arctic fox.

- Choose between two optional guided excursion activities (additional fee): a 3-hour kayaking tour or a 3-hour snorkeling tour.

- Visit Churchill’s Itsanitaq Museum for an exploration of indigenous ways of life while viewing remarkable examples of Inuit craftsmanship.

- Meet an energetic team of sled dogs 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, and a farewell reception; full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader and a local naturalist; excursion transportation and entry fees; and all gratuities.

Activity Level: 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.
Your Accommodations (subject to change)

INN AT THE FORKS
Ideally located in downtown Winnipeg, this modern boutique hotel is near a plethora of shopping, arts, and entertainment options. During leisure time, stroll the city's cobblestone streets or take advantage of the hotel's fully equipped fitness center.

LAZY BEAR LODGE
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. Even the wood floors and windows were sustainably sourced—the flooring is from recycled Douglas fir from the Canadian National Railway warehouse built in the early 1920s and the windows are from an 1800s Hudson Bay Trading Post. Experience the warm hospitality of Wally and his staff, and dine on fabulous northern cuisine, all in the stunning property he has built.

HILTON WINNIPEG AIRPORT SUITES
Located just minutes from James Armstrong Richardson International Airport, this classic property provides well-appointed accommodations and thoughtful amenities. The hotel's restaurant, Oak and Grain, features comfort food with a twist.

Your Orbridge Expedition Leader
Your Expedition Leader will add exceptional depth of expertise and warm hospitality to each day's adventures.

The Sam Hearne
An expedition vessel ideal for wildlife-spotting.

Designed after a WWII landing craft, this 23-passenger flat-bottomed water vessel is perfect for your day-long journey onto Hudson Bay and possible close encounters with polar bears along the rocky shorelines. This former landing craft has plenty of seating, on-board facilities with flush toilet, and the ability to get in very close to shore. Captained by Lazy Bear Lodge owner Wally Daudrich, it is the only licensed boat of its kind with this special access.

Cruise along the coast of the Hudson Bay to places such as Seal River and Button Bay, a favorite gathering spot for polar bears.

Come aboard and join your naturalist guide for an amazing day of discovery in this remote and fascinating place.

The Arctic Crawler
A rugged all-terrain vehicle.

Get up-close access to the wildlife of the tundra aboard this specially-designed trekking vehicle. The Arctic Crawler features comfortable seating, on-board facilities with flush toilet, large windows that lower for better viewing, plus a spacious, fully-grated outside rear deck for optimal photography opportunities. With the expertise of the driver and your Orbridge Expedition Leader, you will witness all the stunning natural beauty and diverse wildlife the tundra has to offer.
What's Included

- Two nights accommodations at Inn at the Forks, or similar
- 2 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Admission to the Canadian Museum for Human Rights for a half-day guided tour
- Admission to Manitoba Museum for Inuit Peoples of the North program
- Admission to Assiniboine Park Zoo for guided Journey to Churchill tour
- Luggage porterage
- Airport transfer for guests arriving during the suggested times

Pre-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

Day +1: Arrive in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Day and evening at leisure

Day +2: Winnipeg (B,L)
Canadian Museum for Human Rights guided tour

Day +3: Winnipeg / Main Program Begins (B)
Guided program at the Manitoba Museum, Assiniboine Park Zoo experience, join guests on the main program

Optional Pre-Tour

Winnipeg

Canadian Museum for Human Rights

Assiniboine Park Zoo

Enjoy additional days in Winnipeg to experience a multiple award-winning exhibit at Assiniboine Park Zoo featuring nine playful polar bears and a host of arctic animals, and a visit to Winnipeg’s architectural marvel—the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. Plus explore the Manitoba Museum and enjoy a guided tour.

Early Reservation Bonus:

See reverse for details.
Polar Bears & Beluga Whales

July 27 - August 2, 2019
Winnipeg Pre-Tour: July 25-27, 2019

Standard Rate:
$4,499

Special Rate:
$3,995*

Internal airfare additional at $995 per person

Winnipeg Pre-Tour: $795*
Single Pre-Tour: $995

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*Special group rate; limited offer. Rate is per person based on double occupancy except where noted as Single, in U.S. dollars. Airfare not included. Group airfare for the charter flight between Winnipeg and Churchill is charged additionally at $995 per person. **A Compliment to the educational component of this journey, Expedition Libraries are curated collections of reading and resources tailored to this program. Place your deposit on or before the specified date, and one Expedition Library per household will be sent upon receipt of final payment. Libraries may be purchased; please call for details.
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Animals of the Arctic l Summer Expedition

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When you reserve by December 21, 2018**
Special Alumni Rate: Save more than $1,000 per couple

What Guests Are Saying...

We loved Lazy Bear Lodge—very rustic, and the food was excellent. Our Expedition Leader 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.

~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