



Frontiers North Presents **Houston Zoo** 2019 Polar Bears in Churchill Adventure

November 4 - 9, 2019

For centuries Polaris – the North Star – has depicted true north, a navigational reference for adventure-seeking explorers in their expeditions across the often-perilous oceans.

Our True North is an unwavering love for Canada's North – the extraordinary wildlife, the incredible landscapes, and the remarkable people and their customs. We consider it a privilege to share this awe-inspiring land with visitors around the world.

Find your True North on an authentic experience with Frontiers North Adventures.



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Why **Frontiers North Adventures**

30+ YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

Frontiers North Adventures is a family-owned and -operated business that has been specializing in adventures to Canada's north for over 30 years. Our programs are designed for guests with specific interests in experiential travel, photography, wildlife, culture and adventure. Since day one, we have built our business on the principle of working closely with the communities and locals within the communities we visit. It's these relationships that make the difference between a cool vacation and an amazing, authentic and intimate adventure.

WE ARE TOURISM LEADERS

We are an award-winning and internationally known leader in Canada's eco-tourism industry and have been recognized by the Tourism Industry Association of Canada as one of the top three sustainable tourism operators in Canada. We are proud that our Frontiers North Tundra Buggy® Adventure was hailed as a quintessential Canadian tourism experience by Destination Canada, and was awarded Signature Experience status.

PASSIONATE, PROFESSIONAL GUIDES

Our world-class guides and drivers offer a wealth of knowledge and experience. Chosen for their expertise, our enthusiastic and engaging team will make sure you leave having had the adventure of a lifetime.

BEST VALUE FOR YOUR MONEY

We understand that our guests invest time and money into visiting Canada. We strive for each of our guests to return home feeling that we've exceeded their expectations. Our adventures are planned by experienced wildlife and nature enthusiasts who understand the complexity of northern travel and who value exploration, community and life-changing travel experiences.

WE'RE COMMITTED TO CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY

We believe that our responsibility as a wildlife tour operator includes not only a focus on conservation, but also on supporting the communities in which we travel. Through our support of Polar Bears International and the northern communities where our tours take place, we are able to provide an enriched experience for our guests and at the same time do some good for the wildlife, people and places where we operate.

EXCLUSIVE ACCESS

We work tirelessly to meet standards set by Manitoba Sustainable Development and Parks Canada, which allows us to take guests into places where only we can go, offering unforgettable and unparalleled experiences. We currently hold the only business license to house guests inside Wapusk National Park; and we also hold the most permits to operate on the trail network in the Churchill Wildlife Management Area. We have an impeccable safety record and hold all the necessary permits that allow our guests to travel with peace of mind.

The Official TUNDRA BUGGY

Established in 1979, it was the creation of the original tundra vehicle, the Tundra Buggy®, that ignited adventuring amongst polar bears in Churchill more than 30 years ago. Today, Frontiers North carries on that spirit of leading the way.

The Tundra Buggy Adventure is about more than the vehicle; what makes a Tundra Buggy Adventure truly unique is where we get to go, the experience of our drivers, our passionate and dedicated tour leaders, and the opportunities for our guests to spend time on the tundra with Field Ambassadors from Polar Bears International. Frontiers North provides guests with a truly unique experience in some of Churchill's most remote and exclusive areas.

Specially designed for the northern landscape, these all-terrain vehicles enable us to take guests to the best locations in the Churchill area to safely experience wildlife and the phenomenal northern lights.

Venturing on a network of established trails in the Churchill Wildlife Management Area (summer & autumn) and the frozen tidal flats of Cape Churchill in Wapusk National Park (late autumn) the Tundra Buggy takes you to the heart of the tundra, where polar bears and other arctic wildlife roam. During the winter, we are the only company to travel across the frozen Churchill River, far from the lights of town, to our Aurora Lounge to view the incredible northern lights.

Frontiers North Adventures holds the most permits to operate in these protected areas, offering our guests the most access to the amazing northern landscape and wildlife.

17

The number of Tundra Buggies in the official Tundra Buggy fleet.

33

The number of kilometers of trails in the CWMA 33 km (20 miles)

12

The number of permits to travel through the CWMA that Frontiers North Adventures holds. There is a total of 18.

45

Top speed of a Tundra Buggy in kilometres (28 mph)





CHURCHILL TOWN & TUNDRA EXPERIENCE FAQ

Q: What can I look forward to when I spend my nights in Churchill?

A: Churchill is a vibrant, close-knit town of approximately 800 people. Each restaurant and shop is locally-owned. Feel free to strike up a conversation with a friendly local, take part in Churchill's nightlife by visiting one of its lively pubs, and explore each unique shop during your free time.

Q: What is there to do in Churchill on our free time?

A: There are a variety of gift shops to visit in Churchill such as Fifty Eight North - Home of the Tundra Buggy. You can also visit the Town Centre Complex which holds most of the town's amenities such as the library, hockey arena, curling rink, swimming pool, gymnasium, bowling alley, movie theater, indoor playground and fitness centre. Be sure to stop at the Canada Post Office to get a "Churchill - Polar Bear Capital of the World" stamp on your passport. You can also book a one-hour helicopter tour as an add-on to your trip - just ask our travel counsellors for more information.

Q: What are the hotels like?

A: The small, locally-owned hotels in Churchill are very basic but they are clean, comfortable and centrally located to all of Churchill's amenities. All hotels have Internet access.

Q: What are the restaurants like?

A: The restaurants in Churchill are all locally-owned and each menu has a variety of delicious, unique items. Depending on your level of trip (Adventurer, Enthusiast, or Specialist) some or all of your meals may be included.

Q: How do we get around Churchill?

A: Churchill is a very small town and every restaurant and store is within walking distance from your hotel. However weather can affect the road conditions making them icy, so be careful when you walk and always keep your eyes open for bears. A taxi service is also available in Churchill for guests who require extra assistance getting around (204-675-2345).

Meet Our Tundra Buggy Drivers

Click this link or type it into your browser: <http://58n.ca/meetdrivers>

POLAR BEARS INTERNATIONAL (PBI)

PBI is the world's leading polar bear conservation group – dedicated to saving polar bears by saving their habitat. Their focus is on research, education, and stewardship.

Since 2000, Frontiers North Adventures has been a Platinum sponsor of Polar Bears International. Frontiers North supports PBI's Tundra Connections®, and Field Ambassador Program and Tundra Buggy® One.

Frontiers North provides Tundra Buggy One to PBI to use throughout polar bear season in Churchill. Buggy One is outfitted with tools and equipment that enable polar bear scientists to study bears and broadcast live from the remote tundra sharing up-to-date information on Churchill's polar bears around the world.

Through our exclusive partnership with PBI, we provide an opportunity for our guests to learn first-hand from PBI species experts who join us on the Tundra Buggies. Presentations add to the in-depth interpretation provided by our tour leaders and interpretive drivers, offering our guests an opportunity to not just see polar bears but to learn about these majestic animals.

To learn more about our partnership visit www.frontiersnorth.com/polarbearsinternational



November 4 (D)

Guests will arrive into Winnipeg by their own arrangements and check in for the evening at the Four Points by Sheraton hotel. The group will join their Frontiers North Interpretive Guide for a welcome dinner that will allow the group to review the details of the trip itinerary.

November 5 (B, L, D)

After breakfast we'll depart on an early morning flight from Winnipeg to Churchill. Upon arrival we will set out for a Churchill and Area tour which will take the group to local and historical points of interest such as Cape Merry, the Port of Churchill, and Manitoba Conservation's Polar Bear Holding Facility (weather permitting).

After lunch the group will enjoy an afternoon to explore the Churchill Itsanitaq Museum which houses one of Canada's finest collections of Inuit artifacts. Overnight at a Churchill hotel.

November 6 (B, L, D)

After breakfast, the group will depart for a full-day Tundra Buggy® Adventure exploring the tundra in search of polar bears and other arctic wildlife. A picnic-style lunch will be served directly on the tundra, and the tour will be accompanied by a knowledgeable and friendly driver as well as a professional Interpretive Guide.

A Polar Bears International representative will join guests on board for an in-depth discussion on polar bears and their habitat. Overnight at a Churchill hotel.

November 7 (B, L, D)

After breakfast, the group will depart for a full-day Tundra Buggy Adventure in the Churchill Wildlife Management Area where we will continue our search for polar bears, arctic fox, ptarmigan and other wildlife, meandering slowly along the way. A picnic-style lunch will be served directly on the tundra, and the tour will be accompanied by a knowledgeable and friendly guide. In the evening guests will enjoy a wine and cheese reception where a Polar Bears International representative will have a presentation on polar bears. Overnight at a Churchill hotel.

November 8 (B, L, D)

Our morning begins with an exhilarating dogsled excursion hosted by a local resident and dog sledding expert. Guests will learn about the historical significance of dog sledding in the north as well as enjoying an exhilarating ride behind a strong team of huskies on a custom-made sled. After lunch, guests will visit the Parks Canada Interpretive Centre. Here we will take part in an interactive presentation on "The Foods of the Fur Trade" that discusses the history, culture and wildlife of Churchill and guests will have a chance to taste authentic foods such pemican, dried berries and bannock. You will also have time to explore the exhibit. Guests will then be transferred to the Churchill airport for an evening flight back to Winnipeg (a light dinner will be served on board). Guests will check in for the evening at the Four Points by Sheraton hotel.

November 9 (B)

After breakfast, guests may depart Winnipeg at their leisure.



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THE PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Two nights accommodations at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel
- Round trip air from Winnipeg to Churchill
- Three nights accommodations in Churchill
- Churchill and area tour
- Itsanitaq Museum
- Interpretive dog-sled excursion
- The Foods of Fur Trade presentation by Parks Canada
- Cultural Presentation
- Two full day Tundra Buggy Adventures
- Evening cocktail presentation hosted by Polar Bears International
- All meals as indicated
- All transfers as indicated
- Led by a Frontiers North Interpretive Guide
- Accompanied by a Houston Zoo representative

PRICE PER GUEST: \$8579

**Price is in Canadian dollars, based on double occupancy; single supplement is \$1000. Price does not include taxes (9%), gratuities, alcoholic beverages or items of a personal nature.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

DEPOSIT: \$750 CAD per person, due at time of individual guest booking. Reservations must be accompanied by the guests' full name.

FULL PAYMENT: Due 120 days prior to departure date.

In the event that reservations must be cancelled, refunds will be made according to the following schedule:

- Booking - 121 days prior to departure: \$500 CAD per person, nonrefundable.
- 120 – 61 days prior to departure: 50% of total invoice, nonrefundable.
- 60 – 0 days prior to departure: 100% of total invoice, nonrefundable.

Frontiers North must have in our possession completed and signed Frontiers North Adventures Tour Registration and Waiver Forms before guests are eligible to participate in any Frontiers North adventure.

Frontiers North supplier and logistical arrangements must be confirmed and paid for prior to trip departure; as a result Frontiers North enforces strict adherence to the above Terms and Conditions. All prices, inclusions, itineraries, activities and dates may be subject to change at Frontiers North Adventures' discretion due to circumstances beyond our control.

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