

# SUPERB SVALBARD

Home of the polar bear where you can hunt the Northern Lights all day long!

**Price: from €1595 per person sharing**

**Available:** October 2018 – February 2019

**Includes two Northern Lights tours. Additional activities available.**



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If you can't wait until January to get your Arctic adventure thrills in mainland Norway, you can now head further north to Svalbard, home to polar bear, walrus, whales, where the snow arrives earlier and lasts longer.

Located at 78 degrees north, Longyearbyen – the capital of Svalbard – is officially the world's northernmost town. The islands lie approximately half way between Norway and the North Pole (*see map*).

When it comes to hunting the Northern Lights, the season runs from October through to the end of February. But from 14 November – 29 January each year the region experiences the 'Polar Night', when the sun doesn't rise above the horizon. This makes Svalbard the only populated place on the planet where you can hunt the Northern Lights all day long,

thereby increasing your chances of seeing the Lights considerably.

The snow arrives in Svalbard (usually in late October/early November) a couple of months before it does in northern Norway, extending your travel window for a wide range of arctic activities such as dog sledding and snowmobiling.

This fantastic package includes three nights on Svalbard staying in the recently redesigned **Funken Lodge**, a boutique hotel with panoramic views over Longyearbyen. Within the hotel you will find the Funken Bar, and the local culinary highlight, Funktionærmessen Restaurant.

You also get two amazing Northern Lights excursions. Enjoy **an evening at Camp Barentz**, with dinner, drinks and a Northern Lights presentation in a cabin in the wilderness. Plus you get to choose to **hunt the Northern Lights** via coach or Snowcat.

There are a range of other activities you can add, either booking in advance or on arrival in Longyearbyen including Snowmobile Safari (from 23 Nov, €200 pp) or Dog Sledding (from 1 Nov, €160 pp). There are also various sightseeing tours and hikes with guides, beer tasting at the Svalbard Brewery (€45 pp) and even a visit to a disused Coal Mine (€77 pp).

Due to the flight schedules from Dublin you must include an extra night before and after your trip to Svalbard. This will either be in Oslo, Tromsø, Copenhagen or Stockholm, depending on the route you travel, but this gives you the flexibility to travel nearly every day of the week.

*Prices correct at time of print (Sep 2018). E&OE. Subject to availability at time of booking. Christmas flight supplement may apply. As they are natural phenomena, seeing the Northern Lights, polar bears or other wildlife is not guaranteed.*

## Price includes:

- Return flights Dublin / Longyearbyen including taxes.
- One 20 kg checked bag per person.
- 2 hotel nights (one before and one after Svalbard) in Oslo, Tromsø, Copenhagen or Stockholm depending on flight schedules.
- Return airport transfers if overnighing in Tromsø.
- 3 nights B&B in the boutique Funken Lodge, Svalbard.
- An evening at Camp Barentz with dinner.
- Northern Lights hunt via Snowcat or coach.
- Full information pack.

## Not included:

- Travel insurance (required)
- Airport transfers in Longyearbyen (pay on bus, approx €17 return, full details provided).
- Additional excursions (purchase in advance or locally).

## Options:

- Add extra nights in Oslo, Tromsø, Copenhagen or Stockholm before / after your package. Priced on request.
- Single supplement priced on request.



Funken Lodge



Camp Barentz



Snowcat



Nature's Ice Sculpture

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