

1 | WINNIPEG, MB

After arriving in Winnipeg, enjoy a relaxing day in your room at The Grand Winnipeg Airport Hotel. Get outfitted with winter gear to keep you cozy during the week's adventures, then tuck into a hearty dinner while meeting the rest of your group. Accommodations are at The Grand Winnipeg Airport Hotel.

2 | CHURCHILL, MB

Today, you'll fly north to Churchill, renowned as the Polar Bear Capital of the World. A fixed wing aircraft will take you to Nanuk Polar Bear Lodge, situated between the pristine waters of Hudson Bay and dense boreal forest. En route to this remote ecosystem, you'll be treated to aerial views of Wapusk National Park – home of Cape Churchill, the best location in the world to view polar bears – and the York Factory National Historic Site, a 17th-century fur trade post. Once arrived and settled at the lodge, you'll head out for your first excursion to track wildlife. Accommodations are at Nanuk Polar Bear Lodge.

3-5 | KASKATTAMA COAST, MB

You're officially in polar bear country! Over the next few days, you'll explore the surrounding landscape with camera gear in tow, keeping your eyes peeled for Arctic wildlife. The shoreline location of the lodge is ideal for photographing bears on snow and ice, while clear nights are particularly compelling for northern lights photography. In the evenings, return to the lodge for a decadent meal, then park yourself near the fireplace to download your images, rehash the day's adventures, or take in a fascinating lecture or slideshow about wildlife and the Manitoba landscapes. Settle in to sleep without fear of missing out – a staff member will rouse you if the auroras or a nocturnal polar bear make an appearance. Accommodations are at Nanuk Polar Bear Lodge.

6 | CHURCHILL, MB

After a hearty breakfast, fly back to the town of Churchill (keep your camera ready for stunning views from the plane!). Once arrived, you'll join a guided tour of the town, learning about its rich history as a seaport and ex-military base. The tour includes stops at the Itsanitaq Museum, which houses some of the oldest Inuit carvings and artifacts in the world; and the Polar Bear Jail, which "rehabilitates" troublesome polar bears to protect community residents. Before dinner, you'll have free time to shop for

souvenirs in the town's charming gift shops. Then, it's time to board your flight back to Winnipeg. Accommodations are at The Grand Winnipeg Airport Hotel.

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After a restful sleep, pack your bags in preparation for the flight home. While it's time to say goodbye, your camera will be filled with memories of your adventures in the north.