

Ski and Sail Svalbard

9 days Ski and Sail in Spitsbergen, Svalbard.

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Join us as we sail along the west coast of Spitsbergen, where towering mountains, majestic glaciers, and diverse wildlife await. Did you know that Svalbard offers countless untouched slopes? Up here in the Arctic, we're often the first to carve fresh tracks. Book now for an adventure you'll never forget!

Why Choose Our Ski and Sail Expedition?

- **Unforgettable skiing:** Svalbard is home to countless untouched slopes waiting to be explored. In the Arctic wilderness, we are often the first to leave fresh tracks in the snow.
- **Spectacular scenery and wildlife:** Sail through majestic fjords, where towering mountains, calving glaciers, and rare wildlife like polar bears and Arctic foxes await.
- **World-class adventure guides:** Our experienced, knowledgeable guides will ensure you ski in the best locations, offering a perfect balance of safety and adventure.
- **Leisure aboard SV Moondance:** Sail aboard the SV Moondance, a beautifully rigged sailing vessel, fine-tuned for optimal performance. This ship offers a modern comfort, allowing guests to immerse themselves in the Arctic journey while still enjoying world-class amenities.

The SV Moondance Experience

- **Exquisite Sailing Vessel:** The SV Moondance is a beautifully rigged sailing vessel designed for both performance and comfort. Its cozy interior features a bright, spacious saloon with large windows that let in plenty of natural light. The light-colored walls and ceilings create an open and airy atmosphere, while the well-equipped kitchen and dining area add to the warmth and functionality. The saloon offers ample seating, a wooden dining table, and thoughtful touches like hanging nets for fresh fruits and vegetables, making it the perfect place to relax after a day of Arctic adventure.
- **Comfort and Luxury:** Relax on spacious decks that provide ample seating for wildlife spotting and scenic views.
- **Gourmet Dining:** Our onboard chef will treat you to delicious, freshly prepared meals, offering a variety of gourmet dishes made in our professionally equipped galley. Meals are served in the saloon, where you can enjoy your food while gazing out at the Arctic wonders.
- **Well-Appointed Cabins:** Below deck, our comfortable double cabins come equipped with private showers, wash basins, portholes, and modern amenities such as 220V European sockets. Expert insulation and ventilation ensure a cozy, restful experience after long days of adventure.





A Unique Ski & Sail Adventure – Tailored to Each Journey

No two Ski & Sail expeditions are the same. Every trip is planned dynamically, adapting to weather conditions, snow quality, and the best opportunities for exploration. Your adventure will be a blend of remote ski touring, breathtaking Arctic landscapes, and the freedom of sailing through pristine waters.

A Journey Shaped by Nature

Day 1: Embark & Set Sail

Step aboard your expedition yacht and settle into life at sea. As we sail into the Arctic wilderness, enjoy stunning coastal views while your guides brief you on the upcoming adventure. Our first anchorage will be carefully chosen based on conditions, setting the stage for an unforgettable journey.

Days 2–8: Exploring the Arctic Mountains

Each day, we navigate to new fjords and islands, skiing spectacular terrain far from the crowds. Whether it's vast glaciers, steep couloirs, or rolling ridgelines, your guides will tailor the route to suit the group's ability and conditions. Along the way, you may encounter Arctic wildlife, from seals resting on the ice to soaring seabirds.

- Some days may bring long ascents to panoramic summits, followed by unforgettable descents to the sea.
- Other days, shorter tours may allow for multiple runs or a chance to explore historic sites along the coastline.

- The yacht provides ultimate flexibility—if weather shifts, we adjust and seek out the best possible skiing each day.

Day 8: Final Ski Tour & Sail Back

As our journey winds down, we enjoy one last ski tour before setting course for our return. Whether it's a hidden valley, a sunlit ridge, or a classic summit descent, we make sure to end the trip on a high note.

Day 9: Farewell & Disembarkation

After breakfast, we disembark and pleasure each other with blessing, planning for new adventures together. You leave with incredible memories of a ski adventure unlike any other—one that unfolded in perfect harmony with the Arctic's ever-changing landscape.

A True Expedition—Designed by Nature

With no fixed itinerary, every trip is a unique blend of exploration, adventure, and the unexpected. The flexibility of sailing allows us to chase the best snow, avoid poor weather, and make the most of the Arctic wilderness. This is Ski & Sail at its purest—wild, remote, and unforgettable.



Adventure Details

- Duration: 9 days (8 nights)
- Price: EUR 6,550 per person
- Group Size: 6 guests + 1 guides (guest-to-guide ratio of 6:1)
- Skill Level: Intermediate to advanced (Skill Level 3)
- Equipment: Alpine touring skis, telemark skis, or splitboard with skins (available for rent); avalanche safety equipment; and a glacier travel harness for advanced touring.

Booking Information and Cancellation Policy

To secure your spot, a 30% deposit is required upon booking. The remaining balance is due 90 days before the departure date.

- **Cancellation Fees:**

- Cancellations made 120+ days before the tour: Full refund, except from NOK 1000 in administration and transaction fees.
- Cancellations made 90-119 days before the tour: 25% of the total price
- Cancellations made 60-89 days before the tour: 50% of the total price
- Cancellations made less than 59 days before the tour: No refund

For booking and inquiries, please contact us at booking@backyardsvalbard.com.

Plan ahead, as flying to Svalbard takes time. We recommend spending a day in Longyearbyen before setting sail to fully enjoy the local atmosphere.



