

Explore Arctic Dreams: Whitehorse to Tuktoyaktuk Adventure

7 Days | 6 Nights
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Whitehorse, YT

Tour Operates: 16 Jun to 8 Sep 2024

Experience the ultimate Arctic odyssey! Embark on a thrilling journey from Whitehorse to Tuktoyaktuk, crossing the Arctic Circle and touching the Arctic Ocean. Traverse rugged landscapes, witness the mesmerizing Northern Lights, and delve into the rich history of the Yukon's gold rush era. From the vibrant streets of Dawson City to the serene beauty of Inuvik, each day promises new adventures and breathtaking scenery. Capture unforgettable moments, challenge yourself, and connect with nature on this unforgettable expedition. **Join us for the Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway tour and fulfill your Arctic dreams today!**



Highlights

- **Arctic Adventure:** Embark on the ultimate northern road trip from Whitehorse to Tuktoyaktuk, crossing the Arctic Circle, for an unforgettable Arctic experience.
- **Natural Wonders:** Witness breathtaking views of the Arctic landscape, including the majestic Yukon River and untouched tundra, providing ample photographic opportunities.
- **Cultural Immersion:** Immerse yourself in the rich history of the Klondike Gold Rush in Dawson City and learn about Indigenous cultures in Inuvik and Tuktoyaktuk.
- **Bucket List Experience:** Check off a significant item on your travel bucket list by exploring the remote and serene Arctic region, a once-in-a-lifetime adventure.
- **Connection with Nature:** Encounter iconic Arctic wildlife like caribou and experience the tranquility of the Arctic wilderness, offering personal growth and serenity.

Experience the thrill of the Arctic with our Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour Package. Book now to embark on this extraordinary journey!

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Includes:

- ✓ 7 Days roundtrip from / to Whitehorse.
- ✓ 7 Days accommodation.
- ✓ Expert guidance on the entire trip.
- ✓ Flight from Inuvik to Whitehorse.
- ✓ All overland transportation.
- ✓ Air-conditioned Maxi Van (capacity 15 seats).
- ✓ Entrance fee for "Diamond Tooth Gerties" Casino.
- ✓ Entrance fee for Dawson City Museum.
- ✓ Arctic Circle crossing celebration.
- ✓ Historic First Nation City Tour in Tuktoyaktuk.
- ✓ Airport Shuttle.
- ✓ Taxes, GST.

Child Policy: Participants below 7 years are not accepted on this tour.

Note: Due to the nature of this tour last-minute changes to the itinerary are a possibility and are left up to the discretion of the guide.

Group Size:

6 - 9 participants per date (Maxi Van)

10 - 20 participants per date (Midsize Coach)

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Day 1 – Ultimate Arctic Tour: Welcome to Whitehorse!

Begin your Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour in Whitehorse, Yukon, for an epic road trip to Tuktoyaktuk and beyond. Greeted by your tour guide at the airport, you're swiftly transported to your hotel, where fellow travelers await. Get ready for the ultimate adventure as your guide provides essential insights during a brief orientation, igniting anticipation for the breathtaking journey ahead.

Overnight in Whitehorse.

Day 2 – Arctic Gold Rush: Whitehorse to Dawson City.

Highlights

- Journey from Whitehorse to historic Dawson City.
- Marvel at the majestic Yukon River on Klondike Highway.
- Explore landmarks like Five Finger Rapids en-route.
- Visit charming villages and historic post offices.
- Immerse yourself in the unique northern ambiance.

Prepare for a captivating expedition from Whitehorse to Dawson City on the Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour. Follow the scenic Klondike Highway, unveiling breathtaking vistas of the Yukon River, a testament to North America's natural grandeur. Pause to admire the renowned Five Finger Rapids and delve into the rich heritage of historic post offices, roadhouses, and villages along the route. Experience the essence of Canada's north as you journey onward.

Overnight at Dawson City.

Day 3 – Legendary Klondike: Dawson City Heritage Tour.

Highlights

- Dive into Dawson City's Gold Rush heritage.
- Discover Bonanza Creek and Jack London's cabin.
- Uncover history at the Dawson City Museum.
- Wander amid charming gold rush architecture.
- Delight in lively entertainment at Diamond Tooth Gertie's.

Step back in time to the Klondike Gold Rush era as you explore Dawson City on your Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour. Dive into the city's fascinating history, from gold panning along its creeks to visiting iconic sites like Bonanza Creek and the Jack London Cabin. Wander through streets adorned with historic gold rush architecture, soaking in the charm of this legendary town. As evening descends, experience the lively entertainment at Diamond Tooth Gertie's Gambling Hall, adding a touch of whimsy to your northern adventure.

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Overnight at Dawson City.

Day 4 – Arctic Road Odyssey: Dawson City to Eagle Plains.

Highlights

- Begin the epic journey on the Dempster Highway.
- Encounter caribou, moose, and bears in the tundra.
- Drive the renowned 730km gravel road to Inuvik.
- Marvel at the breathtaking vistas of Tombstone Park.
- Rest for the night at the cozy Eagle Plains.

Begin your epic journey on the renowned Dempster Highway, a pivotal leg of your Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour, from Dawson City to Eagle Plains. Travel through vast stretches of untouched tundra, encountering wildlife like caribou, moose, and bears. Explore the majestic Tombstone Territorial Park, soaking in the beauty of its rugged peaks and panoramic views. Immerse yourself in the captivating landscapes of the Arctic tundra, a bucket-list experience for adventurers worldwide. Your day concludes at Eagle Plains, adding another chapter to your unforgettable northern expedition.

Overnight at Eagle Plains.

Day 5 – Arctic Adventure: Eagle Plains to Inuvik Expedition.

Highlights

- Celebrate crossing the Arctic Circle, a monumental moment.
- Conquer the Richardson Mountains on your northern adventure.
- Explore the coastal tundra and Indigenous communities.
- Arrive at Inuvik, the bustling hub of the Western Arctic.
- Engage with the rich culture of the Inuvialuit people.

Today marks a pivotal moment as we cross the Arctic Circle on our journey from Eagle Plains to Inuvik, a highlight of the Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour. Pause for a celebratory moment before traversing the Richardson Mountains, descending into the Arctic coastal tundra. Explore the historic Indigenous communities of Fort McPherson, steeped in the epic tale of the Northwest Mounted Police and the "Lost Patrol." Inuvik, the vibrant hub of the Western Arctic, awaits—its name meaning "place of people" in the Inuvialuit language. Prepare to delve into the wonders of the Arctic coast from this strategic base.

Overnight at Inuvik.

Day 6 – Arctic Coastal Exploration: Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk.

Highlights

- Journey north to Tuktoyaktuk on a newly completed road.
- Explore the isolated coastal village and its unique charm.

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- Witness the remarkable pingos rising from the tundra.
- Learn about First Nations' history in this northern gem.
- Discover the wonders of pingos and muktuk firsthand.

Prepare for a day of exploration as we travel north from Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk on the Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour. Discover the remote coastal village and admire the fascinating pingos dotting the tundra landscape. Immerse yourself in the history of the First Nations peoples, learning about their enduring traditions. Get ready for an enlightening journey into the heart of the Arctic, where you'll uncover the significance of pingos and taste the unique delicacy known as muktuk.

Overnight at Inuvik.

Day 7 – Arctic Farewell: Departure Day Adventure.

Bid farewell to Tuktoyaktuk as you wrap up your Arctic Ocean Dream & Dempster Highway Tour with a visit to the iconic Igloo Church. Then, it's time to board your flight back to Whitehorse, where the afternoon beckons with possibilities for relaxation, shopping, and discovering more of the town's treasures. Reflect on the extraordinary journey that has taken you from Whitehorse to Tuktoyaktuk, crossing the Arctic Circle and delving into the wonders of Canada's north. Depart with a sense of fulfillment and adventure, carrying memories that will last a lifetime.

This morning marks the end of your Explore Arctic Dreams: Whitehorse to Tuktoyaktuk Adventure (Northern Lights Tour). Hotel check-out time is at 11 AM. Our driver will drop you off at the Whitehorse Airport for your flight home.

Note: Please review FAQ for important information relating to Departure Transfers.

End of your Northern Lights Tour.

Exclusions

- × Airfare. Offered as a supplement on request.
- × Breakfast and other meals unless listed under inclusions.
- × Winter clothing – offered as an optional add-on.
- × Porterage at hotels.
- × Bottled Water in hotel rooms.
- × Travel Insurance is strongly recommended to all travelers. Travel Agents, please note - If your client chooses to decline your offer to sell them Travel Insurance, you must secure a signed Liability Waiver, as required by the TICO, the Provincial Travel Regulatory Authorities of Ontario, Canada. DMCi Inc. sells Travel Insurance to residents of Ontario who are Canadian citizens or landed immigrants (Permanent Residence Card Holders) only. Non-Canadians and non-residents of Ontario or international clients must purchase Travel Insurance in their respective province, state, or country of residence.
- × Visa and Documentation Fees.
- × Telephone calls, Laundry, and other expenses.

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- × Any personal expenses.
- × Resort Fees if applicable.
- × Gratuities for drivers and tour guides (expected).

Departures

16.06.to 22.06.2024

30.06.to 06.07.2024

14.07.to 20.07.2024

28.07.to 03.08.2024

11.08.to 17.08.2024

25.08.to 31.08.2024

08.09.to 14.09.2024

If the minimum number of participants has not been reached, the operator reserves the right to cancel a tour 14 days prior to start of the tour. You will be notified immediately, and you are entitled to a full refund if you are unable to join one of our other departures. If the operator is forced to change the itinerary due to unforeseen circumstances, like forest fires, floods, breakdowns, all decisions are left to the discretion of the tour guide.

Deposit & Payment Policy

- 25% at the time of booking.
- Balance payable - 61 days

Change & Cancellation Policy

- 25% from time of booking.
- 60% - 45 to 31 days prior to departure.
- 100% - within 30 days.
- No Show – 100% non-refundable.
- Unused Services - non-refundable.

FAQ

- **Is this tour customizable? No.**
- **Is this a shared experience?** Yes. This tour is a shared experience.
- **Would there be last minute changes to the itinerary?** - Due to the nature of this tour last-minute changes to the itinerary are a possibility and are left up to the discretion of the guide.
- **Is this tour an Escorted Tour with a Tour Director?** Yes. This is a full guided tour. Commentary will be narrated by our driver-guide in English.

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- **Are there fixed dates of departure for this tour?** Yes. Date of departures are listed under Departures.
- **Will we be with the same group of people throughout this tour, like in an Escorted Tour?** Yes.
- **How do we find the vehicle for our transfer from Whitehorse Airport to hotel in downtown Whitehorse ?** Once your tour is confirmed, we will send you a service voucher. After you confirm your tour, you'll receive a service voucher. This voucher includes all the necessary directions for availing your transfer to your hotel in Whitehorse. Just follow these instructions, and you'll be set!
- **Departure Transfers – are transfers offered 24/7 –** No. The departure transfers are offered only 4 AM to 8 PM. Outside these hours you are required to make your own arrangements for transfers from and to Erik Nielsen Whitehorse International Airport (YXY). If your departure is outside these hours, we recommend you call Yukon Cabs at (867) 333-4444 book your cab ride to the airport at least 48 hours ahead.
- **Who provides departure transfers -** Airport departure transfers might be operated by a third-party taxi service with an English-speaking driver? Taxi services are pre-booked, and guest will receive a voucher as full payment for the taxi service.
- **Will someone come to my hotel to pick me up for the tours?** Yes. You will be picked up from your hotel for the tours.
- **Size of Coaches for Transfers and Tours - What are the sizes of the coaches used for transfers and tours?** We use Maxi vans (smaller groups) and small tour coaches where we have 10 to 20 participants.
- **What kind of information should I provide to book this tour? –** We need the below information for us to book you on this tour
 - a) Full names (first, middle, last)
 - b) Tour name
 - c) Date, activity, and type.
 - d) Airline arrival information
 - e) Weight (if travel arrangements include small aircraft)
- **Do we have to sign a Waiver to join this tour? –** Yes. You will be required to sign a waiver to join this tour. The operator will provide you the Waiver before start of the tour. Minors under 19 – parents/guardians are required to sign off on the Waiver.
- **Skill Level (only for Optional Activity & Soft Adventure Tours) –** What kind of Skill Levels are required to participate in this tour? – This is a **Beginner Level Skill Tour**. You are provided necessary briefing on each day of the tour so you can participate safely if you follow the guide and the guidelines and briefings provided by the operator/guide.
- **Wi-Fi Signal - How's the signal?** - 4G smartphone cell coverage is available in all communities, but not in between. Check with your cell service provider to find out if your phone will work here. Satellite phone networks are accessible across the Yukon and satellite phones can be rented in Whitehorse.
- **Is the Yukon always chilly?** - Temperature in the Yukon fluctuates, but warm and sunny weather in [Summer](#) (mid-May to September) with temperatures often in the 20s (°C) is not uncommon. Daylight hours are longer,

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too. In some areas the midnight sun shines all night long. [Winters](#) can be chilly (as you may have heard), but dress appropriately and you'll hardly even notice.

- **Are there bears in the Yukon?** – Yes. The Yukon is home to healthy populations of [grizzly and black bears](#). We suggest that you read our [wilderness travel tips](#).
- **Where is the best place to see aurora? And what time is best?** - To see aurora, you need clear and dark sky. During very large auroral events, the aurora may be seen throughout the US and Europe, but these events are rare. During an extreme event in 1958, aurora was reported to be seen from Mexico City. During average activity levels, auroral displays will be overhead at high northern or southern latitudes. Places like Whitehorse, Yukon; Yellowknife, NWT; Gillam, Manitoba; the southern tip of Greenland; Reykjavik, Iceland; Tromsø, Norway; and the northern coast of Siberia all offer a good chance to view the aurora overhead. In North Dakota, Michigan, Quebec, and central Scandinavia, you might be able to see aurora on the northern horizon when activity picks up a little. In the southern hemisphere the aurora must be active before it can be seen from places other than Antarctica. Hobart, Tasmania, and the southern tip of New Zealand have about the same chance of seeing aurora as Vancouver, BC, South Dakota, Michigan, Scotland, or St. Petersburg. Fairly strong auroral activity is required for aurora viewing in those locations.
- **What is the best time to see Aurora Borealis?** - The best time to watch for aurora is around midnight, but aurora occurs throughout the night. There are very few places on Earth where one can see aurora during the day.

Since clear sky and darkness are essential to see aurora, the best time is dictated by the weather, and by the sunrise and sunset times. The moon is also very bright and should be considered when deciding on a period to travel for the purpose of auroral observation. You might see aurora from dusk to dawn throughout the night. The chances are higher for the three or four hours around midnight.

- **Is aurora borealis viewing best with a moon or no moon?** - We like moonlight because it lights up the foreground and makes the sky a deep blue instead of pitch-black like with no moon. We watch the lunar phase very carefully to allow for best light compositions for photography.
- **What is the best month for Aurora Borealis Viewing?** - In northern regions like the Yukon, the best time to view the aurora is from late August to mid-April. During the summer months the night skies are not dark enough to see the aurora borealis even at times when the solar wind activity is strong. In midwinter the temperatures may fall to the minus 40-degree range, and it is important to wear appropriate winter clothing (please see “winter clothing packages”) to enjoy the displays.
- **How to photograph the Northern Lights?** - For starters set the camera on a tripod, adjust the ISO setting up to 800 or 1600, set the f-stop wide open (lowest number like f2.8) and start bracketing the exposure times. Try 5 seconds, 10 seconds, and 20 seconds. If the picture is still black and underexposed, then try 30 seconds and keep raising the ISO until something shows up on your LCD monitor.
- **Can I take Aurora photos with a cellphone?** - Basically, it is very difficult to take night photos with a cellphone. To capture the Northern lights, you will need to position your camera on a tripod to make sure you don't have any motion while you take a photo. We recommend you bring a camera which has a manual mode, which most medium-priced cameras have nowadays.

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- **How long do the northern lights last?** - Anywhere from 10 minutes to all night long, depending on the magnitude of the incoming solar wind. "Coronal holes" consistently produce nice auroras, but big solar flares and CMEs-coronal mass ejections are responsible for global-wide aurora displays...the BIG shows!
- **Are there any rental camera services?** - We do not offer any rental cameras, but we offer a photo service and rental tripod. If you do not want to bring big camera, our Aurora guides will take your photo with northern lights, and you can choose to purchase it if you like it.
- **Does it have to be COLD to see the northern lights?** - No! It is a myth that the northern lights happen only when it's cold. They happen year-round and since there is more darkness to see them in the winter people associate the cold winter with the auroras. August and September are a great time to see the Aurora while wearing a T-shirt and shorts!
- **Winter Clothing - Should I wear rental winter gear for every tour?** - It is not mandatory, but we recommend it. December to April, the temperature drops to around -20 to -25°C, so our winter gear helps you to enjoy any tour comfortably and safe. We strongly recommend wearing our rental winter gear during snow shoeing, ice fishing, and Aurora Viewing tours.
- **What is a famous food in Whitehorse?** - Many restaurants serve local food like Arctic Char which comes from the arctic area. Also, meats like bison and reindeer are served as part of traditional meals. In the very far north you can also expect to taste traditional indigenous meals.
- **What time should I arrive to Whitehorse?** - If you are planning to join the Aurora Viewing Tour, we recommend arriving at the Whitehorse Airport before 8pm, then you have enough time to prepare for the tour.
- **How do we get to Whitehorse, YT?** - There are many ways to get to the Yukon, but flying is the easiest. You can catch regular flights with [Air North](#), Yukon's Airline, from Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Ottawa, Kelowna, Victoria and Yellowknife. Or, if you're coming from further abroad, there are a variety of convenient flights arriving in the Yukon via other major airlines such as [Air Canada](#), [WestJet](#), and [Condor](#). After you've fastened your seatbelt, it's time to share a few stories with your neighbour and one of Air North's famous warm cookies.
- **Can we expect to see wildlife on these tours?** While there is always a chance to spot wildlife during our tours, and such sightings are not uncommon, we must clarify that seeing wildlife is not a guaranteed aspect of our tours. Our guides possess extensive knowledge about the animals in the park and will gladly share information about them, should you see any wildlife or have questions about the local fauna.
- **Is it safe to approach or touch wild animals based on their behavior?** Absolutely not. Under no circumstances should you approach, touch, or exit your vehicle to photograph wild animals, regardless of their apparent calmness or friendliness. Interacting with wild animals poses significant risks to both humans and the animals themselves.
- **Is it mandatory to present Service Vouchers received from DMCi for availing confirmed services during our tour, including hotel accommodations and tours?** Yes, it is mandatory. To avail of the services confirmed for your tour, including hotel accommodations and tours, you must present a digital or printed copy of the Service Voucher provided to you by DMCi or your travel agent at the time-of-service confirmation. Failure to present

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this voucher may result in denial of services. Please note that in such circumstances, no refunds, substitutions, or alternative tours or services will be provided.

- **Do clients need a Credit Card for Hotel Check-Ins?** It is mandatory for clients to provide a credit card under their name when checking in at hotels, lodges, and inns. The hotel typically places an authorization hold of \$500 to \$750 on the card for incidental expenses and possible damage. This hold is released within 72 hours after check-out, deducting any incurred charges.
- **Can we use Cash or a Debit Card instead of a Credit Card at Hotel Properties?** It is important to note that most of our hotel properties do not accept cash or debit cards as a substitute for a credit card. Guests are strongly advised to ensure they have a valid credit card available for use during their stay.
- **Do guests need to provide a Photo-ID during Hotel Check-In?** Absolutely yes. At the time of check-in, clients are required to present a government-issued photo-ID, such as a passport or driver's license. Please be aware that other forms of government-issued photo-IDs, like a Social Insurance Number card, health card, citizenship card, etc., may not be acceptable.
- **What is the hotel check-in and check-out times?**
Check-in: 4 PM
Check-out: 11 AM
Early Check-in and Late-Checkouts require prior approval by the hotel. Additional charges, possibly an additional night charge will apply.
- **What is the policy in case your client's flight gets cancelled or delayed, or if they are unable to travel and join the tour for other reasons?** – DMCi Inc., our service providers, employees, contractors & sub-contractors etc. are responsible only for services booked through us. Therefore, your client's inability to travel or join the tour on time due any reasons including but not limited to delayed/cancelled flights, denied boarding, delayed/cancelled visas, refused admission into the country at the point of entry, health conditions, death in the family, etc. are not reasons for a refund or a substitution tour. If your client/s are unable to join the tour or fail to join the tour on time, no refund/substitution tour will be provided. DMCi Inc. is not responsible for any disruptions caused because of weather, traffic, road conditions, etc. All such circumstances should be covered by their Travel Insurance.

For More Information on this Tour Package, Operating Dates & Tariffs,

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