## DAILY PROGRAM



FRIDAY, 30.12.2016 - CUVERVILLE & NEKO







EARLY BIRD SELF SERVICE BREAKFAST BUFFET LUNCH BUFFET TEA TIME BBQ (Deck 7) OVERVIEW OF RESTAURANT TIMINGS 06:00 - 07:30

07:00 - 09:30 12:00 - 14:30 15:30 - 17:00 **18:00 - 21:00**  BISTRO, DECK 4
RESTAURANT, DECK 4
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PANORAMA LOUNGE, DECK 7
RESTAURANT, DECK 4

Today we plan to have two landings, in Cuverville Island and Neko Harbour. We will also have two kayak groups and four PolarCirkleboat groups. Please check the lists on deck 4.

Important for both landings: Rubber boots are mandatory footwear. Return time to the ship will be given ashore.



08:00 Framheim: Information meeting PolarCirkelboat Cruise (Group A, B, C, D).

PolarCirkleboat Cruise goup A will go cruising directly after the meeting. You will go

ashore for the landing <u>after</u> the cruise. We will call you after the last boat group (group 3).

Approx. 08:15 Kayakers A Please listen to the announce-ments for you to be called. We will meet at the reception.

Approx. 08:00: We hope to do a landing at Cuverville Island.

We begin our landing by calling PolarCirkleboat Cruise goup B and then boat group 4 and so on. Please listen then for the break time. Listen carefully for the announce-ments for your group to be called. Please do not approach deck 2 until your group is called.

10:30 PolarCirkleboat Cruise group B. Please meet on deck 2 to dress in the regatta suits. Please listen to the announce-ments for exact timings.

Afternoon (Time will be announced) Kayakers B Please listen to the announce-ments for

you to be called. We will meet at the reception.



Afternoon: We hope to do a landing at Neko Harbour.

We begin our landing by calling PolarCirkleboat Cruise group D, the Campers, followed by **boat group 5**. Please listen then for the break time. Listen carefully for the announcements for your group to be called. Please do not approach deck 2 until your group is called.

Afternoon (time will be announced) PolarCirkleboat Cruise group C.

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Please meet on deck 2 to dress in the regatta suits. Please listen to the announcements for exact timings. You will go ashore for normal landing <u>after</u> the cruise. We will call you after the last boat group (group 4).

Afternoon (time will be announced) PolarCirkleboat Cruise group D. Please meet on deck 2 to dress in the regatta suits. Please listen to the announcements for exact timings. You will go ashore for normal landing before the cruise start.

Evening / Campers: We hope to arrange a camp at Damoy Point. Kindly listen to the announcement for when to go ashore. Please eat your dinner early. We aim to take you ashore at 20:30.

21:00 Framheim / English Information about the landing tomorrow.

21:00 Polhøgda / Deutsch Informationen über unsere Anlandung Morgen. expedition and named for Professor Léo Errera of the University of Brussels, a benefactor of the voyage. Errera is home to Danco and Cuverville Islands.

Cuverville Island supports one of the largest known gentoo penguin colonies. This can be apparent from miles away given the right wind direction. Early in the season, snow cover impedes but doesn't stop penguins accessing their nests and an intricate network of "penguin highways" is carved into the snow. The shallow waters between Cuverville and Rongé islands often trap and ground icebergs. This makes for superb ship-cruising through the channel. Up from the rookery at Cuverville, steep cliffs lead to the island top. These cliffs should be avoided so as not to damage the mosses and lichens that grow there. The cliffs are also home to skuas that are vigorous in defending their well-hidden nests.

The bay is splendidly scenic and fills with castellated icebergs and wildlife in the long days of the summer. Nestled at the bottom of the bay is Neko Harbour, named for a whaling ship which anchored there in the early 1900's. It is one of the rare places in the Antarctic Peninsula area where one can come ashore on the Antarctic mainland. Hike up the hill to the penguin rookery and an amazing view of Andvord Bay but do not continue onto the glacier as it is heavily crevassed. The glacier across the tiny harbour is very active and creates very impressive but dangerous waves when it calves – please stay off the beach.

We would like to inform you that all stated times and activities are changeable due to weather conditions, or other circumstances out of our control. We kindly remind you to take care walking around on the ship while at sea. Especially



venturing out on deck, mind the signs for warning of wet and slippery. Be aware the doors toward the outer decks on 4, 5, 7 and 8 can be potentially dangerous in windy conditions. While walking inside, hold on to railings but not in door frames.

The Errera Channel is a scenic, narrow waterway between Rongé Island and the Arctowski Peninsula on the mainland. It was discovered by the Belgica

Andvord Bay penetrates deep into the Antarctic Peninsula; from here the Weddell Sea side is a mere fifty kilometres (30 miles) away. Once inside the bay, one is surrounded on all sides by the mountains and alpine glaciers of the peninsula.

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