

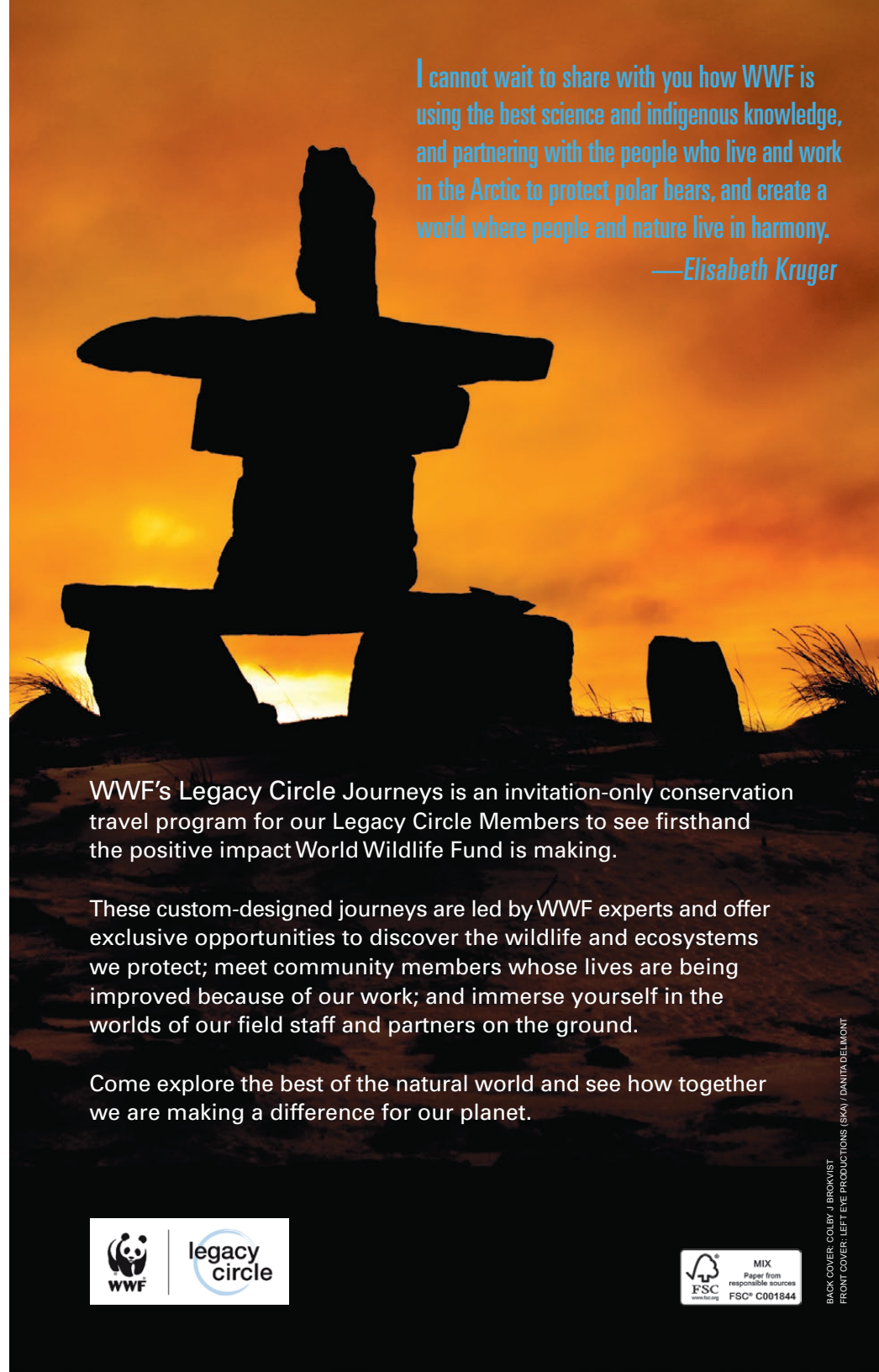
Please join us on an exclusive WWF Legacy Circle journey to Churchill, to experience one of the most remarkable natural wonders on Earth—the congregation of hundreds of polar bears awaiting their annual return to the ice.



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Positioned on the shores of Hudson Bay, Churchill is a unique Arctic community with a rich history and spectacular scenery. High levels of polar bear activity are typical this time of year. From spirited play-fighting between males to the powerful show of force that a protective mother displays when sheltering a young cub, you will see firsthand how the bears' behavior is dynamic, regal and whimsical.

Since 1992, WWF's Global Arctic Program has been working with our partners across the frozen north to combat threats to the region to preserve its culture and rich biodiversity. In Canada, WWF works to minimize conflicts between polar bears and local people by taking measures to keep the bears away from local villages—saving the lives of both bears and people. We also support projects to monitor and research polar bear populations that are showing signs of stress as climate change eats away at the summer sea ice the bears need to survive.



I cannot wait to share with you how WWF is using the best science and indigenous knowledge, and partnering with the people who live and work in the Arctic to protect polar bears, and create a world where people and nature live in harmony.

—Elisabeth Kruger

WWF's Legacy Circle Journeys is an invitation-only conservation travel program for our Legacy Circle Members to see firsthand the positive impact World Wildlife Fund is making.

These custom-designed journeys are led by WWF experts and offer exclusive opportunities to discover the wildlife and ecosystems we protect; meet community members whose lives are being improved because of our work; and immerse yourself in the worlds of our field staff and partners on the ground.

Come explore the best of the natural world and see how together we are making a difference for our planet.



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# THE KING OF THE ARCTIC

A WWF Legacy Circle Journey  
October 22–27, 2019







## Meet Our Expert

Elisabeth Kruger is WWF's Arctic Wildlife Senior Program Officer. She leads WWF's efforts to help polar bears and other Arctic marine mammals co-exist alongside indigenous communities, in what's becoming an increasingly warmer and ice-free Arctic.

Prior to joining WWF, Elisabeth travelled to Russia as a Fulbright Scholar, landing in Irkutsk, where she spent the next four years immersed in the culture, ecology, and natural beauty of the Siberian wilderness. Still enamored with life at the edge of civilization, Elisabeth then moved from Siberia to Alaska and began her work with WWF. She is always excited to travel with our closest friends to share our accomplishments and the challenges we face in protecting the species and communities of these extraordinary and still natural regions.

## THE KING OF THE ARCTIC: A WWF Legacy Circle Journey

Day 1-2: Winnipeg/Churchill— Our adventure begins in Winnipeg, once a boomtown for the Canadian Pacific Railway. Meet your Expedition Leader and WWF Expert at an orientation dinner this evening. On day two, we fly to Churchill. This hospitable outpost town, originally a fur-trading post and



Day 3-4: Churchill— We will spend two full days on uniquely-designed Polar Rovers—our mobile means for spending time among the bears.

For reservations and additional information, please contact Court Whelan at 888-993-8687 or [courtwh@nathab.com](mailto:courtwh@nathab.com).  
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Though they can accommodate up to 35 passengers, we take a maximum of 14 guests, so everyone has a window seat. Our Expedition Leaders know the best places to see polar bears, which congregate each fall as they wait for Hudson Bay to freeze. From the warmth of our vehicle, we may see mothers with cubs, young males play-fighting, or a lone bear ambling over the tundra. Together with Elisabeth Kruger, your knowledgeable Expedition Leader will offer interpretation along the way, explaining the bears' behavior, how they thrive in such a harsh environment, and how WWF works with communities in Churchill and throughout the Arctic to protect people and polar bears. In the evenings we'll meet for dinner followed by presentations on wildlife or local cultures.

Day 5-6: Churchill/Winnipeg— On our final morning in Churchill, we have the opportunity to learn about a distinctly northern pastime: dog sledding. We will take turns enjoying an exhilarating ride as the dogs whisk us down a trail through the boreal forest. There is also an optional helicopter excursion before boarding our flight back



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to Winnipeg. Once in Winnipeg, we'll return to the Fort Garry Hotel for our farewell dinner. After breakfast on the final day, guests will transfer to the airport for flights home.

## Reservation Information & Trip Details

Dates: October 22–27, 2019

Cost: \$6,395 per person, based on double occupancy

Internal Air Cost: \$795 per person

Deposit: \$500 per person

Group size: Limited to 14 participants

For reservations, please contact Court Whelan at Natural Habitat Adventures at 888-993-8687, (Int'l) 303-449-3711 or [courtwh@nathab.com](mailto:courtwh@nathab.com).

For more information and a full itinerary please visit:  
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