Arctic Eco-Tourism Index



Defining the universe of sustainable Arctic investing

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Index Description

The Arctic Eco-Tourism Index is an equal-weighted index that captures globally-listed companies with economic exposure to the Arctic region through participation in ecotourism. Areas of Arctic eco-tourism economy include hospitality, cruises, airlines, and expedition-based experiences. The index is designed to provide exposure to the growth potential of these sustainable industries in the Arctic region while promoting the responsible use and conservation of the region's natural resources.

Key Features

- Captures regional & thematic equity exposure
- Companies with commitment to sustainability and align with UN SDGs
- Rules-based eligibility & selection criteria
- Expert advisory committee oversight



Launch Date	2018-01-01	Benchmark	MSCI ACWI
Туре	Global Equity	Base Value	100
Currency	USD	No. Constituents	8
Rebalance	Quarterly	Market Cap billion	\$72.8

Performance & Fundamentals

	3	Мо	6 Mo	1 Yr	3 Yr	ITD
Total Return	27	.31%	-2.59%	45.66%	-24.55%	-55.42%
Benchmark Return	11.	26%	7.59%	22.22%	19.10%	59.78%
Correlation ITD	0.65	Ann \	olatility	44.56	Dividend Yield	0.0
Beta	1.74	Semi	variance	32.92	P/E	53.37
Sharpe Ratio	-0.12	Trac	king Error	35.99	P/CF	3.48
Information Ratio	-0.46	Skew	ness	0.31	P/B	3.98

Country & Sector Weighting

Country	Count	Weight	
United States	5	64.71%	
Sweden	1	13.23%	
Norway	1	12.92%	
Iceland	1	9 15%	_



Count	Weight	
5	67.59%	•
3	32.41%	-
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Size & Currency Weighting



Size	Count	Weight	
Small Cap	4	50.66%	
Mid Cap	1	10.34%	
Large Cap	3	39.00%	



Currency	Count	Weight	
US Dollar	5	64.71%	
Swedish Krona	1	13.23%	
Norwegian Krone	1	12.92%	
Iceland Krona	1	9.15%	



Top Constituents

Constituent	Bloomberg Ticker	Country of Domicile	Currency	Weight
LINDBLAD EXPEDITIONS	LIND US	United States	USD	15.37%
ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD	RCL US	United States	USD	13.80%
SCANDIC HOTELS GROUP AB	SHOT SS	Sweden	SEK	13.23%
NORWEGIAN AIR SHUTTLE AS	NAS NO	Norway	NOK	11.94%
ALASKA AIR GROUP INC	ALK US	United States	USD	10.34%

Investment Theme

The allure of the North-with its massive protected areas allowing access to untamed natural beauty, the aurora borealis, and unique tourism experiences—draws global tourism every year with ample development opportunities. Tourism in the Arctic is both a driver of economic growth and a motivation for ensuring sustainable development. As a destination for adventure tourism and cruises, and as a stop-over destination for European flights, the Arctic is already an important player in the tourism industry and has plenty of room for growth.

Geographic Scope

The Arctic Eco-Tourism Index adheres to the geographic definition of the Arctic articulated by the Arctic Council's Arctic Human Development Report (AHDR). The definition includes Alaska, Canadian territories north of 60°N together with northern Quebec and Labrador, Greenland, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, and the northernmost counties of Norway, Sweden and Finland.

Following the 2022 invasion of Ukraine by Russia all Russian companies and companies doing business in the Russian Arctic were removed from the Arctic Eco-Tourism Index.



Sustainability Context

Eco-tourism recognizes the critical importance of respecting and protecting nature as its primary objective. Visiting national parks and wilderness areas brings income for their management, and creates a reliable market for local products, generating livelihoods. Finally, eco-tourism exposes people to the beauty of the Arctic, encouraging them to respect and protect it. The Eco-Tourism Index contributes primarily to SDGs 1, 8, and 11.











