

ANTARCTICA SOUTHERN EXPEDITION 13 days

Itinerary:



Day 1 : Ushuaia, Argentina

After a short city tour of Ushuaia, a windswept town, perched on a steep hill, surrounded by the Martial Mountains and the Beagle Channel, embarkation and welcome on board.

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Day 2 : Crossing the Drake Passage

The waters of the Drake Passage are unpredictable, hope for clear skies and a calm ocean. Time to gaze out at the sea, get to know the ship and chat with your Expedition Team.

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Day 3 : Crossing the Drake Passage

Time over these two days will be spent preparing for the exciting days ahead, with numerous educational and informative lectures from your Expedition Team. Learn about everything from safety procedures to the history of whaling in Antarctica.

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Day 4 : The Antarctic Peninsula & South Shetland Islands

With the Drake Passage left make your approach to Antarctica. Get your camera ready as the continent's coastline will make its first appearance, signaling the start of adventures in the realm of the Antarctic. See plentiful icebergs floating by and be fixated on the surface of the ocean as curious whales spout and breach before your eyes.

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Day 5 : The Antarctic Peninsula & South Shetland Island

As exciting as it can be from onboard the ship, the true exploration occurs when you disembark and set foot on the great continent. There are several potential landing sites visited including Neko Harbour, Orne Harbour or Paradise Harbour.

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Day 6 : The Antarctic Peninsula & South Shetland Island

Days are busy spotting wildlife and being mesmerized by the beauty of Antarctica. Watching penguins waddling on the beach and listening to the crackling and crumbling sounds of icebergs and glaciers become your daily entertainment, while kayaking with whales and camping in Antarctica are a couple of optional activities available on selected voyages.

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Day 7 : The Antarctic Circle

Crossing the Antarctic Circle is an impressive achievement, as most expeditions to the Peninsula do not reach this far south, which is officially noted at 66° 33' S.

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Day 8 : The Antarctic Circle

You and your shipmates will celebrate in style with a well-earned glass of champagne! Make a toast and take pride in knowing you've made it to a part of the world still visited by very few people.

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Day 9 : Northbound Along the Peninsula

By now your knowledge of Adélie, chinstrap and gentoo penguins will be matched by your ability to differentiate between a leopard, fur or Weddell seal. Terms like 'bergy bits' and pancake ice will seem normal too, yet there are still many tales to be told.

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Day 10 : Northbound Along the Peninsula

As you head north, Zodiac excursions continue to fill your days, while the Expedition team continues to offer presentations, while giving you time to reflect on everything you've experienced.

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Day 11 : Drake Passage to Ushuaia

Re-crossing the Drake, Antarctica fades away and you are left with a collection of memories to last a lifetime.

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Day 12 : Drake Passage to Ushuaia

Your Expedition Team rounds up their series of lectures as well, perhaps with a slideshow of some of the great landing sites and wildlife you've visited over the course of your voyage.

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Day 13 : Disembark in Ushuaia

After breakfast aboard the ship, it is time to part ways and say goodbye to your Expedition Team. After disembarkation, you have time to explore Ushuaia before transfer to the airport for return flight.