

Antarctica





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We create life changing experiences in South & Central America and the Polar regions that leave a positive impact on our travelers and communities.



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We are proud to be a Certified B CorporationTM, part of a global community of businesses meeting high standards of social and environmental performance, transparency, and accountability. This certification means your travels with us help support a more sustainable and responsible way of exploring the world.



ACCESS TO OVER 30 POLAR EXPEDITION SHIPS

Chimu offers the largest range of world-class vessels and experiences to the White Continent. We only recommend the highest quality of ships for our clients, whether it's on the basis of service, expertize, knowledge or sustainability - we have you covered!



WE WORK AROUND YOU

Tell us your ideas, and how you like to travel, and we'll piece it together using our first-hand knowledge. Your itinerary is as you want it to be - we work around you.



OFFICES IN SOUTH AMERICA

Chimu have operations in Peru, Argentina, Chile and Brazil, directly employing local guides and local support staff. This way we ensure that our quality standard is always carried out. We are constantly sourcing new properties, routes, experiences and new ways to visit locations, to make every journey memorable.



POLAR FLEET

We have a polar fleet of ships that are operated by our sister company, Polar Latitudes Expeditions.

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Popular Locations

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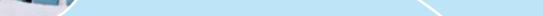


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ISLANDS





ANTARCTIC PENINSULA

The Antarctic Peninsula is the largest and most prominent peninsula on the continent, extending 800 miles (1300km) between Cape Adams (Weddell Sea) and a mainland point south of Eklund Islands.

Because it is so close to mainland South America, the Antarctic Peninsula remains very popular with tourists, who are drawn by its stunning scenery and wildlife.

Every day on the Antarctic peninsula brings varied landscapes—sculptural glaciers, sparkling sea ice, and dramatic mountains. Gentoo and Chinstrap penguins abound, whales are frequently seen, and fur, leopard, and Weddell seals are often sunning themselves on the ice. Guests may also visit historic huts or research stations, a powerful reminder of Antarctica's unique history.

WHY GO:

- Easy access from South America
- Abundant wildlife
- Varied landscapes, including glaciers, icebergs, and mountain ranges



ANTARCTIC CIRCLE

Only a handful of ships make the long journey beyond the circle into a latitude of 66° 33' south. For travelers who choose an Antarctica Circle expedition, the knowledge of finally joining a very elite community of people who've ever sailed this far south brings an overwhelming feeling of accomplishment.

WHY GO:

- ◆ A true immersion into the remote beauty of Antarctica
- Dramatic scenery, tabular icebergs, and sparkling blue icebergs
- ◆ Increased opportunities to spot orcas, penguin colonies, and seals



EAST ANTARCTICA

An expedition to East Antarctica and the Ross Sea follows in the footsteps of famed explorers like Robert Falcon Scott and Sir Ernest Shackleton. This region of Antarctica is far less visited than the Antarctic Peninsula and offers a more remote wilderness than many can imagine - some of the largest seabird colonies, historic huts dating back to the Heroic Age, and isolated glacial landscapes await.

WHY GO:

- Whales, seals, and the epic Commonwealth Bay and Ross Sea Shelf mean that each day will bring completely unique scenery and adventures.
- Many East Antarctica cruises also visit Australia and New Zealand's Sub-Antarctic Islands, known for their endemic species, biodiversity, and unique landscapes.



ANTARCTIC CIRCLE





SOUTH GEORGIA

WEDDELL SEA

The Weddell Sea is known for its massive tabular icebergs.

The sea is fringed by numerous ice shelves, including the Filchner-Ronne Ice Shelf. The Weddell Sea is notable for its designation by scientists as having the clearest water of any sea and is home to huge colonies of Adelie penguins, plus crabeater seals, minke whales, and orcas.

The region is also renowned for its Weddell seals. These remarkable animals are able to remain submerged for more than an hour and rasp through the ice using their teeth to maintain breathing holes. A visit to the Weddell Sea is a true privilege few have ever experienced and those who make the effort are rewarded with vast, unique ice formations, beautiful isolation, and ample wildlife.

WHY GO:

- Huge tabular icebergs
- Chance of emperor penguins
- More time cruising Antarctica



FALKLAND ISLANDS

Set 435 miles north of Antarctica, the Falklands are sparsely inhabited, dramatic and immensely fascinating. Home to five distinct species of penguins, a large colony of Albatross, an abundance of Elephant seals, Sea lions and plenty of migrating whales and dolphins, these South Atlantic islands are a sub-Antarctic haven.

HISTORY OF THE FALKLANDS

There have been French, British, Spanish and Argentine settlements during its history, and while Britain re-established its rule in 1833, the islands continue to be claimed by Argentina, which refers to them as Islas Malvinas. Argentina invaded the islands in 1982, resulting in the two-month-long undeclared Falklands War between both countries. It resulted in the surrender of all Argentine forces and the return of the islands to British administration.

WHY GO:

- Unique wildlife and penguin species
- A dream for photography
- British heritage in a rugged, windswept environment



SOUTH GEORGIA

South Georgia is truly the penguin, seal and seabird headquarters of the far south, an island that figuratively bursts at the seams with Antarctic wildlife.

WILDLIFE

Over three-quarters of the fur seals living in Antarctica are found here, as well as several of the world's largest rookeries of king penguins, South Georgia is the southern wildlife crèche everyone needs to experience.

Salisbury Plain and St Andrew's Bay are the two most popular landing sites for King penguin spotting whilst over on the other side of the island, you can see huge numbers of chinstrap, gentoos and glorious macaroni penguins.

GRYTVIKEN

South Georgia's largest settlement is a former whaling station and also the last resting place of Sir Ernest Shackleton. Visiting his grave is an absolute bucket-list dream for so many visitors.

VHY GO:

- One of the world's best destinations for wildlife
- Follow in the footsteps of acclaimed explorer, Sir Ernest Shackleton
- **⊘** Experience a unique side of Antarctica

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Antarctica Itineraries

It can be a bit overwhelming to decide which itinerary to choose. Depending on your interests, availability, and budget, we can help you find the one that's right for you.

MOST POPULAR



ANTARCTIC PENINSULA

(10-12 day cruise) \$\$

Best value for money

Most popular affordable Antarctic itinerary.

Introduction to Antarctica

Experience the incredible Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands.

Iconic Wildlife

Discover amazing wildlife such as whales, seals, penguins and more.

Extensive Ship Range

Choose from over 30 world class vessels.



FALKLAND ISLANDS, **SOUTH GEORGIA AND** ANTARCTIC PENINSULA

(18-23 day cruise) \$\$\$\$

Longer Itinerary

Enjoy more time discovering the region.

Extensive Wildlife Exploration

See a wider range of wildlife including the large and colorful king penguins, elephant seals, macaroni penguins and wandering albatross.

Historic Landmarks

Walk in the footsteps of Shackleton, visit his grave and Stromness whaling station.

Natural Biodiversity

Discover the flora and fauna of the Sub Antarctic Islands and Antarctica



EAST ANTARCTICA

(22-25+ day cruise) \$\$\$\$\$

Exploration Style

For the polar enthusiast and those who love to explorer. Travel deep into the Antarctic Circle to the lesser visited Ross Sea or Commonwealth Bay

Untouched Territory

Limited departures each season. The contrasting variety of landscapes, as well as wildlife of the Sub Antarctic Islands and Antarctica make for a spectacular journey.

Discover rarely seen wildlife such as the Ross seal which lives in thick pack ice.

Historic Landmarks

Many of the most famous moments in Antarctic exploration history took place in East Antarctica

OTHER LOCATIONS



WEDDELL SEA

(14 day cruise) \$\$\$

See enormous tabular icebergs and follow in the path of historic Antarctic Explorers to the rarely visited landscapes where you may even spot a rare Emperor Penguin.



ANTARCTIC CIRCLE

(14-22 day cruise) \$\$\$

Cross the fabled Antarctic Circle to the land of the midnight sun. Home to desolate, beautiful landscapes, continually shifting ice, and hardy Weddell seals.



SUB ANTARCTIC ISLANDS OF NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA

(8-12 day cruise) \$\$

These unique, beautiful, and biodiverse islands are rarely visited by travelers and are ideal for anyone seeking a rugged and remote adventure!



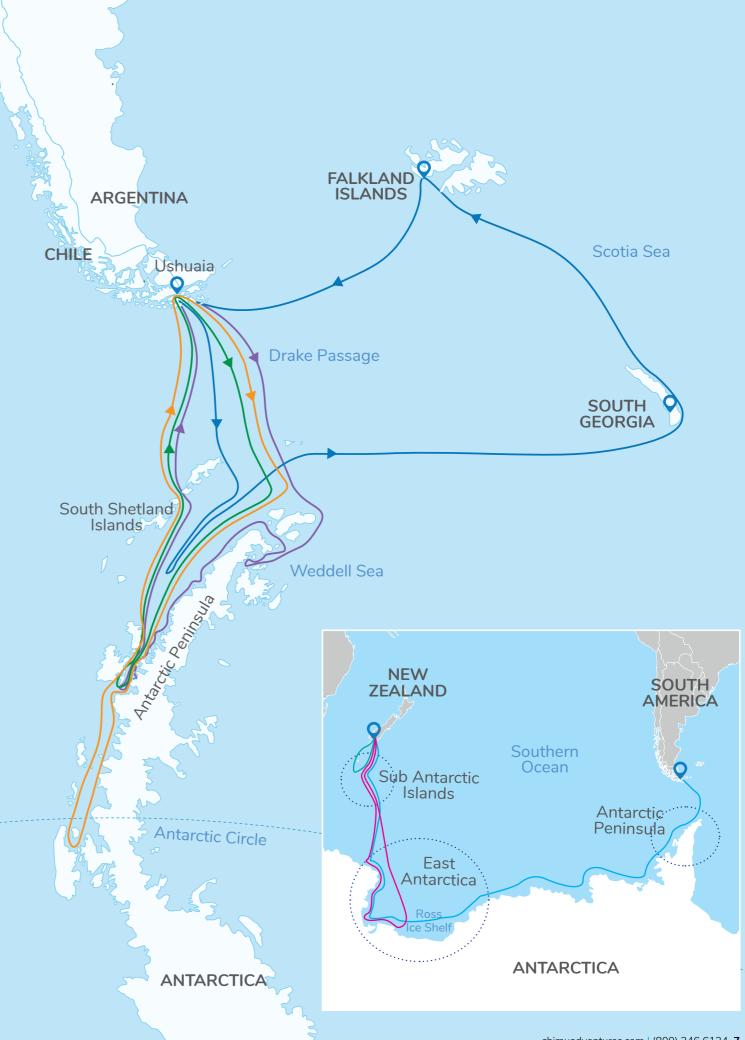
CIRCUMNAVIGATION

(25+ day cruise) \$\$\$\$

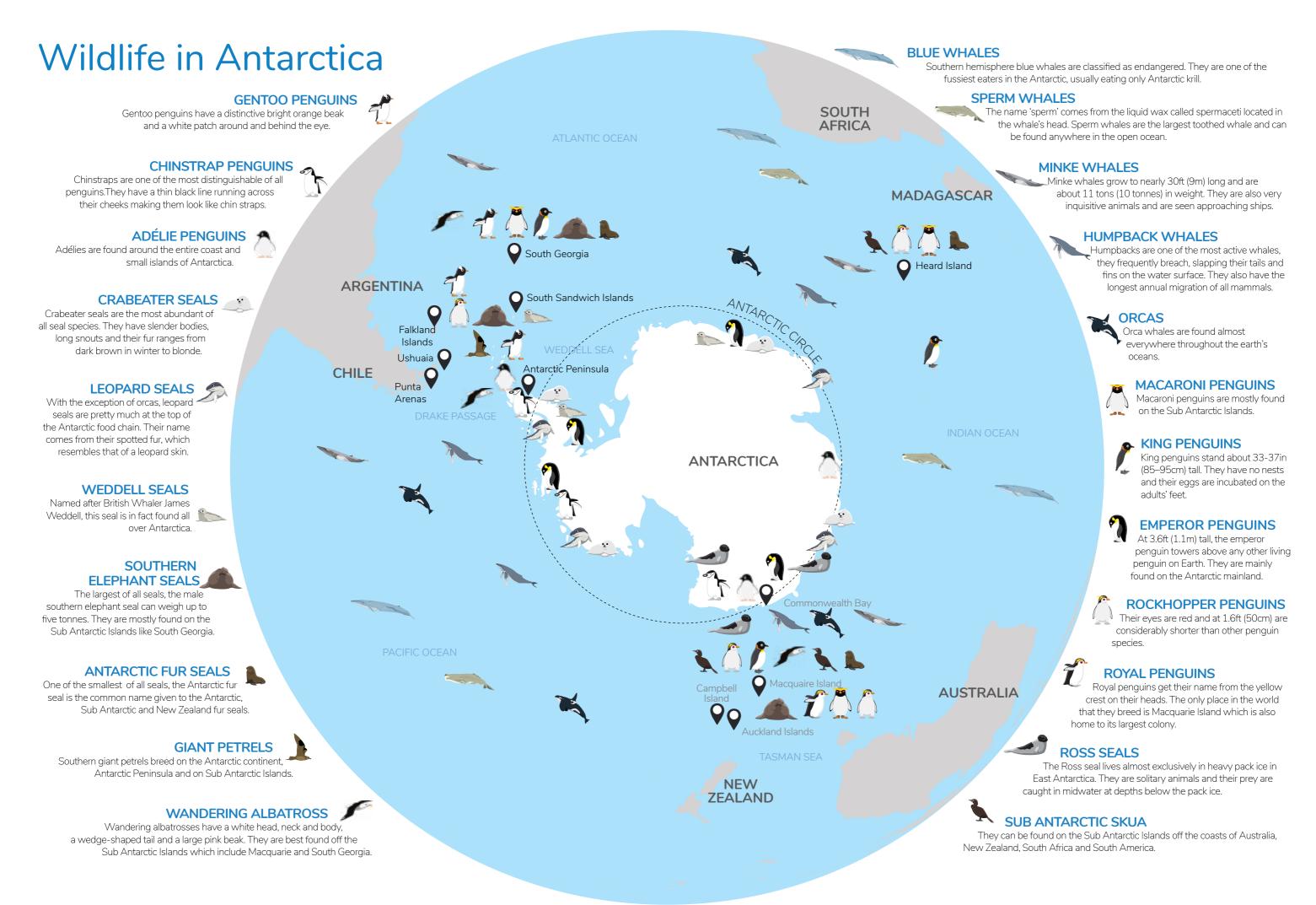
Cruise from New Zealand to South America along the coast of Antarctica. This is a completely unique way of exploring the great white continent.

There is a wide range of unique itineraries available that include Antarctica.

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Small Ship Expeditions

Antarctica is the ultimate journey, the most comprehensive, unforgettable and breathtaking trip you could ever take to the end of the world. As well as being the most mesmerising travel destination on the planet, it is also one of the most interactive.

WHAT IS EXPEDITION CRUISING?

Expedition cruising is a more in depth and interactive way to explore everything Antarctica has to offer. Expedition ships are smaller in size with Zodiacs on board to facilitate easy access to explore the wilderness led by a highly trained expedition team.

Expedition guests are usually more interested in exploring a place rather than going on a traditional cruise where the focus is mainly on the onboard experience.

Every expedition is different, which is what makes the experience so unique and exciting!

EXPERT GUIDES

An Antarctic expedition is nothing without passionate and experienced guides. They play such an important part in delivering the experience and are not just experts in fields like marine biology, geology, and environmental science but are also just as excited and passionate about Antarctica as you are!

Your expedition guides will interpret the wildlife you see, operate Zodiacs, assist you on excursions, and interpret the wildlife you see on excursions. They'll also lead presentations and workshops onboard to help you learn more about the Antarctic environment.

SHIP SIZE & PASSENGER NUMBERS

When it comes to booking an Antarctic expedition, passenger numbers make a huge difference! This is due to strict governing rules on Antarctic ships by the International Association of Antarctic Tour Operators, or IAATO, put in place to protect the pristine Antarctic environment.

WHY UNDER 200 PASSENGERS IS BEST

Ships with 200 and under passengers allow for the most opportunities to get off the ship and explore. Only 100 passengers per ship can be on shore at once, so you alternate between zodiac cruising and passengers on land allowing two excursions per day.

On ships with 200-500 passengers, the crew will need to alternate passenger groups and you may only have the chance to go on land once per day or once every other day. With time limits strictly in place for shore excursions, this means you're limited in your ability to explore.

Large ships with over 500 passengers are not permitted to make landings on Antarctica and have limited access due to



How To Choose The Right Ship

Your choice of expedition vessel will play an essential role in your overall Antarctic experience. As genuine Antarctica specialists, we have the knowledge and experience to help you get this decision just right.



DURATION

You may not yet know where you want to go in Antarctica and how much you can budget for your trip but you probably will know how much time you have to travel.



DESTINATION

If you have a particular destination, like South Georgia, in mind, check that the ship visits that location.



SHIP SIZE

Ship size does matter!

Remember, 500+ passenger ships are not allowed to make landings in Antarctica, and have restricted access to certain areas.

Imagine going all that way and not being able to get off the ship and get amongst the penguins!



EXPEDITION STYLE

Excursions and landings vary by operator. The frequency of landings, duration, and guide ratio all shape your Antarctic experience. It's worth getting right, and our specialists can help.



It really depends on the duration of your cruise, size of the ship and the comfort levels you desire.

Many ships offer early bird discounts, so it pays to plan ahead.



Ships offer a variety of optional adventure activities like kayaking, camping, snowshoeing and paddleboarding.

These vary by ship and departure, so make sure you pick a ship that offers the activities you want to take part in, and if they are available when you want to take your trip.

Remember to book activities early as popular ones, like kayaking, can sell out!



COMFORT LEVELS

Whether you prefer five-star dining, the use of a private butler or just the basics, tell us what is important to you and we can find the right ship to suit your needs.



A Typical Day In Antarctica*

There's truly no such thing as a typical day in Antarctica. Individual excursion locations are different and are decided by ever-changing conditions like weather, ice formations, ocean currents, and light conditions. Seasonal timing plays a significant role too, influencing not only the landscape but also the behavior and presence of wildlife.





5:00am Enjoy an early coffee or wander to the open decks to set eyes on the morning's new location for the first time.

7:00am -8:00am Breakfast is served. Once you've had your breakfast you return to your cabin and get ready for your first excursion.



1:30pm - 3:30pm After lunch you may arrive at a research base. Your host shows you through the base's living areas and you get a feel for the life of a scientist at this base. You cruise around on the zodiacs spotting wildlife, then head back to the ship once more.



8:00am - 11:30am Once instructed, you walk down to the mud room where you get dressed in your expedition gear, put on your boots and then jump on a Zodiac to spot some penguins and explore the



11:30am - 1:30pm After a cup of tea to warm up, lunch is called and the expedition crew prepare a BBQ lunch on the back deck. The ship begins to move along slowly to your next excursion site.



3:30pm - 7:00pm Back on board the ship, you can choose to read or sit on the deck with a drink and some snacks as the ship moves again. The expedition team present a recap on the day and inform the passengers about what is planned for the following day.



7:00pm - 8:30pm Dinner is called. While waiting for your meal, trade images on your camera with your fellow passengers and talk about everything that you've seen during the day. Afterwards head to the lounge bar for some drinks or watch a movie in your cabin and relax after an amazing day.

WHAT IS INCLUDED ON AN EXPEDITION CRUISE



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Breakfast lunch and dinner is included as well as some snacks.



Onboard Lectures

Learn all about the wildlife, landscapes and history of Antarctica from your expedition team.



Zodiac Cruising & Landings

Cruise around the bays on a zodiac and set foot on Antarctica to walk amoungst the penguins.



Polar Plunge

Taking the polar plunge in Antarctica is an exhilarating dive into icy adventure. Would you dare to take the plunge?

EXTRA OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Participating in optional adventure activities offers an exciting opportunity to elevate your experience. These usually come at an extra cost. Activities vary based on which ship you are traveling, so if a particular activity interests you, make sure your ship offers this.



Kayaking & Day Paddle



Stand-Up Paddleboarding



Camping



Diving/SnorkellingSelect ships only



Snowshoeing



Helicopter Flightseeing/Landings Select ships only

* for a small ship with less than 200 passengers

Seasons in Antarctica

The best time to travel to Antarctica will depend on the type of experience you are after. Wildlife highlights, length of daylight hours, and the overall feel of your expedition will change dramatically throughout the Antarctic summer season (October to March).



What To Wear On Excursions





OCEAN ALBATROS

WHY WE LOVE THE OCEAN ALBATROS

- Patented X-Bow technology increases stability, creating a smoother sailing across the Drake Passage.
- It's ideal for solo travelers, with six dedicated cabins with no single supplement.
- ✓ Built with sustainability at front of mind, the Ocean Albatros boasts 50% less emissions, compared to traditional polar vessels.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 42ft (104.4m) Breadth: 60ft (18.4m) Speed: 16 Knots Passengers: 189

Expedition Staff to Pax Ratio: 1:7

Ice Class: 1A







COMMON AREAS









CABINS





OCEAN VICTORY

WHY WE LOVE THE OCEAN VICTORY

- ✓ This modern ship was designed to minimize fuel consumption and operate with a focus on sustainability.
- Almost all cabins have a private balcony, a luxury not seen on all ships.
- Built with X-Bow technology, you'll enjoy increased stability in rough water conditions.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 342ft (104m) Breadth: 59ft (18m) Speed: 16 Knots Passengers: 146-200

Expedition Staff to Pax Ratio: 1:7

Ice Class: 1A





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COMMON AREAS









CABINS







OCEAN NOVA

WHY WE LOVE THE OCEAN NOVA

- ✓ With only 80 passengers, the Ocean Nova is one of the few ships to still offer a classic Antarctic expedition experience.
- ✓ The ship's small size makes it more agile, allowing it to enter bays and coves that larger ships cannot.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 239ft (73m) Breadth: 36ft (11m) Speed: 11 Knots Passengers: 80

Expedition Staff to Pax Ratio: 1:8 Ice Class: 1B (Hull Ice A)

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COMMON AREAS









CABINS





ULTRAMARINE

WHY WE LOVE THE ULTRAMARINE

- With two twin-engine helicopters onboard, Ultramarine unlocks flightseeing experiences that let you explore remote polar landscapes from above.
- Featuring a water-level Zodiac hangar and four embarkation points, means guests can get off the ship and into the wild in half the time.
- From its ice-strengthened hull to GPS wristbands for safety, Ultramarine is purpose-built for polar regions.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 420ft (128m) Breadth: 70ft (21.5m) Speed: 16 Knots Passengers: 199 Ice Class: 1A+, PC6







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OCEAN EXPLORER

WHY WE LOVE THE **OCEAN EXPLORER**

- The ship's innovative Ulstein X-Bow design ensures smoother sailing through rough polar seas, reducing noise and vibration for a more comfortable ride.
- Equipped with fuel-efficient Rolls-Royce engines and a revolutionary waste-to-energy system (MAGS), it minimizes environmental impact while exploring pristine regions.
- With 15 Zodiacs, multiple embarkation points, and options like kayaking, you'll enjoy close-up encounters with Antarctica's wildlife and landscapes.



TECHNICAL INFORMATION



Passengers: 138

Breadth: 60.3 ft (18.4 m)

Length: 342 ft (104.4 m)

Ice Class: 1A, PC6

Speed: 15.5 knots





WHY WE LOVE THE **WORLD VOYAGER**

with direct views into the surrounding polar wilderness—to the presentation theater and Science Hub, embody the spirit of discovery.

WORLD VOYAGER

- ☑ Join onboard research programs and engage with real scientific exploration while journeying through Antarctica's pristine wilderness.
- ❷ Built to Polar Class 6 standards, the ship is ice-strengthened for safe navigation through remote, icy waters—giving you access to places few vessels can reach.





Passengers: 168

Ice Class: 1B

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 413ft (126m) Breadth: 62ft (19m)

Speed: 16 Knots





LE COMMANDANT CHARCOT

WHY WE LOVE THE LE COMMANDANT **CHARCOT**

- The world's only luxury icebreaker, capable of reaching the most remote polar regions including the Emperor Penguin colonies of the Weddell Sea.
- ✓ Hybrid polar exploration vessel powered by LNG, designed with sustainability in mind.
- Offers intimate service, gourmet dining, and indulgent amenities like a spa, snow cabin, and heated outdoor pool.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 492ft (150m) **Breadth:** 92ft (287m) Speed: 15 Knots Passengers: 270 Ice Class: PC 2







COMMON AREAS









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L'ASTRAL

The French ship L'Austral is a sleek mega-yacht

that offers a luxury experience. This is paired with an elegant ambience and refined personalised service combined with gastronomic cuisine. Chic yet casual, L'Austral accommodates up to 200 guests in 132 outside cabins ranging from staterooms to suites.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 413ft (126m) Breadth: 62ft (19m) Speed: 16 Knots Passengers: 172 Ice Class: 1B







LE BOREAL

Le Boréal is a superb mega-yacht

that was built in Italy with a sophisticated French design. With its tasteful décor and discreet elegance, the ship blends luxury and intimacy with well-being in a unique atmosphere. The ship offers 132 cabins comprising staterooms and suites. It's the ideal choice for a luxury Antarctic expedition.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 466ft (142m) Breadth: 59ft (18m) Speed: 14 Knots Passengers: 200 Ice Class: 1C





DOUGLAS MAWSON

WHY WE LOVE THE DOUGLAS MAWSON

- ✓ With its revolutionary Ulstein X-BOW® design, the Douglas Mawson slices through waves for smoother, faster voyages even in rough seas. That means less motion discomfort and more time enjoying the Antarctic scenery.
- This ship is a floating research hub. Perfect for travelers who want to contribute to real-world research.
- After a day of icv exploration, unwind in the heated outdoor pool, soak in one of two Jacuzzis, or relax in the sauna. With expedition meets indulgence.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 341ft (104.4m) Breadth: 60ft (18.4m) Speed: 15.5 Knots Passengers: 130

Ice Class: A1





stylish staterooms, two restaurants, and panoramic lounges, it's









LE LYRIAL

LE SOLEAL

A modern yacht-style expedition vessel

Its interiors blend contemporary design with refined French elegance. Built for both comfort and adventure, the ship offers a spa, gym, library, and pool, while guests enjoy gourmet dining, daily afternoon tea, and enriching lectures from naturalist guides. With Ice Class 1C certification and advanced safety systems, Le Lyrial delivers a luxurious yet intimate experience in some of the planet's most remote regions.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 466ft (142m) Breadth: 59ft (18m) Speed: 14 Knots Passengers: 200 Ice Class: 1C







An elegant, chic yacht with a sleek silhouette

with a sophisticated French design. Accommodating up to 200 guests in Antarctica, the ship features 132 elegant staterooms and suites—most with private balconies—alongside premium amenities like a spa, hammam, fitness studio, theatre, and panoramic lounge. Guests enjoy gourmet dining, daily afternoon tea, and enriching lectures from naturalist guides.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 466ft (142m) Breadth: 59ft (18m) Speed: 14 Knots Passengers: 200 Ice Class: 1C





GREG MORTIMER

A modern, robust and powerful 104-metre ship

at the cutting edge of nautical technology. With its patented Norwegian-designed X-BOW, it's capable of negotiating the strongest winds and waves, and the most adverse weather conditions. Named after Aurora's co-founder, the Greg Mortimer carries an average of 130 passengers in a range of 76 wellappointed suites and staterooms.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 341ft (104m) Breadth: 60ft (18.4m) Speed: 15.5 Knots Passengers: 130 Ice Class: 1A





SYLVIA EARLE

Featuring industry-leading technology

and streamlined cruising design the Sylvia Earle is one of the most modern and technologically advanced vessels sailing the polar regions. Named after the first female Chief Scientist of the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Sylvia Earle lives up to her namesake with a deep focus on protecting the natural environment.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 341ft (104m) Breadth: 60ft (18.4m) Speed: 10-12 Knots Passengers: 130 Ice Class: 1A







MS EXPEDITION

WHY WE LOVE THE MS EXPEDITION

- With an ice-strengthened hull, modern stabilizers, and a smooth propulsion system, the ship is engineered to handle the toughest conditions.
- ✓ With a 10:1 guest-to-expert ratio, the ship offers lectures and guided excursions led by seasoned naturalists, scientists, and expedition leaders.
- Extensively refurbished with new engines, upgraded common areas, and refreshed cabins.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 334ft (102m) Breadth: 53ft (16.2m) Speed: 12 Knots Passengers: 128

Expedition Staff to Pax Ratio: 10:1

Ice Class: 1A





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HERITAGE ADVENTURER

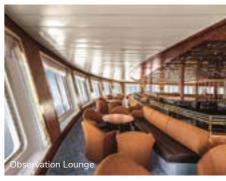
WHY WE LOVE THE HERITAGE ADVENTURER

- Each voyage on board the Adventurer is entirely unique. Your expedition crew will meticulously plan and design each exploration in true expedition style.
- A fleet of 14 zodiacs ensures that every guest can maximize their expedition experience once on board.
- Guests will enjoy a personalized experience on one of the industry's most iconic polar vessels.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 406ft (124m) Breadth: 59ft (18m) Speed: 15 Knots Passengers: 140 Ice Class: 1A

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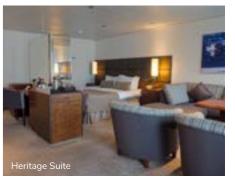






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SEAVENTURE

With the highest ice class rating

and modern German-Japanese design, the MS Seaventure offers a smooth and comfortable experience across the Drake. Taking only 138 guests, this ship offers a friendly and welcoming Antarctic experience, paired with a high crew-to-guest ratio, gourmet dining, and a huge wraparound deck, ideal for photography and citizen science.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 365ft (11.5m) Breadth: 55ft (17m) Speed: 16 Knots Passengers: 139 Ice Class: 1A Super









MV HONDIUS

A cutting-edge expedition vessel

that blends hotel-style comfort with serious ice-crushing capability. As one of the first ships built to Polar Class 6 standards, Hondius is designed for safe and sustainable travel through the most remote corners of the Arctic and Antarctic.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 353ft (107.5m) Breadth: 57ft (17.6m) Speed: 15 Knots

Passengers: 174 Ice Class: 1A Super











MV PLANCIUS

A rugged, ice-strengthened expedition vessel

designed for true polar exploration. Named after the cartographer who created the first modern atlas, this ship is built to navigate solid sea ice and reach remote destinations like the Ross Sea.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 298ft (90.95m) Breadth: 56ft (17.2m) Speed: 14.5 Knots Passengers: 166 Ice Class: 1A







Originally built for the Royal Dutch Navy

the M/V Plancius has been transformed into a comfortable, ice-strengthened expedition vessel designed for immersive polar adventures.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Length: 292ft (89m) Breadth: 47ft (14.5m) Speed: 12 Knots Passengers: 108

Ice Class: 1D





Solo Travel to Antarctica

We know it can be tough when you're the most adventurous one in the family, but if you're thinking of traveling solo to the Antarctic, we have all the tips to get you there. An Antarctic cruise is an incredible experience unlike any other, but for single travelers, the friendly, communal, and welcoming nature of cruising means you'll make new friends before your ship has even left the port!

BENEFITS OF TRAVELING SOLO

MEET OTHER INTERESTING SOLO TRAVELERS.

When you travel with your partner, friends or family, you often stick together and don't always meet new people. When you travel solo, you will definitely meet new people— you are never alone on a cruise ship. In fact, there are usually a lot of solo/single travelers on Antarctica cruises. All these solo travelers have one thing in common – they're there to explore Antarctica and to have a good time. This includes meeting new people, sharing stories and the most mind blowing trip of your lives.

From a welcome reception to a casual chat in the lounge before dinner, there are plenty of opportunities to meet other travelers and share your adventures with newfound friends.

YOU CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURES

When traveling with others you often have to compromise, planning activities that suit the majority of your group. Well, when you travel solo, you're in the driver's seat! Most ships offer on and offshore activities such as kayaking, hiking and snowshoeing. There might not be enough time to do all activities, which means you would have to choose. No problem! Choose whatever you want. No one will argue about the decisions you make and you'll get to experience everything you wanted to try in Antarctica!

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

DEDICATED SINGLE CABINS

Some ships have dedicated single cabins. They are usually a little more expensive than the share option, but much cheaper than paying the single supplement. Some travelers may prefer this option to have the privacy of their own space.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

Generally, the cost of a cabin is divided between the number of travelers using the room (that is, per person twin share). A single supplement is paying for the cost of the room. So if you are looking at a higher cabin category, you will need to pay a single supplement.

*Can vary depending on ship

SHARE CABINS

Some ships have an option to share a cabin with other single traveler/s which will mean you pay for your share of that cabin. This is the most cost-effective option for single travelers and our Destination Specialists will do their best to pair you up with likeminded travelers, so you can form instant friendships with your cabin mate before the cruise even begins!

HOW DO I REQUEST A SHARE CABIN?

Contact your Destination Specialist and we can inform you on the best ship that offers guaranteed share and allocate you a same gender share.

Chimu Adventures pride ourselves on being able to match all our passengers with the best ship option possible. Just let us know what is important to you and we will provide options tailored to your needs.



Expedition Cruises in The Arctic

The Arctic is one of the world's most extraordinary regions famous for its incredible wildlife experiences, Indigenous culture, and spectacular landscapes of tundra, glaciers, and dramatic mountains and fjords.

Every day in the Arctic brings unforgettable adventures. In the home of the midnight sun, kayak through epic fjord systems, connect with local communities, or admire nesting puffins on jagged cliffs. On an Arctic expedition cruise, grand icebergs, diverse wildlife (including the elusive polar bear), and the magical aurora borealis will introduce you to the grandeur of the northern Polar region.

SOME OF THE MOST POPULAR DESTINATIONS:



CANADIAN ARCTIC

- Spot polar bears, musk oxen, walrus, arctic foxes and watch out for Beluga whales, narwals
- Sail through a maze of over 36,000 islands
- Witness towering glaciers, fjords, and surreal ice formations under the midnight sun.
- ◆ Trace the legendary Northwest Passage, following the routes of explorers like Franklin and Amundsen.



GREENLAND

- The world's largest non-continental island, with 80% of its surface covered by a dramatic ice cap.
- It's coastline is carved with fjords and dotted with sculpted icebergs, offering breathtaking Arctic scenery.
- Local communities and ancient archaeological sites reveal a deep history and a resilient way of life tied to the ocean.



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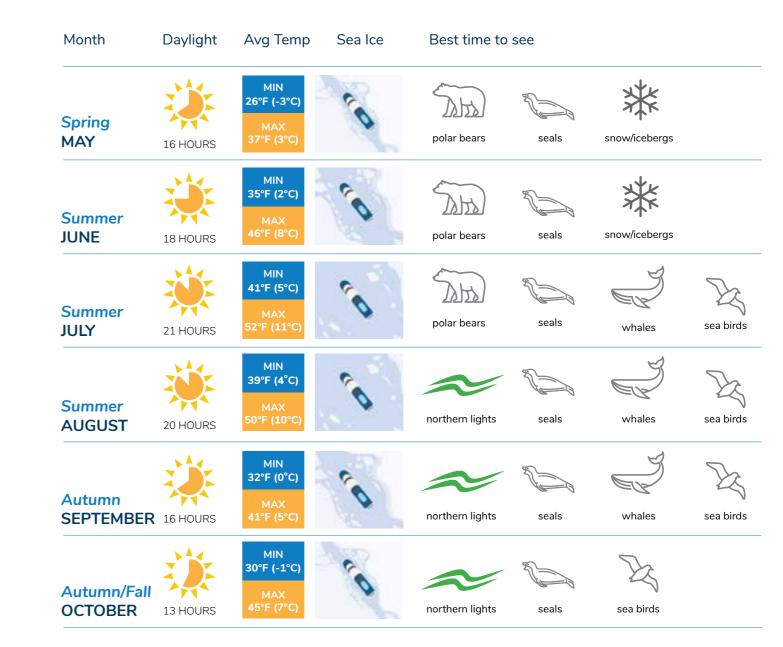
- ✓ From September to April, Iceland offers front-row seats to one of nature's most dazzling shows, the aurora borealis.
- Experience epic landscapes and adventure - think volcanoes, glaciers, waterfalls, and geothermal springs.
- ✓ Iceland is home to over 60% of the world's Atlantic puffin population.



SVALBARD

- A remote Arctic archipelago known for its dramatic landscapes of glaciers, fjords, and snowcapped peaks.
- ✓ It's a wildlife haven, home to polar bears, Arctic foxes, walruses, whales, and thousands of migratory seabirds.
- ✓ A launch point for North Pole expeditions dating back to the 16th century.
- Longyearbyen offers epic scenery where reindeer roam the streets.

Seasons in The Arctic



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Popular Locations in The Arctic

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Learn more about these unique locations and why you should consider them when planning your cruise.



THE CANADIAN ARCTIC (NORTHWEST PASSAGE)

Magnificent scenery, exceptional wildlife, and worldrenowned hospitality by its Indigenous peoples of the Arctic. With tens of thousands of islands to meander around, dodging icebergs, polar bears and vertiginous ice-capped peaks, the Canadian Arctic region is Mother Nature at her most impressive. Boasting a rich history in seafaring exploration, along the coveted Northwest Passage. Best destination if you want to get a great mix of cultural and wildlife experiences.

Getting there: Depart from selected Canadian cities where you will board a charter flight to a regional disembarkation point within the Canadian Arctic to your cruise.



GREENLAND

The world's largest island, which also happens to be the least populated by humans. Greenland is home to spectacular icebergs, breathtaking fjords, and a remarkably vibrant Nordic culture. Everything about Greenland is colossal and grandiose and should be on everyone's must-visit list.

Getting there: Greenland is more accessible than you might think. Many cruises will include charter flights from select mainland European cities, Reykjavik or start from Greenlands two major airports in Kangerlussuaq and Nuuk.



SVALBARD

Located within the Arctic Circle, Spitsbergen is the most visited Arctic destination in Europe and a brilliant introduction to Arctic explorations. Featuring breath-taking scenery it is the best place to search for the elusive polar bear.

Getting there: Longyearbyen is the major thoroughfare for Arctic cruises visiting the Spitsbergen area. It is also the departure point for most cruises to the North Pole. Fly via Oslo or Tromso to Longyearbyen. Many operators include or offer the option of adding charter flights from mainland Europe. Contact us for more details on these flights.



Longyearbyen

GREENLAND



ICELAND

Iceland is truly sensational, a country revered for its incredible glaciers, dramatic fjords, jaw-dropping volcanoes, thermal springs, stupendous waterfalls, and an amazing array of outdoor pursuits in striking wilderness that's as lush and enticing as any you'll ever see. Iceland speaks to the thrill-seeker and the nature lover, one who wants to indulge in both passions simultaneously.

Getting there: Fly into the nation's capital, Reykjavik, the departure points for many Icelandic itineraries.

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South America Itineraries

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South America Circle



21 DAYS

DAY 16

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DAY 1-2	Santiago, Chile	
DAY 3	Valparaiso and the Casablanca Valley, Chile	
DAY 4-6	Buenos Aires, Argentina	
DAY 7-9	lguazu Falls, Argentina & Brazil	
DAY 10-12	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	
DAY 12-13	Lima, Peru	
DAY 14-15	Sacred Valley, Peru	

Machu Picchu, Peru

DAY 17-19 Cusco, Peru



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9 DAYS

DAY 1-2	Lima, Peru Enjoy a walking food tour
DAY 3-4	Sacred Valley, Peru Sacred Valley of the Incas full day tour
DAY 5-6	Machu Picchu, Peru Scenic train ride and guided Machu Picchu tour
DAY 6-9	Cusco, Peru Half Day Tour Sacred Valley Maras & Moray Half Day Walking Tour Cusco with Sacsayhuaman

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Patagonia

9 DAYS

DAY 1-2	Santiago, Chile Half day tour + Local Dinne in Santiago
DAY 3-6	Torres del Paine, Chile Stay in an all-inclusive lodg of your choice and explore Patagonia with activities including hiking, horse ridin and bike riding
DAY 7-9	El Calafate, Argentina Perito Moreno Glacier boat cruise
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Signature Buenos Aires to Rio



9 DAYS

DAY 5 Iguazu Falls, Brazil Half day tour

DAY 6-9 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil City tour including cable car up Sugarloaf mountain, Christ the Redeemer and half day historical tour.

Signature **Salt Flats**



11 DAYS

DAY 1-3	San Pedro de Atacama, Chile
DAY 4	Bolivian Altiplano, Bolivia
DAY 5-6	Uyuni Salt Flats, Bolivia
DAY 7	La Paz, Bolivia
DAY 8	Puno, Peru
DAY 9	Lake Titicaca, Peru
DAY 10-11	Puno. Peru

Signature Peru Inca Trail



10 DAYS

DAY 1-2 DAY 3-4	Cusco, Peru Walking tour & Sacsayhuaman
DAY 5-8	Inca Trail Premium camping equipment, gourmet meals and private guide for a comfortable yet adventuro experience
DAY 9	Machu Picchu Poru

Machu Picchu, Peru

Guided tour of Machu Picchu then take a train ride back to Ollantaytambo







South & Central America

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Signature Colombia



9 DAYS

DAY 1-2 Bogota, Colombia Enjoy a city tour

DAY 3-5 Medellin, Colombia a half day tour of Medellin

DAY 6-9 Cartagena, Colombia Tour Cartagena and San Basilio de Palenque

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Costa Rica



9 DAYS

DAY 1-2 San Jose, Costa Rica Tour of Doka Estate and Parque Nacional Volcan Poas, passing through Alajuela

DAY 3-4 Arenal, Costa Rica Visit Mistico Arenal Hanging Bridges and Volunteer at a Wildlife Rescue Centre.

DAY 5-6 Monteverde, Costa Rica Pontoon boat ride and a cloud forest tour in a skv tram

DAY 6-8 Manuel Antonio, Costa Rica Tour the National Park

San Jose, Costa Rica



9 DAYS DAY 1-5

Signature Mexico

Mexico City, Mexico Tour of Mexico City, hot air balloon adventure at Teotihuacan and visit to Coyoacan

DAY 5-6 Merida, Mexico Half Day walking street food

DAY 7-9 Playa del Carmen, Mexico Guided tour of Chichen Itza on the way to Cancun

Mexico City

MEXICO





9 DAYS

DAY 1-4 Antigua, Guatemala Tour of Antigua with street eats tasting and visit lximche and a boat trip on Lake

DAY 4-7 Flores, Guatemala Visit Laguna Yaxha and Tikal National Park

DAY 8-9 Guatemala City, Guatemala Ruins of Tikal

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Ecuador



9 DAYS

DAY 8-9

DAY 1-2 Quito, Ecuador Six senses city tour DAY 3 Cotopaxi Volcano, Ecuador DAY 4 Chimborazo National Park DAY 5 Riobamba, Ecuador Visit 'Balbanera' Church and village of Guamote DAY 6-7 Cuenca, Ecuador Tour Cuenca and visit to Saraguro Village

Guayaquil, Ecuador

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Signature Salta, Uyuni Salt Flats & Atacama



10 DAYS

DAY 1-2	Salta, Argentina City tour
DAY 3	Huacalera
DAY 4-5	Uyuni Salt Flats Stay in a salt brick hotel & visit the salt flats
DAY 6-7	Bolivian Altiplano
DAY 8-10	San Pedro de Atacama Stargazing in the desert and visit the Valley of the Moon









SMALL SHIP ISLAND CRUISING

Nestled in the Pacific Ocean, about 600 miles (965.606 m)off the coast of Ecuador, the Galápagos Islands are a living museum of evolutionary wonders—home to giant tortoises, marine iguanas, and blue-footed boobies, all thriving in pristine, otherworldly landscapes.

WHY VISIT THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS?

Unique Wildlife Encounters.

Home to species found nowhere else on Earth, like the giant tortoise, marine iguana, and Darwin's finches. Animals are famously unafraid of humans, allowing for close-up observation without disturbing them.

Stunning natural landscapes.

Volcanic terrain, pristine beaches, and lush highlands offer dramatic scenery. - The islands are a UNESCO World Heritage Site, protected for their ecological significance.

Adventure activities.

Snorkeling with sea lions, diving with hammerhead sharks, kayaking, hiking, and island-hopping are just the beginning.

Year-round travel destination.

Two distinct seasons (wet and dry) offer different wildlife viewing opportunities, from nesting birds to migrating sea turtles



VESSELS IN THE GALAPAGOS

With over 20 years of expertise, Chimu Adventures is your trusted aggregator for Galápagos cruising, offering access to a curated selection of vessels from luxury yachts to eco-friendly catamarans. Whether you're seeking intimate wildlife encounters or indulgent onboard comfort, our seasoned team will match you with the perfect ship to suit your travel style, budget, and sense of adventure.

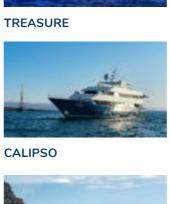
These are just some of the vessels we work with in the Galapagos.



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INTEGRITY



ECO GALAXY



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Galapagos Islands Locations

FERNANDINA

Learn more about these unique islands and why you should consider them when planning your cruise.



FERNANDINA ISLAND

Fernandina is the main westernmost island in the Galápagos Islands, the third largest and youngest of the islands, less than one million years old. It is the most volcanically active and sits at the center of the hot spot that created the Galápagos Islands.

Wildlife found here includes Galápagos hawks and penguins, pelicans, marine iguanas, sea lions, fur seals and the flightless

the only flightless cormorant in the world.

WHY GO

- It is the most pristine island with the most active volcanoes in the of the Galápagos.
- Home to a large population of marine iguanas.



SANTIAGO ISLAND

Also known as Isla San Salvador or James Island, this is one of the more popular Galápagos Islands to visit, with a number of excellent tourist sites. Centrally located between Santa Cruz and Isabela Islands, this island is the fourth largest in the archipelago at 363 sq. miles (585sq.km). It was the second island to be visited by Charles Darwin aboard the Beagle.

WHY GO

- Puerto Egas on James Bay to see lava pools as well as caves and inlets that are home to an amazing variety of
- Sugar Loaf Volcano, with some spectacular views of the surrounding landscape.

SANTIAGO



GENOVESA ISLAND

BALTRA

SANTA CRUZ

ISLAND

BALTRA ISLAND

Home to one of two airports connecting Galápagos with mainland Ecuador, this is the point of arrival for most travelers to Galápagos. After clearing the immigration desk at the airport, travelers are transported by bus to the cruise ships anchored at Aeolian Bay or to the dock at the Itabaca Canal, where a ferry service connects Baltra with the island of Santa Cruz.

WHY GO

Arrival point for most Galápagos cruises.

GENOVESA ISLAND

Genovesa Island is a horseshoe shaped island located in the northeastern region of the Galápagos Archipelago. Its distinct shape was formed from the eruption of a shield volcano and the eventual collapse of one side of the caldera. The resulting submerged crater formed Darwin Bay, which is surrounded by steep cliffs that provide homes for many seabirds.

Genovesa has developed a reputation as "The Bird Island" because of the numerous and varied bird species that nest there.

- Unique wildlife and bird species.
- One of the few places in the Islands where Red-footed Boobies are found en masse.



SANTA CRUZ ISLAND

Santa Cruz is the main tourism hub for all of the Galápagos, given its proximity to the airport on Baltra.

Puerto Ayora is the heart and soul of the Galápagos Islands' human population and is the main tourism hub in the archipelago.

- Lava tubes -enormous tunnels created by lava flows
- Visit the Charles Darwin Research Station.

- leaving only their shell behind.
- The Fausto Llerena Tortoise Center.

ESPAÑOLA



ISABELA

ISABELLA ISLAND

The largest and one of the younger islands, Isabela Island was formed by the joining of six shield volcanoes, all apart from one are still active!

The west coast of Isabela is known as the best place to see whales in the Galápagos. Some 16 species of whales have been identified in the area including humpbacks, sperms, sei, minkes and orcas.

WHY GO

- Sierra Negra Volcano is one of the most impressive volcanos and is considered to be the second largest caldera in the world.
- ❷ Endless wildlife sites including Elizabeth Bay, Moreno Point, Urbina Bay and more.
- ☑ Dive sites Four Brothers, Tortuga Island, Urbina Bay, Tagus Cove, Punta Vicente Roca, Roca Redondo, and Cape Marshall.
- ▼ The west coast of Isabella is known as being one of the best places to swim with penguins.



FLOREANA ISLAND

Floreana Island is the site of the first "post office", established in 1793 by whalers. It was the first island to be colonised by Ecuadorians in 1832 as a penal colony that didn't last long because of the lack of fresh water.

WHY GO

- See two contrasting beaches, one that consists of olive-green sand and the other known as Flour Beach, made up of fine, pulverized coral.
- 'Devil's Crown', a volcanic crater is the premier snorkelling spot in the Galápagos.





ESPAÑOLA ISLAND

Española is the southernmost of the Galápagos Islands and is also one of the oldest. Geologists estimate it is about four million years old.

Because Española is one of the most isolated islands, it has a large number FLOREANA of endemic species — the Española mockingbird, the Española lava lizard, and the waved albatross.

WHY GO

- Punta Suarez for it's variety and quantity of wildlife.
- Gardner Bay This expansive white sand beach attracts napping sea lions.

SAN CRISTOBAL



SAN CRISTÓBAL ISLAND

San Cristóbal is the fifth largest and easternmost island of the Galápagos. It is comprised of three or four fused volcanoes, all extinct. Its name comes from the Patron Saint of seafarers. St. Christopher.

The town of Puerto Baquerizo Moreno is the capital of the Galápagos province. It is home to an Ecuadorian Navy facility, and an airport with daily flights to the mainland.

- A large number of sea lions, crabs, tortoises and birds can be seen.
- Famous for kicker rock one of the most popular photograph opportunities in the archipelago.









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Chimu Adventures is a specialist travel operator with over 20 years of experience in Antarctica, the Arctic, and South America. We don't try to do it all—instead, we focus on what we know best and our knowledgeable staff have a true passion for the Polar regions and South America.

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