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DEPARTURE

01/11/2022, 02/11/2023

DURATION

22 Days

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LOCATIONS

Falkland Islands, South Georgia, Antarctic Peninsula

INTRODUCTION

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Explore islands home to some of the most abundant wildlife in all the world as you experience the Falkland Islands, South Georgia and the Antarctic Peninsula. Sailing from Puerto Madryn you will encounter a host of incredible wildlife including fur seal, elephant seal, and hundreds of thousands of penguins. From hear the transformative sites of the Antarctic Peninsula wait to capture emotion and take the breath like no other destination on Earth. Experience this journey for yourself.

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DAY 1: Puerto Madryn

Located in the Patagonian province of Chubut, Puerto Madryn is one of Argentina's fastest growing cities and the gateway to the Peninsula Valdés. Puerto Madryn is a popular resort destination for wildlife excursions - visit a sea lion colony or take a whale watching trip to view the Southern Right Whales, watch for nesting cormorants and magnificent elephant seals, or experience a walk through a colony of Magellanic penguins and myriad species of native seabirds.



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DAY 2: Embarkation

Arriving at the ship in the afternoon, you will be greeted by our Expedition Team and ship's officers at a safety and orientation briefing followed by the Captain's welcome dinner. Then, watch the city lights fade in the fresh night air as we sail seaward.



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DAY 3: Southern Ocean - Day 3 & 4

Among the wildlife spotting opportunities as we sail south, are the albatrosses, prions, and petrels that frequently follow the ship. Our Expedition Team will be out on deck as well, looking for the whales and dolphins that can be seen in the area. Our experts will begin their presentations with informative and entertaining talks on the wildlife, history, and geology of The Falkland Islands and Southern Ocean. Helpful briefings on environmental regulations and expedition safety will also be held in our comfortable lounge.

DAY 5: West Falklands

The westernmost settled outposts in the Falklands are remote farms that have been family-owned for six and seven generations. The sheep graze alongside albatross colonies and Rockhopper, King, and Magellanic penguin rookeries while striated caracaras patrol overhead and upland geese graze at the water's edge. A visit to one of these homesteads often includes an invitation for cakes and a cup of tea.

DAY 6: Stanley, East Falkland

Chosen for its sheltered harbor and access to abundant fresh water and peat for fuel, Stanley is easy to discover on foot as most shops and services are centered on the port. The museum, the post-office featuring first day covers, plenty of shops with locally made wool items, and Stanley's lively pubs will all be available. It is possible to experience the wildlife of the Falklands from the town including sea lions and Peale's and Commerson's dolphins in the harbor or bird life in nearby Gypsy Cove.



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DAY 7: Southern Ocean - Day 7 & 8

There will be plenty of wildlife spotting as we make our way east across the Antarctic Convergence and officially enter Antarctic waters. Shipboard presentations will continue, featuring the exciting history and abundant wildlife of South Georgia.



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DAY 9: South Georgia - Day 9 to 12

Its unique position inside the Antarctic Convergence yet outside the limit of the yearly sea ice, makes this 3,755 square kilometer island home to tens of millions of breeding penguins, seals and seabirds. Magnificent mountain scenery, glaciers galore, a rugged coastline punctuated with castellate and tabular icebergs, a rich historical tapestry, and an astounding array of wildlife are all available to us as we travel down South Georgia's leeward coast. Landing sites feature huge Elephant seals, aggressive Fur seals, Gentoo penguins, albatross, petrels, skuas, and gulls. King penguins from fuzzy little chicks to fattened adults can be seen in the hundreds of thousands. We will visit historic Grytviken whaling station, home of the whaling museum, Norwegian seaman's church, the active British Antarctic Survey station plus the tiny graveyard where the great Antarctic explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton is buried.

DAY 13: Scotia Sea - Day 13 & 14

Heading farther south, we continue our informative presentations and wildlife watch as the icebergs become more and more plentiful.



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DAY 15: Antarctic Peninsula - Day 15 to 18

Here we'll explore any number of picturesque bays and famed harbors, maneuvering through majestic channels as we travel the wildlife-rich waters. There are great opportunities to stop at several active scientific bases and historic landing sites as we spot numerous species of penguins, seals, and whales along the rugged coastlines and in the sea.

DAY 19: Drake Passage - Day 19 to 20

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again crossing the legendary Drake Passage. We have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion of our expedition with a special slideshow and a final meal together.

DAY 21: Ushuaia Disembarkation

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning and transfer to the beautiful Arakur Resort and Spa in Ushuaia. Here you can unwind at the resort, relax in the spa, or hit the streets of Ushuaia to explore more sights.

DAY 22: Ushuaia

Saying goodbye to the lovely Arakur, our Antarctic adventure officially comes to an end. As you continue on, homeward bound or perhaps to another destination, you'll take with you the unforgettable memories of exploring the last wild place on earth.









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Accommodation	Cabin on board ship	TRIP CODE
Inclusions	Transfer from Trelew airport to the group hotel. Only available if arriving on Day 1 of the itinerary. 1 night pre-voyage hotel in Puerto Madryn 1 night post voyage hotel in Ushuaia Transfer from the group hotel to ship for embarkation Cabin accommodation on board ship All meals whilst on board All scheduled landings and excursions Citizen science program: Expedition jacket (yours to keep) Complimentary use of rubber boots for duration of voyage Coffee/tea/cocoa 24 hours daily Alcohol (house brands) and non-alcoholic beverages: Mineral water, soft drinks, juices, tea, house wine, various beers, long drinks, cocktails of the day All taxes and port fees WIFI from the public computers 200MB WIFI card for use on personal devices Digital voyage log Guiding and lectures by experienced expedition team Exclusions International flights Optional activities not mentioned as included Onboard communication charges such as outgoing phone calls, WiFi from personal devices in excess of the 200 MB provided Travel and medical insurance Personal expenses Gratuities for the staff and crew	ACPLSA
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Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)	
Single Surcharge	Available upon request, contact us for more details.	
Notes	Please note this itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.	
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, season and availability	

SUSTAINABILITY

We appreciate that voyages to the Antarctic to have an impact on this pristine environment. In light of this, all our voyages are double carbon offset. In addition, we strive to eliminate as many single use plastics as possible from our supply chain. In choosing this voyage you are also supporting the fantastic work done by the Antarctic Science Foundation (ASF) and their work in understanding and protecting this unique destination. In addition all voyages support the Mawsons Huts Foundation (MHF). The MHF support the legacy of Sir Douglas Mawson, the legendary Antarctic explorer and



scientist. As a member of IAATO we follow strict guidelines appointed by the Antarctic Treaty System to go above and beyond in support of minimizing negative impacts on this pristine landscape. We also encourage clients to look to book pre-and postaccommodation with us, where local businesses will be supported. Our clients also receive restaurant recommendations which support locally owned restaurants.

We carefully select all ships we work with and choose smaller sized vessels to create less impact. We use a highly regulated, licensed vessel which is well equipped to operate in the Antarctic's delicate ecosystem. We view the voyage to the Antarctic as an expedition, not a sightseeing trip. Smaller ships such as ours can navigate narrow waterways and are far less polluting than the larger ships in Antarctic waters. By carrying less passengers, we have far less waste. The waste is carried back to the home port to allow for environmentally conscious waste management and disposal.

For more information on our sustainability policies, including how we are striving towards being a paperless organisation, click <u>HERE</u>

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