



# INTRODUCTION

Follow in the footsteps of the legendary Sir Ernest Shackleton as you explore the incredible highlights of Antarctica. This 21 day journey will dive deep into Antarctica and explore the wildlife-rich Falkland Islands and South Georgia. Discover jaw dropping scenes, encounter bays of thousands of penguins, learn of the unique history of the region. Embark on this incredible journey in the true fashion of the explorers that came before.

# **ITINERARY**

## DAY 1: Arrival in Ushuaia

No need to stress about missed connections or flight delays as you arrive with plenty of time to unwind and enjoy the beautiful Arakur Resort & Spa or spend time discovering the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia.



#### DAY 2: Ushuaia

Explore the sights of Ushuaia such as the museums and Argentinean leather markets or continue relaxing at the hotel. Attend the optional evening briefing for the opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow travellers.



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# DAY 3: Embarkation Day

Spend your morning exploring Ushuaia or unwinding at the resort until our mid-afternoon transfer to the ship. Our Expedition Team and ship staff will greet you on board, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and Captain's welcome dinner.



# DAY 4: Southern Ocean

As we sail south, important briefings on environmental regulations and expedition safety are held. You won't want to miss our experts as they begin their informative and entertaining talks about the wildlife and geology of the area, with special presentations by our accomplished Historians on Antarctica's unique history and Shackleton's saga.



# DAY 5: West Falklands, Malvinas

We'll be exploring some of the westernmost settled outposts in the Falklands/Malvinas, where you can take in the beautiful countryside and look for Black-Browed albatross or Rockhopper, King, and Magellanic penguin rookeries.



# DAY 6: Port Stanley

Stanley is a lively hub of activity nestled in a sheltered harbor. Head out on foot to explore the museum, shops and services centered on the port, or look for sea lions, dolphins, and bird life along the shores.



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DAY 7: Southern Ocean - Day 7 to 8

Things really start to ramp up with plenty of wildlife and seabird identifying to do as we make our way east across the Antarctic Convergence and officially enter Antarctic waters. Shipboard presentations continue, featuring topics like the captivating history of Shackleton's quest and the abundant wildlife of South Georgia.



DAY 9: South Georgia - Day 9 to 12

South Georgia is often referred to as the 'Serengeti of the Southern Ocean' and it's easy to see why as you take in tens of millions of breeding penguins, seals, and seabirds. Magnificent mountain scenery, glaciers galore, icebergs, a rich historical tapestry, and an incredible array of wildlife will astound you as we travel down South Georgia's leeward coast. We'll also visit historic Grytviken whaling station, featuring the tiny graveyard where Shackleton is buried with his right-hand man Frank Wild beside him.



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DAY 13: Scotia Sea - Day 13 to 14

Heading farther south, we'll continue our informative presentations and wildlife spotting as the icebergs become bigger and more plentiful.



DAY 15: Antarctica - Day 15 to 18

Hopping into our inflatable Zodiac boats, we'll spend as much time as possible exploring. Be prepared to marvel up close at nature's glory as we set a course for the most scenic bays and channels of the Peninsula. We'll follow in Shackleton's footsteps as we attempt to land at sites of historic and scientific interest, including Elephant Island and Point Wild.





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, letting you catch a flight to Buenos Aires or stay in Ushuaia for more sights and adventure.



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# **INCLUSIONS & DETAILS**

Accommodation

Cabin on board ship



Inclusions	Transfer from airport in embarkation city to group hotel if arriving on Day 1 of itinerary.  Two pre-voyage nights hotel accommodation in embarkation city  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
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, seasonality 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

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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 **HERE** 

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