



TRIP CODE

ACPLCIA

DEPARTURE

17/12/2022, 19/12/2023

DURATION

13 Days

LOCATIONS

Antarctic Peninsula



INTRODUCTION

BOOK AND SAVE: Up to 5% off select cabins and departures on 2023 - 2024 season voyages. Contact us for more details.

Celebrate the magic of the holiday season in one of the most remote and isolated corners of the world. The Antarctic Peninsula is complete with striking panoramic vistas, abundant wildlife encounters and incredible expedition experiences. With an experienced expedition team and state-of-the-art vessel this itinerary superimposes the idea of a true expedition experience.

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. Ushuaia is the most southerly city in the world and the capital of Tierra del Fuego (Land of Fire). It has a dramatic setting, surrounded by mountains to the north and the Beagle Channel to the south, making it a spectacular departure point for your Antarctic adventure.





DAY 2: Exploring 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 travelers.



DAY 3: Embarkation in Ushuaia

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.



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DAY 4: Drake Passage - Day 4 to 5

Join our Polar Experts as they teach you about everything Antarctic, from wildlife to history; participate in our renowned Citizen Science program; or sit back and take in this fabled journey while catching exciting glimpses of wildlife. Grab your binoculars to identify the many seabirds that follow the ship as we cross the Antarctic Convergence into Antarctic waters and noticeably cooler temperatures.



DAY 6: Antarctic Sound and Weddell Sea - Day 6 to 7

We maneuver through the amazing channels and wildlife rich waters of the Antarctic Sound and Weddell Sea, the perfect place to spend a memorable holiday season. The Antarctic Sound is well known for its huge tabular icebergs and the Weddell Sea offers a unique geography unlike anywhere else on earth. Here we enjoy the abundance of wildlife such as Adélie penguins and seals as we keep on the lookout for hunting Orca.





DAY 8: Antarctic Peninsula - Day 8 to 9

We will make landfall on the peninsula, experiencing marvelous encounters with wildlife as we stroll the stunning shores and adventure around the region's spectacular bays and harbors. We'll also have an opportunity to attempt a sea ice landing, as well as stop at several active scientific bases and historic landing sites.



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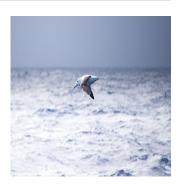
DAY 10: South Shetlands

The volcanic South Shetland Islands offer amazing abundance and beauty, so we'll hop into our inflatable Zodiac boats and spend as much time as possible exploring. Be prepared to marvel up close at nature's glory!



DAY 11: Drake Passage - Day 11 to 12

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 13: Disembarkation in Ushuaia

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.



INCLUSIONS & DETAILS



Accommodation	Cabin on board ship	T
Inclusions	2 nights accommodation in Ushuaia pre departure Cabin accommodation on board vessel All meals whilst on board All scheduled landings and excursions Guiding and lectures by experienced expedition team Citizen science and photgraphy programs Complimentary use of rubber boots for duration of voyage EXCLUSIONS International flights Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable)	A
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	Travel and medical insurance Optional activities not mentioned as included Customary gratuities for staff and crew	L
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)	A
Single Surcharge	Available upon request, contact us for more information.	3
Notes	Please note this itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.	
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, seasonality and availability	

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SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures is passionate and dedicated to sustainbility measures and understands the crucial part sustainability plays within the tourism industry.

A trip to the Antarctic is a completely different experience and quite unlike any other trip you have probably been on. We use a highly regulated, licensed vessel which is well equipped to operate in this vulnerable ecosystem. We are fully compliant with all rules set down by the IAATO and all activities are governed by the Antarctic Treaty System. We carefully select all ships we work with and choose them for their small size as this creates far less impact on shore landings with wildlife. We view the voyage to the Antarctic as an expedition, not a sightseeing trip. Smaller boats 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, and all waste is carried back to the home port to allow for environmentally conscious waste management and disposal, unlike some of the larger ships which do not facilitate this. This trip begins in Ushuaia where you will have time to sample local food and shop at local boutiques which we encourage individuals to take part in for experience and in support of the local community. We also try to create opportunity to see research and historical sites including the former research station/now museum of Port Lockroy and engage with local history. We discourage the buying of souvenirs made from endangered species or wrongfully taken from the environment i.e. shells. Our pre-departure pack provides you with all the information required for your tour, from what to take with you to practical



advice about how to minimise your impact on the Antarctic environment. This pack highlights initiatives such as waste reduction, and how to appropriately engage with wildlife and the environment around you.

For more information visit our <u>sustainability page</u>.

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