



# DURATION

21/12/2022

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**DEPARTURE** 

14 Days

#### LOCATIONS

Antarctic Circle



# INTRODUCTION

Book and Save: Up to 40%\* off select cabins

Follow in the wake of Captain Cook as we attempt to cross the fabled Antarctic Circle, latitude  $66 {\hat A}^\circ$  33'S, on this 14-day Journey to the Circle, home to the midnight sun and shifting ice. Setting sail aboard the well-appointed Ocean Endeavour, we leave Ushuaia and civilisation behind and head towards the hauntingly beautiful icy wilderness of Antarctica. The scenery is nothing but dramatic as we sail amongst immense icebergs, majestic mountains shrouded in snow, calving glaciers and through ice-choked waterways. Discover the wildlife and history of the Antarctic Peninsula by Zodiac cruises, shore landings, hikes and kayaking. We visit vast penguin and seal colonies and scan the waters in search of orcas and leopard seals on the hunt, and seabirds soaring above.

\*40% discount onboard the Ocean Endeavour 2022/23 season valid from 1 Nov 2022 until sold out or departed. Not combinable with any other promotion. Offers apply to new bookings only. Excludes Cabin Categories 2 & 3. Cabins are subject to availability and currency fluctuations. Further conditions apply, please contact us for more information.

PLEASE NOTE: Pricing is subject to change and availability at the time of booking. Contact us for more information.

\*\*Please note that due to the recent increase in global fuel prices, a fuel surcharge has been applied to all voyages across Antarctic 22/23 season. This has already been applied to the price\*\*

# **ITINERARY**



## DAY 1: Arrival in 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.



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### DAY 2: Embarkation in Ushuaia

Transfer to the pier of Ushuaia for embarkation in the late afternoon and you will be welcomed on board the Ocean Endeavour by the Expedition Team and the Ship's Officers.



## DAY 3: At Sea - Day 3 to 4

As we leave the Beagle Channel, prepare yourself for potentially rough seas as we enter the legendary Drake Passage. This infamous and unpredictable channel of water separates the southernmost tip of South America from the tip of the Antarctic Peninsula. It was named after the English explorer, Sir Frances Drake.



## DAY 5: Antarctic Peninsula - Day 5 to 11

On the morning of the fifth day of our voyage, large icebergs and the shape of the volcanic South Shetland Islands can be seen from the Ocean Endeavour's bridge. We'll spend the day exploring this Antarctic archipelago - a string of islands that is frequented by chinstrap penguins, elephant seals and fur seals. The feeling of a true expedition will come to life as we take to the water in our fleet of zodiacs and make our first Antarctic excursion.





DAY 12: At Sea - Day 12 to 13

We hope to make one final excursion or shore landing today before we leave the Antarctic Peninsula behind, and head back across the Drake Passage. This is another great opportunity to look out for wildlife from the deck of the ship, as you identify seabirds and maybe whales with the help of your Expedition Team. Gain more insight into the region by attending final lectures and presentations by the polar experts and take time to relax and reminisce about your Antarctic experiences.



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#### DAY 14: Disembarkation in Ushuaia

We are scheduled to arrive into Ushuaia early this morning, disembarking after a final breakfast aboard the Ocean Endeavour.



# **INCLUSIONS & DETAILS**

Accommodation

Cabin on board ship



#### **INCLUSIONS**

All meals onboard the Ocean Endeavour including snacks Accommodation onboard the Ocean Endeavour in booked cabin category

Onboard lecture program from Expeditions Team and **Naturalists** 

All shore excursions and Zodiac cruising (except paid adventure options with cost)

Use of rubber boots on land and use of waterproof outer shell jacket

Insulated inner jacket, yours to keep at the end of the

Transfer from Ushuaia airport to hotel (Day 1) and prenight hotel with breakfast

Transfer from Ushuaia hotel accommodation to the Ocean Endeavour for embarkation

Transports to Ushuaia airport on return to port

All port taxes All landing fees

Use of onboard gym, sauna, pool and jacuzzi and onboard

### **Inclusions**

### **EXCLUSIONS**

International or internal flights unless specified Airport transfers, taxes and excess baggage charges unless specified

Meals other than those specified in the pre-departure information

Pre or post cruise travel expenses Visa (if applicable) and passport fees Travel insurance (compulsory)

Fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings Paid adventure options and all personal expenses Tobacco, alcoholic or beverages (other than coffee and tea)

Miscellaneous extras

Laundry and communication charges on board

Gratuities for Expedition team and crew (recommended

US\$15 per person per day)

For minors under 16 years of age at time of travel; life jackets, waterproof outer shell jacket, insulated inner jacket and boots

For guests who require larger sizing; Waterproof outer shell jacket, insulated inner jacket and rubber boots

## **Difficulty Rating**

2 (light adventure)

## **Single Surcharge**

Available on request, contact us for more detail

#### **Notes**

Please note this itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions

## Price Dependent upon

Departure date, fuel surcharges, seasonality and availability.

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# **SUSTAINABILITY**

As a member of IAATO we follow 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 post-accommodation 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 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. 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** 

