

## ANTARCTICA - PENGUIN SAFARI: SOUTH GEORGIA & ANTARCTICA | WORLD EXPLORER



### INTRODUCTION

Cruise aboard the deluxe, refined and spacious World Explorer to discover the incredible wildlife of South Georgia, the 'Galapagos of the Southern Ocean', and then Antarctica - untouched, pristine and unforgettable. South Georgia offers unrivalled wildlife encounters, with beaches carpeted with king and macaroni penguins and the largest king penguin rookeries in the world. Antarctica is the land of extremes, silent and desolate, where the silence is broken only by the sound of calving glaciers crashing into the clear blue waters and noisy penguin colonies alive with chinstrap, Ad lie and Gentoo penguins. Zodiac excursions take you amongst the icebergs whilst shore landings bring you in close contact with the wildlife, with opportunities to explore historic sites, paddle the icy waters by kayak and maybe even take a Polar plunge!

**\*Please note that itineraries in the 24/25 season are 18 days in duration and spends additional time in South Georgia and the Antarctic Peninsula.**

*\*Current Discounts, promotions and pricing are available until 04 Feb 2024, however discounts may be withdrawn or changed at any time and are subject to availability on selected cabins and departure dates. Some current in market offers may be combinable and Shackleton Club Past Passenger and multi trip discounts may be applied subject to confirmation at the time of booking. Prices are subject to change based on currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges, and other external factors. No discount applies to any transfer packages, additional activities or pre/post services. The advertised prices may also include a 'Pay in full at time of booking' which is a 5-10% early payment discount, which requires the full balance to be paid at the time of booking to apply. Further conditions may apply, [contact us](#) for more information.*

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#### DEPARTURE

28/12/2023

#### DURATION

16 Days

#### LOCATIONS

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### ITINERARY

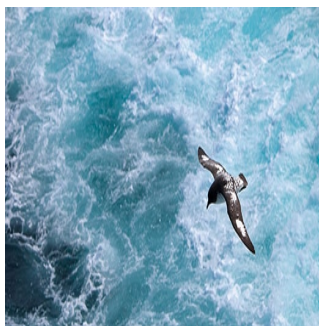
#### DAY 1: Arrive in Ushuaia, Argentina

You will begin your journey in Ushuaia, a small but bustling port at the tip of South America. It's the ideal gateway for you to explore the southern extent of Patagonia while preparing for your adventure ahead. Get active in the mountains or enjoy handcrafted chocolate at a café in town.



#### DAY 2: Ushuaia, Argentina and Embarkation

Embarkation will occur in the late afternoon, after which your vessel will sail down the historic Beagle Channel, which transects the Tierra del Fuego archipelago in the extreme south of South America. Expect an air of anticipation as you depart!



#### DAY 3: At Sea - Day 3 to 5

The Expedition Team will keep you busy by testing your knowledge of seabirds, penguins and the history of South Georgia as they begin their educational lecture program.



#### DAY 6: South Georgia - Day 6 to 8

The first indication that you are approaching South Georgia is the sighting of birds around a group of rocky spires called Shag Rocks. Rising out of the icy ocean waters, have your binoculars and cameras ready to photograph these rocks. Shags, prions and wandering albatross often rest here.



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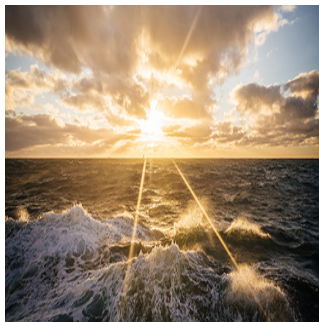
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### DAY 9: At Sea - Day 9 & 10

Antarctica awaits, along with its own penguin and seal species. While you're at sea, you can enjoy quiet time or take in presentations by the Expedition Team.



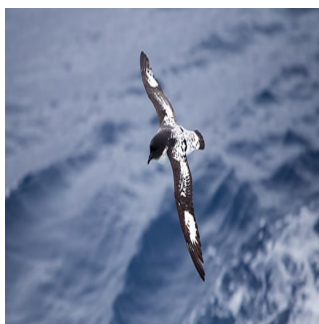
### DAY 11: Antarctic Peninsula - Day 11 to 13

The most common reaction to arriving at the White Continent is a sense of reverence and awe. The experience is hard to put into words. You will discover that Antarctica is a land of extremes: at one moment you'll be overcome with a feeling of complete silence and loneliness, the next you'll be laughing at the comical antics of a curious penguin.



### DAY 14: At Sea - Day 14 & 15

After more than a dozen days of memorable wildlife encounters, your journey home begins.



### DAY 16: Disembark in Ushuaia

You will arrive in Ushuaia in the morning, which allows for you to continue your adventure on land or catch your flights home.



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## INCLUSIONS & DETAILS



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Accommodation	Cabin on ship
Inclusions	<div> <b>INCLUSIONS</b> <p> Shipboard accommodation  All meals and beverages onboard  All scheduled landings/excursions  Guiding and lectures by experienced expedition leader  A photographic journey documenting the expedition  Waterproof expedition boots on loan for shore landings  Expedition parka to keep  Comprehensive predeparture materials, including a map and an informative Antarctica Reader  All miscellaneous service taxes and port charges  All luggage handling aboard the ship  All gratuities  Group transfer in Ushuaia from the airport to the pre-expedition hotel on Day 1  One night's pre-expedition hotel accommodation in Ushuaia, with breakfast  Group transfer from the hotel to the ship on embarkation day  Group transfer upon disembarkation in Ushuaia from the ship to the local airport </p> </div> <div> <b>EXCLUSIONS</b> <p> Airtfares to/from embarkation and disembarkation city/cities  Passport and visa expenses  Government arrival and departure taxes not mentioned above  Meals ashore unless otherwise specified  Baggage, cancellation, interruption and medical travel insurance  Excess baggage fees on international flights  Laundry and personal expenses incurred onboard  Phone and internet charges  Additional overnight accommodation  Optional adventure activities </p> </div>
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 dates, seasonality, availability & currency fluctuation

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## SUSTAINABILITY

### GUIDANCE FOR VISITORS TO THE ANTARCTIC

RECOMMENDATION XVIII-1, ADOPTED AT THE ANTARCTIC TREATY MEETING, KYOTO, 1994

Activities in the Antarctic are governed by the Antarctic Treaty of 1959 and associated agreements, referred to collectively as the Antarctic Treaty System. The Treaty established Antarctica as a zone of peace and science.

In 1991, the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Parties adopted the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty, which designates the Antarctic as a natural reserve. The Protocol sets out environmental principles, procedures and obligations for the comprehensive protection of the Antarctic environment, and its dependent and associated ecosystems. The Consultative Parties have agreed that as far as possible and in accordance with their legal system, the provisions of the Protocol should be applied as appropriate. The Environmental Protocol was ratified in January 1998.

The Environmental Protocol applies to tourism and non-governmental activities, as well as governmental activities in the Antarctic Treaty Area. It is intended to ensure that these activities, do not have adverse impacts on the Antarctic environment, or on its scientific and aesthetic values.

This Guidance for Visitors to the Antarctic is intended to ensure that all visitors are aware of, and are therefore able to comply with, the Treaty and the Protocol. Visitors are, of course, bound by national laws and regulations applicable to activities in the Antarctic.

### PROTECT ANTARCTIC WILDLIFE

Taking or harmful interference with Antarctic wildlife is prohibited except in accordance with a permit issued by a national authority.

Do not use aircraft, vessels, small boats, or other means of transport in ways that disturb wildlife, either at sea or on land.

Do not feed, touch, or handle birds or seals, or approach or photograph them in ways that cause them to alter their behavior. Special care is needed when animals are breeding or molting.

Do not damage plants, for example by walking, driving, or landing on extensive moss beds or lichen-covered scree slopes.

Do not use guns or explosives. Keep noise to the minimum to avoid frightening wildlife.

Do not bring non-native plants or animals into the Antarctic, such as live poultry, pet dogs and cats, or house plants.

### RESPECT PROTECTED AREAS

A variety of areas in the Antarctic have been afforded special protection because of their particular ecological, scientific, historic, or other values. Entry into certain areas may be

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prohibited except in accordance with a permit issued by an appropriate national authority.

Activities in and near designated Historic Sites and Monuments and certain other areas may be subject to special restrictions.

Know the locations of areas that have been afforded special protection and any restrictions regarding entry and activities that can be carried out in and near them. Observe applicable restrictions.

Do not damage, remove, or destroy Historic Sites or Monuments or any artifacts associated with them.

### RESPECT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Do not interfere with scientific research, facilities or equipment.

Obtain permission before visiting Antarctic science and support facilities; reconfirm arrangements 24-72 hours before arrival; and comply with the rules regarding such visits.

Do not interfere with, or remove, scientific equipment or marker posts, and do not disturb experimental study sites, field camps, or supplies.

### BE SAFE

Be prepared for severe and changeable weather and ensure that your equipment and clothing meet Antarctic standards. Remember that the Antarctic environment is inhospitable, unpredictable, and potentially dangerous.

Know your capabilities and the dangers posed by the Antarctic environment, and act accordingly. Plan activities with safety in mind at all times.

Keep a safe distance from all wildlife, both on land and at sea.

Take note of, and act on, the advice and instructions from your leaders; do not stray from your group.

Do not walk onto glaciers or large snow fields without the proper equipment and experience; there is a real danger of falling into hidden crevasses.

Do not expect a rescue service. Self-sufficiency is increased and risks reduced by sound planning, quality equipment, and trained personnel.

Do not enter emergency refuges (except in emergencies). If you use equipment or food from a refuge, inform the nearest research station or national authority once the emergency is over.

Respect any smoking restrictions, particularly around buildings, and take great care to safeguard against the danger of fire. This is a real hazard in the dry environment of Antarctica.

### KEEP ANTARCTICA PRISTINE

Antarctica remains relatively pristine, the largest wilderness area on Earth. It has not yet been subjected to large-scale human perturbations. Please keep it that way.

Do not dispose of litter or garbage on land. Open burning is prohibited.

Do not disturb or pollute lakes or streams. Any materials discarded at sea must be disposed of properly.

Do not paint or engrave names or graffiti on rocks or buildings.

Do not collect or take away biological or geological specimens or man-made artifacts as

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a souvenir, including rocks, bones, eggs, fossils, and parts or contents of buildings.  
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abandoned, or unoccupied.

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