

ANTARCTIC PENINSULA - ALL INCLUSIVE FLY/CRUISE PACKAGE | BEST OF ANTARCTICA: WILDLIFE EXPLORER | OCEAN ENDEAVOUR



INTRODUCTION

BOOK YOUR FLIGHTS AND ANTARCTICA 23/24 CRUISE AS A PACKAGE AND SAVE!!

DEPARTURE 08 DEC 2023 - FLIGHTS INCLUDED FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE OR BRISBANE AUSTRALIA. Enquire for other cities*

Please enquire for Single Pricing**

Fly from Australia to Buenos Aires (via Santiago) and spend the night in this cosmopolitan city before flying to Ushuaia, nicknamed the end of the world!

Once in Ushuaia, set sail aboard the comfortable and spacious polar expedition vessel, the Ocean Endeavour to give you the best of the stunning South Shetland Islands and Antarctic Peninsula in 11 Days. Explore the natural environment and closeup encounters with wildlife on zodiacs and on foot. For the adventurous, take a kayak and drift among the sea ice and sculptured icebergs, spend a night on the 7th continent under the stars or snowshoe in the footsteps of past explorers. Walk among enormous penguin rookeries, encounter basking seals and their playful pups and search for humpback, minke, and orca whales. Onboard, enjoy talks on regional history, zoology and geology by experts. Pamper yourself with one of our spa treatments or simply relax with a yoga class. A voyage like this will leave you with memories to last a lifetime.

After your cruise, you will fly back to Buenos Aires for a night before flying home to Australia.

Terms and Conditions** All inclusive promotion: The lead in price for this offer is based on a twin share Category 4 twin/double cabin onboard the Ocean Endeavour on the Best of Antarctica: Wildlife Explorer voyage departing on 09 Dec 23 and 1 night pre & post

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DURATION

13 Days

LOCATIONS

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cruise in Buenos Aires in a 4 Hotel with breakfast and transfers to/from the airport in Buenos Aires and Ushuaia. Pricing is per person and additional compulsory single supplements may apply for certain cabin types. Economy service flights are included from Brisbane, Melbourne or Sydney. We will quote the best priced flights on the specified dates. Your package includes domestic economy flights in Argentina with Aerolíneas Argentinas and at least one checked bag will be included on your tickets. Checked baggage size and weight may vary between Airlines. Flights are available from other airports in Australia, however, airfare prices may vary and a supplement will apply. Business class upgrades are subject to availability and an additional supplement cost will apply. If you have an airline or timing preference then we can also apply a surcharge (if applicable) to change your ticket. Category 1,2 & 3 cabins are excluded from this offer. Optional adventure activities are an additional cost and we recommend booking these in advance to avoid disappointment.*

A 25% deposit on cruise/land arrangements and the full cost of flights will be payable at the time of booking. Airfares are subject to change in price until paid in full and ticketed and airline change/cancellation policies will apply. Any changes will be subject to airline rules and you may be charged airline change fees. Promotion is only valid on selected cabins and dates until 31 Oct 23 unless sold out prior and cannot be used in conjunction with any other discounts or offers. Promotion may be withdrawn at any time and is subject to availability at the time of booking. Speak to one of our Destination Specialists about extensions in Latin America, which are possible at an additional cost.

Please note prices are subject to change and this offer is strictly limited and only available until sold out. Airfares are subject to change until paid in full and ticketed. [Contact us](#) for more information.

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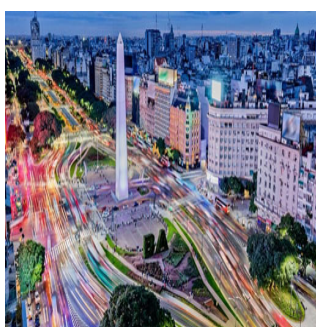
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DAY 1: Arrival in Buenos Aires

You will arrive in Argentina's cosmopolitan capital city, Buenos Aires. Known as the 'Paris of the South', Buenos Aires has a charming and alluring atmosphere. It features wide avenues lined with colonial buildings, fashionable shops and Parisian-style bakeries and cafés. The city is located on the western shore of the Río de la Plata and has many fascinating neighbourhoods to discover. Today is an arrival day and you are free to explore at your leisure.



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DAY 2: Fly Buenos Aires to Ushuaia


This morning you will be collected from your hotel and transferred to the airport for your flight to Ushuaia. On arrival at Ushuaia Airport, please make your way through to the Arrivals Hall where our representative will be waiting for you to transfer you to your hotel. He/she will be holding a sign with your name on it. The first night of your voyage is spent in the quaint town of Ushuaia, the most southerly city in the world and the capital of Tierra del Fuego (Land of Fire). The remainder of the day is at leisure and you are free to explore, maybe making a few last-minute purchases from the many shops or artisan markets or relaxing in a café. Avenida San Martin is the main street and there are some excellent museums to visit or you may prefer to wander the streets taking in the town’s dramatic setting, with views of the mountains to the north and the Beagle Channel to the south.



DAY 3: Embarkation In Ushuaia - Day 2

You will board the Ocean Endeavour in the afternoon. Take some time to settle into your cabin as we begin cruising the stunning Beagle Channel, named after the famed vessel 'The Beagle' that facilitated some of Charles Darwin's most significant voyages. As the Ocean Endeavour pulls away from the port there’s always an air of anticipation, as the next time you see land, you will be when gazing upon the White Continent of Antarctica.

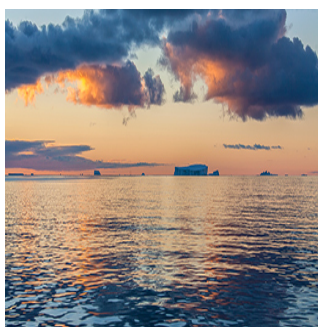


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DAY 4: At Sea, Drake Passage - Day 3-4

The infamous Drake Passage, named after the famous English explorer, Sir Francis Drake, separates the tip of the Antarctic Peninsula from the southernmost tip of South America. Often rough and turbulent, but sometimes calm, be prepared for the unpredictable. Over the next two days at sea you'll have time to enjoy some of the onboard facilities, such as yoga, the polar library and presentations from the Expedition Team to prepare you for what lies ahead - from the geology of Antarctica to the history, wildlife and tips on how to best photograph what you'll be witnessing. Sailing towards Antarctica, there is a fall in temperature as we cross the Antarctic Convergence and enter the waters of the Antarctic Ocean. The Antarctic Convergence is marked by an increased number of seabirds, whales and other species that are attracted by the nutrient-rich waters pushed to the surface by the colder waters of the polar region flowing north and meeting the warmer equatorial waters flowing south. Head out on one of the spacious outer decks to look out for the mighty albatrosses that fly overhead. Scan the waters for breaching whales and icebergs or gaze out from the panoramic windows of the Ocean Endeavour's observation deck. Your first sighting of land should be early evening on day four - heralding your arrival to the White Continent.



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DAY 6: South Shetland Isl & Antarctic Peninsula – Day 5-8

The next four days will be spent exploring the South Shetland Islands and Antarctic Peninsula – a region that has captivated explorers for centuries and now enthralled travellers. Explore by Zodiac boats, cruising amongst the magnificently sculpted icebergs and making shore landings where you mingle with penguins, climb to vantage points to absorb the spectacular panoramic views and perhaps visit a scientific or historic base. Optional activities such as kayaking or snowshoeing allow you to explore further afield and have a more intimate experience. If you're feeling brave, take a polar plunge into the ice Antarctic waters while our talented Expedition Photographer captures the moments as they unfold. Antarctica will enchant you with its incredible scenery, from imposing glaciers to towering snow-capped peaks, vast icebergs, and ice-strewn channels. Witness extensive colonies of Chinstrap, Gentoo and Adelie penguins, Crabeater, Weddell, Fur and Elephant seals and a plethora of fascinating birds. Keep your eyes and ears peeled for the mighty crack of a glacier calving. Each day brings a new experience and new landing sites to explore. The lecture program will continue throughout the cruise, and you can also meander around the outer decks of the Ocean Endeavour spotting wildlife, read up on Shackleton's adventure in the polar library or make the most of the ship's wellness facilities like the spa, sauna, saltwater pool and gym. An average day onboard begins with a wake-up call from your Expedition Leader around 7am, giving you time to prepare for the day before joining your fellow expeditioners for breakfast in the Polaris restaurant. You will usually have two excursions per day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, with a delicious lunch served on the Ocean Endeavour in between excursions.



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DAY 10: At Sea, Drake Passage – Day 9-10

Leave the Antarctic Peninsula behind as you set sail across the Drake Passage, enjoying some final lectures and presentations from the Expedition Team. Keep an eye out for wildlife from the observation lounge, outer decks or the Ocean Endeavour's bridge as we head north across the Antarctic Convergence. Having crossed the Drake Passage once more, enjoy a final dinner and enter the calm and tranquil waters of the Beagle Channel as we approach our home port of Ushuaia.



DAY 12: Disembark in Ushuaia/Fly to Buenos Aires

Disembark the Ocean Endeavour after breakfast as your Antarctic expedition comes to an end and the memories of an amazing adventure begin. After saying our farewells to our Expedition Team and the crew of the Ocean Endeavour, we transfer you to the airport for your onward flight to Buenos Aires. On arrival into Buenos Aires you will be transferred to your hotel.



DAY 13: Depart Buenos Aires

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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation

Cabin on board ship & 2 nights of hotel accommodation

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International flights from Australia to Ushuaia in economy class - price is based on travel from Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne, but other cities may be available at a surcharge*

1 night pre & 1 night post cruise in Buenos Aires at a 4* hotel including breakfast

Transfers to/from the airport in Buenos Aires with a local Spanish speaking driver

Economy domestic flights from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia. Pre night cruise accommodation in Ushuaia including breakfast

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 voyage

Transfer from Ushuaia airport to hotel (on arrival in Ushuaia) and pre-night 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 yoga

EXCLUSIONS

International or internal flights other than 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 other than specified

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

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Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Contact us for details. Single deals are available on category 4A and 5A cabins (subject to availability)
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for single, triple/quad cabins) Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time. Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.

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