

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



TRIP CODE

ACAC5OE

DEPARTURE

17/12/2023

DURATION

13 Days

LOCATIONS

Argentina, Antarctica; Antarctic Peninsula



INTRODUCTION

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

DEPART 17 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! Experience the 'Paris of the South' during your three-night stay, enjoying city highlights such as the Plaza de Mayo, San Telmo, La Boca and Recoleta on our highlights of Buenos Aires Tour.

From Ushuaia, discover the raw, untouched beauty of the Great White Continent on this 11-day expedition to the Antarctic Peninsula. During this magical time, landscapes are at their most pristine as the thawing of sea ice invites you into an unspoiled polar wilderness. Keep your camera ready as you cruise in a Zodiac in search of whales, seals, seabirds, and astounding icebergs displaying a palette of snow white and deep aquamarine. Watch penguins squabbling over pebbles for their nests as they begin to court and scan for Leopard seals on ice floes. While the *Ocean Endeavour* edges its way through the fractured ice, perhaps entering the narrow, sheer-sided Lemaire Channel, you are invited onto the bow as we follow the continent's inhabitants further south into the untouched snowscapes of pristine Antarctica.

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

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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: White Christmas voyage departing on 18 Dec 23 and 1 night pre & post 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.

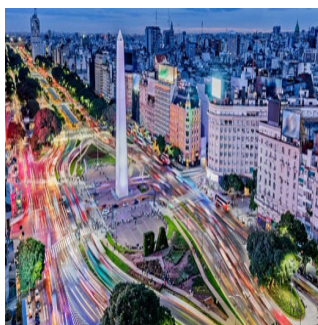
A 25% deposit on cruise/land arrangements and the full cost of flights will be payable at the time of booking. Airfares are subject to change in price until paid in full and ticketed and airline change/cancellation policies will apply. Any changes will be subject to airline rules and you may be charged 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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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

The morning is free for you to explore Ushuaia further. Late this afternoon you'll be transferred to the city's port to board the Ocean Endeavour. The Expedition Team and Captain will be waiting to welcome you onboard and after settling into your cabin, your journey south begins by cruising through the famed Beagle Channel. Enjoy the incredible views as the last glimpse of land fades away and the ship heads south towards Antarctica.



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DAY 4: At Sea, Drake Passage - Days 3 & 4

The waters of the Drake Passage are legendary. Named after British seafarer Sir Francis Drake, they're often rough and turbulent, but sometimes as calm as a lake. Our journey to the Antarctic Peninsula will take two days and, if conditions allow, you'll be able to enjoy the outer decks to catch your first glimpse of whales and orcas, as well as a wide range of seabirds that live in the region, including the impressive Wandering albatross. Our comprehensive lecture program will also get underway, with your team of polar experts sharing fascinating insights into Antarctica's history, geology, biology, and everything in between. Spend this downtime enjoying the onboard facilities including gym, polar library, yoga classes and more. We're scheduled to reach the Antarctic Peninsula by early evening on day four.



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DAY 6: Christmas in Antarctica- Days 5 to 8

Welcome to the Antarctic Peninsula, where a vast amount of wildlife can be found with a backdrop of ice, water and mountains. The sheer scale of everything must be seen to be believed.

Scheduled twice daily, Zodiac excursions are tailored to allow for closer encounters with marine life including whales and seals, while onshore exploration might take you to penguin rookeries. Choose from a range of paid adventure options to enhance your adventure, including snowshoeing excursions or overnight ice camping, hit the water for a day paddle or kayaking excursion, or learn how to capture that perfect shot by joining our dedicated Photography Program. Our lecture program will continue throughout your time on the Antarctic Peninsula and our Expedition Team will always be available to answer any questions you may have about the region. If you've been dreaming of a white Christmas, this is as white as it gets! Enjoy the festive spirit on board the Ocean Endeavour, where your presents come in the form of more landings and wildlife sightings throughout the day. Some of these wildlife encounters are likely to include Weddell, Crabeater and Leopard seals, and Gentoo, Adelie and Chinstrap penguins. 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 - Days 9 & 10

As you leave Antarctica behind, cruising north to Ushuaia, you'll have the time to reflect on the amazing journey and unique Christmas. We're scheduled to reach the waters of the Beagle Channel by the evening to ensure a restful night's sleep before disembarkation day. Our final meal together is often a highlight, so live it up and enjoy it as you celebrate the journey with your fellow travellers.



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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

You will be transferred to the airport to fly to your next destination. (B)



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS	
Accommodation	Cabin on board ship & 2 nights of hotel accommodation

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INCLUSIONS

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

Inclusions

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.

SUSTAINABILITY

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