

## ANTARCTIC PENINSULA - ALL INCLUSIVE FLY/CRUISE PACKAGE | SHACKLETON'S FALKLANDS, SOUTH GEORGIA & ANTARCTICA EXPEDITION | OCEAN ENDEAVOUR



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### DEPARTURE

29/10/2024

### DURATION

23 Days

### LOCATIONS

Argentina, Antarctic Peninsula, Falkland Islands, South Georgia

## INTRODUCTION

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

**DEPARTURE 29 OCT 2024 - FLIGHTS INCLUDED FROM SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. Enquire for other cities\***

**SOLE OCCUPANCY CABINS FROM \$24,999 p/p\***

Fly from Australia to Buenos Aires (via Santiago) and spend the night in this cosmopolitan city before flying to Trelew and transferring onto Puerto Madryn, on the Valdes Peninsula of Argentina. You will enjoy a night here before setting sail aboard the comfortable and spacious polar expedition vessel, the Ocean Endeavour. On this three-week voyage of a lifetime, you will follow the path of the famed survivalist, Sir Ernest Shackleton. Explore the white continent of Antarctica, the Falkland Islands and South Georgia, following a similar route to the expedition that Shackleton and his men took, many years ago onboard the Endurance.

Antarctica is a land of rugged landscapes and home to a wide range of amazing wildlife. Hone your photography skills and enjoy excursions by Zodiac through ice floes, as well as landings on the continent to explore further on foot. One of the highlights of the trip will be walking among thousands of King Penguins on the island of South Georgia. Onboard the ship you will be regaled with stories of Shackleton and his men, as well as educational lectures by the expert expedition team.

Keep a look out for seals, seabirds and the mighty mammals, humpback whales, scanning the horizon from both land and sea. Witness bright-blue glaciers and massive ice bergs from the ship and by Zodiac and take part in some of the optional activities,



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such as kayaking, photography workshops and ice camping under the stars.

This adventure will appeal to anyone who loves history, wildlife and nature and you will take home many memories to cherish forever.

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 or a Category 1 Single Cabin onboard the Ocean Endeavour on the Shackleton's Falklands, South Georgia & Antarctica Expedition voyage departing on 30 Oct 24. as well as 1 night pre & post cruise in Buenos Aires in a 4\* Hotel with breakfast and transfers to/from the airport in Buenos Aires and on arrival in Puerto Madryn and on departure in Ushuaia as well as to/from the ship. Pricing is per person and additional compulsory single supplements may apply for certain cabin types. Economy service flights are included from Sydney, Australia. We will quote the best priced flights on the specified dates, however flight prices are subject to change until booked and ticketed and the advertised price may be withdrawn or varied at any time. 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 may apply, or you could potentially be offered to fly a day or two earlier/later in order to get the appropriate airfare. In this situation, you will need to pay for the additional accommodation in Buenos Aires. 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. Optional adventure activities are an additional cost and we recommend booking these in advance to avoid disappointment.

Please note for those willing to share you can book a category 4 cabin and you will be assigned to share with someone of the same gender on the ship and in Puerto Madryn, however for the Buenos Aires stopovers you will need to book sole occupancy accommodation and a small surcharge will apply. If you are booking a sole occupancy cabin you will receive your own room in Buenos Aires and Puerto Madryn.

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 30 April 2024 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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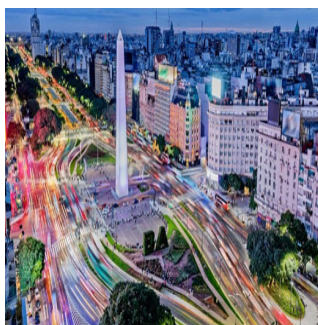


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## ITINERARY

### 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.



### DAY 2: Buenos Aires to Puerto Madryn

Today you will be transferred from your hotel to Buenos Aires airport in time for your onward flight to Trelew airport (REL) - from here you will be transferred by the ship team to Puerto Madryn. Welcome to Puerto Madryn, Argentina! Your journey begins in northern Patagonia, on a sandy coast known for its abundant marine wildlife. You can arrive at any time today. Transfer to your hotel, settle in and enjoy some free time at 'the gateway to the Peninsula Valdes'. Explore the town, try one of the local Argentinian delicacies or take a seat on the coast and stare out to sea. You are free as an albatross until the optional icebreaker meeting this evening. After your briefing, maybe get together with a few of your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant, where you can theorise on what's to come on your upcoming Antarctic adventure. Please note: An arrival transfer from the airport on Day 1 is included in your voyage fare.



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## DAY 3: Embarkation in Puerto Madryn

Today, you'll hop aboard the Ocean Endeavour - your home for the next 20 days. Set sail towards the Falkland Islands, where your journey in Shackleton's footsteps begins. Sir Ernest Shackleton is known as one of the greatest polar explorers, with one of the best survival stories that has ever touched the Antarctic (or the world). Shackleton led the British Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition between 1914 and 1916, planning to cross Antarctica from a base on the Weddell Sea towards McMurdo Sound, via the South Pole. Unfortunately, their ship Endurance became trapped in ice off the Caird Coast, and this began the epic story of survival for Shackleton and his men - all of whom survived due to the skill, optimism and extraordinary leadership of their team and Captain.



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### DAY 4: At Sea - Days 3 & 4

With nothing but you and the big blue for the next couple of days, take advantage of all the amenities and activities on board your fully equipped expedition vessel. Brush up on your history in the library, relax in the spa and sauna or watch the ice floes pass you by on the sundeck. Look up and you might just spot one of the huge albatrosses along their migration route. Keep your eyes peeled for breaching whales and other marine mammals in the southern oceans and cosy up with a drink while you get to know your shipmates at the bar. There will also be a series of lectures and presentations throughout the day, available to educate you about the local geography, environment and wildlife you can expect along the way. These are a great way to prepare for your expedition, so take it all in while you hear from an expert team that highlight the dramatic history and wildlife encounters that may await you.



### DAY 6: Falkland Islands - Days 5 & 6

Have your camera ready as you approach the ruggedly beautiful Falklands archipelago to capture not only the abundant wildlife, but also the incredible scenery. The two main islands (East Falkland and West Falkland) have much to offer and provide a rare opportunity to witness the biological diversity, extraordinary landscape and history of the southern islands. The Falklands are a wildlife photographer's dream and have the largest black-browed albatross colony in the world, as well as five species of penguins that breed on the islands. Learn about the intriguing and controversial history of the Falkland Islands as you explore the quaint capital of Stanley. Near the town, you may see southern giant petrels, Falkland steamer ducks, kelp gulls or dolphin gulls (calling all birdwatchers!). There are also black-crowned night herons, red-backed hawks, peregrine falcons and turkey vultures. Witness dramatic landscapes, including wetlands, lakes and some rolling peaks, as you explore the other stunning islands in the archipelago. Weather permitting, this will include Saunders Island, the second largest island in the Falklands. The Neck, which is a narrow peninsula with sandy beaches and subtle cliffs, is home to gentoo, Magellanic, king and rockhopper penguins.



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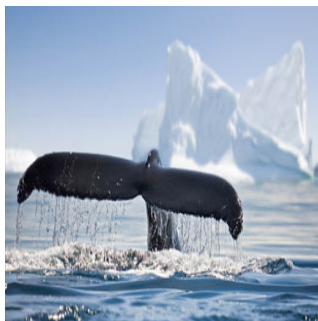
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### DAY 8: At Sea - Days 7 & 8

Farewell the Falkland Islands and prepare for what lies ahead in South Georgia – fascinating history, geology and of course – wildlife. From the outer decks, you can scan the horizon for seabirds and underwater silhouettes. You'll have another chance to attend presentations from the expert team, which highlight the dramatic history of the area, extraordinary marine wildlife encounters and so much more. These days at sea are a great opportunity to swap stories with your fellow expeditioners, whether that be in the jacuzzi or over lunch at Polaris restaurant.



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### DAY 10: South Georgia -Days 9-12

Arrive in South Georgia, where across the island, dark volcanic beaches are backgrounded by hanging glaciers and local king penguins nest among tussock grass. Over the next few days, explore the island, once the homestead of whalers and isolated explorers – now, a protected area with dedicated Antarctic research teams. Learn more about Sir Ernest Shackleton’s story on your various excursions to land. It’s on these very shores in South Georgia that Shackleton landed his crew of the James Caird in search of help for his party who were stranded back on Elephant Island. You’ll spend several days retracing Shackleton’s steps, as well as visiting his grave at the ex-whaling station of Grytviken, located on the east side of the island. Wander among hundreds of thousands of king penguins in the dramatic South Georgian light, as you consider the extraordinary feat that was Shackleton’s (and his crew’s) fight for survival. Your Expedition Team will help bring these days to life, with educational presentations, daily excursions and the option of paid activities, like day paddling and photography lessons. Please note: Special Information Potential excursions and landing sites are determined by weather and ice conditions and cannot be guaranteed in advance. Kayaking, snowshoeing and other optional extra excursions must be booked in advance. Additional costs apply and space is limited. Please speak to your Destination Specialist for more information. Beginners interested in kayaking should take an introductory course prior to the voyage, including how to complete a wet exit. Regardless of your experience, we recommend you take part in some kayaking practice prior to the voyage to ensure that you are comfortable on the water in icy conditions. Kayaking adventures are only conducted during calm weather.



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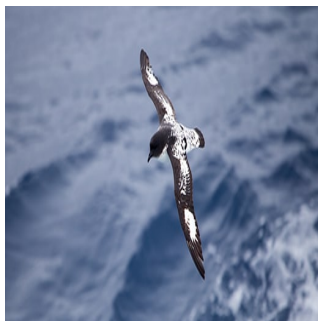
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### DAY 14: At Sea - Days 13 & 14

Take in panoramic views from the observation lounge and spacious decks or make the most of the onboard facilities during your days at sea. Whether you're looking for a quiet place to reflect, or somebody to help you edit your photos of the penguin colonies, the Ocean Endeavour has something for you. Rejuvenate mind and body with one of the relaxing wellness facilities onboard. Get the blood pumping at the gym, join a 'floe' yoga and meditation class or indulge in a massage or facial at the spa. The ship is yours to explore!



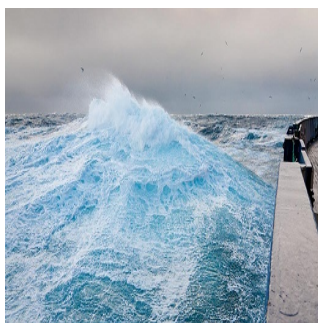
### DAY 16: South Shetland & Antarctica- Day 15 to 18

Voyage south towards continental Antarctica. Your days will begin with a wake-up call from your Expedition Leader around 7 am, which gives you time to prepare for the day before joining your fellow expeditioners for breakfast. You'll usually have two excursions per day - one in the morning and one in the afternoon, with lunch served in between. For the next four days, enjoy copious wildlife, small group outings on the Zodiacs and unforgettable vistas at every turn. With multiple landing sites available, your Ocean Endeavour crew will work out the best places to stop, considering the elements, accessibility and potential for wildlife sightings. There may also be the chance for snowshoeing, sea kayaking or a camping adventure - the paid excursions (which are all weather and time-of-year dependent) can make for some of the greatest memories. Well-known sites like Neko Harbour, Orne Harbour and Paradise Bay will also be on the Captain's radar.



### DAY 20: At Sea - Drake Passage - Days 19 & 20

Settle back into life at sea as you prepare for the return journey across the Drake Passage. The Ocean Endeavour will track north towards Cape Horn and your destination in Ushuaia, Argentina. During this time, you can attend more onboard lectures and travel talks, and enjoy our voyage slideshow including images taken by our Expedition Photographer - yours to enjoy and share after your expedition. Now is also the chance to catch up with your shipmates and share stories about your voyage over a meal or a drink at the bar.



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DAY 22: 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 23: Depart Buenos Aires

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



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation

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## Inclusions

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International flights from Australia to Argentina in economy class - price is based on travel from Sydney 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 Trelew and Ushuaia to Buenos Aires

Pre night cruise accommodation in Puerto Madryn 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 Puerto Madryn or Trelew airport to hotel (on arrival in Puerto Madryn)

Transfer from Puerto Madryn hotel accommodation to the Ocean Endeavour for embarkation

Transports to Ushuaia airport or city centre 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 for the crew and US\$6.50 for the expedition crew 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 1 and 4 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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