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INTRODUCTION

BOOK YOUR 24/25 SEASON ANTARCTICA CRUISE AS A PACKAGE AND SAVE!!

DEPART 17 NOV 24 or 26 NOV 2024 - FLIGHTS INCLUDED FROM SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. Enquire for other cities*

SOLE OCCUPANCY CABINS FROM \$16,999 p/p

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, you will set sail in search of the giants of the Southern Ocean on this voyage of discovery to the spectacular frozen continent of Antarctica. 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 Australia.

Terms and ConditionsAll inclusive promotion: The lead in price for this offer is based**

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DEPARTURE

17/11/2024, 26/11/2024

DURATION

13 Days

LOCATIONS

Buenos Aires, Antarctic Peninsula, South Shetland Islands



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on a twin share Category 4 twin/double share cabin, or Category 1 single cabin onboard the Ocean Endeavour on the Best of Antarctica: Pristine Wilderness voyage for the specified dates and includes 1 night pre & post cruise in Buenos Aires in a 4* Hotel with breakfast and transfers to/from the airport in Buenos Aires and to/from the ship in Ushuaia*. 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specified dates, however flight prices are subject to change until booked and ticketed and the advertised price may be withdrawn or varied at any time Your package includes domestic economy flights in Argentina with Aerolíneas Argentinas and at least one checked bag will be included on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 Ushuaia, however for the Buenos Aires stopovers you will need to book sole occupancy accommodation and a small surcharge will apply.

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 24 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.



DAY 2: Buenos Aires to Ushuaia

Today you will be transferred from your hotel to the airport and flight to Ushuaia, where your adventure begins. You will be transferred from the airport today and met by a representative who will be holding a sign with the ships name on it. If you cannot locate the representative, please refer to your final itinerary for contact information. Ushuaia is nestled within the Tierra del Fuego archipelago, Ushuaia boasts many shops, museums, restaurants and cafes that you can enjoy before your voyage. This Argentine town is the ideal gateway for you to explore the southern extent of Patagonia while preparing for your adventure ahead. If you feel adventurous, the nearby Tierra del Fuego National Park offers plenty of outdoor activities.



DAY 3: Embarkation In Ushuaia

Following your embarkation onto the Ocean Endeavour in the late afternoon, you begin your Antarctic journey south, passing through the infamous Beagle Channel. Named after the famed ship on which Charles Darwin voyaged, the channel presents great photo opportunities of landscapes and seabirds.



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DAY 4: Drake Passage - Day 3 & 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. As we head southwards, there is time to get to know your shipmates and get an insight into the excitement ahead with presentations from the Expedition Team on everything Antarctic - from the history and geology to the incredible wildlife. We will notice a drop in temperature as we cross the Antarctic Convergence and enter the waters of the Antarctic Ocean. At the Antarctic Convergence, the colder polar waters flowing north meet the warmer equatorial waters flowing south. This mixing pushes nutrient rich waters to the surface, attracting a variety of seabirds, whales and other species. Look out through the panoramic observation windows or brave the elements outside on deck as you keep your eyes peeled for albatrosses flying overhead, icebergs and maybe even breaching whales. Leaving the Antarctic Convergence in our wake, we continue south towards Antarctica, maybe making landfall by early evening on Day 4, if conditions are favourable. The first sighting of land always brings great excitement, and is often embraced as the true beginning of any Antarctic expedition.



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DAY 6: South Shetlands and Antarctica - Day 5 to 8

For the next four days we explore the South Shetland Islands and Antarctic Peninsula that is famed for its majestic mountains, glaciers, imposing icebergs, ice-strewn waters and abundance of wildlife. The scenery, wildlife and serene silence of Antarctica will enchant and enthral and you will soon realise why this region has captivated the attention of explorers and travellers for centuries. Your days on the Antarctic Peninsula will form the core of your adventure. Every day will be different as we cruise by Zodiac amongst the beautifully sculpted icebergs and take Zodiac excursions from the ship to explore local bays, channels and landing sites. Unpredictable weather and ice conditions mean that the itinerary will be flexible, but will make the most of wildlife sightings, as we aim to explore penguin rookeries, seal and bird colonies, whale feeding areas as well as visiting sites of historic and scientific interest and climbing to vantage points for panoramic views. There is always something new or unexpected to see, with opportunities for kayaking, snowshoeing and photography with an expert, which means that your expedition will be a unique and personal experience and unlike any other. Enjoy the antics of thousands of curious penguins as you sit on a pebbled beach, scout for whales and seals as you cruise by Zodiac, visit a research base, listen out for the mighty crack of a calving glacier and maybe brave a polar plunge in the icy waters! As we cruise through the Peninsula, the lecture programme continues and sightseeing is at its most spectacular off the ship's outer decks. Enjoy the Ocean Endeavour's newly designed health and fitness features, with facilities that include a spa, His and Hers saunas, saltwater pool and gym plus yoga sessions.



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DAY 10: At Sea, Drake Passage - Days 9 & 10

Your journey back across the Drake Passage provides a final opportunity to enjoy the Antarctic air. So make sure to spend some time on the outer decks scouting for whales, watching seabirds or enjoying a presentation by your Expedition Team. Celebrate the unforgettable experiences you have shared with your fellow passengers exploring the remarkable world of Antarctica.



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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 & 3 nights of hotel accommodation
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INCLUSIONS

International flights from Australia to Buenos Aires 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 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 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 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 cabins (subject to availability) and upgraders are available at an additional cost.
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for single, triple cabins) For those who are 'willing to share' on the ship there will be a surcharge for the stay in Buenos Aires as you will need to have your own room for this portion of the tour. 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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