



TRIP CODE

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DEPARTURE

21/10/2024

DURATION

15 Days

LOCATIONS

Buenos Aires, Antarctic Peninsula, South Shetland Islands



<u>INTRODUCTION</u>

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

DEPART 21 OCT 24 - FLIGHTS INCLUDED FROM SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. Enquire for other cities*

For a LIMITED TIME - DISCOVERY KAYAKING & CAMPING INCLUDED AT NO ADDITIONAL COST!

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!

Spend 2 nights in Ushuaia at the 5* Arakur Resort & Spa, giving you ample time to enjoy the beautiful nature and Tierra del Fuego National Park at your leisure. The hotel is located in the Cerro Alarkén Natural Reserve.

You will then embark on your small expedition ship, the MS Seaventure. Start your voyage by cruising through the Beagle Channel and crossing the infamous Drake Passage. During the crossing and sea days, you will learn more about Antarctica from the expert expedition crew and participate in Citizen Science activities. Keep an eye out for the many sea birds that escort the ship. Arriving at the South Shetland Islands, you will have your first glimpse of the icy wilderness of Antarctica. As you are travelling at the very start of the Antarctic season you will navigate through brash ice in zodiacs.

Continue on to the Antarctic Peninsula and enjoy the ethereal landscapes and peaceful seclusion. You can imagine what the early explorers felt like as you will be some of the first people to leave footprints in the freshly fallen snow for the season. Witness penguins coming ashore and building nests and cruise via zodiac past yawning Weddell seals, lazing on the ice. Your time in Antarctica includes two daily excursions (subject to



weather and regulations) with a mix of landings and zodiac cruising. Cruise back across the Drake and disembark your ship in Ushuaia, saying farewell to newfound friends.

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 Porthole twin/double share cabin onboard the Seaventure on the Antarctica Untouched voyage for the specified dates and includes 1 night pre & post cruise in Buenos Aires in a 5* Hotel and 2 nights pre cruise in a 5* Hotel in Ushuaia with breakfast and transfers to/from the airport in Buenos Aires and to/from the airport/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. Flights must be booked in booking classes N,S,X,V booking classes with LATAM and Q,L,H booking classes with AerolAneas. If these booking classes become unavailable, we reserve the right to apply a surcharge to your airfare pricing. Your package includes domestic economy flights in Argentina with AerolÃneas 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 factor in your preferences,

Optional adventure activities are an additional cost and we recommend booking these in advance to avoid disappointment. When booking this package you can opt to participate in camping and discovery kayak optional activities at no additional cost. The value of these activities is not redeemable for discount, cash or onboard credit and no cash value or refund will be provided if programs are impacted by weather. Activities are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Please note for those willing to share you can book a porthole 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 May 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.

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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 to the hotel and fly to Ushuaia. No need to stress about missed connections or flight delays as you arrive with an extra day to unwind and enjoy Ushuaia's finest luxury hotel, the Arakur Resort & Spa. Relax in the infinity pool, explore the hiking trails surrounding the resort, or head out and discover the southernmost city in the world.



DAY 3: Explore Ushuaia

Explore the sights of Ushuaia, visit the museums and Argentinean leather markets, or continue relaxing at the hotel. The optional evening briefing is a great opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow explorers.



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DAY 4: Embarkation

Spend your morning hiking, exploring Ushuaia or unwinding at the resort until our mid-afternoon transfer to the ship. Anticipation builds as our Expedition Team and ship staff greet you on board, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and our lively Captain's Welcome Dinner. You're on your way to Antarctica!



DAY 5: Drake Passage - Days 4 & 5

Join our Polar Experts to begin immersing yourself in everything Antarctica-related, from its plentiful wildlife to its mesmerizing history. Get involved in our pioneering Citizen Science program. Or sit back with a pair of binoculars and keep a sharp eye out for the majestic seabirds that follow our journey across the Antarctic Convergence and into Antarctic waters.



DAY 7: South Shetland Islands - Days 6 & 7

As you catch your first unforgettable glimpse of an iceberg, the reality of your upcoming adventure begins to sink in. We have reached the volcanic South Shetland Islands with their amazing abundance and untouched natural beauty - on land, in the water, and in the air. From the comfort and safety of your Zodiac, artfully dodging the early season's brash ice and "bergy bits," you begin to anticipate your first face-to-face encounter with Antarctica's majesty.



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DAY 9: Antarctic Peninsula - Days 8 to 10

As we make our way into Antarctica's ethereal landscape, you can't help but take a deep breath and imagine what the early Antarctic explorers must have felt - to be the first humans to leave a footprint in the continent's freshly fallen snow. You'll witness countless penguins coming ashore to eagerly reunite with their mates and begin building nests, while yawning Weddell seals entertain from the nearby ice. Thanks to Seaventure's ice-strengthened hull, we'll let the spirit of exploration propel us into some of Antarctica's most remote and picturesque bays and harbors, where an opportunity to land on sea ice may present itself. Twice daily outings are always the goal, typically getting you up close and personal with Antarctica for six or more hours a day. Even when we're on the ship we remain up close and personal as we break through ice, circumnavigate icebergs, and pause for whales breaching right in front of us. Whether you're in a kayak or a Zodiac, don't forget to look down as well as up. This time of year, the water is so clear, opportunities for wildlife sightings are literally everywhere.



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DAY 12: Drake Passage Homeward - Days 11 &

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again crossing the legendary Drake Passage. We have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion of our expedition with a special photography slideshow of our shared experience, and cap off the experience with a final highly festive meal together.



DAY 14: Disembark Ushuaia, Fly to Buenos Aires

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning. You will be transferred to the airport or back into town and you will fly to Buenos Aires and onward, newly inspired and forever changed. Please note: Cruise itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions, ice conditions and other factors.





DAY 15: 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 & 4 nights of hotel accommodation



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 on a private basis

Economy domestic flights from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia. 2 nights pre night cruise accommodation in Ushuaia including breakfast

All meals onboard the Seaventure including snacks Most alcoholic and non alcoholic beverages onboard the ship

Accommodation onboard the Seaventure 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. Jacket will be yours to keep.

Transfer from Ushuaia airport to hotel (on arrival in Ushuaia)

Transfer from Ushuaia hotel accommodation to the ship 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

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, or selectected premium beverages

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, and boots For guests who require larger sizing; Waterproof outer shell jacket, insulated inner jacket and rubber boots

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

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| Single Surcharge | Contact us for details. Single occupancy cabins are available with a surcharge or for those willing to share you can be matched with someone of the same generder in selected cabins and pay the twin share price. Please note that if you are travelling as a single traveller you will have your own room during your time in Buenos Aires and a small surcharge will apply for this. |
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| Notes | Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for single, triple cabins) Airfare prices are subject to change and are strictly subject to availability. 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. |

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