

## ANTARCTICA - ANTARCTICA DISCOVERY



### INTRODUCTION

Discover the wonders of the frozen white continent on this 10 day voyage. Begin this incredible adventure crossing the formidable Drake Passage, in the same paths carved by legendary explorers who have come before. Be mesmerized by floating icebergs as you drift ever closer to Antarctic peninsula. Explore the wonders of the South Shetland Islands as you witness spectacular vistas of ice-filled fjords and snow-capped peaks. Observe the unique wildlife of the region including penguins, seals and whales as you sit back and soak in the plethora of unimaginable beauty this unique corner of the world has to offer.

### ITINERARY

#### DAY 1: Embarkation In Ushuaia

Your journey begins in Ushuaia, Argentina. Board Magellan Explorer and sail along the Beagle Channel towards Antarctica. Note: Due to port operations, boarding in Ushuaia is exclusively between 15:00 hr and 16:00 hr. At 16:00 hr. boarding will close. Please be on time. Keep your passport at hand and allow enough time to clear port security and to reach the vessel. This trip visits Argentinean and Chilean territories. Please obtain any required entry visas.



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#### DEPARTURE

17/03/2020, 04/04/2020

#### DURATION

10 Days

#### LOCATIONS

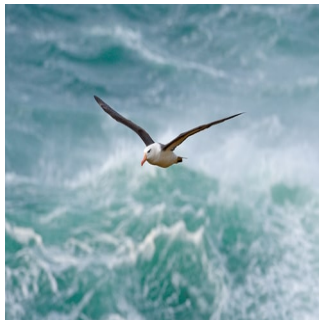
Antarctic Peninsula



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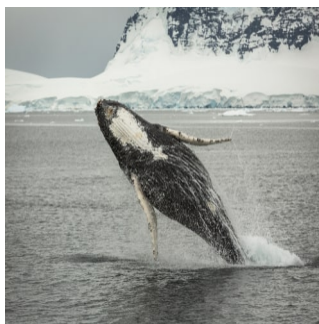
### DAY 2: Sail The Drake Passage - Day 2 & 3

Sail towards Antarctica across the famous passage named in honour of Sir Francis Drake, the great 16th century British explorer. As you sail en route to the South Shetland Islands, attend an engaging program of lectures and presentations. In the company of expert guides, watch for wildlife from the glass-enclosed lounge or from the outside decks. You may spot magnificent sea birds, such as albatrosses and petrels, as well as different species of whales on their way south to Antarctica. After crossing the Antarctic Convergence, the environment changes noticeably. Keep your camera ready, as this is the time to watch for the first icebergs and the first sight of Antarctic land.



### DAY 4: Shetland Islands & Antarctic Peninsula - Day 4 - 7

Cruise between the South Shetland Islands and the western coast of the Antarctic Peninsula, sailing along ice-filled fjords and among spectacular icebergs, while enjoying the company of sea birds, penguins, seals and whales. Each day, disembark by Zodiac boat and explore the landscape together with expert polar guides. From the ship enjoy spectacular vistas from the glass-enclosed lounge while sharing your daily adventures with fellow guests. No journey is the same as flexibility is the key to success in Antarctica. The Expedition Team sets the voyage route to take advantage of the ever-changing opportunities provided by Nature, crafting a unique and extraordinary experience each time. While the exact itinerary changes with each expedition. Your voyage may include visits to sites such as Paulet Island, Hope Bay, Port Lockroy, Petermann Island, Paradise Bay, Deception Island, the Lemaire Channel, or many other magnificent places. Departure from Antarctica will be in the afternoon or evening of Day 7, depending on weather conditions.



### DAY 8: Return Along The Drake - Day 8 & 9

Return to South America with a northbound crossing of the Drake Passage. Relax and take the time to watch for wildlife from the bridge or outside decks and take part in a program of presentations on Antarctic topics in the lounge.



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## DAY 10: Disembarkation In Ushuaia

Your journey will end in Ushuaia where you will disembark your vessel. Take this time to say farewell to your crew and fellow passengers. Take away wonderful memories that will hopefully inspire many adventures to come!



## INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

<b>Accommodation</b>	Deluxe
<b>Inclusions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comprehensive pre- and post-voyage information material</li> <li>• Ship cruise as indicated in the itinerary corresponding to each expedition</li> <li>• Daily buffet breakfast and lunch on board ship offering a wide choice of dishes</li> <li>• Daily served dinner on board ship offering a choice of three main courses</li> <li>• Wine, beer, juice, and soft drinks served with lunch and dinner on board ship</li> <li>• Coffee, tea, chocolate, cappuccino, water and snacks on board ship throughout the expedition</li> <li>• Loan of waterproof boots for landing in Antarctica</li> <li>• All guided shore excursions</li> <li>• Lectures and entertainment on board</li> <li>• IAATO passenger fee</li> </ul> <p><b>Exclusions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accommodation, meals, excursions and transfers other than those included in the itinerary corresponding to each voyage</li> <li>• Beverages purchased at the ship's bar</li> <li>• Personal travel insurance</li> <li>• Extra expenses (communication, laundry, souvenirs, etc.)</li> <li>• Gratuities</li> <li>• Visas for Chile and/or Argentina, passport expenses, and any arrival and/or departure tax, if applicable</li> </ul>
<b>Difficulty Rating</b>	2 (light adventure)
<b>Single Surcharge</b>	Available upon request
<b>Notes</b>	Contact us for more details

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**Price Dependent upon** Season and availability

### SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures is passionate and dedicated to sustainability measures and understands the crucial part sustainability plays within the tourism industry.

A trip to the Antarctic is a completely different experience and quite unlike any other trip you have probably been on. We use a highly regulated, licensed vessel which is well equipped to operate in this vulnerable ecosystem. We are fully compliant with all rules set down by the IAATO and all activities are governed by the Antarctic Treaty System. We carefully select all ships we work with and choose them for their small size as this creates far less impact on shore landings with wildlife. We view the voyage to the Antarctic as an expedition, not a sightseeing trip. Smaller boats such as ours can navigate narrow waterways and are far less polluting than the larger ships in Antarctic waters. By carrying less passengers, we have far less waste, and all waste is carried back to the home port to allow for environmentally conscious waste management and disposal, unlike some of the larger ships which do not facilitate this. This trip begins in Ushuaia where you will have time to sample local food and shop at local boutiques which we encourage individuals to take part in for experience and in supporting of the local community. We also encourage people to explore Stanley located on the Falkland Islands and even spend a couple of extra days in Valdes Peninsula upon disembarkment. We discourage the buying of souvenirs made from endangered species or wrongfully taken from the environment i.e. shells. Our pre-departure pack provides you with all the information required for your tour, from what to take with you to practical advice about how to minimise your impact on the Antarctic environment. This pack highlights initiatives such as waste reduction, and how to appropriately engage with wildlife and the environment around you.

For more information visit our [sustainability page](#).

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