

## ANTARCTICA - ANTARCTIC EXPRESS: FLY SOUTH, CRUISE NORTH | WORLD VOYAGER



### TRIP CODE

ACQEVXFS

### DEPARTURE

11/12/2026; 26/02/2027

### DURATION

9 Days

### LOCATIONS

Antarctica, Antarctic Peninsula



## INTRODUCTION

Embark on a thrilling 9-day journey to Antarctica, starting with a quick, three-hour flight across the 800-km wide Drake Passage from Punta Arenas, Chile. You'll get a breathtaking aerial view of the untouched, dramatic landscape before boarding a ship for your expedition. Your return will follow the route of early polar explorers, as you sail back across the Drake Passage to Ushuaia, Argentina. Traveling one way by air and the other by sea offers a complete experience. Expect an unforgettable adventure filled with remarkable wildlife, including playful penguins and seals, and the excitement of stepping foot on the Antarctic continent for the first time.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: Arrive Punta Arenas, Chile

Your adventure begins in Punta Arenas, Chile, the most populated city in southern Patagonia. If you arrive early, there are many museums, restaurants and shops to keep you busy for days. By early afternoon, a Quark Expeditions representative will meet you at the official starting point hotel, where you'll enjoy a welcome dinner and be briefed about preparing for your embarkation day.



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### DAY 2: Fly to King George Island & Embarkation

Your charter flight from Punta Arenas to Antarctica will enable you to cross the legendary Drake Passage in only two hours, while far below, the ship will approach King George Island for your arrival. Your first glimpse of dramatic Antarctic landscapes will be from a unique perspective, as your plane descends onto the South Shetland Islands. After landing, make your way to the shore, before being transferred by Zodiac to your ship to set sail for the Antarctic Peninsula.



### DAY 3: Antarctic Peninsula - Day 3 to 6

There are few places in the world as evocative as Antarctica. The Antarctic Continent is indescribable and can only be fully appreciated through your own eyes. As your Captain and Expedition Team keep a lookout for whales and seabirds, you'll be alerted to any new sightings. Our team of expert presenters will deepen your experience with explanations of the glaciology, history and wildlife of the region, and presentations on photography to help you take memorycatching images. Even more exciting are your daily excursions. Your first Zodiac landing is something you'll never forget. Walking on a shore inhabited by thousands of penguins is the most intimate way to experience the unique wildlife of Antarctica. Each landing is different and is dependent on weather, but every day presents new sightings and photo opportunities, and it won't be long before you can tell the difference between Adélie, gentoo and chinstrap penguins. You may take a Zodiac cruise in search of whales and icebergs one day, followed by a hike to a penguin rookery the next day. From the booming sound of a calving glacier to the thrill of spotting apex predators like leopard seals and orcas in action, you'll wake up early and welcome each day with a sense of adventure and a desire to explore during this unrivaled wilderness experience. Your Expedition Team will accompany you all along the way, providing insights into the places you visit.



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## DAY 7: Crossing the Drake Passage - Day 7 & 8

A rite of passage for any Antarctic adventurer, crossing the Drake signals the end of your journey. No matter the sea conditions, you will benefit from having developed your sea legs over the course of the previous four days. While the journey home has begun, your wildlife spotting continues. Your Expedition Team will be available on deck and on the ship’s bridge to help you spot the majestic wandering albatross and a number of whale species, such as minke and humpback. When you’re not looking at photos and reminiscing about the previous days, the Expedition Team will conclude their series of engaging presentations on subjects such as marine biology, polar history and glaciology.



## DAY 9: Disembark in Ushuaia & Fly to Buenos Aires

You will arrive in Ushuaia in the morning and disembark after breakfast. You will then make your way towards your group charter flight to Buenos Aires. \*Please note: Cruise itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions, ice conditions and other factors.



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## INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Hotel & Cabin On Board Ship
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### INCLUSIONS

Group flight in economy class from Ushuaia to Buenos Aires  
 An expedition parka to keep  
 All shore landings per the daily program, weather permitting  
 Shipboard accommodation  
 All meals, snacks, soft drinks and juices on board throughout your voyage  
 Select beer, wines and cocktails during bar service hours and dinner  
 Coffee, tea and cocoa around the clock  
 Presentations by expedition team & special guests  
 Downloadable photographic journal documenting the expedition  
 Expedition boots on loan for shore landings  
 Hairdryer and bathrobe available in every cabin  
 All miscellaneous service taxes and port charges throughout the program  
 Luggage handling aboard the ship  
 Free 1GB data card for limited Wi-Fi access for use on one device, permitting basic Internet browsing, email, posting on social media and voice applications (additional data can be purchased on ship)  
 Emergency Evacuation Insurance for all passengers to a maximum benefit of US\$500,000 per person  
 Group arrival transfer in Punta Arenas from airport to pre-expedition hotel on Day 1  
 One night's pre-expedition hotel accommodation in Punta Arenas with breakfast  
 Briefing dinner on Day 1 in Punta Arenas  
 Pre-expedition group transfer in Punta Arenas from hotel to the airport  
 Flight in economy class from Punta Arenas to King George Island  
 Island  
 Group transfer from ship to hotel

#### Inclusions

### EXCLUSIONS

Any airfare unless otherwise specified in the itinerary  
 Passport and visa expenses  
 Government arrival and departure taxes  
 Any meals unless otherwise specified  
 Travel insurance  
 Alcohol and bar service does not include spirits  
 Excess baggage charges  
 Mandatory waterproof pants for Zodiac cruising, or any other gear not mentioned  
 Laundry, spa services, bar, beverage and other personal charges unless specified  
 Telecommunications charges  
 Data card does not include premium packages which enable more data-intensive applications  
 Voluntary staff and crew gratuities  
 Additional overnight accommodation  
 Arrival and departure transfers, except where stated  
 Paid Adventure Options  
 Transfer to airport at end of trip  
**NOTE:** Baggage allowance on charter flight is 33 lbs (15 kg) checked and 11 lbs (5 kg) carry-on

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Difficulty Rating	2 (Light Adventure)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request, a supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please <a href="#">contact us</a> for more information.
Notes	<p>Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated)</p> <p>Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time</p> <p>Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions*</p> <p>Please note that flights to/from King George Island are subject to weather and landing conditions</p>
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.

SUSTAINABILITY

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