

ANTARCTICA - ANTARCTICA'S WHALE SEASON | OCEAN ALBATROS



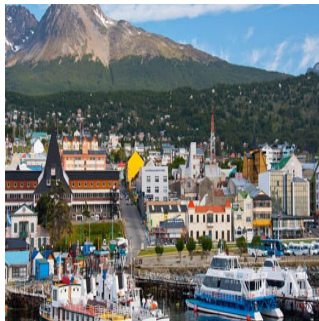
INTRODUCTION


Designed for nature enthusiasts and curious minds, this 11-day Antarctic cruise offers travellers a rare opportunity to witness peak whale activity, with Humpbacks, Orcas, and Minkes commonly seen feeding in krill-rich waters. The voyage has expert-led educational sessions and a Citizen Science program, combined with daily excursions provide close-up and immersive wildlife encounters and glacial landscapes. You will explore the remote South Shetland Islands and along icy channels along the Antarctic Peninsula, encountering penguins, seals, and towering icebergs along the way. From the moment guests arrive in Ushuaia to the final farewell crossing of the Drake Passage, the itinerary balances relaxation, adventure, learning and hands-on exploration of Antarctica's pristine ecosystem.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrive Ushuaia

After a friendly welcome at the airport and a transfer to your included hotel, take some time to unwind or explore the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia. Our evening briefing is your opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow explorers.



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DEPARTURE
09/03/2027, 18/03/2027, 14/03/2028
DURATION
11 Days
LOCATIONS
Antarctic Peninsula


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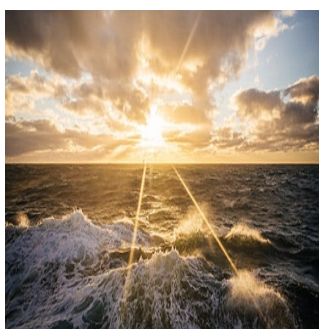
DAY 2: Embarkation in Ushuaia

Spend your morning relaxing at the hotel, visiting a museum, or exploring the shops in Ushuaia, before our mid-afternoon escort to the ship. Our Expedition Team and ship staff will welcome you on board and get you settled in, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and our Captain's welcome dinner. We're on our way to Antarctica!



DAY 3: Crossing the Drake - Day 3 & 4

Join our Polar Experts as they share their vast knowledge of Antarctica, from its enchanting wildlife to its bold history. Participate in our pioneering Citizen Science program or sit back and take in this fabled journey while catching glimpses of rarely seen wildlife. Keep your binoculars handy to identify the many seabirds that escort our ship as we cross the Antarctic Convergence into Antarctica's waters and noticeably cooler temperatures.



DAY 5: South Shetland Islands - Day 5 & 6

The South Shetlands are 12 islands separated from the Antarctic Peninsula by the Bransfield Strait. Significant volcanic activity has sculpted a geology - and a diverse natural beauty - unlike anywhere else on Earth. Here, you can expect a spectacular display of mountains, glaciers, and wildlife, including Chinstrap and Gentoo penguins, and it's not uncommon to share the water's edge with Elephant and Fur seals. And this time of year is feeding time for Humpback whales, so don't be surprised if you're joined by a number of them on your day's adventure.



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DAY 7: Antarctic Whale Season 11D - Day 7 & 8

On to the Antarctic Peninsula, where we'll explore any number of stunning bays and famed landing sites, maneuvering through majestic channels as we continue to navigate these wildlife-rich waters, passing any number of glorious icebergs, on our way to historic landing sites and perhaps even an active scientific base. Of course, a spectacular highlight of this voyage is the likelihood of encountering the giant Humpback whale - or many of them! - feeding on the abundance of krill in the water this time of year. Orcas and Minkes are also common sightings, as are a variety of penguins and seals.



DAY 9: Depart Antarctica, At Sea - Day 9 & 10


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 slideshow and a final meal together.



DAY 11: Disembarkation in Ushuaia

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning, letting you catch a flight to Buenos Aires or stay in Ushuaia for more sights and adventure.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS	
Accommodation	Cabin on board ship & Hotel

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INCLUSIONS

Group transfer from Ushuaia airport to hotel (on arrival in Ushuaia if arriving on Day 1 of itinerary, and providing we have your confirmed air itinerary at least 15 days prior to departure)
 1 night pre night cruise accommodation in Ushuaia including breakfast
 Transfer from Ushuaia hotel accommodation to the ship for embarkation
 Accommodation onboard the Ocean Victory in booked cabin category
 All meals onboard the Ocean Victory
 "Welcome" and "Farewell" receptions with sparkling wine and soft drinks
 Beer, wine and soft drinks with lunch and dinner onboard the ship
 24/7 tea, coffee & hot cocoa
 500MB WiFi card for use on your personal devices
 Complimentary use of rubber Muck boots on loan for the duration of your expedition
 All scheduled landings and excursions
 Snowshoes for use during landings (subject to availability)
 Citizen Science program
 Photography Coach available throughout the voyage
 Participation in the Polar Plunge
 Access to onboard medical clinics
 Access to onboard fitness centres
 All port taxes and landing fees
 Digital Voyage Log
 Group transfer to Ushuaia airport or city centre on return to port

- 2026/2027 season - Insulated inner jacket for you to keep.
- Expedition Parka on loan for the voyage
- 2027/2028 season onwards - New outer shell expedition jacket for you to keep

Inclusions

INCLUDED ON BALCONY SUITE (A) AND ABOVE

Wine and fruit on arrival
 In-room mini-bar refilled once daily with non-alcoholic beverages
 Complimentary laundry service
 In-room espresso machine

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 selected premium beverages
 Miscellaneous extras
 Laundry and communication charges on board, except as listed in inclusions
 Gratuities for Expedition team and crew
 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 and rubber boots

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Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
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 gender in selected cabins and pay the twin share price. Subject to availability.
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for single, triple 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 & Availability.

SUSTAINABILITY

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