ANTARCTICA - EXTENDED FALKLANDS, SOUTH GEORGIA & ANTARCTICA | OCEAN NOVA



TRIP CODE

ACONEFGA

DEPARTURE

28/10/2027

DURATION

21 Days

LOCATIONS

Falkland Islands, South Georgia, Antarctic Peninsula

INTRODUCTION

This comprehensive expedition offers an extended look at the Falkland Islands, South Georgia and Antarctica, three regions known for their wildlife, historical significance, research activity and remote landscapes. In the Falkland Islands, you will visit both remote western outposts and the capital of Stanley, with opportunities to observe penguin rookeries, albatross nesting sites, and a variety of native bird species. Museum visits and guided walks provide additional insight into the islands' heritage and conservation efforts.

The crossing toward South Georgia introduces travellers to the rich biodiversity of birdlife, whales and other marine mammals of the Southern Ocean as well as early-season icebergs. Several days in South Georgia allow for focused exploration, including access to large breeding colonies of penguins and seals, glacierâ□□lined bays, the historic Grytviken whaling station and the grave of Sir Ernest Shackleton. Continuing south, navigate icebergâ□□filled channels in the South Shetland Islands and along the Antarctic Peninsula, with visits to scientific bases, active research areas, and key wildlife habitats to observe seals, whales, and multiple penguin species. Zodiac excursions, shore landings, and expert-led onboard briefings support a deeper understanding of this remote ecosystem. With more time on location, you have added flexibility for wildlife watching, photography and taking in the incredible scenery.

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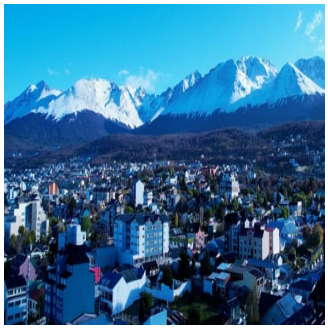
DAY 1: Arrive in Ushuaia

After a friendly welcome at the airport, we'll transfer you to one of our partnered premium hotel resorts nestled in the breathtaking Patagonian nature, where you can take some time to unwind or go explore the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia. Our optional evening briefing is your opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow explorers.



DAY 2: Embarkation

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: Southern Ocean

As we sail south, important briefings on environmental regulations and expedition safety will be held, and you won't want to miss our scientific and environmental experts as they begin their deeply knowledgeable and always entertaining talks about the wildlife, history, and geology of the areas we will soon explore.



DAY 4: West Falkland Islands

We'll explore some of the westernmost settled outposts in the Falklands/Malvinas, a remote South Atlantic archipelago renowned for its rugged terrain and cliff-lined coast. As we stretch our legs along the farmland and beaches, we'll have the opportunity to visit albatross and penguin colonies. Look for rockhopper, king, and Magallanic penguin rookeries.



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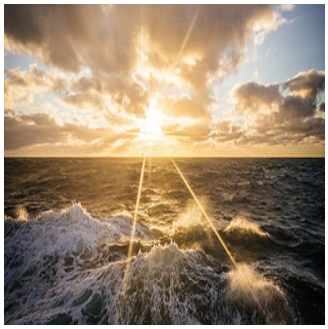
DAY 5: Stanley, East Falklands

The archipelago's largest town, Stanley, is a lively hub of activity nestled in a sheltered harbor. Here, the Falkland Islands Museum features fascinating exhibits devoted to maritime exploration, natural history, and the 1982 Falklands War. We'll likely visit Gypsy Cove, part of the Cape Pembroke Peninsula National Nature Reserve. Magellanic penguins, also known as jackass penguins for the braying sound they make, breed here, nesting in underground burrows. Other native bird species include black-crowned night herons, long-tailed meadowlarks, two-banded plovers, and upland and kelp geese. Nearby Ordnance Point is the final resting place for several World War II guns.



DAY 6: At Sea - Southern Ocean - Day 6 & 7

Things continue ramping up with plenty of birdlife sightings as we make our way east across the Antarctic Convergence and officially enter Antarctic waters. See if you can identify the world's largest bird, the wandering albatross. From soaring giants like the southern giant petrel to the tiny Wilson's storm petrel, a range of impressive bird species will be riding the updrafts created by ocean swells and waves. Keep an eye out as well for whale blows and our very first iceberg sighting.



DAY 8: South Georgia - Day 8 to 11

South Georgia is often referred to as the "Serengeti of the Southern Ocean," and it's easy to see why as you take in tens of thousands (not a typo!) of breeding penguins, seals, and seabirds. Breathtaking mountain scenery, majestically sculpted icebergs, glaciers in every direction, and a rich historical tapestry complement the incredible array of wildlife on view as we travel down South Georgia's leeward coast. We'll also visit the historic Grytviken whaling station, including the small cemetery where the great Antarctic explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton is buried.



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DAY 12: Scotia Sea - Day 12 to 14

Heading farther south, we'll continue our informative presentations and wildlife spotting as the icebergs grow larger and more plentiful.



DAY 15: South Shetland Islands Antarctica - Day 15 to 18

Here we'll explore a variety of picturesque bays and famed landing sites, maneuvering through iceberg-rich channels as we travel alongside an array of wildlife. There will be opportunities to stop at several active scientific bases and historic landing sites as we observe a wide range of penguin species, seals, and whales along the rugged coastlines and in the surrounding waters.



DAY 19: Drake Passage - Day 19 & 20

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again crossing the legendary Drake Passage. We'll have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion of our expedition with a special slideshow, passenger photo contest, and final celebratory meal together. Congratulations, explorers!



DAY 21: Disembarkation in Ushuaia

With huge smiles on weary but content faces, we disembark in the morning, allowing you to catch a flight to Buenos Aires or remain in Ushuaia to enjoy more sights and adventure.



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Accommodation	Hotel & Cabin Onboard a Ship
Inclusions	**INCLUSIONS** All meals onboard the Ocean Nova, including snacks and 24-hour tea and coffee Onboard lecture program led by our expert Expedition Team All shore excursions and Zodiac cruises (except paid adventure options with cost) Bespoke 3-in-1 jacket featuring a waterproof outer shell and puffer that can be worn with or without outer shell, are yours to keep Complimentary use of rubber Muck boots on loan for the duration of your expedition (exclusions apply - see below) Group arrival transfer from Ushuaia Airport to Albatros Hotel (Day One) Pre-night (Day One) stay at the Albatross Hotel in Ushuaia, including breakfast (based on your cabin configuration) Transfer from the Albatross Hotel to the Ocean Nova for embarkation (Day Two) Group departure transfer from the ship to either Ushuaia airport (selected times only) or downtown Ushuaia (luggage storage available) Full access to the onboard gym 500mb free internet usage All port taxes
	EXCLUSIONS International or domestic flights, unless specified Airport transfers, taxes, and excess baggage charges, unless specified Meals other than those specified in the pre-departure information Visa and passport fees Mandatory travel insurance with a minimum required coverage A fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings Optional paid adventure activities - Please let your booking agent know if you would like to add Alcoholic or other selected beverages Laundry and communication services including Wi-fi (over and above complimentary allotment and where available) on board Gratuities for the Expedition Team and crew Miscellaneous extras and all personal expenses Smaller puffer jackets, outer parka jackets and muck boots **may not be available** for minors, depending on size requirements. Additionally, a lifejacket that meets our safety standards is mandatory for all minors 15 years and under and **must be provided by the parent/guardian**. Please contact your booking agent for details.
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)

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Single Surcharge	Available on request. No single supplement if willing to share with other guest/s of the same gender in Triple and Explorer Twin cabin categories (subject to availability). Contact Us for more details. Classic Twin cabins will have a Single Supplement for Solo Use, at a rate of 1.8 x Twin rate
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for triple/quad 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 In rare and unforeseen situations, an operator may apply a fuel surcharge after your booking has been confirmed and paid. This is outside our control and uncommon, but transparency with our travelers is important to us.
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.

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