



## **Argentinian Explorer**



## **ANTARCTIC ADVENTURE TOURISM CLASSIC WITH THE MV PLANCIUS**

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### Season 2016-2017

The itineraries are to the Antarctic Peninsula but do not reach the South Shetland Islands unlike the rest, but are programs designed for adventure tourism, with duration of 11 and 12 days. The activities proposed are free and include: kayaking, snowshoeing, camping, climbing, hiking and even a photography course. g.

In the both expeditions is added another activity: DIVING, it's not free, it costs USD 520 per person and specific requirements are needed, such as having vast experience. The diving team is carried out with a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 24 divers. Those who love adventure we recommend these trips because for the same rate you will have the plus of living full Antarctica experience and live with nature. They are highly recommended trips to Antarctica and with an excellent value, for this reason it must be booked well in advance as demand is very high.



### MV Plancius Tourism adventure

Departures	Days	Quadruple	Triple	Twin Porthole	Twin Window	Twin Deluxe	Top
18NOV2016	12	7.950 USD	S/D	S/D	10.250 USD	S/D	11.850 USD
17DEC2016	12	7.950 USD	8.950 USD	9.650 USD	10.250 USD	10.850 USD	11.850 USD
28DEC2016	12	7.950 USD	8.950 USD	9.650 USD	10.250 USD	10.850 USD	11.850 USD
06MAR2017	12	7.950 USD	8.950 USD	9.650 USD	10.250 USD	10.850 USD	11.850 USD

Departures	Days	Travel	Activities
18NOV2016	12	Antarctica Classic Camp	C H K M P S
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28DEC2016	12	Antarctica Classic Camp	C H K M P S
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18NOV2016	10	6.500 USD	7.300 USD	7.900 USD	8.400 USD	8.900 USD	9.650 USD

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Activities	Detail	Pax	Cost
C	CAMPING (the cost is per night)	8 a 30	180 USD
D	DIVING	8 a 24	530 USD

H	HIKING	4 a 14	FREE
K	KAYAK	4 a 14	465 USD
M	CLIMBING		
P	PHOTO WORKSHOP (ACADEMY LEIKA)		
S	SNOWSHOEING		FREE
T	CROSS COUNTRY SKIING	6 a 12	6.000 USD

## Day 1 - Departure from the port of Ushuaia

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The embarkation is done in the afternoon, in the port of Ushuaia, capital of Tierra del Fuego (Argentina), the southernmost city in the world, situated on the shores of the Beagle Channel. The boat slowly will move away from the coast, showing the picturesque bay and its urban panorama. The navigation will be overnight, sailing towards the Drake Passage.

## Day 2 to 3 - Sailing through the Drake Passage towards Peninsula

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Throughout two days, the ship will move through the Drake Passage, a short and stirred sea route between the American continent and the Antarctic Peninsula. When we get to the Antarctic Convergence, a natural barrier where warm currents from the north mix with cold water from the south determining a wide biodiversity, we will be able to appreciate a numerous sub-Antarctic species.

In this area we can see the magnificent wandering albatross, the largest bird that flies over these waters and can measure up to 3.5m; the gray-headed albatross, light-mantled, the dark and black-browed species, pigeons and cape petrels Wilson, blue and also the southern Antarctic fulmar or silver petrel. We cannot avoid mentioning the Gentoo penguins and chinstrap. Near the South Shetland Islands, we can see the first icebergs indicating the arrival to Antarctica. In the afternoon of the third day we will be able to see the South Shetland Islands, which are punished by the wind and are usually hidden by the fog. We can observe a variety of flora, such as mosses, lichens and flowering herbs.

## Day 4 to 8 - In Antarctica

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In Antarctica During these days we will sail upon the High Antarctic, leaving in the way the Melchior Islands and Schollaert Channel between Brabant and Anvers Island. We will sail up the channel, where we will stop the ship in this area to do some adventure activities. We will find the sheltered waters of Wiencke Island that is the ideal scenario to perform the propose activities. In this beautiful alpine environment we can do trekking around the area, sail with the zodiac or kayak. At Walkers we can snowshoes walking on the edge of the coast and also it is possible to climb the Monte Jabet of 540 meters. The goal is to camp for 2 nights and use them to accomplish many activities of Antarctic adventure.

We can also make a stop in Jougla to see penguins Gentoo, shags, leopard seals, crabeater seals and whales. We will follow the navigation path through the Lemaire Channel to reach the Booth, Pleneau or Petermann Islands, where we can sight another species of penguins such as Adelle penguins. This area is the habitat of humpback whales and minke whales. We can camp again to continue with our activities in Neko Harbor, enjoying a unique landscape with a giant glacier, we will do kayak, hikes and sightseeing in zodiac. Mountaineering enthusiasts can climb the glacier. If we are not able to stop in Neko Harbor we will stop in Paradise Bay. We will sail again passing by Melchior Islands to reach the open sea approaching the Drake Passage, where we will see a large variety of seabirds along the way.

## Day 9 to 10 - Sailing back

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While the ship is heading to the Drake Passage in our way back to the American continent we will sight various species of birds such as petrels, albatrosses, terns and cormorants flew over the ship.

## Day 11 - Arrival at the Port of Ushuaia

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We arrive at Ushuaia with the dawn of the last day of sailing and after breakfast we disembark in the port zone that is in the middle of the city.

**Anmerkung:** The detailed itinerary is for reference only, since the exact route, destinations and programs can be modified in order to get the best climatic advantages, watching wildlife and ice conditions present in the zone. All changes are determined by the captain and the expedition leader to guarantee the maximum benefit and take advantage of the result of the trip. Flexibility is the key; the program will be posted daily and distributed to all passengers on board.

## Map of Route



## Services

All rates are per person in american dollars, in double twin accommodation. The prices in dollars apply for all the sales made

outside Europe. A 5% of discount will be granted for bookings of one or more consecutive voyages (except for the programa "Atlantic Odyssey"). Please, consider that all the dates and prices are subject to possible changes. All the trips operate with a minimum of 70 passengers. The "Plancius" can accommodate a top of 110 passengers.

### Individual occupancy (single base)

All the cabins are available for Single occupancy to 1.7 times the price for this cabin.

#### Services include:

- ✔ Trip on board as indicated in the itinerary
- ✔ All meals during the trip on board, including snacks, coffee and tea
- ✔ Free use for rubber boats and snowshoes
- ✔ Regular Transfer from the cruise to Ushuaia Airport (right after the disembarkation)
- ✔ All land tours and activities during the voyage in Zodiac boats
- ✔ Conference programs by well known naturalists and coordination by the experimented team expedition
- ✔ All taxes and port expenses during the program
- ✔ Informative reading material before embarking

#### Services not included:

Any air prices (regular or charter flights), any previous and/ or later service to the cruise, transfers to the cruise; passport and visa expenses; any arrival or return govern taxes in the country, meals on land, luggage, cancellations and personal insurance (which is advisable), expenses for excess luggage and any other additional expense, such as laundry, bar, drinks or calls; also the tips to waitresses and other personal service on board, after the trips.

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