



Argentinian Explorer



SUB-ANTARCTIC ISLANDS IN THE MV OCEAN ENDEAVOUR

A trip to the Sub-Antarctic Islands from the Falkland Islands, to the beautiful and historic South Georgia to marvel at the large colony of King Penguins, then we can reach and anchor in the Orkney Islands, as long as we have enough time and weather accompany us, only to discover the Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands. We go back northbound to the city of Ushuaia.



MV Ocean Endeavour / MV Ocean Diamond

We will visit the Sub-Antarctic Islands, from the Falklands, spending several days on South Georgia Island and then go to discover the Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands. If the weather helps us before reaching the Antarctic continent we can make a landfall on the South Orkney Islands.

A journey that takes us to see not only the Antarctic Peninsula, but also all sub-Antarctic Islands, starting with the Falkland Islands, its town Port Stanley and its people, to know this desolate area, where we find Magellanic penguins, Gentoo and Rockhopper. Then we move to the iconic and historic South Georgia Island to remember the great Ernest Shackleton and admire the wealth of wildlife there, just a few years that was devastated when there were whaling stations. We say goodbye to King Penguin to go towards the Antarctic, we will visit the South Shetland Islands and enjoy their entire natural environment. Finally we return to the American continent, to reach the port of Ushuaia, at Isla Grande de Tierra del Fuego.



MV Ocean Endeavour

Departures	Days	Triple	Single	Twin Porth	Twin Wind	Top	Junior S.	Owner's
15NOV2016	20	11.995 USD	17.695 USD	17.695 USD	18.595 USD	20.695 USD	20.695 USD	21.995 USD

Departures	Days	Travel	Activities
15NOV2016	20	Antarctica + South Shetland + Falkland + South Georgia	K, S, M, SR, C, P



MV Ocean Diamond

Departures	Days	Std Triple	Twin OV	Single Por	Twin Wind	Single OV	Suite	Balcony S
19DEC2016	20	13.795 USD	19.595 USD	20.995 USD	24.595 USD	24.595 USD	22.995 USD	25.995 USD

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19DEC2016	20	Antarctica + South Shetland + Falkland + South Georgia	K, S

Activities	Detail	Cost
K	KAYAK	950 USD
M	CLIMBING	575 USD
S	SNOWSHOEING	FREE
T	CROSS COUNTRY SKIING	575 USD
SR	SURF ROWING	150 USD
C	CAMPING (the cost is per night)	250 USD
P	PHOTO WORKSHOP (ACADEMY LEIKA)	FREE

Day 1 - Ushuaia or Buenos Aires

Ushuaia in Tierra del Fuego Island (MV Ocean Diamond)

Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, will welcome us with its picturesque picture, its stunning view to the Beagle Channel and its excellent gastronomy options. We will spend the night in this city.

City of Buenos Aires (MV Ocean Endeavour)

Overnight stay in the city of Buenos Aires. We stayed in the assigned hotel which is included within the price of the trip. Overnight stay in Buenos Aires. Optionally we can make an excursion like for example a city tour through the Argentine capital.

Day 2 - Starting our Trip to the Antarctic

Before embarking, we will have the opportunity to visit on our own the city of Ushuaia: among the excursions available, we recommend visiting the Tierra del Fuego National Park to reach Lapataia Bay. We will start our expedition trip on the icebreaker that will cross the waters of the Beagle Channel heading for the turbulent Drake Passage.

Day 3 - Crossing the Drake Passage

When crossing the Drake Passage, we will have the opportunity to learn about the biology, the habitat and the behavior of the Emperor Penguin. Our photographer will help us enjoy to the full the landscape taking into account the special light conditions that we will find during our visit to the penguin rookeries. The Drake Passage, also called the Hoces Sea, divides South America from the White Continent; it is located between Cape Horn (Chile) and the South Shetland Islands (the Antarctic), connecting the Pacific Ocean in the west to the Scotia Sea in the east. When sailing near Gerlache Strait or Danco Coast, we will see mountains covered with impressive glaciers and seals lying on the ice floes sunbathing or a big group of penguins feeding themselves while we pass by. History, wildlife, and scenery: Antarctica has everything. During the in-depth education program, the historian will tell us about the region development pointing out the remains of buildings where explorers survived thanks to their hope and the fat of seals. The ornithologist will take us to the shore and help us identify the different bird species. We will be able to travel with a glaciologist to a bay full of incredibly colorful icebergs.

Day 4 to 5 - Falkland Islands

As soon as we get to the archipelago we will find abundant wildlife and the feeling of a desolate and inhospitable Falkland Islands. The archipelago is formed by two islands: West Falkland (La Gran Malvina) and East Falkland (Isla Soledad), we will discover them sailing on Zodiac boats. Port Stanley, does not have much to show, is a small town charmless. The native fauna consists of Magellanic, gentoo and rockhopper penguins. If we are very lucky we can get to see king penguins, we can also see Black-browed albatross and two endemic species; Cobb's Wren and flightless steamer duck of the Falklands. Specialists will teach us about the flora and fauna of the islands.

Day 6 to 7 - At sea, crossing the Antarctic Convergence

We will sail south, to enter to the cold Antarctic waters when we cross the invisible biological limit commonly known as the Antarctic Convergence. Around the continent, the cold Antarctic waters blends with the warmer waters of India, the Pacific and the Atlantic, creating a place with abundant krill and marine life that attracts whales. We will advise when we crossed this invisible line.

Day 8 to 11 - South Georgia

South Georgia is a must stop on the Antarctic expeditions in the nineteenth and twentieth century's and was the favorite place for whales, elephants and sea lions hunting. Currently the wildlife of South Georgia Island is fully recovered, leaving only vestiges of the old whaling stations and other abandoned places. This area has a historical value as the remains of the greatest explorer of all times, Sir Ernest Shackleton. We know that his tomb is located in the town of Grytviken, in ancient times was an old whaling station, now a museum, church and a research center with 20 scientists and support staff. Not only the rich history of South Georgia is an important attraction to the islands, but its important wildlife, considered the Galapagos of the South Pole. Being able to see rookeries with 100,000 pairs of king penguins on the beach. You can also spot thousands of sea lions or elephants with reindeer (not native animal of the Antarctic, it was introduced by man). The grasses, mountains and beaches of South Georgia play

a key role in the breeding and survival of different species, this symbiotic and fragile relationship is something that the expedition team will teach us to discover.

Day 12 to 13 - In the sea, way to Antarctica

We will say goodbye to the King Penguin, as we go to our next destination: Antarctica. In the days that we will be sailing on the sea we can assist to different seminars prepared by the expedition team. If weather conditions allow us, you can make a stop at the South Orkney Islands, already in Antarctic land.

Day 14 to 17 - Discovering the Antarctic Peninsula

During these days we will reach Antarctica. The Antarctic Peninsula is the most important geographical feature in the White Continent. Situated on the Western region of Antarctica, opposite South America, it is surrounded by the Bellingshausen Sea to the west and the Weddell Sea to the east. The Expedition Team will try to organize many activities off the ship. Many factors have a considerable influence on the daily program, such as prevailing wind, ice, and weather conditions and wildlife behavior. During the trip, our fleet of inflatable rubber Zodiacs aboard will take us to the penguin rookeries, where we will be warmly welcomed by a group of chatterbox birds. We will do some observations from the Zodiacs passing by icebergs and seeing the wildlife along the rocky coastline.

Day 18 to 19 - Returning to Ushuaia through the Drake Passage

When returning to Ushuaia through the Drake Passage, we will have the great privilege of having stepped on the Antarctic. Adventure will always be there. We will already be thinking about the next trip, as Antarctica will have captivated us due to its attractiveness, as many had been before.

Day 20 - Ushuaia or Buenos Aires

Ushuaia in Tierra del Fuego Island (MV Ocean Diamond)

We will get by the morning and we will disembark in Ushuaia's Port, again, the southern city in the world.

Return to Ushuaia and charter flight to Buenos Aires (MV Ocean Endeavour)

We arrived in the early hours of the morning to the port of the southernmost city in the world: Ushuaia. We landed after having enjoyed a trip to Antarctica expedition we will never forget. We have little time to explore and enjoy Ushuaia because we immediately moved to the airport to take the private charter flight with the group back to Buenos Aires.

 [Map of Route](#)



Services

Services include:

- ✔ One-night hotel with breakfast included before the expedition as set forth in the itinerary. (The number of guests per room is the same as the ship's cabin space). Owing to the limited availability, the travelers booking a suite aboard will be given a standard room in the hotel
- ✔ Accommodation aboard with daily cleaning service
- ✔ Breakfast, lunch and dinner aboard. (Please let us know about any feeding requirement as soon as possible). Unfortunately, the kitchens of the ships cannot prepare kosher food (in accordance with Jewish dietary laws)
- ✔ All coastal landings and excursions on Zodiac ships are scheduled according to a daily program
- ✔ The guide throughout the trip will be a skilled Expedition Leader, even in the coastal landings and other activities
- ✔ The formal and informal presentations by the Expedition Team and guest speakers will be made according to the program
- ✔ Photographic album on DVD
- ✔ Water-proof expedition boots will be lent for coastal landings
- ✔ Hairdryers in each cabin
- ✔ Coffee, tea, cocoa and mineral water are available 24 hours a day

- ✔ All necessary materials before departure, including a map and an informative Antarctic Reader
- ✔ Group transfers from the hotel to the ship at the embarkation port, and from the ship to the local airport after disembarking, plus all baggage handling aboard
- ✔ All taxes of miscellaneous services and port expenses during the program
- ✔ Evacuation Insurance in case of Emergency for all passengers up to US\$100,000 per person

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