



## **Argentinian Explorer**



### **AUSTRALIS IN 4 DAYS ROUND TRIP**

*This itinerary starts and always returns to the same destination, taking off from Punta Arenas in Chile to return after 4 days of navigation. It also departs from Ushuaia on Isla Grande de Tierra del Fuego in Argentina also sailing for 4 days to return to the southernmost city in the world. In spite of this the routes differs. The journey that does – Punta Arenas – Punta Arenas goes to Brookes Glacier, Bay Ainsworth, and Magdalena Island. The program will sail from Ushuaia to Cape Horn, Wulaia Bay, Pia and Garibaldi Glaciers to then return to Ushuaia.*



Sailing around Cape Horn from Ushuaia to Punta Arenas and returning to Ushuaia and from Punta Arenas to Ushuaia returning to Punta Arenas, navigating the cold waters of the Strait of Magellan and the Beagle Channel on a round trip.

This circuit is the shortest offered by Australis Cruises. The fleet is composed of 2 main ships: The Via Australis and the new member of the season, The Stella Australis Cruise. These two itineraries are aimed to depart and disembark in the same spot, we will leave from Ushuaia and return to Ushuaia, the same applies to the other program which departs in the harbor of Punta Arenas, Chile. The round trip departure from Ushuaia visiting Garibaldi Glacier and Glacier Alley, then goes to Wulaia Bay and the famous Cape Horn to return to the southernmost city on earth again. However, in the round trip from Chile we will visit Almirantazgo Bay, Glacier Parry, then Brookes Glacier, Bay Ainsworth and then returns to Punta Arenas previous visit to Magdalena Island.

## From Ushuaia to Ushuaia

### Day 1 - Ushuaia

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During the first hours in the afternoon we will do the check in in the city of Ushuaia, so we can embark in one of the expedition ships of Australis: Mare, Via or Stella. We will set sail from the most southern city in the World, Ushuaia, crossing the famous Beagle Channel, going through Cape Horns, and then navigating the Strait of Magallanes. The Beagle Channel is a marine way, which was originated by different stages during the quaternary glaciations period, which was later ruled by the sea. It is defined in the north by Ushuaia and the other extremes are defined by some islands such as the Stewart, O'Brien, Gordon, Navarino e Nueva, among others. The southern region of the southamerican continent, that limits to the north with the Drake Passage, also known as the Hoces Sea, is the well-known Cape Horns. This sea is distinguished for separate the american continente from the Antarctic Peninsula. The pasaje which joins the two biggest mass of water in the World (Pacific and Atlantic Ocean), is the famous Strait of Magallanes. It is located in the middle of Tierra del Fuego and some other islands of the Pacific Ocean and the Chilean Patagonia, it has an strategic location in the south limit of South America.

### Day 2 - Garibaldi Glacier, Pia Glacier & Glacier Avenue

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In the morning, we will enter Garibaldi fjord, once we will disembark to trek through the Southern Patagonian forest, we will climb to the base of a waterfall of the glacial era. Those who decide not to walk to the Garibaldi Glacier, will navigate to it as close as possible to appreciate the glacier from very near. During our second journey, the route card in the Australis cruise will guide us to navigate through the main arteria of the Beagle Channel, we will get into by the northwest side of the Pia Bay channel, so then we can make a descent in the glacier which has the same name. This snowdrift introduces in the Darwin mountain chain and it drains by the Waters of its bay. We will continue our crossing on the Australis to the northwest of the Beagle Channel so we can gaze at the amazing "Glaciers Avenue" which is a narrow way in the Beagle Channel where we will be able to watch many spectacular ice tongs that descend from the Darwin mountain chain to the sea. The name for this way was in honor to the glaciers which are particularly located one beside the other and very short distance between them to navigate. Those glaciers are: Germany, Italy, France, Spain, Netherlands and Romanche.

### Day 3 - Cape Horn & Wulaia Bay

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During the journey we are still on board the Australis cruise, navigating the Beagle and Murray Channel, so then we can try to disembark (if weather conditions allows us to) and appreciate the nature beauties in the National Park Cape Horns. We can notice our arrival to this southern point once we will be able to see a 400 m high hill. This place delimits the most distant group of "fueguinas" islands, the most southern point in South America. It is also the point which delimits the northern extreme of the Drake Passage, a sea that divides the american continent from the Antarctic Peninsula. The National Park, located in the "End of the World", has been declared in 2005 as a Biosphere Reserve by the UNESCO. During sunset, we will disembark in Wulaia Bay, current archeological place that was home for one of the most magnificent tribes in the region a long time ago: the Yámanas.

It was in this very same bay that Fitz Roy, who discovered the Beagle Channel, found the main Anglican mission with the famous english naturalist Charles Darwin. During our tour on the bay we will have the opportunity to value its exquisite flora and its geography. We will do a trekking in the "magallánico" woods which will be waiting to show us many floral species such as lengas, coihues, fern among others, so then we can arrive to a viewpoint where we will be able to gaze at a wonderful and unforgettable view.

## Day 4 - Arrival to Ushuaia City, Tierra del Fuego

In the morning we will disembark in the City of the End of the World, Ushuaia.

### Map of Route



### Services

#### Servicios incluidos

- ✓ Accommodation on board the ship during the trip
- ✓ Carriage according to itinerary
- ✓ Meals including drinks, beer or wine
- ✓ Shore Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment on board

#### Servicios no incluidos

- ✓ Laundry
- ✓ Onboard Communications

Australis in 4 days Round Trip From Punta Arenas to Punta Arenas

## Day 1 - Punta Arenas

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By the afternoon, we will make the check in at Punta Arenas, so then we can embark in one of the ships of Australis Cruises: Mare, Via or Stella. The city of Punta Arenas is also considered as "the capital of the Chilean Patagonia", it is also famous because of its port in the south limit of Chile and point of South America.

## Day 2 - Almirantazgo Bay, the Scottish fault & Parry Glacier

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On our second navigation day we will go to the Almirantazgo Bay. The Almirantazgo Bay is a fjord of very important dimensions located in the Big Island of Tierra del Fuego in the Chilean side. It is characterized by the presence of a breeding colony of black-browed albatrosses. It is protected by two parks: Karukinka Park and Alberto De Agostini National Park. It was declared a World Heritage Biosphere due to the fault of Scotland, which causes the Mountain Range Darwin that crosses the entire Tierra del Fuego. A unique place for its 14 glaciers and multiple bays, where the mountains are hidden in the icy waters. Once we disembark we will begin a trekking that starts at the mouth of the river along the coast, following the north shore of the river and leading to a rainforest that ends at the glacial waterfall. In this area we can see the real damage the beavers are doing throughout southern Patagonia, destroying ancient forests. We undertake the return to the boat in zodiac and in the cost we will be able to see the flora and fauna of the region. Halfway through the day we will go the Fjord Parry to appreciate the hanging glaciers coming down from the Mountain Range Darwin until they fall into the sea. In this area we will get to see leopard seals while we revel the amphitheater of glaciers.

## Day 3 - Ainsworth Bay & Brookes Glacier


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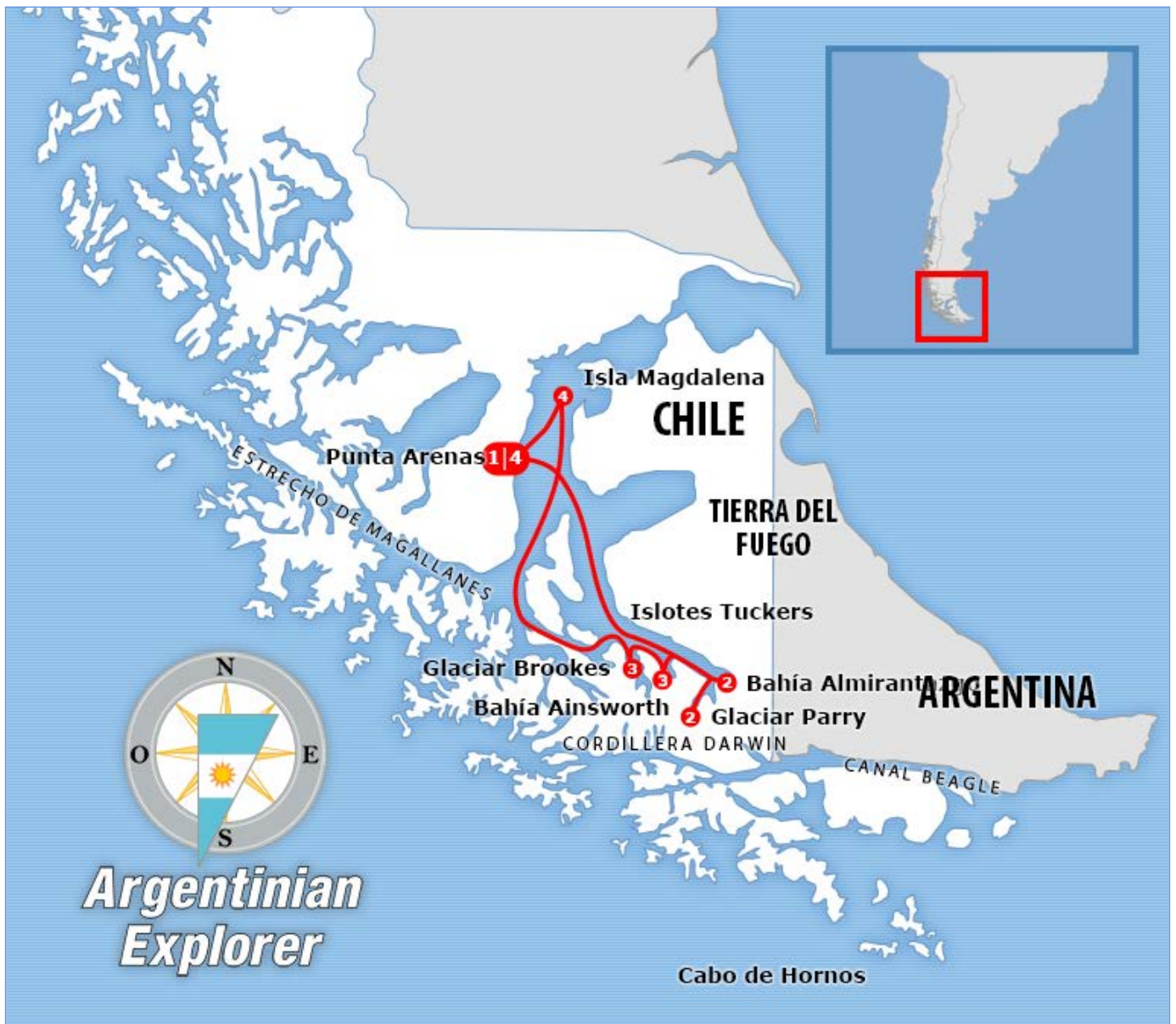
We continue sailing the waters of Bay Almirantazgo to meet the Marinelli Glacier, which is the largest glacier coming down from Darwin Icefield in Ainsworth Bay in the Alberto De Agostini National Park. This park with its 1,450,000 hectares covers the Mountain Range Darwin, from there the glaciers go down the channels that eliminate large pieces of ice. Also in this area we will see the damage beavers do to the forest. We will walk along a subantarctic forest. In the afternoon we will go to Brookes Glacier to disembark and do a short trek to the door of the glacier to appreciate it as close as possible. On the walk we will see coniferous such as coihues, beech, ñires, also cinnamon, chaura shrubs, caulk, or michay, rosemary, plants as coirón, jonquil, sundew or wild strawberry. Also there are many mashrooms and lichens like the old man beard.

## Day 4 - Magdalena Island & Punta Arenas

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During our last day of navigation we will go to Island Magdalena to try to make a disembark at the beginning of the day. This natural spot is distinguished for being the Natural Monument Los Pingüinos together with the small island Marta, one of the most outstanding group of penguins in the Chilean Patagonia. Another important attraction in the island is its lighthouse, an old one declared as a National Historial Monument which guides the navigators who go through the Strait of Magallanes. We will do a trekking to this high and illuminated tower to appreciate all the natural charm that the region offers, among them the important group of "magallánico" penguins. If we do this expedition crossing during September and April, we will replace this experience with a descent to Island Marta to enjoy watching the seals which we will be able to watch from our zodiac boats. This replacement is done because the groups of penguins in the mating period only stay in the island from October to March, every year. We will end our sea expedition by disembarking in the city of Punta Arenas when midday comes.

 Map of Route



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Season 2015-2016

Prices: Australis 4 days Round Trip USH-USH / PUQ-PUQ

Cabins	Promotional	Low	High	Promotional	Low	High
Nights	4 Nights	4 Nights	4 Nights	3 Nights	3 Nights	3 Nights
B	1.440 USD	1.800 USD	2.298 USD	1.189 USD	1.486 USD	1.895 USD
A	1.932 USD	2.410 USD	2.957 USD	1.595 USD	1.988 USD	2.440 USD
AA	2.028 USD	2.526 USD	3.097 USD	1.674 USD	2.084 USD	2.554 USD
AAA	2.124 USD	2.644 USD	3.246 USD	1.753 USD	2.181 USD	2.679 USD
AA SUPERIOR	2.555 USD	3.183 USD	3.867 USD	2.108 USD	2.627 USD	3.183 USD
AAA SUPERIOR	2.675 USD	3.331 USD	4.054 USD	2.207 USD	2.749 USD	3.338 USD

### Departures: Australis 4 days Round Trip USH-USH / PUQ-PUQ

DEPARTURES	Via Australis 3 Nights USH-USH					Via Australis 3 Nights PUQ-PUQ				
SEPTEMBER 2014										25
OCTOBER 2014			2	16	30			9	23	
NOVEMBER 2014			13	27				6	20	
DICEMBER 2014			11	25				4	18	
JANUARY 2015			8	22				1	15	29
FEBRUARY 2015			5	19				12	26	
MARCH 2015			4	18				11	25	
APRIL 2015			1					8		

### Season 2016-2017

**NOTE:** During the 2016-2017 season this itinerary is temporarily suspended.

### General information

### Clothes

## REQUIRED CLOTHING FOR THE EXPEDITIONS



## Conditions

**The passage contract:** Buying a ticket implies entering into an agreement under the terms and conditions of Transportes Marítimos Terra Australis S.A. & Transportes Marítimos Via Australis S.A. (here and after "the companies") for passenger transportation

**Reservations, deposits and payments:** A deposit of US\$ 200 per passenger is required to guarantee a tentative reservation. The final payment must be received by "the companies" 45 days before the departure of the cruise

**Cancellation policy:** The following penalties will apply in case of cancellation as soon as "the companies" receives written notice:

## Notifications

<i>Notice</i>	<i>Penalty</i>
Up to 120 Days before the departure	US\$ 0
From 119 to 60 Days before the departure	US\$ 300 (deposit)
From 59 to 50 Days before the departure	25% of sales value
From 49 to 40 Days before the departure	50% of sales value
From 39 to 30 Days before the departure	75% of sales value

From 29 to 0 Days before the departure

100% of sales value

**Child policy:**

- » Infants between 0 and 3 years old have a 100% discount, sharing the bed with their parents
- » Children between 4 and 12 years old have a 50% discount, sharing a cabin with an adult

**Departures and rates:** "The companies" reserve the right to modify the cruise rates and departure dates published in this brochure, without prior notice

**Conditions of the cruise:** Rates include accommodation, sea transportation, all meals, open bar when on duty (without additional cost for wines, beverages, and liquors), shore excursions, and on-board entertainment. Optional tours and transportation are not included in the cruise rate

**Payment options:** Mastercard, Visa, American Express, and Diners credit cards, travelers checks, US Dollars, Euros, Chilean Pesos, and wire transfer are accepted

**Required costume:** Trekking or hiking boots are required for all passengers.

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