



Argentinian Explorer



EPIC ANTARCTICA

You will depart on a charter flight from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia. On this exclusive cruise trip, you experience the spectacular flora and fauna in the Falkland Islands and a few days later, you dive into the unique history and the exquisite wildlife of the eccentric Southern Georgia Island. The program includes visits to Antarctic research stations, sightings of minke whales and king penguins and finally the crossing of the Antarctic Circle to wrap up an adventure to be remembered for a lifetime.



The expedition trip “Epic Antarctica” is one of the VIP programs to the white continent. Your adventure to the South Pole starts in Argentina’s capital, Buenos Aires. From Buenos Aires you will fly to the city at the end of the world, Ushuaia, in order to get on board of the MV Ocean Endeavour.

The first days are devoted to the Sub-Antarctic islands, disembarking in the Falkland Islands for two intense days. You will continue your Antarctic trip heading to the Southern Georgia Island for a stay of several days. Then, you will discover Classic Antarctica in the Antarctic Peninsula and the Southern Shetland Islands. This trip to Antarctica takes you to the very Antarctic Circle, a privileged area where just a handful of cruise ships arrive. Finally, you will return to the continent passing through the peninsula and the Sea of Drake in order to dock at Ushuaia’s port, wrapping up a first class trip to Antarctica.



MV Ocean Endeavour Epic Antarctica

Departures	Days	Triple	Single	Twin Porth	Twin Wind	Top	Junior S.	Owner's
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Day 1 – City of Buenos Aires, Argentina

On the first day, you can arrive in Buenos Aires any time you wish. Once at Ezeiza International Airport, you will be transferred to the hotel where you will stay with the group departing the following day to Ushuaia for the beginning of your Antarctic adventure.

Day 2 – Ushuaia, embarkation day to start the trip to Antarctica

After breakfast at your hotel, you and your group will be transferred to Jorge Newbery Airport, the local airport in Buenos Aires, in order to board the charter flight to Ushuaia. Once you have arrived in the southernmost city in the world, you will have some time to explore this quaint port city on your own, before being transferred to the port in order to get on board. In the afternoon, you and the group will proceed to embark to start the trip on the historic Beagle Channel.

Day 3 – Sailing to Antarctica

There are many on board activities for you to keep busy while sailing to the white continent. You can visit the ship’s library and take some books to read or spend time at the bar chatting with other travelers or visit the deck for a sight of the ocean. Your expedition team will offer a series of presentations so that you can get acquainted with the dry landings (on land) using the Zodiac boats.

Day 4 & 5 – Falkland Islands

The Falkland Archipelago comprises two main islands, East Falkland and West Falkland, which you will explore disembarking from the Zodiac boats. You need to have your camera at hand during the sighting of the wildlife at the Falkland Islands. At least three different species of penguins and two endemic species can be watched. Our specialists teach you about local flora and fauna.

Day 6 & 7 – Heading to the Southern Georgia Island

You will sail through the Antarctic Convergence, an invisible biological frontier in Antarctica connecting the two oceans and generating an area with abundant krill and marine life which attracts large cetaceans such as humpback whales. Then, you will leave the area of connection of oceans in order to head to the most emblematic of the Sub-Antarctic islands: The Southern Georgia Island.

Day 8 to 11 - Southern Georgia Island

Arriving at the Grytviken settlement means being witness to the old whaling station dominating the area in the old times and seeing the remains of the heyday of past times. In the place where whale and seals colonies were massacred here in the past, you can now find huge, strong colonies of these animals. You will also visit the grave of the great explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton in order to reflect on what this place was in the past and what it has become. Even though the history of Southern Georgia Island is a main attraction in the islands, the main point of interest is the local fauna inhabiting the island. You will be able to watch couples of king penguins on the beach or thousands of seals, sea lions and elephant seals on another beach. The vegetation, mountains and beaches at Southern Georgia Island play a key role to the reproduction and survival of the different species of animals and birds.

Day 12 to 13 - At Sea

While sailing on the ocean, you can enjoy your leisure time or enjoy the presentations by the expedition team about the history and geology of Antarctica, with tips to identify the different species.

Day 14 to 16 - Southern Shetland Islands & Antarctic Peninsula

The most common reaction upon arrival at the White Continent is a feeling of fear and reverence. It is hard to find words for this experience. Antarctica is a land of extremes: At some point you overcome the feeling of utter silence and solitude. You can visit the scientific research bases and watch penguins, leopard seals, minke whales thanks to the Zodiac boats. As an option, you can book the kayak adventure (booking in advance at the beginning of your trip to Antarctica).

Day 17 to 18 - Antarctic Circle

Crossing the Antarctic Circle is an impressive achievement. There are very few Antarctic expeditions reaching this far south. You have reached an area in the world which has been visited for just a few people. On the polar circle the sun shines at midnight, so you can potentially catch fantastic sights of icebergs.

Day 19 to 20 - Towards the North of the Antarctic Peninsula

You will return to the north. After watching the wildlife and marveling at the impressive icebergs, you will head to the Sea of Drake.

Day 21 to 22 - Crossing of the Drake Passage

On the last days of the expedition to Antarctica you will continue in order to reach and cross the Sea of Drake and get close to Ushuaia.

Day 23 - Disembarking in Ushuaia & Flying to Buenos Aires

You will arrive in Ushuaia in the morning after breakfast. After disembarking, you will visit Tierra del Fuego National Park and later on you will head to the airport in order to catch the charter flight to Buenos Aires.

 [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 subjet 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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