

ANTARCTICA - FALKLANDS, SOUTH GEORGIA & ANTARCTICA | SEA SPIRIT



INTRODUCTION

SAVE UP TO 20% OFF WITH A SUPER EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT FOR 25/26 SEASON*

This extended expedition provides a full Antarctic experience. Besides the unearthly beauty of the Antarctic Peninsula, you'll get an audience with the "Kings of The Antarctic" the rare and most beautiful king penguins on the wild and rugged island of South Georgia. Abandoned whaling stations, the grave of the famous explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton, the capital of the Falkland Islands Port Stanley, and landing on the Antarctic continent itself are among the other highlights of this expedition cruise.

**Super Early Bird discount (15% off on Triple, Main Deck, Single, and Classic Suites; 20% off on Superior, Deluxe, Premium, and Owner's Suites) is available for new bookings confirmed by 30 June 2024. Available on select departures in the 25/26 Antarctica season. Prices are subject to change and subject to availability. Please contact us for more details.*

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TRIP CODE

ACTSAFSG

DEPARTURE

17/11/2024, 05/01/2025,
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DURATION

21 Days

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DAY 1: Arrive in Ushuaia

Welcome to Ushuaia, the world's southernmost city and starting point of our Antarctic expedition! Upon your arrival at the airport, you will be greeted by our staff and transferred to a quality hotel, which has been arranged by us and is included in the price of the itinerary. For the rest of the day, you are free to explore this vibrant port city and adventure hub. For an introduction to local history and wildlife, the interesting Museo del Fin del Mundo is worth a visit. If you have time to spare, a variety of nature activities can be arranged to suit all interests and fitness levels, from hiking in nearby Tierra del Fuego National Park to wildlife viewing in the Beagle Channel. For dinner, Ushuaia offers a wide range of restaurants featuring Patagonian lamb and delectable Fuegian seafood.



DAY 2: Embarkation in Ushuaia

After breakfast at your hotel, the morning is yours to enjoy Ushuaia. Explore the delightful waterfront and savor views of the snowcapped Martial Range, the southernmost peaks of the Andes. Take advantage of shopping for souvenirs or some last-minute necessities such as cold-weather gear. Just remember, you will soon receive your very own parka to keep and waterproof boots to borrow on board the ship. For lunch, the many cafés, parrillas and gelato shops on Avenida San Martín will be sure to satisfy any appetite. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to the pier where we will warmly welcome you aboard the deluxe expedition vessel M/V Sea Spirit. Get settled in your spacious suite and explore the ship that will be your comfortable home during the extraordinary adventure to come. After getting underway, a full schedule of events kicks off with informative briefings and introductions from your expedition staff. After the first of many delicious dinners on board, step out onto the open decks to admire the scenery and gorgeous evening light as we pass through the Beagle Channel.



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DAY 3: South Atlantic Ocean

After transiting the Beagle Channel and passing the islands of Tierra del Fuego, we head northeast toward the Falkland Islands. We keep a lookout for dolphins and whales. The ship's stabilizing fins provide comfort in the event of rough seas. Presentations by our experts prepare you for our arrival in the Falkland Islands.



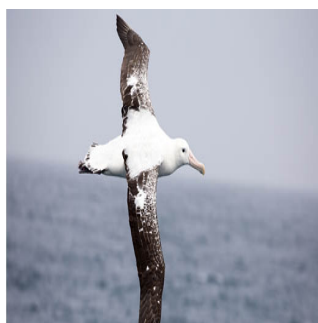
DAY 4: Falkland Islands - Day 4 & 5

The remote and sparsely-populated Falkland Islands are a birders' paradise. We anticipate spending two days in the remote outer islands where large colonies of penguins and albatross are easily accessible. The Falklands are also a great place to observe marine mammals. The waters around the archipelago are home to cetaceans such as Peale's dolphins and Commerson's dolphins. Our exact route and exploration opportunities are dependent on weather among these isolated and windswept islands. We also intend to visit the port of Stanley, the charmingly British capital of the Falkland Islands. Attractions within pleasant walking distance along the waterfront promenade include the Falkland Islands Museum, the governor's house, a cathedral with impressive whalebone arch outside, a war memorial, quality gift shops, pubs, and views of shipwrecks in the harbor.



DAY 6: Southern Ocean - Day 6 & 7

From the Falkland Islands we head east toward South Georgia. We will cross the Antarctic Convergence, the biological boundary of the Southern Ocean. Briefings, bio-security procedures, and lectures from our experts prepare you for our arrival in South Georgia.



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DAY 8: South Georgia - Day 8 to 12

This is expedition cruising at its most authentic. Our route and exploration opportunities in South Georgia are heavily dependent on the weather conditions we encounter. Our experienced captain and expedition leader decide the itinerary and continually adjust plans as conditions and opportunities warrant. You can be sure that the best possible advantage will be taken of the circumstances presented to us by nature in this wild and remote corner of the world. We take every safe opportunity to go ashore in this amazing place. South Georgia is a scenic wilderness and an unrivaled paradise for subantarctic wildlife viewing. The islands are said to host upwards of 100 million seabirds, including numerous species of albatross, penguins, prions, petrels and terns. On beaches such as those at Salisbury Plain and St. Andrews Bay, over 100,000 elephant seals and three million fur seals jostle for space among innumerable penguins including stately king penguins and sprightly macaroni penguins. The recently completed rat eradication program is sure to make this wilderness even more pristine and rich with birdlife. The bountiful waters surrounding South Georgia are also inhabited by an increasing number of whales. The historical whaling station of Grytviken is now home to the excellent South Georgia Museum managed by the South Georgia Heritage Trust. Grytviken is also the final resting place of Ernest Shackleton, the legendary polar explorer. Our days in South Georgia are filled with memorable excursions, sumptuous meals, presentations by our experts, and enough incredible scenery and wildlife to fill your camera and overwhelm your emotions.



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DAY 13: Southern Ocean - Day 13 & 14

We continue west toward the Antarctic Peninsula. Pelagic seabirds including the majestic albatross are common in these waters and can readily be viewed from panoramic open decks or from exterior stateroom windows and balconies. We may also encounter enormous tabular icebergs drifting north from the Weddell Sea.



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DAY 15: South Shetland & Antarctic Peninsula - Day 15 to 18

The Antarctic Peninsula region contains some of the world's most impressive scenery and some of Antarctica's best wildlife viewing opportunities. Protected bays and narrow channels are surrounded by towering mountain peaks covered in permanent snow and immense glaciers. Icebergs of every size and description complete an image of incomparable beauty. Waters rich with krill are home to a variety of whale and seal species. The whole area is alive with penguins foraging at sea and forming large nesting colonies at special places on land. The area is also home to Antarctic research stations of various nationalities. The South Shetland Islands are the northernmost islands in Antarctica and will likely be our first sighting of land. This wild and beautiful island chain contains numerous landing sites with abundant wildlife and historical significance. Among them is Elephant Island, where men from Shackleton's famous Endurance expedition spent the winter. Farther south, on the Antarctic Peninsula, the gorgeous Gerlache Strait area contains sheltered bays, accessible wildlife, and stunning scenery. The wilderness of Antarctica is subject to unpredictable weather and ever-changing ice conditions, which dictate our route and exploration opportunities. This is a real expedition. We exploit every opportunity to experience excellent wildlife viewing, amazing scenery and excursions via Zodiac.



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DAY 19: Drake Passage - Day 19 & 20

It is now time to head north across the Drake Passage toward South America, though the adventure is not quite over. We are always on the lookout for marine mammals and seabirds in these wild waters. This is also the time for festivities such as the Captain's Farewell Cocktail and the end-of-voyage slideshow. Finally, as we enter the calm Beagle Channel, we enjoy a night of smooth sailing toward Ushuaia.



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DAY 21: Disembarkation in Ushuaia, Argentina

After breakfast we say farewell in the city of Ushuaia, where we started. We provide a group transfer to the airport or to the town center if you wish to spend more time here. As you look back on your wonderful experience in Antarctica, you may already be looking forward to your next incredible adventure to the ice! *Important - Please be sure not to book flights out of Ushuaia before 12PM (Noon) on the day of disembarkation from your cruise ship.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Hotel & Cabin On board a Ship
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1 pre-voyage hotel night on Day 1 in Ushuaia including breakfast
 Group transfer from the airport to the hotel on the day prior to embarkation
 Group transfer to the ship for embarkation on Day 2
 Cabin on board the Sea Spirit
 IAATO fees and governmental taxes.
 All meals on board throughout the voyage
 Tea and coffee station 24 hours daily
 All scheduled landings/excursions (subject to weather and ice conditions)
 Leadership throughout the voyage by our experienced Expedition Leader & Expedition Team
 Branded Poseidon Expeditions parka (to keep)
 Rubber boots for shore landings for the time of the cruise
 Welcome and Farewell cocktails
 All port fees
 Group transfer to airport or central location right after disembarkation
 Pre-departure materials
 Digital Voyage Log
 Wi-Fi on board

EXCLUSIONS

International or internal flights unless specified
 Transfers from the airport to the hotel if arriving prior to Day 1 of the program
 Soft drinks and alcoholic beverages other than those for special events and celebrations
 Airport transfers, taxes and excess baggage charges unless specified
 Visa, passport and reciprocity fees (if applicable)
 Travel Insurance - Mandatory Emergency Evacuation Insurance to a minimum benefit of US\$ 200,000 per person
 Personal expenses such as laundry
 Gratuities for the crew (recommend US\$15 per person per day)
 Optional Activities such as kayaking and camping
 Fuel surcharge may be applied for all bookings
 Pre or post cruise travel expenses
 Any meals not mentioned

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

Single Surcharge

Available upon request, contact us for more details. Sharing is available in Triple, Main Deck, Classic, and Superior Suites. If you prefer a cabin for yourself, the following categories are available with the single supplement at:
 x1.7 for Main Deck, Classic, and Superior Suites
 x2 for Deluxe, Premium, and Owner's Suite

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Notes

Prices are based on per person, and may be based off triple/or twin share cabins* (please contact us for more details).
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.

Price Dependent upon

Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.

SUSTAINABILITY

As a member of IAATO we follow guidelines appointed by the Antarctic Treaty System to go above and beyond in support of minimizing negative impacts on this pristine landscape. We also encourage clients to look to book pre-and post- accommodation with us, where local businesses will be supported. Our clients also receive restaurant recommendations which support locally owned restaurants

We carefully select all ships we work with and choose smaller sized vessels to create less impact. We use a highly regulated, licensed vessel which is well equipped to operate in the Antarctic's delicate ecosystem. We view the voyage to the Antarctic as an expedition, not a sightseeing trip. Smaller boats such as ours can navigate narrow waterways and are far less polluting than the larger ships in Antarctic waters. By carrying less passengers, we have far less waste. The waste is carried back to the home port to allow for environmentally conscious waste management and disposal.

For more information on our sustainability policies, including how we are striving towards being a paperless organisation, click [HERE](#)

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