



#### **TRIP CODE**

ACABVAIA

#### DEPARTURE

27/01/2026, 05/02/2026, 14/02/2026, 23/02/2026

#### DURATION

13 Days

#### LOCATIONS

Buenos Aires, Ushuaia, Antarctic Peninsula, South Shetland Islands

## INTRODUCTION

## BOOK YOUR 25/26 SEASON ANTARCTICA CRUISE AS A PACKAGE AND SAVE!!

DEPART 27 JAN, 05 FEB, 14 FEB, 23 FEB 2026 -FLIGHTS INCLUDED FROM SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. Enquire for pricing from other cities\*

From Price is based on 25 Feb '26 cruise voyage (departing 23 Feb '26 from Australia) Surcharge applies for other departures.

### SINGLE PRICE: Based on Cat G Single Cabin departing 23 Feb 26: \$26,955 AUD

Enjoy an Antarctica cruise from Australia, with flights included to Buenos Aires (via Santiago) and to/from Ushuaia, where you will embark on your expedition cruise, all as part of this all inclusive package. Spend the night in the cosmopolitan city of Buenos Aires before flying to Ushuaia, nicknamed the end of the world!

Spend one night in Ushuaia and have some free time to explore the city and surrounds.

You will then embark on your small expedition ship, the MV Ocean Victory. The ship is an X-bow design and is built for cruising in the polar regions. Start your voyage by cruising through the Beagle Channel and crossing the infamous Drake Passage. During the crossing and sea days, you will learn more about Antarctica from the expert expedition crew and enjoy lectures and the facilities onboard. Keep an eye out for the many sea birds that escort the ship.





Arriving at the South Shetland Islands, you will have your first glimpse of the icy wilderness of Antarctica and enjoy landings and/or zodiac cruising here (subject to weather and sea conditions).

Continue on to the Antarctic Peninsula and enjoy the ethereal landscapes of the White Continent. Witness penguins coming ashore and building nests and cruise via zodiac past yawning Weddell seals, lazing on the ice. Your time in Antarctica includes two daily excursions (subject to weather and regulations) with a mix of landings and zodiac cruising. Cruise back across the Drake and disembark your ship in Ushuaia, saying farewell to newfound friends.

## ITINERARY

#### DAY 1: Arrival in Buenos Aires

You will arrive in Argentina's cosmopolitan capital city, Buenos Aires. You will be take a private transfer to your hotel with an English-speaking guide. Known as the 'Paris of the South', Buenos Aires has a charming and alluring atmosphere. It features wide avenues lined with colonial buildings, fashionable shops and Parisian-style bakeries and cafés. The city is located on the western shore of the Río de la Plata and has many fascinating neighbourhoods to discover. Today is an arrival day and you are free to explore at your leisure.

#### DAY 2: Buenos Aires to Ushuaia

Today you will be transferred from your hotel to the airport and flight to Ushuaia, where your adventure begins. You will be transferred from the airport today and met by a representative who will transfer you to your local hotel for check in and the remainder of the day at leisure. Ushuaia is nestled within the Tierra del Fuego archipelago, Ushuaia boasts many shops, museums, restaurants and cafes that you can enjoy before your voyage. This Argentine town is the ideal gateway for you to explore the southern extent of Patagonia while preparing for your adventure ahead. If you feel adventurous, the nearby Tierra del Fuego National Park offers plenty of outdoor activities.



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#### DAY 3: Embarkation in Ushuaia

This morning enjoy a leisurely breakfast at the hotel and you will have some time at leisure to explore Ushuaia prior to ship embarkation in the afternoon. Explore the quaint city or local countryside. Alternatively, consider a day trip off the beaten path to the raw, natural archipelago of Tierra del Fuego. It's a hiker's paradise with rugged snow-capped mountains, glaciers, flowerfilled meadows and boggy quagmires. In the afternoon, you will board the ship and settle into your cabin before setting sail for Antarctica. After our mandatory safety drill, our expedition begins as we navigate through the calm waters of the famous Beagle Channel (named for Charles Darwin's ship). This steep-sided strait divides southern Tierra del Fuego between Chile and Argentina, and has been the jumping-off point for thousands of expeditions into the unknown. Watch out for whales and dolphins as we sail off the edge of the map into the tempestuous Drake Passage.

#### DAY 4: Crossing the Drake - Day 2 & 3

Sailing onward, we cross the famed Drake Passage - a body of water that marks the intersection of the cold Antarctic with the warmer Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Drake Passage is known for rollicking conditions and strong westerly winds, called the Roaring Fifties. While this passage may be challenging, you can rest confidently aboard our expedition vessel, Ocean Victory, which is purpose-built with stabilizers, powerful engines and a highly-qualified crew. The most spirited sailors consider Drake Passage a lifetime achievement, and you will complete the crossing twice! Our days in the Drake Passage will be put to good use preparing for our arrival in Antarctica - your Expedition Leader will brief vou comprehensively on how to stay safe and minimise your impact on this precious wilderness, as well as briefing you thoroughly on our plans for our time spent exploring, including hints and tips for wildlife watching. Our dedicated Expedition Team will assist you to biosecure your clothing and equipment (a vital process to protect Antarctica's delicate ecology), as well as sharing tailored lectures on Antarctic exploration history, wildlife, geology, glaciology and more!



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DAY 6: Antarctica & South Shetland Islands - Day 4 to 7  $\,$ 

Over the next days, we will enjoy a safe and exciting Antarctic experience explorers of vestervear could only dream of. Our Antarctic adventure begins in the South Shetland Islands. This chain of rugged rocks marks the northernmost point of Antarctica, and the most exposed to the fury of the Southern Ocean. Because of this, it is also one of the richest in terms of wildlife, with large Gentoo and Chinstrap Penguin colonies, and an abundance of large seabirds such as predatory Giant Petrels. The iceclad mountains of Livingstone, Greenwich and King George Islands give us a glimpse of what is to come as we venture further south. Landing sites which may be visited in the South Shetland Islands include the black steaming sands and rusting ruins of Deception Island (an active volcanic crater), the bustling penguin colonies of Aitcho and Half Moon Islands, or the old sealers' anchorage of Yankee Harbour. The following days will be spent exploring further south on the Antarctic Peninsula in the Gerlache Strait region. This region is typically icy, so our exact route will be subject to careful planning by the Expedition Leader and Captain - however we will aim to visit a range of sites which showcase the best of this staggeringly beautiful region. Consisting of the 'spine' of the Antarctic Peninsula and a large number of glaciated and mountainous islands, the Gerlache Strait is what comes to mind when most people think of Antarctica. Marvel at the massive icebergs and vast glaciers on a Zodiac cruise in Paradise Bay. Be moved by penguins tenderly caring for their precious eggs, and fiercely defending their nests on Cuverville Island. Watch cataracts of ice tumble into clear blue ocean on a hike over the active glaciers of Neko Harbour. Experience the Antarctica of old at historic huts such as Damoy Point, lovingly restored and open to all. Feel the spray of water from the blow of a humpback whale on a Zodiac safari in Wilhelmina Bay. Wonder at awe-inspiring scenery on a ship cruise through the Lemaire Channel. Wherever we go on the Antarctic Peninsula, endemic wildlife, tantalizing history and breathtaking natural beauty abound.

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#### DAY 10: Depart Antarctica, At Sea - Day 8 & 9

We eventually depart Antarctica, and spend two days at sea on our way northwards back across the infamous Drake Passage towards the more welcoming shores of the Beagle Channel and Ushuaia, Argentina. During our time at sea, a variety of activities will be arranged on board to provide our guests with the chance to reflect on their voyage. Relax with an expertly crafted cocktail in the Nordic Bar in the company of new friends, soak up the knowledge and passion of our Expedition Team during lectures in the Shackleton Lounge, or simply enjoy the flight of the albatross which accompany us northwards. During your last evening onboard, join the Captain and Officers for the Farewell Cocktail Party, followed by a presentation of photos and video by our onboard photographer - the ideal opportunity to re-live your Antarctic adventure.

DAY 12: Disembark in Ushuaia/ Fly to Buenos Aires

On the morning of the final day of our voyage, we will arrive back at the pier of Ushuaia, Argentina. Trees, grass and a busy city may seem strange to you after the white wilderness of Antarctica! After a hearty breakfast, it is time to bid a fond farewell to the Crew and Albatros Expedition Team, and descend the gangway back to dry land with memories of the voyage of a lifetime. You will be transferred along with other guests on your voyage to the airport (subject to approved flight times) and fly on to Buenos Aires. On arrival you will be met and transferred to the hotel for check in and the remainder of the day will be at your leisure.

DAY 13: Depart Buenos Aires

You will be transferred to the airport to fly to your next destination. (B)





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Accommodation	Cabin on board ship & 3 nights of 4* hotel accommodation	ACABVAIA
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Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)	
Single Surcharge	Contact us for details. Single occupancy cabins are available with a surcharge or for those willing to share you can be matched with someone of the same gender in selected cabins and pay the twin share price. Please note that if you are travelling as a single traveller you will have your own room during your time in Buenos Aires and a small surcharge will apply for this if you are sharing a cabin on the ship.	
Notes	<ul> <li>Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for single or triple cabins)</li> <li>Airfare prices are subject to change and are strictly subject to availability.</li> <li>For those who are 'willing to share' on the ship there will be a surcharge for the stay in Buenos Aires and Ushuaia as you will need to have your own room for this portion of the tour.</li> <li>Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.</li> <li>Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.</li> </ul>	
Price Dependent upon	Flight prices, Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.	

## SUSTAINABILITY

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