

Antarctic Peninsula - Emblematic Antarctica | L'Austral

Trip Code
ACPOAEB
Departure



Introduction

Sail through the heart of the Antarctic Peninsula into an enchanting polar desert, a final frontier surrounded by a gigantic ice sheet. Set in the most spectacular scenery of imposing mountain ranges, ice-filled channels, awe-inspiring glaciers and beautifully sculptured icebergs, this is a fascinating journey to the heart of this remote land. Penguins live in their thousands, waddling on the shores, whilst humpback whales and seals swim in the ship's wake. On board L'Austral you will find the highest degree of comfort and luxury as you cruise through the pristine sites of the Antarctic Peninsula.

Itinerary

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Duration

12 Days

Your cruise package includes an overnight

in Buenos Aires. You will be met at the hotel

by our local representative where you will

receive a quick briefing before having the

rest of the day at your leisure. Buenos Aires,

Argentina's elegant, historic and

cosmopolitan capital, is known as the "Paris

of the South" due to its European

atmosphere with glamorous avenues lined

with fashionable shops and Parisian-style

restaurants and cafes. Located on the

western shore of the estuary of the Río de la

Plata, Buenos Aires has many fascinating

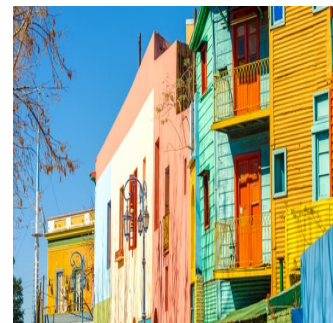
neighbourhoods to explore including the

colourful and lively La Boca, home to art

galleries and tango shows; San Telmo with

its restored mansions and antique stores

and Recoleta, the city's most exclusive area.



DAY 2: Flight to Ushuaia and Embarkation

You will have an early morning breakfast

before being transferred to the airport for

your included flight to Ushuaia. Upon

arrival in Ushuaia you will be met at the

airport and then transferred to lunch then

on to the vessel to begin your incredible

voyage to Antarctica. (Approximate flight

time, 3 hours and 30 minutes. Embarkation

is scheduled for 4pm).



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Use your days spent in the Drake Passage to

acquaint yourself with your ship and

Antarctic Peninsula.

Deepen your knowledge of the Antarctic.

The Expedition Leader will first present the

IAATO rules of conduct that must be

observed during landings in the region and

will explain everything you need to know

about the Zodiac outings. Lectures about

the history and wildlife of the Antarctic will

be an opportunity for you to learn more

about this magical region, where every

cruise is a unique experience. From the

ship's bridge, you will experience

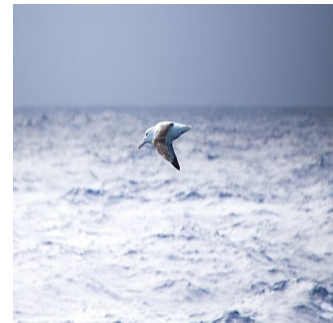
exceptional sailing moments before joining

the naturalist guides on your ship's exterior

decks to look out for albatrosses, cape

petrels, and other seabirds flying over the

Drake Passage.



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Succumb to the magic of a place unlike any
location. On this day, the mythical Antarctic
Peninsula reveals its real fascination and
promises its visitors unforgettable moments.

Throughout your adventure in this icy
realm, you will find yourself in the heart of a
spectacular decor in subtle shades of blue
and white, surrounded by exceptional
wildlife. Penguins, humpback whales, seals
and giant petrels are at home here, as are
elephant seals, fur seals, Antarctic minke
whales, and orcas. Depending on which
sites you will be lucky enough to visit, you
may get the chance to observe them and
share with them the beauty of these
extreme parts. Each day, based on ice
conditions, the Captain and the Expedition
Leader will suggest Zodiac outings or
landings to discover the infinite riches of
the Antarctic Peninsula. Glaciers, ice floe,
tabletop icebergs, mountain peaks that
plunge straight into the sea, volcanic
beaches, research stations, enchanting
bays, and vestiges of the whaling industry:
these are the faces of the Antarctic that will
likely reveal themselves to you, in a hushed
and surreal atmosphere. You will sail in the
wake of Jean-Baptiste Charcot, Adrien de
Gerlache and Sir Ernest Shackleton, great
Antarctic explorers who, from the 19th
century, set out to conquer these remote
and uninhabited lands.



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If there is one place, one sea, one waterway

located by tourists, researchers and

Antarctic Peninsula alike, it is undoubtedly

Drake Passage. Situated at the latitude of

the infamous Furious Fifties winds, between

Cape Horn and the South Shetland Islands,

it is the shortest route to connect Antarctica

to South America. Seasoned navigators will

tell you that you must earn your visit to the

White Continent! As the Antarctic

convergence zone where cold currents

rising up from the South Pole meet warmer

equatorial water masses, Drake Passage

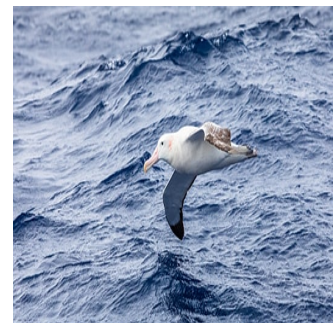
harbours a very diverse marine fauna. Don't

forget to look to the sky to catch a glimpse

of elegant albatross and Cape petrels,

playfully floating about in the wind around

your ship.



DAY 12: Disembarkation in Ushuaia

Today comes the end of your magnificent

journey. You will disembark in Ushuaia at

approximately 8AM where you will be met

and transferred to the airport for your

included flight back to Buenos Aires

(Approximate flight time, 3 hours and 30

minutes)



Inclusions & Details

Accommodation

Hotel & Cabin on board a ship

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Cabin accommodation whilst on board L'Austral
1-night accommodation in a hotel the night before embarkation
Arrival Shuttle Transfer from Airport to Hotel in Buenos Aires
Group Transfer from Hotel to Airport on Day of Embarkation
Return flights from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia in economy class
Group Arrival & Departure Transfers in Ushuaia
All meals whilst on board
Open bar (no premium brands)
Mini bar in your stateroom (Champagne additional fee)
Scheduled landings and excursions, conditions permitting
Guiding and lectures by expedition team
Complimentary Polar expedition jacket
Free use of rubber boots for shore excursions
All port taxes
Comprehensive pre and post voyage informational material
Free WIFI

Inclusions

EXCLUSIONS

Airfares other than specified
Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable)
Travel Insurance
Personal expenses such as laundry
Gratuities for the crew (recommend US\$15 per person per day)
Optional Activities not mentioned in itinerary

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

Single Surcharge

Available upon request. A supplement surcharge may apply and is subject to availability. Please [contact us](#) for more information.

Prices are based on per person, twin share.

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.

Notes

An arrival transfer will be provided on arrival in Buenos Aires if arriving as part of the pre-cruise package the day before embarkation ONLY. Transfers are available from Ministro Pizarini International Airport (EZE) or Aeroparque Jorge Newbery (AEP) and will take you to the pre-departure hotel.

Price Dependent upon

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

Sustainability