

## Antarctica - Falklands, South Georgia & Antarctica 23 Days | Sea Spirit

Trip Code

ACTSAWA

Departure

09/03/2027, 09/03/2028

Duration

23 Days

Locations

Antarctic Peninsula, Falkland Islands, South Georgia

Introduction

Set sail from Ushuaia aboard the stylish and comfortable all-suite Sea Spirit on this epic expedition cruise to Antarctica, South Georgia and the Falklands. Actively explore these incredible regions whilst enjoying the amenities of a luxury hotel on board. Cruise by Zodiac through narrow waterways alongside towering icebergs, make shore landings to visit penguin colonies, scientific stations and research stations, and set foot on the Antarctic continent itself. Take the opportunity to practice your photography alongside an experienced professional or paddle by kayak amongst the world's most impressive landscapes surrounded by marine life. South Georgia, home to 400,000 breeding pairs of king penguins and half the world's population of macaroni penguins, offers more amazing wildlife viewing opportunities as well as an insight into the history of whaling and the heroic endeavours of Shackleton. Finally explore the wildlife-rich Falkland Islands, home to beaches filled with elephant seals and the largest population of gentoo penguins on Earth.

### Itinerary

DAY 1: Ushuaia, Argentina

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.



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After breakfast at your hotel, the morning is yours to enjoy Ushuaia. Explore the

longitudinal waterfront and savor views of the

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and 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.



### DAY 3: Drake Passage - Day 3 & 4

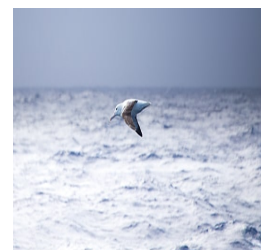
After passing the islands of Tierra del Fuego, we turn south to begin our crossing of the Drake Passage. The majestic

wandering albatross and other graceful subantarctic seabirds are common in these

waters and can readily be viewed from panoramic open decks and balconies. We also cross the Antarctic Convergence, the

biological boundary of the Southern Ocean. The ship's stabilizing fins provide comfort in the event of rough seas. We hope to arrive

in the South Shetland Islands on the evening of our second day at sea.



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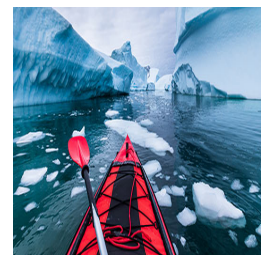
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Within the next days, we explore the locations of the South Shetland Islands and Antarctic Peninsula. The region contains some of the world's most impressive scenery and the best wildlife viewing in Antarctica. Sheltered bays and channels sparkle with ice and reflect towering mountain peaks coated 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 huge numbers of marine mammals and seabirds. The whole area is alive with penguins foraging at sea and forming large rookeries at special places on land. Here we also find Antarctic research bases of various nationalities, some with gift shops and post offices. The South Shetland Islands are the northernmost islands in Antarctica and will likely be our first sight of land. This wildly beautiful island chain contains many landing sites with historical significance and abundant wildlife. Among them is Elephant Island, where men from Shackleton's famous Endurance expedition spent the winter of 1916. We will also explore the supremely picturesque Gerlache Strait area of the Antarctic Peninsula, a pristine wilderness of spectacular white landscapes, colossal icebergs, obliging marine mammals and bustling penguin colonies. Here we have a chance to land on the continent of Antarctica. Throughout this area, we find large colonies of gentoo, chinstrap and Adélie penguins, sometimes side by side. This a great time for close encounters with inquisitive penguin chicks, who are now gaining independence as they fledge. This is also the peak of the whale-watching season. Having gorged themselves on krill all summer, humpback and minke whales become more playful and obliging to Zodiacs and kayakers. Crabeater and Weddell seals are joined by Antarctic fur seals and southern elephant seals. The skies are full of newly fledged seabirds. Antarctica is a true wilderness with unpredictable weather and ever-changing ice conditions, which will dictate our route and exploration opportunities. With more than 14 hours of daylight per day, we seize every chance to experience excellent wildlife viewing and amazing scenery via Zodiac cruises and shore excursions.



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We now proceed northeast through the  
wildlife-rich waters of the Scotia Sea. We

keep a lookout for abundant humpback and

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security procedures and presentations by

our lecture staff prepare you for our arrival

in South Georgia.



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The next five days will be devoted to the

exploration of the unique and spectacular

wilderness of South Georgia, home to some

of the planet. This isolated subantarctic island

is said to host upwards of 100 million

seabirds, including numerous species of

albatross, penguins, prions, petrels, shags,

skuas, gulls and terns. Among these is one

of the largest flying birds in the world—the

wandering albatross. Here you have a rare

opportunity to witness part of their

remarkable life cycle. While most seabird

chicks are already fledging, wandering

albatross chicks are only now hatching in

grassy nests overlooking the wild Southern

Ocean. On South Georgia's legendary

beaches, king penguins are gathered in

huge colonies that stretch from sandy

shorelines to the foothills of glaciated

mountains. Also at this time, hundreds of

thousands of macaroni penguin chicks are

getting ready to head out to sea. Rare birds

such as the endemic South Georgia pipit

and yellow-billed pintail round out the list of

78 bird species found across the territory.

The successfully completed rat eradication

program has made this wilderness even

more pristine and rich with birdlife. South

Georgia is also home to staggering numbers

of elephant seals and fur seals. At this time,

thousands of fat elephant seal pups are

lounging around on shore while mobs of

rambunctious fur seal pups take to the

water. Once hunted nearly to extinction,

large whales have returned to the bountiful

seas surrounding South Georgia. With the

whalers long gone, the historical whaling

station of Grytviken is now home to the

excellent South Georgia Museum. Here you

will also find the grave of Sir Ernest

Shackleton, heroic polar explorer and

leader of the Endurance expedition. In this

rugged yet accessible environment, superb

wildlife viewing is best complemented by

active adventure. There are many

opportunities for guided treks through this

raw and untamed wilderness, including the

legendary Shackleton Walk. For sea

kayakers, the wildlife-rich waters of South

Georgia offer the chance to paddle with

hordes of seals and penguins in some of the

world's most scenic waterways. This is

expedition cruising at its most authentic.

Our precise route and exploration

opportunities are dependent on weather in

this wild and remote corner of the world.

Our experienced captain and expedition

leader will continually adjust plans to take

maximum advantage of the conditions and

circumstances at hand. You can be sure that

we will take every safe opportunity to go

ashore in this challenging environment.



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DAY 15: At Sea - Day 15 & 16

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We sail west toward the Falkland Islands.

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staff, as well as our range of onboard

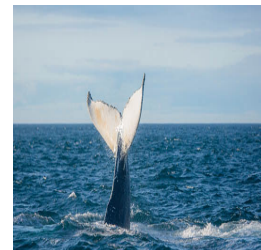
recreation facilities, ensure that this day at

sea is not idly spent. Pelagic seabirds are

our constant companions as we keep a

vigilant watch for dolphins and whales in

these productive waters.



DAY 17: The Falklands - Day 17 & 18

On these days we intend to come alongside

the wharf at Stanley, the historic capital of

the Falkland Islands. Attractions within

pleasant walking distance along the

waterfront promenade include the Falkland

Islands Museum, the governor's house,

various war memorials, quality gift shops

and charming pubs. Christ Church

Cathedral features an impressive whalebone

arch and dramatic views of shipwrecks in

the harbor. We also plan to offer an

excursion to Gypsy Cove, a national nature

reserve where white sand beaches are

frequented by numerous bird species,

including the endemic Falklands flightless

steamer duck. Here you can also see

Magellanic penguins, whose chicks have

fledged and are making a tentative start to

their lives at sea. At this time, you may even

find groups of sea lions hauled out on shore.

We continue our exploration of the

Falklands in the isolated outlying islands.

These bleakly beautiful isles are havens for

wildlife. Large colonies of seabirds, perched

on windy bluffs overlooking azure seas, are

easily accessible by hiking over lush

meadows. At this time, black-browed

albatross soar down from above while feisty

rockhopper penguins leap up surf-battered

cliffs from below to feed their large chicks

amongst the tussocks. On nearby beaches,

gentoo penguin chicks are starting to fledge

while adult king penguins and chicks of all

ages are getting ready to brave the austral

winter. Just offshore, you may see Peale's

dolphins and even killer whales patrolling

the coasts. A wide range of land birds,

including the endemic Cobb's wren and

inquisitive striated caracara, contribute to

an abundance of wildlife that will leave

nature lovers breathless.



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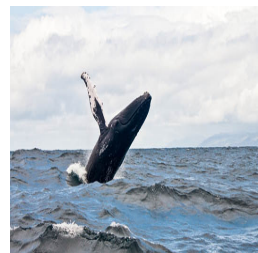
The ocean breezes gradually get warmer as we sail north through the South Atlantic

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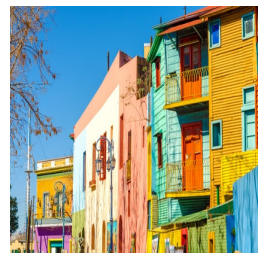
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As we enter deeper waters, we are able to see whales, sei whales and southern right whales. This is also the time for festivities such as the Captain's Farewell Cocktail and the end-of-voyage slideshow.



DAY 23: Disembarkation in Buenos Aires

Morning disembarkation in Buenos Aires. Right after the disembarkation, we provide a group transfer to Ezeiza (EZE) - International Airport or central location in Buenos Aires. \*Important - we recommend to schedule your return flight from Buenos Aires (EZE) with a departure time that is not earlier than 7pm.



### 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 (*\*From 2026/27 Antarctic season onward an all-inclusive beverage package that features soft drinks, house wine and beer, and house spirits available in the bar and restaurant).*
- 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

Inclusions

**EXCLUSIONS**

- International or internal flights unless specified
- Transfers from the airport to the hotel if arriving prior to Day 1 of the program
- 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
- Soft drinks and alcoholic beverages other than those for special events and celebrations (*\*From 2026/27 Antarctic season onward an all-inclusive beverage package that features soft drinks, house wine and beer, and house spirits available in the bar and restaurant).*

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)  
Available upon request, contact us for more details.

Single Surcharge

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

Notes

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.

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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](#)