

Antarctica - Antarctic Peninsula: An Immersive Odyssey | Ocean Nova

Trip Code
ACONAIID
Departure



Introduction

Experience awe-inspiring scenery and untamed wildlife on this extended 13-day voyage to the Antarctic Peninsula.

This expedition offers all the highlights and marvels of Antarctica while giving you extra time to deepen your experience. You'll enjoy more opportunities to truly immerse yourself in this icy wilderness's breathtaking landscapes and extraordinary wildlife. This journey ensures you can fully embrace the magic of Antarctica, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Encounter Weddell seals lazing on ice floes, whales breaching the frigid waters, and several species of penguins shuffling across the frozen shores. You will cruise around the ice-filled waters by Zodiac, landing on the Antarctic Continent for onshore excursions that afford jaw-dropping views. Our nimble and ice-strengthened expedition ship, the Ocean Nova, is ideally suited to cruising this icy wilderness, and onboard expert guides offer priceless knowledge and insight, bringing the world's most incredible landscapes to life.

Note: On this departure we are excited to advise we will have 3 x esteemed authors travelling with us running literary workshops and panels. More information can be found [here](#).

Itinerary

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25/11/2026 - 15/12/2026 Argentina

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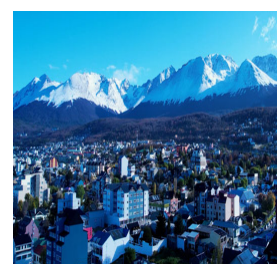
Antarctic Peninsula, Antarctica

Welcome to Ushuaia, the gateway to Antarctica! Upon arrival at Ushuaia Airport, enjoy the included transfer to your hotel. This evening, join your local team and fellow travellers for an 'icebreaker' at your hotel to learn more about the journey ahead and the details for tomorrow's embarkation. If you have free time before the icebreaker, consider exploring downtown Ushuaia for souvenir shopping or savouring classic Argentinian flavours at one of the city's fantastic local restaurants. **SPECIAL INFORMATION:** If you arrive in Ushuaia on Day 1, an arrival transfer from Ushuaia Airport to the hotel is included. Your travel documents will provide full details.



DAY 2: Embark in Ushuaia, Argentina

Spend your morning leisurely before your coach transfers to the port of Ushuaia, where you'll board the Ocean Nova, your home for the next 11 nights. Take advantage of the opportunity to explore downtown Ushuaia on foot - it's compact, charming, and set against the stunning backdrop of the snow-capped Andes Mountains, so be sure to bring your camera! Once aboard, meet your fellow travellers and Expedition Team, settle into your cabin, and head to the outer decks as the Ocean Nova journeys through the historic Beagle Channel en route to Antarctica. Later, join the excitement inside to learn more about the incredible days ahead.



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Duration

Renowned for its untamed nature, the

Drake Passage is ever-changing and

unpredictable. Take time to step onto one of

Ocean Nova's outer decks, where you can

breathe in the fresh sea air and experience

the powerful winds of the roaring forties

and furious fifties. Your Expedition Team

will share fascinating insights into the

incredible adventure that awaits you. Over

these two days at sea, enjoy gazing out at

the vast Southern Ocean and capturing

photos of seabirds gracefully circling the

ship. Use this time to connect with your

fellow travellers and get to know the

Expedition Team. Visit the ship's bridge and

experience our open bridge policy, where

our Captain welcomes you into Ocean

Nova's command center. Here, you can

witness the expedition in motion while

enjoying the prime vantage point for

spotting wildlife and your very first iceberg.

Excitement builds on board as everyone

eagerly anticipates the first sighting of the

land, which, with favourable sea and

weather conditions, may come by early

evening on day four.



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Your Antarctic adventure begins once you

leave the Drake Passage behind and the

South Shetland Islands come into view. This

region has long fascinated explorers. Every

visit to Antarctica offers something

unexpected and new, ensuring your

expedition is unique. During your time

aboard the Ocean Nova, your Expedition

Team and Captain will constantly look for

whales and seabirds, alerting you to

exciting sightings as they occur. Engage

with in-depth lectures from your team of

onboard experts on the region's glaciology,

history, and unique wildlife as you journey

through this awe-inspiring wilderness. The

highlight for many will be their first land

excursion - a moment that is nothing short

of unforgettable! Daily Zodiac cruises and

shore excursions will take you to explore

local bays, channels, and landing sites,

always focusing on maximising wildlife

encounters. Visit bustling rookeries and

search for seals, including the formidable

leopard seal, known for its penguin-eating

habits. Each day brings fresh experiences

and photo opportunities, and you quickly

learn to distinguish between Adelie, gentoo,

and chinstrap penguins. One day, you might

hike to a penguin rookery; the next, you

could find yourself cruising in a Zodiac

among towering icebergs. From locking

eyes with a curious humpback whale to

hearing the thunderous crack of a calving

glacier, you'll wake each day eager to

continue exploring this icy wonderland. For

those who crave even more adventure, treat

yourself to optional activities such as an

overnight camping experience on the ice, a

snowshoeing trek into untouched terrain, or

a paddling excursion that offers a new

perspective of this frozen expanse. You'll

also have the opportunity to take a polar

plunge off the Ocean Nova - a brisk dip into

Antarctica's frigid waters guaranteed to

leave you feeling revitalised and energised!

A typical expedition day begins with a wake-

up call from your Expedition Leader around

7.00 am, followed by breakfast with fellow

travellers in the ship's dining room.

Weather permitting, you can anticipate at

least two excursions daily, providing ample

opportunities to take in the breathtaking

Antarctic landscape. Onboard the Ocean

Nova, enjoy hearty meals prepared by

skilled chefs and stay engaged with daily

lectures and briefings from our expert team,

ensuring every moment of your journey is

enriching and unforgettable.



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As the Ocean Nova begins its voyage back to Ushuaia, take this time to reflect on the remarkable journey you've experienced. Participate in more onboard lectures and watch a slideshow of stunning images taken by our Expedition Photographer during your voyage - yours to cherish as a lasting memento of your unforgettable Antarctic adventure. By the evening of Day 12, you'll enter the relatively calm waters of the Beagle Channel, signalling the start of your return home. That evening, savour a special farewell dinner - a true highlight of the expedition. Celebrate the incredible adventure you've shared with your fellow travellers and Expedition Team, creating memories to last a lifetime.



DAY 13: Disembark in Ushuaia, Argentina

After breakfast, it's time to disembark the Ocean Nova as your unforgettable Antarctic expedition comes to an end, leaving you with memories of a truly remarkable adventure. A morning transfer to Ushuaia Airport or downtown is included. SPECIAL INFORMATION: If you would like to stay longer in Ushuaia beyond today or would like to explore South America, please speak to your booking agent to discuss options. If you are flying out today, please book your flight to depart Ushuaia after midday in case of any delays caused by unfavourable weather conditions.



Inclusions & Details

Accommodation Hotel & Cabin Onboard a Ship

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All meals onboard the Ocean Nova, including snacks and 24-hour tea and coffee

Onboard lecture program led by our expert Expedition Team

All shore excursions and Zodiac cruises (except paid adventure options with cost)

Insulated inner jacket, yours to keep

Complimentary use of rubber Muck boots and outer Expedition Parka, on loan for the duration of your expedition (exclusions apply - see below)

Group arrival transfer from Ushuaia Airport to Pre Voyage Hotel (Day One)

Pre-night (Day One) stay at the Pre Voyage hotel in Ushuaia, including breakfast (based on your cabin configuration)

Transfer from the Pre Voyage Hotel to the Ocean Nova for embarkation (Day Two)

Group departure transfer from the ship to either Ushuaia airport (selected times only) or downtown Ushuaia (luggage storage available)

Full access to the onboard gym

500mb free internet usage

All port taxes

Inclusions

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International or domestic flights, unless specified

Airport transfers, taxes, and excess baggage charges, unless specified

Meals other than those specified in the pre-departure information

Visa and passport fees

Mandatory travel insurance with a minimum required coverage

A fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings

Optional paid adventure activities - Please let your booking agent know if you would like to add these

Alcoholic or other selected beverages

Laundry and communication services including Wi-fi (over and above complimentary allotment and where available) on board

Gratuities for the Expedition Team and crew

Miscellaneous extras and all personal expenses

Smaller size Inner Jacket, Expedition Parka and Muck boots **may not be available** for minors depending on size requirements. Additionally, a lifejacket that meets our safety standards is mandatory for all minors 15 years and under and **must be provided by the parent/guardian**.

Please contact your booking agent for details.

Some larger-sized insulated Inner Jacket, Expedition Parka and Muck boots. Please contact your booking agent for more information.

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

Single Surcharge

Available on request. No single supplement if willing to share with other guest/s of the same gender in Triple and Explorer Twin cabin categories (subject to availability). [Contact Us](#) for more details.

Notes

Classic Twin cabins will have a Single Supplement for Solo Use, at a rate of 1.8 x Twin rate
Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for triple/quad cabins)
Prices and availability 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

