

Antarctica - Best of Antarctica's Whale Season 26/27 | Discoverer

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Introduction

This expedition voyage is the ideal adventure for everyone who loves animals and wildlife. See a plethora of distinct seal species, famous penguins, and Antarctica's ever-majestic icebergs on this trip. At this time of the year large numbers of Humpback whales are feeding on the profusion of krill in the ocean at this time of year, making whale watching one of the most exciting activities. Many whales are also with their young calves. Sightings of orcas and minkes are also frequent on this exceptional journey into the final untouched region of the planet.

Travelling onboard the Discoverer, a small ship that is designed for polar expeditions will allow you to make the most of your time in Antarctica and you will spend more time off the ship, enjoying twice daily excursions to explore all of the wonders that Antarctica has to offer.

Itinerary

DAY 1: Arrive in Ushuaia

After a friendly welcome at the airport and a transfer to the luxurious Arakur Resort & Spa, take some time to unwind or explore the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia. Our evening briefing at the Arakur is your opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow explorers.



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Spend your morning relaxing at the hotel,

visiting a museum, or exploring the shops in

Antarctica before our mid-afternoon escort to

the ship. Our Expedition Team and ship

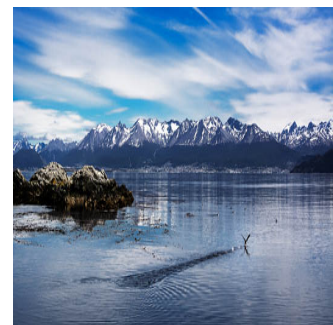
staff will welcome you on board and get you

settled in, followed by a safety and

orientation briefing and our Captain's

welcome dinner. We're on our way to

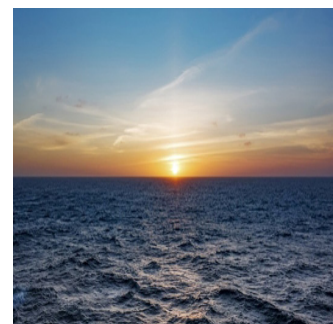
Antarctica!



DAY 3: Crossing the Drake Passage - Day 3 & 4

Join our Polar Experts as they share their vast knowledge of Antarctica, from its enchanting wildlife to its bold history.

Participate in our pioneering Citizen Science program, or sit back and take in this fabled journey while catching glimpses of rarely-seen wildlife. Keep your binoculars handy to identify the many seabirds that escort our ship as we cross the Antarctic Convergence into Antarctica's waters and noticeably cooler temperatures, your cue to get ready for that first iceberg sighting, an unforgettable moment on every journey.



DAY 5: South Shetland Islands - Day 5 & 6

The South Shetlands are 12 islands separated from the Antarctic Peninsula by The Bransfield Strait. Significant volcanic activity has sculpted a geology - and a diverse natural beauty - unlike anywhere else on Earth. Here, you can expect a spectacular display of mountains, glaciers, and wildlife including Chinstrap and Gentoo penguins; and it's not uncommon to share the water's edge with Elephant and Fur seals. And this time of year is feeding time for Humpback whales, so don't be surprised if you're joined by a number of them on your day's adventure.



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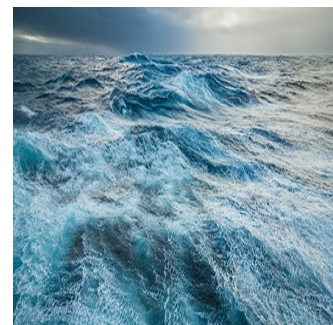
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On to the Antarctic Peninsula, where we'll explore a number of stunning bays and fjords in the Antarctic Peninsula. We'll maneuver through majestic channels as we continue to travel these wildlife-rich waters, passing a number of glorious icebergs along the way. We'll have great opportunities to stop at several active scientific bases and historic landing sites as we direct our attention and our cameras toward numerous species of penguins, seals, and whales along the rugged coastlines and in the sea. As always throughout this journey, be on the lookout for the impressive population of Humpback, Minke, and Orca whales feeding in the water.



DAY 10: Crossing the Drake Passage - Day 10 & 11

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again crossing the legendary Drake Passage. We have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion of our expedition with a special slideshow and a final meal together.



DAY 12: Disembarkation

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning, allowing you to catch a flight to Buenos Aires or stay in Ushuaia for more sights and adventure.



Inclusions & Details

Accommodation

Cabin on board ship & hotel

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1 nights pre night cruise accommodation in Ushuaia including breakfast
All meals onboard the Discoverer including snacks
Beer/wine with lunch & dinner & 24/7 tea, coffee & hot cocoa on the ship
In-room mini-bar refilled once daily with non-alcoholic beverages
Accommodation onboard the Discoverer in booked cabin category
Onboard lecture program from Expeditions Team and Naturalists
All shore excursions and Zodiac cruising (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
Transfer from Ushuaia airport to hotel (on arrival in Ushuaia if arriving on Day 1 of itinerary, and providing we have your confirmed air itinerary at least 15 days prior to departure)
Transfer from Ushuaia hotel accommodation to the ship for embarkation
Transports to Ushuaia airport or city centre on return to port
All port taxes
All landing fees
Use of onboard gym, sauna, pool and jacuzzi

Inclusions

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International or internal flights other than specified
Airport transfers, taxes and excess baggage charges unless specified
Meals other than those specified in the pre-departure information
Pre or post cruise travel expenses other than specified
Visa (if applicable) and passport fees
Travel insurance (compulsory)
Fuel surcharge may be applied to all bookings
Paid adventure options and all personal expenses
Tobacco, or selected premium beverages
Miscellaneous extras
Laundry and communication charges on board
Gratuities for Expedition team and crew
For minors under 16 years of age at time of travel; life jackets, waterproof outer shell jacket, and boots
For guests who require larger sizing; Waterproof outer shell jacket and rubber boots

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)
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. Subject to availability.

Single Surcharge

Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated for single, triple cabins)

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 & Availability.

Sustainability