

Antarctica - Antarctic Peninsula: Fly the Drake | Douglas Mawson

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Departure



Introduction

This fly in, fly out Antarctic expedition is designed for those who want to spend less time at sea and more time exploring the continent itself. Beginning in Punta Arenas, you'll take a charter flight straight to King George Island, where your ship awaits, turning what is usually a long ocean crossing into a quick and memorable arrival over the Southern Ocean.

Once in Antarctica, the focus shifts fully to exploration. Along the Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands, days are flexible and shaped by conditions, with regular Zodiac cruises and shore landings that bring you alongside seals, whales, penguin colonies, and striking ice formations. With long daylight hours and a small group on board, there's plenty of time to take it all in before flying back to Punta Arenas, wrapping up a trip that feels immersive without the long haul at sea.

Itinerary

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Location

Antarctica - Antarctic Peninsula

Arrive in Punta Arenas, where you will be

met by a representative of Aurora

Expeditions at our hotel.

We ask that you arrive no later than 2:00pm

on this day. In addition to ensuring your

arrival in time for our important pre-flight

briefings, if weather conditions deem it

necessary, we may depart for King George

Island on Day 1 as opposed to Day 2. Please

visit the Aurora Expeditions hospitality desk

in the lobby between 2.00 pm - 6.00 pm to

collect your luggage cabin tags. Our team

will confirm details regarding your

embarkation day, answer any questions and

provide you with information about where

to dine or purchase last minute items.

Overlooking the Straits of Magellan, the city

sits astride one of the world's most historic

trade routes. Today, Punta Arenas reflects a

great blend of cultural backgrounds, from

English sheep ranchers to Portuguese

sailors. It remains an utterly fascinating

testament to Chile's rich history. Modern

day Punta Arenas is home to many popular

restaurants, and bars, offering a mix of local

and international fare (meals at your own

expense today). At 7.00 pm this evening,

meet your fellow expeditioners at a voyage

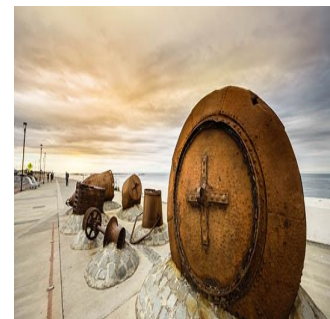
briefing where we will reconfirm your

transfer times for tomorrow, explain the

procedures for your flight to King George

Island and outline important IAATO

regulations for visitors to Antarctica.



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DAY 2 Fly to King George Island &

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Following we will be transferred to Antarctica, Antarctic Peninsula to King George Island, Antarctica (weather permitting). The flight will take approximately one hour and forty-five minutes. On arrival into King George Island our expedition team is on hand to greet you and to prepare you for your Zodiac transfer to the vessel. You will have time to settle into your cabin before our important safety briefings. Note: King George Island is located at the northern part of the Antarctic Peninsula in the South Shetland Islands and is one of the most remote places on Earth. A clear sky with perfect visibility is required for safe take-off and landing. A contingency plan will be applied to your itinerary should your flights not proceed today. Your safety is our utmost priority. We apologise in advance for any delays caused due to this unpredictable situation. Please refer to our terms and conditions for a more detailed explanation.



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6 Days Fly from King George Island to

Punta Arenas

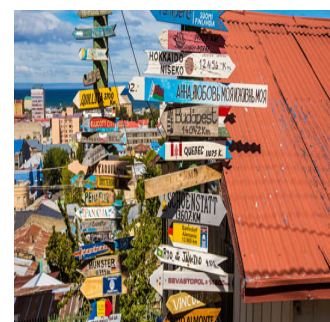
Antarctica, Antarctic Peninsula

As we approach Frei Base on King George Island, it is time to farewell Antarctica and our amazing adventure before boarding our flight (approximately one hour and forty-five minutes) to Punta Arenas, Chile. There is time for reflection and discussion about what we have seen and experienced. We hope you become ambassadors for Antarctica telling your family, friends and colleagues about your journey to this magical place, advocating for its conservation and preservation so that they might one day visit the region to experience what you have been lucky to see and do here. From Punta Arenas airport, you will be transferred to our group hotel for an overnight stay. Note: King George Island is located at the northern tip of the Antarctic Peninsula in the South Shetland Islands and is one of the most remote places on Earth. A clear sky with perfect visibility is required for safe take-off and landing. We apologise in advance for any possible delays.



DAY 8: Depart Punta Arenas

After breakfast, bid a fond farewell to your fellow travellers as we continue our onward journeys, hopefully with a newfound sense of the immense power of nature (breakfast included). A transfer to the airport is included in the voyage fare. Note: Should your flight not proceed due to local conditions; you will remain on the ship until it is deemed achievable to return to Punta Arenas. Refer to our terms and conditions for further details. *Please note: Cruise itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions, ice conditions and other factors.



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Hotel & Cabin on board a ship

INCLUSIONS

All airport transfers mentioned in the itinerary.
 Two night's hotel accommodation including breakfast, in Punta Arenas on Day 1 and Day 7.
 Return charter flight between Punta Arenas and King George Island.
 Onboard accommodation during voyage, including daily cabin service.
 All meals, snacks, tea and coffee during voyage.
 Beer, house wine and soft drinks with dinner.
 Captain's Farewell reception including four-course dinner, house cocktails, house beer and wine, non-alcoholic beverages. All shore excursions and Zodiac cruises.
 Educational lectures and guiding services provided by Expedition Team.
 One 3-in-1 waterproof, polar expedition jacket.
 Complimentary use of Muck Boots during the voyage.
 Comprehensive pre-departure information.
 Port surcharges, permits and landing fees.
 Wi-Fi (Please note we travel to remote regions and therefore the connection can be unreliable)

Inclusions

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International or domestic flights, unless specified
 Transfers not mentioned in the itinerary
 Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable)
 Airport arrival or departure taxes
 Travel insurance
 Hotels and meals not included in itinerary
 Optional excursions not included in the itinerary
 Optional activity surcharges
 All items of a personal nature, including but not limited to alcoholic beverages and soft drinks (outside of dinner service), laundry services, personal clothing, medical expenses, wi-fi, email or phone charges.
 Gratuities for ship's crew - *(A \$15 USD per person per day gratuity for the crew is automatically added to your onboard account. It is at your discretion if you would like to remove the tip (or adjust the amount) when you settle your bill. It is not necessary to tip the expedition team members. This gratuity amount is included for suites as part of their 'Suite Benefits'.)*

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

Single Surcharge

Available upon request. Single occupancy cabins may be available with a surcharge. Subject to availability, contact us for more details.

Prices are based on per person, twin share (unless otherwise stated for triple/quad cabins)
 Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.

Notes

Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions

Return charter flight from Punta Arenas to King George Island (on Days 2 and 7) is included in cruise cost.

Price Dependent upon

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

Sustainability