

Antarctica - Complete Antarctica: Sail In, Fly Out | Ocean Nova

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Introduction

Embark on the ultimate Antarctic journey aboard Ocean Nova, one of the polar world's most respected expedition vessels. Your adventure begins in Ushuaia—the southernmost city on Earth—before crossing the legendary Drake Passage by sea and venturing into a realm long known for transforming even the most seasoned travellers.

Guided by an expert Expedition Leader and team, you'll explore vibrant penguin colonies, encounter whales and seals, and witness vast seabird populations found nowhere else on the planet. Throughout the voyage, prepare to be awed by Antarctica's breathtaking glaciers, sculpted icebergs, and dramatic mountain landscapes. Your expedition concludes in style with a private charter flight to Punta Arenas, where a celebratory dinner marks the perfect finale to an unforgettable experience.

Itinerary

DAY 1: Arrive Ushuaia

Arrive in Ushuaia, Argentina, check in, and relax at the Hotel Albatros (or a similar category hotel), located in the heart of this fascinating Patagonian city. Ushuaia is the main hub for global visitors to Antarctica, situated on the Beagle Channel at the edge of the infamous Drake Passage. Meet your fellow explorers and prepare yourself for adventure!



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DAY 2: Embarkation in Ushuaia

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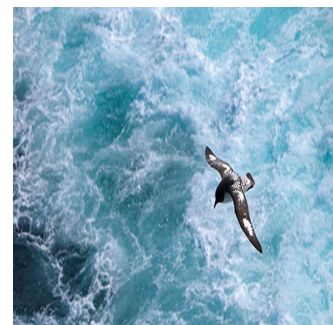
11 Days

Spend your morning relaxing at the hotel, visiting a museum, or exploring the shops in Ushuaia. Before our mid-afternoon escort to the ship. Our Expedition Team and onboard crew will welcome you as you board and get you settled in, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and the Captain's welcome dinner. We're on our way to Antarctica!



DAY 3: Drake Passage - Day 3 & 4

Join our Polar Experts as they share their extensive 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.



DAY 5: Immersive Antarctica - Day 5 to 7

It's time to slow our ship down, allowing you to fully explore the dreamlike world around us and let the power of this extraordinary place sink in. This is your opportunity to become more intimately acquainted with Antarctica by Zodiac, kayak, snowshoe, or while spending unhurried time ashore, taking in the silence and scale of the landscape. For those engaged in our Citizen Science program, the important work of understanding and documenting this fragile environment continues. Be sure to keep your camera handy, as penguins, seals, and whale sightings are all part of this incredible experience. And a passing iceberg, towering high above, its magical blue light seeming to glow from within, is something you'll want to share with friends back home.



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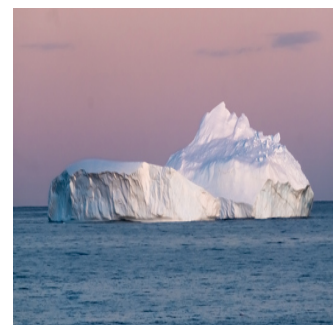
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DAY 8: South Shetland Islands
11 Days

Locations
Over time, the volcanic activity of the South Antarctic Peninsula has created a geology unlike any other. Here, you can expect a spectacular display of mountains, glaciers, and wildlife, including Chinstrap and Gentoo penguins. It's also not uncommon to share the water's edge with elephant and fur seals, while whales are often spotted as well. We'll settle into our Zodiacs and spend our final day exploring Antarctica



DAY 9: Disembarkation & Fly to Punta Arenas

On the final day aboard Ocean Nova, we arrive at King George Island, Antarctica's most populous island (scientists only, please). After a fond farewell to the Expedition Team, crew, and officers of Ocean Nova, you'll disembark by Zodiac to the small Chilean station on King George Island, where your chartered aircraft awaits. Board your aircraft and watch the White Continent recede as we fly smoothly across the Drake Passage. Upon arrival in Punta Arenas, Chile, a gala dinner and comfortable rest await you at the beautifully appointed Hotel Cabo de Hornos (or a similar category hotel).



DAY 10: Punta Arenas, Chilean Patagonia

Spend the day exploring the best of Chilean Patagonia on an excursion to the famous Estancia Olga Teresa, a local ranch that embodies Patagonian hospitality. Learn about life at the bottom of the world and keep a close eye out for wildlife, including guanacos, rhea, and Andean condors. In the evening, relax in exceptional comfort back at your hotel or explore the vibrant city of Punta Arenas.



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Inclusions & Details

Accommodation

Hotel & Cabin Onboard a Ship

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INCLUSIONS

Group arrival transfer from Ushuaia Airport to Albatros Hotel (Day One)
Pre-night (Day One) stay at the Albatross Hotel in Ushuaia, including breakfast (based on your cabin configuration)
Transfer from the Albatross Hotel to the Ocean Nova for embarkation (Day Two)
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)
Complimentary use of rubber Muck boots on loan for the duration of your expedition (exclusions apply - see below)
Full access to the onboard gym
500mb free internet usage
All port taxes
Group transfer from ship to King George Island
Charter flight from King George Island to Punta Arenas
Group Transfer from Punta Arenas Airport to Hotel Cabo de Hornos
Two post-voyage hotel night including breakfast and dinner
Full-day excursion to Estancia Olga Teresa on the first day after arrival from Antarctica to Punta Arenas

- 2027/2028 season onwards - New outer shell expedition jacket for you to keep

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
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)

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.

Single Surcharge

Classic Twin cabins will have a Single Supplement for Solo Use, at a rate of 1.8 x Twin rate

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Price Dependent upon

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Sustainability

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.

Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions

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