



# Expedition To Antarctica

**14-day/11-night journey to Earth's last frontier, where whales, seals and penguins mingle among turquoise glaciers and glimmering icebergs**

*Departures: January 4 to 17 | January 17 to 30, 2023*

Up-close viewing of breaching humpback whales



Spend two nights in vibrant Buenos Aires, Argentina, and enjoy a nine-night, five-star cruise to “The White Continent.” Retrace sea lanes navigated by storied explorers Shackleton, Amundsen and Scott. Be among the fortunate few to set foot on this pristine wilderness. Enjoy guided excursions led by an expedition team of naturalists aboard sturdy Zodiac crafts amid floating ice sculptures, intricate ecosystems and abundant wildlife—including humpback whales, leopard seals and Adélie penguins. Extend your expedition with the Iguazú Falls Post-Program Option, which includes Buenos Aires/Iguazú round-trip airfare.



Guided shore excursions



## 14-Day/11-Night Itinerary

- 1 Depart the U.S. or Canada**
- 2-3 Buenos Aires, Argentina**—Arrive in Buenos Aires and check into the five-star INTERCONTINENTAL BUENOS AIRES HOTEL. See the colorful La Boca district; Monserrat's grand public buildings; historical Plaza de Mayo; Palermo's lavish parks; Puerto Madero's lively riverfront; and the old quarter of San Telmo. Visit the city's historical Recoleta Cemetery.
- 4 Buenos Aires/Fly to Ushuaia/Embark the ship**—Fly to Ushuaia. Embark the ship this afternoon and cruise through Beagle Channel, named for the ship that carried Charles Darwin on his South American voyages. Attend the Captain's Welcome Reception.
- 5-6 Cruising the Drake Passage**—Cross the legendary Drake Passage and, upon reaching the Antarctic Convergence, watch for breaching fin and humpback whales and seabirds feeding on plankton and krill.
- 7 Port Lockroy/Jouglia Point**—Visit Port Lockroy—an intelligence post for British espionage during World War II that was later converted into a whaling station and scientific base. Gain insight into the daily activities of past researchers at the living museum known as "Base A" and mail a postcard stamped with an Antarctica postmark from the official British Post Office.
- 8 Petermann Island/Lemaire Channel**—Call at Petermann

Island and watch its thriving rookeries of penguins and blue-eyed shags. Cruise through the Lemaire Channel, where seven majestic miles of mountains and interweaving patterns of ice floes brim with wildlife.

- 9 Continental Landing Neko Harbor/Paradise Harbour**—Listen for the rumbling of Rudolf Glacier as it calves slabs of ice into Neko Harbor. This spectacular harbor is one of the most dramatic sights on your expedition. Here, mark your continental landing in Antarctica. Cruise through Paradise Harbour.
- 10 Deception Island/South Shetlands Islands/Half Moon Island**—Deception Island encircles the Port Foster caldera, where the ship enters through Neptune's Bells—a harbor ringed by snowcapped peaks and sheer cliffs. Marvel at the crescent-shaped Half Moon Island—site of Cámara Station, a base monitored by Argentine biologists studying regional wildlife. Enjoy the Captain's Farewell Reception.
- 11 Cruising the Weddell Sea**—Cruise below the 60<sup>th</sup> parallel south to the outer shores and islands of the Antarctic Peninsula. A vast array of marine wildlife flourishes here in this pristine wilderness—millions of penguins, countless seabirds and thousands of seals and whales.
- 12 Cruising the Antarctic Convergence/Beagle Channel/Ushuaia, Argentina**—Complete your crossing of the

Drake Passage with the rounding of Cape Horn, the graveyard of sailors and hundreds of ships that once battled the westerly winds. At Cape Horn, the ship will go east before turning north once more towards Beagle Channel back to Ushuaia.

- 13 Ushuaia, Argentina/Disembark ship/Fly to Buenos Aires/Depart for the U.S. or Canada**—Disembark in Ushuaia and fly to Buenos Aires.
- 14 Arrive in the U.S. or Canada**



Magnificent glacial views on zodiac excursions

# Highlights

- ◆ Unique, 14-day itinerary featuring a nine-night cruise to the world's last great frontier and two nights in vibrant Buenos Aires.
- ◆ Be among the fortunate few to discover “The White Continent,” where whales, seals and penguins mingle among glaciers and icebergs.
- ◆ Enjoy Zodiac excursions led by an expedition team of naturalists, with expertise spanning marine biology; ornithology; glaciology; conservation; history; and photography.
- ◆ Complimentary boot rental during the trip. Souvenir polar-grade red parka provided.



Fur seals on Deception Island



Albatros



Whale watching from the ship



Ice Class ship



Iguazú Falls

## EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED FIVE-STAR, SMALL SHIPS LE BORÉAL or L'AUSTRAL

- ◆ Ocean-view suites and guestrooms, most with a private balcony—the optimal Antarctic cruising experience!
- ◆ Custom-built, ice-class ships designed for Antarctic waters with stabilizers and the flexibility to adjust course spontaneously, maximizing wildlife sightings.
- ◆ All meals included on board the ship, as well as alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages throughout the cruise.

## POST-PROGRAM OPTION Iguazú Falls

The UNESCO World Heritage site of Iguazú Falls, among the world's most spectacular natural wonders, is situated in one of South America's last remaining virgin rainforests. Spanning nearly the Argentinian border of Brazil, Iguazú Falls is three times as wide and nearly twice as high as Niagara Falls. Visit Parque das Aves jungle reserve, home to more than 350 species of birds, 66 varieties of mammals and an array of reptiles, fish and flora. Includes one night in the five-star INTERCONTINENTAL BUENOS AIRES HOTEL and two nights in the five-star MELIÁ IGUAZÚ FALLS. **Buenos Aires/Iguazú round-trip airfare is included.**

## 2023 DEPARTURE DATES: January 4 | January 17

Category	LAND/CRUISE RATES <small>excluding taxes</small>	Early Booking Savings (if booked more than six months prior to departure)	Rate after Early Booking Savings
5	Superior stateroom, large window featuring bathroom with shower. <i>Deck 3.</i> (limited availability)	\$9,995	\$11,495
4	Deluxe stateroom, small window with door to partial-wall balcony. <i>Deck 3.</i>	\$11,295	\$12,995
3	Prestige stateroom, sliding glass door, partial-wall balcony. <i>Deck 4.</i>	12,795	\$14,695
2	Prestige stateroom, sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> , shower. <i>Deck 5.</i>	\$13,995	\$16,095
1	Prestige stateroom, sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> , shower or tub/shower. <i>Deck 6.</i>	\$14,995	\$17,245
<b>Deluxe Suite</b>	Expansive sliding glass door, <b>large private balcony</b> , tub/shower, sitting area with sofa. <i>Deck 6.</i> (limited availability)	\$15,695	\$18,045
<b>Prestige Suite II</b>	Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, <b>large private balcony</b> , two bathrooms: tub/shower and shower, large sitting area with sofa, two closets. <i>Deck 5.</i> (limited availability)	\$15,995	\$18,395
<b>Prestige Suite I</b>	Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, <b>large private balcony</b> , two bathrooms: tub/shower and shower, large sitting area with sofa, two closets. <i>Deck 6.</i> (limited availability)	\$16,595	\$19,085
<b>Owner's Suite</b>	One bedroom, sitting room with sofa, table and four chairs, expansive sliding glass doors, <b>larger private balcony</b> , bathroom with separate tub and shower. <i>Deck 6.</i> (limited availability)	\$17,495	\$19,995

Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Round-trip airfare Buenos Aires/Ushuaia (internal program air) is an additional \$765 per person.

Taxes are an additional \$580 per person.

LE BOREAL and L'AUSTRAL have been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or upon request from Gohagan & Company.

The Post-Program Option is available at additional cost. Details will be provided during the reservation process.

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