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ANTARCTICA CLASSIC IN DEPTH - 13 DAY CRUISE FROM USHUAIA

This 13-day expedition introduces you to the magic of the South Shetland Islands and the Antarctic Peninsula. Part of the reward of arriving in Antarctica is the challenge of negotiating the Drake Passage – and the MS Expedition will bring you there safely. Encounter leopard seals lazing on ice floes and immense rookeries of penguins surrounded by towering glaciers. The Expedition's expert guides and lecturers offer knowledge and insight that really bring the nature and history of the region to life, creating the adventure of a lifetime.



ITINERARY

Day 1 Ushuaia

Arrive in Ushuaia at any time. Enjoy the sights and sounds of the world's most southerly city. Arrival transfer is included. There will be a welcome desk in the lobby of the start hotel that will provide more specific information on the MS Expedition.

Day 2 Ushuaia/Drake Passage

Enjoy a free morning in Ushuaia. Do any last minute shopping, explore the town or the surrounding countryside. Embarkation on the MS Expedition begins in the afternoon at the port in Ushuaia. Enjoy the evening sailing through the Beagle Channel. Expedition travel can be full of surprises! While it is our

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intention of adhere to the itinerary described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. On your first day onboard, your Expedition Leader will give you an expedition overview outlining what the specific plans are for your trip.

Days 3–4 Drake Passage/South Shetland Islands

The adventure begins with a 800km (497 mi) crossing of the passage named in honour of 16th-century English sea captain and privateer Sir Francis Drake. The ship is at home in this part of the Southern Ocean. Take in daily lectures from the expedition team and keep an eye out for sightings of icebergs, whales, and albatross following in the Expedition's wake. The M/S Expedition is at home in this part of the Southern Ocean, known for the unimpeded never ending fetch of the winds that encircle the Antarctic. As the Expedition crosses the passage there will be time to become acquainted with the ship and frequent the common areas that include the lounge, dining hall, library and lecture hall where we meet our guides, ship's crew and expedition staff. Begin lectures and information sessions to learn the extraordinary human and natural history of the Antarctic region.

Days 5–10 South Shetland Islands/Antarctic Peninsula

With a total of six days to explore the worlds most southerly ecosystem, there's more time to encounter the unique wildlife and awe-inspiring scenery of the Antarctic. Our goal is to get ashore twice per day to encounter penguin rookeries, get a good look at the variety of seal species, and keep an eye out for the whales that feed in the peninsula's cold, fertile waters. Navigate southwards making stops in the South Shetland Islands then through the Bransfield Strait and to the Antarctic Peninsula. During the voyage, learn about some of the most important and dramatic expeditions to this remote corner of the world. Take an optional polar plunge, visit an abandoned whaling station or a working scientific research station and gain a new perspective on this part of world. Our goal is to attempt two excursions per day while we navigate through the area but our itinerary and daily schedule will be based on the local weather and ice conditions that we encounter.

Days 11–12 Drake Passage/Ushuaia

Begin the journey north to the home port of Ushuaia. Review the highlights of the Antarctic experience with the lecturers and staff. Keep your eyes open on the observation deck for some last-minute whale sightings. Leave Antarctica and head north across the Drake Passage. In between bird watching and whale watching and enjoying some final lectures by the expedition staff, this is a chance to relax and review the adventures of the past week before returning to Ushuaia. Remember, the best way to experience the wildlife of the Drake

Passage is to be on deck keeping a look out for Albatross, Prions and Whales!

Day 13 Ushuaia

Disembark the Expedition after breakfast. In the morning upon completion you will disembarkation in Ushuaia. Passengers will receive a complimentary transfer to either the airport or a central location where luggage can be stored. For those on morning flights, a transfer will bring them directly to Ushuaia airport (USH). The rest of the passengers will be transferred to the luggage storage point and given time to explore the city. These passengers should then return to retrieve their luggage and board a second transfer to Ushuaia airport in the afternoon, depending on their flight times. Please note that the transfer times are subject to change according to flight schedules.

Please Note:

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable.

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YOUR SHIP: EXPEDITION

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VESSEL TYPE:	Expedition
LENGTH:	105 metres
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	140
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	refurbished 2009

Not only will the G Expedition steer you closer to some of our planet's most amazing places, our professional and highly-skilled team of on-board experts offer keen insight, unique perspectives, and hands-on attention not found in a guidebook. Make your next tour a voyage you'll remember the rest of your life. Return home a different person than when you left.

Cabins

Private en suite bathrooms Bathrooms in all cabins feature washbasins, toilets and showers. (Category 5 cabins feature state-of-the-art full-body misting showers.)

Ocean views All cabins are outside-facing with ocean views that frame some of the most remarkable and remote landscapes on Earth, and every cabin has its own porthole or window.

Spacious living quarters All suites are 30m sq (320 sq ft) and all cabins are 15m sq (160 ft). All cabins come equipped with wardrobes, drawers, nightstands, and writing desks to make you feel as at-home as possible.

Daily cabin service Our friendly crew will make your beds, fluff your pillows and tidy up your cabin while you're out, ensuring you return to a warm, inviting room each night.

Amenities

The G Expedition has multiple large public areas to enjoy during sea crossings and in between land excursions. Amenities include: All cabins with private en suite and outside view - The Penguin Library - Medical clinic and english speaking doctor - The Gear Shop - Polar Bear Pub - The Lounge - Albatross Dining Room, serving international cuisine and large enough to accommodate all passengers in one sitting - Large aft deck with barbecue facilities - Forward deck viewing platforms - Fitness centre/sauna - Large fleet of Zodiacs with 4-stroke engines

Crew & Staff

Experts in everything from geology to marine biology and polar history, the members of our team are always eager to share their infectious passion for the plants, animals, and people you'll encounter. Add in professional hotel staff and a seasoned crew, and you'll be more than comfortable during your adventure on the water.

10:1 passenger-to-expert ratio More on-hand experts means deeper access and greater understanding of the planet's most amazing places. Our experts' lectures, Q&A; sessions, and personal reflection deliver a personalized and intimate perspective on these faraway shores.



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PRICING

11-Nov-2025 to 23-Nov-2025

Cat 1A - Quad	14399 NZD pp
Cat 1 - Triple	16199 NZD pp
Cat 2 - Twin	19099 NZD pp
Cat 3 - Twin	20299 NZD pp
Cat 4 - Twin	22799 NZD pp
Cat 5 - Suite	24999 NZD pp

Optional tours and excursions are available, please contact us for more details.

01-Dec-2025 to 13-Dec-2025

Cat 1A - Quad	16199 NZD pp
Cat 1 - Triple	17599 NZD pp
Cat 2 - Twin	21099 NZD pp
Cat 3 - Twin	22599 NZD pp
Cat 4 - Twin	24999 NZD pp
Cat 5 - Suite	27699 NZD pp

Optional extras & upgrades

Camping. From 633 NZD

Follow in the footsteps of bold explorers and experience this land's awe-inspiring splendours first hand. Our Antarctica camping experience includes time to enjoy the beauty of Antarctica near your campsite with ample photography options. Experience the sounds of heaving ice, the fresh scent of the sea, the stars at night—nothing gets you closer to the humbling forces of nature than spending a night ashore!

Kayaking. From 2049 NZD

Weather permitting, you will head out in kayaks during the days where zodiac landings are also available. Kayaking as part of a group lead by experienced and skilled leaders, is an opportunity to experience these remote regions from another vantage point. No other activity gets you as close to the natural environment!