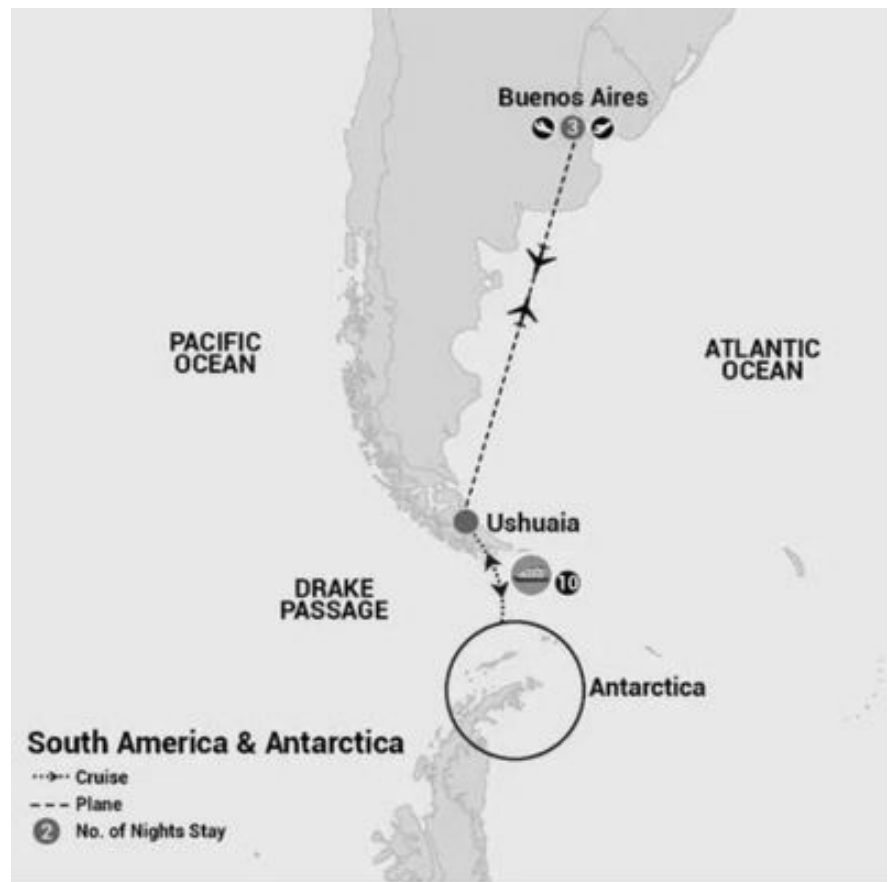


15 DAY HIGHLIGHTS OF ANTARCTICA (2022/2023)

DESTINATIONS

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BUENOS AIRES
USHUAIA
ANTARCTICA
DRAKE PASSAGE



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DAY 1

Destination	Home ➔ Buenos Aires
Meals included	
Hotel	5 ★ Emperador Hotel Buenos Aires, or similar

Today, board your flight bound for South America to begin your expedition to Antarctica.

On arrival at Buenos Aires international airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

DAY 2

Destination	Buenos Aires
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	5 ★ Emperador Hotel Buenos Aires, or similar

Enjoy a day in Buenos Aires, the bustling capital of Argentina. Spend the evening at your leisure and discover 'Paris of South America' for yourself on a warm spring or summer day.

BUENOS AIRES CONTRASTS

Delve into Buenos Aires' most multiethnic neighborhoods during a 3,5 hour guided sightseeing tour and discover the city's unexplored boroughs including Once, Palermo, Belgrano and China Town. Learn about the various cultures, eat their food and visit numerous iconic landmarks. Leaving the hectic city center behind, you will explore Once neighborhood, inhabited by a large Jewish community, currently considered as the third largest orthodox Jewish community in the world, after Israel and New York. You will have a stop and free time to buy some typical food in one of the many Jewish shops in the area before we continue to Palermo Soho, nowadays well known as the most modern and chic area in the city full of colorful graffiti's and street shops. Discover the area and do some shopping before we continue to Belgrano, where we see China Town. Bus will stop there so you can get a feel for this sector of the city, full of restaurants and shops. Buenos Aires is a complex city - when you thought you knew it, it surprises you once again with something new.

Duration: 3 hours starting and ending at hotel (approx. 15:00–18:30).

Inclusions: The price includes an English-language and guided sightseeing tour by bus

Additional information: This activity requires a minimum of 15 travellers. Hurtigruten reserves the right to cancel the activity up until 6 weeks before departure.

BUENOS AIRES HALF DAY CITY TOUR

Buenos Aires is an exquisite combination of European flair and the charm of Latin American cities. This tour provides an in-depth introduction to the city's history and architecture, the culture, anecdotes and secrets of its people. Visit the lively and frenzied downtown area, the 'aristocratic' northern neighbourhoods and the working-class districts in the south.

Duration: 3 hours starting and ending at hotel (approx. 15:00–18:30).

Inclusions: The price includes an English-language, guided sightseeing tour by bus

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TRENDY BUENOS AIRES

Starting on the cobbled streets of historic San Telmo barrio, you explore Pasaje Defensa, the 16th century ruins of El Zanjón de Granados, antique shops, and the renovated San Telmo market. Continue to the Barracas district and Avenida Caseros, a cool gastronomic boulevard shaded by linden trees, featuring architecture resembling Paris. Finally, stroll around the Palermo area with its many restaurants, pubs and clothing stores, and mingle with locals and celebrities.

Duration: 3 hours starting and ending at hotel (approx. 15:00–18:30).

Inclusions: The price includes an English-language and guided sightseeing tour by bus

Additional information: This activity requires a minimum of 15 travellers. Hurtigruten reserves the right to cancel the activity up until 6 weeks before departure.

DAY 3

Destination	Buenos Aires ✈️ Ushuaia 🚢 Embark on Antarctica Cruise
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar

This morning you will be transferred to the airport to take an early flight to Ushuaia. On arrival you will be collected and transferred to board your expedition ship *MS Fridtjof Nansen*. Settle into your cabin and familiarise yourself with the ship.

Tonight, we kick off our journey with a welcome dinner.

DAY 4

Destination	🚢 Drake Passage
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar

Prepare yourself for Antarctica as we cross the infamous Drake Passage, and trust us – it will take your breath away! Take it all in onboard *MS Fridtjof Nansen* with her two-storey panorama lounge over the bow, with wall-to-wall windows bathing the room in natural light and providing extraordinary views.


DAY 5

Destination	🚢 Drake Passage
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar

Today is another day at sea as your ship makes its way to the Antarctic Peninsula. Relax and enjoy your ship's facilities, or join one of the lectures conducted throughout the day.

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DAY 6

Destination	 Antarctica
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar

Welcome to one of the most remote areas on Earth!


There have been spectacular photo opportunities so far, but Antarctica is in an entirely different category. Go ashore by Zodiac boat to explore the breathtaking Antarctic scenery and get close to penguins and seals. You will feel like a real explorer from the moment you set foot on the endless expanse of snow and ice and from the deck there will be ample opportunities to see whales.

Over the next six days we'll be making various landings in different locations throughout the peninsula. Enjoy close encounters with wildlife and glaciers, and visit old whaling stations and its relics. Trust us when we say that every second of this journey has something new to offer.

One of the highlights of the South Shetlands is Deception Island. When we sail into the natural harbor of this volcanic island, you will see an abandoned whaling station known as Hektor and a derelict British base.


Over the course of the next few days we'll also visit Wilhelmina Bay, Paradise Harbor and other remote locations. Join gatherings where the various members of the expedition team recount the day's activities, make presentations, and discuss the next day's plan. These gatherings are great opportunities to share experiences and mingle with your fellow explorers.

DAY 7

Destination	 Antarctica
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar


Another day in Antarctic waters learning about the natural flora and fauna, joining Zodiac landings and various activities (weather depending).

DAY 8

Destination	 Antarctica
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar

Another day in Antarctic waters learning about the natural flora and fauna, joining Zodiac landings and joining various activities (weather depending).


DAY 9

Destination	 Antarctica
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar

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Another day in Antarctic waters learning about the natural flora and fauna, joining Zodiac landings and joining various activities (weather depending).

DAY 10

Destination	 Antarctica
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar


Another day in Antarctic waters learning about the natural flora and fauna, joining Zodiac landings and joining various activities (weather depending).

DAY 11

Destination	 Drake Passage
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar



After exploring this exhilarating continent, we set course back to civilisation. Spend the day at sea recapping your experiences with fellow explorers, or just relaxing on deck.

DAY 12

Destination	 Drake Passage
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Ship: MS Fridtjof Nansen, or similar

Today is another day at sea as your ship makes its way back to South America. Relax and enjoy your ship's facilities, or join one of the lectures conducted throughout the day.

DAY 13

Destination	Disembark Antarctica Cruise  Ushuaia  Buenos Aires
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	5 ★ Emperador Hotel Buenos Aires, or similar

Sadly, every adventure must come to an end. It is time to say goodbye to the crew and all your new friends when we reach Ushuaia. We transfer you to the airport for your flight back to Buenos Aires. On arrival at the airport you will be welcomed by your guide and transferred to your hotel.

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BUENOS AIRES DINNER & TANGO SHOW

An expression of passion, sensuality, nostalgia and melancholy, the tango is known as the national dance of Argentina. The form originated in late 18th century "boliches" (brothels) and drew from influences brought by immigrants from Europe and Africa. The tango became known internationally and enjoyed a period of great popularity in cosmopolitan cities like Paris. Spend an evening enjoying one of the city's many tango shows to get a sense of the true spirit of Argentina.

Duration: 4 hours starting and ending at hotel (approx. 20:00–24:00).

Inclusions: Transfers from the hotel to the tango show and back, live tango show, three-course dinner with aperitif, wine and coffee, and English-speaking guide.

Additional information: This activity requires a minimum of 15 travellers. Hurtigruten reserves the right to cancel the activity up until 6 weeks before departure.

DAY 14

Destination	Buenos Aires ✈ Home
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Today, you will be transferred to Buenos Aires International Airport for your scheduled flight home. We hope you enjoyed your journey to Antarctica with us!

BUENOS AIRES TIGRE DELTA

Join a river cruise in beautiful surroundings about 30 km north of Buenos Aires. In the suburb of Tigre, we board a riverboat to cruise along the rivers and channels comprising the Paraná River Delta. This is a 14,000 square kilometer area with thousands of islands. The delta runs through a subtropical rain forest where the Argentinian national tree "Ceibo" and its flowers are not uncommon.

Duration: 4 hours starting and ending at hotel (approx. 09.00–13.00).

Inclusions: The price includes an English-language and guided sightseeing tour by bus and boat, starting and ending at the hotel.

Additional information: This activity requires a minimum of 15 travellers. Hurtigruten reserves the right to cancel the activity up until 6 weeks before departure.

DAY 15

Destination	Home
Meals included	
Accommodation	N/A

Arrive home today. We hope you've been *inspired*.

Depending on your flight schedule you may arrive home the following day.

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Inclusions

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Return airfares with a full-service airline
- Return South America charter flight from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia
- All airport and port transfers with guide assistance
- 10-night Antarctica expedition cruise onboard the MS Fridtjof Nansen (500 people max)
- On board accommodation on Polar Outside Window cabin (RS)
- Complimentary wind- and water-resistant jacket to keep
- Landings with small Zodiac boats and activities onboard and ashore
- Free WiFi onboard for all guests
- 3 nights accommodation in the Argentinian capital of Buenos Aires
- Daily breakfast, 9 lunches and 10 dinners including beer, wine, soft drink and mineral water with meals

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Buenos Aires - Undertake a city tour of this colourful capital, known as the 'Paris of Latin America'
- Ushuaia - Travel to the city nicknamed the 'End of the World'
- Drake Passage - Cross the famous body of water on your journey towards Antarctica
- Antarctica - Experience awe-inspiring glaciers, ice-filled bays and a host of wildlife
- Antarctic Peninsula - Set foot on the Antarctic Peninsula and meet penguins and elephant seals up-close
- South Shetland Islands - Land on these remote islands and visit whaling stations and scientific facilities

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CRUISE DETAILS

For detailed information on your ship, click [HERE](#).

Compulsory Cruise Forms

- Personal Questionnaire - This form must be received by Hurtigruten at least 8 weeks prior to your voyage departure.
- Medical Certificate - If applicable, the cruise Medical Certificate is to be completed and approved by your personal physician not more than 8 weeks before your departure date. The completed forms must be presented to the ship's doctor upon boarding. Boarding will be denied if part III of the Medical Certificate is not approved by your personal physician. Even if the forms have been duly submitted and approved by your personal physician, the ship's doctor and the captain reserve the right to deny the boarding of guests who do not seem to be sufficiently fit for travel.

Fine Print

ANTARCTICA EXPEDITION BONUSES - TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All Inclusive Cruising

Including international airfares, extra pre & post accommodation, all meals, beverages with meals (including house beer, wine & soft drinks and mineral water), complimentary Wi-Fi and shore excursions.

Over \$1,000 Bonus Value per couple

- Free Flexible Date Change cover - Change your date free of charge up until 60 days prior to departure (Valued up to \$99 per person) Exclusions apply. Please see Fine Print
- Receive AUD \$200 on board credit per person upon boarding. On-board credit will be in the ship's currency (EUR) and credited to the amount of EUR 130 per person.
- \$250 per couple Future Travel Credit with Inspiring Vacations to use in 2021 - Book Antarctica today and use your credit to secure your next holiday
- \$125 per couple Future Travel Credit with Travel Spree - Book now and lock in your next domestic holiday with Travelspree.com.au, for use in 2021
- \$250 per couple Future Travel Credit with Inspiring Vacations to use in 2022 - Book today and use your credit to secure your 2022 adventure
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Note: The single traveller bonus value amount is \$500 per person.

How to add the bonus value offer to your booking

- Follow the 'book now' prompts
- After selecting your departure date and room type, add the Special Offer to your order by clicking 'add to booking'.

Terms and Conditions

- Offer valid until 11:59PM 19th of April 2021 or until sold out. Bonus value is based on 2 people, single/solo booking value will be based on the 1 person equivalent.
- Inspiring Vacations reserves the right to finish the offer prior to the finishing date at its discretion.
- Future Travel Credits can not be used for existing bookings or used as a future payment method for any booking made in conjunction with this offer.
- Flexible Date Change cover is underwritten by our Book with Confidence terms and conditions.
- Travel credit vouchers must be used within 12 months of issue date or are forfeited
- All credit or voucher amounts will be issued within 14 days of the conclusion of the campaign or after your 1st installment payment has been made (which ever is greater).
- Amounts are not refundable for cash or transferable or combinable with any other offers or competition.
- Inspiring Vacations reserves the right to cancel the value offer in the instance of a force majeure event as described in the Inspiring Vacations terms & conditions.
- In such instances, no deferral, rebooking or compensation will be available.
- All other Inspiring Vacations terms & conditions along with specific package fine print continue to apply
- Only applicable to select packages

BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE

Inspiring Vacations has been globally recognised and awarded for its handling of COVID-19 during the pandemic. The safety and wellbeing of our guests is our highest concern during this time of uncertainty, and we are continuously monitoring the evolving COVID-19 situation.

We have adopted the advice of the WHO to ensure all customers can travel with the knowledge of how to travel safely and with confidence.

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Australian owned and operated with 100% Australian Customer Service support

We are proudly 100% Australian owned and operated, with our head office located in Melbourne, Victoria. When you make your booking, you will receive dedicated and ongoing support from our team of travel professionals throughout your booking, up until you are due to depart.

Limited Only - Antarctica Expedition Promotion

INCLUDED - Book now, change later with our Flexible Date Change option, giving travellers the flexibility to change your date without penalty (subject to availability, less third party costs incurred, plus any applicable surcharges for the new date selected).

Date change must be requested prior to 60 days before your original selected departure date*. Once inside 60 days of departure, date changes are not permitted.

*some packages may have a varied period in which you can request a date change due to limitations with the third-party provider.

The Flexible Date Change option does not cover cost incurred for components not fulfilled by Inspiring Vacations or in the event extra services have been booked with Inspiring Vacations outside of the standard package, including but not limited to airfares, pre/post accommodation or insurance.

Exclusion - ALL 2023 departures are excluded from the Flexible Date Change offer. Customers booked on a 2023 departure are able to change their date up until 90 days prior to departure, however airline change fees will apply.

Promotion ends 1st of April 2021

Cooling off period

If you change your mind within 7 days of making your booking online, you can request a refund of your initial deposit payment as part of our cooling off period.

Once your purchase date falls outside of the 7 day period, our standard terms and conditions will apply. Please ensure that any request to cancel your booking is received via email to support@inspiringvacations.com, including the reason for cancellation.

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HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payment

- Secure your booking with a \$99 deposit per person.
- Pay a 2nd instalment within 7 days (***refer to the table below***). This payment is to secure your cabin with Hurtigruten. Your invoice will be updated post-booking based on your cabin selection.

	Twin Cabin	Single Cabin
RS Polar Outside	\$3,400pp	\$4,527pp
RR Polar Outside	\$3,571pp	\$4,776pp
Arctic Superior	\$4,043pp	\$5,459pp
Suite Balcony	\$4,600pp	\$8,105pp

- Pay a 3rd instalment of \$2,500 14 months prior to departure. This payment is to begin securing your airfares.
- Final payment is then due 120 days prior to departure.

Booking Process

- Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)
- Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
- Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
- Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
- Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment
- Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
- Your booking is confirmed once your Booking Form is submitted and you can begin the countdown to your Inspiring Vacation!

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FLIGHTS, UPGRADES & EXTENSIONS

Flights, Upgrades & Extensions

- Full-service airline used will be LATAM Airlines or similar
- Flights include a maximum of two connections
- All tickets will include 20 kilos checked baggage per person, along with 7 kilos of hand luggage.
- Despite the airline's baggage allowance, we recommend travelling with 20 kilos per person.
- Once ticketed, flights are non-refundable; any changes will be subject to the airline rules and change fees
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control
- A surcharge of \$300 per person applies when departing from Adelaide, Perth, Cairns, Darwin, Hobart, Launceston and Canberra.
- Any airline 'extras' such as pre-allocated seating are at your own arrangement (additional charges apply)

Business Class upgrades

Business Class available on request. Please specify this as a 'Special Request' when completing your booking and you will be quoted for the additional fare. In the event your selection is unavailable, or that you are dissatisfied with the quote, you will be provided with a full refund.

Extending Your Stay

Some customers like to enhance their holiday by extending their stay pre- and/or post-tour. If you wish to do so, please follow these steps:

Once you have logged in to your account, click on 'Book Now' and complete the required fields until you reach the 'Special Requests' free text field. Here, be sure to mention if you would like us to also quote additional nights' accommodation, with the number of nights needed.

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CABIN BEDDING & UPGRADES

Bedding on board the cruise is restricted to the following configurations.

If you wish to upgrade your cabin, the following amounts are payable in addition to the package price prior to travel:

- **Polar Outside Window cabin:** INCLUDED. The Polar Outside cabins are primarily on the lower/middle decks with windows, they are spacious, TV and Ensuite for excellent and high standard accommodation. **NOTE: These cabins have double bedding only. For twin share, please upgrade to RR Polar Outside.**
- **Polar Outside Window cabin:** \$875 per person, twin share (single \$1,270). The Polar Outside cabins are primarily on the lower/middle decks with windows, they are spacious, have flexible sleeping arrangements (double or twin), TV and Ensuite for excellent and high standard accommodation. Twin and double share available.
- **Arctic Superior Balcony cabin:** price from \$2,571 per person, twin share (single \$3,772). *Great for wildlife photography* Arctic Superior class cabins are comfortable and roomy accommodation and have balconies. They have flexible sleeping arrangements (double or twin), TV and ensuite and other features make this one of our most popular categories.
- **Suite cabin:** price from \$4,799 per person (Single not available) *Great for wildlife photography* Suites feature private balcony, top-high decks, ensuite, flexible sleeping arrangements, some with sofa bed, TV, minibar, amenity kit, bathrobe, kettle, tea and coffee, espresso maker. They have flexible sleeping arrangements (double or twin). Enjoy free access to the upscale Lindstrom restaurant for breakfast and dinner.

EXCLUSIONS

- Visas
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Tipping
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional activities
- Personal expenses

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Fitness Requirements

While the tour itinerary should give you some guidance and overview to the expected requirements, to determine if this tour is right for you we categorise each of our tours in terms of their intensity. These guidelines are to ensure that each tour group is conducted as expected and to ensure the overall satisfaction of all Inspiring Vacations customers.

As a general rule, portage is not included, therefore at all times you are expected to handle your own luggage where help may not be available.

This particular tour is categorised as a "3".

3 – Moderate Tour: A good level of fitness and mobility is required, as this tour includes a moderate level of physical activity and is considered a medium-fast paced tour. You should be able to walk up and down stairs, get on and off the coach and able to walk reasonable distances of approximately 2 kilometres per day or more with ease. Any physical ailments you may have must be disclosed at the time of booking to determine your suitability. If you have any form of walking aids, other than a walking stick or hiking poles, then this tour is not suitable.

Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. While tipping is not customary, it's of great significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels, inspires excellent service, and is an entrenched feature of the tourism industry across many destinations.

You may also consider tipping your tour leader and driver for outstanding service throughout your trip. Remember, a tip is not compulsory and should only be given when you receive excellent service.

However, no gratuities expected on cruise.

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

Single supplement is \$4,509 per person in addition to the twin-share

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price for the RS cabin. Additional single supplement costs will apply for the higher cabin categories. Please follow the 'book now' prompts to view pricing.

Triple Share

Not available.

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

We have partnered with nib to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book comprehensive or budget cover simply by clicking [HERE](#) to arrange your policy.

Visa & Passport information

It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return.

Australian passport holders do not require a visa for travel to Argentina or Antarctica.

Please note that these details are subject to change without notice. We recommend visiting <https://smartraveller.gov.au> for up to date information in terms of entry requirements. Visas should not be applied for before receiving final documentation.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation including, e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Group Size

2-500 people.

Trip Style - Expedition Cruise

These trips are for the true explorer. Expedition small ship cruising is the best way to get off-the-beaten-track and see some of the world's most unspoilt and remote destinations. The experience on an expedition cruise is very different from that of a conventional, larger cruise ship. The focus is not about the ship's creature comforts but very much about the destination, its nature and wildlife.

Daily shore excursions by zodiac inflatable boats allow you to step on to shore in the world's most remote locations where few have ever been before. These trips will be a mix of fully guided or self-guided depending

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on your chosen package, on board your small ship you'll have an expert expedition team giving you informative lectures and educational lectures in many different scientific fields.

Children

Children must be 12 years old or above and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Length

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent inflight and is subject to change, depending on the flight schedule. Please refer to the day-by-day itinerary for the time spent in your destination(s).

OPTIONAL TOURS

To enhance your journey, we are offering guests a choice of the following optional activities (prices are per person):

- Buenos Aires (Day 1): Buenos Aires Half Day City Tour - \$73 pp
- Buenos Aires (Day 1): Trendy Buenos Aires - \$82 pp
- Buenos Aires (Day 1): Buenos Aires Contrasts - \$82 pp
- Buenos Aires (Day 12): Buenos Aires Dinner & Tango Show - \$285 pp
- Buenos Aires (Day 12): Buenos Aires Tigre Delta - \$143 pp

Optional tours can be selected once you have finalised your tour purchase and paid your deposit. When completing your Passenger Booking Form, you will be asked if you would like to add Optional Tours, where any applicable cost will be added to your final balance. If you choose not to select them at this time, you can choose to add them later by logging in to your Account online or speaking with your Dedicated Support Agent for assistance.

Please note that you must select your Optional Tours no later than 65 days before departure, after which you will be required to purchase them on tour. Please keep in mind that anything purchased on-tour is subject to availability. We appreciate your understanding.