



#### TRIP CODE

ACQEEXSS

#### **DEPARTURE**

24/11/2026; 04/02/2027

#### **DURATION**

10 Days

#### LOCATIONS

Antarctica, Antarctic Peninsula



## INTRODUCTION

Experience the thrill of crossing the 800-km Drake Passage on a 10-day Antarctic expedition, departing from Ushuaia, Argentina. On the journey, you may encounter whales, penguins, and ice floes as you head toward the Antarctic Peninsula. Traveling by sea one way and flying the other offers the best of both worlds. While the vast silence of this wilderness is awe-inspiring, the lively wildlife and your fellow travellers provide a sense of connection. You'll gain a deeper appreciation for Antarctica's extremes, from its rugged mountains to its fragile ecosystems and large penguin colonies.

## **ITINERARY**

DAY 1: Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina

Upon arrival in Buenos Aires, make your way to the included group hotel, which is part of your Charter Flight & Hotel Package. A presentation room will be open from 12 pm to 8 pm for luggage weighing and tagging. A Quark Expeditions representative will be available to answer your questions and give information about the next day's flight and ship embarkation. After an early breakfast the following morning, your group will transfer to the airport and board our private charter flight to Ushuaia, Argentina, the southernmost city in the world.





### DAY 2: Fly to Ushuaia & Embarkation

Your Charter Flight and Hotel package will provide you with some free time to explore this quaint port town at the bottom of South America. Steeped in marine history, this walkable Argentine city has plenty of museums, galleries and historic sites to visit quite easily. We will transfer the group to the ship for embarkation around 4 pm.



#### DAY 3: Crossing the Drake Passage - Day 3 & 4

Legendary for its high winds and rolling seas, you may get lucky and have surprisingly calm seas through the Drake Passage. Spend your time in the lounge or chatting with your fellow travelers. As you develop your sea legs during the crossing, our Expedition Team will begin their series of presentations to help prepare you for your upcoming Zodiac and land excursions. You officially enter Antarctica when your ship crosses the Antarctic Convergence, a biological boundary that fluctuates around 60° south.



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DAY 5: South Shetland & Antarctica - Day 5 to 8

The most common reaction upon reaching the 7th Continent is a sense of reverence and awe. The experience is beyond words, since few places are as untouched as Antarctica. You will begin to appreciate why this region has long captivated the attention of explorers and travelers alike. Every time we visit Antarctica, we witness something new or unexpected, which means that your expedition will be unlike any other creating a unique, personal experience. Each day, you will take Zodiac excursions from the ship to explore glaciated bays, channels and landing sites. Your Expedition Team will take care of you at each landing, whether you are hiking the Antarctic landscape, visiting a research station or observing chinstrap, Adélie and gentoo penguins, all of which can be found here. Keep an eye out for Weddell, fur, crabeater and leopard seals as well as curious whales, such as humpbacks, minkes, or perhaps orcas while on a Zodiac cruise. Each excursion will present a new array of creatures to fascinate you and keep your camera busy. Amid the serene silence of Antarctica, noisy interludes become indelible memories, such as penguins squabbling over prized pebbles, or the boom and crack of a calving glacier. Every day will be different, having been carefully crafted by your Expedition Team to inspire and educate you about this wonderful part of the world.



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### DAY 9: Disembarkation & Fly to Punta Arenas

With only the Drake Passage ahead, you'll disembark on King George Island before flying to Punta Arenas, Chile. Once you're in Punta Arenas, we'll transfer you from the airport to your hotel, where you're free to explore and enjoy a final dinner on your own, before your homeward journey.



#### DAY 10: Depart Punta Arenas

After breakfast, you are free to continue on your own travels or make your way to the Punta Arenas airport for your homeward flights. \*Please note: Cruise itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions, ice conditions and other factors.





# **INCLUSIONS & DETAILS**

**Accommodation** Hotel & Cabin On Board Ship

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## **INCLUSIONS**

One night pre-expedition hotel accommodation in Buenos Aires with breakfast

Group flight in economy class from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia Group transfer from hotel to airport in Buenos Aires

Group transfer from Ushuaia airport to the ship

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All shore landings per the daily program, weather permitting Shipboard accommodation

All meals, snacks, soft drinks and juices on board throughout your voyage

Select beer, wines and cocktails during bar service hours and dinner

Coffee, tea and cocoa around the clock

Presentations by expedition team & special guests

Downloadable photographic journal documenting the expedition

Expedition boots on loan for shore landings

Hairdryer and bathrobe available in every cabin

All miscellaneous service taxes and port charges throughout the program

Luggage handling aboard the ship

Free 1GB data card for limited Wi-Fi access for use on one device, permitting basic Internet browsing, email, posting on social media and voice applications (additional data can be purchased on ship)

Emergency Evacuation Insurance for all passengers to a maximum benefit of US\$500,000 per person

Flight in economy class from King George Island to Punta Arenas

A post-expedition group transfer in Punta Arenas from the airport to the hotel

One night post-expedition hotel accommodation in Punta Arenas with breakfast

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

Transfer on arrival in Buenos Aires from airport to hotel at the beginning of the journey

Any airfare unless otherwise specified in the itinerary

Passport and visa expenses

Government arrival and departure taxes

Any meals unless otherwise specified

Travel insurance

Alcohol and bar service does not include spirits

Excess baggage charges

Mandatory waterproof pants for Zodiac cruising, or any other gear not mentioned

Laundry, spa services, bar, beverage and other personal charges unless specified

Telecommunications charges

Data card does not include premium packages which enable more data-intensive applications

Voluntary staff and crew gratuities

Additional overnight accommodation

Arrival and departure transfers, except where stated Paid Adventure Options

**NOTE:** Baggage allowance on charter flight is 33 lbs (15 kg) checked and 11 lbs (5 kg) carry-on

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<b>Difficulty Rating</b>	2 (Light Adventure)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request, a supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please <u>contact us</u> for more information.
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated) 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* Please note that flights to/from King George Island are subject to weather and landing conditions
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.

# SUSTAINABILITY



