



# Antarctica Cruise Expedition

# Description

Embark on a life-altering **Antarctica Cruise Expedition** departing in 2026! This 10-day adventure plunges you into the heart of the White Continent, filled with kayaking, captivating lectures, and unparalleled photography opportunities. Navigate the Drake Passage and explore the South Shetland Islands on this mind-blowing **Antarctica Cruise Expedition**. Witness breathtaking landscapes and abundant wildlife on an amazing **Antarctica Cruise Expedition**.

# Day 01: Ushuaia Arrival & Embarkation

Arrive in Ushuaia, Argentina, the world's southernmost city, and explore its vibrant Patagonian charm or hike the surrounding forests. Consider a day trip into the raw nature of Tierra del Fuego, a hiker's paradise with rugged snow-capped mountains, glaciers, flower-filled meadows, and rich boggy wetlands. In the afternoon, board the expedition vessel in port. After a mandatory safety drill, the expedition begins, navigating through the calm waters of the Beagle Channel, dividing southern Tierra del Fuego between Chile and Argentina. Keep watch for whales and dolphins as we sail into the tempestuous Drake Passage. Overnight on board the vessel.

# Day 02: Southbound Drake Passage

Sailing onward, cross the famed Drake Passage, separating Patagonia and the Antarctic Peninsula, known for its rollicking conditions and strong westerly winds. Rest comfortably aboard the purpose-built expedition vessel, equipped with stabilizers and a highly qualified crew. Prepare for arrival in Antarctica with briefings from the Expedition Leader on safety and minimizing your impact on the precious wilderness, including wildlife watching tips. The Expedition Team will assist you to bio secure your clothing and equipment, protecting Antarctica's delicate ecology. Overnight on board the vessel.

# Day 03: Antarctic Convergence Approach

Continue crossing the Drake Passage. The Expedition Team will share lectures on Antarctic exploration history, wildlife, geology, and glaciology. Cross into the Antarctic Convergence, watch the mercury plummet as sailing southwards into Antarctic waters, an abrupt cooling that marks the intersection of Antarctic waters with the warmer waters of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Expect to see petrels, albatrosses, and potentially penguins, seals and whales in abundance. Weather permitting, make landfall in the South Shetland Islands on the afternoon, marking the start of exploration on the Last Continent. Overnight on board the vessel.

# **Day 04: South Shetland Exploration**

Begin exploring the South Shetland Islands, the northernmost point of Antarctica. This chain of rugged rocks exposes us to the fury of the Southern Ocean. Discover the region's rich wildlife, with large Gentoo and Chinstrap Penguin colonies, and an



abundance of large seabirds such as predatory Giant Petrels. The ice-clad mountains of Livingstone, Greenwich and King George Islands give us a glimpse of what is to come as venture further south. Overnight on board the vessel.

#### Day 05: Volcanic Sands & Penguin Colonies

Explore the South Shetland Islands further. Potential landing sites include the black steaming sands and rusting ruins of Deception Island (an active volcanic crater), the bustling penguin colonies of Aitcho and Half Moon Islands, or the old sealers' anchorage of Yankee Harbour. Overnight on board the vessel.

#### Day 06: Antarctic Peninsula - Gerlache Strait

Explore further south on the Antarctic Peninsula in the Gerlache Strait region. Our exact route will be subject to careful planning by the Expedition Leader and Captain. Aim to visit a range of sites that showcase the best of this staggeringly beautiful region. Marvel at the massive icebergs and vast glaciers on a Zodiac cruise in Paradise Bay. Be moved by penguins tenderly caring for their precious eggs, and fiercely defending their nests on Cuverville Island. Overnight on board the vessel.

#### Day 07: Glaciers, Whales and History

Experience the Antarctica of old at historic huts such as Damoy Point, lovingly restored and open to all. Feel the spray of water from the blow of a humpback whale on a Zodiac safari in Wilhelmina Bay. Wonder at awe-inspiring scenery on a ship cruise through the Lemaire Channel. Watch cataracts of ice tumble into clear blue ocean on a hike over the active glaciers of Neko Harbour. Wind, ice, and sea conditions will dictate precise destinations and timings, explained in evening briefings by your Expedition Leader. Overnight on board the vessel.

#### Day 08: Northbound Drake Passage

Depart Antarctica and spend two days at sea on the way northwards back across the infamous Drake Passage towards the shores of the Beagle Channel. A variety of activities will be arranged on board to provide our guests with the chance to reflect on their voyage. Relax with an expertly crafted cocktail in the Nordic Bar in the company of new friends, soak up the knowledge and passion of our Expedition Team during lectures in the Shackleton Lounge, or simply enjoy the flight of the albatross which accompany us northwards. Overnight on board the vessel.

#### Day 09: Farewell Cocktail Aboard

Continue the voyage across the Drake Passage. Join the Captain and Officers for the Farewell Cocktail Party during your last evening onboard, followed by a presentation of photos and video by our onboard photographer. Relive your Antarctic adventure. Overnight on board the vessel.

#### Day 10: Ushuaia Disembarkation

Arrive back at the pier of Ushuaia, Argentina. After a hearty breakfast, bid farewell to the Crew and Albatros Expedition Team and descend the gangway back to dry land.

# **Tour Highlights**

Ushuaia, Drake Passage, South Shetland Islands, Antarctic Peninsula, Gerlache Strait, Paradise Bay, Cuverville Island, Neko Harbour, Damoy Point, Wilhelmina Bay, Lemaire Channel, Beagle Channel

#### Ocean Albatros Rooms

Ocean Victory Rooms



Deck Plan





# Brochure



#### Sailing Dates:

Jan 2026 | 2nd; 11th; 20th; 23rd & 29th Feb 2026 | 1st; 7th; 10th; 16th; 19th & 25th Mar 2026| 11th

# **Cruise Expedition Includes**

- Ex. Ushuaia City Center to Cruise in Shuttle Buses
- Stay in Cruise Accommodation on Selected Staterooms
- Full Board on the Cruise Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks & Dinner



- Complimentary House Wine, Beer & Soda at Dinner (Selected Labels & Brands, served at our A-la-carte Dinners)
- Free Tea and Coffee available 24 Hours
- Taxes and Landing Fees
- Welcome and Farewell Cocktail Parties
- Digital Visual Journal link distributed after the Voyage, including Voyage Log, Gallery, Species List & more!
- All Zodiac Landings & Excursions with Expedition Team
- Expedition Parka
- Rubber Boots Loan Scheme
- Briefings and Lectures by Expedition Leader and Team
- English-speaking Expedition Team
- Transfer back to Ushuaia City Center or Airport by Shuttle Buses

# **Cruise Expedition Excludes**

- Any Airfare
- Argentina Visa
- 5% GST
- 20% TCS
- 3% Card Charges (If Applicable)
- Any Stay & Food in Ushuaia
- Transfer from Ushuaia Airport to Ushuaia City Center Hotel
- Transfer from Ushuaia City Center Hotel to Ushuaia Airport
- International Payment Conversions Charges (If Applicable)
- International Payment Transfer Charges (If Applicable)
- Gratuities Tips for the Crew (USD 16/ Person/ Day Recommended)
- Any Optional Activities/ Tours
- Any Extra Meal
- Any Extra Overnight Stay
- Any Extra Transfers
- Any Personal Expenses (Albatros Polar Spa Services, Albatros Ocean Boutique Purchases)
- Contingency Expenses
- Whatever is not mentioned in Includes

# Antarctica Cruise Expedition **Booking** Price

The featured starting price of this tour is based on a guaranteed 2 Pax in 1 room for 9 nights/ 10 days in Ocean Albatros/ Ocean Victory Cruise in their base category rooms. The final price can only be informed during the quotation.

Note: April 2025 Promotional Price of \$950/ Person/ Day is the basic starting price for the base category of Albatross Expedition Cruises. And price will change day by day, and the starting price will start changing as seats are getting blocked. So, ask for the final quote which will take atleast 48-72 Hours of Time to be delivered.

# **Pricing Policy**



- 1. All the prices can change without any notice due to fuel price hike, inflation, economy disruption.
- 2. All the prices mentioned are Per Person Rate, based upon minimum 2 Persons travelling together.
- 3. All the prices are alwas different on different sailing dates.
- 4. All the prices are based on base category double sharing bed room of the mentioned Cruise.
- 5. All the prices given above are indicative & approximate, so price may exceed 20-25% during final quotation.
- 6. All the prices will change with respect to the change in the number of Pax.
- 7. All the prices are valid as per the months mentioned above.
- 8. All the prices are valid for Residential Indian Citizens only.
- 9. The featured price mentioned in this tour is based on minimum 2 Persons travelling together.
- 10. Please call +91 9874284569/ 9874361951 for Group Booking, MICE Tours & Institutional Tours.

#### **Tour Customisation**

- 1. This tour can be upgraded & customised as per your requirement.
- 2. Please call +91 9874284569/ 9874361951 to upgrade your package.

#### **Cruise Booking Policy**

- 1. Ocean6 Holidays partners exclusively with Albatros Expeditions for this Antarctica Expedition.
- 2. All Cruise rooms are volatile. No rooms are on hold.
- 3. Confirmation of Cruise process starts upon guest payment receipt.
- 4. Cruise confirms rooms after receiving payment from Ocean6 Holidays.
- 5. Ocean6 Holidays shall not be responsible for any consequences of Cruise non-booking.
- 6. Please call +91 9874284569/ 9874361951 for any clarification.

#### **General Payment Policy**

- 1. 25% Advance must be paid during Booking.
- 2. 75% Balance must be paid 90 days before Check-in Date.
- 3. 100% Payment must be made in 72 hours, if booking is made less than 90 days before to departure.
- 4. Disruption in Payment Schedule will affect the Tour Confirmation.
- 5. Please call +91 9874284569/ 9874361951 for any clarification.

# **General Cancellation & Refund Policy**

Percentage of Refund	Period	Deduction
100% Refund of Total Tour Amount	180 days before Check-in Date	USD 1,100 Deduction
75% Refund of Total Tour Amount	91-179 days before Check-in Date	25% Deduction
No Refund of Total Tour Amount	0-90 days before Check-in Date	100% Deduction
Any cancellation or refund is subject to USD 200 of Total Tour Amount whichever is higher as processing charge.		
Any cancellation or refund is prioritised on the time and policy of Third Party Accommodation & Transportation.		
Please call +91 9874284569/ 9874361951 for any clarification.		

# Detail FAQs - Terms & Conditions

# **Date** 20/06/2025