



Highlights of Antarctica

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The Offer

Here is your once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to step foot onto the great frozen continent, Antarctica, as you embark on an HX Expeditions cruise. Set sail for Antarctica's pristine, remote beauty from Ushuaia, the world's southernmost city and navigate the legendary Drake Passage where the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans meet.

HX Expeditions' newest ships, MS Fridtjof Nansen and MS Roald Amundsen, will quickly feel like home with the comfort and elegance of Scandinavian-designed cabins. Start your journey by meeting your fellow adventurers and the onboard team of specialists in the Explorer Lounge & Bar. Discover the inspired and delicious menus prepared in the state-of-the-art kitchens at speciality Restaurant Lindstrøm, the more casual Restaurant Fredheim or Restaurant Aune. Stay active, relax and rejuvenate with an onboard wellness centre that includes a sauna, spa, infinity pool, hot tub and fitness room. Gain a deeper understanding of Antarctica from onboard experts with specialty workshops and lectures highlighting the Polar environment, wildlife biology, scientific research, plus get pro tips on capturing that perfect Antarctic photograph.

As the ship approaches the icy landscapes of Antarctica, admire towering icebergs, colossal glaciers and a breathtaking array of Antarctic wildlife and seabirds. Led by expert guides and modern-day explorers, you'll venture to icy shores on Zodiac landings for up close animal encounters. Get your camera ready as you catch sight of breaching whales, soaring albatross, colonies of waddling penguins and more.

This unforgettable Antarctic experience promises breathtaking natural wonders that few have ever seen. Your bucket list adventure includes return international full-service flights, a 10-night Antarctica cruise, 3 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation, 33 meals and more.

Want more? Indulge when you upgrade yourself to an Arctic Superior balcony cabin or to the luxury of a spacious Expedition Suite. Extend your adventure when you Arrive Early or Stay Behind in Buenos Aires.

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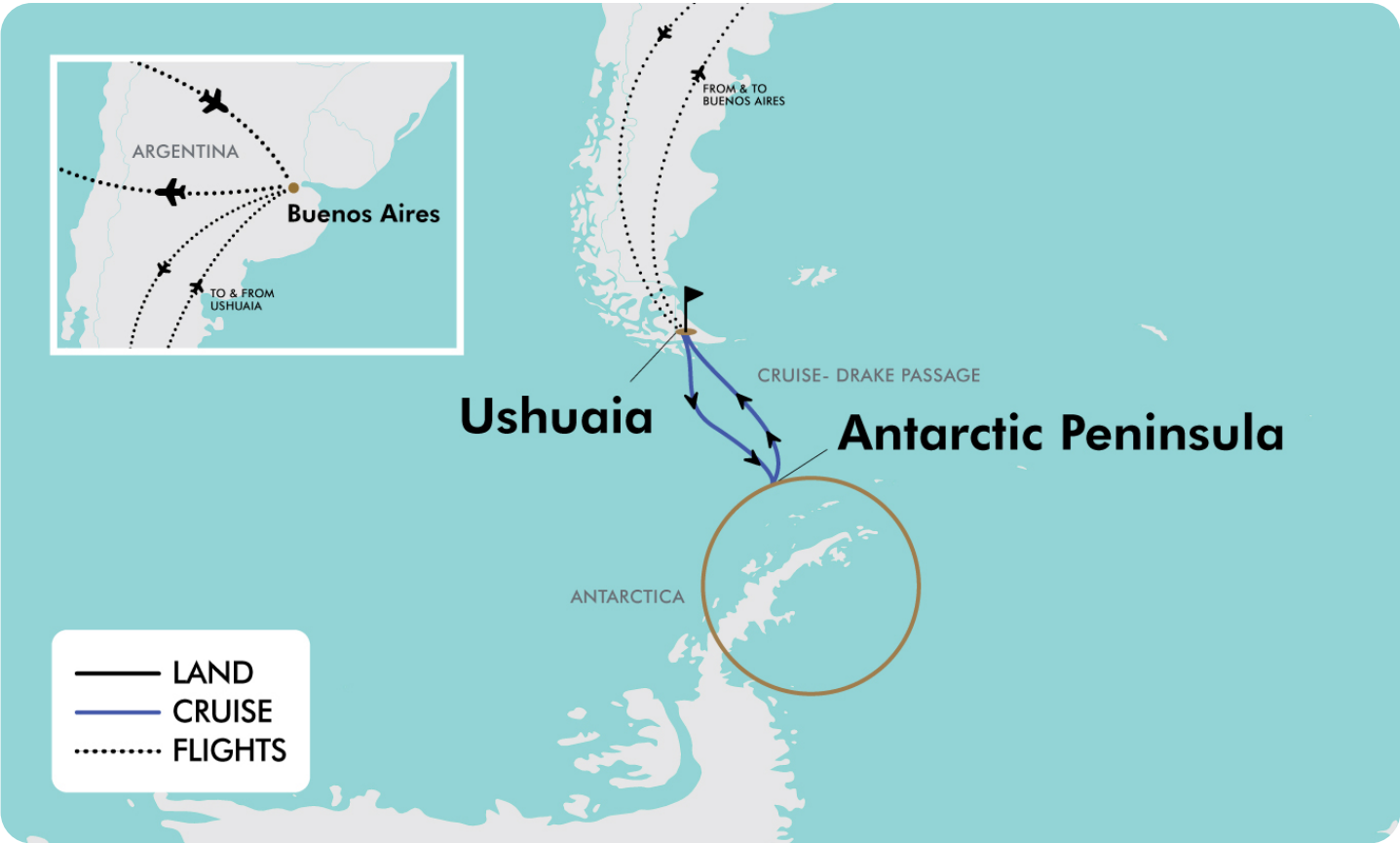
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The Itinerary

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Buenos Aires, Argentina

Bon voyage! Today, at the appropriate time, make your own way to the airport to board your flight to Buenos Aires, the first stop on your journey to Antarctica!

Welcome to beautiful Argentina. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your centrally located hotel.

Please note: Due to flight times and scheduling some customers may be required to depart Day 0. Flight times will be confirmed on your final documentation which you will receive at least 4-6 weeks prior to departure.

Overnight: Hotel Grand Brizo, Buenos Aires, Argentina (or similar)

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Buenos Aires - Ushuaia - Embark 10-Night Antarctic Cruise

This morning be transferred from the hotel to the airport for your early morning flight to Ushuaia where a hybrid-powered state-of-the-art HX Expeditions ship awaits. This port city competes with Chilean Puerto Williams for the coveted title of the southernmost city in the world. The Martial Glacier sits north of the city, creating an impressive mountain backdrop for what many refer to as the 'end of the world'.

After a mandatory health and safety meeting on board the ship, kick off your journey with a welcome dinner hosted by the Expedition Team. You can then spend some time getting to know the ship that will be home for the next eleven days.

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 3 Drake Passage

The ship will cross the infamous Drake Passage, named after the English sea captain and privateer Sir Francis Drake who discovered it by chance in 1578. Since there is no landmass at this latitude, wind and water roam freely, making it hard for some ships to sail here. But don't worry, even the 'Drake Shake' isn't a big deal for HX Expeditions ultra modern ships.

It takes two days to cross the roughly 1000-km-wide Drake Passage, which gives you time to get ready for your Antarctic adventure. The Expedition Team will start their lecture programme in the on board Science Centre, drawing on decades of experience in Antarctica to teach you how to make your visit as safe and as sustainable as possible. As per IAATO guidelines, once you begin venturing on land you will all wear sterilised rubber boots when ashore and ensure to vacuum your clothing beforehand to remove any possible foreign contaminants. You will also learn about the various hands-on 'Citizen Science' projects that you can get involved in, such as collecting samples and data or whale counting and cloud observation. All of which feed into live research and current science.

The stylish HX Expeditions ship is waiting to be explored, quite literally. Work out in the indoor or outdoor gym or order a spa treatment in the Wellness Area. There are also three superb restaurants on board where you can enjoy delicious meals that are a treat for your eyes and your taste buds. But even with all these mod cons, don't forget to head out on deck from time to



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time to look for the first icebergs, and to spot wildlife like whales, dolphins and numerous types of seabirds including petrels and albatross.

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 4 Drake Passage

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Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 5 Antarctica

Land ho! Welcome to Antarctica. For the next 5 days, surrounded by icy waters, looming glaciers and icebergs as big as cathedrals could make you feel as though you've landed on another planet. Antarctica is as magnificent as it is mesmerising and massive. You may need to take a moment once in a while in order to take it all in. Although, the awe-inspired silence will inevitably be broken by the first signs of wildlife. It is not uncommon on board when penguins, whales or seals appear, that the serene silence will be broken by loud enthusiastic cheers erupting spontaneously all across the ship.

Just as the ice-scapes of Antarctica change through its seasons, so does its wildlife. In late spring from October to November, there will be much more snow, making the landscapes seem even more surreal and pristine. This forms the backdrop of penguin courting and nest building. Whales are still few and far between during this time, most of them still on their way and begin to

arrive in greater numbers by December and January. Arrival of more whales marks the height of summer which is also when the first penguin chicks hatch. Watching the clumsy clumps of feathers playing in the snow is always a charming sight. February and March are the peak of whale-watching opportunities, when they are lured to the Antarctic Seas by vast amounts of krill.

Once you arrive, the Expedition Team will seize every chance they can, to take you ice-cruising and on Zodiac landings to get closer to the impressive scenery and wildlife. Spotting penguins from the ship is already an experience, which becomes even more wondrous when you go ashore to see them up close and personal. It's the same if a seal or whale suddenly appears next to you when cruising in the smaller explorer boats or when kayaking as part of an optional activity. Needless to say, keep your camera close at all times. To enhance the feeling of discovery, the Expedition Team will talk expertly about fascinating subjects like the history of the frozen continent, the biology of local wildlife, and the intriguing aspects of glaciology.

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 6 Antarctica

Be sure to talk to your expedition team onboard to book optional excursions for your time in Antarctica!

Optional Activity: Camping in Antarctica (An Amundsen Night)

Duration: 10 hours

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In the true style of the early explorers, we venture out at night for a once in a lifetime experience as we go camping in the Antarctic night. Although Amundsen, Scott and Nordenskjold had different equipment, they used the best gear available at the time. So do we. This activity features top of the line camping equipment that meets Antarctic standards for camping on snow. This activity may have limited availability. In the event that space becomes limited, participants will be chosen via a lottery based lucky draw.

Imagine yourself sleeping under the Antarctic sky with little more than the thin wall of a tent separating you from the elements. In the true style of the early explorers we venture out at night for this once in a lifetime chance to feel like a polar explorer. Although Amundsen, Scott and Nordenskjold had different equipment, they used the best gear available at the time. So do we. This activity features top of the line camping equipment that meets Antarctic standards for camping on snow.

The adventure starts with a pre-camp briefing by the experienced expedition staff who accompany us on the activity. We set up our camp after dinner with guests participating from beginning to end. If you have never pitched a tent before, this is your chance. After the camp is set up you can either go to bed or sit outside and marvel at the stillness, or listen to penguins in the distance. Depending on the landing site, we may take short walks to nearby viewpoints and visit penguin colonies in the bright Antarctic night. If you like, wake up early, climb out of your tent and watch the sunrise.

In the morning hours we take down the camp and boats pick us up for the return trip to the ship. Back on board, we enjoy a special breakfast and debrief the experience. As an IAATO

member, HX Expeditions adheres to all guidelines associated with onshore overnight stays in Antarctica. We leave nothing behind and remove all traces of our presence to protect wildlife and the fragile environment. Join us for this unique and unforgettable experience!

Optional Activity: Snowshoeing in Antarctica

Duration: 2 hours

Feel the spirit of the early Antarctic explorers. Join us for a walk on the wild side with snowshoes. Climb hills, cross glittering white plains, and untouched landscape. Here few humans have set foot. The experienced Expedition Team will guide you to places with awe-inspiring views. You might observe penguin colonies or even see whales swimming in the sea from above.

Optional Activity: Kayaking Adventure in Antarctica

Duration: 3 hours

Merge with nature on an exceptional Antarctic sea kayaking adventure. Explore nature and wildlife up-close as we kayak along awe-inspiring icebergs and glaciers.

Paddling through crystal-clear water and spot seals, penguins, and even whales. The experienced Expedition Team will take you to stunning Antarctic areas with high chances of encountering wildlife.

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 7 Antarctica

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Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 8 Antarctica

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 9 Antarctica

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 10 Drake Passage - Heading Back to Civilisation

After having delved into the remote and wild continent of Antarctica over five whole days, it will be time to set sail homeward bound. By this point, both your head, heart and camera will be filled with lifelong memories. Crossing back over the Drake Passage, spend the next couple of days replaying those memories just to try and stay in Antarctica a little longer. The Expedition Team will also be doing the same as they recap the journey's many experiences in the Science Centre. Working out in the state of the art on-board gymnasium is also a great way of processing everything you have seen. Or maybe just let your mind wander back to Antarctica in the Explorer Lounge and Bar?

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 11 Drake Passage

Overnight: HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 12 Disembark Cruise - Fly Ushuaia to Buenos Aires, Argentina

The expedition cruise reaches its inevitable conclusion today upon the ship's return to Ushuaia. Having travelled to the bottom of the world and back - you've journeyed to the fabled Seventh Continent, something that only a lucky handful have ever accomplished, and you have enchanting stories and penguin photos to prove it!

Antarctica will likely hold a place in your heart which few other places can match. Together with the other explorers who have been there, may we do all we can to preserve its unique beauty.

From Ushuaia, disembark and join a transfer to the airport for the flight back to Buenos Aires and a second chance to experience the Argentine capital. Upon arrival in Buenos Aires, be transferred to the hotel for the final night in Argentina.

Overnight: Hotel Grand Brizo (or similar)

Meals included: Breakfast





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Day 13 Half-Day City Tour Buenos Aires

Known as the Paris of the south and for its multitude of theatres and world class steakhouses, Buenos Aires is the vibrant capital of Argentina and one of the most amazing cities in South America.

Today enjoy a wonderful sightseeing tour visiting the famous Playa del Mayo, Cabildo, the Metropolitan Cathedral and the impressive Plaza San Martín. Come across sumptuous French palaces in Palermo Chico, the area of Palermo best known for its large parks designed by celebrated landscape architects, such as the illustrious Frenchman Charles Thays. In Retiro and Recoleta, you will learn about the dream of local aristocrats in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, when they sought to build a small-scale Paris in the heart of Buenos Aires.

Take the rest of today to explore the sights, gastronomy and arts of this fantastic city. Come sundown, you might like to take a taxi to moody Baracas and enjoy one of the many traditional wine bars or maybe practise your dance moves in the hometown of Tango. Make sure to embrace the heat from this sensuous city, because you can be sure that it is about to get a whole lot colder.

Optional Activity: Dinner & Show at Cafe de Los Angelitos

Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Hotel Grand Brizo (or similar)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 14 Buenos Aires, Argentina - Australia (or New Zealand)

The time has come to begin your journey back home. At the appropriate time, meet your driver at the hotel and transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 15 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)

Welcome home, we hope you have enjoyed your trip!

Please note: Some flights may arrive +1 day later.



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Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

- Witness breathtaking landscapes and wildlife as you experience the surreal beauty of Antarctica*
- Cruise aboard HX Expeditions MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen
- Set sail on a modern, state-of-the-art expedition vessel
- Spot colonies of penguins, blue whales and pods of playful Orca whales
- Look out for Antarctic fur seals, Leopard seals, elephant seals, Antarctic seabirds and more
- Cross the famed Drake Passage, crossroads of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans
- Step foot on the great white continent with several escorted Zodiac landings
- Gain an insight with in-depth lectures by the dedicated Expedition team on a variety of topics
- Explore the ship's Science Center with its extensive library and advanced equipment
- Immerse yourself in the Citizen Science programme for a chance to assist with live scientific research
- Get pro tips to snap amazing photographs with the help of a professional onboard photographer
- Experience the highlights of Buenos Aires on a guided tour
- Enjoy time at leisure to explore Buenos Aires
- *Medical clearance is required prior to boarding for all expedition cruises to Antarctica

FLIGHTS

- Return international full-service flights (economy class), departure city surcharges may apply
- Return charter flights between Buenos Aires and Ushuaia

CRUISE

- 10-night all-inclusive Antarctica cruise with HX Expedition
- Cruise aboard MS Fridtjof Nansen or 'MS Roald Amundsen
- Multiple small group Zodiac landings and activities at numerous spectacular locations
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner in restaurants Aune and Fredheim
- Delicious coffee, tea and soft drinks all-day
- Enjoy a glass of wine or beer before dinner in the Pool Bar or unwind in the evening with a cocktail in the Explorer Lounge
- Whatever and whenever you fancy, drinks are available throughout the day and evening at no additional cost (excluding premium drinks)
- Gratuities included
- Complimentary Wi-Fi onboard

Onboard Activities

- In-depth lectures and discussions by experts on the Expedition Team
- Full use of the Science Centre, extensive library and advanced biological and geological equipment
- Citizen Science Programme where you can assist with ongoing scientific research
- Photography tips and techniques for capturing landscape and wildlife from the onboard professional photographer
- Use of ship's hot tubs, infinity pool, panoramic sauna, outdoor and indoor gyms, and running track
- Informal gatherings with the crew for daily briefings

Landing Activities

- Escorted landings with small expedition boats
- Loan of boots, trekking poles and all equipment for activities



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Tour Inclusions

- Complimentary wind and water-resistant expedition jacket (or other HX Expedition kit)
- Expedition photographers are on hand to assist you

ACCOMMODATION

- 3 nights of 4-star hotel accomodation in Buenos Aires

DINING

- 33 meals including daily breakfast and all meals while cruising
- House beer and wine, sodas and mineral water included in Restaurants Aune and Fredheim while cruising

ESSENTIALS

- Airline and cruises taxes and surcharges included

TRANSFERS

- All transfers included

Important Information

**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

Booking Information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase. Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer, you are bound by the [General Terms and Conditions](#) and the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation & Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

- **we act as your booking agent:** TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the

Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- **each booking is unique:** our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.
- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible:** once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.
- **Travel Offers are a package:** our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.
- **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable:** in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please click [here](#).

General Terms & Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our [Terms & Conditions](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Cancellation Policy](#).

Offer Essentials

This travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 9th March 2026. This travel offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies. A select number of discounted solo cabins are available for these departures. Please see the cart for pricing details and availability.

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Departure Dates

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Flights

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, *Brisbane, *Adelaide, *Perth or Auckland.

Departure City Surcharges

- Melbourne: \$100 per person.
- Brisbane: \$200 per person.
- Adelaide: \$300 per person.
- Perth: \$600 per person.

International Full-Service Airline(s)

- Cabin Class: Economy class.

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Please note: From Australia or New Zealand, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 35 hours, with up to 2 stops. This is provided as a guide only - actual flight duration can vary depending on availability and airline schedules. Your booking's final details will be confirmed to you via email once available.

Domestic Flight Information

- Route: Buenos Aires - Ushuaia - Buenos Aires

Baggage Allowance Per Person

1 x 23kg of checked baggage
1 x 8kg of carry on baggage

Missed Flights

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If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

Arrive Early

Buenos Aires, Argentina - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

Buenos Aires, Argentina - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

- **Exclusions:** This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- **Internal Flights:** If you select to Arrive Early or Stay Behind in a city other than the one where the tour starts or ends, the package will include an internal flight to your destination. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly team at the time of purchase. Please note that the cost does not change when you choose to forfeit your connecting flight.
- **Cancellations & Changes:** Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. • • • Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.
- **High-Season:** A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

- **+ 60 days:** You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.
- **Estimated dates:** Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.
- **High season surcharges** apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

15 September 2025 - 12 October 2025
1 December 2025 - 31 January 2026
3 April 2026 - 20 April 2026
26 June 2026 - 17 July 2026
18 September 2026 - 9 October 2026
12 December 2026 - 26 January 2027

Stopover Packages

- Santiago
- Includes:
- 2, 3 or 5 nights in 4-star accommodation
 - Daily breakfast
 - Return airport transfers

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.
- When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.
- When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.
- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.

Flight Class Upgrades

Business Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).
- On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.

Cruise

Medical Disclaimer

Travel to Antarctica is physically demanding, and our Travel Suppliers require all guests to obtain medical clearance before departure even if you don't intend to disembark at Antarctica. This involves completing a medical form and may require medical clearance from a doctor, which could incur additional costs. Any guests who fail to provide the necessary medical documentation will be denied boarding.

Ship: HX Expedition MS Fridtjof Nansen or MS Roald Amundsen

Featuring HX Expedition's revolutionary battery hybrid powered propulsion system, MS Fridtjof Nansen is a near identical twin to her sister ship MS Roald Amundsen. Combining state-of-the-art technology and premium onboard experience with HX Expedition's 125 years of experience and unparalleled destinations, the Norwegian-built ship introduces the next generation of adventure travel.

Facilities Onboard

Cabins & Public Areas

The stunning scenery will be reflected in a rich and comfortable interior design. Scandinavian materials from nature, such as granite, oak, birch and wool will be used to create relaxed and stylish cabins and public areas. All cabins are outside and 50% with a private balcony.

Science Centre

The core of the onboard experience is the

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Science Centre, an edutainment venue where guests and crew meet to create a deeper understanding of the areas we explore. Science Centre will also be the onboard HQ for the Expedition Team.

Restaurants

Three onboard restaurants will host a variety of dining options, with menus drawn from our rich Norwegian and Nordic traditions, as well as international cuisine and local inspiration. Whether enjoying your meal at Aune Main Dining, Fredheim – the informal international meeting place, or the specialty restaurant Lindstrøm, you will indulge in low-key yet refined, modern Norwegian Nordic cooking – where our honest and delicious cuisine reflects our destinations.

Everything You Need For An Expedition Cruise

Each expedition voyage is accompanied by a hand-picked team of specialists and modern-day explorers. Highly experienced, passionate and knowledgeable, the Expedition Team will be your guides and guardians on your voyage of exploration, instructing you on safety, sustainability and science. 'MS Fridtjof Nansen' and 'MS Roald Amundsen' will feature a variety of custom-built expedition equipment including kayaks, a fleet of Blueeye underwater drones and Expedition Boats for safe landings in remote areas.

Onboard Currency

EUR

Packing Tips

When preparing for your polar expedition to destinations like Antarctica, it's essential to dress in layers. We recommend packing a warm winter jacket, as well as wind and water-resistant trousers and long thermal underwear, ideally made of wool. Don't forget a warm cap, scarf, and both fleece and wool gloves or mittens. For your inner layers, bring a warm woollen jumper and a fleece jumper or jacket. You'll also need warm socks and comfortable, broken-in walking boots with good soles for both on-

deck and ashore excursions. Other essentials include sunglasses with UV filters, extra camera batteries (as cold weather shortens battery life), an adapter for European power outlets, and a swimsuit for the on-deck whirlpools.

Cabins/Staterooms

RR - Polar Outside

The Polar Outside cabins are primarily on the middle decks. Most are 20 square metres with windows and flexible sleeping arrangements, as well as a TV and a bathroom with a shower. Larger cabins on lower and middle decks are 205 - 248 square feet with flexible sleeping arrangements, a double bed that can be divided into two single beds (some with a sofa bed) and a TV.

XT/XTD - Arctic Superior Cabins

Arctic Superior cabins are comfortable and roomy, and have a balcony. These are high-deck cabins with a balcony. The spacious cabins are different sizes with flexible sleeping arrangements (some with sofa bed), TV, kettle, tea and coffee.

ME - Expedition Suite with Balcony

The suites are spacious cabins with a fantastic layout, including expansive windows and a balcony. The suites feature flexible sleeping arrangements with a comfortable sofa and sitting areas, as well as a TV and a bathroom with a shower. Expedition Suites are exclusively on the upper and middle decks. Expedition Suites include a bathrobe, an espresso maker and more. An exciting welcome gift awaits all suite guests in their cabin.

Please note:

- *Cruise timetables are subject to change.*
- *Some cruise cabins may have restricted views, based on availability.*
- *Cruise cabins booked on a guarantee basis and are assigned by the cruise line prior to departure. Your cruise cabin number will be reflected in your final documents.*

Accommodation

Accommodation Used

4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Buenos Aires, Argentina: Grand Brizo Buenos Aires Hotel.

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Child Policy

- No child discounts. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 21 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double bedding (subject to availability).

General Information

Optional Tours/Activities

- Day 13: Dinner & Show at Cafe de Los Angelitos - \$199 per person (paid at check out).

Please note:

- *The optional tour listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone before submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability).*
- *Prices are based per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions.*

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- *Some tours or shore excursions require minimum numbers to operate.*
- *Shore excursions must be booked whilst onboard (subject to availability).*
- *Shore excursion programmes and itineraries may vary depending on local conditions and/or any unforeseen events concerning the timing on the day of the tour.*

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Mandatory city tax
- Some specialist excursions and experiences with limited capacity
- Fine dining in the Lindstrøm restaurant
- Personal spa treatments onboard
- Premium drinks onboard (top shelf spirits, vintage wines, champagne, etc.

Other Important Information

WHAT TO PACK FOR AN EXPEDITION CRUISE

To make packing a bit easier, HX Expedition has drawn up a packing list. If you should forget something, don't worry! On board all the ships you will find a shop with a wide range of clothes and practical items.

- Onboard it's smart to wear ordinary shoes.
- Bring a memory card with a large capacity – there are sockets in the cabins to recharge photo equipment.
- The dress code aboard the ship is relaxed and casual and you are not expected to dress formally for meals.
- Extra shoelaces are also a good idea.
- Bring a good pair of binoculars.
- A small waterproof backpack is necessary for carrying essentials.
- Please remember to bring your passport and a copy of it.
- Sun protection.

- Sunglasses with UV filter lenses.
- Lip balm with UV protection. Dry, cold wind and sun often cause chapped lips.
- Money in the correct currency. Remember, the ships also accept several credit cards.
- Remember to bring sufficient medication to last through any unforeseen delays.
- You will receive a wind and water-resistant parka as a memento on this ship.
- Rubber boots are available on loan, at no extra cost.

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- Warm winter jacket
- Wind and water-resistant trousers and long thermal underwear and top (we recommend wool)
- Warm cap or headband
- You should also bring swimwear for use in our on-deck whirlpools
- Scarf or fleece tube
- Warm woollen jumper and fleece jumper/jacket, remember layers are essential
- Sunglasses with UV filter lenses
- Gloves and mittens, fleece and wool
- Warm socks
- Bring extra batteries for your camera, as battery life is shorter in cold areas
- Shoes with good soles are recommended for outdoors, on deck, and for excursions ashore. Make sure they are worn-in walking boots.

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader

An experienced person tasked with

ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

If you've never visited a polar destination, you're probably wondering what you can expect weather-wise when you travel to Antarctica. Even if you've spent time in the Arctic Circle, the Antarctic is an entirely different experience. The high elevation and large landmass make the south pole significantly colder than the North. Of course, temperature is only one piece of the Antarctic weather puzzle. Here's an overview of what weather conditions are like on Earth's southernmost destination:

Seasons in Antarctica

Antarctica only has two seasons which are summer and winter. Because it's located in the southern hemisphere, Antarctica's summer is from October to February. During this time, the sun is almost always in the sky. Days rapidly get longer there in summer, until, eventually, the sun doesn't set at all. This phenomenon is called the Midnight Sun. Although there are multiple places in the northern hemisphere that experience this perpetual sunlight during half of the year, Antarctica is the only southern location where it can be seen. January is the warmest month in Antarctica, during which average temperatures climb all the way up to 0

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degrees in the Antarctic Peninsula. However, the average temperature ranges from -10 degrees celsius to -60 degrees, depending on how far into the continent you travel.

If anyone is in Antarctica once winter comes, they're staying until summer returns. Flights and ships cease travel to and from Antarctica once the weather starts to turn, as conditions become too treacherous for travel. Typically, researchers are the only people who brave the Antarctic night. This is a valuable time for astronomers, who can use complete darkness to get spectacular views of the universe. Climatologists are also busy during this time of year tracking and comparing the temperatures on and below the continent's surface.

LATE SUMMER CRUISING IN ANTARCTICA

February - March

If you choose to go on an Antarctica cruise in February or March, you will be seeing the continent during its late summer period. This provides a variety of benefits, including the ability to explore more thoroughly as the ice melts and breaks apart, allowing for a high chance of seeing whales on the Peninsula.

What whales might you see?

Late summer is the best time to see whales in Antarctica. It is most common to see Humpback whales, Minke whales and killer whales, though it's possible to see many other species as well. These can include blue whales, fin whales, sei whales, southern right whales and sperm whales.

What about penguins?

By March, those adorable penguin chicks are growing up. They begin to fledge and grow into their adult feathers, while their parents may already have gone out to sea to begin to prepare for their own moulting season.

Why go during this season?

If you're an explorer who wants to see as much of Antarctica as possible, choose a

late-summer cruise. As the polar ice melts, you'll have access to points much farther south than you would during other travel seasons. You will certainly see some wildlife, as well, and will get to know the untouched majesty of Antarctica in this particular form.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 45 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

CRUISE

Embarkation/Disembarkation

- Begins approximately 2 hours after docking.
- Due to security reasons, all guests must be on board 2 hours before sailing.
- Itineraries are subject to change at any time without notice.
- Check your specific sailing for exact departure and arrival times. All times are local to the port.

Please note: Strict Covid-19 terms may also apply regarding proof of insurance covering Covid-19 and/or vaccination. Please refer to the cruise lines' terms and conditions for further information before boarding.

Cruise Loyalty Discounts

Please note: Travellers must contact the cruise line directly upon receiving their travel

documents in order to request any membership benefits they may be entitled to.

COACH TOUR

Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Mobility

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

Fitness Level Required

A leisurely level of fitness will be required. Leisurely is described as light walking, including up multiple stairs, and occasional hiking, may involve uneven surfaces. Able to travel unassisted and get on and off vehicles and small boats. Suitable for most fitness levels and mobility.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Yellow Fever

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also common for your home

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country to request a Yellow Fever certificate upon arrival. You must check with your doctor well before leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Gratuities/Tipping

Cruise

It is not standard practice to tip on Hurtigruten ships, but if you feel that certain crew members should be rewarded for providing exceptional service, there are tip boxes in the restaurant together with envelopes.

Land Arrangements

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. Tipping is optional and at the customer's discretion.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Sightseeing

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts. Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our [Terms and Conditions](#) regarding shopping for

further information.

Visas

Argentina

A tourist visa for Argentina is no longer required if travelling on an Australian Passport. Passengers must hold a passport valid at least six months on entry with one blank visa page. More information can be found at <https://visasdirect.com.au/requirements>

Please note: Effective immediately, all international travellers to Argentina must hold valid travel insurance with medical coverage. This insurance may be requested and verified upon arrival in the country. Argentina's public healthcare system will no longer provide free medical services to foreign nationals. It is therefore essential that you obtain appropriate insurance before your departure.

Chile

Australian passport holders visiting Chile for tourism purposes or transit between 8 to 72 hours must apply for a single or multiple tourist visas. Visas must be lodged through the SAC CIUDADANOS portal only <https://tramites.minrel.gov.cl/>. Visa rules may have changed since COVID-19. Check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination you're entering. Please start arranging your visa at least 3 weeks prior to departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.

Important:

- *Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.*
- *Visa rules may have changed since Covid-19. Some countries and airlines may require you to obtain an additional visa before arrival. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination you're entering.*

Please note:

- *Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.*
- *It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.*

Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance>

Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event),

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there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.