

Luxury Antarctica to New Zealand Voyage

ARGENTINA ● NEW ZEALAND ● ANTARCTICA

The Offer

Venture into Antarctic waters to witness stunning wildlife and unique landscapes on this 35-day, 5-star package. Arrive in Buenos Aires, then take a charter flight to Ushuaia to board Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva. Discover the Antarctic Peninsula, Ross Sea and more as you cruise the coast of Antarctica towards Dunedin, New Zealand.

Touch down in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and spend a night in a 5-star hotel before your charter flight to Ushuaia. Step aboard SH Minerva, one of Swan Hellenic's three ice class ships, for an unforgettable Antarctic adventure. Enjoy included zodiac cruising and expedition landings while on this expedition voyage, getting you up close and personal to all the action. When you are not exploring this pristine continent, learn about marine life from onboard experts, engage in scientific discovery in the expedition lab, soak in the Jacuzzi or sauna or search for wildlife as you sip a glass of wine in the observation lounge with friends.

Cross the Drake Passage to Elephant Island and the volcanic Deception Island before arriving in Neko Harbour for a possible zodiac landing on the Antarctic mainland. Cruise by towering glaciers and glistening icebergs in search of Gentoo, Chinstrap and King penguins, Humpback whales,

sea lions and more. Look to the skies for a soaring albatross as you cruise to the rugged coastlines of Peter I Island and Shepard Island, both uninhabited. Continue to Ross Island, near McMurdo Sound, and the remote islands of the Ross Sea, key locations for Antarctic heritage conservation and natural nesting sites for seabirds like skuas and penguins. Sailing into New Zealand waters, the UNESCO-listed Campbell Island and Auckland Islands offer unique wildlife and native birds hiding among rugged landscapes and lush tundra. Before disembarking in New Zealand's Dunedin, experience the raw wild beauty of Snares Island to perhaps snatch a glimpse of the rare Snares crested penguin.

This unforgettable journey includes return international (or domestic, where applicable) full-service flights, a one-way charter flight, a 32-night Swan Hellenic Antarctic cruise, overnight 5-star accommodation in Buenos Aires, 95 meals while cruising and more.

Want more? Enjoy the added luxury of a Balcony Cabin when you upgrade, or extend your adventure with an Arrive Early or Stay Behind options.

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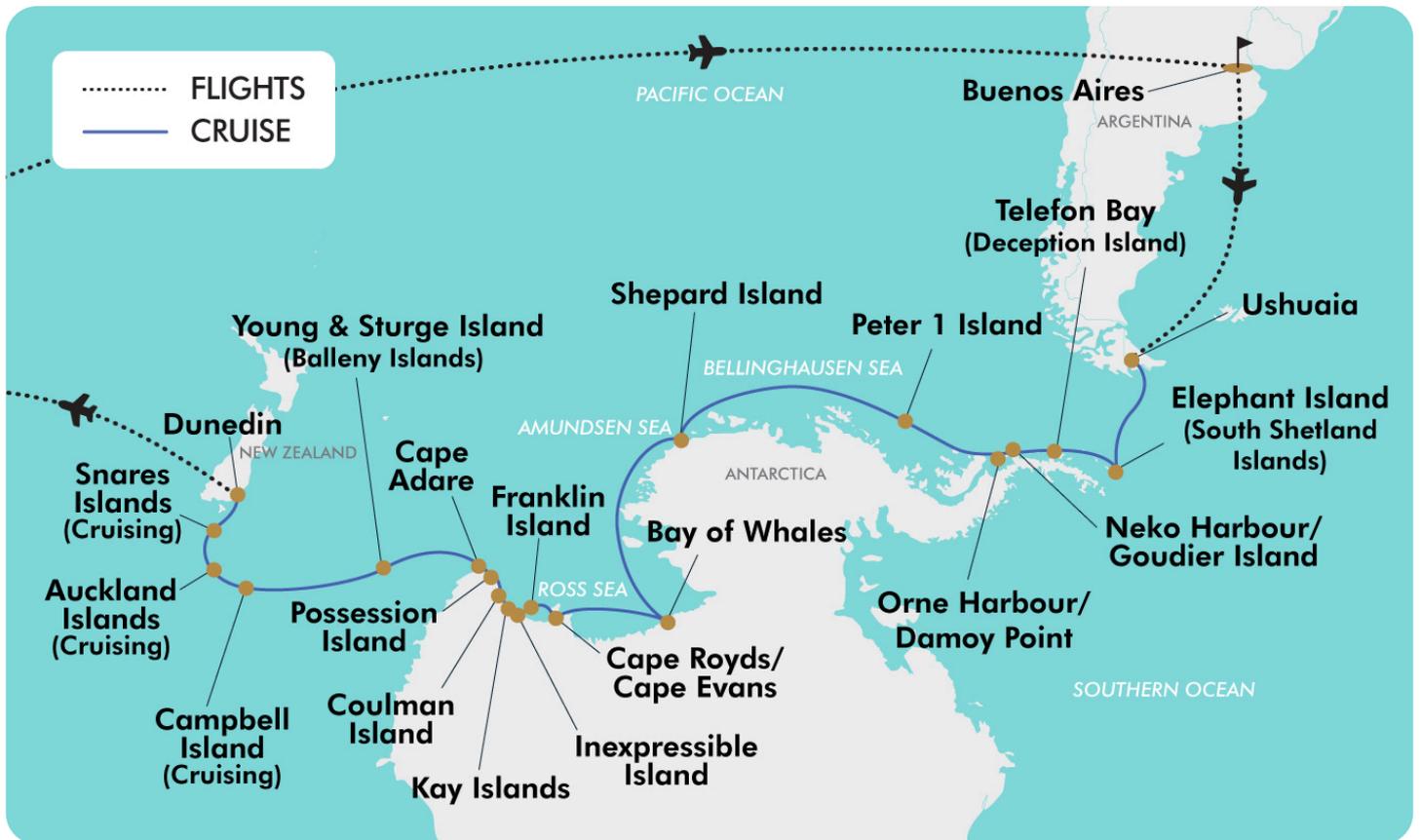


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Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Buenos Aires, Argentina

Today make your own way to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires. Upon arrival and after clearing customs, a Swan Hellenic transfer is provided to your hotel.

Overnight: Sofitel or similar, Buenos Aires
Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Buenos Aires - Ushuaia, Argentina - Embark SH Minerva

Upon check out this morning, a Swan Hellenic transfer is arranged from the hotel to the airport for a charter flight to Ushuaia. Upon arrival, a Swan Hellenic transfer is provided to the cruise port to board SH Minerva.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Dinner

Day 3 Cruising

A day at sea aboard Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva offers a blend of relaxation, enrichment, and scenic immersion.

Designed for exploration, the ship features an expedition laboratory, a marine life library, and observation lounges with panoramic windows, perfect for spotting wildlife or ice formations. Attend lectures by expert naturalists and guest speakers, participate in photography workshops or unwind in the spa, sauna, or restaurant (charges may apply). The onboard atmosphere is intimate, with just 152 guests, ensuring personalised service and a relaxed ambiance. Whether enjoying a

drink on the pool deck or engaging in a discussion about the day's discoveries, time aboard SH Minerva is both enriching and rejuvenating.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 4 Cruising

For relaxation, SH Minerva offers a peaceful spa with massage treatments, a sauna, and a fitness centre, perfect for unwinding after a day of exploration (charges may apply).

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Day 5 Elephant Island, South Shetland Islands & Telefon Bay, Deception Island Elephant Island

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 11:00

Elephant Island is a remote, ice-covered island located in the South Shetland Islands near the tip of the Antarctic Peninsula. Known for its rugged terrain and harsh weather, it gained historical significance as the refuge of Ernest Shackleton's crew during the ill-fated Endurance expedition in 1916. The island is



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largely uninhabitable, with no permanent human presence, but supports wildlife such as penguins and seals. Its name is believed to derive from either its elephant-like shape or the presence of elephant seals.

Telefon Bay

Arrive: 14:00 - Depart: 19:00

Telefon Bay is a coastal area located on Deception Island, part of the South Shetland Islands in Antarctica. It lies within the island's flooded volcanic caldera, offering a dramatic landscape shaped by past eruptions. The bay is known for its striking black sand beaches, steaming fumaroles, and colourful volcanic deposits. Named after the whaling ship Telefon, the area is a popular site for scientific research and tourist visits due to its unique geology and accessible volcanic features.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 6 Neko Harbour & Goudier Island

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 11:00

Neko Harbour is a picturesque inlet located on the Antarctic Peninsula along the coast of Andvord Bay. Surrounded by towering glaciers and snow-covered peaks, it is one of the few places on the continent where visitors can set foot on the mainland. Named after the Scottish whaling ship Neko, which operated in the area in the early 20th century, the harbour is home to gentoo penguin colonies and offers stunning views of calving glaciers and floating icebergs. Its calm waters and dramatic scenery make it a popular stop for Antarctic expeditions.

Goudier Island

Arrive: 14:00 - Depart: 20:00

Goudier Island is a small rocky island located off the coast of Wiencke Island in the Palmer Archipelago, Antarctica. It is best known as the site of Port Lockroy, a former British research station that now operates as a museum and post office during the Antarctic summer. The island is surrounded by stunning icy landscapes and is home to a colony of gentoo penguins. Goudier Island plays a key role in both Antarctic history and tourism, offering insight into early scientific exploration in the region.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 7 Orne Harbour & Damoy Point

Orne Harbour

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 11:00

Orne Harbour is a small natural harbour located on the west coast of Graham Land on the Antarctic Peninsula. Sheltered by surrounding landforms, it provides a relatively calm anchorage in an otherwise harsh and icy environment. The harbour has been used historically by explorers and researchers, including members of early 20th-century expeditions.

Damoy Point

Arrive: 14:00 - Depart: 19:00

Damoy Point is a scenic headland located on Wiencke Island in the Palmer Archipelago, Antarctica. It is known for its historic significance as the site of a former British summer airstrip and transit station used from the 1970s to the 1990s to support



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research operations. The Damoy Hut, now preserved as a historic site, remains on the point and offers insight into the logistics of past Antarctic exploration. Surrounded by icy waters and frequented by penguins, Damoy Point is a popular stop for expedition cruises exploring the region.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 8 Cruising

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Day 9 Cruising

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Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
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Day 10 Peter 1 Island

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 17:00

Peter I Island is a remote volcanic island located in the Bellingshausen Sea, off the coast of Antarctica. It is one of the most isolated islands in the world and is claimed by Norway as a dependent territory. The island is mostly ice-covered, with steep cliffs and a rugged coastline, and is rarely visited due to difficult sea conditions and heavy pack ice. Discovered in 1821 by a Russian expedition, it was first landed on in 1929 by a Norwegian team. Peter I Island remains uninhabited and is primarily of interest to scientists and polar explorers.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 11 Cruising

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Photography enthusiasts can join workshops to capture the stunning seascapes and wildlife through the ship's large observation windows. There are also opportunities for socialising in cozy lounges, visiting the onboard library, or relaxing with a massage in the spa (charges apply). With plenty of deck space, travelers can watch for whales, seabirds, and icebergs while sipping a warm drink, making every moment memorable.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 12 Cruising

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Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

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Day 13 Cruising

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Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 14 Shepard Island

Arrive: 07:00 - **Depart:** 14:00

Shepard Island is a small, ice-covered island located off the coast of Marie Byrd Land in West Antarctica, near the Getz Ice Shelf. It lies mostly buried under ice, making its rocky features difficult to distinguish. The island was discovered in 1962 by the United States Geological Survey using aerial photography. Due to its remote location and harsh conditions, Shepard Island is uninhabited and rarely visited, serving primarily as a point of interest for scientific mapping and Antarctic research.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner



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Day 15 Cruising

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Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 16 Bay of Whales

Arrive: 11:00 - Depart: 13:00

The Bay of Whales is a natural ice harbour located along the edge of the Ross Ice Shelf in Antarctica. It was historically significant as the site where several early Antarctic expeditions, including those led by Roald Amundsen and Richard E. Byrd, established bases in the early 20th century. Formed by periodic calving of the ice shelf, the bay's shape and size can change over time. Despite its name, it is not a true bay, but rather an indentation in the ice shelf. The Bay of Whales has largely disappeared due to ice shelf movement and collapse in recent decades.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

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Day 17 Cruising

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Day 18 Crossing the International Date Line

Crossing the International Date Line aboard the SH Minerva is a fascinating experience that offers both a literal and figurative journey through time. This imaginary line, located approximately along the 180° meridian, separates calendar days.

When traveling westward, as the SH Minerva does on certain itineraries, the clocks will effectively jump forward as Friday becomes Saturday.

Onboard the SH Minerva, guests can enjoy a range of amenities during this maritime milestone. The ship's luxurious facilities, including panoramic lounges, fine dining options, and expert-led



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lectures, provide a comfortable and enriching environment to reflect on the unique experience of crossing the International Date Line.

Please note: Due to crossing the International Date Line, customers will enjoy one full day of cruising between the Bay Of Whales and Cape Royds.

Day 19 Cape Royds & Cape Evans, Ross Sea Cape Royds

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 12:00

Cape Royds is a rocky headland on the western coast of Ross Island in Antarctica, near the McMurdo Sound. It is best known as the site of Ernest Shackleton's historic 1908 Nimrod Expedition hut, which still stands today as a well-preserved monument to early Antarctic exploration. The area is also home to one of the southernmost Adélie penguin colonies. With its combination of historical significance and ecological interest, Cape Royds is a key location for both scientific research and heritage conservation in Antarctica.

Cape Evans

Arrive: 13:00 - Depart: 19:00

Cape Evans is a prominent headland on Ross Island in Antarctica, famous for housing the historic British Antarctic Expedition hut built by Robert Falcon Scott during his Terra Nova Expedition (1910–1913). The well-preserved wooden hut served as the expedition's base camp and is now a protected historic site. Surrounded by icy terrain and close to McMurdo Sound, Cape

Evans offers insight into early 20th-century Antarctic exploration and remains a popular destination for researchers and visitors interested in polar history.

**Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner**

Day 20 Franklin Island, Ross Sea Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 19:00

Franklin Island is a small, volcanic island located in the Ross Sea near the coast of Antarctica. Covered mostly in ice and snow, the island rises sharply from the sea, providing important nesting grounds for seabirds such as penguins and skuas. Discovered in the early 19th century, Franklin Island remains uninhabited and is primarily visited by scientists studying the region's unique wildlife and geology. Its remote location makes it a key spot for understanding Antarctic ecosystems in the Ross Sea area.

**Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
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Day 21 Inexpressible Island, Ross Sea

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 19:00

Inexpressible Island is a rugged, ice-covered island located in the Ross Sea, Antarctica, near the coast of Victoria Land. It is historically notable for being the site where members of the British Terra Nova Expedition (1910–1913) endured a harsh winter after being stranded during their return from the South Pole. The island's name reflects the extreme conditions faced by the explorers. Today, Inexpressible Island remains uninhabited and is important for scientific research and wildlife, including seabird colonies.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 22 Kay Islands, Ross Sea

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 19:00

The Kay Islands are a small group of rocky islands located in the Ross Sea, near the coast of Antarctica. These remote islands are largely ice-covered and provide important nesting sites for various seabirds and marine wildlife. Due to their isolated location, the Kay Islands remain largely untouched by human activity, making them valuable for scientific research on Antarctic ecosystems and natural habitats in the Ross Sea region.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 23 Coulman Island, Ross Sea

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 19:00

Coulman Island is a large volcanic island located in the Ross Sea, off the coast of Victoria Land in Antarctica. Covered mostly by ice, it features towering cliffs and rugged terrain formed by ancient volcanic activity. The island is home to significant colonies of Adélie penguins and other seabirds, making it an important site for wildlife research. Due to its remote location and harsh environment, Coulman Island remains uninhabited and is primarily visited by scientists studying Antarctic geology and ecology.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 24 Possession Island, Ross Sea

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 19:00

Possession Island is a small, rocky island located in the Ross Sea near the coast of Antarctica's Victoria Land. It was named during early Antarctic exploration when explorers claimed the island as a symbolic possession. The island is mostly covered in ice and snow and serves as a nesting site for seabirds like skuas and penguins. Its remote and harsh environment means it remains uninhabited, offering scientists a pristine location to study Antarctic wildlife and ecosystems.

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Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner



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Day 25 Cape Adare, Ross Sea

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 13:00

Cape Adare is a prominent rocky headland located at the northeastern tip of Victoria Land in the Ross Sea region. It is historically significant as the site of the first confirmed landing on the Antarctic continent, made by the Norwegian explorer Carsten Borchgrevink in 1895. The cape is home to one of the largest and oldest Adélie penguin colonies in Antarctica and features well-preserved historic huts from early expeditions. Cape Adare remains an important location for both wildlife and the history of Antarctic exploration.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 26 Sturge Island, Balleny Islands

Arrive: 14:00 - Depart: 19:00

Sturge Island is the largest island in the remote Balleny Islands group, located in the Southern Ocean near Antarctica. It is mostly covered by glaciers and ice, featuring rugged volcanic terrain. The island is uninhabited and rarely visited due to its harsh weather and isolation. Sturge Island, along with the other Balleny Islands, serves as an important habitat for seals, penguins, and seabirds, making it a key site for scientific research on Antarctic wildlife and ecosystems.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 27 Young Island, Balleny Islands

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 13:00

Young Island is one of the remote Balleny Islands located in the Southern Ocean near Antarctica. It is a volcanic island, largely covered in ice and snow, and known for its rugged, harsh environment. Like the other islands in the Balleny group, Young Island is uninhabited and serves as a crucial habitat for various Antarctic wildlife, including penguins and seals. Its isolation and pristine conditions make it an important site for scientific research on polar ecosystems.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 28 Cruising

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Day 29 Cruising

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Day 30 Cruising

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Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 31 Cruising Campbell Islands

Arrive: 13:00 - **Depart:** 18:00

The Campbell Islands are a remote group of subantarctic islands located south of New Zealand in the Southern Ocean. Known for their rugged landscapes, steep cliffs, and dense vegetation, they are home to unique wildlife such as the Campbell Island teal and several seabird species. The islands are uninhabited except for a small seasonal research station. Campbell Islands are important for conservation and scientific study, especially in understanding subantarctic ecosystems and the impacts of invasive species.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 32 Cruising Auckland Islands

Arrive: 13:00 - **Depart:** 18:00

Cruising the Auckland Islands offers an unforgettable journey through one of the most remote and wild places in the Southern Ocean. These subantarctic islands, located south of New Zealand, are known for their dramatic cliffs, lush tundra, and abundant wildlife, including rare birds like the Auckland Island teal and colonies of sea lions and penguins. Visitors aboard expedition cruises can explore historic sites, pristine beaches, and rugged landscapes, all while experiencing the raw beauty and isolation of this UNESCO World Heritage area.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner



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Day 33 Cruising Snares Islands

Arrive: 08:00 - Depart: 12:00

Cruising the Snares Islands offers a unique chance to experience one of New Zealand's most untouched and wild subantarctic islands. Known for its rich wildlife, including the rare Snares crested penguin, the islands are a protected nature reserve. While landings are usually not allowed, visitors can enjoy close-up views of seabirds, seals, and rugged coastlines from small boats during the summer months. It's a rare and unforgettable journey into a pristine natural environment.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 34 Dunedin, New Zealand (Overnight)

Arrive: 14:00

Dunedin is a vibrant city located on the southeast coast of New Zealand's South Island. Known for its rich Scottish heritage, historic architecture, and lively arts scene, Dunedin combines cultural charm with stunning natural beauty. The city is home to the University of Otago, New Zealand's oldest university, and offers easy access to nearby wildlife reserves where visitors can see rare species like the yellow-eyed penguin. With its blend of history, culture, and nature, Dunedin is a popular destination.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 35 Disembark Dunedin, New Zealand - Australia (or New Zealand)

After disembarkation, a Swan Hellenic transfer is provided to Dunedin airport for your homeward bound flight.

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight



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Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

Experience the last untouched frontier, Antarctica, aboard the luxury SH Minerva

Step into a different world aboard an ice class ship on a luxury expedition from South America to New Zealand

Immerse in the Antarctic peninsula, known for its dramatic landscapes of towering ice cliffs & diverse wildlife

Watch out for penguins, seals and whales in one of the planet's most pristine & unspoiled environments

Venture deep into polar waters reaching some of the planet's southernmost islands; places few have seen & fewer have set foot on

Cross the Antarctic Circle & become part of a small community of travellers who have experienced one of the most remote regions on Earth

Reflect on this amazing and rare voyage with a complimentary 'memory package' from Swan Hellenic

Please note: Medical clearance is required prior to boarding for all expedition cruises to Antarctica

FLIGHTS

Return international (or domestic where applicable) full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply

One-way charter flight (economy class) from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia

CRUISE

32-night semi-circumnavigation cruise from Ushuaia to New Zealand aboard Swan Hellenic's SH Minerva

Gratuities included for the ship's crew

Receive a waterproof backpack, branded parka & refillable water bottle, yours to keep

Use of rubber boots in polar regions

Zodiac cruising & all expedition landings (kayak & private zodiac tours not included, bookable for a fee on board)

Lecture programs by an experienced expedition team & guest speakers.

Standard Wi-Fi

Self-service laundry

Experience Swan Hellenic's 12 person hard-hulled Zodiacs, that takes guests off the ship, so you can get up close & personal with your majestic surroundings

ACCOMMODATION

Overnight 5-star accommodation in Buenos Aires

DINING

Enjoy 95 meals while cruising

Experience around-the-clock access to coffee, tea, soft drinks & a curated selection of alcoholic beverages while cruising

Included 24 hour room service

ESSENTIALS

Cruise port taxes & surcharges

Airline taxes & surcharges



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TRANSFERS

Day 1: Airport to hotel

Day 2: Hotel to airport

Day 2: Airport to port

Day 35: Port to airport

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- **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

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Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 3rd February 2028.

This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies:

- Oceanview Stateroom: \$36,000
- Balcony Stateroom: \$39,000

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

Child Policy

- No child discounts are offered. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 8 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Flights

Departure Cities

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

Departure City Surcharges

- Brisbane: \$100 per person
- Adelaide: \$100 per person
- Perth: \$550 per person
- Auckland: \$350 per person

International Flight(s)

Full-Service Airline(s) Used

- 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.*
- *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.*

Internal Charter Flight(s) Used

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- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Route: Buenos Aires to Ushuaia

Internal Flight Information

Baggage allowance per person:

- 1 x 20kg of checked baggage
- 1 x 7kg of carry on baggage

Preferred Airline Surcharge

Not available.

Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options

Arrive Early

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

Stay Behind

Dunedin, New Zealand - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

- *This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.*
- *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.*
- *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.*
- *You can arrive early, up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or stay behind until 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to arrive earlier or stay behind for more than 60 days, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.*
- *High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:*
 - *1st December 2025 - 19th December 2025*
 - *20th December 2025 - 4th January 2026*
 - *5th January 2026 - 31st January 2026*
 - *3rd April 2026 - 20th April 2026*
 - *26th June 2026 - 17th July 2026*

- *18th September 2026 - 9th October 2026*
- *12th December 2026 - 18th December 2026*
- *19th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027*
- *4th January 2027 - 26th January 2027*
- *19th March 2027 - 28th April 2027*
- *19th June 2027 - 18th July 2027*
- *11th September 2027 - 10th October 2027*
- *10th December 2027 - 19th December 2027*
- *20th December 2027 - 3rd January 2028*

Stopover Packages

- Santiago, Chile (Pre-cruise only)

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 an Arrive Early or Stay Behind in conjunction with a Stopover Package, the stopover will take place after the departure date you select for your Arrive Early or Stay Behind.*
- *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.*
- *Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:*
 - *Christmas and New Years Eve: 18th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027*
 - *Christmas and New Years Eve - 22 December to 2 January 2028*

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, subject to aircraft configuration.*

Outbound Flights

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on Day 0. Affected customers must be available to depart the day before. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents, issued 4-6 weeks before departure.

Missed Flights

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.

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.

Swan Hellenic SH Minerva

The SH Minerva, launched in 2021, is the first of Swan Hellenic's new-generation expedition ships. This 10,600 GT vessel is designed for cultural expedition cruising, offering an intimate and luxurious experience for up to 152 guests across 76 staterooms. With a PC5 ice-strengthened

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hull and advanced stabilisation systems, SH Minerva is purpose-built for exploring remote polar regions and off-the-beaten-path destinations.

Onboard, guests can indulge in a variety of dining options. The main venue, The Swan Restaurant, offers international and regional cuisine focused on quality, creativity, and flavours, with an open seating policy allowing guests to dine at their leisure. Additionally, the Club Lounge provides a relaxed atmosphere for lighter fare and beverages, while the Pool Bar & Grill offers al fresco dining with stunning views.

Accommodations on SH Minerva are thoughtfully designed, featuring Scandinavian-inspired interiors that blend elegance with comfort. All 76 staterooms are double-occupancy, with most offering private balconies. Guests can expect modern amenities, including en-suite bathrooms, ample storage, and seating areas, ensuring a restful retreat after a day of exploration.

The ship's facilities are tailored to enhance the expedition experience. Guests can unwind in the panoramic sauna, stay active in the well-equipped gym, or relax in the spa (charges apply for spa treatments). The heated outdoor pool and adjacent bar provide a perfect spot for leisure while taking in the surrounding landscapes. For enrichment, SH Minerva offers a well-stocked library and lecture theatre, hosting expert-led talks and briefings that delve into the regions visited.

Entertainment on SH Minerva is designed to complement the expeditionary nature of the voyages. Evenings may include informative lectures, documentary screenings, or live music in the lounge, fostering a sense of community among guests. The ship's small size allows for a more personalised experience, with a high crew-to-guest ratio ensuring attentive service throughout the journey.

In summary, SH Minerva combines modern luxury with expedition cruising, offering guests an immersive and comfortable way to explore some of the world's most remote and captivating destinations.

Onboard Currency

USD

Cabins/Staterooms

Oceanview Staterooms: 20m²

Light, bright and crafted from natural materials, Oceanview Staterooms feature 2 single beds or 1 double bed, a bedroom with living room area and a luxurious ensuite bathroom. All feature panoramic sea views, plush couches, premium pocket-sprung mattresses, ensuite bathrooms with glass-enclosed rain showers, and Egyptian cotton towels, bathrobes, and sheets. A pillow menu offers customised head and neck comfort during rest. At the same time, a large flat-screen TV, an espresso machine with Illy premium coffee, tea-making facilities with the finest Kusmi teas, and a minibar with refreshments enhance relaxation at any time. In-room dining is, of course, available at all hours.

Balcony Staterooms: 25m², including the balcony

Staterooms feature 2 single beds or a double bed, a bedroom with living room area, luxurious bathroom and your own 5m² balcony. All feature panoramic sea views, plush couches, premium pocket-sprung mattresses, ensuite bathrooms with glass-enclosed rain showers, and Egyptian cotton towels, bathrobes, and sheets. A pillow menu offers customised head and neck comfort during rest. At the same time, a large flat-screen TV, an espresso machine with Illy premium coffee, tea-making facilities with the finest Kusmi teas, and a minibar with refreshments enhance relaxation at any time. In-room dining is, of course, available at all hours.

PACKING LIST GUIDE

As Antarctica is one of the most remote, rarely visited, parts of the world, knowing what to pack for your voyage isn't always easy. So, in case you're unsure what clothes to pack for a cruise to Antarctica, below is a simple cruise outfit planner.

Plan ahead

It's best to pack thoughtfully for Antarctica's climate. Unless you travel there frequently, there's no reason you'd know what clothes to bring on a cruise to Antarctica. Everyone experiences the cold (and warmth) differently, but it pays to bear in mind daily temperatures in the Antarctic Peninsula can range from well below freezing to the upper 40°F/4°C. Plus, windchill can make things feel much colder, especially as you'll be spending a lot of your time outdoors in places that are subject to strong winds.

Stay warm

When you're thinking about what clothes to take on a cruise, it's worth remembering that the outside temperature in Antarctica can feel much colder than the reading on a thermometer. So it's recommended you wrap up extra warm. Layering is a great way to do this. Wearing several lightweight, loose-fitting layers is better than opting for one heavier layer. This is because the different layers allow for pockets of air between each item of clothing, which provides extra insulation, and it means you can remove or add layers when your body temperature changes.

Choosing clothes

A lot of the action on an expedition cruise happens outside, so dress codes are very relaxed on these voyages. Pack clothes that are comfortable and easy to wash. And it pays to consider how you're going to pack everything. For instance, do you know how to pack a cocktail dress in a suitcase? Is a cocktail dress something you'll definitely need? Some guests find it helpful to choose their clothes, then go back and edit their choices after an hour or so.

What to pack

For the polar regions you'll need casual trousers, jeans, long-sleeved t-shirts and a thin jumper or bodywarmer. You'll be cosy and comfortable when you're inside the ship, but it's always good to have warm clothes handy for when something out on deck takes your interest. Waterproof trousers, to wear over your pants or

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thermal underwear, are essential for Zodiac trips and land excursions. You'll need to bring a warm, windproof hat that covers your head and ears, and a collar scarf to protect your neck and chin from the elements. Polarised sunglasses will help reduce the glare from the snow and ice, protect your eyes from UV rays, and help you see the details of the Antarctic scenery better. It's also worth packing mittens, ski gloves and insulated glove liners to keep your hands warm and dry. Also, you might want to pack swimming and fitness gear if you plan to visit the spa, pool or fitness centre. Evenings are informal, but maybe pack a couple of casual shirts, and skirts or dresses for dinner, and something stylish for special occasions, such as cocktails with the Captain. When it comes to footwear, keep it light and easy to pack. Swan Hellenic will provide a pair of rubber Muck boots for Zodiac excursions and onshore landings, so a pair of lightweight trainers will be fine. Steer clear of bringing high-heels, especially stilettos, as the seas can get rough at times, and you'll need to keep your balance.

Expedition extras

When you travel to the polar regions, a Swan Hellenic expedition parka will be waiting for you in your stateroom on the first day of the cruise. This is yours to keep after your voyage. Your parka is water and windproof, and features an adjustable hood with fleece lining for added warmth, a visor for optimal visibility in all conditions, and a high collar and elongated cuffs to give you extra protection. You'll also receive a branded waterproof backpack, which will be useful for protecting your camera and any other electronic gear that you want to bring for shore landings.

Please note:

- All cabins are subject to availability; some cabins may have restricted views.
- Cruise cabins are booked on a guaranteed basis and are assigned by the cruise line prior to departure.

Cruise Arrival & Departure Times

Please keep in mind that the provided cruise arrival and departure times are an approximate and will be finalised upon receipt of your cruise tickets.

Accommodation

Accommodation Used

5-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

Buenos Aires, Argentina: Sofitel or similar

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.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double (subject to availability).

Optional Tours/activities

Please note:

- Some tours or shore excursions require minimum numbers to operate.
- Shore excursions can be booked/reserved directly with the cruise line before travel (subject to availability)
- Shore excursions can also 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. Some excursions are very popular, and therefore availability cannot always be guaranteed, it is advisable to book in advance to avoid disappointment.

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
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation
- Any costs associated with obtaining medical clearance
- Mandatory city tax

Gratuities/tipping

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.

Cruise

Gratuities (tips) are included for the cruise staff's services throughout this tour's cruise component.

Other Important Information

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

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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

Buenos Aires

In February, Buenos Aires experiences warm and humid summer weather. Daytime temperatures typically range between 25°C and 32°C, while nights remain mild, averaging around 20°C to 22°C. It's one of the wetter months, with occasional thunderstorms and humidity levels often above 60%. Despite the chance of rain, there's still plenty of sunshine, making it a lively and vibrant time to visit the city.

Antarctica

In February and March, Antarctica is transitioning from late summer into early autumn, with temperatures beginning to cool. Along the Antarctic Peninsula—where most cruises visit—daytime temperatures in February generally range from -2°C to 4°C, while March sees a drop, averaging between -5°C and 0°C. February still offers

relatively stable weather, with long daylight hours and good visibility for wildlife spotting, particularly whales and penguin chicks. By March, daylight begins to shorten and conditions become colder and windier, especially inland. While snow becomes more frequent later in the season, both months remain within the window for expedition cruising, with February marking the end of peak season and March offering a quieter, more atmospheric experience.

Dunedin

In March, Dunedin experiences mild and pleasant early autumn weather. Daytime temperatures typically range from 14°C to 18°C, while nights can be cooler, averaging around 8°C to 10°C. March tends to be relatively settled, with moderate rainfall and a mix of sunny and overcast days. It's a comfortable time to explore the city and its surrounding coastal landscapes, as the summer crowds ease and the autumn colours begin to appear.

Weather

We always suggest referring to an online source for the most up-to-date weather information for your destination/s.

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.

Dietary Requests

Meal options and availability differ between airlines and routes therefore not all dietary requests can be accommodated. If your flight includes meals we will select the most suitable option available based on the dietary requirements you have specified. All meal requests are subject to

airline approval and are not guaranteed, therefore we recommend preparing for your flight by bringing appropriate food for yourself, as required.

Passport Validity

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 90 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.

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

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must carry your own luggage to and from the transfers, hotel and cruise ship.

OTHER

Mobility

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

Fitness Level Required

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind, your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun!

A moderate level of fitness will be required. Expect a moderate pace of touring with a focus on guided tours that may include full days with extended activity, guided city tours or nature walks. You will require a general level of fitness for unassisted navigation of stairs and inclines, longer distances with possible periods of standing when visiting sites, walking on sloping, uneven ground or elevations. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance.

Please note:

- *Many areas may be inaccessible to wheelchairs or mobility scooters, where the unassisted use of personal walking sticks and other aids may be required. Although some assistance may be available, every traveller should be self-reliant during all aspects of their travel.*
- *It is expected that every traveller must be self-reliant and able to undertake all aspects of their own travel. Please speak to your booking agent about your personal circumstances and any assistance requirements to ensure this tour is right for you.*
- *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 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.

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).

Wildlife

TripADeal cannot guarantee animal sightings. Wildlife are unpredictable and factors such as weather conditions, predatory fear and animal movements can impact sightings.

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

New Zealand

All travellers to New Zealand are required to complete a traveller declaration 24 hours prior to arrival in New Zealand. Most Australian citizens don't need a visa to enter unless you have a criminal record or if you've been deported from any country. Australian permanent residents need to apply online for a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZETA) to

enter New Zealand. Australian citizens are exempt from this rule. New Zealand Immigration requires you to have 3 months of validity on your passport after the date you plan to leave.

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.

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 (For optional Santiago, Chile pre tour stopovers)

As of 17th September 2025 tourist visas for Chile are not required if travelling on an Australian Passport. You can stay in Chile for up to 90 days without a visa. If you're unsure whether you need a visa, contact the nearest embassy or consulate of Chile.

Important:

- *Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.*
- *Visa rules are subject to change. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination/s you are visiting once you receive your travel documentation to ensure you have the most up to date information.*
- *It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements, including the validity of all required travel documents.*

Important Information

- *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 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 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),

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.