



11D/10N ANTARCTICA FLY & CRUISE EXPEDITION:

WORLD VOYAGER
ADVENTURE FROM PUNTA
ARENAS



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DAY BY DAY



This immersive 11-day adventure takes you from Patagonia's historic gateway of Punta Arenas to the remote wilderness of the Antarctic Peninsula and beyond the legendary Antarctic Circle. With a flight directly to King George Island, you bypass the Drake Passage and maximize your time exploring the ice-filled channels, penguin colonies, and breathtaking landscapes of the deep south. Daily Zodiac outings, expert-guided landings, and unforgettable wildlife encounters make this journey an extraordinary opportunity to experience one of the most pristine and awe-inspiring regions on Earth.

📍 DAY 1 — ARRIVAL IN PUNTA ARENAS & WELCOME DINNER (FEBRUARY 28, 2026)

Your journey begins with your arrival in Punta Arenas, the vibrant capital of Chile's southern Patagonia. An English-speaking guide greets you at the airport and accompanies you to your hotel, giving you time to settle in and acclimate to the southernmost reaches of the continent. Punta Arenas offers a blend of history, maritime culture, and local charm, with museums, shops, and coastal views easily accessible. Later in the afternoon, you'll meet at the official starting-point hotel for a detailed briefing about your coming expedition. The evening concludes with a welcome dinner, offering the perfect opportunity to connect with your fellow travelers and prepare for the **Antarctic adventure** ahead.

📍 DAY 2 — FLIGHT TO KING GEORGE ISLAND & EMBARKATION (MARCH 1, 2026)

After breakfast, your guide accompanies you to the airport for your charter flight to King George Island. In only two hours, you cross over the famous Drake Passage—a journey that traditionally takes two days by sea. As your aircraft descends, you'll glimpse Antarctica's dramatic landscapes for the first time: snow-covered peaks, gleaming glaciers, and vast stretches of ice. Once landed, you walk across the rugged terrain to the shoreline, where Zodiacs await to transport you to the Ocean Explorer. The ship sets sail toward the Antarctic Peninsula, and the sense of anticipation builds as you enter one of the world's most remote wilderness regions.

DAY 3 — FIRST ZODIAC LANDINGS & WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS (MARCH 2, 2026)

Your first full day in Antarctica introduces you to the exhilaration of Zodiac landings and the awe of standing among thousands of penguins. This is often one of the most unforgettable moments of the expedition, offering intimate contact with the wildlife and landscapes that define the region. As you explore the Peninsula, the Expedition Team keeps a lookout for whales, seals, and seabirds, pointing out sightings from both the ship and the Zodiacs. The ever-changing Antarctic environment shapes the activities of the day, ensuring each excursion is unique. With towering icebergs and dramatic coastlines as your backdrop, Antarctica begins revealing its magic. Overnight at Overnight Dreams Punta Arenas.

DAY 4 — GLACIERS, ICEBERGS & PENGUIN COLONIES (MARCH 3, 2026)

Today invites more in-depth exploration. You may land at a bustling penguin rookery where gentoo, Adélie, and chinstrap penguins tend their nests or dive into icy waters. Experienced guides provide insight into their behaviors, breeding cycles, and the challenges of survival in such an extreme climate. Zodiac excursions offer breathtaking perspectives as you navigate around monumental icebergs, with their deep blue tones and sculpted shapes. The boom of a calving glacier reverberating across the water is a powerful reminder of the vast forces at work in Antarctica. Every hour presents new photographic opportunities and unforgettable sensory experiences.

DAY 5 — SCENIC BAYS, WHALE WATCHING & POLAR EXPLORATION (MARCH 4, 2026)

The expedition continues deeper into the Peninsula, surrounded by snow-covered peaks and ice-choked channels. You may enjoy a Zodiac cruise through serene bays, watching for passing whales that often surface close to the boat. Leopard seals may lounge on ice floes, while seabirds glide effortlessly overhead. Educational presentations throughout the day enrich your understanding of Antarctica's history, geology, and wildlife. With each landing or Zodiac outing, you come face to face with the extraordinary beauty and raw power of the continent. Tonight, the ship moves farther south, setting the stage for your approach to the Antarctic Circle.

DAY 6 — CROSSING THE ANTARCTIC CIRCLE (MARCH 5, 2026)

Few travelers reach as far south as the Antarctic Circle, making today a landmark moment of the expedition. If conditions permit, the Ocean Explorer will cross 66°33' S, an achievement celebrated by explorers since the earliest days of polar travel. As you enter this remote region, you may encounter thicker sea ice, glowing light conditions, and increased opportunities to spot Weddell seals. The landscapes feel even more untouched, emphasizing the privilege of reaching this seldom-visited latitude. A celebratory toast marks the occasion, connecting you to generations of explorers who ventured before you into these icy waters.

DAY 7 — DEEP SOUTH EXPLORATION & ICE-FILLED SEASCAPES (MARCH 6, 2026)

Continuing south of the Antarctic Circle, you venture into a world shaped by sea ice, sculpted coastlines, and extraordinary solitude. Zodiac cruises may weave through ice floes, allowing you to witness the intricate details of this frozen environment up close. Wildlife encounters may include seals resting on the ice or birds gliding through the tranquil air. The deep south offers some of the most dramatic photographic opportunities of the entire expedition. With minimal ship traffic in this remote region, the experience feels profoundly personal and deeply immersive. By evening, the ship begins its gradual return north.

DAY 8 — NORTHBOUND EXPLORATION OF NEW SITES (MARCH 7, 2026)

As the Ocean Explorer journeys northward, new landing sites become accessible. The team selects locations based on weather and ice, ensuring fresh experiences each day. You may explore beaches dotted with penguins, hike to panoramic viewpoints, or navigate narrow waterways filled with icebergs of every shape and size. Wildlife sightings may include species not seen on the way south, giving you the chance to expand your checklist of Antarctic encounters. Each landing offers more opportunities to deepen your connection to the landscapes, wildlife, and pristine beauty of the Peninsula.

DAY 9 — FINAL ANTARCTIC ADVENTURES & FAREWELLS (MARCH 8, 2026)

Your last day on the Antarctic Peninsula is a celebration of everything that makes this region extraordinary. Whether you enjoy a final Zodiac cruise or step ashore at one last landing site, these final moments allow you to fully absorb the vastness and purity of Antarctica. Penguins gather along the beaches, glaciers shimmer in the afternoon light, and the stillness of the landscape leaves a lasting impression. The Expedition Team provides final insights, helping you reflect on the significance of the continent and its delicate ecosystems. As evening arrives, you begin your northbound journey to King George Island.

DAY 10 — DISEMBARKATION & FLIGHT TO PUNTA ARENAS (MARCH 9, 2026)

This morning, you make your final landing at King George Island. After saying goodbye to your Expedition Team, you board your two-hour flight across the Drake Passage back to Punta Arenas. Upon arrival, you're transferred to your hotel, where the contrast between civilization and the frozen world you've just left may feel surreal. The evening is free for you to rest, enjoy dinner, or explore the city at your leisure. Many travelers spend this time reflecting on the incredible experiences, wildlife encounters, and breathtaking landscapes that defined their time in Antarctica. Overnight Dreams Punta Arenas

DAY 11 — DEPARTURE FROM PUNTA ARENAS (MARCH 10, 2026)

After breakfast, your journey comes to an end as an English-speaking guide accompanies you to the airport for your onward flight. Whether heading home or continuing your travels through South America, you depart with unforgettable memories of Antarctica, its vast ice, curious wildlife, and the unbeatable thrill of crossing the Antarctic Circle.

RATES

From \$18,420.00
per person



Includes

- Expert Expedition Leaders with deep polar knowledge and a passion for exploration.
- A wide range of off-ship adventures, including Zodiac cruises, wildlife viewing, and immersive land activities.
- Small-ship experience with fewer than 200 guests for comfort, safety, and personalized exploration.
- Comfortable cabins, excellent dining, wellness options, and panoramic views throughout the voyage.
- Premium meals with flexible options for different dietary needs.
- Complimentary Wi-Fi, included alcoholic beverages, and an official parka to take home.



Not Includes

- International airfare.
- Visa expenses.
- Travel insurance
- Mandatory expedition gear.
- On-ship expenses.
- Adventure options.
- Trip extensions.

Hotels:

Punta Arenas: Dreams Punta Arenas

Cruises:

Punta Arenas: Ocean Explorer

HIGHLIGHTS

- Fly directly to Antarctica and maximize time exploring the Peninsula
- Rare opportunity to cross the Antarctic Circle at 66°33' S
- Daily Zodiac excursions for up-close encounters with wildlife and ice
- Walk among penguin colonies with gentoo, Adélie, and chinstrap species
- Witness calving glaciers, icebergs, seals, and whales in pristine habitats

TRAVEL TIPS

- Pack warm, breathable layers to adjust quickly to temperature changes
- Keep electronics in protective dry bags during Zodiac outings
- Bring polarized sunglasses to reduce glare from snow and ice
- Stay organized with a daily waterproof backpack for shore landings
- Follow crew instructions carefully, conditions can change rapidly

WEATHER PREPAREDNESS

Antarctic temperatures typically range from 20°F to 40°F (-6°C to 4°C), with wind chill often making it feel colder. Snow, fog, and shifting winds are common. Dressing in moisture-wicking layers, waterproof outerwear, insulated gloves, and protective headgear is essential for comfort during Zodiac operations and land excursions.

Fitness Requirements

This expedition is suitable for travelers with moderate physical fitness. Participants should be able to:

- Enter and exit Zodiacs independently
- Walk on snow, gravel, and uneven terrain
- Maintain stability in windy or icy conditions
- Participate in 1–3 hour outdoor activities

No technical skills are required, but mobility and balance are important for safety.

FAQS

1. Will we definitely cross the Antarctic Circle?

Crossing depends entirely on sea ice and weather conditions. If the route is safe and navigable, the ship will cross 66°33' S.

2. How many landings are expected?

Typically, one to two excursions (landings or Zodiac cruises) occur each day, depending on conditions.

3. What wildlife can I expect to see?

Common sightings include gentoo, chinstrap, and Adélie penguins, Weddell and leopard seals, humpback whales, minke whales, orcas, and a variety of seabirds.



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