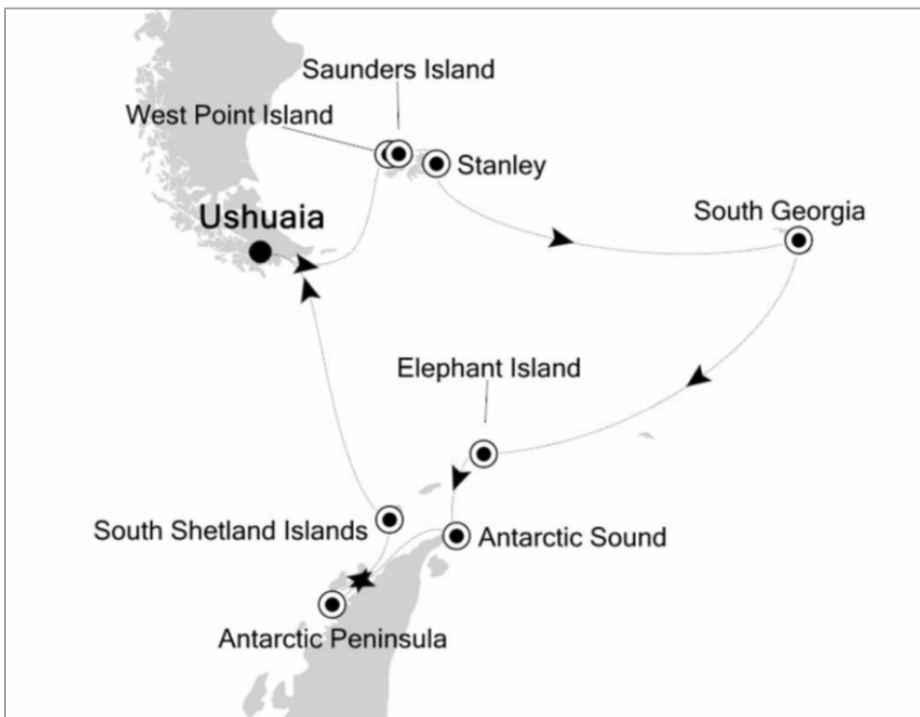


# ANTARCTICA EXPEDITION



## ANTARCTICA, FALKLAND ISLANDS, SOUTH GEORGIA AND ELEPHANT ISLAND

Join the world's most illustrious explorers as you set foot on the white continent and embark on 18-exceptional days of excitement. Revel in the photographic opportunities as you become acquainted with the beauty of the Falkland Islands. Encounter penguins, watch for seals, dolphins and whales and identify seabirds during your spectacular trip.



**DATES:** 2019 – Jan 02 | Feb 01 |  
Dec 15

2020 – Jan 14 | Feb 01

**DURATION:** 21 DAYS/20 NIGHTS

**EMBARK:** USHUAIA, ARG

**DISEMBARK:** USHUAIA, ARG

**SHIP:** Silver Explorer

**FROM:** \$19,170

Book by Nov. 30 2018 for Free Air  
or reduced rate Business Class.

## Expedition Highlights

- Follow in the footsteps of the great Antarctic explorers and visit sites that Byrd, Charcot, Fiennes, de Gerlache, Shackleton, and Weddell explored.
- See snow-covered mountains, mighty glaciers and spectacular icebergs
- Encounter Rockhopper, Gentoo, Macaroni, King, Adelie, Magellanic and Chinstrap Penguins
- Watch for seals, dolphins, and whales
- Identify seabirds including albatrosses, shearwaters and petrels
- Visit historic sites of the early explorers and the remains of whaling operations

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 - Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina

You will be met and transferred to your deluxe hotel. Remainder of the day is free.

### Day 2 - Buenos Aires Tour

Enjoy a full day tour of Buenos Aires, "Paris of South America", arranged exclusively for Explor Cruises' guests. Visit the unique neighborhoods of San Telmo, Recoleta, La Boca, Puerto Madero and Palermo. Lunch is included. This evening, you will be taken to a Dinner & Tango Show at Tango Porteño, Includes round trip transfers and a tango lesson of 1hr before the dinner. Return to your hotel late.

### Day 3 - Flight to Ushuaia – Embarkation

Transfer from your hotel to the city airport for your included flight from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia. Meet and transfer to ship. Capital of Argentina's Tierra del Fuego province, Ushuaia lies in a bay opening into the Beagle Channel, at the country's southernmost tip. Embark your ship, settle in and attend a mandatory safety drill before leaving port.

### Day 4 – Day at Sea

### Day 5 – Falkland Islands - Saunders Island; West Point Island

Saunders Island is the fourth-largest of the Falkland Islands in the western portion of the archipelago. The island's topography is unusual, being made up of three peninsulas linked by narrow necks, and three big upland areas. Today the island is run as a

sheep farm, but has historical importance as the location of the first British settlement in the Falklands. Saunders' wildlife is also impressively varied. It is possible to see Gentoo and King Penguins in the open dune and sand-flat area.

Located slightly northwest of West Falkland, West Point Island is used for sheep farming and nature observations. Peale's dolphins and the distinctive black and white markings of the Commerson's dolphin can usually be seen in the waters around West Point Island. Rolling moorland and steep cliffs make for great photographic opportunities, but the main attraction is the Devil's Nose, a cliff-side colony of Black-browed Albatrosses nesting side-by-side with feisty Rockhopper Penguins.



### Day 6 – Stanley, Falklands

Tiny Stanley, capital of the Falklands, seems in many ways like a British village fallen out of the sky. Many homes are painted in bright colors, adding visual appeal to this distant outpost. Not far offshore, the wreck of the Lady Elizabeth, is one of the many vessels remaining as a silent testimonial to the region's frequent harsh weather conditions. The islands, also known by their Spanish name of Islas Malvinas, are home to arguably more tuxedo-clad inhabitants of the penguin variety than human residents. Various species, such as Gentoo, Magellanic and the more elusive King penguins, either live here permanently or use the Falklands as a stopover on their migration route.

### Days 7-8 – Day at Sea

### Days 9 - 11 – South Georgia

South Georgia is a breathtaking destination of towering snow-covered mountains, mighty glaciers, and low-lying grasslands that attract an astounding concentration of wildlife. It is possible to find Southern fur seals, Southern elephant seals



and a variety of albatross species including Black-browed, Light-mantled Sooty, Grey-headed and the spectacular Wandering Albatross, plus thousands of King and Macaroni Penguins. South Georgia is also linked to the early Antarctic explorers. Captain James Cook first stepped ashore in 1775, but perhaps more famous is Ernest Shackleton's arrival in 1916 following the sinking of his ship Endurance.

### Days 12-13 – At Sea

#### Day 14 - Elephant Island

Awesome glaciers flecked with pink algae can be seen approaching Elephant Island — so named either for its elephant-like appearance or for sightings of elephant seals here. Elephant Island is home to several Chinstrap Penguin rookeries, as well as 2,000-year-old moss colonies. Weddell seals and Macaroni Penguins can also be spotted. In 1916, when Ernest Shackleton's ship Endurance



was crushed in pack ice in the Weddell Sea, the crew was stranded here for more than 4 months finding shelter under two upturned lifeboats on the spit of land Shackleton's men named 'Point Wild'. The bust of the Chilean captain Luis Pardo has been erected here to commemorate the successful rescue in the tug Yelcho.

### Day 15 - 18 - Antarctic Peninsula/South Shetlands

Remote and otherworldly, Antarctica is irresistible for its spectacular iceberg sculptures and calving glaciers, and for the possibility of up-close encounters with marine mammals and the iconic penguins. The Antarctic Peninsula – the main peninsula closest to South America – has a human history of almost 200 years, with explorers, sealers, whalers, and scientists who have come to work, and eventually intrepid visitors coming to enjoy this pristine and remote wilderness. It is a region of protected bays, unscaled snow-capped mountains, vast glaciers and a few places where whalers or scientists have worked.



### Day 19-20 – Drake Passage

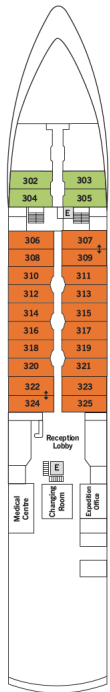
The Drake Passage has a notorious reputation for its turbulent seas due to the westerly winds and the funneling effect of the passage. The Antarctic Convergence, a natural boundary where cold polar water flows northward and warmer equatorial water moves southward, is within the Drake Passage. When these two currents meet, nutrients are pushed to the surface, often attracting a multitude of seabirds and whales.

### Day 21 — Ushuaia, Argentina

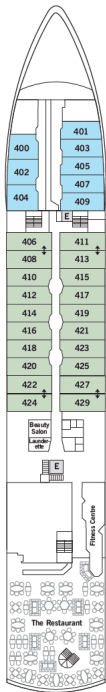
After breakfast, disembark and transfer to the airport for your included flight to Buenos Aires.



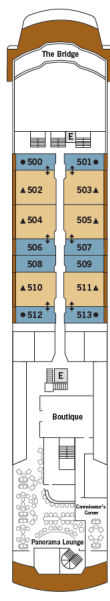
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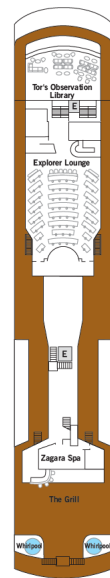
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 Medical Centre  
 Changing Room  
 Expedition Office



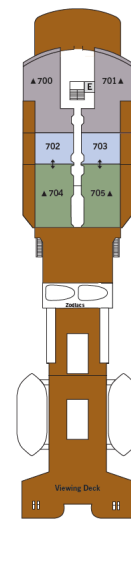
**DECK 4**  
 Beauty Salon  
 Laundrette  
 Fitness Centre  
 The Restaurant



**DECK 5**  
 The Bridge  
 Boutique  
 Connoisseur's Corner  
 Panorama Lounge



**DECK 6**  
 Tor's Observation Library  
 Explorer Lounge  
 Zagara Spa  
 The Grill



**DECK 7**  
 Viewing Deck



### SUITE CATEGORIES

- Owner's Suite . . . . .
- Grand Suite . . . . .
- Silver Suite . . . . .
- Medallion Suite . . . . .
- Veranda Suite . . . . .
- Vista Suite . . . . .
- View Suite . . . . .
- Explorer Suite . . . . .
- Adventurer Suite . . . . .

### SPECIFICATIONS

- Lloyd's register . . . . .
- Ice-class rating . . . . . 1A
- Crew . . . . . 118
- Officers . . . . . International
- Guests . . . . . 144
- Tonnage . . . . . 6,072
- Length . . . . . 354 Feet/107.9 Metres
- Width . . . . . 52 Feet/15.8 Metres
- Speed . . . . . 14 Knots
- Passenger Decks . . . . . 5
- 3rd Guest Capacity . . . . . ▲
- Queen beds . . . . . ●
- Connecting suites . . . . . ⇕
- 702/704, 703/705, 500/502, 501/503, 504/506, 505/507, 510/512, 511/513, 307/309, 324/322, 406/408, 411/413, 422/424, 427/429
- Refurbished . . . . . 2017
- Registry . . . . . Bahamas

Suite diagrams shown are for illustration purposes only and may vary from actual square footage. Please refer to suite specifications for square footage.

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## Rates 2019-2020 – Per Person, Double – All Inclusive\*

Date \ Suite	Adventure	Explorer	View	Vista	Veranda
Jan 02, 2019	\$32,100	\$33,600	\$36,800	waitlist	\$51,900
Feb 01, 2019	\$26,000	\$27,100	\$29,800	\$31,200	waitlist
Dec 15, 2019	\$20,160	\$21,066	\$23,310	\$24,570	\$31,950
Jan 14, 2020	\$19,980	\$20,880	\$23,130	\$24,390	\$31,500
Feb 01, 2020	\$19,170	\$19,980	\$22,050	\$23,310	\$30,060

Higher categories may be available – Medallion, Silver, Grand and Owner  
 Rates subject to change. \*All Beverages in-suite and throughout the ship. Gratuities always included in your fare. Unlimited Free Wifi.



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