

LUXURY ANTARCTICA EXPEDITION - PUERTO WILLIAMS TO PUERTO WILLIAMS 17 DAYS

Spend Christmas exploring the Antarctic wilderness. Bookended by Puerto Williams, you'll start with three days at sea. South Georgia promises snow-covered mountains, giant glaciers and a variety of rare wildlife such as King Penguins. Navigate thrilling Drake Passage and cruise Elephant Island for more remote discovery. The Antarctic Peninsula is an icy paradise with towering glaciers and icebergs, while the Shetland Islands is home to penguins and seals. _Some departures may have slightly modified itineraries. Please confirm the itinerary with an Expedition Specialist._



ITINERARY

Days 0 - 1 - Pre Cruise & Puerto Williams

**Pre Cruise Benefits**

**Hotel**

**Charter flights**

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Days 2 - 4 - Day at sea

Days at sea are the perfect opportunity to relax, unwind and catch up with what you've been meaning to do. So whether that is going to the gym, visiting the spa, whale watching, catching up on your reading or simply topping up your tan, these blue sea days are the perfect balance to busy days spent exploring shore side.

Days 5 - 7 - South Georgia

Charcoal-black mountains ladled with snow, giant glaciers and thriving wildlife combine to make South Georgia one of the great natural islands. Adventure to these far flung lands - where the animals are in charge and humans come a distant second. Here you'll witness a cacophony of calling birds, natural set pieces like elephant seals clashing and thrashing, and crowds of colourful king penguins stretching out as far as the eye can see. An overseas territory of the UK, these isolated, subantarctic islands once formed a remote whaling centre - and you can still visit the former whaling stations. Nowadays the giants of the sea are free to cruise the icy waters uninhibited. Written into explorer history due to its links with Ernest Shackleton's tale of Antarctic exploration, shipwreck and survival, the Endurance's crew were saved when he reached the salvation of these shores in 1916 - before returning to collect the remaining sailors from Elephant Island. A museum commemorates the legendary mission, and you can see the memorial to Shackleton that stands over his final resting place on this fabled island. South Georgia's colonies of king penguins - with vivid bursts of yellow and orange around their necks - stand, squabble and curiously investigate, enjoying the isolated respite of this island. They're joined by smaller penguin species like Macaroni penguins, and other glorious birdlife like the majestic wandering albatrosses, which you can see gliding on gusts of wind, over the choppy waves.

Days 8 - 9 - Drake Passage

Sailing the legendary Drake Passage is an experience that few are ever lucky enough to experience. The southern tip of the Americas already feels like a wild enough environment - but the sensation of watching the distant cliffs of the peninsular known as the 'End of the World' fade into the horizon, is one that's equal parts epic, eerie and magical. Set sail, to slowly drop off the bottom of the map from Cape Horn, and voyage on an



expedition down into the icy underworld of Antarctica. Drake Passage is an extraordinary voyage of romantic ocean faring legend, as you aim for Antarctica's icy realm. On arrival, skyscraper sized icebergs salute you, as you traverse the waters of this continent where snow and ice dwelling creatures like penguins and whales roam undisturbed. Your first sight of this most-unexplored place will most likely be the South Shetland Islands. Walk in the footsteps of some of history's greatest and bravest explorers as you explore famed, snow-covered landmasses like Elephant and Deception Island. If the journey across Drake Passage sounds daunting, don't worry - even in rough seas you're never alone, and will often be accompanied on this spine-tingling adventure by soaring albatrosses and maybe even a protective pod of humpbacks and hourglass dolphins or two. Converging warm and cool ocean currents attract some spectacular animal life to the passage. If this is your first visit to this magical continent, you'll also want to familiarise yourself with our blog for first timers to Antarctica.

Day 10 - Elephant Island

Promising thrilling adventure, legendary tales and immaculate Antarctic beauty, Elephant Island is perhaps Antarctica's best-known location. The exploits of its early explorers have immortalised this harsh, monochrome island in the tomes of human history. Believed to take its name from the elephant seals that early explorers spotted lolling on its rocks, the volcanic island was not properly explored until 1916 - when Ernest Shackleton and his men were stricken by the weather and sought salvation on its shores. Their story of survival, stranded in this barren land, is one of humanity's most evocative and inspiring accounts. Elephant Island is written deep into the legend of Antarctic exploration, and you'll discover Shackleton's tale for yourself as you arrive in the island's icy realm. The remarkable, slowly flowing Endurance Glacier - which you'll see on arrival here - takes its name from their ship, The Endurance. Visit the monument that stands to Shackleton, often surrounded by a migrating crowd of tiny gentoo penguins, at Point Wild - the spot where he and his 28 crew members camped for four and a half months of Antarctic winter. Eventually, Shackleton and a handful of courageous others sailed for South Georgia Island, before returning to secure the rescue of the remaining crew members. Aside from sailing amid breathtaking winter vistas, witnessing incredible fauna and feeling the sheer rush of an adventure to the unknown - one of the true joys of any Antarctic cruise is to follow in the footsteps of the brave explorers who first sought out the alluring nectar of these dangerous, evocative landscapes. If this will be your first-time visiting Antarctica, read our blog explaining how you can prepare for the exploits ahead.

Days 11 - 12 - Antarctic Peninsula

The Antarctic Peninsula unravels upwards towards South America, reaching out a beckoning finger to the adventurous, who dare to explore this untamed realm. Stretching up from the heart of the world's southernmost continent, the Antarctic Peninsula lies a mere 620 mile from Tierra del Fuego and, for many, offers a spectacular first taste of the snow-blanketed landscapes and colossal ice sculptures, which make up Earth's least-explored continent. Unseen by humans until 1820 - a blink of an eye ago in relative terms - this is an adventure sure to make your hairs stand on end, as you experience the thrill of the truly unknown and extraordinary. The vast peninsula is sprinkled with research bases, which are at the frontline of human scientific endeavour, pushing to study and understand



this unique landscape, its exceptional wildlife, and the impact that humans are having on this pristine continent. Witness cathedral-sized icebergs up close, and blue-hued glaciers, slowly slipping from imposing locations like Hope Bay. Blanched mountain peaks cover the peninsula, and you'll find thousands of adorable Adelie penguin pairs thriving undisturbed in this peninsula's unique setting.

Day 13 - South Shetland Islands

The ice-coated Antarctic Peninsula forms perhaps the most accessible region of mainland Antarctica, lying a mere 480-miles away from South America, across the fabled waters of Drakes Passage. Lying close to the northwestern tip of the Antarctic Peninsula, separated by the Bransfield Strait, the South Shetland Islands fall under the jurisdiction of the Antarctic Treaty, suspending claims on their sovereignty. Several countries maintain research bases here, and with plump elephant seals, and crowds of Gentoo, Chinstrap and Adelie Penguins also calling the islands home, it can even feel a little crowded at times. King George Island is the largest and most hospitable island, hosting the majority of the research stations - some of which are populated all-year-round by tiny, hardy crews. Don't be fooled though, these islands offer extraordinary adventure in one of the most remote locations on earth. The triple peaks of Mount Foster tower above the archipelago, and you'll feel your heart pumping a little quicker, as you sail into the core of Deception Island's magnificent collapsed volcano caldera. Hike the luna landscapes within, and even dip into the improbably warm, geothermally-heated waters of Pendulum Cove. Elephant Island, meanwhile, is written deep into the annals of Antarctic expedition legend, as the site where Ernest Shackleton and the stricken crew of the Endurance miraculously survived a harsh Antarctic winter, in 1916. Discover even more reasons to visit this incredible icy kingdom and find out why many consider the South Shetland Islands to be the jewel in Antarctica's Crown, by reading our blog.

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Days 15 - 16 - Puerto Williams & Post Cruise



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**Post Cruise Benefits**
**Charter flights**

Please note:
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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

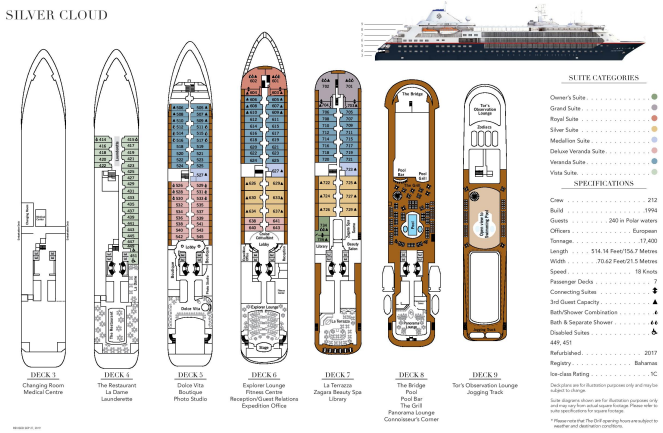
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With 18-brand new Zodiacs, four superlative restaurants in Antarctica and a pole to pole expedition itinerary, Silver Cloud really does break the ice between expedition and luxury. Spacious yet intimate, designed to cross oceans and yet able to slip up rivers and into hidden harbours with ease, the yacht-like Silver Cloud carries just 296 guests in incomparable comfort and style. Combining spacious ocean-view suites and private verandas with stunning dining and entertainment options, Silver Cloud provides world-class cruise accommodations, service and amenities. After extensive refurbishment, Silver Cloud is the most spacious and comfortable ice class vessel in expedition cruising. Her large suites, her destination itineraries and her unparalleled service make her truly special. Her four dining options will tantalise your taste buds and as 80% of her suites include a veranda, watching a breaching whale or a few cavorting penguins has never been so personal. She carries a limited number of guests in polar waters, meaning that Silver Cloud has the highest space to guest and crew to guest ratios in expedition cruising. With her 18 zodiacs, 10 kayaks, possibilities are almost limitless with ship-wide simultaneous explorations.



INSIDE YOUR SHIP



Grand 1 Bedroom



Grand 2 Bedroom



Medallion



Midship Veranda



Owner 1 Bedroom



Owner 2 Bedroom





Royal 1 Bedroom



Royal 2 Bedroom



Silver



Veranda



Vista





PRICING

23-Nov-2026 to 09-Dec-2026

Vista	£16865 GBP pp
Midship Veranda	£21065 GBP pp
Medallion	£24989 GBP pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	£47509 GBP pp
Veranda	£18405 GBP pp
Silver	£30109 GBP pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	£36925 GBP pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	£48705 GBP pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	£53479 GBP pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	£62679 GBP pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	£32149 GBP pp

21-Dec-2026 to 06-Jan-2027

Vista	£18155 GBP pp
Silver	£26555 GBP pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	£28355 GBP pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	£32705 GBP pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	£42305 GBP pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	£46175 GBP pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	£50525 GBP pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	£58625 GBP pp
Medallion	£24355 GBP pp

17-Jan-2027 to 02-Feb-2027

Vista	£18405 GBP pp
Veranda	£23025 GBP pp
Midship Veranda	£25949 GBP pp
Medallion	£26185 GBP pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	£36425 GBP pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	£57135 GBP pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	£61449 GBP pp
Silver	£30725 GBP pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	£66839 GBP pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	£50285 GBP pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	£40735 GBP pp



PRICING

11-Feb-2027 to 27-Feb-2027

Vista	£17635 GBP pp
Veranda	£22255 GBP pp
Midship Veranda	£25179 GBP pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	£39965 GBP pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	£55675 GBP pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	£59985 GBP pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	£65375 GBP pp
Medallion	£25415 GBP pp
Silver	£29955 GBP pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	£35655 GBP pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	£49515 GBP pp

04-Dec-2027 to 20-Dec-2027

Vista	£19829 GBP pp
Medallion	£32379 GBP pp
Silver	£33149 GBP pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	£60335 GBP pp
Veranda	£22179 GBP pp
Midship Veranda	£23679 GBP pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	£39079 GBP pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	£42469 GBP pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	£55715 GBP pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	£59025 GBP pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	£35769 GBP pp

08-Jan-2029 to 24-Jan-2029

Vista	£17675 GBP pp
Veranda	£20139 GBP pp
Midship Veranda	£21909 GBP pp
Silver	£29185 GBP pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	£35269 GBP pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	£38735 GBP pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	£53405 GBP pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	£54635 GBP pp
Medallion	£28339 GBP pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	£31805 GBP pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	£49935 GBP pp



PRICING

10-Feb-2029 to 26-Feb-2029

Vista	£15675 GBP pp
Midship Veranda	£20059 GBP pp
Medallion	£27029 GBP pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	£37425 GBP pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	£46975 GBP pp
Silver	£27839 GBP pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	£30495 GBP pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	£33959 GBP pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	£50435 GBP pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	£51515 GBP pp
Veranda	£18289 GBP pp