

GAUCHOS, PENGUINS & GLACIERS (STELLA AUSTRALIS)

The first tour of its kind, our Gauchos, Glaciers & Penguins expedition provides a round-trip experience from Punta Arenas, visiting by land and sea the stunning landscapes and wildlife of Tierra del Fuego. During this adventure, we visit a small King Penguin colony, before overnighting at Tierra del Fuego and next day visit an estancia for a true gaucho experience. We'll then make our way into the lovely port of Ushuaia where we will embark on the Via Australis. During your nights on board, we visit areas only accessible using our small expedition ship. Our excursions via zodiac take you to Cape Horn, where you have the opportunity to disembark (weather and seas permitting), Wulaia Bay, a colony of Magellanic Penguins, stunning glaciers and other areas visited by the great explorers. The voyage will end in charming Punta Arenas.



ITINERARY

Day 1: Punta Arenas

The Reception will be in Punta Arenas and transfer from Punta Arenas's airport to Hotel Cabo de Hornos

Day 2: Porvenir - King Penguin Park - Rio Grande

Cross the Strait of Magellan, with a visit to the Porvenir Museum and the King Penguin Park. Overnight at the Grande Hotel in Rio Grande.

Day 3: Gauchos - Ushuaia

Today enjoy a Gaucho experience with a Patagonian barbecue before arrival at Ushuaia for check-in and boarding the Stella





Australis.

Day 4: Cape Horn Wulaia Bay

We will be sailing through Murray Channel and Nassau Bay to reach Cape Horn National Park, where disembarking is scheduled (weather permitting). The mythical Cape Horn was discovered in 1616 and is a sheer 425-meter (1,394-foot) high rocky promontory. For many years it was an important navigation route for sailboats between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans, and it is known as the End of the World. The park was declared a World Biosphere Reserve in 2005.In the afternoon, we will go ashore at historical Wulaia Bay, originally the site of one of the regions largest Yamana aboriginal settlement. Charles Darwin landed there in 1833, during his voyage on the HMS Beagle. This area is also renowned for the mesmerizing beauty of its vegetation and geography. We will walk through a Magellan forest of lengas, coigues, canelos, ferns, and other endemic vegetation to reach a panoramic viewpoint.

Day 5: Agostini Sound and Aguila

We will be sailing through Brecknock, Ocasion, Cockburn, and Magdalena Channels to enter the spectacular De Agostini Sound, in the heart of the Darwin Mountain Range. This is where we shall see glaciers sliding down the mountainside all the way to the sea. In the afternoon, in well-equipped Zodiac boats, we will travel to the Aguila Glacier where we will embark upon an easy walk to its base. Its the perfect opportunity to experience the beauty of Patagonias cold rainforest and to see how the power of nature has molded the spectacular landscape.

Day 6: Magdalena Island - Punta Arenas

Early in the morning, weather permitting, we will go ashore on Magdalena Island, located in the middle of the Strait of Magellan. The island used to be an essential source of supplies for navigators and explorers and is inhabited by an immense colony of magellan penguins that we will be able to see during our walk to the lighthouse. In September and April, this excursion is replaced by a ride aboard Zodiacs to Marta Island to observe south american sea lions. Finally, disembarkation at Punta Arenas is scheduled for 11:30. *Camera extension poles are prohibited on Magdalena Island

Please Note:

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VESSEL TYPE: Luxury Small Ship

LENGTH: 89 metres

PASSENGER CAPACITY: 210

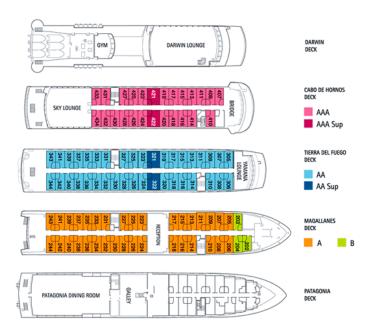
BUILT/REFURBISHED: 2010

The Stella Australis is a awe-inspiring cruise ship. The ship, which was constructed in 2010, consists of 100 total cabins and can hold up to 210 passengers. You won't even miss working out on your as the ship contains a gym for passengers. The Stella Australis offers tourists a relaxed stay, while providing breathtaking sights from the decks. Indulge in first class onboard the Stella Australis. When you travel with us you have to opportunity to relax on a spacious cruise ship, with a beautiful atmosphere, and fine dining. Before you embark on your Patagonia adventure enjoy the comfort of cabins that provide you with incredible ocean views and lavish decor. Wine and dine, mix and mingle, and enjoy our fabulous entertainment





INSIDE YOUR SHIP





PRICING

Port tax, migration fee and

ADDITIONAL CHARGES:

national park fee 28 GBP pp