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## IN THE WAKE OF THE BEAGLE THROUGH CHILE'S FJORDS - FROM USHUAIA TO VALPARAISO CRUISE

Departing from the world's southernmost city, cruise along glacier-carved fjords under the shadow of towering, snow-capped peaks. Look out for penguins, dolphins and soaring condors as you meander through an incredible maze of icebergs and towering cliffs. Along the way, you'll stop in at historic, coastal towns and learn about the region's incredible history. Disembark in Valparaiso, where colourful homes blanket the hills of this vibrant city.



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## ITINERARY

### DAY 0 PRE CRUISE

### DAY 1 USHUAIA

Nestled in the foothills of the snow-capped Martial Range, Ushuaia's colourful streets and mismatched buildings cascade from the imposing mountains before coming to an abrupt halt at the shores of the Beagle Channel. As one of the world's southernmost cities, Ushuaia carries its 'end of the world' reputation well. The moody weather and dramatic surroundings certainly help. Board your boutique ship before departing for your journey through one of the most captivating wilderness regions of the world.

### DAY 2 GARIBALDI GLACIER

Considered one of Chile's most beautiful glaciers, the towering teal walls of Garibaldi Glacier are quite spectacular. Surrounded by pristine sub-Antarctic forests, the vegetation is just as impressive as the ice. The glacier and surrounding Garibaldi Fjord are part of UNESCO-recognised Alberto de Agostini National Park, one of the 24 most pristine ecoregions on the planet. The mighty Andean condor is often seen soaring overhead.

### DAY 3 CRUISING ANGOSTURA KIRKE

Angostura Kirke, a narrow waterway that connects the Gulf of Penas with the Gulf of Corcovado in Chile, demands precise timing and skillful navigation. Strong currents and winds heighten the challenge, yet the passage rewards with breathtaking scenery and diverse wildlife. Playful dolphins, sleek seals and soaring seabirds enhance the experience amid mist-shrouded mountains and cascading waterfalls.

### DAY 3-6 PUERTO NATALES

Puerto Natales is a charming port town along Last Hope Sound and an ideal gateway to Torres del Paine National Park. The park's highlight is an imposing trio of granite pillars that



dominate the landscape. This vast area includes glaciers, vibrant teal lakes, lush forests and thundering rivers, and is home to diverse wildlife including guanaco, Darwin's rhea, armadillo and the Patagonian fox, and is one of the world's top places to see puma.

#### DAY 6 CRUISING ANGOSTURA KIRKE

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#### DAY 7 PIO XI GLACIER & CRUISING ANGOSTURA INGLES

One of few glaciers in the world that is not retreating, Pio XI glacier is an incredible sight to behold. Almost 66 km in length, Pio XI, also known as Bruggen Glacier, is the longest glacier in the southern hemisphere, outside of Antarctica. With towering ice cliffs, deep blue crevasses and seracs, it advances by 50 metres per day.

Angostura Inglesa (or the English Narrows), a narrow passage in the Messier Channel on the southwestern coast of Chile, provides a picturesque route through the fjords and glaciers of Patagonia. Navigating this challenging passage demands precise timing and skill due to strong currents and winds. Yet, the journey compensates with stunning views of mountains, islands, and the chance to encounter dolphins, seals, and various bird species.

#### DAY 8 TORTEL

After traversing the English Passage's green hills and snowy peaks, the ship arrives at remote Caleta Tortel village at the Rio Baker's mouth. Long isolated with only river and sea access, Tortel's first road was built in 2003. The timber industry led to the construction of wooden houses and streets - or boardwalks - made of wood. Hummingbirds flit amongst the flora of this scenic frontier outpost.

#### DAY 9 DAY AT SEA

Sea days are rarely dull. Take the time to sit back and let the world go by. The ship's observation decks provide stunning views of the passing ocean. A day at sea gives you the opportunity to mingle with other passengers and share your experiences of this incredible trip or head to our library which is



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### DAY 10 CASTRO

Castro, Chiloe Island's picturesque capital, is known for its palafitos, brightly painted wooden houses on stilts. Beyond the UNESCO-listed palafitos, Iglesia San Francisco, an old wooden neo-Gothic church dating back to 1567, stands tall in yellow. Nearby Chiloe National Park protects native alerce conifers, the largest tree species in South America. The park offers fantastic hiking trails and breathtaking views of the lush, pristine landscapes.

### DAY 11 PUERTO MONTT

Puerto Montt, marking Chile's Lake District's southern end, is known for its bustling port and salmon fishing. The compact city's Historico Museum displays indigenous artefacts and fossils. Nearby attractions include Chile's oldest national park, Vicente Perez Rosales National Park with the vibrant Petrohue Rapids by the Osorno Volcano. Beyond the city on the shores of Lake Llanquihue, the town of Puerto Varas is known for its German heritage.

### DAY 12-13 DAY AT SEA

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### DAY 14 VALPARAISO

One of Chile's oldest cities, Valparaiso is known for its steep hillsides overlooking the ocean as well as its historical funicular. UNESCO-listed, it's a maze of monuments, wonderful architecture, churches, cobblestone alleys, colourful houses and bustling plazas. The former home of Chile's most famous poet, Pablo Neruda, is open to the public in Isla Negra. Leaving Valparaiso, the fertile Casablanca Valley is known for Chilean white wines.

Please note:

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## YOUR SHIP: VEGA

**YOUR SHIP:** Vega

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

Launched in 2022, this state of the art ship has been designed to journey to off the beaten path destinations and remote polar regions in style and comfort. The ship incorporates a PC5 ice-strengthened hull combined with extra-large stabilisers to make your journey as smooth as possible. Sophisticated Elegance. We know how important outdoor space is, so our spacious, relaxing public spaces provide wide open, unobstructed views throughout the ship. The destination will always be in view. Your Wellbeing. The safety & happiness of our guests is paramount to our 120-strong crew on board as well as our passionate expedition team who'll be serving up thrilling shore excursions and lasting memories. Cabin Types. Our 76 cabins including 6 suites have all the amenities you will need to feel comfortable including dressing gowns, hairdryers, personal safes and minibars. Our stylish cabins all have desks, a dressing area and comfy seating. En suite bathrooms all feature glass-enclosed rain showers. Wheelchair access Guests who use wheelchairs must bring their own, as we have only a small number of wheelchairs stored onboard for emergencies. To ensure ease of movement on the ship, wheelchairs and mobility aids must be no wider than 65cm. All mobility or medical

equipment brought on board must be capable of being carried safely and must be declared before sailing. To ensure that all guests can safely evacuate during an emergency, guests requiring a wheelchair can only be accommodated in our ADA-accessible cabins. We offer an Oceanview stateroom on Vega which is specifically designed to be completely ADA compliant and have a fully operable wheelchair-access wet unit. Vega has two lifts, serving every passenger deck apart from the Stargazing top deck, which is, therefore, more difficult to access, as are the Aft Marina and Swan's Nest forward observation platform. Also, we don't have special equipment to access the swimming pool, jacuzzi, or sauna. Otherwise, the ship is entirely at your disposal. Many of the expeditions ashore in remote places are by Zodiac. Boarding these boats and returning aboard can present challenges for wheelchair users, as can navigating uneven terrain. These challenges are by no means always insurmountable, though, and our highly experienced crew is trained to provide reliable advice and assistance. They will make every effort to ensure wheelchair-using guests enjoy a memorable experience at each destination. Our general guidance, however, is to recommend wheelchair users travel with a companion for their ease and enjoyment. If you prefer to remain aboard, our panoramic interiors and ample open decks ensure an immersive, intimate experience of your inspiring

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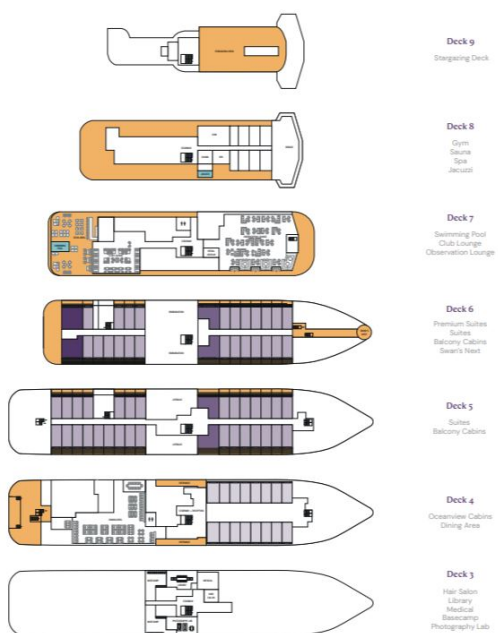
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