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18 DAYS LUXURY ANTARCTICA EXPEDITION - PUERTO WILLIAMS TO PUERTO WILLIAMS

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.



ITINERARY

Days 0 - 1 - Pre Cruise & Puerto Williams

- _ ****Pre Cruise Benefits**** _
- _ ****Private Executive Transfers**** _
- _ ****International flights - Economy class**** _
- _ ****or Business Class upgrade**** _
- _ ****Airport transfers**** _

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_ **Hotel** _
_ **In-country flights/Group 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

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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.

[Day 14 - Drake Passage](#)

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Days 15 - 16 - Puerto Williams

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Day 17 - Post Cruise

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YOUR SHIP: SILVER CLOUD

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VESSEL TYPE:	Luxury Expedition
LENGTH:	157 m
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	200/260
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	1994 Refurbished & Rebranded

DECK 06 - Lecture Theatre, The Fitness Centre, Reception/Guest Relations, Expedition Desk

DECK 05 - The Bar, Boutique, Casino

DECK 04 - Main Restaurant, Le Champagne, Launderette

After extensive refurbishment, *Silver Cloud* will be 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 five 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. Broad sweeping decks with multiple open spaces and a swimming pool complete what is surely the most distinctive expedition ship sailing today.

A limited number of guests, particularly with just 200 in polar waters, mean that *Silver Cloud* has the highest space to guest and crew to guest ratios in expedition cruising. With her 18 zodiacs, possibilities are almost limitless with ship-wide simultaneous explorations. Finally, a team of 19 passionate and dedicated experts are always at hand to ensure your voyage is enhanced every step of the way.

DECK 09 - Observation Lounge, Jogging Track

DECK 08 - Pool, Pool Bar, Hot Rocks, The Panorama Lounge, The Connoisseur's Corner

DECK 07 - La Terrazza, The Spa at Silversea, Beauty Salon, The Library



Launderette

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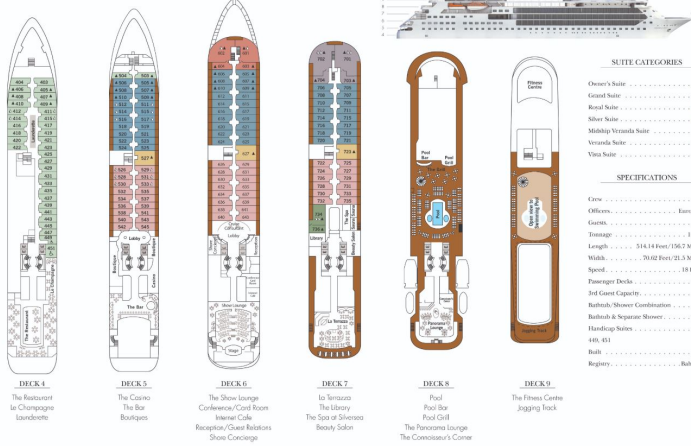
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INSIDE YOUR SHIP

Silver Cloud – DECK PLAN



Classic Veranda



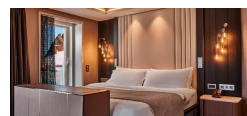
Grand 1 Bedroom



Medallion



Owner 1 Bedroom



Deluxe Veranda



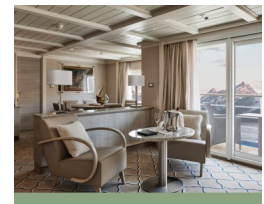
Grand 2 Bedroom



Midship Veranda



Owner 2 Bedroom



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21-Dec-2025 to 06-Jan-2026

Classic Veranda	37600 AUD pp
Superior Veranda	41200 AUD pp
Deluxe Veranda	43100 AUD pp
Premium Veranda	44300 AUD pp
Silver	57600 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	106900 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	142000 AUD pp

06-Feb-2026 to 22-Feb-2026

Vista	27400 AUD pp
Medallion	51300 AUD pp
Silver	55700 AUD pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	60600 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	65900 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	71700 AUD pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	87300 AUD pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	93000 AUD pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	98100 AUD pp
Veranda	0 pp
Midship Veranda	0 pp

19-Oct-2026 to 04-Nov-2026

Vista	25400 AUD pp
Medallion	36700 AUD pp
Silver	47200 AUD pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	50100 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	57400 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	73200 AUD pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	87300 AUD pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	93000 AUD pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	98100 AUD pp
Midship Veranda	0 pp
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08-Nov-2026 to 24-Nov-2026

Vista	26700 AUD pp
Veranda	32000 AUD pp
Midship Veranda	36600 AUD pp
Medallion	38000 AUD pp
Silver	48800 AUD pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	51900 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	59200 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	75600 AUD pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	80700 AUD pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	88000 AUD pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	99600 AUD pp

Vista	28000 AUD pp
Medallion	39400 AUD pp
Silver	51100 AUD pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	54500 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	62500 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	80200 AUD pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	87300 AUD pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	93000 AUD pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	98100 AUD pp
Veranda	0 pp
Midship Veranda	0 pp

23-Nov-2026 to 09-Dec-2026

Vista	26700 AUD pp
Veranda	32000 AUD pp
Midship Veranda	36600 AUD pp
Medallion	38000 AUD pp
Silver	48800 AUD pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	51900 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	59200 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	75600 AUD pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	80700 AUD pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	88000 AUD pp
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21-Dec-2026 to 06-Jan-2027

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17-Jan-2027 to 02-Feb-2027

Vista	29700 AUD pp
Veranda	35100 AUD pp
Midship Veranda	40200 AUD pp
Medallion	49000 AUD pp
Silver	64100 AUD pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	68400 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	78900 AUD pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	128500 AUD pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	100000 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	101800 AUD pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	110500 AUD pp

11-Feb-2027 to 27-Feb-2027

Vista	27600 AUD pp
Veranda	33000 AUD pp
Midship Veranda	37800 AUD pp
Medallion	46500 AUD pp
Silver	60800 AUD pp
Royal 1 Bedroom	64900 AUD pp
Grand 1 Bedroom	74800 AUD pp
Owner 2 Bedroom	121300 AUD pp
Royal 2 Bedroom	94600 AUD pp
Owner 1 Bedroom	96500 AUD pp
Grand 2 Bedroom	104500 AUD pp

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