

# Wild Earth Travel

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## ANTARCTICA DIRECT: SAIL AND FLY THE DRAKE PASSAGE EXPEDITION CRUISE

Experience the wild grandeur of the White Continent in a more efficient, expedient way. On this new itinerary, cruise the Drake Passage one way, and then bypass the Drake Passage on the way back on a 2-hour flight from Antarctica and discover all of the highlights without sacrificing the extra time. Travel with a diverse team of experts aboard the National Geographic Explorer, the definitive expedition ship. Venture into channels and coves framed by towering peaks. Watch for whales off the bow; Zodiac cruise around enormous icebergs; and hike, kayak, and even possibly cross-country ski in complete tranquility. Choose an active agenda or surrender to the pleasures of relaxing downtime and shipboard camaraderie. Plus, get top shots with the help of a National Geographic Photography Expert.

NOTE: This is an expedition in the truest sense--flexibility is key. Delays and early departures of flights due to inclement weather are common in Antarctica. In the event of a flight adjustment, your expedition team may implement a contingency plan with alternative activities.



### ITINERARY

DAY 1 Ushuaia, Argentina

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Arrive in Ushuaia. Sandwiched between ice-mantled peaks and the frigid waters of the Beagle Channel, this is a fittingly wild place to be known as "El Fin del Mundo" or "The End of the World." Transfer from the airport to our hotel. Join us this evening for dinner and a briefing on our upcoming adventure.

Arrival Time: Arrive by 6:00 p.m. local time.

Arrival City: Ushuaia, Argentina

Meals Included: Dinner

## DAY 2 Ushuaia / Embark Ship

Check out of our hotel and begin exploring this amazing region. Visit Tierra del Fuego National Park, clad in dense beech forest just as much of Antarctica was millions of years ago. Savor lunch on board a private catamaran as you cruise the Channel, keeping an eye out for plump South American sea lions and sleek seabirds like the imperial cormorant. By day's end, you'll be comfortably on board the ship and ready to sail off to the White Continent.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAYS 3-4 At Sea Crossing the Drake Passage

At times ferocious, at others flat calm, this legendary 500-mile-wide strait divides South America from the Antarctic Peninsula. Feel the excitement build as we begin the crossing, often accompanied by seabirds like the wandering albatross and--if luck allows--a pod of killer whales or rare dolphins. Get to know the ship and prepare for the adventures ahead. Visit the Bridge (ideal for wildlife spotting), relax with a massage, attend a talk on the unique biology of penguins, or simply settle into a comfy chair in the observation lounge, looking out over the waves as you contemplate the history of this passage named for English privateer Francis Drake, but first discovered by Spanish navigator Francisco de Hoces.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAYS 5-8 Exploring Antarctica

With long hours of daylight at this time of year, we have ample opportunities to explore. Our schedule is flexible, allowing us to take advantage of the unexpected, whether we're watching whales at play off the bow of our ship, hiking alongside penguin highways, or enjoying an evening Zodiac cruise amid porpoising penguins. While wildlife is magnificent, ice defines the Antarctic. You'll get to know ice up close and personal--from icebergs the size of islands, bergy bits and near-vertical glaciers, to the fragile, nearly invisible layers that have just begun to freeze. One day, we might set out by kayak to encounter towering icebergs at water level; embark on a Zodiac excursion in search of seals and blue-eyed shags; or walk amid thousands of Adelie and gentoo penguins. The next, we might experience the thrill of the ship crunching through pack ice. Everywhere we go in Antarctica we're surrounded by opportunities to capture uniquely beautiful images. Along the way, your expert expedition team will enrich every experience.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 9 King George Island / Disembark Ship / Puerto Natales, Chile

This morning finds us off of King George Island. Home to a diverse assortment of wildlife--Weddell and elephant seals; Adelie, chinstrap, and gentoo penguins--this island also has a human presence. Researchers from a wide range of countries, including the US, Chile, Argentina, and Brazil, call the various stations home. Disembark and Zodiac ashore to board our 2-hour flight back to Puerto Natales where we will overnight at Hotel Costaustralis or Remota Patagonia Lodge (or similar).

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 10 Puerto Natales

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Check out of your hotel and transfer to the airport to begin your journey homeward.

Departure Time: Outbound flights from Puerto Natales should depart no earlier than 1:00 p.m. local time (or as late in the day as possible).

Departure City: Puerto Natales, Chile

Meals Included: Breakfast

Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.



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## YOUR SHIP: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

<b>YOUR SHIP:</b>	<b>National Geographic Explorer</b>
<b>VESSEL TYPE:</b>	<b>Luxury Expedition</b>
<b>LENGTH:</b>	<b>108 meters</b>
<b>PASSENGER CAPACITY:</b>	<b>148 (single &amp; twin cabins)</b>
<b>BUILT/REFURBISHED:</b>	<b>1982 / 2008</b>



Originally constructed for Norway's renowned Hurtigruten Coastal Express, National Geographic Explorer was a natural fit for the Lindblad Expeditions fleet thanks to her exceptional manoeuvrability, ice-strengthened hull, and purpose-built expedition design. Now fully stabilised and refitted with over five decades of exploration expertise, she is ideally suited for navigating the most remote corners of the globe--from the rugged coasts of Europe to the icy passages of the polar regions. With vast windows throughout and a Scandinavian-inspired interior, the ship invites guests to stay connected with their environment at every turn.

Aboard National Geographic Explorer, every feature is tailored to enhance discovery. From the open Bridge and observation deck to the Chart Room and mudroom for expedition gear, the ship is an authentic platform for adventure. Her recently updated suites offer comfort and understated elegance, while public spaces such as the library, Global Gallery, and multiple dining areas encourage camaraderie and relaxation. Carrying expert guides, state-of-the-art tools, and a fleet of Zodiacs and kayaks, this 148-guest ship brings guests closer to nature with all the style and substance expected of a flagship expedition vessel.

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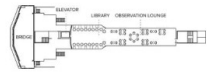


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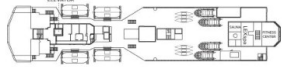
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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP

### Bridge Deck



### Wellness Deck



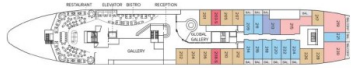
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- Category 4
- Category 6
- Category B Solo



### Upper Deck

- Category 4
- Category 5
- Category 6
- Category 7
- Category B Solo



### Main Deck

- Category 1
- Category 2
- Category 3
- Category 2 Solo



### B Deck



### Category 01



### Category 02



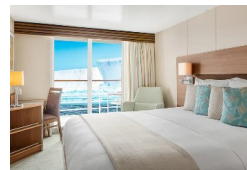
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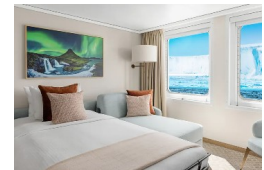
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### Category 05



### Category 06



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### 19-Dec-2026 to 28-Dec-2026

Category 01	24327 AUD pp
Category 02	26757 AUD pp
Category 03	27447 AUD pp
Category 04	29157 AUD pp
Category 05	35293 AUD pp
Category 06	40287 AUD pp
Category 07	44037 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category SB	0 pp

### 26-Dec-2026 to 04-Jan-2027

Category 01	29303 AUD pp
Category 02	32279 AUD pp
Category 03	33123 AUD pp
Category 04	35217 AUD pp
Category 05	42727 AUD pp
Category 06	48843 AUD pp
Category 07	53434 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp

### 07-Jan-2027 to 16-Jan-2027

Category 01	27764 AUD pp
Category 02	30702 AUD pp
Category 03	31529 AUD pp
Category 04	33602 AUD pp
Category 05	41007 AUD pp
Category 06	47036 AUD pp
Category 07	51547 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category SB	0 pp

### 14-Jan-2027 to 23-Jan-2027

Category 01	27764 AUD pp
Category 02	30700 AUD pp
Category 03	31530 AUD pp
Category 04	33602 AUD pp
Category 05	41006 AUD pp
Category 06	47036 AUD pp
Category 07	51547 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp

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Category 01	22686 AUD pp
Category 02	25043 AUD pp
Category 03	25700 AUD pp
Category 04	27357 AUD pp
Category 05	33300 AUD pp
Category 06	38129 AUD pp
Category 07	41743 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp

### 02-Feb-2027 to 11-Feb-2027

Category 01	28389 AUD pp
Category 02	31379 AUD pp
Category 03	32220 AUD pp
Category 04	34330 AUD pp
Category 05	41867 AUD pp
Category 06	48007 AUD pp
Category 07	52607 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category SB	0 pp

### 14-Feb-2027 to 23-Feb-2027

Category 01	26233 AUD pp
Category 02	28964 AUD pp
Category 03	29750 AUD pp
Category 04	31679 AUD pp
Category 05	38590 AUD pp
Category 06	44233 AUD pp
Category 07	48447 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category SB	0 pp

### 19-Nov-2027 to 28-Nov-2027

Category 01	20004 AUD pp
Category 02	20860 AUD pp
Category 03	23563 AUD pp
Category 04	24391 AUD pp
Category 05	29307 AUD pp
Category 06	33808 AUD pp
Category 07	38447 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category SB	0 pp

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### 20-Nov-2027 to 30-Nov-2027

Category 01	17814 AUD pp
Category 02	19703 AUD pp
Category 03	20240 AUD pp
Category 04	21576 AUD pp
Category 05	26356 AUD pp
Category 06	30234 AUD pp
Category 3S	0 pp
Category 1S	0 pp

### 01-Dec-2027 to 10-Dec-2027

Category 01	18446 AUD pp
Category 02	19223 AUD pp
Category 03	21680 AUD pp
Category 04	22434 AUD pp
Category 05	26903 AUD pp
Category 06	30994 AUD pp
Category 07	35211 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp

### 08-Dec-2027 to 17-Dec-2027

Category 01	18446 AUD pp
Category 02	19223 AUD pp
Category 03	21680 AUD pp
Category 04	22434 AUD pp
Category 05	26903 AUD pp
Category 06	30994 AUD pp
Category 07	35211 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp

### 10-Dec-2027 to 21-Dec-2027

Category 01	20041 AUD pp
Category 02	22166 AUD pp
Category 03	22770 AUD pp
Category 04	24273 AUD pp
Category 05	29650 AUD pp
Category 06	34013 AUD pp
Category 3S	0 pp
Category 1S	0 pp

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Category 01	19646 AUD pp
Category 02	20480 AUD pp
Category 03	23120 AUD pp
Category 04	23931 AUD pp
Category 05	29200 AUD pp
Category 06	33154 AUD pp
Category 07	37703 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp

### 27-Dec-2027 to 05-Jan-2028

Category 01	20446 AUD pp
Category 02	21326 AUD pp
Category 03	24091 AUD pp
Category 04	24937 AUD pp
Category 05	30457 AUD pp
Category 06	34594 AUD pp
Category 07	39360 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category SB	0 pp

### 08-Jan-2028 to 17-Jan-2028

Category 01	28267 AUD pp
Category 02	31264 AUD pp
Category 03	32117 AUD pp
Category 04	34237 AUD pp
Category 05	41821 AUD pp
Category 06	47976 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category 07	48486 AUD pp

### 15-Jan-2028 to 24-Jan-2028

Category 01	24843 AUD pp
Category 02	25943 AUD pp
Category 03	29400 AUD pp
Category 04	30457 AUD pp
Category 05	37357 AUD pp
Category 06	42528 AUD pp
Category 07	48486 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
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### 17-Jan-2028 to 27-Jan-2028

Category 01	25126 AUD pp
Category 02	27789 AUD pp
Category 03	28546 AUD pp
Category 04	30430 AUD pp
Category 05	37171 AUD pp
Category 06	42641 AUD pp
Category 1S	0 pp
Category 3S	0 pp

### 03-Feb-2028 to 12-Feb-2028

Category 01	23343 AUD pp
Category 02	24371 AUD pp
Category 03	27600 AUD pp
Category 04	28586 AUD pp
Category 05	35014 AUD pp
Category 06	39843 AUD pp
Category 07	45386 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
Category SA	0 pp

### 06-Feb-2028 to 17-Feb-2028

Category 01	26339 AUD pp
Category 02	29130 AUD pp
Category 03	29924 AUD pp
Category 04	31900 AUD pp
Category 05	38967 AUD pp
Category 06	44701 AUD pp
Category 1S	0 pp
Category 3S	0 pp

### 15-Feb-2028 to 24-Feb-2028

Category 01	22343 AUD pp
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Category 03	26386 AUD pp
Category 04	27328 AUD pp
Category 05	33443 AUD pp
Category 06	38028 AUD pp
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Category 01	21957 AUD pp
Category 02	25386 AUD pp
Category 03	26343 AUD pp
Category 04	29671 AUD pp
Category 05	31943 AUD pp
Category 06	37714 AUD pp
Category 07	43214 AUD pp
Category SA	0 pp
Category SB	0 pp

Category 01	22554 AUD pp
Category 02	24946 AUD pp
Category 03	25626 AUD pp
Category 04	27317 AUD pp
Category 05	33369 AUD pp
Category 06	38280 AUD pp
Category 3S	0 pp
Category 1S	0 pp

### 05-Mar-2028 to 14-Mar-2028

Category 01	20400 AUD pp
Category 02	23543 AUD pp
Category 03	24428 AUD pp
Category 04	27486 AUD pp
Category 05	29571 AUD pp
Category 06	34871 AUD pp
Category 07	39928 AUD pp
Category SB	0 pp
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