

## ANTARCTICA, THE FALKLANDS & SOUTH GEORGIA ROUNDTRIP CRUISE

Drink in the icy wilderness of the Antarctic Peninsula as you follow in the footsteps of Ernest Shackleton, one of history's greatest explorers. Observe penguins, seals, whales and seabirds in their natural habitat. And stop at the Falkland Islands, a haven for endemic birdlife, before crossing the famous Drake Passage back to Ushuaia where your voyage ends.



#### **ITINERARY**

Days 0 - 1 Pre Cruise & Ushuaia

- \*\* \_Charter flights to the port of embarkation/ disembarkation\_\*\*
- \*\*\_Group return transfers from airport to cruise port and to the hotel\_\*\*
- \*\*\_One night pre-cruise accommodation with breakfast in a 4/5-star hotel  $\_^{**}$

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#### Day 2 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 stocked full of reference books. Get an expert's view in one of our on-board lectures or perhaps perfect your photography skills with invaluable advice from our onboard professional photographers.

#### Day 3 West Point Island

Birdlife is the big draw on this lush sheep-farming island, where thousands of rams and ewes roam. Settled by British explorers in 1765, the island's unique scenery includes golden sand beaches filled with the cacophony of rockhopper, gentoo and Magellanic penguin colonies, and the pillar-shaped nests of black-browed albatross. Nine of the Falklands' 14 endemic plants, including silvery buttercup and hairy daisy, grow here and are a real treat.

#### Day 3 Saunders Island

Black-browed albatross grace the skies over this remote Falkland Island, while Commerson's dolphins play in its waters. With a sparse population of people and sheep, the island is also a sanctuary for fur seals, rockhopper penguins, Magellanic penguins and imperial cormorants, nesting amid its cliffs and the impressive Cliff Mountain. Hiking through the moss-covered terrain unveils beautiful wildflowers like pink-petalled Felton's.

#### Day 4 Port Stanley

Anyone familiar with Britain's trademark red post boxes might spot a

resemblance in this British outpost. Port Stanley, on East Falkland, is the tiny capital of the Falkland Islands and is small enough to get around on foot. The Historic Dockyard Museum is devoted to maritime history and exploration. Magellanic penguins gather on the beach at nearby Gypsy Cove, and sea lions and dolphins frolic in the harbour.

### Days 5-6 Day at sea

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#### Days 7-9 South Georgia

Often called the 'Galapagos of the Poles,' South Georgia has a number of landing sites with tens of thousands of King Penguins and gentoo penguins, making up some of the largest populations in the world alongside harrumphing elephant seals. Among its remarkable sites is Grytviken, the historic whaling station where legendary British explorer Ernest Shackleton (1874-1922) is laid to rest.

#### Day 10 Day at sea

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#### Days 11-15 Antarctic Peninsula

Among captivating glaciers, majestic icebergs and snowy islands, the Antarctic





Peninsula is where most visitors to the White Continent live their Antarctica dream. It's the most accessible part, with scientific bases and incredible scenery, like the photogenic Lemaire Channel. Shore excursions might include Mikkelsen Harbour, where among gentoo penguins, snowy sheathbills and skuas. Antarctic Weddell seals haul out.

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### Day 18 Ushuaia

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### YOUR SHIP: MINERVA

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VESSEL TYPE: Expedition Ship

LENGTH: 115 meters

PASSENGER CAPACITY: 158

BUILT/REFURBISHED: 2020-2021

The SH Minerva is a boutique expedition ship purpose-built for exploring far-flung destinations and remote polar regions in comfort and style. Crafted at Finland's esteemed Helsinki Shipyard, she features a Polar Class PC5 ice-strengthened hull and advanced stabilisers, ensuring smooth sailing even in challenging waters. With just 158 guests served by 122 crew across nine decks, the atmosphere on board is intimate and welcoming. Elegant Scandinavian-inspired interiors, panoramic observation spaces, and a range of facilities - from the stargazing deck and library to the spa, heated outdoor pool, and fine dining venues - make every moment at sea a pleasure.

Accommodation ranges from well-appointed oceanview staterooms to spacious premium suites, each offering thoughtful touches such as a flame-effect fireplace, Illy espresso machine, luxury toiletries, and complimentary binoculars for wildlife spotting. Many feature private balconies for uninterrupted views of the passing scenery. Attentive crew provide a warm, personalised service, ensuring that every guest feels at home while enjoying a journey that blends adventure with refined comfort. Whether navigating icy channels or gliding into sunlit harbours, the SH Minerva offers an unforgettable cruising

experience.

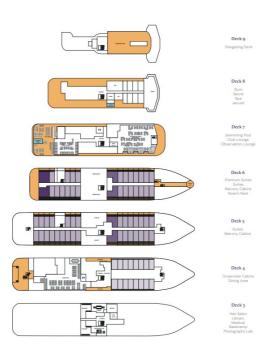


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# **INSIDE YOUR SHIP**



Balcony D5



Balcony M5



Oceanview M4



Suite



Balcony D6



Oceanview D4



Premium Suite





## **PRICING**

#### 05-Jan-2027 to 23-Jan-2027

| Oceanview D4  | 27725 AUD pp |
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| Oceanview M4  | 29125 AUD pp |
| Balcony D5    | 30500 AUD pp |
| Balcony M5    | 31900 AUD pp |
| Balcony D6    | 33275 AUD pp |
| Suite         | 48525 AUD pp |
| Premium Suite | 55475 AUD pp |

