



Antarctica – The Last Great Wilderness in the World

Considered by many to be the most beautiful place on the planet, this is the most remote and fascinating natural reserve in the world, with spectacular beauty, unique wildlife and magnificent sites. Boasting the lowest temperatures on record, this vast continent is covered by a cape of ice, formed by an accumulation of snow over hundreds of thousands of years. Hidden beneath lie mountains and valleys. You'll be witness to huge ice masses breaking off, forming icebergs.

The key attraction to Antarctica is the wildlife; penguins, minke whales, seals and the endangered wandering albatross, to name but a few. Rubber zodiacs take visitors ashore, allowing one to wander amidst colonies of unafraid and inquisitive animals and to take fantastic photographs. The Antarctic cruise season operates during the Antarctic summer which runs from November to mid March. November, the beginning of the Antarctic summer, is the time to see penguins courting, seals and sea birds appearing, in addition to magnificent sunrises and sunsets against pristine icebergs. December and January, the time when temperatures are starting to rise, see a flurry of wildlife activity including the hatching of penguin chicks. February sees an increase in whale sightings whilst the penguin chicks and baby fur seals leave their nests and head out to sea. Please contact our office for further details.

The Antarctic Dream Expedition

Ushuaia to Ushuaia – Nov to Mar

The Antarctic Dream Expedition offers the ideal introduction to the Great White Continent. Departing from and finishing in the port of Ushuaia, it heads to the most exciting sights of the South Shetland Islands and the Antarctic Peninsula. The program is orientated to the viewing of wildlife.

The vessel has 4 decks, with 39 cabins, all with private facilities, closed circuit tv, individual heating and wardrobe. There are four types of cabin. The cabins on the lower Amundsen Deck are comfortable with porthole. The cabins on the Shackleton Deck are lighter, less noisy and have a window. There are four suites on the upper decks, each very spacious with panoramic views.

The facilities on the ship include lobby, main dining room on an upper deck (with fine panoramas), bar, library, lecture room, heliport, mud room, small gym/sauna, sick bay/first aid, boutique, internet and passenger bridge.

Itinerary

(subject to change according to weather conditions)

Day 1 Passengers board the M/V Antarctic Dream. Departure at 1900hrs.

Day 2 & 3 Sail across Drake Bay in the company of wandering albatrosses, storm petrels and other seabirds.

Day 4 In the afternoon, disembark at Aitcho Island. Continue to Neko Bay.

Day 5 Today includes the first landing on the White Continent (at Neko Bay) and another at Port Lockroy.

Day 6 Sail south through the spectacular, narrow Lemaire Channel and disembark at Petermann Island to see colonies of Gentoo penguins and Adelei Penguins. Visit impressive ice formations on the zodiacs.

Day 7 This is the start of the return voyage, disembarking at Paradise Bay. Visit Cuverville Island in the evening, home to the Gentoo penguins.

Day 8 Continue to Deception Island, the largest active volcano in the area, take a swim in Whalers Bay and view impressive fauna at Hannah Point.

Day 9 & 10 Today heads north, back across the Drake Passage.

Day 11 After early breakfast, land at 9am and disembark at Ushuaia.



