



Falklands, South Georgia & Antarctica

Highlights

- > Meet hardy locals and see unique wildlife in the Falkland Islands
- > Explore abandoned whaling stations and visit Shackleton's grave
- > Walk quietly amongst king penguins and watch them surf onto the beach
- > Learn about the environment and ecology from industry experts
- > Spot whales and seals while cruising through icebergs on Zodiacs

What's Included

20 nts aboard the *G Expedition*. 1 nt hotel in Montevideo. Arrival and departure transfers. Zodiac excursions with our expert expedition team. Lectures and educational programs. Waterproof boots supplied for USA sizes 4 - 16. Expedition parka. **ACCOMMODATIONS** Twin-share hotel (1 nt), aboard the *G Expedition* in quad-, triple-, twin-share cabins, or suites (all with en suite bathrooms and porthole or window, 20 nts). Please note that all cabins consist of twin-size berths and are ocean-facing. Suites have one queen-size bed. **TRANSPORT** *G Expedition*, Zodiac, private bus, walking. **GROUP LEADER** One expedition team member per 10 guests. **MEALS** 21 breakfasts, 19 lunches, 20 dinners. Allow USD25-35 for meals not included. Drinks and tips on board not included.

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Challenge. Desolation. Unlimited wonder. It's not difficult to grasp what attracted the great explorers to Antarctica. Get a personal appreciation for the struggle to tame the bottom of the world on this 22-day adventure to the land that entranced Ernest Shackleton and countless others since. You'll explore the Falkland Islands, encounter abandoned whaling stations on South Georgia Island, and pay your respects at Shackleton's grave. Elsewhere, you'll catch up with penguins (king, chinstrap, gentoo, and Adélie varieties), learn about them through daily lectures, get close to whales and cavorting seals from a Zodiac boat, and look for towering icebergs and massive glaciers. Prepare to be astonished.

DAY 1 MONTEVIDEO Arrive in Montevideo at any time. Arrival transfer included. Enjoy the sights and sounds of Uruguay's capital city. **DAY 2 MONTEVIDEO** Embarkation on the *G Expedition* begins in the afternoon at the port of Montevideo. (1B, 1D) **DAYS 3-5 AT SEA** With course set southeast, become acquainted with the ship. Enjoy the lecture and educational sessions about the extraordinary human and natural history of the Antarctic region. (3B, 3L, 3D) **DAYS 6-7 FALKLAND ISLANDS** The Falkland Islands provide a rare opportunity to witness the biological diversity and extraordinary scenery of the southern islands. Penguins and albatrosses are abundant here, and the Falklands have the largest black-browed albatross colony in the world. In Stanley, meet the hardy local inhabitants whose

colourful houses provide contrast to the long, dark winters. (2B, 2L, 2D) **DAYS 8-9 AT SEA** With a course set for South Georgia, days at sea are filled with historical and biological lectures to prepare for landings. Look out for the many whales that inhabit these waters. (2B, 2L, 2D) **DAYS 10-13 SOUTH GEORGIA** Home to many interesting sites (including the grave of polar explorer Ernest Shackleton), South Georgia has several former whaling stations and boasts plenty of wildlife. Visit a huge colony of king penguins, a major highlight of this part of the journey. South Georgia is also the home of over half of the world's enormous southern elephant seals, the largest of all seals. Keep an eye out for newly-birthing southern elephant pups. Weather permitting, enjoy 3-4 days free to explore this island. (4B, 4L, 4D) **DAYS 14-15 AT SEA** Plotting a southwesterly course across the Scotia Sea, sail for two days, retracing Shackleton's route backwards. Head towards Elephant Island and the Antarctic Peninsula. (2B, 2L, 2D) **DAYS 16-19 SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS/ANTARCTICA** Experience some of the most unique wildlife and awe-inspiring scenery in the South Shetland Islands, just north of the Antarctic Peninsula. Attempt two shore landings per day (weather permitting), and observe gentoo, chinstrap, and Adélie penguin rookeries; Weddell, crabeater, and leopard seals. The ship will attempt to reach the Antarctic Peninsula for a landing, weather and ice permitting. The peninsula also has a remarkable human history. Learn about some of the most important and dramatic expeditions to this remote corner of the world. (4B, 4L, 4D) **DAYS 20-21 DRAKE PASSAGE** Reflect on a memorable adventure and take in some final lectures en route to Ushuaia. (2B, 2L, 2D) **DAY 22 USHUAIA** Disembark in the morning. (1B)

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