



Emblematic Antarctica

Ushuaia to Ushuaia | Le Boreal / Le Soleal / L'Austral / Le Lyrial | 11 days / 10 nights | From AUD15,820pp

Antarctica looms large in the imagination of adventure seekers and travellers. And until recently Antarctica was like a ghost on the world map – untouched and out of reach. Today the continent remains untouched but it's entirely within your reach aboard a Ponant luxury expedition yacht.

Why cruise with Ponant?

- All inclusive – fine dining, drinks (wine, beer, soft drink and champagne), shore landings, wifi
- Leaders in Polar Expeditions - Ponant carries more guests to Antarctica each year than anyone else – and more than 20 years cruising the world
- Travel aboard the most ecological & modern fleet in the world
- Naturalist experts inform & guide using Zodiacs and on shore expeditions
- Included flights to/from Buenos Aires and transfers

Welcome to the world of Ponant

Discover the treasures of the land by sea on board luxurious yachts that are built on an intimate scale for discerning travellers. With a French crew, attentive service and focus on gastronomy, this is expedition cruising at its authentic and sophisticated best.

Ponant & National Geographic Expeditions

For three special voyages (marked *) Ponant and National Geographic combine their expertise to offer a unique and enriching expedition cruise. Aboard select cruises National Geographic naturalists and photographers accompany you, sharing their knowledge and passion for this breathtaking continent.

Dates

Emblematic Antarctica is a duration of 11 days (10 nights).

2019 Departures	Ship	2020 Departures	Ship	2021 Departures	Ship
24 Nov	Le Boreal	4 Jan	Le Soleal	6 Jan	Le Boreal
9 Dec	Le Soleal	8 Jan	Le Boreal	8 Jan	Le Soleal
		14 Jan	Le Soleal	18 Jan	Le Soleal
		27 Jan	Le Boreal	25 Jan*	Le Boreal
		6 Feb	Le Boreal	28 Jan	Le Soleal
		18 Feb	L'Austral	20 Feb*	Le Boreal
		19 Feb	Le Soleal	25 Feb	Le Lyrial
		26 Feb*	Le Boreal		
		18 Nov	Le Soleal		
		28 Nov	L'Austral		
		29 Nov	Le Lyrial		
		2 Dec	Le Boreal		
		8 Dec	L'Austral		
		12 Dec	Le Boreal		
		13 Dec	Le Soleal		

* National Geographic Expeditions

Itinerary

Highlights

- Incredible wildlife – humpback whales, Gentoo penguins, Adelie penguins, chinstrap penguins, leopard seals, crabeater seals, Weddell seals & numerous sea birds
- Outings & shore visits in Zodiac inflatables with a team of experienced naturalist guides
- Lectures & information sessions hosted by naturalist guides
- Hiking opportunities
- Visiting research stations and former whaling stations

Itinerary

Embark on a polar expedition cruise to the heart of the icy realm that is the Antarctic Peninsula. Succumb to the enchantment of the breathtaking landscapes and astonishing wildlife on this 11 day cruise.

The start of your cruise will be marked by the crossing of the mythical Drake Passage, during which you will probably be escorted by several albatrosses and Cape petrels, the sentinels of these often-choppy waters.

Your ship will then reach the White Continent, realm of the unexpected. Weather and ice conditions permitting, this extreme environment where nature reigns supreme will reveal to you its most beautiful secrets through numerous discoveries.

On this uninhabited land, which wasn't explored until the 19th century, your encounters with the wildlife will no doubt be one of the highlights of your experience. The Gentoo, Adelie and chinstrap penguins, humpback whales, seals and seabirds will provide you with cherished lifelong memories.

Each day, whether on land, aboard your ship or during a Zodiac outing, you will be surrounded by a grandiose decor ranging from icebergs to ice floe and ancient glaciers.

Details

- Day 1 Ushuaia (Argentina) - Embark from 16h00 to 17h00
- Day 2 Crossing the Drake Passage
- Day 3 Crossing the Drake Passage
- Day 4 Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)
- Day 5 Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)
- Day 6 Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)
- Day 7 Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)
- Day 8 Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)
- Day 9 Crossing the Drake Passage
- Day 10 Crossing the Drake Passage
- Day 11 Ushuaia (Argentina) Disembark at 07h00

Please note: itinerary subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights and itineraries described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.

Inclusions

- Top quality meals during the voyage
- Open bar – house wine, champagne, beer & non-alcoholic options
- Domestic flights, transfers & taxes (Buenos Aires/Ushuaia /Buenos Aires)
- Activities/shore excursions as specified
- Lectures and presentations by expedition leaders & naturalist staff
- Complimentary polar parka for you to keep (waterproof boots on loan)
- Park entry fees into protected areas
- Transfers & port charges

Map





Your cruise ships – Le Boreal, Le Soleal, L’Austral, & Le Lyrial

Ponant ships embody the subtle alliance between luxury, intimacy and wellbeing. The elegance of her exterior and interior lines and her intimate size (only 132 staterooms and suites) make this a rare and innovative yacht on the cruise market.

All ships feature:

- Restaurants x 2
- Lounges x 2
- Open-air Bar
- Theatre, Fitness & Beauty Rooms, and Leisure Area

Le Boreal, Le Soleal and L’Austral:

Cabins	Area	Price From*
Superior Staterooms	21m ²	\$13,150
Deluxe Stateroom	18m ² +4m ²	\$14,050
Prestige Stateroom	18m ² +4m ²	\$15,510
Deluxe Suite	27m ² +6m ²	\$22,910
Prestige Suite	36m ² +8m ²	\$26,510
Owners Suite	45m ² +9m ²	\$38,910

**prices are AUD per person, twin share, and is are subject to change, availability and departure dates.*

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Cabins	Area	Price From*
Superior Staterooms	21m ²	\$12,370
Deluxe Stateroom	18m ² +4m ²	\$13,180
Prestige Stateroom	18m ² +4m ²	\$14,480
Deluxe Suite	27m ² +6m ²	\$21,100
Prestige Suite	36m ² +8m ²	\$22,760
Privilege Suite	36m ² +8m ²	\$23,790
Grand Deluxe Suite	45m ² +10m ²	\$28,940
Owners Suite	54m ² +12m ²	\$41,860

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All cabins include:

- Private balcony (ex. Superior Staterooms)
- Individually-controlled air-conditioning
- King-size bed or twin beds and Shower
- Flat screen satellite TV, DVD, CD and Ipod players and Video on demand
- Desk with stationery, Minibar, Safe Hairdryer, Bath robes, Satellite direct line telephone, 110/220 volts outlet
- French bath products
- 24hr room service, Internet Access WIFI



* Images are provided by Ponant. The cabin is the Deluxe Stateroom onboard La Soleal. The restaurants are onboard La Boreal and La Soleal ships.

Other things you need to know

Expedition programs include activities such as Zodiac outings and landings (sometimes with "wet landings"), moderate walks to more active hikes, all accompanied by your expedition team of naturalist guides.

Ports of call, visited sites, outings and landings will depend on weather conditions, position of ice, winds and the state of the sea. These can force a change of plans at any time. The Captain and the Expedition Leader may at any time cancel or stop any activity, or even modify the itinerary. The final itinerary will be confirmed by the Captain, who will take into account the touristic quality of the sites and above all, the safety of the passengers. His/her decision will be based on advice from experts and authorities.

Travelling to polar/isolated regions is an exhilarating experience in remote areas. Please remember that you are far from modern hospitals with full medical facilities, thus evacuation is extremely expensive. Without adequate travel insurance coverage, all expenses will have to be immediately paid with your personal funds. We urge you to subscribe to full coverage insurance, choose your insurance company very carefully, be extremely vigilant and ensure your travel insurance is fully comprehensive, especially if you are insured by your credit card.

Clothing tips:

- A Ponant polar water-resistant parka is offered on board for all departures
- Half calf rubber boots with non-slip soles, which will allow you to go ashore in 20 cm of cold water, keeping your feet dry for walks and visits on steep paths. Boot rental will be offered onboard (for adults only) on Expedition cruises. Book your boots up to 7 days prior to departure
- Comfortable trousers: classic Winter trousers, warm cotton tracksuit, wool leggings
- Waterproof and windproof over-trousers – Mandatory
- Winter trousers with waterproof over trousers are the ideal combination: water-resistance and comfort of trousers are essential
- Pullover, sweat-shirt or fleece jacket
- Woollen or thermolactyl Thermal underwear
- A warm hat, woollen ear muffs or fleece ear muffs, fleece or woollen neck warmer (avoid scarves that do not stay in place)- Mandatory
- Wool or silk glove liners, water-resistant and supple gloves
- Thick warm socks (ideally woollen)

Accessories:

- Small waterproof backpack (to protect your camera from water).
- Binoculars (strongly recommended for wildlife viewing).
- Highly protective sunglasses.
- Walking poles (highly recommended).



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