

Antarctic Peninsula - Basecamp Ortelius

The best activity voyage in Antarctica



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Dates & Tripcode:	03 Mar 2018 (OTL31-18), 07 Nov 2018 (OTL22-18), 28 Nov 2018(OTL24-18), 18 Dec 2018 (OTL26-19), 29 Dec 2018 (OTL27-19)
Duration:	11 nights
Ship:	m/v Ortelius
Embarkation:	Ushuaia
Disembarkation:	Ushuaia
Language:	English speaking voyage

ITINERARY

wildlife conditions. The on-board expedition leader will determine the final itinerary. Flexibility is paramount for expedition cruises. During our “Basecamp” departures, all offered activities are free of charge. Average cruising speed for m/v Ortelius is 10,5 knots.

Day 1: End of the World, Start of a Journey

Your voyage begins where the world drops off: Ushuaia, Argentina, reputed to be the southernmost city on the planet, located on the far southern tip of South America. Starting in the afternoon, you embark from this small resort town on Tierra del Fuego – nicknamed “The End of the World” – and sail the scenic, mountain-fringed Beagle Channel for the rest of the evening.

Day 2 - 3: Path of the Polar Explorers

Over the next two days on the Drake Passage, you catch a taste of life from the perspective of the polar explorers who first braved these regions: cool salt breezes, rolling waves, maybe even a fin whale blasting up a column of sea spray. After passing the Antarctic Convergence – Antarctica’s natural boundary, formed when north-flowing cold waters collide with warmer subantarctic seas – you are in the circum-Antarctic upwelling zone. Not only does the marine life change, the avian life changes too: A variety of albatrosses and petrels show up, along with Cape pigeons and southern fulmars. Then, near the South Shetlands Islands, the first icebergs flash into sight.

Day 4 - 9: Enter the Antarctic

Gray stone peaks sketched with snow, towers of broken blue-white ice, and dramatically different wildlife below and above. You first pass the snow-capped Melchior Islands and Schollaert Channel, sailing between Brabant and Anvers

Included in this voyage

Voyage aboard the indicated vessel as indicated in the itinerary

All meals throughout the voyage aboard the ship including snacks, coffee and tea.

All shore excursions and activities throughout the voyage by Zodiac.

Program of lectures by noted naturalists and leadership by experienced expedition staff.

Free use of rubber boots and snowshoes.

Luggage transfer from pick-up point to the vessel on the day of embarkation, in Ushuaia.

Pre-scheduled group transfer from the vessel to the airport in Ushuaia (directly after disembarkation).

All miscellaneous service taxes and port charges throughout the programme.

Comprehensive pre-departure material.

During our “Basecamp” departures, all offered activities (including camping, kayaking, snowshoe/hiking, mountaineering, photo workshop) as well as our standard included shore excursions and zodiac cruises) are free of charge.

Excluded from this voyage

Any airfare, whether on scheduled or charter flights

Pre- and post- land arrangements.

Islands. The basecamp concept lets you feel more like a resident than a visitor, getting the most out of all available activities. Here are all the places you might go: Neumayer Channel – The vessel may position itself for the multi-activity basecamp here. The protected waters around Wiencke Island become a veritable playground for all manner of activities. You can enjoy the splendors of this alpine environment at sea, with Zodiac and kayaking trips. Or if you're among the walkers, there are possible snowshoe hikes and mountaineering (soft climb) options farther inland. Naturally, favorable weather conditions determine the possible activities. The plan is to stay two nights at anchor: two camp nights, two full activity days. Port Lockroy – After sailing through the Neumayer Channel, you get a chance to visit the former British research station – now a museum and post office – of Port Lockroy on Goudier Island. You may also be able to partake in activities around Jouglia Point, meeting gentoo penguins and blue-eyed shags. Booth, Pléneau, and Petermann Islands – If the ice allows it, you may sail through the Lemaire Channel in search of Adélie penguins and blue-eyed shags. There's also a good chance you'll encounter humpback and minke whales here, as well as leopard seals. Kayaking, glacier walks, and mountaineering are potential activities in this location. You may also visit Booth Island's Port Charcot. Neko Harbour – An epic landscape of mammoth glaciers and endless wind-carved snow. Opportunities for Zodiac cruising, kayaking, and walking provide you the closest possible view of this location's ice-crusting alpine peaks. Paradise Bay – You have the chance to pitch camp here like a true polar explorer (but with a better tent), enjoying the supreme overnight Antarctic adventure. You depart at noon, depending on conditions on the Drake Passage.

Passport and visa expenses.

Government arrival and departure taxes.

Meals ashore.

Baggage, cancellation and personal insurance (which is mandatory).

Excess baggage charges and all items of a personal nature such as laundry, bar, beverage charges and telecommunication charges.

The customary gratuity at the end of the voyages for stewards and other service personnel aboard (guidelines will be provided).

Day 10 - 11: Familiar Seas, Familiar Friends

Your return voyage is far from lonely. While crossing the Drake, you're again greeted by the vast array of seabirds remembered from the passage south. But they seem a little more familiar to you now, and you to them.

Day 12: There and Back Again

Every adventure, no matter how grand, must eventually come to an end. It's now time to disembark in Ushuaia, but with memories that will accompany you wherever your next adventure lies.

M/V ORTELIUS

Fortified for both poles of the planet, the ice-strengthened Ortelius is thoroughly outfitted to provide you an up-close experience of the Arctic and Antarctic.

ACTIVITIES YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN

Camping

FREE



Camp out overnight under the Antarctic skies

Looking to take your Antarctic adventure further? Join us for a night of camping out under the Antarctic night sky. We bring the camping gear, you bring your sense of adventure. Wake up the next morning to enjoy some of the cleanest air in the world, go home with a new fantastic memory under your belt.

Kayaking

FREE



Paddle your way through the Polar waters.

An optional activity, kayaking is a fantastic way to explore the shorelines of the Polar Regions. You'll set out from your mother ship in the calm waters of a secluded bay, exploring the coastline at your own pace. Paddling your way through the quiet of the scenery you'll be able to fully enjoy the serene beauty of the Arctic or Antarctic landscapes that surround you.

Mountaineering

FREE



Push further. Climb higher. See more.

Looking for a way to push yourself beyond the usual Antarctic cruise fare? Sign on for one of our mountaineering excursions. Snowshoe out to where the Antarctic foothills begin, then strap on some crampons and get ready for amazement as you make your way up to some of the best views available on the Antarctic Peninsula.

Photo Workshop

FREE



When words aren't enough

Landscapes. Icebergs. Polar bears, whales, or penguins. Describing them to your friends is one thing, showing them is a whole other level. New to photography? We have photo pros on our cruises that can help you build up your basics. A shutterbug expert? Then bring your gear and get ready to wear out your memory cards.

Snowshoeing

FREE



Take a casual stroll along the Polar shores, or challenge yourself with a more advanced trek.

We offer a variety of snow-shoeing treks to suit your experience and your desired level of activity. No snow-shoeing experience? No problem! We'll get you suited up and get you marching across the pristine snows of the Arctic and Antarctic landscapes in no time at all.

CABINS & PRICES

Quadruple Porthole



- 2 portholes
- 2 upper / lower berths
- Private shower & toilet
- Desk & chair
- Flatscreen TV
- Telephone
- Hair dryer
- Ample storage space



Sharing berth

Share your cabin with others for the best price

03 Mar 2018 - 7950 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 7950 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 7950 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 8250 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 8250 USD



Complete cabin

Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied.

03 Mar 2018 - 31800 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 31800 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 31800 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 33000 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 33000 USD

Triple Porthole



- 2 portholes
- 1 upper / lower berth + 1 single lower berth
- Private shower & toilet
- Desk & chair
- Flatscreen TV
- Telephone
- Hair dryer
- Ample storage space



Sharing berth

Share your cabin with others for the best price

03 Mar 2018 - 8950 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 8950 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 8950 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 9250 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 9250 USD



Complete cabin

Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied.

03 Mar 2018 - 26850 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 26850 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 26850 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 27750 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 27750 USD

Twin Porthole deck 4



2 portholes
2 lower berths
Private shower & toilet
Desk & chair
Flatscreen TV
Telephone
Hair dryer
Ample storage space



Sharing berth

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03 Mar 2018 - 9650 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 9650 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 9650 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 9950 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 9950 USD



Single cabin

Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate).

03 Mar 2018 - 16405 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 16405 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 16405 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 16915 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 16915 USD



Complete cabin

Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied.

03 Mar 2018 - 19300 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 19300 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 19300 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 19900 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 19900 USD

Twin Porthole deck 3



2 portholes
2 lower berths
Private shower & toilet
Desk & chair
Flatscreen TV
Telephone
Hair dryer
Ample storage space



Sharing berth

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03 Mar 2018 - 9650 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 9650 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 9650 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 9950 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 9950 USD



Single cabin

Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate).

03 Mar 2018 - 16405 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 16405 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 16405 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 16915 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 16915 USD



Complete cabin

Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied.

03 Mar 2018 - 19300 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 19300 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 19300 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 19900 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 19900 USD

Twin Window



2 windows
2 lower berths
Private shower & toilet
Desk & chair
Flatscreen TV
Telephone
Hair dryer
Ample storage space



Sharing berth

Share your cabin with others for the best price

03 Mar 2018 - 10250 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 10250 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 10250 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 10500 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 10500 USD



Single cabin

Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate).

03 Mar 2018 - 17425 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 17425 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 17425 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 17850 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 17850 USD



Complete cabin

Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied.

03 Mar 2018 - 18450 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 18450 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 18450 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 21000 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 21000 USD

Twin Deluxe



3 windows
2 lower berths
Private shower & toilet
Desk & chair
Small sofa
Refrigerator
Coffee & tea maker
Flatscreen TV, Telephone
Hair dryer
Ample storage space



Sharing berth

Share your cabin with others for the best price

03 Mar 2018 - 10850 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 10850 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 10850 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 11250 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 11250 USD



Single cabin

Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate).

03 Mar 2018 - 18445 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 18445 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 18445 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 19125 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 19125 USD



Complete cabin

Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied.

03 Mar 2018 - 21700 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 21700 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 21700 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 22500 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 22500 USD

Superior



2 windows (minimum)
1 double bed
1 single (sofa) bed
Private shower & toilet
Desk & chair
Flatscreen TV, Telephone
Refrigerator
Coffee & tea maker
Hair dryer
Ample storage space



Single cabin

Price for the complete cabin occupied by 1 person (1.7x the shared rate).

03 Mar 2018 - 20145 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 20145 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 20145 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 20315 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 20315 USD



Complete cabin

Price for the complete cabin, fully occupied.

03 Mar 2018 - 23700 USD
07 Nov 2018 - 23700 USD
28 Nov 2018 - 23700 USD
18 Dec 2018 - 23900 USD
29 Dec 2018 - 23900 USD