



Emperor Penguin rookery © Shutterstock



Shore excursion by inflatable zodiac



WEDDELL SEA & ANTARCTIC PENINSULA

12 days/11 nights Departs ex Ushuaia, Argentina

Journey to the wildlife rich and remote eastern side of the Antarctic Peninsula known as the Weddell Sea, a nature lover's and photographer's paradise. Observe huge glaciers, tabular icebergs and abundant wildlife including Emperor Penguins, whales and seals. Powerful ocean currents, unpredictable weather and a land and icescape more akin to East Antarctica make for an adventurous voyage.

ITINERARY

Day 1: Embark in Ushuaia. Sail through Beagle Channel. **Days 2/3:** Cross the Drake Passage, with possible landing at the South Shetland Islands. **Days 4-7:** Cruise along the Antarctic Peninsula's wild and remote eastern coast with the possibility of regular landings to visit the vast penguin colonies on Paulet Island, Seymour Island and Snow Hill Island where Emperor Penguins nest. **Days 8/9:** Head back to explore the highlights of the Peninsula's west coast, including zodiac excursions amidst huge icebergs, possible sightings of penguins, seals and whales, and shore landings. **Days 10/11:** Re-cross Drake Passage towards Ushuaia. **Day 12:** Disembark Ushuaia. Tour ends.

Note: Itinerary intended as a guide only. Weather or ice conditions may result in changes to the itinerary and activities.

Polar Star	K1 TRIPLE	K1 DOUBLE	K2 DOUBLE	K3 STD DOUBLE	K4 SUPERIOR DOUBLE	K6 MINI SUITE
15 Feb 2012	\$7830	\$9490	\$11143	\$11693	\$12797	\$13462
Polar Pioneer	TRIPLE SHARED	TWIN SHARED	TWIN PRIVATE	CAPTAIN'S MINI SUITE	CAPTAIN'S SUITE	
06 Feb 2012 [^]	\$7446	\$8819	\$10017	\$10979	\$11990	
17 Feb 2012 [^]	\$7446	\$8819	\$10017	\$10979	\$11990	

Options available (additional cost): [^]Diving (prices available on request).

All prices shown are per person. Optional single occupancy is from 1.7 to 2 times the twin share rate. We may be able to arrange shared accommodation.

Price per person includes: Onboard cabin accommodation, all meals, shore excursions and activities by Zodiac, lecture programs, comprehensive pre-departure materials, all miscellaneous service taxes and port charges. Please refer to pages 6/7 for additional vessel specific inclusions.

Price excludes: Transfer from airport-hotel, any airfare, pre and post land arrangements, passport and visa expenses, government arrival and departure taxes, meals ashore, polar clothing, baggage, cancellation and personal insurance, excess baggage charges and all items of a personal nature such as laundry, bar, beverage charges and telecommunication charges, emergency evacuation charges and tips. Fuel surcharges may apply in the event of an increase in world fuel prices.



Stunning scenery



Antarctic Peninsula sunset



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Kayaking amongst icebergs

BASECAMP EXPEDITION WEDDELL SEA

12 days/11 nights Departs ex Ushuaia, Argentina

Experience a unique and adventurous voyage to the Weddell Sea and the remote eastern side of the Antarctic Peninsula. The vessel “Plancius” will stay for two or three days in various locations to serve as a comfortable hub to allow passengers ample time to enjoy a wide range of activities including field camping, kayaking, hiking, snowshoe, zodiac cruising, shore excursions and a photographic workshop. All activities are included in the ship’s price.

ITINERARY

Days 1-3: Embark in Ushuaia. Sail through Beagle Channel and cross the Drake Passage.
Days 4/5: Sail into the Weddell Sea via the ice-clogged Antarctic Sound to the protected waters around Herbert Sound. This beautiful, seldom visited area will provide the location of your “Basecamp” for a range of activities. **Days 6/7:** Sail to Paulet Island for a possible landing at a Adelie Penguin rookery, kayak or enjoy a shore walk at Brown Bluff. Continue on to the West side of the Antarctic Peninsula.
Day 8: Sail to Neko Harbour and Paradise Bay with the opportunity to enjoy shore excursions. In this area there is a good chance of viewing Humpback and Minke Whales. Conditions permitting camp ashore overnight. **Days 9-11:** Re-cross the Drake Passage via the Melchior Islands towards Ushuaia.
Day 12: Disembark Ushuaia. Tour ends.

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Plancius	QUAD PRIVATE	TWIN PORTHOLE	TWIN WINDOW	TWIN DELUXE	SUPERIOR
27 Feb 2012	\$7748	\$9176	\$9616	\$10209	\$11198

All prices shown are per person. Optional single occupancy is from 1.7 to 2 times the twin share rate. We may be able to arrange shared accommodation.

Price per person includes: Onboard cabin accommodation, all meals, shore excursions and activities by Zodiac, free use of rubber boots and snow shoes, lecture programs, all miscellaneous service taxes and port charges

Price excludes: Any airfare, pre and post land arrangements, transfers to/from the vessel, passport and visa expenses, government arrival and departure taxes, meals ashore, polar clothing, baggage, cancellation and personal insurance, excess baggage charges and all items of a personal nature such as laundry, bar, beverage charges and telecommunication charges, gratuities. Fuel surcharges may apply in the event of an increase in world fuel prices.

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Exploring the White Wilderness