

## SHACKLETON'S FINAL QUEST

20 DAYS /18 NIGHTS ON BOARD

*Ushuaia to Ushuaia*

Follow in the footsteps of one of the greatest explorers of all time, Sir Ernest Shackleton, as we journey deep into Antarctica by way of the wildlife-rich Falkland Islands/Malvinas and South Georgia. We'll explore the fascinating history of the area, dating back to the grandiose times of the 'Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration' of the late 1800s and early 1900s, as we encounter jaw-dropping scenes in nature, colossal icebergs, and incredible wildlife.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Shackleton-focused programming both on board and at historical landing sites
- Exploring the Port of Stanley
- Penguin rookeries with hundreds of thousands of birds on South Georgia
- A visit to Grytviken, a former whaling station, and the gravesite of Sir Ernest Shackleton
- Potential encounters with Orca, Humpback and Minke whales

### DEPARTURE

- Feb 07 – Feb 27, 2022



[Our Ship: MS Seaventure](#)  
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### Day 1, Arrival in Buenos Aires:

Arrive at Ezeiza International Airport in Buenos Aires where you will be met by a Polar Latitudes representative and transferred to the Alvear Art Hotel for dinner and an overnight stay.

### Day 2 AM, Charter Flight to Ushuaia:

Following breakfast at the Alvear Art Hotel, you will be transferred to the airport in Buenos Aires for your private group charter flight to Ushuaia aboard an Airbus A320. After a group lunch in Ushuaia, you will be transferred directly to the Seaventure for embarkation.



### **Day 2 PM, Embarkation:**

Our Expedition Team and ship staff will greet you on board, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and Captain's welcome dinner.

### **Day 3, Southern Ocean:**

As we sail south, important briefings on environmental regulations and expedition safety are held. You won't want to miss our experts as they begin their informative and entertaining talks about the wildlife and geology of the area, with special presentations by our accomplished Historians on Antarctica's unique history and Shackleton's saga.

### **Day 4, West Falklands/Malvinas:**

We'll be exploring some of the westernmost settled outposts in the Falklands/Malvinas, where you can take in the beautiful countryside and look for Black-Browed albatross or Rockhopper, King, and Magellanic penguin rookeries.

### **Day 5, Stanley, East Falkland/Malvinas:**

Stanley is a lively hub of activity nestled in a sheltered harbor. Head out on foot to explore the museum, shops and services centered on the port, or look for sea lions, dolphins, and bird life along the shores.

### **Day 6-7, Southern Ocean:**

Things really start to ramp up with plenty of wildlife and seabird identifying to do as we make our way east across the Antarctic Convergence and officially enter Antarctic waters. Shipboard presentations continue, featuring topics like the captivating history of Shackleton's quest and the abundant wildlife of South Georgia.

### **Day 8-11, South Georgia:**

South Georgia is often referred to as the 'Serengeti of the Southern Ocean' and it's easy to see why as you take in tens of millions of breeding penguins, seals, and seabirds. Magnificent mountain scenery, glaciers galore, icebergs, a rich historical tapestry, and an incredible array of wildlife will astound you as we travel down South Georgia's leeward coast. We'll also visit historic Grytviken whaling station, featuring the tiny graveyard where Shackleton is buried with his right-hand man Frank Wild beside him.

### **Day 12-13, Scotia Sea:**

Heading farther south, we'll continue our informative presentations and wildlife spotting as the icebergs become bigger and more plentiful.

### **Day 14-17, Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands:**

Hopping into our inflatable Zodiac boats, we'll spend as much time as possible exploring. Be prepared to marvel up close at nature's glory as we set a course for the most scenic bays and channels of the Peninsula. We'll follow in Shackleton's footsteps as we attempt to land at sites of historic and scientific interest, including Elephant Island and Point Wild.



### **Day 18-19, Drake Passage:**

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again heading across the Antarctic Convergence and the Drake Passage. We have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion of our expedition with a special slideshow and a final meal together.

### **Day 20, Ushuaia disembarkation:**

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning, and transfer you directly to the Ushuaia airport for your private group charter back to Ezeiza International Airport in Buenos Aires for your international departure. Charter flight scheduled arrival in Buenos Aires is 4:30PM.