

CHILE AND PERU: VOYAGE THROUGH THE HUMBOLDT CURRENT

10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS ON BOARD

VALPARAÍSO TO LIMA

Discover the best of Chile and Peru. Embark your expedition vessel and join a thrilling journey through these storied lands and discover the vibrant culture, fascinating wildlife and breath-taking nature of Chile and Peru. From the bustling port city of Valparaíso to the wildlife paradise of Isla Pan de Azúcar, from the desert plateaus of the Atacama to the bustling cities of the Andean highlands and the immaculate vibes of the Peruvian Pacific coast, explorers are spoiled for choice in one of the most thrilling and diverse regions of the planet.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Sail north along the wildlife-rich Humboldt Current, fed by Antarctic waters
- Watch Humboldt penguins, sealions, and seabirds throng Isla Pan de Azúcar's desert shores
- Venture into the Atacama, Earth's driest desert, on a full-day expedition
- Stand before Arica's Chinchorro Mummies, older than those of Egypt
- Explore Arequipa, the White City, framed by three brooding Andean volcanoes
- Step ashore in Paracas, gateway to the Ballestas Islands and the Nazca Lines

EXPEDITION DATES ABOARD DISCOVERER

| Arrive | Board | Disembark |
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| Mar 28, 2027 | Mar 28, 2027 | Apr 6 2027 |

Day 1: Valparaíso, Chile, Embarkation

After embarking the vessel in the afternoon and completing the required safety briefings and drills, join your fellow explorers on the outer decks and toast your expedition as we sail out from the colourful hills of Valpo (as the locals call Valparaíso)!

Day 2: At sea, en route to Isla Pan de Azúcar

Days at sea are never dull – sailing up the Pacific Coast of Chile, we follow the chilly Humboldt Current, which originates in Antarctica, and brings exceptional



productivity to this section of coast. As such, a plethora of seabirds, whales, and other marine life are common in the area!

Days 3: Isla Pan de Azúcar

On the third day of our expedition, we arrive at the coast of Isla Pan de Azúcar ('Sugarloaf Island') – a dry desert island a few kilometers off the Chilean coast. Protected as a national park, the island is a haven for flora and fauna.

Days 4: Antofagasta

The largest city in northern Chile, Antofagasta, lies in the foothills of the Andes, and prospers on the export of copper, lithium, and other riches of the mountains. From there, we'll travel to the Atacama – Earth's driest desert, most of which has never recorded any rainfall, for a full-day excursion led by expert local guides to explore this breathtaking region, a desert which brims with beauty, wildlife, and vibrant culture.

Day 5: At sea, en route to Arica

During your day at sea, take advantage of the educational program offered by our knowledgeable Expedition Team. Discover new knowledge about this fascinating region during expertly crafted lectures, join the Team on the outer decks to watch for marine wildlife, or indulge in a relaxing spa treatment.

Days 6: Arica

Known as the 'City of Eternal Spring' for its balmy climate, the history of the city stretches far beyond the Chilean state and back into antiquity, to the Inca Empire (toppled by Spanish conquistadors), and a huge variety of other ancient cultures. Join a shore excursion through this ancient land to learn more about its fascinating

history, the legacy of which still pervades the city today.

Day 7: Matarani, Peru

From Matarani, you will join a shore excursion led by expert local guides to explore Arequipa, a true Andean gem! Surrounded by three brooding volcanoes, Arequipa is a feast for the senses. Colorful, patterned fabrics flutter from every doorway, rambling verandas run along every upper floor, and vibrant flowers perfume the air.

Day 8: At Sea, En Route to Paracas

Enjoy a relaxing day at sea, soak up the enthusiasm for learning from your Expedition Team, and prepare yourself for tomorrow's adventures in Paracas, Peru's beachfront paradise.

Day 9: Paracas

On the final full day of our expedition, we arrive at the laid-back beachfront town of Paracas, one of Peru's premier destinations with so much to offer! Just offshore lie the world-famous Ballestas Islands, wildlife paradises often compared to the Galapagos, and slightly to the south lie the legendary Nazca Lines, ancient geoglyphs which have been the subject of scientific and spiritual debate for centuries.

Day 10: Callao (Lima): Disembarkation

After a fond farewell to Expedition Team and Crew of the Discoverer, alight in this dynamic city ready to explore, or ready to head home with memories of the expedition of a lifetime.

