

CHRISTMAS SEASON IN ANTARCTICA

11 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS ON BOARD

USHUAIA TO USHUAIA

A holiday in the most spiritually uplifting place on earth. The Christmas season is a time for joy, reflection, and magical moments, and nowhere on earth delivers all of those – and all at once – as does a journey through the wildlife-rich Weddell Sea and into the spectacular snow-covered Antarctic Peninsula. Join us as we share the holidays peacefully co-existing with Mother Nature herself. You'll be celebrating among massive tabular icebergs, glorious and radiant glaciers, colonies of Adélie, Chinstrap, and other penguin species, and an array of seals, all the while staying on the lookout for a likely sighting of Orca on the hunt. Christmas time in Antarctica. It's a holiday experience unlike any other.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Celebrate the holidays in the most beautiful and inspiring place on earth
- Journey through the otherworldly landscape of the Weddell Sea
- Expect wildlife encounters with penguins, whales, seals, and rare seabirds
- Zodiac cruise through the Antarctic Sound amongst colossal tabular icebergs
- Pay a visit to a variety of penguin rookeries, as well as historic landing sites and working research bases

EXPEDITION DATES ABOARD OCEAN VICTORY

| Arrive | Board | Disembark |
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| Dec 18, 2026 | Dec 19, 2026 | Dec 28, 2026 |

Day 1, Arrive in and explore Ushuaia

After a friendly welcome at the airport, we'll transfer you to one of our partnered premium hotel resorts nestled in the breathtaking Patagonian nature, where you can take some time to unwind or go explore the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia.

Our evening briefing is your opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow explorers.

Day 2, All aboard!

Spend your morning relaxing at the hotel, visiting a museum, or exploring the shops in Ushuaia, before our mid-afternoon escort to the ship. Our Expedition Team



and ship staff will welcome you on board and get you settled in, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and our Captain's welcome dinner. We're on our way to Antarctica!

Days 3-4, Drake Passage

Join our Polar Experts as they share their vast knowledge of Antarctica, from its enchanting wildlife to its bold history. Participate in our pioneering Citizen Science program or sit back and take in this fabled journey while catching glimpses of rarely seen wildlife. Keep your binoculars handy to identify the many seabirds that escort our ship as we cross the Antarctic Convergence into Antarctica's waters and noticeably cooler temperatures

Days 5-7, Merry Christmas, Antarctica!

Time to put our explorer's spirit to full use. Antarctica offers astounding landscapes and wildlife encounters at every turn, as the last truly unspoiled place on earth, populated only by its original wild inhabitants. Prepare yourself to encounter numerous species of penguins, seals, and whales, who will be there to share the holidays with us along the rugged coastlines and in the sea. We'll also take full advantage of every opportunity to visit some of the several active scientific bases and historic landing sites on the peninsula. This voyage promises to be a holiday memory you'll cherish forever. Our team always has something fun planned for Christmas Day.

Day 8, South Shetland Islands

Over time, the volcanic activity of the South Shetland Islands has created a geology unlike any other. Here, you can expect a spectacular display of mountains, glaciers, and wildlife including Chinstrap and Gentoo penguins; and it's not uncommon to share the water's edge with Elephant and Fur seals. Whales are often

spotted as well. So, we'll settle into our Zodiacs and spend most of our day exploring. And kayakers, it's time to get your first taste of gliding just inches off the pristine Antarctic water. Whether on land or sea, in Zodiac or kayak, be prepared for a fully immersive introduction to this incomparable part of the world.

Days 9-10, Drake Passage

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again crossing the legendary Drake Passage. We

have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion of our expedition with a special slideshow, passenger photo contest, and a final celebratory meal together. Congratulations, explorers!

Day 11, Ushuaia disembarkation

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning, letting you catch a flight to Buenos Aires or stay in Ushuaia for more sights and adventure.

