



NEW LUXURY EXPEDITION CRUISES

Antarctica Discovery: Beyond the Antarctic Circle 2023

15 days from **\$16,995** per person *was* \$20,495

Limited to 199 guests

OFFER

Save \$3,500 per person on all stateroom categories and suites, plus 50% on the single supplement on stateroom categories 1-3.

Embark on the Luxury Expedition Cruise of a lifetime to extraordinary Antarctica, witnessing the flawless beauty of towering icebergs and massive blue glaciers, encountering spectacular wildlife up close, and thrilling at the chance to venture beyond the Antarctic Circle to the most historic and rarely explored treasures of the Southern Ocean.

Included With This Luxury Expedition Cruise

- An Exclusively Chartered, All-Inclusive Voyage Led by A&K's Expedition Team
- Pre- and/or Post-Cruise Stays at Stylish, Ideally Located Hotels and A&K-Led Excursions
- Airport Meet and Greet and Transfers
- Private Balcony with Every Onboard Accommodation and Butler Service with Every Suite
- Maximum Personnel-to-Guest Ratio of 1 to 1.3
- Culinary Program Featuring French-Inspired Cuisine, Including House Drinks, Afternoon Tea and Pastries
- 24-Hour Room Service and Breakfast in Bed
- Complimentary Expedition Parka, Backpack and Water Bottle, and Use of Waterproof Pants, Boots and Trekking Poles
- Zodiac Excursions Led by Expert Naturalist Driver-Guides
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service
- All Gratuities, Port Charges and Taxes
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on Board and in Hotels
- Onboard Service from an English-Speaking Staff, Including an Accredited Physician
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support

A&K Advantages

Cruise for 12 nights across the Southern Ocean to the White Continent, all from aboard a luxurious mega-yacht exclusively chartered by A&K. Join a rare group of explorers who attempt to voyage beyond the Antarctic Circle for further discovery of the fascinating Antarctic Peninsula. Search for some of the world's most astounding wildlife, including gentoo penguins, wandering albatrosses, leopard seals, orcas and humpback whales. Experience a thrilling enrichment program of Zodiac excursions, lectures and time on shore with the 18-plus members of A&K's award-winning Expedition Team. Begin your adventure with a two-night stay in Buenos Aires, exploring this fiery Latin city with your choice of shore excursion.

Featured Experts



DR T.H. BAUGHMAN

Expedition Leader, Naturalist Guide

A professor emeritus from the University of Central Oklahoma and current teacher at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, T.H. is also the author of numerous books, including four on the polar regions.



MATT MESSINA

Marine Mammal Expert

A lifelong student of the natural world and the art of illustration, Matt is a graduate of College of the Atlantic and the author and illustrator of *The Gulf of Maine: An Illustrated Field Guide*.

Itinerary

JAN 18 ARRIVE BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Arrive in the energetic port city of Buenos Aires and transfer to your luxury hotel, with time to relax and experience the amenities of the beautiful Park Hyatt. This evening, enjoy time at leisure, perhaps to explore the city.

Palacio Duhau — Park Hyatt Buenos Aires

JAN 19 BUENOS AIRES | LIVELY PORT CITY

The gateway to Argentina for centuries, Buenos Aires has long brought *porteños* (locals) into its boundaries. Although reminiscent of a European city, the spirit of Buenos Aires is evident in its diverse local neighborhoods. This morning, choose from a selection of included excursions and experience the city's best treasures, such as a panoramic city tour complete with a tango demonstration alongside local A&K guides. Later this afternoon, meet with your fellow adventurers for a welcome cocktail reception.

Palacio Duhau — Park Hyatt Buenos Aires | Meals: Breakfast

JAN 20 USHUAIA | GATEWAY TO ANTARCTICA

Fly to the southernmost city in the world, the charming port town of Ushuaia on Tierra del Fuego (Land of Fire). On arrival, enjoy a nature walk (time permitting) and a gourmet lunch. This afternoon, transfer to your ship and settle in for your first night on board. Wander the decks to become acquainted with the ship, relax in the lounge and mingle with fellow guests in anticipation of your voyage. From your private balcony or the outside decks, take in views as you cruise the beautiful Beagle Channel before heading out to sea.

'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

JAN 21–22 DRAKE PASSAGE | EPIC PASSAGE

The first part of your adventure at sea and toward extraordinary Antarctica begins with a voyage across the storied Drake Passage, which functioned as an important trade route in the 19th and 20th centuries. Spanning 600 miles of open ocean, this passage is also the place where the humid, subpolar conditions of Tierra del Fuego meet with the frigid, polar reaches of Antarctica — and where the voluminous Antarctic Circumpolar Current presses from west to east. Notorious for its squalls, the Drake Passage once made for an unpredictable voyage; today, the stabilizer-equipped 'Le Lyrial' commands these waters comfortably. As you travel on your remarkable luxury cruiser, enjoy life on board as well as several university-caliber lectures every day — all part of the intriguing, ongoing conversations you have throughout your cruise with A&K's Expedition Team and enrichment experts. Topics span marine biology, photography and history. After lunch, join your naturalists on deck to spot pelagic seabirds, which may include the wandering albatross and smaller storm petrels in their element. Later in the evening, look forward to a briefing in the theater on the next day's itinerary followed by dinner at your choice of restaurants.

'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

JAN 23–29 ANTARCTICA | THE INCOMPARABLE WHITE CONTINENT

As Antarctica's offshore islands appear on the horizon, first sightings of the Antarctic Peninsula become that much more moving, surreal and unforgettable. Your lecture program matches the excitement with poignant talks led by your captivating team of A&K experts and guest lecturers. Look forward to inspiring daily landings along the Peninsula, all of which are carefully designed by your Captain and Expedition Team. This expedition has been designed with two additional days in Antarctica, specifically to allow for discovery beyond the Antarctic Circle and to areas rarely explored in Antarctica. Excursions via Zodiacs (sturdy inflatable boats) are also piloted by expert naturalist guides, joined by groups of no more than 10 guests and often accompanied by your lecturers. Your Captain and Expedition Team carefully plan your active, curated itinerary, which is dependent on weather, sea, ice and wildlife conditions. With that in mind, daily excursions may include exploration of the following areas: **South Shetland Islands:** Remarkable history, amazing geological features and abundant wildlife define these islands offshore of the Antarctic Peninsula. Island visits may include Livingston, Half-Moon and Deception; the last of which is a flooded, historic caldera that you may cruise into for the chance to explore its geothermal black sand beaches and abandoned whaling stations. **Danco Coast:** Bordering the South Shetland Islands along the Antarctic continent, the Danco Coast is famed for its scenic, jaw-dropping waterways. From the comfort of 'Le Lyrial,' you may sail through the Gerlache Strait, Paradise Bay and photogenic Lemaire Channel. Landings you may experience include Neko Harbour, Cuverville Island and Wilhelmina Bay. **The Antarctic Circle:** The most southerly of the five primary circles of latitude, the Antarctic Circle was first crossed by Captain James Cook on January 17, 1773. On any given date, the lengths of day and night here are the exact opposite of those at the Arctic Circle. Conditions permitting, you may cruise beyond the Antarctic Circle at 66°34'S 65°44'W, sailing along the west coast of the Antarctic Peninsula. **Marguerite Bay:** You may also sail to the protected waters of mountainous Marguerite Bay and experience landings on Adelaide Island, which was discovered by British Explorer John Bischoe. You may also visit the British Antarctic Survey (BAS) station at Rothera. Mornings spent discovering the White Continent's rare and remarkable treasures from the shore to terra firma are followed by lunch aboard 'Le Lyrial.' Enjoy time to relax and observe the surrounding abundance of wildlife, searching for everything from humpback whales and porpoising penguins to Antarctic and imperial shags. By afternoon, set out for the day's second planned excursion, which may include hiking on spectacular beaches teeming with braying gentoo penguins, or circumnavigating colossal icebergs that serve as floating homes to seals. On each of these seven adventurous days, look forward to comfortable evenings aboard your luxury cruiser, sipping cocktails in the Panoramic Lounge before dinner. At night, recap the day's discoveries with your Expedition Team, enjoy entertainment in the theater, and chat with fellow guests in one of 'Le Lyrial's' lounges, ever on the lookout for late-night wildlife appearances just off deck.

'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

JAN 30–31 DRAKE PASSAGE | REFLECTIVE RETURN

You may still be catching your breath over the awe and inspiration discovered in Antarctica as 'Le Lyrial' turns around to begin the voyage back to Ushuaia in Tierra del Fuego. The ship's return through the Drake Passage affords the perfect opportunity for peaceful reflection, and more conversations and lectures with A&K experts on Antarctica's spectacular environment. You may also enjoy more time with newfound friends in the common spaces of 'Le Lyrial,' or quiet relaxation in the comfort of your stateroom. The Drake Passage is a rich source of krill, which fuels the heart of Antarctic food webs and draws wildlife at every turn. Your



Expedition Team continues to call you out on deck to witness everything from humpback whales frolicking and bubble-net feeding to the gorgeous blackbrowed albatross and the wandering albatross, a rare prize for bird lovers known for its remarkable wingspan, which can be as wide as 12 feet.

'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

FEB 1 DEPART USHUAIA

'Le Lyrial' docks at Ushuaia this morning. Enjoy breakfast and then say goodbye to your Expedition Team and ship's crew before disembarking by 9:00 a.m. You are transferred to the airport for your return flight to Buenos Aires, where you connect to your international flight home.

Meals: Breakfast

Note: Itinerary is for guidance purposes only and may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances including weather, wildlife, ice, medical emergencies and other conditions beyond A&K's control at the sole discretion of the Captain.

Extensions



Iguazu Falls Pre-Tour Extension

Discover Iguazu Falls, visiting the Argentine and Brazilian sides of one of South America's greatest natural wonders.

4 days from \$3,595 per person
Single Supplement from \$1,995 per person
Internal air from \$685
✈ (Buenos Aires/Iguazu/Buenos Aires)

JAN 15

Arrive in Buenos Aires. You are transferred to your historic hotel in the heart of the city where you meet your A&K local guide who joins your journey.

Palacio Duhau — Park Hyatt Buenos Aires

JAN 16

Fly to Iguazu Falls and experience the Argentine side of the park, walking the trails above and along the falls. Choose to venture out onto a suspended platform that extends 1,300 yards over the lush tropical basin at the very brink of the 'Garganta do Diabo' (Devil's Throat).

Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

JAN 17

Today, explore the Brazilian side, with its cascading waterfalls along a gulf. Join your guide on a tour through the national park to a catwalk within arm's reach of the falls.

Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

JAN 18

Fly to Buenos Aires. Begin your main program.

Meals: Breakfast



Ushuaia Post-Tour Extension

Explore the Southern Andes, venturing off-road at Fagnano Lake and cruising to Gable Island for forested hikes.

3 days from \$2,095 per person
Single Supplement from \$795 per person

FEB 1

Disembark in Ushuaia and set off on a morning city tour. After lunch, travel in a 4x4 on an off-road adventure to the Fuegian Andes region. Journey through forests and across rivers, taking in views of Lago Escondido (Hidden Lake) from above the Andes and enjoying an Argentine barbecue at impressive Fagnano Lake. Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure.

Arakur Ushuaia | Meals: Lunch, Dinner

FEB 2

Travel to Haberton Ranch, the first estancia in Tierra del Fuego and one of the most rugged and beautiful places in the Beagle Channel. Visit its marine mammal museum, ride a motorboat to Martillo Island to see its penguins, and then cruise to the enormous Gable Island for a Patagonian lunch. After coffee, hike this gorgeous island, crossing over beaver dams and through its forest to reach the shore of the Beagle Channel. Return to your hotel and enjoy time at leisure.

Arakur Ushuaia | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

FEB 3

Transfer to the airport for your return flight home.

Meals: Breakfast

Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Jan 18 - Feb 01, 2023				
Classic Stateroom - Category 1	\$16,995 (was \$20,495)	\$7,688 (was \$15,375)	\$895	Limited Availability
Deluxe Stateroom - Category 2	\$18,995 (was \$22,495)	\$8,438 (was \$16,875)	\$895	Available
Premier Stateroom - Category 3	\$19,995 (was \$23,495)	\$8,813 (was \$17,625)	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Prestige Suite - Category 4	\$29,995 (was \$33,495)	\$28,495	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Premier Two-Room Suite - Category 5	\$33,495 (was \$36,995)	\$31,825	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Privilege Two-Room Suite - Category 6	\$34,995 (was \$38,495)	\$33,245	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Grand Deluxe Two-Room Suite - Category 7	\$39,995 (was \$43,495)	\$37,995	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Grand Privilege Three-Room Suite - Category 8	\$44,995 (was \$48,495)	\$42,745	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Owner's Suite - Category 9	\$48,995 (was \$52,495)	\$46,545	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K

Optional [pre-tour and post-tour extensions](#) available on this departure.

Journey Details

Proof of full vaccination for COVID-19 is required for this journey, including a booster shot if vaccination was received more than four months prior to departure (two months for the Johnson & Johnson vaccine).

Economy class from \$895
Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Buenos Aires

This journey contains some active elements, including Zodiac boat excursions, walks over uneven terrain and optional, challenging hikes.

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Minimum age is 7 years.

Categories 4–9 include room upgrade at the hotel and butler service aboard the ship.

First group event: excursion on Jan 19.

Last group event: disembarkation at 9:00 a.m. on Feb 1.

Special Offer Terms & Conditions

Offer subject to availability and may be withdrawn at any time. Single supplement offer not combinable with Marco Polo or any other single supplement discounts.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).