



## Itinerary

### 2 PEOPLE: 11 Day Luxury Antarctica Expedition

**\*IMPORTANT NOTE: Any extra nights, optional tours or other amendments, will not be visible on this itinerary.**

#### Day 1: Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina

Arrive in Buenos Aires, Argentina's vibrant capital city. On arrival, please make your own way to your hotel, then enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

**MEALS:** Nil

**OVERNIGHT:** Hilton Buenos Aires or similar

#### Day 2: Buenos Aires ~ Ushuaia

This morning, check out of your hotel in Buenos Aires and transfer to the airport for your included charter flight to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in Argentina.

On arrival in Ushuaia, you will be met at the airport and transferred to the pier for embarkation. After boarding your boutique expedition ship, take some time to settle into your stateroom and familiarise yourself with the onboard facilities.

Set against the snow-capped Martial Range and the shores of the Beagle Channel, Ushuaia is often called the "End of the World". Its colourful streets, dramatic mountain backdrop and remote location create the perfect starting point for your Antarctic adventure.

Later today, your ship departs Ushuaia and begins its journey towards one of the most captivating wilderness regions on Earth.

**MEALS:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Swan Hellenic Vessel

#### Days 3-4: Days at sea

Spend the next two days at sea as your ship crosses the legendary Drake Passage towards Antarctica.

While at sea, take time to relax, settle into life onboard and watch the ever-changing ocean views from the ship's observation decks. These sea days are a wonderful opportunity to slow down, enjoy the journey and build anticipation for your arrival in the Antarctic Peninsula.

You may wish to meet fellow travellers, share stories over a meal or drink, or visit the onboard library, which features a collection of reference books about the polar regions, wildlife, history and exploration.

Throughout the crossing, the expedition team will host informative lectures and presentations, helping you learn more about Antarctica's landscapes, wildlife and fragile environment. You may also have the chance to join photography sessions and receive helpful tips for capturing the dramatic scenery and wildlife encounters ahead.

As you continue south, keep watch for seabirds, including albatross, soaring above the waves.

**MEALS:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Swan Hellenic Vessel

### Days 5-8: Antarctic Peninsula

Over the next few days, discover the breathtaking landscapes of the Antarctic Peninsula, one of the most spectacular and accessible regions of the White Continent.

Surrounded by towering glaciers, majestic icebergs and snow-covered islands, this is where many travellers experience the Antarctica they have always imagined. Each day brings new opportunities to take in dramatic scenery, watch for wildlife and explore this remote polar wilderness.

Weather and ice conditions will guide your exact route, allowing the expedition team to make the most of each day. Possible highlights may include the photogenic Lemaire Channel, known for its steep mountain peaks, narrow waterways and mirror-like reflections.

Shore landings may also include sites such as Mikkelsen Harbour, where you may encounter gentoo penguins, snowy sheathbills, skuas and Antarctic Weddell seals resting along the shore.

Zodiac excursions offer another memorable way to experience the region, bringing you closer to icebergs, glaciers and wildlife while travelling through quiet, ice-filled waters.

**MEALS:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Swan Hellenic Vessel

**OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE:** Snowshoeing in Antarctica

For those looking for an even more immersive adventure, optional snowshoeing may be available during your time in Antarctica.

Led by expert guides, snowshoeing offers a unique way to explore pristine snowy landscapes and enjoy the stillness of the polar environment. This activity provides a different perspective of Antarctica's vast wilderness, with views of glaciers, icebergs and surrounding wildlife.

Please note that snowshoeing is weather dependent and subject to suitable snow and landing conditions.

### Days 9-10: Day at sea

Spend the next two days at sea as your ship begins the journey back across the Drake Passage towards Ushuaia.

These sea days are a chance to relax after your time exploring the Antarctic Peninsula. Take in the sweeping ocean views from the ship's observation decks, watch for seabirds soaring above the waves, or simply sit back and reflect on the incredible landscapes and wildlife encounters you have experienced.

You may like to meet with fellow travellers, share stories from your Antarctic adventure, or spend time in the onboard library, which is stocked with reference books about the polar regions, wildlife, history and exploration.

The expedition team may also continue their onboard lecture program, offering further insight into Antarctica's environment, wildlife and history. You may also have the opportunity to join photography sessions and learn how to make the most of your images from this once-in-a-lifetime journey.

As you sail north, enjoy your final full days onboard and make the most of the ship's facilities before returning to Argentina.

**MEALS:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**OVERNIGHT:** Swan Hellenic Vessel

### Day 11: Ushuaia ~ Disembark Ship ~ Buenos Aires

This morning, arrive back in Ushuaia, marking the end of your Antarctic expedition cruise.

After disembarkation, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight back to Buenos Aires.

On arrival in Buenos Aires, your arrangements conclude. Alternatively, you may wish to extend your South America journey with one of our optional extensions, including Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires & Iguazu Falls, or Buenos Aires, Iguazu Falls & Rio de Janeiro.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

### \*\*\*IGUAZU FALLS AND BUENOS AIRES EXTENSION\*\*\*

As your expedition cruise concludes in Ushuaia, the vibrant hub of Tierra del Fuego, Argentina's southernmost province. You'll then catch a flight back to Buenos Aires for your return home. Upon arrival you will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel where you can spend the rest of the day at leisure.

**NOTE:** Charter flight details will only be provided once you are onboard the HX ship. As soon as you receive your flight information, please send these details via WhatsApp to the contact listed on your voucher. If you are unable to use WhatsApp, you may email the details to [info@myholiday2.com.au](mailto:info@myholiday2.com.au), and they will be forwarded on your behalf. Please note that transfers cannot be confirmed without your flight details—if this information is not provided, you will need to arrange your own transportation to the hotel.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Hilton Buenos Aires or similar

### Day 13: Buenos Aires ~ Iguazu Falls - Triple Frontier

Begin your day with a delicious breakfast before making your way to the airport for your flight to the magnificent Iguazu Falls. Upon arrival, your friendly driver will greet you at the airport and ensure a smooth, comfortable transfer to your accommodation. After settling in, your adventure continues with a visit to the iconic Triple Frontier—the remarkable point where Brazil, Paraguay, and Argentina converge. Here, you'll experience the vibrant energy and cultural diversity that comes from three nations meeting at a single landmark.

Spend a relaxing evening at your hotel, resting up for the unforgettable exploration of one of the world's greatest natural wonders that awaits you in the days ahead.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Gran Meliá Iguazú, Iguazu Falls or similar

### Day 14: Iguazu Falls - Argentinian Side

After breakfast, you'll set out for a full-day adventure exploring one of the world's most awe-inspiring natural wonders: Iguazu Falls. Today's itinerary takes you to the Argentinian side of the National Park, where entrance fees are not included and should be purchased directly at the park entrance.

Accompanied by bilingual guides (English/Spanish), you'll enjoy a scenic open train ride to the heart of the park and back, taking in lush rainforest scenery along the way.

Your guided tour covers both the upper and lower circuits, giving you a comprehensive perspective of the falls' stunning beauty. The highlight of the day is a visit to the dramatic Devil's Throat Falls, where you'll witness the immense power and grandeur of the cascading water up close. Expect an unforgettable day filled with natural wonder, incredible photo opportunities, and immersive experiences at every turn.

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### Day 14: Iguazu Falls - Brazilian Side ~ Buenos Aires

After breakfast, you'll enjoy a guided tour of the Brazilian side of Iguazu Falls, where you'll experience breathtaking panoramic views and unique perspectives of this natural wonder. Transfers will be provided as you cross the border into Brazil for your visit. Please note that entrance fees to the national park are not included and must be purchased directly at the park entrance.

**APPROXIMATE TIMES:** 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Following your tour, you'll be transferred back to the airport for your return flight to Buenos Aires. Upon arrival in Buenos Aires, you will be transferred to your hotel.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Hilton Buenos Aires or similar

**NOTE:** As this tour crosses into Brazil, please be aware that from 30 July 2025, Australian passport holders will require a visa to enter Brazil. It is your responsibility to check and confirm all current visa

requirements via [www.smartraveller.gov.au](http://www.smartraveller.gov.au)

### Day 15: Buenos Aires – City Tour

Get set for a brilliant introduction to Buenos Aires today. This half-day tour is just the ticket for striking that ideal balance between relaxed driving and a bit of easy walking, letting you soak up the energy and spirit of Argentina's lively capital. As we make our way through the city, you'll get a solid feel for its signature neighbourhoods and major sights, from the storied centre to the cutting-edge waterfront.

We'll stop several times to hop out, stretch our legs, and really take in the atmosphere. Standouts include Plaza de Mayo, the historic and political core of the country; the colourful lanes of La Boca, well-known for their tango heritage and eye-catching street art; the character-filled streets of San Telmo with their cobblestones and quirky antique shops; and Puerto Madero, a contemporary showpiece that's worlds apart from the older parts of town.

Throughout the outing, you'll also catch glimpses of other iconic spots and pick up fascinating tidbits about Buenos Aires' history, architecture, and everyday life — making this tour the perfect way to discover one of South America's most remarkable cities.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Hilton Buenos Aires or similar

### Day 17: Depart Buenos Aires

Your unforgettable journey comes to an end today. After enjoying your morning at leisure, transfer from your hotel to the airport in time for your departing flight.

Take with you the incredible memories of the breathtaking landscapes, vibrant cities, and extraordinary experiences from your adventure. Safe travels, and we hope to welcome you back for another incredible journey in the future.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

### \*\*\*IGUAZU FALLS, BUENOS AIRES AND RIO DE JANEIRO EXTENSION\*\*\*

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### Day 16: Iguazu Falls - Brazilian Side ~ Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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In the evening, take your flight to Rio de Janeiro. Upon arrival, you'll be transferred from the airport to your hotel, where you can check in and relax for the night.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Miramar by Windsor Copacabana, Rio de Janeiro or similar

### Day 17: Rio de Janeiro - City Tour

Today you can immerse yourself in the vibrant culture and breathtaking beauty of Rio de Janeiro, home to some of the world's most iconic landmarks. Stand in awe of the majestic Christ the Redeemer statue, a symbol of peace and faith perched high above the city on Corcovado Mountain. Stroll along the famous golden sands of Copacabana Beach, where the lively atmosphere and stunning ocean views capture the heart of Brazil's beach culture. Finally, take a cable car ride up Sugarloaf Mountain for panoramic views of the city, coastline, and lush surrounding landscapes. Rio promises a blend of natural beauty, cultural richness, and unforgettable experiences.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** Miramar by Windsor Copacabana, Rio de Janeiro or similar

### Day 18: Rio de Janeiro - Free Day

Enjoy a day a leisure or contact MyHoliday2 for some optional excursions.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

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### Day 19: Depart Rio de Janeiro

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