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# Journey to Antarctica – 11N/12D

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

Visit: **Argentina:** Buenos Aires, Ushuaia, **Antarctica:** National Geographic Explorer – Expedition Ship



## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Spend a week exploring Antarctica aboard fully-equipped, ice-strengthened ship.
- 40+ years of Antarctic expeditions assures you of the best possible experience.
- Few things compare to a hike, Zodiac cruise or kayak foray amid the icescapes of Antarctica.

Glide around enormous tabular icebergs by Zodiac, walk along beaches covered with thousands of penguins, and kayak amid abundant wildlife. Learn about the Lindblad legacy, dating from 1966, as you travel with Ice Masters, Expedition Leaders and Naturalists who have hundreds of journeys under their parkas. On every expedition, a National Geographic Photographer will give talks and one-on-one photo tips in the field, where it counts. An Undersea Specialist captures rarely seen footage of life beneath the icy surface for viewing in the comfort of the ship's lounge. Join us on our classic Antarctica itinerary

### Active, immersive expedition travel

Exploring Antarctica in an authentic expedition style, aboard an authentic expedition ship is an incomparable experience, and your guarantee of an in-depth encounter with all its wonders. Lindblad Expedition's pioneering polar heritage and 40+ years of experience navigating polar geographies is your assurance of safe passage in one of the wildest sectors of the planet. Lindblad's veteran polar expedition team enables you to:

- See more of the legendary landscapes and habitats
- Encounter iconic penguins, leopard seals, and marine mammals
- Kayak among icebergs, Zodiac cruise past resting leopard seals, and hike on the continent with the best ice team on Earth
- Experience the seldom-seen Antarctic undersea, too – through the efforts of our undersea specialist
- Benefit from our 175 collective years of Lindblad – National Geographic expedition experience to see and do all you came for and more.

### Have up-close, personal penguin encounters

Travel with virtually any company to Antarctica, and you will see penguins. They are the citizens of the white continent, present in astounding numbers, and endlessly fascinating. Travel with Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic, however, and you'll travel equipped for up-close, personal encounters—with a fleet of Zodiacs and kayaks to enable you to get closer.

And a team of engaging experts that enable you to spend more time enjoying penguin society, and understand more of the adaptations that enable these remarkable animals to survive their environment.

### **Take advantage of all the superb photo ops**

You'll have a National Geographic photographer as your traveling companion, to inspire you and provide tips in the field. And the services of a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, as well—to help you turn your point-and-shoot camera into an “aim and create.” You'll find no end of subjects and the help you need to return home with your best photos ever.

### **Every day is active and engaging**

You'll get out on adventures every day we're in Antarctica, sometimes twice a day—to walk or hike, kayak or Zodiac cruise among the bergs. Because *National Geographic Explorer* has a fleet of both Zodiacs and kayaks, the entire expedition community can embark at once on forays, no waiting around for returning parties. You'll have a choice of activities each day, and the option to join the naturalist whose interests mirror yours. Choice also includes opting to enjoy the view from the bridge, the all-glass observation lounge, the library or the chart room. To visit the fitness center with its panoramic windows, or ease into the sauna or a massage in the wellness center.

### **Travel in excellent company**

Explore under the sure guidance of an expedition leader, eight veteran naturalists, a National Geographic photographer, plus a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, an undersea specialist, a Global Perspectives guest speaker, a video chronicler, and a wellness specialist. Their knowledge and passion for Antarctica is the key to your once-in-a-lifetime experience.

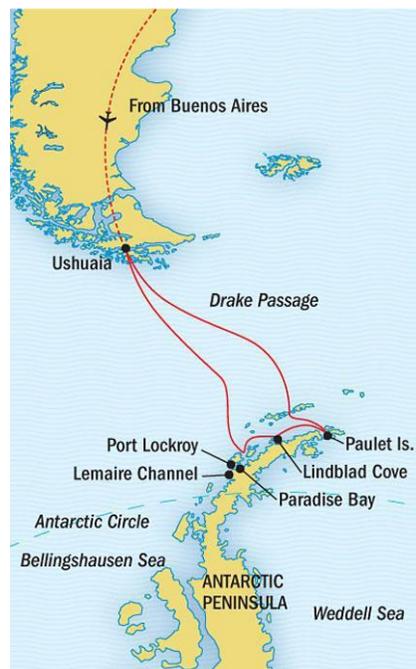
## Itinerary

### Day 01: Buenos Aires, Argentina

On Arrival in cosmopolitan Buenos Aires, set on the Rio de la Plata, check in to the fine Caesar Park Hotel. In the afternoon, we have a guided overview of the city, seeing its Beaux Arts palaces, grand boulevards, and the famous balcony forever associated with Eva Peron

### Day 02: Buenos Aires - Ushuaia, Argentina - Embark

The morning's LAN charter flight (cost not included) offers rare views of Patagonia before landing in Ushuaia, Argentina, the southern most city in the world. We'll have lunch during a catarram cruise of the acenic Beagle Channel before embarking National Geographic Explorer or National Geographic Orion. (B,L,D)



### Day 03: At Sea (Drake Passage)

Awake this morning well into our journey across the Drake Passage. Lying between Cape Horn and the Antarctic Peninsula, the Drake holds a distinct place in maritime lore. Sometimes misty and gray, other times calm and clear, crossing the legendary Drake Passage is unforgettable. (B, L, D)

### Days 04 – 09: Antarctica

With long hours of daylight at this time of year, we make the most of our six days exploring the Antarctic Peninsula and its surrounding islands. The schedule is flexible to give you the best experience possible. Our veteran expedition team and their expert knowledge of Antarctica's waters enable us to take advantage of the unexpected. We are out daily —



experiencing Antarctica with all our senses as we walk, cruise in Zodiacs, and venture out in kayaks. See seals wallowing on the beach; hear the cries of penguins, and the huge, nurturing silence of this pristine place.

We may sail through the incomparable Lemaire Channel, where a hush falls over onlookers as bergs of beauty and scale drift by. Identify penguins, paddle kayaks through berg fields, and land with Zodiacs on the “White Continent.” (B,L,D)

### **Days 10 – 11: At Sea**

Enjoy the ship’s amenities. There is time to watch at the bridge for marine life, to indulge in a massage, work out in the fitness center, listen to presentations from the natural history staff, or catch up on some reading in the library. Celebrate your adventure at our farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

### **Day 12: Ushuaia – Disembark – Buenos Aires**

Disembark in Ushuaia with time to explore before proceeding to the airport for our LAN charter flight to Buenos Aires (Cost not included). Take your flight back home.

#### **Package Includes:**

- All accommodations;
- meals indicated;
- excursions; services of Lindblad Expeditions’ Leader,
- Naturalist staff and expert guides;
- Use of kayaks; entrance fees;
- All port charges and taxes

#### **Package Excludes:**

- International and Domestic airfare,;
- charter flights Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Buenos Aires,
- personal items such as alcoholic beverages, emails, laundry, voyage DVD etc.;
- Discretionary tips to ship’s crew.
- Airport transfers,
- Visa Charges,
- GST of 3.06%,
- Travel Insurance, Tips and Porterage, expenses of personal nature,
- Services not part of inclusion list.

**Note:**

- Sample Airfares: Round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Buenos Aires. . .from \$790
- Charter flights round-trip Buenos Aires/ Ushuaia/Buenos Aires are not included.
- Advance Payment: \$2,000
- Departure Dates:
- 2017 Nov 26 | Dec 6,16

**ACCOMODATION AS MENTIONED BELOW OR SIMILAR**

LOCATION/CATEGORY	PREMIUM
Buenos Aires	Sofitel
Antarctica Expedition	National Geographic Explorer

**PRICE PER PERSON IN USD, EXCL ST @ 9.00%**

ROOMING BASIS/CATEGORY	PREMIUM
ADL IN TWIN	13460

**PACKAGE PRICE: VALIDITY 1<sup>ST</sup> APR'16 TO 16<sup>th</sup> Dec'17 BARRING PEAK AND BLOCK OUT PERIODS**

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- Package price refers to services mentioned under the package inclusions section in the proposal
- We urge you to use our services for Flight tickets / Rail tickets/pass (International), Visa and Insurance.
- Booking Conditions, Amendment and Cancellation charges are applicable as mentioned on the website under terms and conditions and on the booking form of *WORLDTRAVEL STUDIO HNV PVT LTD.*
- INR equivalent of the package price shown in foreign currency will be calculated on the basis of the rate of exchange (ROE) prevailing on the date of your payment as advised by us.
- If any of the mentioned hotels/services are not available, alternate hotels/services may be offered with or without a difference in cost.
- Request for early hotel check in or late checkout due to flight/rail timings, will be subject to the discretion of the hotel at extra charges.
- All payment to be made by Cheque/Demand Draft/Direct bank transfer in favour of WorldTravel Studio HNV Pvt. Ltd.

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