



Antarctica Cruise

15 days | 17 days with Buenos Aires extension

Start your adventure on the sophisticated streets and squares of Buenos Aires, the South American capital of food and fashion. Then, in Ushuaia, board a ship bound for the lands known as one of Earth's final frontiers. You'll witness towering, glittering glaciers, icebergs in a thousand shades of blue, and teeming colonies of penguins and seals that call these rocky shores home.



Your tour package includes

- 3 nights in handpicked hotels
- 9 nights aboard M/V USHUAIA cruise ship
- 12 breakfasts
- 8 lunches
- 11 dinners, select meals with beer or wine
- 3 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

- Buenos Aires
- Tierra del Fuego National Park
- crossing the Drake Passage
- South Shetland Islands
- penguin rookeries
- Elephant Seals on Livingston Island

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for about 1 hour daily across uneven terrain, including snow and ice, with some hills.

Group size

6-20

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Buenos Aires today.

Buenos Aires → 1 night

Day 2: Arrival in Buenos Aires

Included meals: welcome dinner

Welcome to Argentina! Touch down in Buenos Aires, where you'll meet your fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

Ushuaia → 1 night

Day 3: Flight to Ushuaia

Included meals: breakfast

Fly to Ushuaia and get acquainted with the city on a guided walking tour. Then, spend the rest of the day exploring on your own.

Overnight Cruise → 9 nights

Day 4: Cruise embarkation

Included meals: breakfast, dinner

Travel through coastal landscapes and glacial valleys on an excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before boarding a cruise ship bound for the Antarctic.

- Visit Bahia Ensenada and view evidence of the 6,500-year-old native settlements
- Take in views of Roca Lake and Lapataia Bay

Day 5: Day at sea

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Spend the day crossing the legendary Drake Passage.

Day 6: Day at sea

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Spend another day crossing the legendary Drake Passage.

Day 7: South Shetland Islands

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Start your four-day exploration of the rocky South Shetland Islands and the northernmost tip of the Antarctic continent.

- Visit penguin rookeries
- Cruise through Neptune's Bellows into the natural harbor at Deception Island

Please note: the contents of your Antarctica itinerary are weather-dependent.

Day 8: King George & Livingston Islands

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Encounter Adélie and chinstrap penguins on King George Island and come face-to-face with elephant seals on Livingston Island. *Please note: Your Antarctica itinerary is weather-dependent.*

Day 9: Lemaire & Neumayer Channels

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Cruise along the Antarctic coast in the Gerlache Strait and gaze in awe at the towering sea cliffs lining the Lemaire and Neumayer Channels. You might also make stops at Paulet Island, the Melchior Islands and Portal Point. *Please note: Your Antarctica itinerary is weather-dependent.*

Day 10: Antarctic Islands

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Enjoy your final day of cruising in Antarctica. Depending on your ship's itinerary, you may:

- Discover the gentoo penguin rookery and the towering icebergs of Cuverville Island
- Spy the calving icebergs at Neko Harbor
- View the shallow bay filled with resting icebergs at Pleneau Island
- Visit the world's southernmost colony of gentoo penguins at Petermann Island
- Venture into the placid waters of Paradise Bay, where the sea serves as a mirror for the surrounding mountains

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Day 11: Day at sea

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Begin the first of two days of uninterrupted cruising back to South America. Join the ship's lecturers and naturalists on deck for whale- and bird-watching.

Day 12: Day at sea

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Spend another day cruising to the South American mainland.

Buenos Aires → 1 night

Day 13: Cruise disembarkation & flight to Buenos Aires

Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner

After disembarking your cruise ship, board a flight to Buenos Aires. There, you'll celebrate your trip with your fellow travelers at a farewell dinner, including a special tango performance.

Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 14: Sightseeing tour of Buenos Aires & departure

Included meals: breakfast

Before heading home, take in the highlights of Buenos Aires on a guided sightseeing tour.

- Visit the beautiful Plaza de Mayo to see the Casa Rosada, the Metropolitan Cathedral and the Cabildo
- Pass through the historic neighborhood of San Telmo before exploring the colorful streets of La Boca
- Drive along 9 de Julio Avenue, the widest street in the world, to Palermo and its beautiful parks
- Visit the aristocratic Recoleta neighborhood and the grave of Eva Perón

This evening, transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home, or extend your stay to explore Buenos Aires.

Arrive Home

Day 15: Arrive home

Arrive home after your overnight flight.

+ Buenos Aires extension

Look to your Tour Director as you explore more of the Paris of South America. Why the nickname? It has to do with the city's fashion scene (which is world-class), the cafes (where you'll find the best empanadas ever), and renowned museums and parks (don't miss Museo Evita!).

Buenos Aires → 2 nights

Day 14: Free day in Buenos Aires

Included meals: breakfast

Spend the day exploring Buenos Aires at your leisure. *Please note: Some of the contents of your itinerary today will overlap with the main tour.*

Day 15: Free day in Buenos Aires

Included meals: breakfast

Enjoy another free day in the city or add an excursion.

This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.

+ Estancia Visit: Argentine Barbecue & Gaucho Show

Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 16: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home.

Arrive Home

Day 17: Arrive home

Arrive home after your overnight flight.

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: goaheadtours.com/ART | 1-800-597-0350

Extension excursion options

Day 15: Estancia Visit: Argentine Barbecue & Gaucho Show

\$165/\$175* (7.5 hours, departs in the morning with lunch)

Head to Argentina's countryside for a day at a traditional estancia, or ranch, where you'll get to know the culture of the Pampas. You'll be welcomed with empanadas, a local specialty, and Argentine wine, then have a chance to visit the estancia's museum and church. Later, enjoy a delicious barbecue lunch along with entertainment. Experience the folklore of the region through music, dance, and a horse-riding show as gauchos (traditional ranch hands) show off their skills in the center of the ring, or sortija.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.com/terms