



Discover Patagonia - 3 Nights

Journey to the end of the world beginning in Ushuaia and ending in Punta Arenas! This route shows you the splendour and beauty of Patagonia's unique wildlife and landscapes.



4 days/3 nights

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Day 1: Ushuaia

Check in at 160 Juan Manuel de Rosas Street in downtown Ushuaia between 10:00 and 16:00 and board the Via Australis cruise ship at 17:30.

After a welcoming cocktail reception hosted by the Captain and his crew, the Via Australis will depart for one of the remotest parts of the planet. Our voyage will take us through the Beagle Channel to explore one of the most breathtaking wilderness regions in the world: Southern Patagonia, which includes the Tierra del Fuego archipelago.

Day 2: Cape Horn - Wulaia Bay

We will be sailing through Murray Channel and Nassau Bay to reach Cape Horn National Park, where, weather permitting, we shall go ashore. The legendary Cape Horn was discovered in 1616 and is a sheer 425-meter (1,394-foot) high rocky promontory. For many years it was an important navigation route between the Pacific and the Atlantic, and is referred to as the 'End of the Earth'. The park was declared a World Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 2005.

In the afternoon, we will go ashore at historic Wulaia Bay, originally the site of one of the region's largest Yamana aboriginal settlements. Charles Darwin landed there in 1833 during his voyage on the HMS Beagle. This area is also renowned for the mesmerizing beauty of its vegetation and geography. We will take an enchanted walk through the Magellan Forest of lengas, coigües, canelos, ferns, and other endemic vegetation, to reach a panoramic viewpoint.

Day 3: De Agostini Sound and Aguila Glacier

After nightfall we re-enter the Beagle Channel and sail westward along the southern edge of Tierra del Fuego into a watery wonderland protected within the confines of Alberto de Agostini National Park. Rounding the Brecknock Peninsula as the western extreme of Tierra del Fuego, Stella Australis is briefly exposed to the open Pacific. We then navigate a zigzag route through the Cockburn Channel, Magdalena Channel and Keats Fjord to reach scenic De Agostini Sound. Named after an Italian Salesian priest who worked among the region's indigenous people during the first half of the 20th century, De Agostini Sound is flanked by numerous glaciers and sheer saw-toothed peaks reminiscent of Torres del Paine. Our shore excursion this morning is Águila ("Eagle") Glacier, which hovers above a placid glacial lagoon surrounded by primeval forest.

After a Zodiac landing on the beach, passengers hike around the edge of the lagoon to a spot near the base of the frozen facade. Condors can sometimes be seen winging high above, but there is always abundant bird life around the lagoon. This landing provides the perfect opportunity to experience the beauty of Patagonia's sub-Antarctic rainforest and to see how the power of nature has moulded the spectacular landscape.

Day 4: Magdalena Island - Punta Arenas

After an overnight cruise through Magdalena Channel and back into the Strait of Magellan, we anchor off Magdalena Island*, which lies about halfway between Tierra del Fuego and the Chilean mainland. Crowned by a distinctive



lighthouse, the island used to be an essential source of supplies for navigators and explorers and is inhabited by an immense colony of Magellanic penguins.

At the break of dawn, weather permitting, we go ashore and hike a path that leads through thousands of penguins to a small museum lodged inside the vintage 1902 lighthouse. Many other bird species are also found on the island. In September and April – when the penguins dwell elsewhere – this excursion is replaced by a ride aboard Zodiacs to Marta Island to observe South American sea lions. After a short cruise south along the strait, disembarkation at Punta Arenas is scheduled for around 11:30 AM.

**Camera extension poles are prohibited on Magdalena Island*

**In September and April this excursion is replaced with Marta Island*

Details

Group Size: N/A

2018 Dates:

Promo: April 04

Low season:

March: 21, 28

High season:

January 03, 10, 17, 24, 31

February: 07, 14, 21, 28

March: 07, 14

As availability on travel programs changes frequently, please contact us for the most up to date availability on the trip you are interested in. Book now for best availability on 2017-18 cruises.

This 3 night program will not be offered past April 04, 2018.

2018 Rates:

Promo:

Category B - US\$1,189

Category A - US\$1,595

Category AA - US\$1,674

Category AAA - US\$1,753

Category AA Superior - US\$2,108

Category AAA Superior - US\$2,207

Low season:

Category B - US\$1,486

Category A - US\$1,988

Category AA - US\$2,084

Category AAA - US\$2,181

Category AA Superior - US\$2,627

Category AAA Superior - US\$2,749

High season Rates:

Category B - US\$1,895

Category A - US\$2,440

Category AA - US\$2,554

Category AAA - US\$2,679

Category AA Superior - US\$3,183

Category AAA Superior - US\$3,338

Rates are shown in US\$ per person, based on two people sharing a cabin in the category shown. Single rates are available in categories A, AA, AAA, AA Sup or AAA Sup at 150% of the category rate. Single rate does not apply to Category B. Children between 1 and 3 travel free if sharing a bed with their parents. Children between 4 and 12 receive a 50% discount, sharing a cabin with an adult.

All rates shown are subject to change by the expedition company based on available inventory.

Trip Code:



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INCLUDED

- Accommodation
- Sea transportation
- All meals
- Open bar when on duty (without additional cost for wines, beverages, and liquors)
- Shore Excursions
- On board entertainment

NOT INCLUDED

- Transportation to Ushuaia
- Gratuities
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel Insurance

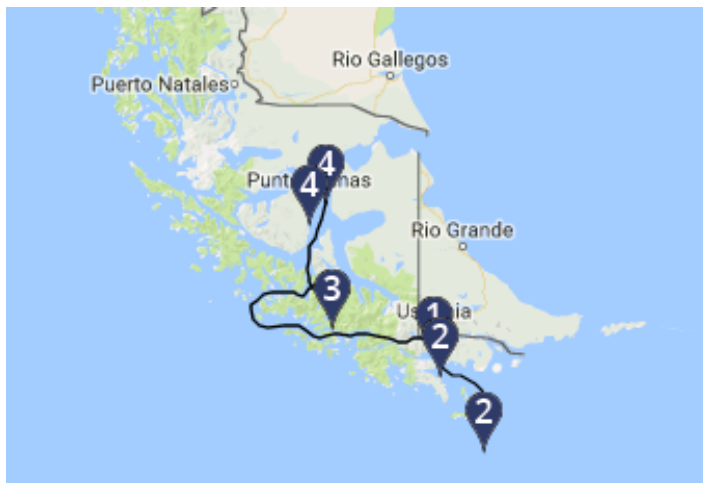
TOUR NOTES

One of the industry's most comfortable ships is designed to make your cruise excursion as comfortable and rewarding as possible during a journey down to Cape Horn at the bottom end of western hemisphere, through the scenic Beagle Channel that runs along the southern extreme of Tierra del Fuego, and across the fabled Strait of Magellan to the Chilean mainland.

Along the way learn about others who have explored the same waters — Ferdinand Magellan and Sir Francis Drake, Captain FitzRoy and Charles Darwin. All the while on the lookout for whales, dolphins, penguins, condors, elephant seals and the other creatures who call this remote part of the world their home.

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