

ANTARCTIC 2027/2028







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IAATO (the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators) advocates and promotes the practice of safe and environmentally responsible private-sector travel to the Antarctic.

Explore the Antarctic with Quark Expeditions.

1991. That was the year we became the first operator to bring commercial travelers to the North Pole. Ever since, we've led the industry, taking guests on adventures of a lifetime to the most remote places on Earth.



01 Polar Is All We Do

We love these places. It's that simple. That's why we only go to the polar regions—and no other operator can say that.



02 The Best Expedition Team

Our team of polar experts is made up of the most seasoned, passionate and respected guides in the industry.



03 We Get You Off-Ship More

With the largest expedition team in polar travel, we're able to get guests off the ship faster and more frequently.



04 The Most Ways to Explore

Whether you're on the ship, in a helicopter, Zodiac or kayak, biking, camping, hiking, or immersing in local culture, we offer countless ways to explore on each voyage.

Polar-obsessed from day one.

Where It All Began

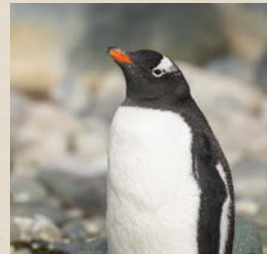
Brings the first commercial guests to the North Pole—and completed the first-ever passenger transit of the Northeast Passage.



Around Antarctica

First circumnavigation of Antarctica for commercial passengers.

[Choose from 16 innovative Antarctic itineraries starting on page 14](#)



Eclipse Chasers

Quark guests become the first humans to witness a Total Solar Eclipse in Antarctica.



Breaking Records

Quark breaks Roald Amundsen's record set nearly 100 years earlier, attaining the most southerly latitude of any vessel.



National Geographic Honor

Three Arctic Islands voyage voted one of National Geographic Traveler's "50 Tours of a Lifetime."



Training the Best

Launches Quark Academy—the industry's first expedition team training program.



Ultramarine Sets Sail

Fittingly, the inaugural voyage is a celebration of the life of polar explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton.

[Why is Ultramarine so popular? See page 50](#)



Back to Snow Hill

Hosts two successful landings at the legendary Emperor penguin colony at Snow Hill.



Expanding our Fleet

Launches newest ship *World Voyager* for the Antarctic 2026/2027 season.

[Read more on *World Voyager*. See page 58](#)



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2017

2021

2023

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2008

2013

2019

2022

2024

2026



Shackleton's Wake

Quark guests retrace the voyage of Sir Ernest Shackleton's ship *Endurance*.

[For itineraries that follow in the footsteps of Shackleton, see page 35](#)



Full Circle

Quark completes its first passenger circumnavigation of the Arctic Ocean.



Penguin Pioneers

First operator to confirm the existence of the Snow Hill Emperor penguin colony.

[See our Snow Hill itinerary on page 17](#)



Top of the World

Maiden voyage to the North Pole aboard 50 Years of Victory—the world's most powerful icebreaker.



A Lineage of Exploration

Jonathan Shackleton and Falcon Scott—descendants of polar legends—walk and camp on Antarctica with Quark.



Sustainability Pledge

Introduces Polar Promise—the industry's most holistic sustainability policy.

[Learn about our sustainability strategy on page 44](#)



Upwards Momentum

Ultramarine debuts twin-engine helicopters and introduces Tundra to Table—a first-of-its-kind Inuit culinary experience aboard.

[Keen on one-of-a-kind helicopter adventures? See page 70](#)



Full Steam Ahead

Wins Virtuoso Travel Award for Best Expedition Cruise Line, expands to Iceland, and welcomes *Ocean Explorer* to the fleet.

[For more information on *Ocean Explorer*, see page 54](#)



A New Era

Launches game-changing Expedition Extensions in both polar regions.

[Curious about our new Expedition Extensions? See page 40](#)

Discover Antarctica

ANTARCTIC PENINSULA

Gateway to the Last Wilderness

Iconic Antarctic wildlife: Encounter vast penguin rookeries of chinstrap, Adélie, and gentoo penguins, alongside humpback and minke whales, leopard seals, and soaring seabirds against a backdrop of ice and sky.

Untamed polar scenery: Cruise past towering icebergs by Zodiac, hike pristine snowfields to sweeping panoramic vantage points, and witness glaciers calving dramatically into the Southern Ocean.

The legendary Drake Passage: Cross the world’s most storied stretch of open water—800 kilometers of roiling Southern Ocean connecting the tip of South America to the 7th Continent.

Adventure from sea to sky: Explore by Zodiac, kayak, helicopter, or on foot. With the largest expedition team in polar travel, Quark gets you off the ship faster and more often.

When to Go → November – March

SNOW HILL

The Ultimate Emperor Penguin Experience

The world’s most sought-after wildlife encounter: Stand among an 8,000-strong colony of Emperor penguins at one of the least accessible wildlife sites on Earth—reached by helicopter over the frozen Weddell Sea.

Iceberg Alley, Weddell Sea: Navigate a vast concentration of colossal, flat-topped tabular icebergs, luminescent in their blueness, drifting through one of Antarctica’s most dramatic seascapes.

Five days in the Weddell Sea: Enjoy extended time in the vicinity of Snow Hill, where custom-designed Weddell Sea adventures adapt to conditions—whether that means a colony visit or exploration close to the ship.

The pioneer’s advantage: Quark has brought more travelers to Snow Hill than any other operator, unlocking this legendary destination since 2004, and continuing to do so today aboard our technologically advanced vessel, *Ultramarine*.

When to Go → October – November

FALKLAND ISLANDS & SOUTH GEORGIA

Wildlife and History at the Edge of the World

A wildlife spectacle unlike any other: From 250,000 breeding king penguins and the world’s largest gentoo penguin colony, to elephant seals, black-browed albatrosses, and rockhopper penguins—the wildlife density here is staggering.

Shackleton’s legacy: Retrace the footsteps of the Golden Age of Polar Exploration, exploring historic whaling stations and visiting Ernest Shackleton’s grave at Grytviken, South Georgia.

Dramatic sub-Antarctic landscapes: Hike across black sand beaches, traverse glaciers and snowcapped mountains, and discover the rugged beauty that defines South Georgia—one of the most spectacular islands on the planet.

Stanley and Island Life: Explore the remote capital of the Falkland Islands, a quintessentially British town with pubs, churches, museums, and a coastline unlike anywhere else on Earth.

When to Go → October – February

PATAGONIA

Where the Wild South Begins

Breathtaking landscapes: Navigate spectacular Chilean fjords, marvel at the jagged granite towers of Torres del Paine, and discover dramatic landscapes from sea level to soaring peaks.

Remarkable wildlife: Spot pumas, guanacos, pink flamingos, sea lions, southern right whales, and Magellanic penguins—remarkable wildlife unique to this extraordinary corner of the world.

Cultural immersion: Discover the region’s diverse heritage, from the traditions of the indigenous Mapuche community to the Welsh-Argentine culture of Patagonian port towns, savoring local food along the way.

Explore by helicopter: Take to the skies to access remote terrain and spot wildlife across coastal and mountain landscapes far beyond the reach of any other form of transport.

When to Go → March – April

Where We Go in Antarctica



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Where our team
can take you.

ANTARCTIC PENINSULA, FALKLAND ISLANDS, PATAGONIA, SOUTH GEORGIA AND SNOW HILL ISLAND. Where do you want to explore with our polar-obsessed expedition team? Quark Expeditions' 2027/2028 Antarctic lineup offers immersive itineraries to the Antarctic Peninsula, beyond the Antarctic Circle, wildlife-rich South Georgia, the Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas) and Snow Hill Island—home to the emperor penguin.



Map is not to scale. Itineraries shown are for illustrative purposes only. Actual itinerary is dependent on weather and ice conditions.

Beyond the ice.

Journey deep into the frozen Weddell Sea to witness one of the rarest wildlife experiences on the planet. Snow Hill Island is home to 8,000 Emperor penguins, and Quark Expeditions has brought more travelers here than any other operator on earth.

S N O W H I L L





A rare privilege: emperor penguins at Snow Hill Island.



Emperor Penguin Quest: Expedition to Snow Hill

Quark Expeditions has brought more travelers to the remote, 8,000-strong Emperor penguin colony at Snow Hill than any other operator. In fact, we were the first company to do so in 2004. Our 14-day *Emperor Penguin Quest: Expedition to Snow Hill* is a once-in-a-lifetime adventure that delivers one of the most jaw-dropping wildlife experiences imaginable. Bonus: helicopter flightseeing is included in the cost of the trip. Our technologically-advanced *Ultramarine* was built for this type of challenging journey. Trust us to get you there.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions may affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
 Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours
 Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center

1 departure | 14 days
 November 16 – 29, 2027
 Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
 Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
 To/From Buenos Aires, Argentina
 Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package



Adventure Options →
 See pages 74–75 for more details

Icons representing various activities: walking, kayaking, zodiac boat, helicopter, and photography.

The 7th continent.

Step onto the most remote continent on earth. In the Antarctic Peninsula, our expeditions explore vast penguin rookeries, glacier-carved bays, and towering icebergs – crossing the legendary Drake Passage to reach a place of extraordinary, untouched beauty.

ANTARCTIC PENINSULA





Ultramarine; cheek-to-cheek gentoo penguins; a shore landing on the 7th Continent.



Antarctic Explorer: Discovering the 7th Continent

Our classic 11- or 12-day *Antarctic Explorer: Discovering the 7th Continent* itinerary delivers the very best of the Antarctic Peninsula in one unforgettable journey: cross the legendary 800-kilometer (500-mile) Drake Passage; explore majestic polar landscapes by Zodiac, kayak, or on foot; photograph penguins, whales, and seals framed by towering ice; and deepen your experience with expert presentations on history, biology, and glaciology.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours
Ushuaia Extension: Tierra del Fuego, Harberton Ranch

22 departures | 11/12 days
November 2027 through March 2028
📍 Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
To/From Buenos Aires, Argentina
Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package on *Ultramarine* and *World Voyager*

Ships
Ultramarine
Ocean Explorer
World Voyager

Adventure Options →
See pages 74–75 for more details



When it's just you, the ship and a wall of Antarctic ice.



Antarctic Peninsula: Crossing the Circle

Relatively few humans set foot on the remote 7th Continent. Even fewer cross the Antarctic Circle. You can achieve both of these polar rites of passage on our 14-day *Antarctic Peninsula: Crossing the Circle*. Photograph penguin colonies, glaciers, remote bays and historical sites of the peninsula while exploring by ship, Zodiac, kayak and during guided hikes. Our ultimate goal is to allow you to customize your adventure as you cross the 7th Continent off your bucket list.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours

1 departure | 14 days
January 24 – February 6, 2028
📍 Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
To/From Buenos Aires, Argentina
Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package

Ship
World Voyager

Adventure Options →
See pages 74–75 for more details





An Argentine outpost; a diving humpback whale; Weddell seals at rest.



Antarctic Express: Sail South, Fly North

Get the best of both worlds on our 10-day *Antarctic Express: Sail South, Fly North*. Achieve a polar rite of passage by crossing the legendary 800-km (500-mile) Drake Passage by ship—and on your return, board a comfortable charter flight at King George Island for a two-hour flight over the infamous waterway. That leaves several full days to experience the wonders of the South Shetland Islands and the Antarctic Peninsula. Expect to encounter minke and humpback whales, along with Adélie penguins, as you explore snowcapped peaks, rugged coastlines, stark icescapes, and immense penguin colonies thriving in this remote wilderness.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
 Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center (Pre-Extension only)
 Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours (Pre-Extension only)
 *Extensions availability varies by departure.

4 departures | 9/10 days

December 2027 through February 2028

Embark: Ushuaia, Argentina

Disembark: King George Island, Antarctica

Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight

From Buenos Aires to Ushuaia, Argentina
 To Punta Arenas, Chile

Included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package only on *World Voyager*

Ships

Ocean Explorer
 World Voyager

Adventure Options →

See pages 74–75 for more details



Guests paddling the icy waters of Antarctica.



Antarctic Express: Fly South, Sail North

Take the fastest route over the 800-km (500-mile) Drake Passage to Antarctica—a two-hour flight from Punta Arenas, Chile—and glimpse the 7th Continent from the air on our 9-day *Antarctic Express: Fly South, Sail North*. Then board your waiting ship at King George Island to explore Antarctica, and sail back across the Drake to Ushuaia. Flying one way and sailing the other gives you the best of both worlds. Expect unique wildlife sightings, rugged landscapes, penguins and seals—and the unforgettable excitement of standing on the Antarctic Continent for the first time.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
 Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center (Post-Extension only)
 Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours (Post-Extension only)
 Punta Arenas Extension: Torres del Paine National Park (Pre-Extension only)
 *Extensions availability varies by departure.

4 departures | 9 days

December 2027 through February 2028

Embark: King George Island, Antarctica

Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina

Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flights

From Punta Arenas, Chile
 From Ushuaia to Buenos Aires, Argentina

Included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package only on *World Voyager*

Ships

Ocean Explorer
 World Voyager

Adventure Options →

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Off-ship adventures: hiking, stand-up paddle boarding and nature photography.



Antarctic Express: Fly the Drake

Fly both ways over the 800-km (500-mile) Drake Passage—the fastest route to and from Antarctica—and experience the best of the 7th Continent on our 8-day *Antarctic Express: Fly the Drake*. Enjoy a comfortable, time-saving two-hour flight from Punta Arenas, Chile, and board your waiting ship upon landing at King George Island. You'll then spend the next week exploring rugged polar landscapes, spotting unique wildlife, photographing incredible numbers of penguins and seals—and experiencing the unforgettable thrill of standing on the Antarctic Continent for the first time.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Punta Arenas Extension: Torres del Paine National Park (Pre-Extension only)
*Extensions availability varies by departure.

5 departures | 8 days
December 2027 through February 2028
Embark/Disembark:
King George Island, Antarctica
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
To/From Punta Arenas, Chile
Included in Charter Flight
& Hotel Package

Ships
Ocean Explorer
World Voyager

Adventure Options →
See pages 74–75 for more details
Icons: Hiking, Stand-up Paddleboarding, Sea Kayaking, Zodiac Cruise, Photography



Immersed in a landscape of ice and wonder on a Zodiac cruise



Antarctic Express: Crossing the Circle

Check off a polar milestone by crossing the Antarctic Circle with the best expedition team in the industry. Our 11-day *Antarctic Express: Crossing the Circle* voyage enables you to skip the notorious Drake Passage sailing with a charter flight to and from King George Island, where your Antarctic adventure begins and ends. Cruise the stunning Antarctic Peninsula, then push farther to 66° 33' south. Along the way, add bucket-list experiences like sea kayaking through iceberg-dotted channels and unforgettable wildlife sightings.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Punta Arenas Extension: Torres del Paine National Park (Pre-Extension only)

1 departure | 11 days
February 17 – 27, 2028
Embark/Disembark:
King George Island, Antarctica
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
To/From Punta Arenas, Chile
Included in Charter Flight
& Hotel Package

Ship
World Voyager

Adventure Options →
See pages 74–75 for more details
Icons: Hiking, Stand-up Paddleboarding, Sea Kayaking, Zodiac Cruise, Photography





Experience Antarctica by ship, on foot and from the air.



Antarctica by Helicopter: Icebergs, Mountains and Remote Lands

If you're looking for the most heli-focused voyage in the Antarctic, look no further than our 12-day *Antarctica by Helicopter: Icebergs, Mountains and Remote Lands*. Your included helicopter excursions feature multiple heli-flightseeing opportunities and a heli-landing. Our goal is to maximize helicopter adventures throughout your voyage, giving you perspectives of the Antarctic Peninsula no one else can offer—and the chance to explore inland from the east coast, where few have ever ventured. You'll also sail through the waters of Erebus and Terror Gulf, Antarctic Sound, and the great ice-filled Weddell Sea.

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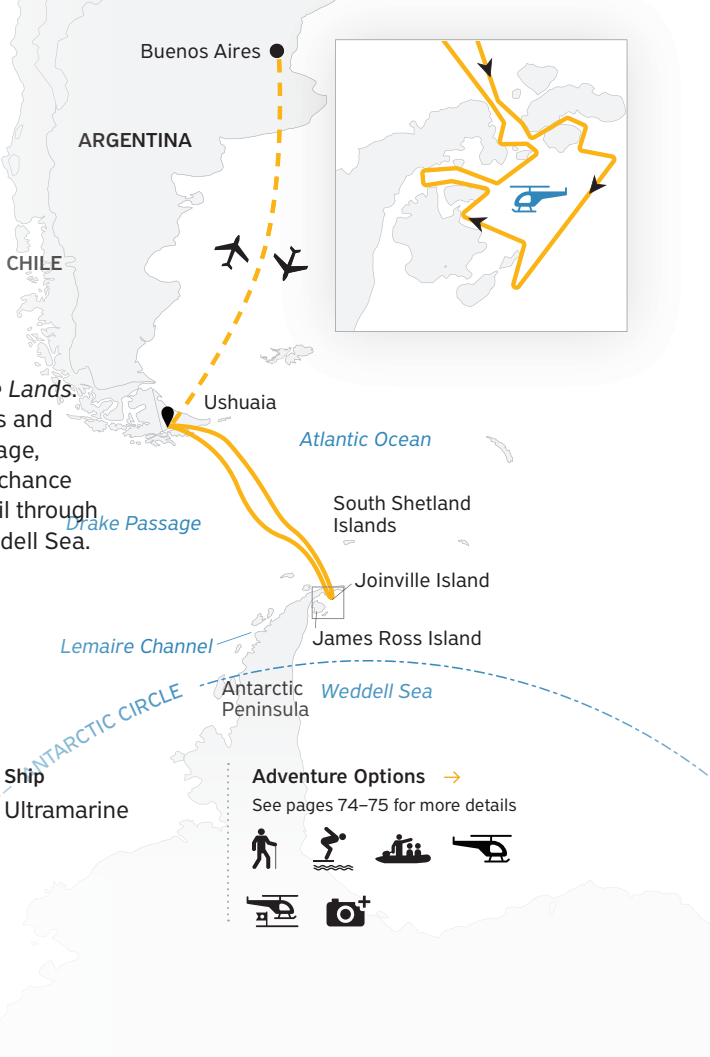
Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours

1 departure | 12 days
November 28 – December 9, 2027
Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
To/From Buenos Aires, Argentina
Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package

Ship
Ultramarine

Adventure Options →
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Face to face with a giant of the Weddell Sea—a tabular iceberg.



Antarctic Peninsula: A Rare Exploration of the Weddell Sea

Spend more time in the remote, ice-laden Weddell Sea—home to massive Adélie penguin colonies and colossal tabular icebergs—than you ever imagined possible. While many Antarctic itineraries attempt to include the Weddell, they typically spend just a day here, two at most. Our 12-day *Antarctic Peninsula: A Rare Exploration of the Weddell Sea* devotes three to four days in the farthest reaches of the Weddell Sea and Antarctic Sound. In fact, our arrival in Antarctica coincides with the Winter Solstice, December 21, 2027. Guided by our seasoned Expedition Team, this route is designed with maximum flexibility to adapt to shifting conditions and reach rarely visited sites few travelers ever see.

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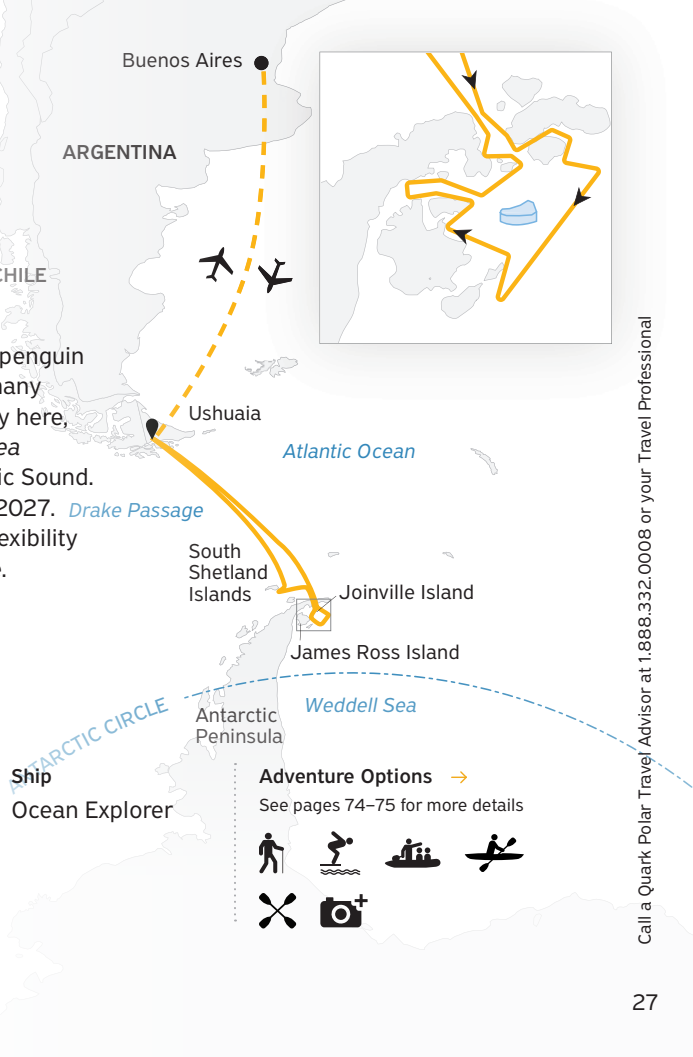
Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Ushuaia Extension: Tierra del Fuego, Harberton Ranch

1 departure | 12 days
December 18 – 29, 2027
Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
To/From Buenos Aires, Argentina
Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package

Ship
Ocean Explorer

Adventure Options →
See pages 74–75 for more details





Helicopters, chinstrap penguins and Antarctic exploration beyond the ordinary.



Antarctica by Helicopter: Crossing the Circle and the Peninsula

Crossing the Antarctic Circle at 66°30' is a polar milestone achieved by few travelers. Our 14-day *Antarctica by Helicopter: Crossing the Circle and the Peninsula* enables you to fulfill that dream on a unique voyage that maximizes multiple helicopter opportunities— included in the cost of the trip. You'll soar above the ice-covered 7th Continent and learn what it's like to step out of a helicopter onto Antarctica and gaze upon polar landscapes previously only seen by a few fearless explorers and mountaineers.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours

1 departure | 14 days
February 17 – March 1, 2028
♥ Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter flight
To/From Buenos Aires,
Argentina
Included in Charter Flight
& Hotel Package

Ship
Ultramarine

Adventure Options →
See pages 74–75 for more details



A kayaker shares Antarctic waters with two large baleen whales.



Antarctic Marine Mammals: The World of Whales and Seals

Our 11-day *Antarctic Marine Mammals: The World of Whales and Seals* itinerary offers guests the rare chance to actively engage in citizen science—while exploring the Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands. Co-developed by Ari Friedlaender, founder of the renowned Friedlaender Lab, this hands-on itinerary is designed to maximize observations of migratory whales, such as minke, humpback, and fin. A research associate from Happywhale will guide guests in identifying individual whales for global conservation projects. At the onboard Science Hub, guests connect with experts, participate in meaningful research, and help protect this pristine polar habitat for whales, seals, and all marine life.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours

1 departure | 11 days
March 3 – 13, 2028
♥ Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
To/From Buenos Aires,
Argentina
Included in Charter Flight
& Hotel Package

Ship
World Voyager

Adventure Options →
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Unrivalled wildlife.

Few places concentrate so much life in so little space. From the Falklands' rockhopper colonies to South Georgia's 250,000 breeding king penguins and elephant seals, these remote islands deliver staggering wildlife sightings alongside the legendary legacy of Ernest Shackleton.

FALKLAND
ISLANDS
&
SOUTH
GEORGIA



Capturing the wonders of South Georgia: king penguins and southern elephant seals.



Falkland Islands and South Georgia: 20-Day Wildlife Adventure

No other voyage compares: spend more time exploring the Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas) and South Georgia than ever before on our exclusive *Falkland Islands and South Georgia: 20-Day Wildlife Adventure*. Sailing from the Patagonian coastal city of Puerto Madryn, you'll reach the northwesternmost islands of the Falklands—a rare achievement for even the most seasoned polar adventurers. Enjoy three days exploring the Falklands archipelago, with visits to spectacular sites like Steeple Jason—the world's largest black-browed albatross colony—and New Island. Then immerse yourself for six full days in wildlife-rich South Georgia—virtually unheard of in expedition travel.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
 Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
 Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours
 Ushuaia Extension: Tierra del Fuego, Harberton Ranch

1 departure | 20 days
 October 19 – November 7, 2027
 📍 Embark: Puerto Madryn, Argentina
 📍 Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
 Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
 To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina
 Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package

Ship
 Ultramarine

Adventure Options →
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Thousands of king penguins on a South Georgia beach.



South Georgia and Antarctic Peninsula: Penguin Safari

Our 18-day *South Georgia and Antarctic Peninsula: Penguin Safari* itinerary is the fastest way to reach remote South Georgia Island—home to vast colonies of penguins—while also setting foot on the 7th Continent. Walk beaches teeming with king penguins and elephant seals, and enjoy the comical antics of gentoo, chinstrap and Adélie penguins. You can also observe albatross soaring above the ship. Antarctica awaits, with its soaring peaks and overwhelming enormity. Take a Zodiac ride, photograph glistening glaciers, or witness the rugged peninsula from a sea kayak.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
 Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
 Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours
 Ushuaia Extension: Tierra del Fuego, Harberton Ranch
 *Extensions availability varies by departure.

2 departures | 18 days
 October & December 2027
 📍 Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
 Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
 To/From Buenos Aires, Argentina
 Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package on *World Voyager*

Ships
 Ocean Explorer
 World Voyager

Adventure Options →
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A southern fur seal; Zodiac cruising; a helicopter's-eye view of Antarctica.



Epic Antarctica: The Falklands, South Georgia and Crossing the Circle

Our 23-day *Epic Antarctica: The Falklands, South Georgia and Crossing the Circle* delivers every major Antarctic highlight in one unforgettable voyage. Begin in the Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas), home to albatross, dolphins, five species of penguins, and surprisingly white-sand beaches. Continue to South Georgia, populated by 450,000 breeding pairs of king penguins, 50 million seabirds, and 5 million seals. Then explore the magnificent Antarctic Peninsula before crossing the Antarctic Circle—the ultimate milestone for world travelers. Bonus: every guest enjoys an included flightseeing experience, adding yet another extraordinary perspective to this epic adventure.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
 Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
 Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours

1 departure | 23 days
 January 17 – February 8, 2028
 Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
 Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight
 To/From Buenos Aires, Argentina
 Included in Charter Flight & Hotel Package

Ship
 Ultramarine

Adventure Options →
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When Magellanic penguins set the pace of exploration.



Penguins of the Far South: Falklands, South Georgia and Antarctica

Experience it all on our 20-day *Penguins of the Far South: Falklands, South Georgia and Antarctica* itinerary. Wander the sandy dunes, rugged seabird cliffs, and the quaint capital of Stanley in the rarely-visited Falklands. In South Georgia, stand amid massive king penguin colonies and uncover the island's legendary history. Then set foot on the magical 7th Continent, where incredible wildlife, glaciers, icebergs, and snow-clad peaks reveal nature at its most awe-inspiring.

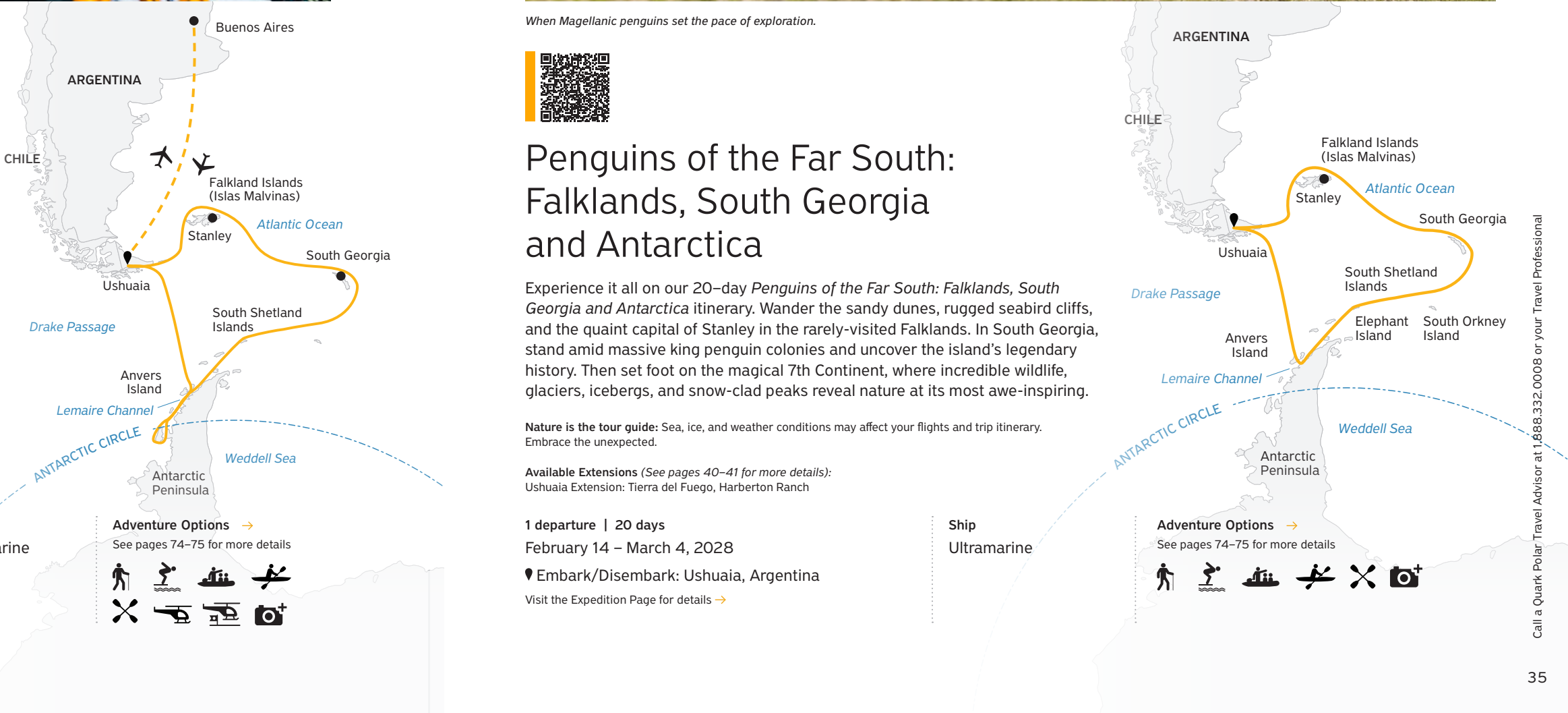
Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions may affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.

Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):
 Ushuaia Extension: Tierra del Fuego, Harberton Ranch

1 departure | 20 days
 February 14 – March 4, 2028
 Embark/Disembark: Ushuaia, Argentina
 Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Ship
 Ultramarine

Adventure Options →
 See pages 74–75 for more details



Wild at heart.

Where the Andes meet the Southern Ocean, a landscape of breathtaking drama unfolds. Our Patagonia expeditions take you through ancient Chilean fjords, beneath granite towers, and into the habitats of pumas, condors, and coastal wildlife found nowhere else on earth.

PATAGONIA



(Opposite) Patagonian rainforest, glaciers and guanacos. (Above) Heli-flightseeing over Patagonia.



Essential Patagonia: Chilean Fjords and Torres del Paine

The vast scale of Chilean Patagonia can be daunting for travelers, but our 15-day *Essential Patagonia: Chilean Fjords and Torres del Paine* overcomes those challenges with a ship-based journey supported by two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs. Retrace Darwin's voyage to the "edge of the world" as you navigate remote fjords and channels, helicopter flightsee above dramatic peaks and tidewater glaciers, and Zodiac cruise along Patagonia's enchanting coastlines. Encounter guanacos, Magellanic penguins, sea lions, elephant seals, and seabirds while experiencing one of the planet's most spectacular frontiers.

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Available Extensions (See pages 40–41 for more details):

Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves and the City Center
Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazu Falls, Deep Jungle and City Tours

1 departure | 15 days

March 20 – April 3, 2028

Embark: Ushuaia, Argentina

Disembark: Punta Arenas, Chile

Visit the Expedition Page for details →

Charter Flight

Between Santiago, Chile /
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Included in Charter Flight
& Hotel Package

Ship

Ultramarine

Adventure Options →

See pages 74–75 for more details



Expedition Extensions

Extend your adventure with our new pre- and post-expedition experiences. These curated itineraries are built with local partners to fit seamlessly before or after your polar expedition. Featuring a variety of options that include immersive city tours and iconic natural getaways, each extension itinerary was specifically designed to let you keep exploring, beyond the ship.



Buenos Aires Extension: Tigre Delta, Eco Reserves, and the City Center

Discover two distinct sides of Argentina in a single journey—the vibrant energy of its capital city and the quiet waterways of the Tigre Delta. This three-day program immerses guests in the elegance of Buenos Aires, with its grand boulevards, café culture, the storied Recoleta Cemetery and the urban wilderness of Costanera Sur Ecological Reserve along the Río de la Plata. Your journey then shifts to the Tigre Delta, where lush islands, birdlife and stilt-house communities line a maze of winding channels. From cosmopolitan avenues to tranquil backwaters, this journey captures the essence of Argentine adventure.

Availability
Pre- and post-expedition on all Buenos Aires voyages

Duration
3 Days / 2 Nights

Tour Inclusions
Two breakfasts, two lunches, two dinners and two nights’ hotel accommodation.



Buenos Aires Extension: Iguazú Falls, Deep Jungle, and City Tours

Immerse yourself in the cosmopolitan elegance of Buenos Aires and the breathtaking natural spectacle of Iguazú Falls – one of the world’s most extraordinary waterfall systems and an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Through our trusted local partners, this five-day adventure gives guests rare access to the Mbya Guaraní community of Jasy Porá, providing a window into their spiritual beliefs and deep connection to the forest. The journey then returns to Buenos Aires, with its historic neighborhoods, café culture, and an unforgettable evening of world-class tango.

Availability
Pre- and post-expedition on all Buenos Aires voyages

Duration
5 Days / 4 Nights

Tour Inclusions
Four breakfasts, four lunches, four dinners, and four nights’ hotel accommodation.



For more information on our Expedition Extensions, visit QuarkExpeditions.com



Ushuaia Extension: Tierra del Fuego & Harberton Ranch

Explore at the “end of the world.” This three-day tour blends pristine sub-Antarctic nature with human history. Begin with a visit to historic Estancia Harberton, the oldest family-owned ranching estate in Tierra del Fuego. Then venture into Tierra del Fuego National Park, where ancient beech forests, glacial lakes, and windswept coastlines meet the Beagle Channel. Complete the journey with a ride on the El Tren del Fin del Mundo—one of South America’s most evocative rail experiences—winding through Patagonian forest and wild river valleys.

Availability
Pre- and post-expedition on all Ushuaia voyages

Duration
3 Days / 2 Nights

Tour Inclusions
Two breakfasts, two lunches, one dinner, one night’s hotel accommodation, and National Park entrance fee.



Punta Arenas Extension: Torres del Paine National Park

Step into Patagonia. This custom five-day pre-expedition tour immerses you in Torres del Paine National Park. Dramatic granite peaks, glacial lakes, and wide-open skies define one of the planet’s most cinematic landscapes. Guided hikes with our trusted local partners showcase the park’s raw beauty, while time in the frontier town of Puerto Natales offers a glimpse into Patagonian life along the fjord lined Última Esperanza Sound. Begin your final morning with a private sunrise photography tour before embarking on your Antarctic adventure.

Availability
Pre-expedition only

Duration
5 Days / 4 Nights

Tour Inclusions
Four breakfasts, four lunches, four dinners, four nights’ hotel accommodation, and National Park entrance fee.

Fly & Sail Express

For time-strapped travelers who really want to visit Antarctica—and perhaps don't want to use up all of their vacation time—Quark Expeditions offers the perfect solution: our Fly/Cruise Express option.

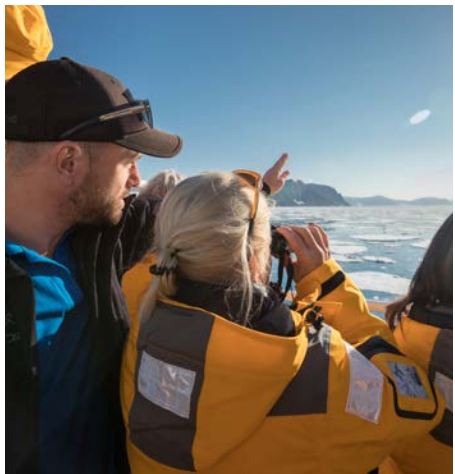
Instead of spending two days crossing the 800-km (500-mile) Drake Passage, which is also known as the Drake Shake due to the sometimes rough waters, guests can fly from Punta Arenas, Chile, to King George Island, Antarctica, in a staggeringly short two hours.

Choose your Fly/Cruise Express voyage to explore Antarctica with the best expedition team in the industry.

6 Reasons to Fly the Drake

- 01.** It's the fastest way to Antarctica. Shaving two days off your travel time means you can explore Antarctica on an 8-day voyage.
- 02.** Enjoy aerial views of the Antarctic landscape during the crossing and as your plane descends on the South Shetland Islands.
- 03.** Avoid the potentially choppy waters of the Drake Passage. Enjoy the comfort of flying.
- 04.** Use the time you save to explore Punta Arenas. Savor the delights of this lively Chilean metropolis.
- 05.** Be part of an intimate group. Our Fly/Cruise voyages are limited to 140 guests.
- 06.** You won't forego your dream of a polar adventure. Time is a deal-breaker for many—but our time-efficient Fly/Cruise options can make your dream a reality.





Our commitment to Conservation & Community.

We're proud to partner with leading scientists and local communities to support the conservation of the polar regions—creating immersive guest experiences that build respect for wildlife, culture and the land.

Conservation

We connect our guests to the natural world through hands-on experiences and education.

Delivering Knowledge Through Polar Experts

Our ornithologists, historians and other polar experts guide guests through hands-on learning about polar ecosystems and the threats they face.

Advancing Polar Science

Each year, we bring renowned researchers and scientists to remote polar regions to study wildlife and ecosystems—and share their work with guests in real time.

Driving Impact Through Conservation Funding

Thanks to guest support and onboard auctions, Quark Expeditions backs vital polar conservation efforts like Blue Marine Foundation and Penguin Watch.

Helping Set Standards for Sustainable Polar Tourism

We help shape polar travel by serving on committees for the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO), the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and the Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA).

Community

We deliver authentic experiences for our guests that benefit local partners and the communities we visit.

Empowering Local Development

We champion Arctic communities' goals for economic development and sustainable tourism through local hiring, infrastructure support, and advance visit planning.

Investing Directly in Communities

With guest support, we help fund community-led projects—from food banks to cultural and language-based programs.

Co-creating with Community Partners

By partnering with local groups, we create authentic experiences—such as Tundra to Table, developed with Igapall, enabling Inuit chefs to share Greenlandic cuisine and culture.



Read more in our Sustainability Report

Science & Discovery

Connect with nature and support scientific research through our new Science & Discovery program, which integrates citizen and academic science. Engage with experts from organizations such as the Friedlaender Lab, Penguin Watch, Plankton Base, and Happy Whale.



Citizen Science vs. Academic Science

Citizen Science

Citizen science is everyday people collecting observations and sharing data with researchers around the world. At Quark Expeditions, that takes two forms.

Observational programming is facilitated by expedition staff using basic tools—phones, binoculars—and requires no special permits. Through our partnership with The Polar Collective, guests join planned or spontaneous projects: photographing whales on a Zodiac cruise, counting seabirds from the deck.

Interactive programming runs exclusively on *World Voyager*, in partnership with Plankton Base, and goes deeper. On select Antarctic voyages, guests use phytoplankton tow nets, Secchi disks, and CTD devices to collect samples and measure ocean conditions. Back onboard, those samples go under a high-definition microscope—connecting directly to the broader story of polar ecosystems.

Academic Science

Quark Expeditions supports active polar research by giving professional scientists access to some of the most remote places on earth through complimentary berths. Guests aren't in the field with them, but researchers, from such groups as Plankton Base, Saving Marion Island's Seabirds, Friedlaender Lab and Penguin Watch, share their work through onboard presentations and workshops throughout the voyage.



Science at sea: What to expect

World Voyager

Designed with its own Science Hub on Deck 4, our newest ship was made for Science & Discovery.

Citizen Science

Observational work takes guests to the ship deck to conduct seabird surveys while crossing the Drake Passage, and track whale sightings through the HappyWhale Platform. On the interactive side, get hands-on by measuring water salinity or dragging phytoplankton tow nets from a Zodiac.

Academic Science

On most voyages—including Antarctic Marine Mammals: The World of Whales and Seals—guests sit alongside professional academic researchers in presentations and workshops, or catch them over dinner and drinks.

Ultramarine

Citizen Science

Observational activities include reporting whale sightings via the HappyWhale Platform and joining seabird surveys right from the ship.

Academic Science

On select voyages like Emperor Penguin Quest: Journey to Snow Hill, academic researchers are part of the journey—joining guests for presentations, workshops, and the occasional drink.

Ocean Explorer

Citizen Science

Observational work keeps guests engaged with the skies and sea—conducting seabird surveys from the ship and logging whale sightings through the HappyWhale Platform.

Academic Science

On voyages like Penguins of the Far South: Falklands, South Georgia and Antarctica, academic researchers share their work through presentations and workshops, and the conversation often carries on over dinner.



Learn more about our Science & Discovery program.

Our fleet.

When it comes to polar expeditions, access matters. With the industry's most diverse fleet of small polar vessels, Quark Expeditions reaches places larger ships can't—delivering uniquely immersive experiences aboard the technologically advanced *Ultramarine*, state-of-the-art *Ocean Explorer*, and the purpose-built *World Voyager*.

E X P L O R A T I O N



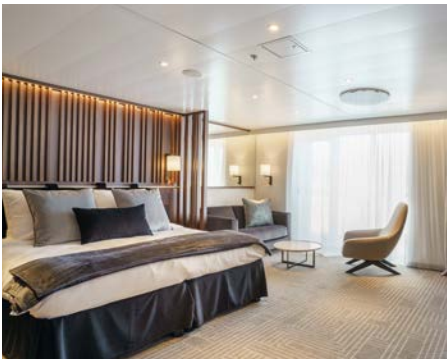
Ultramarine



Balcony Suite



Terrace Suite



Deluxe Balcony Suite

Designed to deliver unforgettable polar memories.

The technologically advanced *Ultramarine* is built to go beyond the familiar in polar travel and to immerse guests in the best the region has to offer.

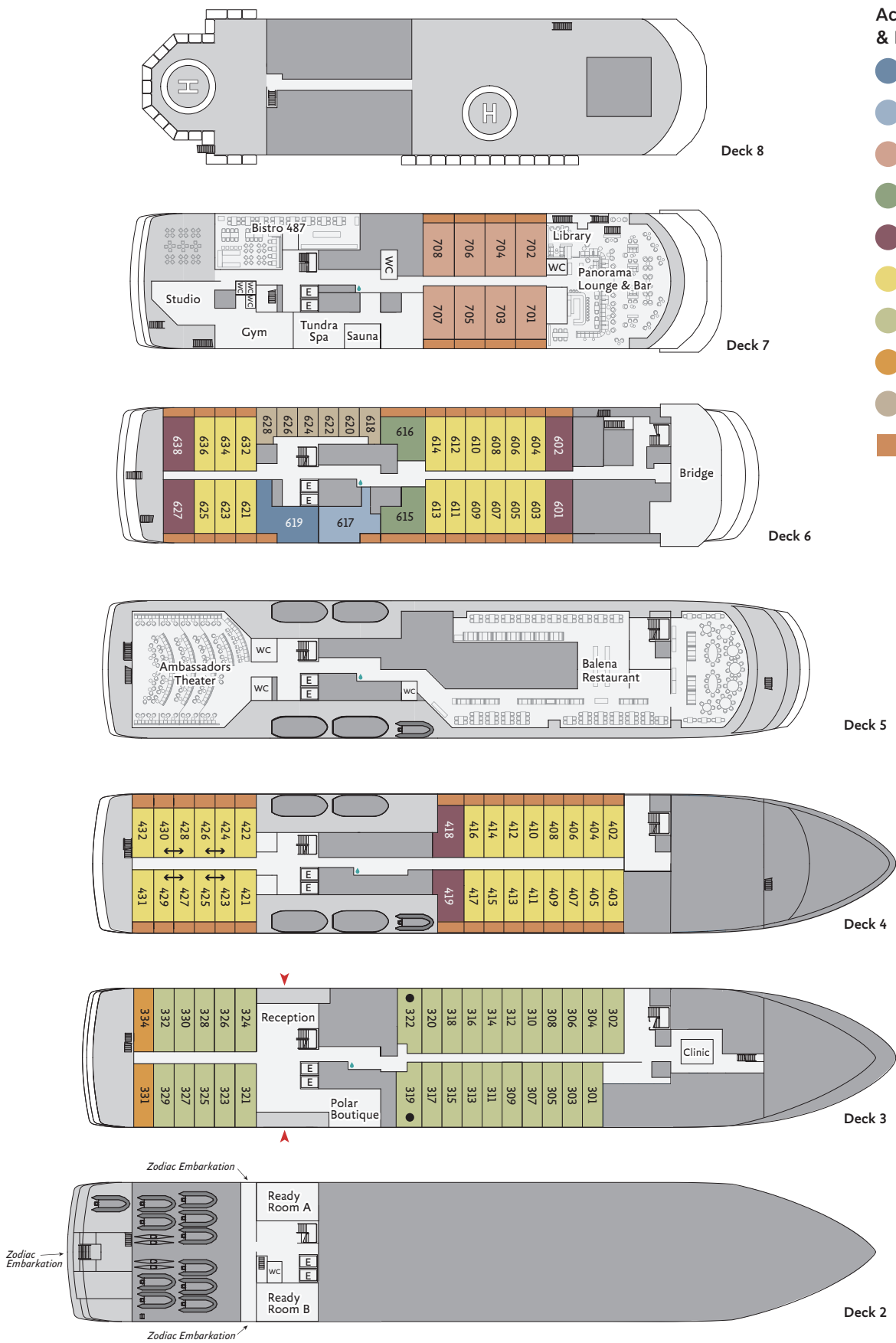
Equipped with two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs, *Ultramarine* offers the industry's largest portfolio of off-ship adventures. The vessel features the most spacious suites in its category, breathtaking public spaces, exceptional wildlife-viewing areas, superb amenities, and advanced sustainability systems that exceed industry standards.

Ship Specifications

- 140 Staff & Crew
- 199 Guests
- 4 Fully Enclosed Lifeboats
- PC6 Ice Classification



View all *Ultramarine* departures and cabin details here.



Ultramarine

Amenities & Highlights

Balena Restaurant

Our main dining room, which has direct access to a wraparound deck, seats 2 to 10 at each table. Floor-to-ceiling windows allow every guest to enjoy a spectacular polar view.

Bistro 487

Guests can enjoy a meal in the Bistro, which offers an indoor/outdoor dining experience. Perfect for enjoying the polar landscapes.

Ambassador Theater

A state-of-the-art, high-resolution LED screen wall in the main theater ensures high-definition viewing of expert polar presentations from any angle.

Panorama Lounge and Bar

The glass-enclosed Panorama Lounge and Bar is a cozy gathering point where guests can sip a glass of wine, play a board game, socialize at the bar or hit the dance floor.

Tundra Spa

Offering a variety of exclusive treatments, the spa facilities—with adjacent steam room and sauna—allow guests to fully relax and unwind between off-ship adventures.

Sauna

The sauna's floor-to-ceiling windows ensure guests stay connected to their polar surroundings while relaxing on ship.

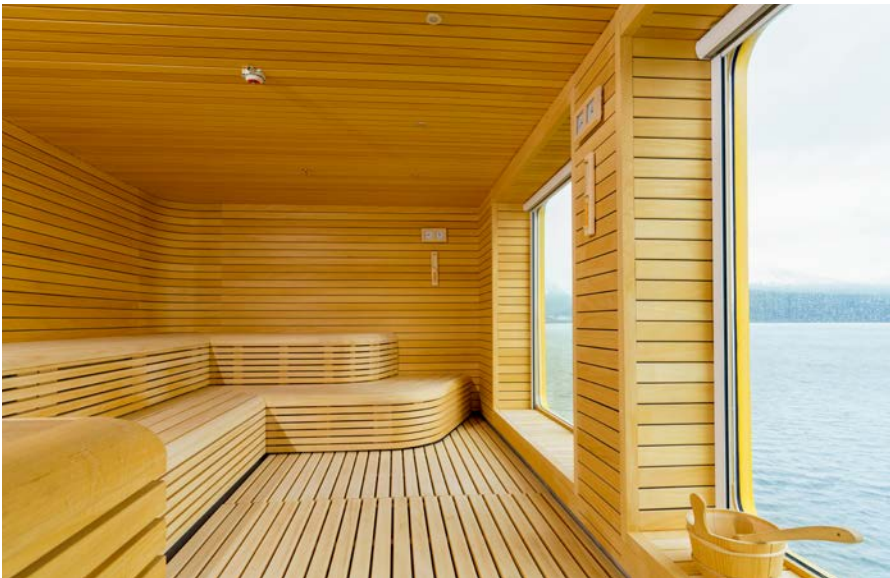


Smart Technology

High-definition, large-screen projectors, real-time translation services, and enhanced connectivity ensure guests get the most out of their polar expedition.

Two Twin-Engine Helicopters

Ultramarine's two helicopters transport guests to new destinations only accessible by air, and offer helicopter-supported excursions exclusive to Quark Expeditions.



Water-Level Zodiac Hangar

A water-level Zodiac hangar allows our team to quickly deploy our fleet of 20 Zodiacs to get guests off the ship for both scheduled and spontaneous adventures.

Ready Rooms

Our two ready rooms, with assigned lockers, allow guests to quickly change in and out of their expedition gear.

Fitness Center

The fully-equipped fitness center features a separate yoga space with views of the polar landscape.

Wraparound Deck

The wraparound deck on Deck 5 offers generous outdoor viewing opportunities of the polar wilderness.



See what a day onboard *Ultramarine* really looks like

Ocean Explorer



Studio Single



Veranda Suite



Junior Suite

Modern polar performance.

The 138-passenger *Ocean Explorer*, a recent addition to our fleet, is modern, elegant and purpose-built for polar exploration. The innovative ULSTEIN X-BOW® ensures a comfortable and smooth sailing experience. Spacious cabins feature a bespoke Scandinavian design and almost all have verandas. Guests can relax in Tundra Spa, the gym, sauna with large windows, and two outdoor Jacuzzis. Located at the bow is the light-filled Discovery Library, which introduces a welcome airiness to the expedition ship.

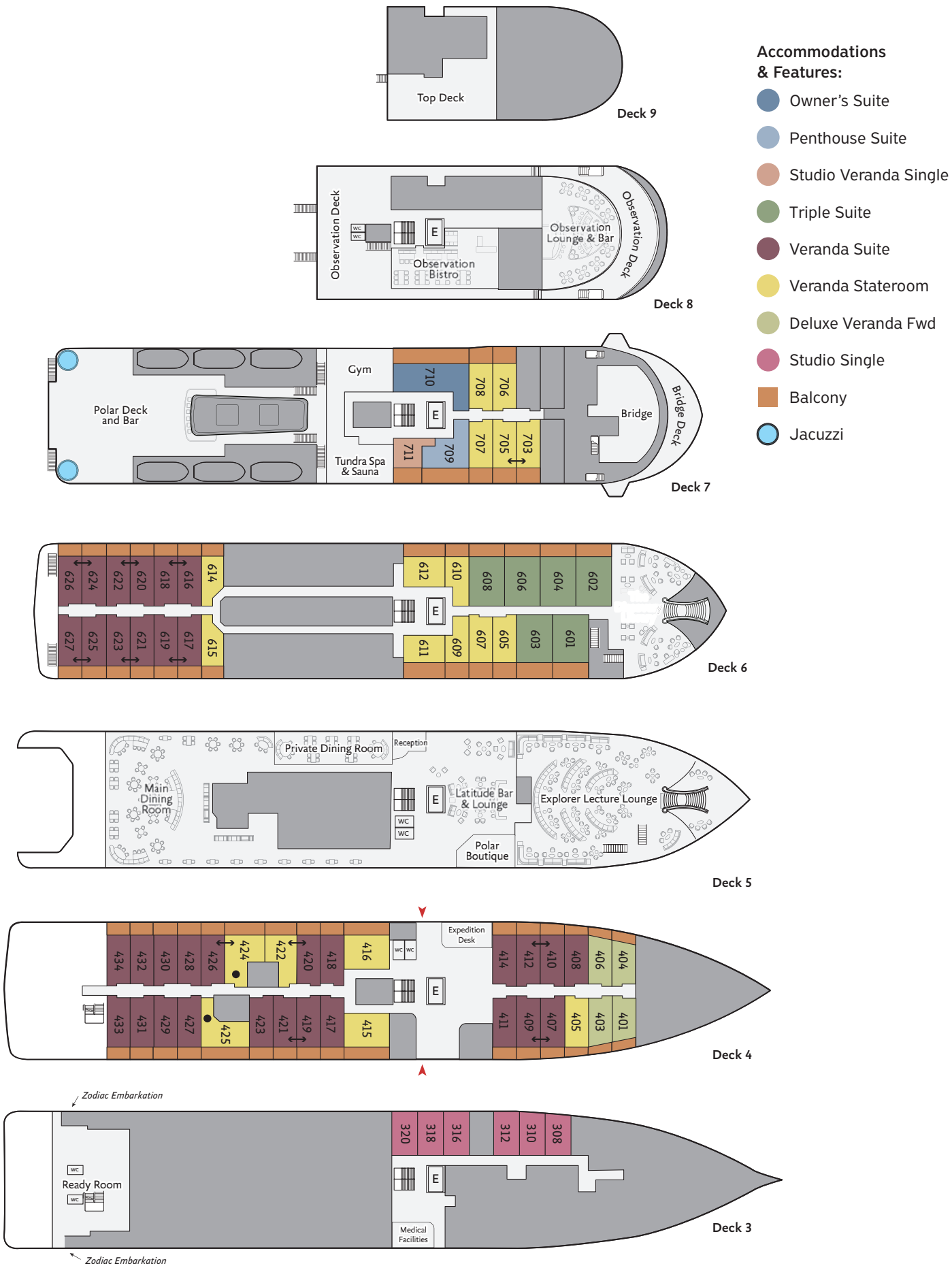
Ocean Explorer offers abundant observation areas on Decks 7, 8 and especially on Deck 9, which offers 360-degree panoramic views from the very top of the vessel.

Ship Specifications

- 105 Staff & Crew
- 138 Guests
- 2 Lifeboats
- 1A, PC6 Ice Classification



View all *Ocean Explorer's* departures and cabin details here.



Ocean Explorer

Amenities & Highlights

Dining

Ocean Explorer guests have multiple dining options.

The Observation Bistro—with its marine blue and off-white colors—is your go-to spot for lighter fare and grab-and-go snacks. This relaxed eatery seats up to 44 guests, who can take in full views of their polar surroundings while enjoying a light bite. Contemporary meets cozy in the modern Main Dining Room with its stylish lighting and contemporary art. Located on Deck 5, the Main Dining Room seats 144 people—more than enough for the 138 guests—and features expansive floor-to-ceiling windows that open onto the spectacular polar wilderness.

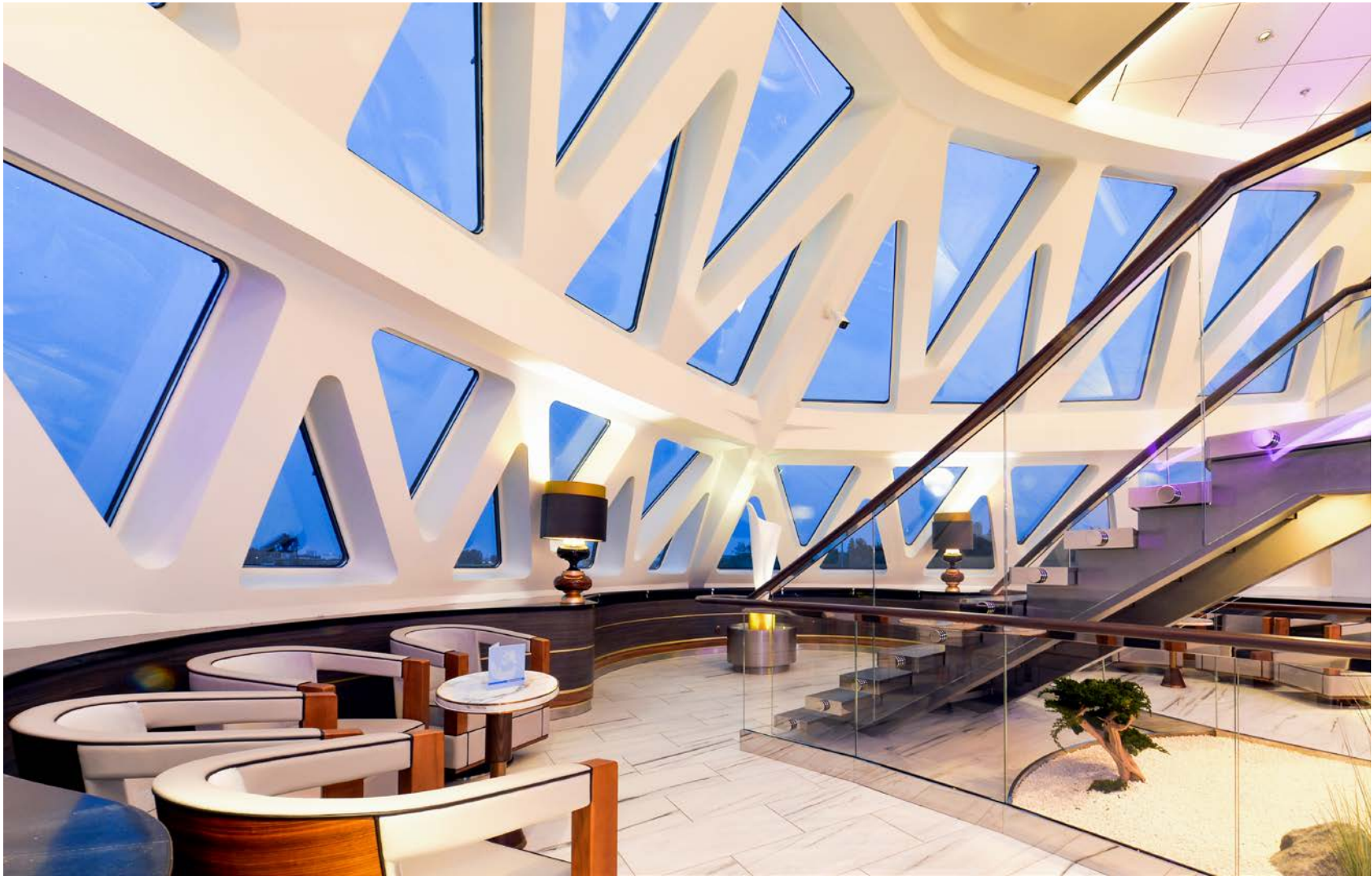
Lounges

Guests have two options to enjoy a drink and socialize on *Ocean Explorer*.

The stylish Observation Lounge & Bar at the top of the ship guarantees incredible views and seats 63. Guests also frequent this spacious lookout on Deck 8 to enjoy cocktails and conversation with fellow travelers. The popular, beautifully-lit Latitude Bar & Lounge—with its lush sofas and faux marble-topped end tables—on Deck 5 is large enough to seat 46 and is ideal for enjoying a quiet drink on your own or hanging out with friends.

The Discovery Library

The light-filled interior library at the top of the gorgeous atrium staircase allows up to 47 guests to sit and relax while taking in the surrounding polar landscapes through the floor-to-ceiling glass. The library collection includes books in multiple languages covering wildlife, history, marine biology, ecology and geology.



Explorer Lecture Lounge

Located on Deck 5, the Explorer Lecture Lounge—where all expert polar presentations and daily recaps take place—can seat all guests and features the best in A/V equipment, including state-of-the-art systems for on-board presentations.

Gym

In addition to the exercise you'll get during off-ship excursions, you can also take advantage of the well-appointed fitness facilities on Deck 7.



Tundra Spa

Guests can enjoy a variety of massage, body and facial treatments in our signature Tundra Spa on Deck 7. We have partnered with VOYA, an industry leader in organic wellness and beauty products. All products are made from hand-harvested seaweed.

Dry Sauna and Jacuzzis

Guests can also head to the Dry Sauna on Deck 7 to relax while gazing at the polar wilderness through the large windows. Two outdoor Jacuzzis on Deck 7, at the ship's stern, mean you can relax al fresco while soaking up the polar views.

Outdoor Observation Areas

Observation areas on Decks 7 and 8 allow for higher, longer-view landscape photography while contending with less sea spray.



World Voyager



Superior Suite



Veranda Suite



Infinity Suite

Designed for discovery.

World Voyager—the newest addition to our fleet—is a modern expedition ship built for science and discovery. Every design element, from the deluxe, all-balcony suites—with direct views into the surrounding polar wilderness—to the presentation theater and Science Hub, embody the spirit of discovery: the never-ending urge to explore and learn more about our polar wilderness.

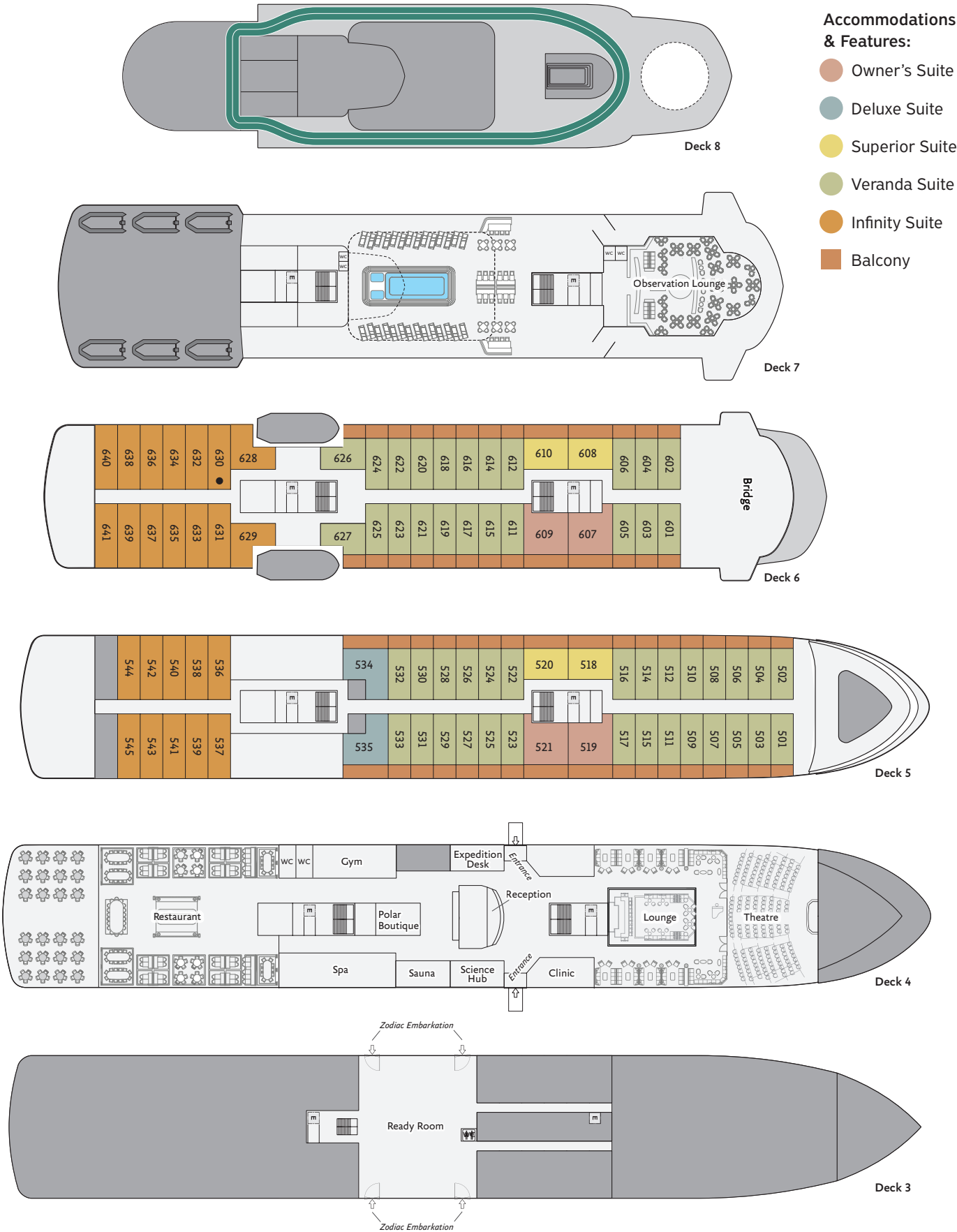
Wellness amenities, such as the spa, sauna, swimming pool, Jacuzzis and outdoor running track, allow guests to rejuvenate throughout their polar expedition. The beautifully-designed restaurant and spacious lounges are ideal for guests to gather and engage in lively discussions about the day's discoveries. Another pivotal space on *World Voyager* is the Science Hub, where guests can share knowledge, information and insights with our scientists in residence and our Expedition Guides as part of our Science & Discovery program. The latest Rolls-Royce propulsion technology ensures a comfortable, fuel-efficient sailing experience as *World Voyager* navigates the Antarctic waters.

Ship Specifications

- 125 Staff & Crew
- 168 Guests
- 2 Lifeboats
- 1B Ice Classification



View all *World Voyager*'s departures and cabin details here.



World Voyager

Amenities & Highlights

Restaurant

The beautifully designed restaurant—which can accommodate all 168 guests—is located on Deck 4. Large windows offer excellent views of the surrounding polar wilderness.

Lounge Area

On Deck 4, the Lounge is used for special functions and events. You can also grab a cup of complimentary coffee or tea and enjoy the panoramic polar views.

Auditorium

The theater-style auditorium on Deck 4 serves as our main hall where presentations and videos are screened for your education and enjoyment.

Library

The library, located on Deck 7, stocks guides and reference books covering wildlife, history, marine biology, geology and other subjects.

Observation Decks

The Observation Decks are ideal for viewing wildlife, and are accessible whenever weather conditions permit. Guests can relax with a drink in the Observation Lounge.

Sauna

Guests can rest and relax in the comfort and warmth of the sauna while enjoying the spectacular views outside.

Science Hub

The Science Hub on Deck 4 is where guests can share knowledge, information and insights with scientists, researchers and Expedition Guides.



Wraparound Deck

Deck 8 offers a wraparound deck to take in panoramic views of the Antarctic; various areas feature heated seating.



Fitness Center

Located on Deck 4, fitness center hours are posted at the door, with facilities available on a first come, first served basis.



Spa

The spa is located on Deck 4. Guests can book massages, facials, and hand and feet treatments that feature L'Occitane products.

Pool & Jacuzzis

Deck 7 features a large heated outdoor pool flanked by two Jacuzzis. Availability is subject to weather conditions.

Ready Room

The Ready Room on Deck 3, where guests comfortably prepare for Zodiac excursions and shore landings, is located adjacent to the Zodiac embarkation points.

Expedition dining.

Exceptional cuisine is integral to the expedition experience. Our internationally trained chefs draw inspiration from global flavors and accommodate all dietary requests indicated at booking, with vegan and vegetarian options always available. Cookies and snacks are offered at coffee stations, warm pastries are served from around 6 a.m., and complimentary wine, select beers, and cocktails are served during bar hours and dinner.



Guests enjoy complimentary house beer, wine and select cocktails in the evenings as part of our Raise a Glass and Stay Connected free program.



Ocean Explorer

Main Dining Room

Contemporary meets cozy in this modern dining room with its stylish lighting and contemporary art. Located on Deck 5, the Main Dining Room seats 138 guests, and features expansive floor-to-ceiling windows that open onto the spectacular polar wilderness.

Latitude Bar & Lounge

This popular social hub is located on Deck 5. The beautifully lit bar, with its lush sofas and faux marble-topped end tables, is large enough to seat 46, and is ideal for enjoying a quiet drink on your own or hanging out with friends.

Observation Bistro

With its marine blue and off-white colors, the Observation Bistro is your go-to spot for lighter fare—and unparalleled polar views. This relaxed eatery seats up to 44 guests.

Observation Lounge & Bar

Guests frequent this stylish lookout at the top of the ship to witness the stunning vistas, and enjoy cocktails and conversation with fellow travelers. Seats 63.

Explorer Lecture Lounge

Guests convene in this Deck 5 lounge to attend presentations by polar experts and have a drink to discuss the day's polar adventures.

World Voyager

Restaurant

The beautifully designed restaurant—which can accommodate all 168 guests—is on Deck 4. Varied table configurations allow guests the option of dining at a table for two or in a larger group.

Lounge Area

You can grab a complimentary coffee or tea or enjoy an alcoholic beverage with fellow guests in the Deck 4 Lounge.

Ultramarine

Balena

Balena is *Ultramarine's* finer dining restaurant, serving contemporary, globally inspired cuisine—with regional specialties and locally sourced ingredients—for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. With capacity for all guests and expedition staff at once, and every seat offering a good view, Balena opens directly onto the wraparound deck.

Ambassadors Theater

Ambassadors is the main presentation space on *Ultramarine*, where guests enjoy informative talks and presentations from expedition staff, polar experts, and special guests. The Ambassadors bar is open during presentation hours and special events.

Panorama Lounge

The Panorama Lounge on Deck 7 is the main bar on *Ultramarine* and features spectacular forward views, comfortable seating and a friendly atmosphere, offering an array of specialty cocktails, 24-hour coffee and tea, plus a well-stocked polar library.

Bistro 487

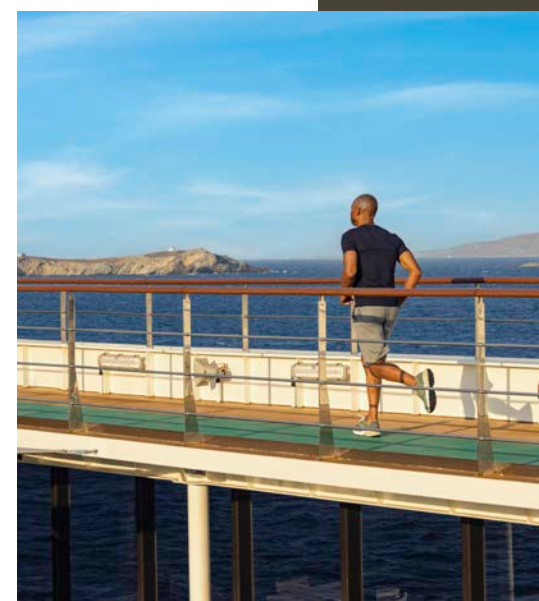
Bistro 487 is *Ultramarine's* casual option—open extended hours for early risers, late starters, or anyone wanting a change of pace. Expect quicker meals, afternoon snacks, and easy access to outdoor seating on the aft deck. Good for a coffee or a cocktail in the open air.

Observation Lounge

Guests can socialize over drinks in the Deck 7 Observation Lounge while taking in their polar surroundings.

Recharge aboard.

Exploration may define each day, but relaxation is never an afterthought. On Ocean Explorer and Ultramarine, a range of wellness amenities—from gyms and spas to saunas and outdoor Jacuzzis—offers time to unwind, restore energy, and stay connected to the surrounding polar landscape.



Ocean Explorer

Gym

In addition to the exercise you'll get during off-ship excursions, you can also take advantage of the well-appointed fitness facilities on Deck 7.

Dry Sauna

Guests can also head to the Dry Sauna on Deck 7 to relax while gazing at the polar wilderness through the large windows.

Tundra Spa

Guests can enjoy a variety of massage, body and facial treatments in our signature Tundra Spa on Deck 7. We have partnered with VOYA, an industry leader in organic wellness and beauty products. All products are made from hand-harvested seaweed.

Outdoor Jacuzzis

Two outdoor Jacuzzis on Deck 7, at the ship's stern, mean you can relax alfresco while soaking up the polar views.

Ultramarine

Tundra Spa

Tundra Spa, in collaboration with VOYA of Ireland, offers heated treatment rooms, a hair studio, and a post-treatment relaxation room with ocean views. Choose from massages, scrubs, and wraps—including the signature Tundra Hot Stone Massage Journey—all using VOYA's organic, seaweed-based skincare.

Outer Deck Track

A morning walk on the top deck could very well include some wildlife sightings.

Sauna

The sauna on Ultramarine features floor-to-ceiling windows, which enable guests to stay connected to the polar landscape outside.

Steam Room

The steam room is the perfect amenity for guests to relax and rejuvenate after exploring off-ship.

Fitness Center and Studio

Our fitness center is equipped with state-of-the-art equipment by Technogym, and the Studio is equipped with balls and mats for stretching or informal yoga.

World Voyager

Spa

The spa is located on Deck 4. Guests can book rejuvenating massages, facials, and hand and feet treatments that feature L'Occitane products.

Sauna

Guests can rest and relax in the comfort and warmth of the sauna while enjoying the spectacular views outside.

Pool & Jacuzzis

Deck 7 features a large heated outdoor pool flanked by two Jacuzzis. Availability is subject to weather conditions.

Fitness Center

Located on Deck 4, fitness center hours are posted at the door, with facilities available on a first come, first served basis.

Wraparound Deck

Guests can enjoy panoramic polar views—and heated seats—on the Wraparound outdoor track on Deck 8.

Morning to midnight.

Daily Life Onboard

Wake up in your stylishly modern suite.

Every guest on *Ultramarine*, *Ocean Explorer* and *World Voyager* wakes up to a view of the polar landscape from their private balcony or through a large picture window.

Join the early birds.

Kickstart your day with a quiet walk on the outer decks followed by a cup of java with other early risers.

Enjoy breakfast with a view.

All guests on *Ocean Explorer*, *Ultramarine* and *World Voyager* have excellent views of the polar wilderness while enjoying their first meal of the day.

Get ready to explore the polar environment.

Get suited up for an off-ship excursion in the Ready Rooms, complete with dedicated lockers to store and dry personal items while you enjoy your Zodiac cruise or off-ship excursion.

Listen for morning announcements.

Your Expedition Leader will announce any updates to the daily program and share weather announcements over the PA system to help you plan your day.



Enjoy wildlife views from the ship.

All ships offer multiple observation spaces on the outer decks where you can watch for—or photograph—whales, birds, and other polar wildlife.

Every meal is a gourmet experience, inspired by cuisines from around the world.

Lunch.

Buffet-style lunch provides guests with a mid-day opportunity to share their morning adventures.

Unplug in the onboard library.

Lose yourself in *Ocean Explorer*'s light-filled Discovery Library, or in the book-filled libraries on *Ultramarine* and *World Voyager*.



Enjoy an unforgettable off-ship Adventure Option.

Choose from our robust portfolio of off-ship activities, such as sea kayaking or stand-up paddleboarding. *Ultramarine* guests can enjoy helicopter-supported excursions.

Relax and rejuvenate back on the ship.

Guests on *Ultramarine* and *Ocean Explorer* can enjoy soothing treatments in Quark Expeditions' signature Tundra Spa & Sauna, while *World Voyager* guests can rejuvenate in the Spa and the heated swimming pool. Some ships feature outdoor Jacuzzis.

Attend an expert presentation.

Guests on all ships can attend daily presentations by polar experts in respective theatres and presentation spaces.

Pre-dinner cocktails.

Enjoy a cocktail with fellow guests while your Expedition Leader recaps the day's activities and outlines the plan for the following day.

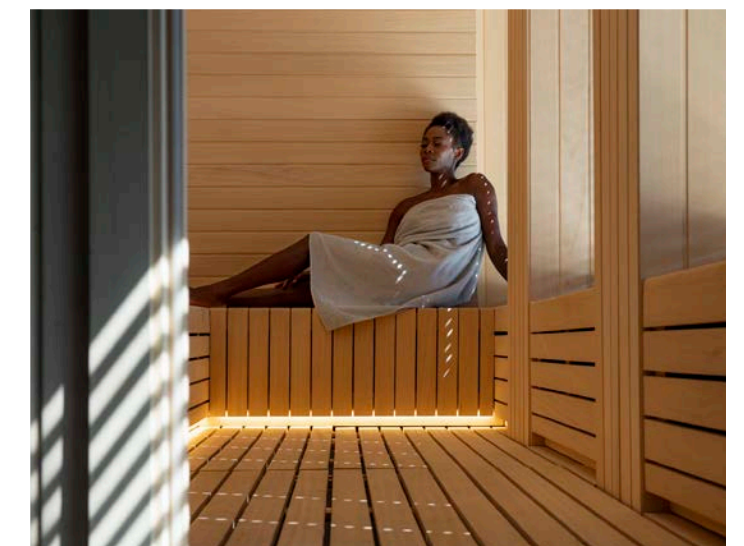


Dinner is served.

Sit down to a gourmet meal—inspired by cuisines from around the world—in the main dining areas on each ship.

Call it a day.

Wrap up your day with a drink in one of the lounges or bars, or take in the calm, low-light at the end of the day on the outer decks.



Off-ship and on.

Adventure activities are at the heart of all our voyages. From helicopters and Zodiacs to kayaking, hiking, and cultural encounters, our industry-leading fleet, equipment, and expedition team unlock more ways to explore, and more time spent experiencing the polar regions firsthand.

A D V E N T U R E



Explore from above.



Helicopter Experiences

We're proud to be recognized as the Leader of Heli Adventures in the Polar Regions. In fact, we have the longest-running helicopter program in the industry—dating back to 1991. Thanks to our innovative team, our Antarctic 2027/2028 itineraries provide guests with multiple options to enjoy helicopter-supported adventures thanks to *Ultramarine's* two twin-engine H145 helicopters which allow our team to take travelers deeper into the Antarctic landscape than any other operator.

Helicopter Activities

We offer the largest portfolio of off-ship adventure options in the industry. Our helicopter-supported activities include:

 Flightseeing

 Exclusive Heli-Landing

For more information on these activities, see page 74 →

Expert guidance. Extraordinary images.



Guided Photography Program

Our new Guided Photography Program is designed for photographers of all levels. Each day of the voyage, guests who enroll will receive priority boarding on the first wave of Zodiacs. This small group (maximum 16 participants, with no more than 8 per Zodiac) will be led by the same guide each day and will receive professional photography advice, tips, and feedback during outings and in post-excursion workshops. This program is a great opportunity to not only explore but also improve your photography skills.

For more information on this activity, see page 74 →



More ways to explore.

We offer adventure activities to suit every type of traveler, regardless of experience—some included, some at extra cost. Visit the relevant itinerary page on our website to see what’s included in your voyage. Adventure options vary from ship to ship.

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All of our Included Activities and Adventure Options are weather-permitting.

Not all activities are offered on all voyages.

See individual itineraries for specific details.

Only *Ultramarine* is equipped with helicopters.



Zodiac Cruising

These reinforced rubber skiffs whisk you safely from ship to shoreline and back, taking you into shallow waters the ship can’t reach. Touring by Zodiac on the look-out for wildlife is an intimate and relaxing way to explore.



Flightseeing

Enjoying a bird’s-eye view of the Antarctic—icebergs, glaciers, snow-capped peaks, ocean expanses—from the seat of a helicopter provides a unique perspective of the polar wilderness.



Walking/Hiking

Hiking in Antarctica is free-form and supervised by our staff, who set out a perimeter at each landing site within which you are free to explore. Some walking poles are available upon request; bring your own if you require them on every landing.



Exclusive Heli-Landing

A small group of guests (with guides) will be flown by one of *Ultramarine*’s helicopters to a polar site where you’ll have time to relax and enjoy the polar surroundings, after which guests will be picked up in the same spot and to the ship.



Camping

It may sound unbelievable, but camping overnight on the 7th Continent is absolutely wonderful—snug in your warm, water-resistant and breathable bivy under the dim glow of a polar sky with an intimate group of campers.



Sea Kayaking

Kayaking along the rugged coastlines and through the calm bays with an experienced guide is one of the most inspiring ways to explore pristine Antarctica. Guests in the sea kayaking program typically paddle multiple times during their expedition.



Stand-Up Paddleboarding

Part surfing, part paddling, this water sport is an intimate way to experience Antarctica from the unique vantage point of the water.



Polar Plunge

As madcap as it looks, willingly jumping into the bone-chilling Antarctic waters has become a polar rite of passage—and the photo ops are priceless. Dare yourself to take the plunge.



Paddling Excursion

A guided, one-time, one-hour paddle lets you enjoy the tranquil polar surroundings from an intimate perspective. Just imagine yourself gliding along on a stable, sit-on-top kayak, totally at one with the water.



Guided Photography Program

Designed for photographers of all levels, this add-on gives you priority boarding on the first Zodiac each day, guided by the same professional photographer throughout. With a maximum of 16 guests, you’ll receive expert advice, tips, and feedback both on excursions and in onboard workshops.



THE *Shackleton* CLUB

A Legacy of Loyalty at Sea

You're Part of Something Bigger

Once you travel with us, you become a member of *The Shackleton Club*, our loyalty program built for those who understand that the greatest journeys change you permanently.

Like the crew of the *Endurance*, our members share something rare: the experience of witnessing the world's most remote and breathtaking places firsthand. The Shackleton Club exists to honor that bond and reward the explorers who keep coming back.

Your Benefits as a Member

- Special members newsletter with expedition insights and destination previews
- Early access to new itineraries before they open to the public
- Onboard credit for amenities while on-ship
- Exclusive offers and promotions
- The ability to book your next voyage while onboard and unlock our biggest savings

The Voyage That Defined Loyalty

In late 1914, Ernest Shackleton and 27 men embarked on the Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition, setting sail from South Georgia Island aboard *Endurance*, bound for the last great uncharted frontier—the Antarctic continent. Their goal: to complete the first overland crossing of Antarctica. What followed became one of history's most extraordinary tales of leadership, resilience and human connection.



Endurance never reached her destination. Trapped and crushed by pack ice in the Weddell Sea, the ship sank in November 1915, leaving the crew stranded on the frozen surface of the ocean for months. What Shackleton did next defied all odds. With five men, he sailed an open 22-foot lifeboat called the *James Caird* across 800 miles of the world's most violent ocean to reach a remote whaling station on South Georgia Island—a journey that took 17 days. He then organized a rescue and sailed back for every man left behind, finally reaching them in August 1916, nearly two years after the expedition first set sail. Not one life was lost. His secret wasn't just survival instinct. It was the fierce loyalty he inspired and the unshakable bond forged between men who had endured the extraordinary together.

That spirit lives at the heart of everything we do.

The Adventure Never Truly Ends

Shackleton once wrote that he felt Antarctica calling him back—an irresistible pull toward the ice that no amount of comfort at home could silence. Our members understand that feeling deeply. The Shackleton Club isn't just a rewards program; it's a community of people for whom one expedition is never quite enough.

Welcome aboard. Your next voyage is already waiting.



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Loyalty Program



Traveling Solo with Quark Expeditions.

No Single Supplement. No Compromise.

Through our Request-Share program, solo guests are paired with a same-gender cabin mate, meaning neither pays the single supplement. A small logistical detail that often becomes the beginning of a lasting friendship.

Ships Built for Human Connection

Our small vessels are designed with generous communal spaces—lounges, bars, a library, presentation theaters, and open deck viewing areas. You don't have to work at meeting people. The layout practically does it for you.

A Dining Room With No Strangers

There's no assigned seating we can lose. Tables for two, four, eight, and larger groups fill our dining rooms, and solo travelers are always welcomed to pull up a chair. Some of the best conversations of the voyage happen over dinner.



199 Guests. Everyone Knows Your Name.

With a maximum of 199 guests aboard, you're on a first-name basis with fellow travelers and crew within hours. Our expedition guides and expert presenters are just as approachable—always eager to go deep on polar science, wildlife, or the history of the ice.

The Ice Brings People Together

It's nearly impossible to witness a humpback breach or a glacier calve without turning instinctively to the person beside you. That shared moment of awe is its own kind of introduction. Polar passion, it turns out, is one of the most powerful connectors there is.



Travel solo
and experience:

- Full cabin value, half the cost
- Instant camaraderie
- Spaces designed for connection
- Open seating dining
- Off-ship activities built for bonding
- Like-minded company

The Solo-Traveler Advantage

There's a particular kind of freedom that comes with solo travel—no compromises, no negotiated itineraries, just you and the ice. But what surprises most solo travelers on a Quark Expedition is how quickly the solitude gives way to something far richer.



Subscribe to our [newsletter](#) to find out about special promotions for solo travelers, as well as updates on new products and itineraries.

What's included.

We're here to make your trip planning as easy and stress-free as possible so you can pack less, leave local flight bookings to us, purchase less gear in advance—and not have to worry about extra Wi-Fi or alcohol charges.

Every Quark Guest Receives

- ✓ The Quark Parka, yours to keep
- ✓ Access to the best people in the polar travel industry, the most experienced polar experts
- ✓ The best educational programming led by the top specialists in their fields
- ✓ Zodiac cruising and shore landings
- ✓ Three delicious meals each day, plus snacks
- ✓ Complimentary select beer, wines and select cocktails during bar service hours and dinner
- ✓ Complimentary coffee, tea and cocoa available around the clock
- ✓ Complimentary Wi-Fi service permitting basic Internet browsing (Premium data packages are available)
- ✓ The loan of waterproof neoprene muck boots—one less thing to pack
- ✓ Taxes and port charges
- ✓ Online photo journal post-voyage
- ✓ Included hotels
- ✓ Port transfers to and from vessel
- ✓ All entrance fees to national parks, UNESCO World Heritage Sites and other historic sites



Your Polar-Perfect Parka

3-in-1 hooded parka

Yours to keep. Engineered specifically for the polar environment, the Quark parka guarantees lasting warmth and protection on your expedition and beyond.

Reflective patches

Removable, adjustable hood

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Can be worn as a stand-alone piece for warmer polar days or your journey home.

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Drop tail

For added protection when seated outdoors.

There's more to explore.

Once you've experienced life-changing adventures in the Antarctic, perhaps you'll want to consider equally immersive voyages in the other polar region, the remote Arctic. For decades, we've explored multiple Arctic destinations: Svalbard, the Wildlife Capital of the Arctic; Greenland, the domain of icebergs, polar bears, muskoxen and Viking history; Iceland, the Land of Fire and Ice; and the remote, ruggedly beautiful Canadian High Arctic known for its dramatic landscapes, wildlife and Inuit culture. We also visit Atlantic Canada, primarily Newfoundland and Labrador.

For details on Arctic voyages, visit www.QuarkExpeditions.com

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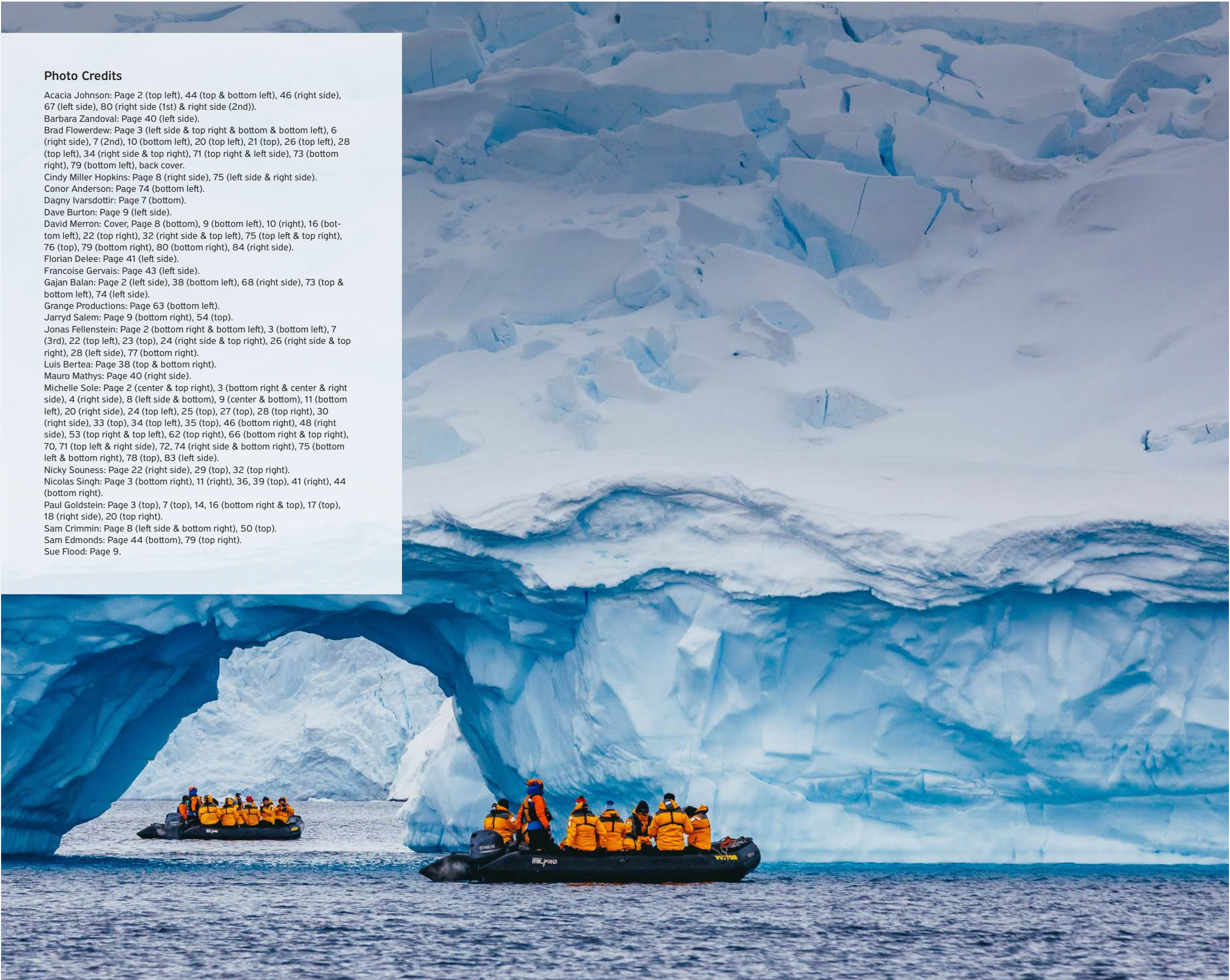


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