

# PATAGONIA

**NEW WILDLIFE  
WONDER:**  
ARGENTINA'S  
SELDOM-SEEN  
STATEN ISLAND  
VISIT ON EACH OF  
3 EXTRAORDINARY  
EXPEDITIONS—  
YOUR CHOICE

WITH  
**SPECIAL SAVINGS  
OFFER**

ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER AND  
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION | 2016-17





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Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic have joined forces to further inspire the world through expedition travel. Our collaboration in exploration, research, technology and conservation will provide extraordinary travel experiences and disseminate geographic knowledge around the globe.

## DEAR TRAVELLER,

At the southern end of South America, Patagonia spans parts of Chile and Argentina, but has no precise borders of its own. It includes massive snow-covered Andean peaks, pampas, fjords, glaciers, forests, rivers, lakes and valleys—inhabited by exceptionally interesting wildlife that is marvelously adapted to living here. Among the creatures you're likely to see are several kinds of penguins, absurdly large and loud elephant seals, Andean condors soaring on the winds, whales and dolphins, guanacos, rheas and many more amazing forms of life.

My father, Lars-Eric Lindblad, was among the first to bring adventurous travellers here by expedition ship, back in 1967. Over the years, we've added to our knowledge of the region, culminating in 2015 in our first-ever visit to Argentina's Staten Island (Isla de los Estados)—the background to which is interesting.

Several years ago, we began a dialog with key conservation officials, and they came to believe, as did we, that carefully planned visits by our ships would call attention to the need to conserve the island. And it would provide an extraordinary experience for our guests, as the video of our thrilling first landing so clearly shows. I encourage you to visit [www.expeditions.com/si-first](http://www.expeditions.com/si-first) to see it.

We've planned some great Patagonian expeditions this year and next aboard *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion*—of varying lengths to suit your travel schedule and all including Staten Island, so you're guaranteed that experience. We've done it with the assistance of friends engaged in preserving wild parklands, and they have enabled privileged access for us.

You can confidently choose one of these, slated for October and November—Patagonia's vibrant spring—and be assured of a quintessential Patagonia experience:

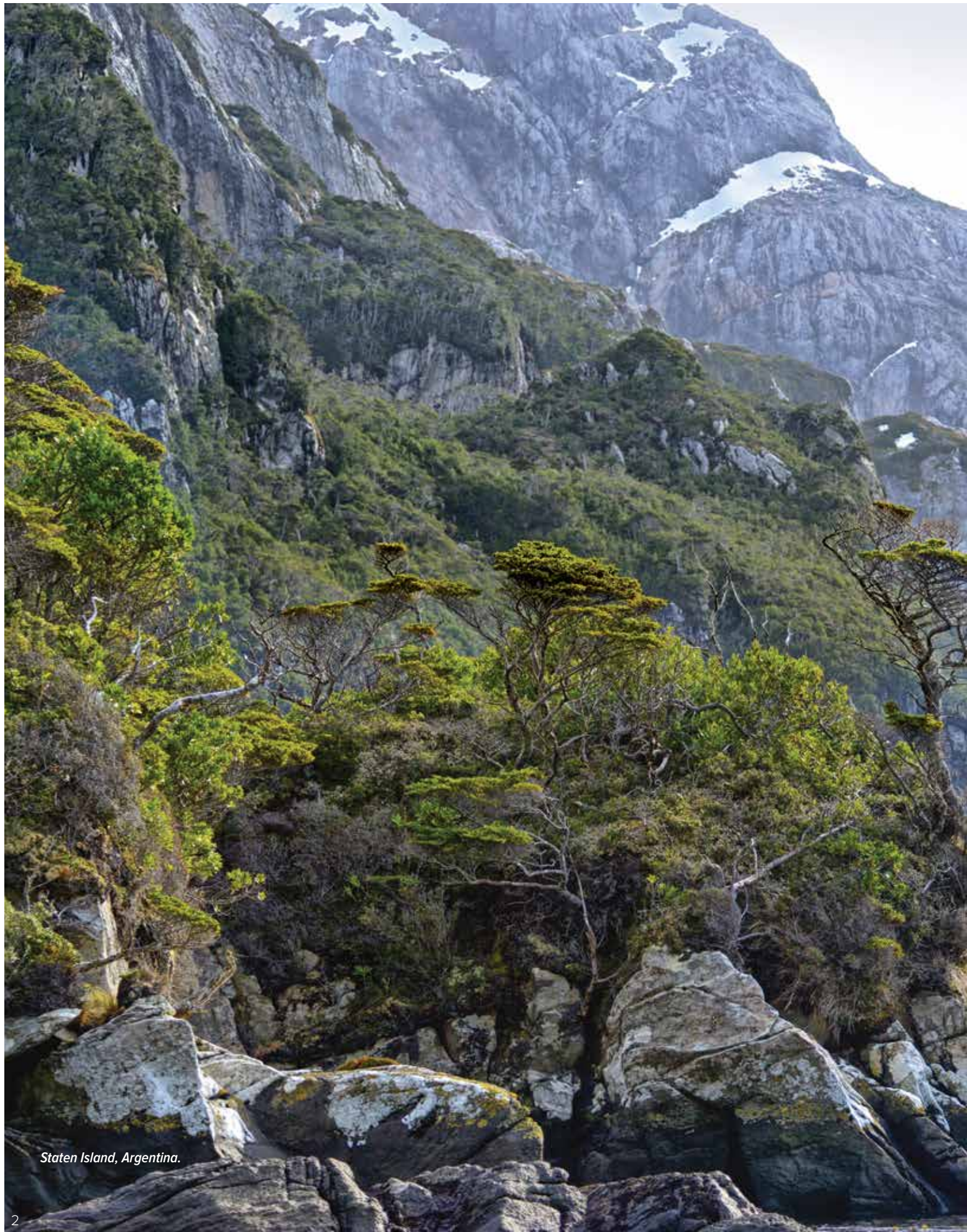
- **Rounding the Cape: Chilean Patagonia & Argentina's Staten Island** (18 days) You'll see massive glaciers, volcanoes, the fantastical massif of Chile's signature Torres del Paine National Park, pristine native forests, and the culture of Chiloé Island, a place beloved by Chileans.
- **Patagonian Treasures: From Torres del Paine to Cape Horn** (14 days) combines time aboard *Explorer* or *Orion*, exploring Chile's fjords and otherwise-inaccessible parks, with several days exploring Torres del Paine National Park. You'll have the chance to walk, take more ambitious hikes, and even ride horseback if you're so inclined.
- **Exploring Patagonia: Peaks, Glaciers, and Fjords** (10 days) provides the highlights of Patagonia in the span of just a week and a half, and enables you to explore—on foot, by Zodiac and kayak—places that otherwise would be difficult to reach. You'll enjoy special access to Karukinka and Yendegaia, absolutely spectacular parks, you'll explore Cape Horn, and you'll venture to Staten Island.

As always, our expedition staff will add dimensions to your experience, ensuring that whatever time you choose will be time well spent, and amply rewarding. I hope you will experience Patagonia with us.

All the best,



Sven-Olof Lindblad



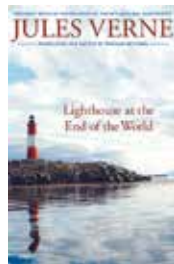
*Staten Island, Argentina.*



# DISCOVER ISLA DE LOS ESTADOS

Isla de Los Estados, also known as Staten Island, is so seldom seen that it holds a near-mythic place in the region's collective consciousness. When we travelled there for the first time in 2015, none of us knew quite what to expect. With Staten Island having been closed for decades, none of us had ever been there, of course. What we found way exceeded our fondest hopes: an island inundated with wildlife from waterline to mountainside. Thousands of seabirds at every turn. Blue-eyed shags nesting in the tussock grass. Hundreds of dolphin gulls, kelp geese, and snowy sheathbills on the shoreline. Magellanic penguins heading down to the sea to feed. And in the crystal clear waters, South American sea lions swirl and dive in the beautiful kelp beds, while South American fur seals rest on the rock along the shore.

All three of our voyages call at Staten Island, so no matter which you choose, you'll have the pioneering opportunity to land on the island and hike through the last stands of forest before the Andes disappear into the Atlantic Ocean, to a knoll overlooking the placid bay where the lighthouse stands. See the forces of nature evident in the rocks and vegetation shaped by powerful storms that inspired Verne. And experience the same astonishing sights that thrilled our recon expedition team—experiences few others have had.



*Left: Just 29 kilometres off the southeastern tip of Tierra del Fuego, Isla de los Estados was the subject of Jules Verne's adventure novel, The Lighthouse at the End of the World, published in 1905. Right: South American fur seal.*

**▶ WATCH ERIC GUTH'S VIDEO OF OUR 1ST VISIT AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/SI\\_FIRST](https://www.expeditions.com/si_first)**



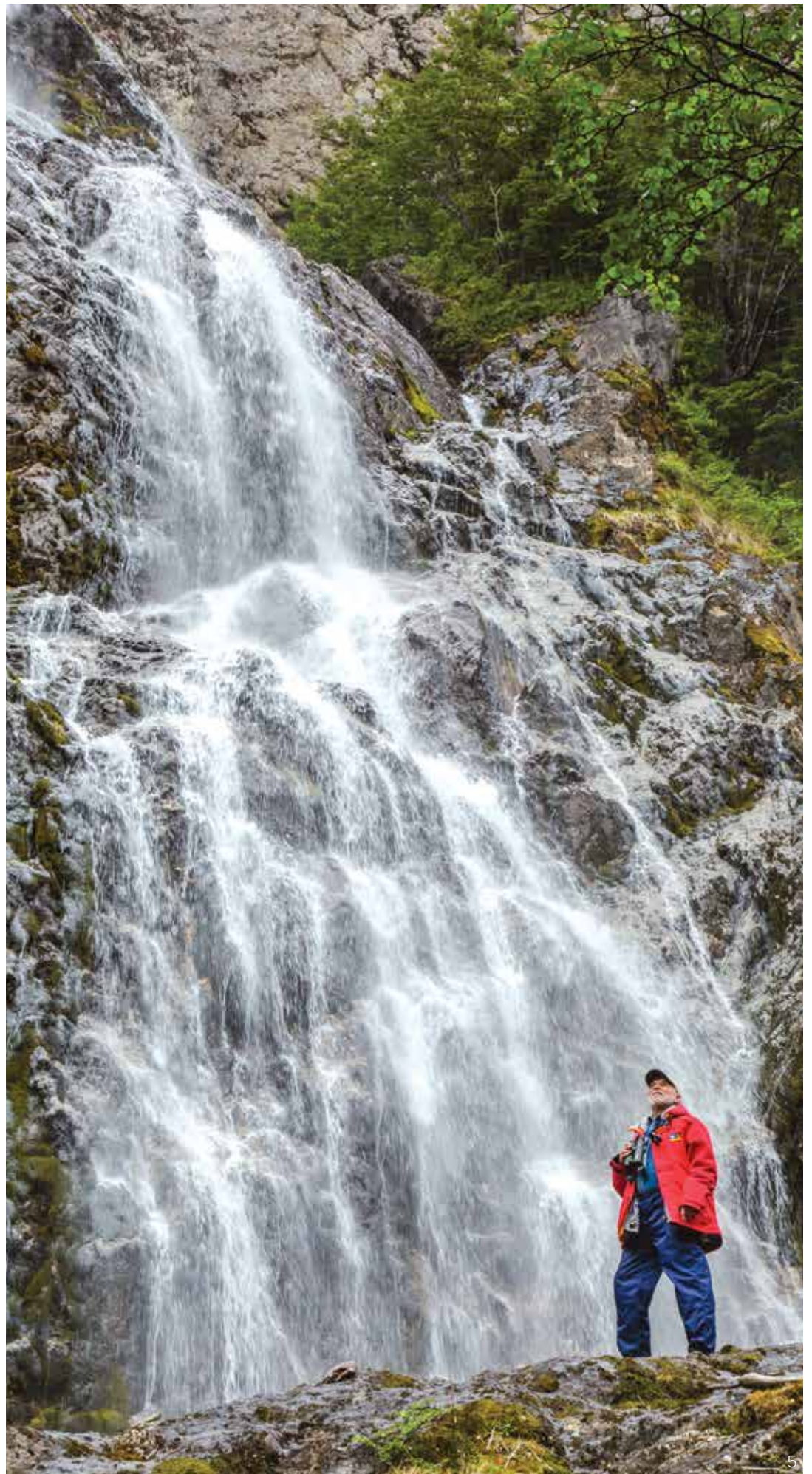
# WILDNESS THAT TRANSCENDS HUMAN IMPACT

Jagged mountain peaks half-dressed in snow, crystal palace glaciers including one that is inexorably advancing, calved bergs, wind-racked pines, turquoise lakes, maze-like channels, and intricate fjords. Patagonia, one of Earth's last untamed wild places, offers landscapes that invite the eye, the lens, and challenge even the most articulate visitor's powers of description.



*Clockwise: Lupines in Torres del Paine National Park contrast with the snow-clad peaks; calving glacier, Chilean fjords; a waterfall in Karukinka Natural Park; Cape Horn, where the Atlantic and Pacific meet at the southern edge of South America.*







# INTRIGUING WILDLIFE THRIVES IN PATAGONIA WILDNESS



The jagged peaks and rugged lands of Patagonia have served as natural barriers. Its remoteness means pockets of wildlife has gone undisturbed for ages. Going by expedition ship and Zodiac landing craft ensures effortless access to the remote, otherwise impossible to reach places where wildlife congregates—see large groups of penguins, guanacos, sea lions, massive elephant seals, rheas, and myriad birdlife. Plus, we always keep an eye out for whales while at sea.

*Clockwise from top: Guanaco herd in Torres del Paine; Andean condor; adult Patagonian red fox; Magellanic penguins; blue-eyed shags.*





# ROUNDING THE CAPE: CHILEAN PATAGONIA AND ARGENTINA'S STATEN ISLAND

**18 DAYS/17 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER**

PRICES FROM: \$23,740 to \$44,380 (See page 21 for complete prices.)

Venture deep into Chile's glorious fjords past incandescent icebergs and massive glaciers. From the 'land of fire', Tierra del Fuego, to the jagged spires of Torres del Paine National Park, have a comprehensive Patagonia experience at close range aboard *National Geographic Explorer*. Plus enjoy the unprecedented opportunity to visit Argentina's Staten Island—*Explorer* is one of the only ships ever permitted to visit this unique wild habitat since its recent designation by Argentina as a provincial reserve. And we also enjoy special access to its rockhopper penguin rookeries.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ See Patagonia's signature Torres del Paine National Park, with our naturalists.
- ▶ Beginning at the gateway to Patagonia, Puerto Montt, explore the Chilean fjords by Zodiac, kayak and on foot.
- ▶ Venture through wildlife reserves not easily accessible to the public, including Yendegaia and Karukinka Natural Parks in Tierra del Fuego.
- ▶ By special permission, be one of the few people ever to explore Isla de los Estados (Staten Island), located at the extreme end of South America.
- ▶ Transit the legendary Beagle Channel and take in the view of Cape Horn.

## GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS

### Alejandro D. Wolff

Served as U.S. Ambassador to Chile from 2010 to 2013 and Department of State in Algeria, Morocco, and Cyprus. He will be aboard in 2016.



### Lourdes Garcia-Navarro

NPR international correspondent covering South America. Her stories span culture, politics, corruption, crime, sports, and much more. She will be aboard in 2016.



*Rockhopper penguins.*



#### DAY 1: SANTIAGO, CHILE

Arrive in Santiago, and check in to the Grand Hyatt Hotel. The Andes form an inspiring backdrop to our guided overview. (L)

#### DAY 2: PUERTO MONTT/EMBARK

Fly from Santiago to Puerto Montt, Chile's northern gateway to Patagonia. Embark *National Geographic Explorer*. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 3: CASTRO (CHILOÉ ISLAND)

See Chiloé's attractive *palafitos*, colourful fishermen's houses precariously built on stilts along the water's edge. Explore the island. (B,L,D)



Colourful palafitos, Chiloé Island.

#### DAY 4: PUMALÍN NATIONAL PARK

Pumalín's 750,000 acres in Chilean Patagonia are protected as one of the last remaining areas of the unusual alerce forest, consisting of huge trees similar in size to California redwoods. Walk the park trails to see them up close. (B,L,D)

#### DAYS 5-9: THE INLAND PASSAGE & THE CHILEAN FJORDS

A vast area of snowcapped mountains, glaciers, thousands of islands, lakes, soaring granite walls, and waterfalls, the archipelago is virtually untouched by man. We make good use of our Zodiacs, kayaks and undersea technology. One highlight is the Pio XI Glacier, the longest glacier in the Southern Hemisphere outside Antarctica. Be on deck to look for condors as our ship transits the White Narrows. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 10: PUERTO NATALES/TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK

From Puerto Natales, drive to monumental Torres del Paine National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Discover a spectacular and wildlife-rich areas in the Americas, covering 450,000 acres of glaciers, forests and grasslands, rivers and colourful lagoons. (B,L,D)



#### DAYS 11 AND 12: EXPLORING TIERRA DEL FUEGO/KARUKINKA NATURAL PARK

Tierra del Fuego is one of Patagonia's crown jewels. We have special permission from the Wildlife Conservation Society to visit Karukinka Natural Park, home to nesting black-browed albatross, condors, and elephant seals. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 13: THE CHILEAN FJORDS, BEAGLE CHANNEL & YENDEGAIA

Myriad fjords or *senos* indent the coast. We cruise deep into the *senos*, punctuated at the end by tidewater glaciers, to explore by Zodiac, kayak, and on foot. Transit the Beagle Channel to Yendegaia, a newly established park on Tierra del Fuego. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 14: CAPE HORN

Today we visit Cape Horn, the southernmost tip of the continent, and, weather permitting, land there for panoramic views. (B,L,D)

#### DAYS 15-17: ISLA DE LOS ESTADOS (STATEN ISLAND), ARGENTINA

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#### DAY 18: USHUAIA/DISEMBARK/BUENOS AIRES

Disembark in Ushuaia. Take a charter flight to Buenos Aires and connect to your onward flights. (B,L)



#### EXPEDITION DETAILS

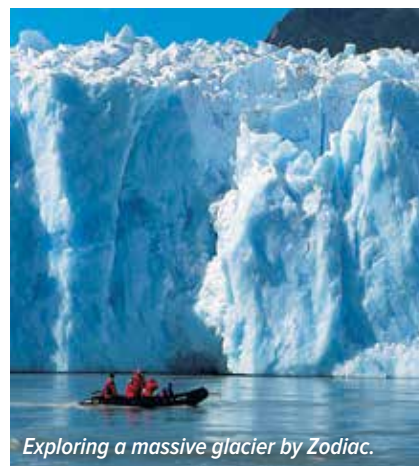
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NEW

# BEST OF CHILEAN PATAGONIA: FROM TORRES DEL PAINE TO CAPE HORN

## INCLUDES ARGENTINA'S STATEN ISLAND

### 14 DAYS/13 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER* AND *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: \$17,430 to \$28,280 (See page 21 for complete *National Geographic Explorer* prices; see page 23 for *National Geographic Orion* prices.)

**O**n this expedition, you'll savour the grandeur of Torres del Paine's sunrises and sunsets, its iconic landscapes, and profusion of wildlife. Then explore fjords, glaciers, and panoramic vistas aboard *National Geographic Explorer* or *National Geographic Orion*. Venturing out on Zodiac forays, kayaking the pristine fjords, or hiking virgin trails, you'll breathe the rarified air of a near-mythic region. Enjoy special access to Argentina's Isla de los Estados (Staten Island)—a seldom-seen island covered in wind-sculpted flora and teeming with South American fur seals and Magellanic penguins. Discover the vast parklands of Yendegaia and Karukinka. And check viewing legendary Cape Horn on your life list, as well.

### GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS

**Alejandro D. Wolff**  
Served as U.S. Ambassador to Chile from 2010 to 2013 and Department of State in Algeria, Morocco, and Cyprus. He will be aboard in 2016.



### EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Discover over several days the wildlife-rich, iconic landscapes of Torres del Paine, Patagonia's jewel. Stay at the superb Hotel Río Serrano.
- ▶ Explore wild, windswept Isla de los Estados (Staten Island), which has been off limits to travellers since 1923.
- ▶ Transit the legendary Beagle Channel and see storied Cape Horn.
- ▶ Venture through wildlife reserves not easily accessible to the public, including Yendegaia and Karukinka Natural Parks in Tierra del Fuego.
- ▶ Zodiac cruise and kayak through the breathtaking Chilean fjords.

Torres del Paine National Park.

### DAY 1: SANTIAGO, CHILE

Arrive in Santiago, Chile. Check in to the Grand Hyatt Hotel before exploring the Plaza de Armas, the main square and nearby Presidential Palace, enjoying the vibrant city. (L)

### DAY 2: PUNTA ARENAS/PUERTO NATALES

Fly to Punta Arenas, the southern gateway to Patagonia and drive to Puerto Natales and check in to the Remota Hotel. Have an afternoon tour of town and dinner in the hotel. (B,L,D)

### DAYS 3-5: TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK

Drive to this UNESCO Biosphere reserve and spend three days at the Hotel Río Serrano (or similar) discovering one of the most wildlife-rich areas in the Americas, covering 450,000 acres of glaciers, forests, grasslands, rivers, and colourful lagoons. Choose among a variety of possibilities, including walks and hikes, horseback riding, sailing among icebergs to the foot of the immense Grey Glacier, visiting the Salto Grande waterfall, and seeing the towers of the central massif from the Blue Lagoon. Look out for guanacos, gray foxes, rheas and Andean condors. (B,L,D)



Rhea pair.

### DAY 6: TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK/PUERTO NATALES/EMBARK

We have a final morning to explore Torres del Paine. We then drive to Puerto Natales, where we embark *National Geographic Explorer*. (B,L,D)

### DAY 7: KIRKE NARROWS & EXPLORING CHILEAN FJORDS

Explore the spectacular glaciated landscape with a variety of possibilities: Estero las Montañas, with a chance to go for an adventurous walk to a lake through beautiful muskeg and forest and Bahía Ainsworth in Seno Almirantazgo, where we may go out by Zodiac and kayak and look for elephant seals. (B,L,D)

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Photographing from the ship.

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### EXPEDITION DETAILS

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Guests kayaking.

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PRICES FROM: \$11,190 to \$20,900 (See page 21 for complete *National Geographic Explorer* prices; see page 23 for *National Geographic Orion* prices.)

This carefully curated expedition offers the peak experiences of Patagonia and its surrounding environs in a compact timeframe. Discover the fjords, glaciers, and vistas that make Chilean Patagonia one of the most lauded nature destinations on Earth. Exposing you to the 'best of' highlights, like the stunning Beagle Channel, massive glaciers and snowcapped peaks, this perfectly-paced voyage also brings you into the natural splendours of natural parks Yendegaia and Karukinka. Cap off your expedition by exploring Argentina's rugged, seldom-seen Isla de los Estados (Staten Island), a land that has been largely off limits to travellers since 1923.

## GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS

**Alejandro D. Wolff**  
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*Bernal glacier.*

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Venture through wildlife reserves not easily accessible to the public, including Yendegaia and Karukinka Natural Parks in Tierra del Fuego.
- ▶ See massive glaciers, dramatic fjords, and soaring snow-covered peaks, and spot wildlife including condors and elephant seals.
- ▶ Transit the legendary Beagle Channel and take in the view of Cape Horn.
- ▶ Be one of the few people ever to explore Isla de los Estados (Staten Island).



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We'll see massive southern elephant seals.

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# THE QUALITY OF OUR STAFF ENHANCES THE QUALITY OF YOUR EXPERIENCE

Comprised of scientists, naturalists, historians, and a veteran expedition leader, the members of our dynamic expedition team are engaging companions. And you'll benefit from their broad array of specialised knowledge—history, archaeology, geology, ornithology, botany, photography, and more. It's their generosity of spirit and insights that make our itineraries uniquely rewarding, transforming events into memorable, life-enhancing experiences.



*Lucho Verdesoto (expedition leader), Eduardo Shaw (historian), Tom Ritchie and Jim Kelley (naturalists).*

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**Lourdes  
Garcia-Navarro**  
**NPR South America  
Correspondent**

Lourdes Garcia-Navarro is an NPR international correspondent covering South America. Her stories span culture, politics, corruption, crime, sports, and much more.

✓ *Join her on  
Rounding the Cape in 2016.*



**Alejandro Wolff**  
**Former Ambassador  
to Chile**

Alejandro Wolff served as U.S. Ambassador to Chile from 2010 to 2013 and during his term, Chile was included in the U.S. Visa Waiver Program and in the launch of a Youth Ambassadors program for high school students. He has also worked for the Department of State in Algeria, Morocco, and Cyprus.

✓ *Join him in 2016.*



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### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS ABOARD

**Jeff Mauritzen**

Jeff has photographed vivid landscapes and dramatic situations in nearly 50 countries.

✓ *Join him in 2016.*



**Jonathan Irish**

Jonathan has photographed on all seven continents, and has shot a variety of assignments in Antarctica, Patagonia, and beyond.

✓ *Join him in 2017  
on Orion.*



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# COOL TOOLS ABOARD ENSURE EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES

*National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion are the only ships exploring Patagonia with this complete array of exploration tools. These tools, designed to maximize your opportunities for up-close, personal adventures, plus our generous 1:10 expedition staff-to-guest ratio, provide peerless opportunities to experience life-enhancing encounters with the beauty and wildness of a unique region.*

*Clockwise from upper left: The staff quickly deploys Zodiacs to get you out exploring at a moment's notice; National Geographic Explorer and Orion are each equipped with an ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) capable of exploring depths up to 305 metres, providing footage to view in the dry warmth and comfort of the lounge; our innovative mobile platform lets us embark on a kayak exploration from virtually anywhere; guests join staff in examining ice charts on the bridge; guests exploring by Zodiac don't have to worry about getting wet with our custom-designed floating bridge (Explorer only).*



An Upper Deck cabin with balcony aboard Explorer.



The sauna aboard Orion and Explorer (shown here) is the perfect place to end the day, and Explorer's well-equipped fitness centre offers panoramic views.

## THE PERFECT ENDING TO ACTIVE DAYS

Decorated in relaxing earth tones, *National Geographic Explorer* has 81 cabins, including 4 suites with balconies, 9 cabins with balconies, and 14 solo cabins, and all are inviting and rewarding. *National Geographic Orion's* private spaces are as alluring as her public ones. Decorated in rich jewel tones, she has 53 cabins, including 9 suites with balconies, and 4 solo cabins.

All cabins feature deluxe bedding, our signature feather duvets and thick terry robes. In addition, each has a flat screen TV with movie programming, as well as channels broadcasting the live feed from our remote-controlled crow's nest camera, and our electronic chart system. And all cabins are equipped with Ethernet connections, plugs for your own laptop and phone or camera charger.

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*Clockwise, from right: The library (shown here on Explorer) is a relaxing place to read or study a topic; have a massage in the spa to unwind; head to the comfortable lounge (shown here aboard Orion) to hear talks from our staff, sip a drink and socialise, or attend an evening recap.*



*A Category 6 balcony suite aboard Orion.*



## THE FLAGSHIP OF OUR FLEET

# NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

**CAPACITY:** 148 guests in 81 outside cabins.

**REGISTRY:** Bahamas. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 112 metres.

*National Geographic Explorer* is a state-of-the-art expedition ship, and the flagship of the Lindblad fleet. It is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, with an Ice-1A Super on the forward hull, enabling it to navigate polar passages while providing exceptional comfort. It carries kayaks and a fleet of Zodiac landing craft. An undersea specialist operates a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) and sophisticated video equipment, extending access to the underwater world.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Bistro bar; chart room; restaurant; global gallery; library, lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for films, slideshows and presentations; mudroom with lockers for expedition gear, and observation lounge. Our 'open bridge' provides guests an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

**CATEGORY 1:** Main Deck with one or two portholes #301-308

**CATEGORY 2:** Main Deck with window #317-320, 335-336

**CATEGORY 3:** Main Deck with window #313-316, 321-328, 337-340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350

**CATEGORY 4:** Upper and Veranda Decks with window #103-104, 107-108, 201-202, 204-207, 210, 212, 217, 226, 228

**CATEGORY 5:** Upper Deck with balcony #209, 211, 214, 216, 218, 220-222, 224

**CATEGORY 6:** Veranda Deck—Suite #101-102; Upper Deck—Suite with balcony #213

**CATEGORY 7:** Upper Deck—Suite with balcony #215, 219, 230

**MEALS:** Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Menu is international with local flair.

**CABINS:** All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies.

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Zodiac landing craft, kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, splashcam, underwater video camera, crow's nest remote controlled camera and video microscope.

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, Global Perspectives guest speaker, National Geographic photographer, LEX photo specialist and video chronicler, internet café and laundry.

**WELLNESS:** The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features a glass-enclosed fitness centre, outdoor stretching area, two LEXspa treatment rooms and sauna.

**CATEGORY A SOLO:** Main Deck with window #309-312, 329-334

**CATEGORY B SOLO:** Upper and Veranda Decks with window #105-106, 203, 208

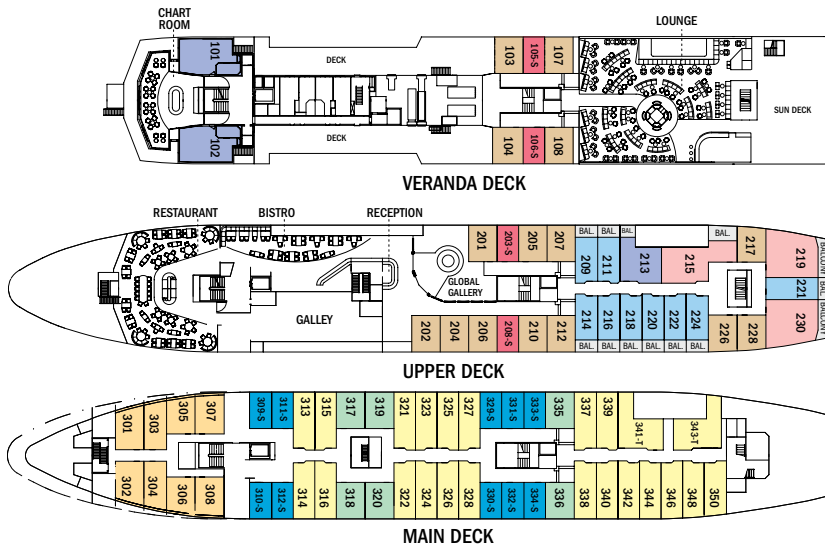
**CATEGORY 3 TRIPLE:** Main Deck with window #341, 343

**SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS:** Available in Categories 1 and 2.

**NOTE:** Cabins #209, 211, 214, 216-218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 303-306—These cabins have one queen-sized bed. All other double cabins have two lower single beds; some can convert to a queen-sized bed. Note: Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories A and B. Third person rates are available in the designated triple occupancy cabins at one-half the double occupancy rate. Cabins #341, 343, 101, 102, 215, 219, and 230 can accommodate a third person.



Above: Dining room with unassigned seating and a casual atmosphere; the bridge is always open; upper deck balcony cabin; solo cabin; standard bathroom.



Prices are per person, double occupancy, in Australian dollars unless indicated as solo.

ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. 7	CAT. A SOLO	CAT. B SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
<b>Rounding the Cape: Chilean Patagonia and Argentina's Staten Island—Page 8</b>	2016/2017	\$23,740	\$25,520	\$26,560	\$28,150	\$33,290	\$38,740	\$44,380	\$31,900	\$33,200	\$2,500	Includes one hotel night in Santiago. Immigration fees are not included. Charter airfare from \$830 (Santiago/Puerto Montt, Ushuaia/Buenos Aires).
<b>Best of Chilean Patagonia: From Torres del Paine to Cape Horn—Page 10</b>	2016	\$17,430	\$18,250	\$18,720	\$19,510	\$21,920	\$24,550	\$27,140	\$22,110	\$22,740	\$1,500	Includes one hotel night in Santiago, one hotel night in Puerto Natales and three hotel nights in Torres del Paine. Immigration fees are not included. Charter airfare from \$830 (Santiago/Punta Arenas, Ushuaia/Buenos Aires).
<b>Patagonia: Chilean Fjords and Argentina's Staten Island—Page 12</b>	2016	\$11,190	\$12,010	\$12,490	\$13,270	\$15,690	\$18,310	\$20,900	\$14,990	\$15,610	\$1,000	Includes one hotel night in Santiago. Immigration fees are not included. Charter airfare from \$830 (Santiago/Punta Arenas, Ushuaia/Buenos Aires).



## OUR NEWEST EXPEDITION SHIP NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

**CAPACITY:** 102 guests in 53 outside cabins.  
**REGISTRY:** Bahamas. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 103 metres.

The state-of-the-art *National Geographic Orion* is the newest addition to the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet. A fully stabilized, ice-class vessel with a reinforced hull.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Outdoor café, lounge with bar, restaurant, sundeck, reception desk, observation lounge and library, global gallery, marina platform, and mudroom. Our ‘open bridge’ allows guests to meet our captain and officers and learn about navigation.

**MEALS:** All meals are served in a single seating with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. The cuisine is international with local flair, featuring tastes of the regions we explore.

**CATEGORY 1:** Main Deck with oval window  
#316, 318, 319-321

**CATEGORY 2:** Main Deck with oval window  
#302-312, 314, 315, 317

**CATEGORY 3:** Upper Deck—Suite with window  
#401-412, 414-419

**CATEGORY 4:** Bridge Deck—Deluxe suite with window  
#511, 515

**CATEGORY 5:** Bridge Deck—Suite with French balcony  
#501, 503-506, 508

**CABINS:** All cabins feature ocean views, private facilities, climate controls, internet access for your own laptop, and a flat-screen TV with DVD/CD player. Some cabins have French balconies. Single cabins in Category 1 and Category 3 include #301, 322, 323, and 512.

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Zodiac landing craft, a hydrophone, underwater video cameras, kayaks, and a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV).

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** Laundry, a full-time doctor, video chronicler, National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus undersea specialists.

**WELLNESS:** A wellness specialist, fitness centre, LEXspa treatment room and sauna are on board.

**CATEGORY 6:** Bridge Deck—Owner’s suite with French balcony  
#502, 507, 509\*, 510

\*Cabin 509 has two windows in lieu of a French balcony.

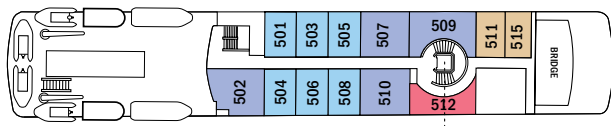
**CATEGORY 1 SOLO:** Main Deck with oval window or two portholes #301, 322, 323

**CATEGORY 3 SOLO:** Bridge Deck—Suite with two windows #512

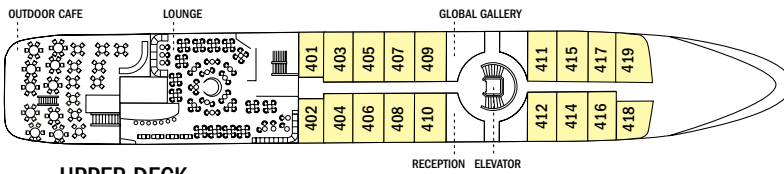
**NOTE:** Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories 1 and 3. Shared accommodations available in Categories 1 and 2.

**NOTE:** Third person rates available at one-half the double occupancy rate in designated triple occupancy cabins.

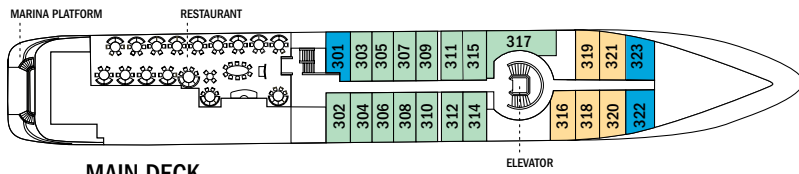




BRIDGE DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



Above: Main lounge; photography workstations in observation lounge & library; Category 3 cabin; spacious double closet; marble bathroom.

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ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. 1 SOLO	CAT. 3 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
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**TRAVELLING AS A GROUP:** Save 5% when travelling as a group of 8 or more people. Take advantage of these great savings, while enjoying travelling with your friends and family. This saving is applicable to voyage fares only, and is not valid on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies.

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**COMBINING OFFERS:** Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings!

## INCLUSIVE PRICING

We include just about everything you have the opportunity to do as part of your expedition aboard ship and ashore. The only things not included are those of a personal nature—alcohol, internet usage, tips to the crew, wellness treatments and other specialised arrangements.

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- ✓ All meals and non-alcoholic beverages
- ✓ Cappuccinos, lattes & complimentary refillable water bottle
- ✓ 24-hour coffee, tea & soft drink on demand
- ✓ Hors d'oeuvres & snacks during lounge recap
- ✓ Sauna
- ✓ Fitness centre
- ✓ Fully stocked library
- ✓ The guidance and company of our expedition staff

### ASHORE

- ✓ Meals on land, as indicated in itinerary
- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
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- ✓ The expertise of our expedition staff

### ACTIVITIES

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Once your reservation is confirmed, we urge you to use your personalised online account for important information to help you prepare for your voyage. Managing your documents online will facilitate fast and accurate communication, and allow you to provide us with pertinent details we require, in order to complete your reservation. Your online account gives you access to your Expedition Guide, which includes valuable information specific to your voyage. You can also use your online account to make easy payments, view recommended flights and reading material, packing list, and more.

**Final Payment:** Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. Payment schedules may vary for certain longer voyages, due to high demand for these voyages. We reserve the right to cancel your reservation if payment has not been received by final payment due date.

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