

# ANTARCTICA SPRINGS TO LIFE

10 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS ON BOARD

USHUAIA TO USHUAIA

## The most Antarctica for time-challenged explorers.

Explore Antarctica in all its pristine and wildlife-rich glory, as the continent awakens from its long winter slumber. This voyage offers the perfect introduction to Antarctica for those whose time may be limited, but whose spirit of exploration is boundless. Prepare yourself for a trip into a lively environment populated by penguins courting mates, building nests and tending to their eggs; the passing of newly adrift icebergs; and colorful sunsets that most photographers only dream of. This is the time of year when your chance of spotting another ship in the water is at its lowest.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- The best Introduction to Antarctica for those with high ambitions and limited time
- Explore a pristine, untouched continent just opening up after a long winter's nap
- Witness penguins choosing mates, building nests, tending to their eggs
- Enjoy spectacular, colorful sunsets and encounter massive icebergs
- With fewer ships in the water, you'll feel like Antarctica is all yours

## EXPEDITION DATE ABOARD OCEAN VICTORY

Arrive	Board	Disembark
Nov 13, 2026	Nov 14, 2026	Nov 22, 2026

### Day 1, Arrive in and explore Ushuaia

After a friendly welcome at the airport and a transfer to the luxurious Arakur Resort & Spa (or another of Ushuaia's top luxury hotels), take some time to unwind or explore the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia.

Our evening briefing is your opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow explorers.

### Day 2, All aboard!

Spend your morning relaxing at the hotel, visiting a museum, or exploring the shops in Ushuaia, before our mid-afternoon escort to the ship. Our Expedition Team and ship staff will welcome you on board and get you settled in, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and our Captain's welcome dinner. We're on our way to Antarctica!



### Days 3-4, Drake Passage

Join our Polar Experts as they share their vast knowledge of Antarctica, from its enchanting wildlife to its bold history. Participate in our pioneering Citizen Science program or sit back and take in this fabled journey while catching glimpses of rarely seen wildlife. Keep your binoculars handy to identify the many seabirds that escort our ship as we cross the Antarctic Convergence into Antarctica's waters and noticeably cooler temperatures.

### Day 5, South Shetland Islands

Over time, the volcanic activity of the South Shetland Islands has created a geology unlike any other. Here, you can expect a rugged display of mountains, glaciers, and wildlife returning to their busy daily activity after the long winter break. Chinstrap and Gentoo penguins will be a common sight, and it's not uncommon to share the water's edge with Elephant and Fur seals. Whales are often spotted as well. So, we'll settle into our Zodiacs and spend most of our day exploring, perhaps stopping for a walk along the black sands of Deception Island. Whether on land or sea, in a Zodiac or kayak, be prepared for a fully immersive introduction to this incomparable part of the world.

### Days 6-7, Antarctica in the Spring

Welcome to Antarctica in all its just-waking-up-from-winter glory. Untouched. Pristine. Getting busy. For the next couple of days, prepare to be amazed as we observe numerous species of penguins coming ashore and getting acquainted, building nests, and tending their eggs. Marvel at the winter sea ice that mantles these frigid seas, feast your eyes on glorious icebergs beginning the springtime march, and, as always, be on the lookout for seals and whales in the water. At day's

end, take in the miraculous sunsets that are a special treat this time of year. Visits to active scientific bases and historic landing sites may also be on the agenda.

**Days 8–9, Drake Passage**

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again crossing the legendary Drake Passage. We have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion

of our expedition with a special slideshow, passenger photo contest, and a final celebratory meal together. Congratulations, explorers!

**Day 10, Ushuaia disembarkation**

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning, letting you catch a flight to Buenos Aires or stay in Ushuaia for more sights and adventure.

