

### Antarctica All-Access Adventure Cruising

#### The Ultimate Active Expedition on the Antarctic Peninsula

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# Feel the difference

with Mountain Travel Sobek

#### **Unrivaled Expertise**

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Travel Company by Newsweek Readers' Choice Awards.

#### **Unique Trip Design**

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail — the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

#### **Small Groups**

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.













### Leading the Way

#### **World-Class Local Guides**

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.











# Why take this trip with us?

#### **REASON 1**

Offering polar voyages since the mid-'90s, MT Sobek has built strong relationships with Polar outfitters and ships that cruise the 7th continent—we include in-house expertise to assist you every step of the way.

#### **REASON 2**

This trip gives you an all-access pass to loads of adventures, from kayaking, snowshoeing, and camping to a photo workshop and citizen science program, all included at no additional cost.

#### **REASON 3**

Cruise with polar experts on your Expedition Team, who will guide you by day and educate you in the evenings with presentations about the white continent's natural and political history.

#### At A Glance

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Enjoy daily Antarctic adventures and excursions, from leisurely walks and hikes to thrilling snowshoeing and kayaking. You can also enjoy photography instruction and conduct volunteer scientific research!



#### **LODGING**

Cruise comfortably on board a luxurious world-class small ship, able to explore small coves, bays, and channels. Comfortable lodging awaits in Ushuaia at the Arakur Resort & Spa.



#### **CLIMATE**

In Antarctica there may be days of warm sunshine, but be prepared for wind, rain, and possible snow. Daytime temperatures are usually 20°-40°F.



#### **KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK**

#### **Pricing**

Please call for an exact quote. Pricing varies by cabin category. A 30% nonrefundable deposit is needed to secure your reservation.

This cruise is not privately chartered for MT Sobek travelers. In order to offer the widest selection of travel dates and flexibility for our guests, MT Sobek works directly with the ship owner to book MT Sobek travelers on scheduled departures throughout the year, and we are pleased to offer our inhouse expertise and services to assist you every step of the way.





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Antarctica abounds with stellar scenery, translucent icebergs, massive glaciers, and marvelous wildlife. Here is your chance to explore it all with kayaking, snowshoeing, camping, photography, citizen science, and hiking included at no extra charge. Cruise from Ushuaia, crossing the renowned Drake Passage to the South Shetland Islands and continuing to the Antarctic Peninsula. Spend four full days adventuring by sea and land around the continent, watching humpback whales, seabirds, gentoo and chinstrap penguins, and elephant and fur seals. Your expert Expedition Team will guide you each day and make evening presentations. Experience the best all-access Antarctica cruise!

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#### 12 Days

Start: Ushuaia, Argentina End: Ushuaia, Argentina

Departing: November, December

**Activities:** Adventure Cruising

**Lodging:** Comfortable Small Ship, Luxury Hotel

**Group Size:** Up to 139 Guests

**ACTIVITY:** 











Check mtsobek.com for date-specific pricing.

"I've taken six MTS trips and they have all exceeded my expectations. The staff, the food, the logistics and the communications have always been exceptional. Thank you for being my "go to" adventure travel company!"

- Margaret I.

# The Itinerary



#### **Arrive in Ushuaia**

Arrive at the southernmost city in the world with a day to explore (or a cushion of time in case of flight delays). Check in to the luxurious Arakur Resort & Spa where you can take a dip in one of the heated pools, unwind with a spa treatment, or stretch your legs on paths right from the hotel's doorstep. Get over jet lag with a good night's sleep and look forward to your first adventures tomorrow.



#### **Board Your Ship & Depart for Antarctica**

Enjoy one more leisurely morning exploring Ushuaia or relaxing at the hotel before being transferred to your awaiting ship. You will be welcomed onboard by your Expedition Team and ship staff, who will help you get settled into your cabin. Check out the views, have a cocktail in the bar or find your way to the onboard sauna. Gather this afternoon for a safety and orientation briefing followed by the captain's welcome dinner as you begin your journey to Antarctica!

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 30-minute van transfer



#### **Begin Crossing Drake's Passage**

Enter the iconic waterway that is the Drake Passage, where the Atlantic and Pacific oceans meet. Cross 600 miles over two days, moving closer towards the white continent. As you cruise, learn from the Expedition Team's experts about the continent's incredible wildlife and adventure-filled history. Participate in citizen science projects, collecting data to help uncover more of Antarctica's mysteries, or station yourself in the observation lounge, scanning the horizon for icebergs and whale species.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **Continue an Epic Crossing**

Named after 16th century English explorer Sir Francis Drake, proceed further south across the famed waterway, feeling temperatures plummet after passing the Antarctic Convergence. Watch for seabirds that escort the ship as it nears land and keep your binoculars handy for glimpses of other wildlife along the passage.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **South Shetland Islands**

Make landfall at the Antarctic archipelago of the South Shetlands. Formed by volcanic activity, their geology is as interesting as their wildlife. Take in the majestic mountains, gleaming glaciers, and wonderful wildlife such as chinstrap and gentoo penguins. There are also opportunities to spot elephant and fur seals along the shoreline, and whales further offshore. Board Zodiacs to get up close to these bountiful islands, or, if you wish to get a different perspective, glide through Antarctic waters by kayak. However you explore, the South Shetland Islands are an enchanting introduction to Antarctica.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **Head South Towards the Antarctic Peninsula**

For the next four days, slow the pace and immerse yourself in the surreal surroundings of Antarctica. Here is your chance to get up close and really experience the white continent, its geology, history, and wildlife. Your exact itinerary is dictated by the weather, with the captain choosing the route that will give you the best opportunities for breathtaking scenery, wildlife encounters, and thrilling activities. Perhaps you will cruise through the Lemaire Channel, also known as Kodak Gap, where steep mountains plunge into an iceberg-filled sea making for an exciting navigation.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **Adventure through Antarctica**

Wake in a new destination and get ready for the day's activities. Take to the water in a Zodiac, being whisked between the brilliant blue hues of enchanting icebergs and along the shoreline where wildlife awaits. Paddle a kayak through icy waters soaking up the stunning scenery at your own speed. Head for land where you may hike or strap on snowshoes, depending on the conditions, and explore by foot. Or spend a once-in-a-lifetime night, camping under southern hemisphere stars, listening for whale songs as you drift off to sleep, and waking to morning light on the mountains.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### Watch for Antarctic Wildlife

Each day you are in Antarctica, keep your binoculars handy for spotting breaching humpback whales and birdlife such as snow petrels and albatross offshore. As you cruise by Zodiac, curious leopard seals may surface. On land, have your camera in hand for close up encounters with wildlife such as gentoo and chinstrap penguins, and elephant and fur seals. Capture memories of these wild creatures that you can share with friends and family once you are at home.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **Become a Citizen Scientist**

While enjoying the extraordinary scenery, exciting excursions, and wonderful wildlife, you can join ongoing science projects such as counting penguins, collecting phytoplankton samples, or observing cloud cover. The data you collect will be used by institutions such as NASA and Scripps Institution of Oceanography to learn more about the changes in Antarctica's climate and how they impact weather and wildlife.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **Depart Antarctica**

As the ship turns northward, you leave feeling inspired, exhausted, and most likely changed forever. Entering the famed Drake Passage once more, settle in to swap stories, share photos, and toast your adventure with fellow travelers. Rest and catch up on journaling or species lists as you head back towards the Antarctic Convergence.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **Cross the Drake Passage**

Watch for final sightings of seabirds and marine mammals on your second crossing of this epic passage. Your Expedition Team has prepared a special slideshow and photography awards ceremony to celebrate the conclusion of your incredible expedition. Enjoy a farewell dinner with the team and crew before arriving in Ushuaia.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



#### **Depart Ushuaia**

Disembark in the morning with time to catch your departing flight to Buenos Aires.

**MEALS:** Breakfast



# Where You'll Stay

These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.

#### **Arakur Ushuaia Resort & Spa**

Arakur Ushuaia Resort & Spa, surrounded by nature inside the Reserva Natural Cerro Alarken, is a luxurious property set above the city, yet minutes from downtown Ushuaia. Designed with sustainable architecture in mind, each room and suite uses local Argentine materials and decor for a contemporary and warm feel. Geothermal air conditioning, humidity control and acoustic insulation systems also add to the guest room experience. Facilities include fine dining restaurants and bars, swimming pools, hot tubs, a fitness center and more.

#### **Seaventure**

The stylish Seaventure is one of the finest small expedition vessels in the world, crafted in an Italian shipyard with spaciously appointed suites and modern public areas. Each suite includes a sitting area, private bathroom, picture windows, and twin beds that may be joined to form queen-size beds. Some suites boast private balconies with tinted doors, while triples include a sofa bed. Public areas include a bar lounge, library with computers, dining room, exercise room, and a panoramic observation deck.



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#### **Ocean Albatros**

With a total of 95 comfortable staterooms and suites, all with unobstructed sea views, and most with their own balcony, the ice-strengthened Ocean Albatros offers an incredible expedition cruise experience. Built in 2022, features of this new ship include two restaurants, a wellness area, an Albatros Nordic Bar, an opendeck dining facility, a modern lecture lounge, a panoramic sauna, and other state-of-the-art amenities. The vessel has more than a 50% lower carbon footprint than traditional expedition vessels, and follows the sustainable Green Initiative Program.

## **Departure Dates**

This trip is available to run in: November, December

#### Book early for a greater choice of available dates.

Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

November 18-29, 2025

December 8-19, 2025

January 31-February 11, 2026

February 9-20, 2026

### What's Included

#### **PRICE INCLUDES**

- Pricing based on double occupancy in a Window Cabin International airfare, airport taxes, and excess
- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and porterage

#### **PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE**

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses



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