



LUXURY EXPEDITION CRUISES

Classic Antarctica 2020-21

13 days from \$15,995 per person

Limited to 199 guests

Embark on an award-winning Luxury Expedition Cruise to the centerpiece of the Southern Hemisphere, sailing on elegant 'Le Lyrial' to extraordinary Antarctica, where towering icebergs, massive glaciers and abundant wildlife make for the adventure of a lifetime.

Included With This Luxury Expedition Cruise

- An Exclusively Chartered, All-Inclusive Voyage Led by A&K's Expedition Team
- Pre- and/or Post-Cruise Stays at Stylish, Ideally Located Hotels and A&K-Led City Tours
- Airport Meet and Greet and Transfers
- Private Balcony with Every Onboard Accommodation and Butler Service with Every Suite
- Maximum Personnel-to-Guest Ratio of 1 to 1.3
- Culinary Program Featuring French-Inspired Cuisine, Including House Drinks, Afternoon Tea and Pastries
- 24-Hour Room Service and Breakfast in Bed
- Complimentary Expedition Parka, Backpack and Water Bottle, and Use of Waterproof Pants, Boots and Trekking Poles
- Zodiac Excursions Led by Expert Naturalist Driver-Guides
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service
- All Gratuities, Port Charges and Taxes
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on Board and in Hotels
- Onboard Service from an English-Speaking Staff, Including an Accredited Physician
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support

A&K Advantages

- Cruise for 10 nights aboard luxurious 'Le Lyrial' with guaranteed balcony accommodations and a guest capacity limited to just 199, only when exclusively chartered by A&K
- Begin your journey with a two-night stay at luxury Palacio Duhau — Park Hyatt on Alvear Avenue in Buenos Aires
- Sail with an exceptional team curated by A&K, featuring our award-winning Expedition Team, an experienced service staff and crew, and one of the best personnel-to-guest ratios at 1 to 1.3
- Enjoy all-inclusive cruising with included onboard meals and house drinks, Zodiac excursions, expedition gear, port charges, gratuities, Traveller's Valet laundry service, and complimentary Wi-Fi
- Discover rare yet abundant wildlife on a voyage ideally timed with the peak of the austral summer
- Explore the Antarctic Peninsula for five action-packed days with excursions led by the region's best guides
- Enjoy an enhanced photography voyage on the Dec 7 departure with additional programming led by dedicated A&K photo coaches
- Experience an A&K Philanthropy focus on climate change research on the Jan 3 departure, joined by special guest and noted Antarctic researcher Dr. James McClintock, who leads a behind-the-scenes tour at Palmer Station (conditions permitting)

Featured Experts



DR JAMES MCCLINTOCK

Climate Scientist

James is a noted climate change expert who has led 14 A&K expeditions to the White Continent. On this voyage, he outlines the effects of climate change on Antarctica and offers a hopeful plan for future action.

Itinerary

DAY 1 ARRIVE BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Arrive in Argentina's capital and transfer to your hotel, where you spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Palacio Duhau — Park Hyatt Buenos Aires

DAY 2 BUENOS AIRES | VIBRANT LATIN AMERICAN CITY

Latin passion and European romance define the beautiful city of Buenos Aires, a dynamic mecca known for its wide-ranging architectural styles, contemporary and historic arts, and culinary pleasures and *Parrillas* (steakhouses). This morning, choose from a selection of included excursions and experience the city's best treasures alongside local A&K guides. You may, for example, choose a panoramic city tour complete with a tango demonstration, or a tour focused on Buenos Aires' lively street art scene. Later this afternoon, meet with your fellow adventurers for a welcome cocktail reception and briefing.

Palacio Duhau — Park Hyatt Buenos Aires | Meals: Breakfast

DAY 3 USHUAIA | GATEWAY TO ANTARCTICA

Fly to the charming port town of Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world. On arrival, enjoy a gourmet lunch at the Arakur resort, enjoying panoramic city and mountain vistas while you dine. Time and weather permitting, take a guided walk in the Cerro Alarken Nature Reserve or simply relax with a cappuccino and enjoy scenic views of Ushuaia. This afternoon, transfer to your ship and settle in for your first night on board. Wander the decks to become acquainted with the ship, relax in the lounge and mingle with fellow guests in anticipation of your voyage. From your private balcony or the outside decks, take in views as you cruise the beautiful Beagle Channel before heading out to sea.

'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAYS 4–5 THE DRAKE PASSAGE | LEGENDARY WATERS

The journey south toward Antarctica is an exciting one, furthered by singular, voyage-long access to our knowledgeable Expedition Team and enrichment experts — both on board and on shore. Set out into the Drake Passage, a 600-mile-wide swath of water where the Southern Ocean currents are squeezed between South America's southern tip and Antarctica's northernmost reaches. An important trade route in the 19th and early 20th centuries, the waters and icy conditions that define this passage once made the journey a difficult one, though the stabilizer-equipped 'Le Lyrial' handles it with ease. After lunch, enjoy a stimulating presentation from one of your expert lecturers or join your naturalists on the deck to look for whales and abundant seabirds, which join other mammals in feasting on the Drake's krill-rich waters. It's all just a taste of the educational enrichment and wildlife you will encounter in the days to come. Later, chat with your Expedition Team about the next day's itinerary.

'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAYS 6–10 ANTARCTICA | THE WHITE CONTINENT

As the Antarctic Peninsula and its offshore islands appear on the horizon, a sense of excitement begins to build. Travel in the comfort of your luxury cruiser, enjoying enriching lectures from members of the Expedition Team on topics ranging from birdlife to photography and history. Dependent on weather, sea, ice and wildlife conditions, Antarctic expeditions demand spontaneity and no two are ever the same. With that in mind, your Captain and Expedition Team carefully plan your active, curated itinerary and daily excursions that may include the following areas: **Antarctic Sound:** At the northernmost tip of the Antarctic mainland, this body of water features some of the best sightseeing on the peninsula and a proliferation of giant icebergs. Noted for its vast numbers of bird species, the sound is home to the largest breeding colonies of Adélie penguins in Antarctica. Look forward to opportunities to land on remote, wildlife-laden islands as well as possible opportunities to experience a continental landing on the Northwest tip of the Antarctic peninsula. **South Shetland Islands:** Antarctic research stations, remarkable history, amazing geological features and abundant wildlife define these islands off the shore of the Antarctic Peninsula. Our expedition team will look for opportunities to visit a wide range of sites including working research stations, volcanic islands, and historic sites as well as gentoo, Adélie and chinstrap penguin rookeries. **Danco Coast:** Bordering the South Shetland Islands along the Antarctic continent, the Danco Coast is famed for its scenic, jaw-dropping waterways. From the comfort of 'Le Lyrial,' you may sail through some of its most stunning and photogenic channels, straits and bays. Each cruise day begins with an early breakfast followed by a morning excursion on swift Zodiacs (sturdy inflatable boats). Piloted by expert A&K drivers, each excursion is accompanied by lecturers and joined by groups of no more than 10 guests. After mornings discovering native species and striking terrain, return to 'Le Lyrial' for lunch, and time to relax and observe the wildlife-rich waters that surround you, searching for everything from fin whales, humpback whales and orcas, to Antarctic and imperial shags. By afternoon, set out for the day's second excursion, which may include visiting a scientific research station, hiking on a sheltered beach packed with basking Southern elephant seals, or circumnavigating colossal icebergs that serve as floating homes to seals and penguins. After full days of adventure, evenings aboard your luxury cruiser invite you to unwind over cocktails in the cozy lounge before dinner in the elegant dining room. At night, choose to recap the day's discoveries with your naturalist guides; chat on deck with fellow guests; or seize the opportunity to capture photos in the stunning low light characteristic of Antarctica's long, ethereal twilight.

'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAYS 11–12 THE DRAKE PASSAGE | MEMORABLE RETURN

Bid farewell to wondrous Antarctica and begin your cruise back to Ushuaia at the southernmost tip of Argentina. The ship's return through the Drake Passage is an interlude for recap and reflection, with time to compare notes with your expert lecturers on the wildlife, history and geology of the White Continent. Spend time on board with newfound friends in the comfortable common spaces of 'Le Lyrial,' enjoy quiet relaxation on your own private balcony or absorb more fascinating lectures by your captivating Expedition Team. While cruising through this historic passage, you may spot various species of whales and seabirds, including the elusive albatross and the giant petrel, an opportunistic predator and scavenger nicknamed the "stinker." The immense albatross is an especially stunning sight to behold. These wandering birds boast a wingspan approaching 12 feet and are capable of gliding through the air for hours at a time in search of food.



'Le Lyrial' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 13 DEPART USHUAIA

'Le Lyrial' docks at Ushuaia this morning. After breakfast, bid farewell to your crew and fellow guests before disembarking. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires, where you connect to your international flight home; or join our new Ushuaia Post-Tour Extension.

Note: Itinerary is for guidance purposes only and may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances including weather, wildlife, ice, medical emergencies and other conditions beyond A&K's control at the sole discretion of the Captain.

Extensions



Iguazu Falls Pre-Tour Extension

Discover Iguazu Falls, visiting the Argentine and Brazilian sides of one of South America's greatest natural wonders.

4 days from \$2,795 per person
Internal air from \$685
✈ (Buenos Aires/Iguazu/Buenos Aires)

Available to add to select departure dates.

[See Dates & Prices For Details >](#)

Day 1

Arrive in Buenos Aires. You are transferred to your historic hotel in the heart of the city where you meet your A&K local guide, who joins your journey.

Palacio Duhau — Park Hyatt Buenos Aires

Day 2

Fly to Iguazu Falls, and experience the Argentine side of the park, walking the trails above and along the falls. Choose to venture out on a suspended platform that extends 1,300 yards over the lush tropical basin at the very brink of the 'Garganta do Diablo' (Devil's Throat).

Belmond Hotel das Cataratas | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3

Today, explore the Brazilian side, with its cascading waterfalls along a gulf. Join your guide on a tour through the national park to a catwalk within arm's reach of the falls.

Belmond Hotel das Cataratas | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4

Fly to Buenos Aires. Begin your main program.



NEW! Ushuaia Post-Tour Extension

Explore the Southern Andes, venturing off-road at Lake Fagnano and cruising to Gabe Island for forested hikes.

3 days from \$2,395 per person
Single Supplement from \$799 per person

Available to add to select departure dates.

[See Dates & Prices For Details >](#)

Day 1

Disembark in Ushuaia and set off on a morning city tour. After lunch, travel in a 4x4 on an off-road adventure to the Fuegian Andes region. Journey through forests and across rivers, taking in views of Lago Escondido (Hidden Lake) from above the Andes and enjoying an Argentine barbeque at impressive Lake Fagnano. Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure.

Arakur Resort & Spa | Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2

Travel to Haberton Ranch, the first estancia in Tierra del Fuego, and one of the most rugged and beautiful places in the Beagle Channel. Visit its marine mammal museum; ride a motorboat to Martillo Island to see its penguins; and then cruise to the enormous Gable Island for a Patagonian lunch. After coffee, hike this gorgeous island, crossing over beaver dams and through its forest to reach the shore of the Beagle Channel. Return to your hotel and enjoy time at leisure.

Arakur Resort & Spa | Meals: Lunch

Day 3

Transfer to the airport for your return flight home.

Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Dec 07 - Dec 19, 2020				
Classic Stateroom - Category 1	\$15,995	\$11,495	\$895	Call for Availability
Deluxe Stateroom - Category 2	\$17,995	\$13,495	\$895	Available
Premier Stateroom - Category 3	\$18,995	\$14,295	\$895	Limited Availability
Prestige Suite - Category 4	\$26,995	\$19,795	\$895	Available
Premier Two-Room Suite - Category 5	\$30,995	\$23,595	\$895	Available
Privilege Two-Room Suite - Category 6	\$32,995	\$25,495	\$895	Available
Grand Deluxe Two-Room Suite - Category 7	\$35,995	\$28,295	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Grand Privilege Three-Room Suite - Category 8	\$40,995	\$33,095	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Owner's Suite - Category 9	\$42,995	\$34,995	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Jan 03 - Jan 15, 2021				
Classic Stateroom - Category 1	\$16,995	\$12,695	\$895	Call for Availability
Deluxe Stateroom - Category 2	\$18,995	\$14,195	\$895	Limited Availability
Premier Stateroom - Category 3	\$19,995	\$14,995	\$895	Limited Availability
Prestige Suite - Category 4	\$27,995	\$20,795	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Premier Two-Room Suite - Category 5	\$32,995	\$25,495	\$895	Limited Availability
Privilege Two-Room Suite - Category 6	\$34,995	\$27,395	\$895	Available
Grand Deluxe Two-Room Suite - Category 7	\$36,995	\$29,295	\$895	Limited Availability
Grand Privilege Three-Room Suite - Category 8	\$42,995	\$34,995	\$895	Waitlist - Call A&K
Owner's Suite - Category 9	\$44,995	\$36,895	\$895	Limited Availability

Journey Details

Internal Air: Economy class from \$895
Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Buenos Aires

This journey contains some active elements, including Zodiac boat excursions, walks over uneven terrain and optional, challenging hikes.

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Minimum age is 7 years old.

Categories 4-9 include room upgrade at the hotel and butler service aboard the ship.

First group event: welcome reception on Day 2.

Last group event: disembarkation at 9:00 a.m. on Day 13.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).