
CNH Tours: Antarctica Detailed Itinerary

Grand Tour

The sub-Antarctic Falkland Islands/Malvinas and South Georgia are home to some of the most unique and abundant wildlife on earth. With beaches absolutely covered in fur seals, elephant seals, and hundreds of thousands of penguins, it's one of the most jaw-dropping nature scenes you will ever experience. We'll also explore the fascinating history of the area, dating back to the grandiose times of the 'Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration' of the late 1800s and early 1900s.





Day 1: Arrival Ushuaia

Please arrange to be in Ushuaia on day 1 of our adventure. This will avoid stress over missed connections or flight delays as you arrive with plenty of time to unwind and enjoy the beautiful Arakur Resort & Spa or spend time discovering the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia.

Day 2: Ushuaia

Explore the sights of Ushuaia such as the museums and Argentinean leather markets or continue relaxing at the hotel. Attend the optional evening briefing for the opportunity to ask questions and meet some of your fellow travelers. If you like, we can help arrange interesting day or ½ day trips on this day.

Day 3: Ushuaia / Embarkation / Casting off

Spend your morning exploring Ushuaia or unwinding at the resort until our mid-afternoon transfer to the ship. Our Expedition Team and ship staff will greet you on board, followed by a safety and orientation briefing and Captain's welcome dinner.



Day 4: Southern Ocean

As we sail south, important briefings on environmental regulations and expedition safety are held, and you won't want to miss our experts as they begin their informative and entertaining talks about the wildlife, history, and geology of the area. You'll be able to enjoy the seascapes look for seabirds and marine life.

Day 5: West Falkland Island

We'll be exploring some of the westernmost settled outposts in the Falklands, where you can take in the beautiful countryside and look for Black-Browed albatross or Rockhopper, King, and Magellanic penguin rookeries.



Day 6: Stanley, East Falkland

Stanley is a lively hub of activity nestled in a sheltered harbor. Head out on foot to explore the museum, shops and services centered on the port, or look for sea lions, dolphins, and bird life along the shores.



Day 7 - 8: Southern Ocean

Things really start to ramp up with plenty of wildlife identifying to do as we make our way east across the Antarctic Convergence and officially enter Antarctic waters. Shipboard presentations continue, featuring topics such as the captivating history and abundant wildlife of South Georgia.



Day 9-12: South Georgia

South Georgia is often referred to as the 'Serengeti of the Southern Ocean' and it's easy to see why as you take in tens of millions of breeding penguins, seals, and seabirds. Magnificent mountain scenery, glaciers galore, icebergs, a rich historical tapestry, and an incredible array of wildlife will astound you as we travel down South Georgia's leeward coast. We'll also visit historic Grytviken whaling station, featuring the tiny graveyard where the great Antarctic explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton is buried.

Day 13-14: Scotia Sea

Heading farther south, we'll continue our informative presentations and wildlife spotting as the icebergs become bigger and more plentiful.



Day 15-18: Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands

Here we'll explore any number of picturesque bays and famed harbors, maneuvering through majestic channels as we travel the wildlife-rich waters. There are great opportunities to stop at several active scientific bases and historic landing sites as we spot numerous species of penguins, seals, and whales along the rugged coastlines and in the sea. Falklands, S Georgia & Antarctica via Ushuaia – 21 Days

Day 19-20: Drake Passage

We leave this magical place and make our way north, once again heading across the Antarctic Convergence and the Drake Passage. We have one last hurrah as we celebrate the conclusion of our expedition with a special slideshow and a final meal together.

Day 21: Ushuaia disembarkation

With huge smiles on weary, content faces, we disembark in the morning. Most flights to Buenos Aires depart in the afternoon. Let us know if you'd like to spend more time in the region, either in Southern Argentina or Chile, or further north, and we would be happy to help you put together a wonderful itinerary.