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ANTARCTICA



2026/2027 SEASON VOYAGES

XPEDITIONTRAVEL

Explore the Antarctic like never before.

Our highly anticipated Antarctic 2026/2027 season features 13 meticulously designed itineraries and 43 departures—and marks the debut of the newest ship in our fleet, *World Voyager*. Guests can customize their journey to match their own unique sense of adventure. Whether camping under the southern sky, soaring above dramatic landscapes by helicopter or listening to whale songs under the guidance of our scientists in residence—part of our new Science & Discovery program.

Get ready for a season of whales, camping and science.

Guests set foot in Antarctica's pristine world of ice and snow.

BEST FROM OUR AWARDS SHELF

CONDE NAST TRAVELER READERS' CHOICE AWARDS
- Expedition Ship Line 2025

GREEN MATTERS AWARD
- Best Sustainable Tourism Organization 2025

USA TODAY 10 BEST READERS' CHOICE TRAVEL AWARD
- Best Adventure Tour Operator 2025
- Best Adventure Cruise Line 2018

AFAR
- Vanguard Award 2024

VIRTUOSO
- Best Expedition Cruise Line 2023 and 2024

FOOD & TRAVEL READER
- Best Boutique Cruise 2023

CRUISE CRITIC EDITOR'S PICKS AWARDS
- Best In Adventure (Expedition) 2022, 2023 and 2024

TRAVEL WEEKLY GOLD MAGELLAN AWARD
- Expeditions-Shore Excursion Cruise Line 2023 and 2024
- Best Expedition Itinerary, 2017, 2018 and 2019
- Best Expedition Small Ship 2019

WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS
- World's Leading Specialist Cruise Line 2020, 2021 and 2022

SIGNATURE LUXURY TRAVEL & STYLE CRUISE AWARD
- World's Best Four-Star Expedition Ships 2022 and 2023

IAATO (the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators) advocates and promotes the practice of safe and environmentally responsible private-sector travel to the Antarctic.

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A gentoo penguin toboggans across the Antarctic snow.

Going Beyond in Polar Adventure

For the last 35 years, we've pushed the limits of our own imagination to provide our guests with the most immersive—and unforgettable—itineraries. We have the most diverse fleet. We offer the most off-ship adventures. And our small polar vessels can take you places other larger ships cannot reach.

Get ready for the expedition of a lifetime.



35 years of polar pride



LEADER IN POLAR ADVENTURES

August 1991
Quark Expeditions becomes the first polar operator to take commercial guests to the North Pole.

August 1991
Quark Expeditions celebrates the first-ever passenger transit of the Northeast Passage.

December 1991
Quark Expeditions charters the first series of oceanographic research vessels specially converted for adventure travel, heralding a new phase in polar exploration.



November 1993
For the first time, Quark Expeditions guests retrace the voyage of Sir Ernest Shackleton's ship *Endurance*.



For itineraries that follow in the footsteps of Shackleton, see page 26

November 1996
Quark Expeditions begins a circumnavigation of Antarctica for commercial passengers, the first-ever voyage of its kind.

CIRCUMNAVIGATION

Choose from 13 innovative Antarctic itineraries starting on page 14

July 1999
Quark Expeditions completes its first passenger circumnavigation of the Arctic Ocean.

November 2003
Quark Expeditions passengers become the first humans to witness a Total Solar Eclipse in Antarctica.

November 2004
Quark Expeditions becomes the first operator to confirm the existence of the Snow Hill Emperor penguin colony.

Not one but two Snow Hill itineraries. See pages 16–17

March 2006
Quark Expeditions breaks Roald Amundsen's record set nearly 100 years earlier, attaining the most southernly latitude of any vessel.



June 2008
Quark Expeditions offers maiden voyage to the North Pole on nuclear icebreaker *50 Years of Victory*, the most powerful icebreaker on the planet at the time.

April 2011
Quark Expeditions' Three Arctic Islands voyage is voted one of National Geographic Traveler's "50 Tours of a Lifetime."



June 2012
Quark Expeditions becomes the first tour operator to successfully offer passengers hot-air ballooning at the North Pole.

Keen on a one-of-a-kind helicopter adventure? See page 60

February 2013
Quark Expeditions hosts Jonathan Shackleton (Ernest Shackleton's cousin) and Falcon Scott (Robert Falcon Scott's grandson) as they walk, and camp, on the 7th Continent.

QUARK ACADEMY

October 2017
Quark Expeditions launches Quark Academy training program for expedition team members, the first training program of its kind in the industry.

Meet our polar-obsessed team on page 8



January 2019
Quark Expeditions launches the construction of the game-changing ship *Ultramarine*, the very first vessel purpose-built for polar exploration.

ULTRAMARINE

Fabulous amenities on Ultramarine. See page 42



April 2019
Quark Expeditions unveils Polar Promise, the most holistic sustainability policy in the polar expedition industry.

December 2021
Ultramarine sets sail at last. Fittingly, the ship's inaugural voyage is a celebration of the life of polar explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton.

Why is Ultramarine so popular? See page 40

July 2022
For the first time ever, guests take to the polar skies in *Ultramarine*'s two twin-engine helicopters.



Read about our unbeatable helicopter excursions on page 24

July 2022
We present the first Tundra to Table: Inuit Culinary Experience with local chefs on board *Ultramarine* during a voyage to Greenland.

November 2023
Quark Expeditions hosts two successful landings at the legendary Emperor penguin colony Snow Hill Island.

August 2024
Quark expeditions wins Virtuoso Travel Award for "best expedition cruise line".

October 2024
Quark Expeditions expands Arctic portfolio to include Iceland.



November 2024
The state-of-the-art *Ocean Explorer* joins our fleet for the first time.



Our brand-new ship: Ocean Explorer. See page 44

NEW SHIPS JOIN OUR FLEET

January 2025
Quark Expeditions announces another new ship: *World Voyager*.



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February 2025
Quark Expeditions unveils the ground-breaking Science & Discovery program.

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OUR TEAM

Our Team of Polar Experts

Behind every successful polar voyage is a dedicated team who stop at nothing to ensure you have the expedition of a lifetime. Our team of Expedition Leaders, adventure guides, Polar Travel Advisors, helicopter operations specialists and other ship crew tap into their passion—and three decades of polar expertise—to deliver unforgettable polar moments.

Polar Travel Advisors

Our passionate team of polar specialists will help you from the first email exchange, virtual chat inquiry or initial phone call to the friendly follow-up after your voyage. You can trust our team of Polar Travel Advisors to have the information you need to plan your life-changing Arctic journey.

Polar Experience

All of our Polar Travel Advisors have first-hand experience in the Polar Regions and are eager to share their expertise—and passion—for the regions we visit. Many have made multiple trips to the Arctic and Antarctic throughout their careers.

In-depth Knowledge

Our Polar Travel Advisors have comprehensive knowledge of the wildlife, geography, climate, history, botany and geology of the regions we visit—and can also answer your questions about our ships, off-ship activities, airport/hotel transfers, the best season to visit, what to pack and what to expect.

Multilingual

Collectively, our Polar Travel Advisors are fluent in English, French, Spanish, Mandarin and Egyptian Arabic.

Hear what Antarctica means to our guides.
Scan the QR Code.

Our Expedition Team connects with guests throughout the voyage.

Your Expedition Leaders

Our Expedition Leaders obsess over every minute detail of your voyage—from your onboard comfort to your off-ship adventures. Our Expedition Leaders spend their entire careers—it's a life calling, actually—sharing their passion for the Arctic and Antarctic.



Colin Souness

Home base: South Africa
Years of polar experience: 23
Area of expertise: Having completed a PhD in glaciology, Colin frequently presents on geology, glaciology, as well as polar and Viking history. He's also a heli operations specialist.
Advice to polar travelers: "The challenges of reaching remote Arctic destinations fuel our passion for pushing the boundaries of polar exploration. Try to absorb the vast and unspoiled beauty of the place whilst knowing you're the only ones up there."



David Burton

Home base: Shetland Islands, UK
Years of polar experience: 12
Polar expeditions to date: 100
Areas of expertise: History and glaciology
Advice to polar travelers: "Head to the outer decks after dinner to take an evening constitutional. There's no better place than the Polar Regions to take some time and reflect on the serene beauty you've witnessed that day, as well as contemplate the life-changing moments you're experiencing. You never know what you might catch sight of—the majesty of the northern lights or a sighting of some wildlife."



Amalia Goodall

Home base: Ushuaia, Argentina
Years of polar experience: 10
Polar expeditions to date: 55
Area of expertise: Bachelor's Degree in Tourism Management and Guiding, and Master's Degree in Environmental Management
Advice to polar travelers: "Every now and then put down your camera and take a moment to soak it all in. Experience this unique environment with all your senses: the sound of the ice crackling, the scent of the tundra, the vastness of the landscape, the texture of a feather or a piece of qiviut (muskox wool). These simple moments create powerful memories that cannot always be captured on film."



David (Woody) Wood

Home base: Melbourne, Australia
Years of polar experience: 22
Polar expeditions to date: 310
Areas of expertise: Woody has developed in-depth knowledge of numerous aspects of polar wilderness throughout two decades of polar expedition.
Advice to polar travelers: "Polar voyages touch people in different ways. The polar environment has a power which sets people thinking about their place in our world. Get prepared with gear and have the time of your life. Travel with eyes wide open, with no fixed ideas and be open to the beauty, wonder, tranquility and fury of the polar environment."



Ryan McDevitt

Home base: St. Petersburg, Florida, USA
Years of polar experience: 9
Polar expeditions to date: 85
Areas of expertise: Operations, logistics and helicopter operations
Advice to polar travelers: "Exploring these wild regions is a full sensory experience. Take time to breathe in deeply and absorb the sights, sounds, smells, and tastes of the Polar Regions. If you pack one thing for your expedition, make it a good set of binoculars and spend time using them on the outer decks."

Guest Review: Hear Angelo rave about his Antarctic experiece with the Quark Expeditions team. *Scan the QR Code.*



Sarah Zaubi

Home base: Montana, USA
Years of polar experience: 7
Polar expeditions to date: 70
Areas of expertise: Gender studies, certified kayak guide, helicopter operations specialist
Advice to polar travelers: "Everyone arrives in the Arctic with a vision for their trip, but the Polar Regions have a way of shaping the experience. The polar reality always prevails, and in the end, the unexpected journey becomes the best adventure."



Jake Morrison

Home base: Lake Simcoe, Ontario, Canada
Years of polar experience: 14
Polar expeditions to date: 110
Areas of expertise: With a degree in operations management and after a lifetime on the water, Jake spent six years managing expedition operations from Quark Expeditions' Toronto office before returning to the field to fuel his love for the great outdoors. During his 12 years with Quark Expeditions, Jake has worked on over 10 different expedition vessels and explored nearly every polar destination where Quark Expeditions operates.
Advice to polar travelers: "Slow down, let your soul absorb every majestic moment, and spend plenty of time out on deck."

Meet Expedition Leader Jake Morrison. *Scan the QR Code.*



Shane Evoy

Home base: Pointe au Baril, Ontario, Canada
Years of polar experience: 27
Polar expeditions to date: 260
What guests are apt to learn on a polar voyage: "I hope guests will learn a lot about the areas we go into so they can protect what they love. There's a quote from environmentalist Baba Dioum that I live by when I'm on an expedition: 'In the end, we will conserve only what we love; we will love only what we understand; and we will understand only what we are taught.'"
Advice to polar travelers: "Sit, look, listen, and feel what is around you and take it all in."





NEIL SIERENS

Chief Pilot

Home base: Fairoaks, UK
Years of helicopter experience: 21
Polar expeditions to date: 20

Areas of expertise: Helicopter operations around the globe; specialist in the safe transport of passengers to and from vessels.

On embracing helicopter adventures in the Polar Regions: "The view from above is like no other, but the helicopter flight provides more than just an elevated viewpoint. The landing sites we choose can only be accessed by helicopter. So, along with the great views, you can experience the thrill of possibly being the first person to have ever set foot in that area."

Our helicopter team: "Delivering an amazing helicopter experience involves a lot of highly-trained people. It's similar to a motor racing team which entails numerous experts working behind the scenes to ensure the process goes smoothly and safely. We are very selective in the pilots we hire to fly—and we're incredibly proud of our entire team. Guests are in very safe hands."

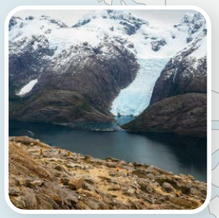
Advice to Polar Travelers: "Clearly you will want to take photos during your helicopter flight, but the lens cannot capture it all. Put down your camera occasionally and just look around. Secondly, on most flights you will be able to chat to the pilot. If you've got a question, there's a strong likelihood your fellow guests are also keen to hear the answer. If you don't get around to asking during the flight, you can always ask later when back on board *Ultramarine*."

Antarctica at a Glance

Summer in Antarctica (November to April) offers three distinct seasons, each with unique weather, wildlife, and land conditions. Insider tip: Decide what you'd like to experience first, then you'll know the best time to visit.

ARGENTINA

CHILE



RETRACE DARWIN'S FOOTSTEPS
Explore Patagonia's spectacular network of fjords and channels, and the glaciers of Tierra del Fuego.

FALKLAND ISLANDS: AN ORNITHOLOGIST'S DREAM
Penguins aren't the only winged species here. There are 63 breeding bird species, including the inquisitive striated caracara, which likes to steal shiny objects.



FALKLAND ISLANDS
(Islas Malvinas)

Stanley

Atlantic Ocean

CROSSING THE DRAKE PASSAGE
Crossing the infamous 800-km Drake Passage is a polar rite of passage for many travelers. You can expect Drake Lake (calm waters) or Drake Shake (rough seas and high winds).

WHALE-WATCHING WEATHER
Humpbacks arrive back in Antarctica MID-DECEMBER to LATE-FEBRUARY when temperatures reach 40°F/ 5°C, and there are up to 22 hours of sunlight daily.



Drake Passage

NOV 1915-APR 1916
Shackleton and crew drift on ice, then row through rough ocean waters all the way to Elephant Island.

SUMMER ROMANCE
Penguins exhibit courtship rituals (bowing, preening) from NOVEMBER to MID-DECEMBER on the Antarctic Peninsula. Male gentoo penguins sometimes woo a female by giving her a well-chosen rock.

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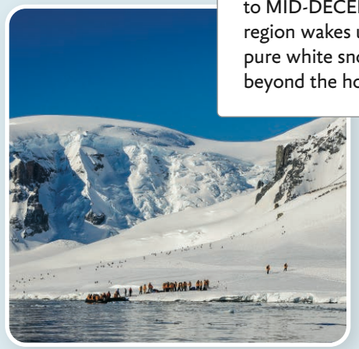
Weddell Sea

CROSSING THE ANTARCTIC CIRCLE
Sailing to 66°33—the Antarctic Circle—is a milestone few travelers reach.



PENGUIN CHICKS
Wildlife-viewing is excellent in the Antarctic from MID-DECEMBER to MID-FEBRUARY. Especially eye-catching are the penguin chicks.

INCREDIBLE SNOWSCAPES
The Antarctic Peninsula is at its most pristine from NOVEMBER to MID-DECEMBER. As the region wakes up from winter, pure white snowscapes stretch beyond the horizons.





BIRDS OF SOUTH GEORGIA
Albatross and Cape petrels guide your ship to South Georgia, also known as the Galapagos of the South Seas.



KING PENGUINS
Salisbury Plain, South Georgia, is home to 500,000 King penguins.



BLUE-TINTED ICEBERGS
During the mid-summer period of MID-DECEMBER to MID-FEBRUARY, sun and salt water turn icebergs into blue works of art.

APR-MAY 1916
Shackleton and five crewmen row to South Georgia to find help for the sailors left on Elephant Island.

SOUTH GEORGIA

DEC 5, 1914
Endurance *departs Grytviken whaling station on South Georgia.*

HONORING SHACKLETON
Heroic polar explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton, who died in 1922, is buried in the cemetery at Grytviken on South Georgia Island.



CALVING GLACIERS.
Thunderous glacier-calving, when chunks of glaciers crash into the sea, is common MID-FEBRUARY to LATE MARCH.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING IN ANTARCTICA
Sleeping outdoors overnight in a bivy sac on the Peninsula is an unforgettable experience. Temperatures are at their warmest (up to 40°F/ 5°C) MID-NOVEMBER to MID-JANUARY.



ENDURANCE FOUND
A search team, using undersea drones, located Endurance at the bottom of the Weddell Sea in MARCH 2022.

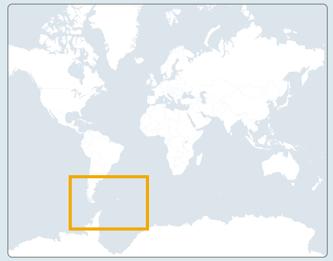
NOV 21, 1915
Endurance *sinks to the bottom of the Weddell Sea after being trapped in ice for over a year.*

Now that you've explored the highlights of the Antarctic region, discover the wide range of itineraries we offer.

ANTARCTIC MAP

Where our team can take you.

Our Antarctic 2026/2027 portfolio enables guests to choose from an incredible array of destinations: the Antarctic Peninsula (both sides of the continent); Snow Hill, home of the Emperor penguin; the Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas); wildlife-rich South Georgia; beyond the Antarctic Circle; and Patagonia.



ITINERARIES AND SCHEDULED ROUTES

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Flight paths Scheduled paths

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Map is not to scale.
Itineraries shown are for illustrative purposes only. Actual itinerary is dependent on weather and ice conditions.

Innovative Antarctic Itineraries

Antarctic 2026/2027 is all about choice. This season features 45 itineraries, including 14 with options to fly across the Drake Passage—some offering the choice to fly one way and sail the other. Antarctic 2026/2027 is also our most helicopter-focused season ever. New itineraries include *Antarctica by Helicopter: Cross the Antarctic Circle*, as well as *Antarctica by Helicopter: Icebergs, Mountains and Remote Lands*, which enables guests to explore the rarely-visited east coast of the Peninsula. Another new voyage is enables guests to visit remote Snow Hill and the Western Peninsula on the same journey.

Guests encounter a penguin colony during a shore landing.

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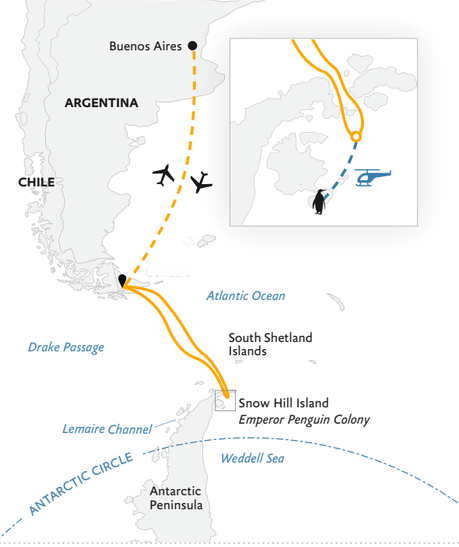


Iceberg-studded seascape; Weddell seal; guests explore Snow Hill on foot; Emperor penguins; twin-engine helicopter.

Emperor Penguin Quest: Expedition to Snow Hill

Embrace the expeditionary spirit as we journey to the legendary colony of 8,000 Emperor penguins at remote Snow Hill. On our 14-day Emperor Penguin Quest, you'll spend up to five days in the Snow Hill region, immersing yourself in the extraordinary Weddell Sea environment and witnessing the seldom seem penguin colony. Enjoy helicopter sightseeing and Zodiac cruising during one of the most jaw-dropping wildlife experiences imaginable.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



2 departures | 14 days
November 2026
Embarkation/Disembarkation: Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina *(included in the Charter Flight & Hotel Package)*

Ship:
Ultramarine

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.

PATAGONIA









Enjoy our
Patagonia video.
Scan the QR Code.

Snow-capped peaks of Patagonia; kayaking excursion; glacier visit; flightseeing in Patagonia; guanacos in Torres del Paine National Park.

Essential Patagonia: Chilean Fjords and Torres del Paine

Retrace Charles Darwin's epic voyage to the 'edge of the world' on this 15-day journey into Chile's spectacular network of fjords and channels in remote Patagonia. *Ultramarine*'s two twin-engine helicopters enable guests to witness some of the most picturesque landscapes on Earth, as well as blue-toned glaciers, vast colonies of penguins and other wildlife.

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1 departure | 15 days
March 20, 2027
Embarkation: Ushuaia, Argentina
Disembarkation: Punta Arenas, Chile
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
Between Santiago, Chile / Buenos Aires, Argentina
(included in the Charter Flight & Hotel Package

Ship:
Ultramarine

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.



Guest Review: Neha and Amit wanted to explore the raw, rugged terrain of Antarctica. *Scan the QR Code.*

Guests set foot on the legendary 7th Continent.



Anna and Jim's polar milestone: Crossing the Antarctic Circle. *Scan the QR Code.*





Guide and guest on a paddling excursion; gentoo penguins; a Garmin navigational device.

Antarctic Explorer: Discovering the 7th Continent

The classic 11-day expedition, which begins in Ushuaia, lets you revel in the best of the South Shetland Islands and Antarctic Peninsula, including opportunities to observe penguins, whales and seabirds. Guests on the 12-day itinerary (with added transfer out of Buenos Aires) travel on *Ultramarine*—which is equipped with two twin-engine helicopters.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



20 departures | 11 & 12 days
November 2026 through March 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation:
Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina *(included in the Charter Flight & Hotel Package for* Ultramarine and World Voyager*)*

Ship:
Ultramarine
World Voyager
Ocean Explorer

Adventure Options:
Varies according to ship.
See pages 62-63 for more details.

Antarctic Peninsula: Crossing the Circle

Embrace true isolation as you journey south to cross the Antarctic Circle. Enjoy the highlights of the western Peninsula as you travel toward 66°33' S. Experience the same wonders (penguins, glaciers and more) witnessed by early adventurers as you explore by Zodiac, helicopter and on foot.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



1 departure | 14 days
January 14, 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation:
Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina *(included in the Charter Flight & Hotel Package)*

Ship:
World Voyager

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.

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Whale-watching by Zodiac; seal on ice floe; kayakers encounter a whale; guests take in the views on the outer deck; breaching whale.



NEW

Antarctic Marine Mammals: The World of Whales & Seals

This 11-day voyage allows guests to explore the Antarctic Peninsula and South Shetland Islands while contributing to real scientific research. Co-developed with Ari Friedlaender of the Friedlaender Lab, this voyage maximizes encounters with migratory whales. Guests will also help identify individual whales and, at the onboard Science Hub, collaborate with experts to protect this pristine polar ecosystem.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!

1 departure | 11 days
March 5, 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation:
Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina
(included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package)

Ship:
World Voyager

Adventure Options:
See pages 62–63 for more details.



Learn about our new Antarctica by Helicopter: Icebergs, Mountains, and Remote Lands itinerary. *Scan the QR Code.*

A helicopter takes flight from Ultramarine's heli deck.







Heli-flightseeing adventure; guests explore during a heli landing; a pair of curious penguins.

Antarctica by Helicopter: Icebergs, Mountains & Remote Lands

Our brand-new "Antarctica by Helicopter" itinerary offers helicopter adventures no one else can. Cutting-edge itinerary maximizes opportunities to explore the interior of the 7th Continent, as well as Erebus and Terror Gulf, Antarctic Sound and the great Weddell Sea. Bonus: Every guest experiences at least two heli-flightseeing excursions and one heli-landing amidst Antarctica's vast mountain ranges—all included in the cost of the trip

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your flights and trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected!



2 departures | 12 days
November and December 2026
Embarkation/Disembarkation:
Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina
(included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package)

Ship:
Ultramarine

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.

NEW

Antarctica by Helicopter: Crossing the Circle & the Peninsula

Embrace true isolation as you journey south to cross the near-mythical Antarctic Circle—a polar milestone achieved by only a few. Sailing toward 66°33 on the technologically-advanced *Ultramarine*, you'll enjoy the spellbinding highlights of the western Peninsula: glaciers, icebergs, penguins, whales, seals and Antarctic seabirds. Bonus: Every guest experiences at least two heli-flightseeing excursions and one heli landing—all included in the cost of the trip.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



1 departure | 14 days
February 16, 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation:
Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina
(included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package)

Ship:
Ultramarine

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.







Guest Review: Patrick admired the way the expedition team fine-tuned his South Georgia adventure so it was all about discovery. *Scan the QR Code.*

Wildlife spotting in Antarctica: King penguins, Magellanic penguins and southern elephant seals.

Penguins of the Far South: Falklands, South Georgia & Antarctica

Explore the entire Antarctic region. Wander the quaint British town of Stanley in the Falkland Islands, view 30 bird species and four types of penguins in South Georgia, and explore the 7th Continent by ship, Zodiac, kayak and on foot while learning from polar experts.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



2 departures | 20 days
October 2026 and February 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation: Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Ship:
Ocean Explorer

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.



Two immersive ways to explore Antarctica: by stand-up paddleboard and Zodiac.

Epic Antarctica: The Falklands, South Georgia & Crossing the Circle

Experience every highlight of the Antarctic region. This 23-day in-depth voyage includes historic Falkland Islands (home to seals, dolphins and penguins), wildlife-rich South Georgia (known as the "Galapagos of the Southern Ocean") and the iconic Antarctic Peninsula—plus a crossing of the Antarctic Circle.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



1 departure | 23 days
January 16, 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation: Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/from Buenos Aires, Argentina
(included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package)

Ship:
Ultramarine

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.

Fly & Sail Express

For time-strapped travelers who really want to visit Antarctica—and perhaps don't want to use up all of their vacation time—Quark Expeditions offers the perfect solution: our Fly/Cruise Express option.

Instead of spending two days crossing the 800-km (500-mile) Drake Passage, which is also known as the Drake Shake due to the sometimes rough waters, guests can fly from Punta Arenas, Chile, to King George Island, Antarctica, in a staggeringly short three hours.

Choose your Fly/Cruise Express voyage to explore Antarctica with the best expedition team in the industry.

Guests disembark after flying across the Drake Passage.

six reasons to fly across the Drake Passage

1. **It's the fastest way to Antarctica.** Shaving two days off your travel time means you can explore Antarctica on an 8-day voyage.
2. **Enjoy aerial views of the Antarctic landscape during the crossing.** Enjoy dramatic vistas as your plane descends on the South Shetland Islands.
3. **Avoid the potentially choppy waters of the Drake Passage.** Enjoy the comfort of flying.
4. **Use the time you save to explore Punta Arenas.** Savor the delights of this lively Chilean metropolis.
5. **Be part of an intimate group.** Our Fly/Cruise voyages are limited to 140 guests.
6. **You won't forego your dream of a polar adventure.** Time is a deal-breaker for many—but our time-efficient Fly/Cruise options can make your dream a reality.



Watch a preview of our Fly/Cruise experience. *Scan the QR Code.*

Penguins thrive on the expansive Antarctic ice.





FLY & SAIL

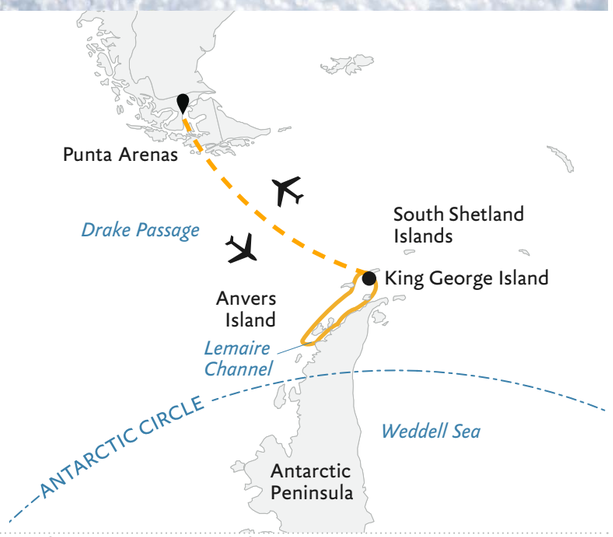


Guests raise a glass upon crossing the Antarctic Circle; Weddell seal; guests on a Zodiac cruise.

Antarctic Express: Fly the Drake

Our fastest trip to Antarctica is ideal for first-timers and time-strapped travelers, and those who prefer not to sail the Drake Passage. Fly from Punta Arenas to King George Island to enjoy eight days of wildlife observation, polar history and off-ship adventures.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



4 departures | 8 days
December 2026 through February 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation:
King George Island, Antarctica
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/From Punta Arenas, Chile *(included)*

Ship:
World Voyager
Ocean Explorer

Adventure Options:
Varies according to ship.
See pages 62-63 for more details.

Antarctic Express: Crossing the Circle

Embrace true isolation as you journey south to cross the Antarctic Circle. Enjoy the highlights of the Western Peninsula as you travel toward 66°33' S. Observe penguin colonies, glaciers, birds and other Antarctic wonders as you explore by Zodiac, ship and on foot.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



1 departure | 11 days
January 22, 2027
Embarkation/Disembarkation:
King George Island, Antarctica
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
To/From Punta Arenas, Chile *(included)*

Ship:
Ocean Explorer

Adventure Options:
See pages 62-63 for more details.



Guests on a Zodiac cruise.



Chinstrap penguins; guests on a shore landing; Antarctic fur seal.





Antarctic Express: Fly South, Sail North

Take the fastest route over the 800-km (500-mile) wide Drake Passage to Antarctica—a three-hour flight from Punta Arenas, Chile. Upon landing, continue your 10-day journey by ship as you witness the spellbinding polar wilderness of Antarctica—before you cross back across the Drake Passage by ship to Ushuaia, Argentina. Flying one way and sailing the other gives you the best of both worlds.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



3 departures | 9 days
December 2026 and February 2027
Embarkation: King George Island, Antarctica
Disembarkation: Ushuaia, Argentina
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
From Punta Arenas, Chile
From Ushuaia to Buenos Aires *(included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package only on* World Voyager*)*

Ship:
World Voyager
Ocean Explorer

Adventure Options:
Varies according to ship.
See pages 62-63 for more details.

Antarctic Express: Sail South, Fly North

Revel in the excitement of crossing the famed 800-kilometer (500-mile) wide Drake Passage by ship to begin your adventure—then enjoy the speed and convenience of a northbound flight over the Drake on your return. This time-saving option means you'll have time to explore Antarctica: icebergs, glaciers, whales, penguins and more. Sailing one way and flying the other gives you the best of both worlds.

Nature is the tour guide: Sea, ice, and weather conditions will affect your trip itinerary. Embrace the unexpected.



3 departures | 10 days
November 2026 - February 2027
Embarkation: Ushuaia, Argentina
Disembarkation: King George Island, Antarctica
See Dates and Rates for details.

Charter flight:
From Buenos Aires to Ushuaia
To Punta Arenas, Chile *(included in your free Charter Flight and Hotel Package only on* World Voyager*)*

Ship:
World Voyager
Ocean Explorer

Adventure Options:
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Our Commitment to Conservation & Community

We're proud to partner with leading scientists and local communities to support the conservation of the polar regions—creating immersive guest experiences that build respect for wildlife, culture and the land.

CONSERVATION

We connect our guests to the natural world through hands-on experiences and education.

Delivering Knowledge Through Polar Experts

Our ornithologists, historians and other polar experts guide guests through hands-on learning about polar ecosystems and the threats they face.

Advancing Polar Science

Each year, we bring renowned researchers and scientists to remote polar regions to study wildlife and ecosystems—and share their work with guests in real time.

Driving Impact Through Conservation Funding

Thanks to guest support and onboard auctions, Quark Expeditions backs vital polar conservation efforts like Blue Marine Foundation and Penguin Watch.

Helping Set Standards for Sustainable Polar Tourism

We help shape polar travel by serving on committees for the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO), the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and the Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA).

COMMUNITY

We deliver authentic experiences for our guests that benefit local partners and the communities we visit.

Empowering Local Development

We champion Arctic communities' goals for economic development and sustainable tourism through local hiring, infrastructure support, and advance visit planning.

Investing Directly in Communities

With guest support, we help fund community-led projects—from food banks to cultural and language-based programs.

Co-creating with Community Partners

By partnering with local groups, we create authentic experiences—such as Tundra to Table, developed with Igapall, which enables Inuit chefs to share Greenlandic cuisine and culture.

For our full sustainability policy, visit: QuarkExpeditions.com/Sustainability

SCIENCE & DISCOVERY







Connect with nature and support scientific research through our new Science & Discovery program, which integrates citizen and academic science. Engage with experts from organizations such as the Friedlaender Lab, Penguin Watch, Fjord Phyto, and Happy Whale.

CITIZEN SCIENCE vs. ACADEMIC SCIENCE

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

CITIZEN SCIENCE

Everyday people collecting data about their observations of nature, and sharing with scientists globally. At Quark Expeditions, there are two types.

Observational Citizen Science programming is facilitated by expedition staff using basic tools like phones or binoculars and requires no special permits. Thanks to our partnership with The Polar Collective, guests can join planned or spontaneous projects—such as photographing whales on a Zodiac cruise or counting seabirds from the deck of the ship.

Interactive Citizen Science programming, in partnership with Fjord Phyto, is exclusive to expeditions on *World Voyager* and is facilitated by expedition staff during Zodiac cruises. Permits and specialized gear are required. On select Antarctic voyages, guests use scientific tools such as phytoplankton tow nets, Secchi disks and CTD (connectivity, temperature and depth) devices to collect seawater samples and measure ocean conditions. Back onboard, guests can examine phytoplankton discoveries under a high-definition microscope and learn how their findings relate to the broader story polar ecosystems.

ACADEMIC SCIENCE

Quark Expeditions supports scientific polar research by providing professional scientists with access to remote polar regions through complimentary berths. Guests do not participate in or observe researchers' fieldwork but engage with them during presentations and workshops.

WHAT CAN GUESTS EXPECT ON EACH SHIP:



WORLD VOYAGER

Designed with its own Science Hub on Deck 4, our newest ship was built for Science & Discovery.

OBSERVATIONAL CITIZEN SCIENCE	INTERACTIVE CITIZEN SCIENCE	ACADEMIC RESEARCH SUPPORT
PROJECTS MAY INCLUDE: Conducting seabird **SURVEYS FROM THE SHIP** deck while crossing the Drake Passage Reporting whale sightings through photographs on the **HAPPYWHALE PLATFORM**	PROJECTS MAY INCLUDE: MEASURING **WATER SALINITY** Dragging **PHYTOPLANKTON TOW NETS** from a Zodiac	Guests engage with professional academic researchers during presentations, workshops—even over dinner or drinks—on most voyages, including Antarctic *Marine Mammals: The World of Whales and Seals.*



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OBSERVATIONAL CITIZEN SCIENCE	ACADEMIC RESEARCH SUPPORT
Reporting whale sightings through photographs on the **HAPPYWHALE PLATFORM** CONDUCTING **SEABIRD SURVEYS FROM THE SHIP**	Guests—on select voyages, such as *Emperor Penguin Quest: Journey to Snow Hill*—engage with academic researchers during presentations, workshops, dinner or over drinks.





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OBSERVATIONAL CITIZEN SCIENCE	ACADEMIC RESEARCH SUPPORT
CONDUCTING **SEABIRD SURVEYS FROM THE SHIP** Reporting whale sightings through photographs on the **HAPPYWHALE PLATFORM**	On select voyages, such as *Penguins of the Far South: Falklands, South Georgia and Antarctica*, guests engage with academic researchers during presentations and workshops, as well as informally over dinner and drinks.



Learn more about our Science & Discovery program.

OUR SUPERIOR FLEET

The Greatest Fleet on the Frozen Seas

When it comes to polar expeditions, you're only as good as where your ships can take you. Our fleet of small polar vessels enables us to navigate hard-to-reach places that larger cruise ships can't reach.

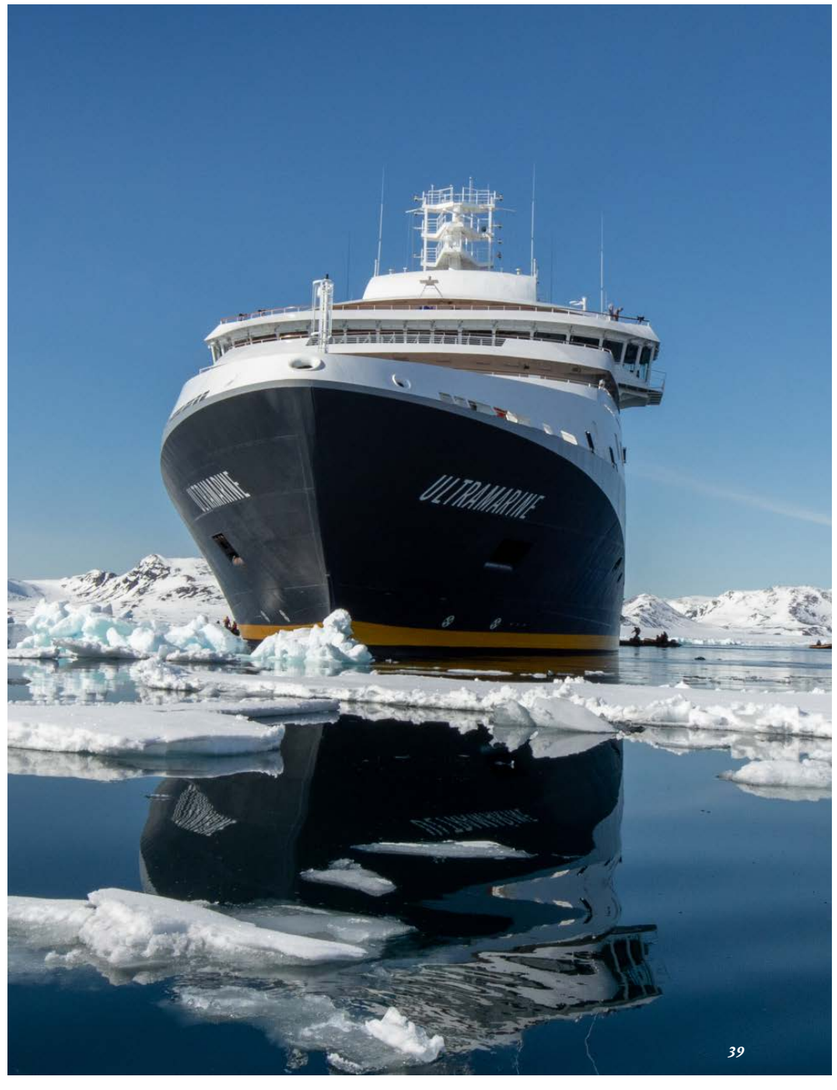
Each ship (guest capacity ranges from 142 to 199) delivers a unique experience of its own. *Ultramarine*, with two helicopters and 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs, offers the most off-ship excursions. The all-balcony suites *World Voyager* offers superior onboard comfort. State-of-the-art *Ocean Explorer*—the newest addition to our fleet—with its distinctive X-Bow design and remarkable two-story forward lounge, sets a striking stage for your expedition of a lifetime.





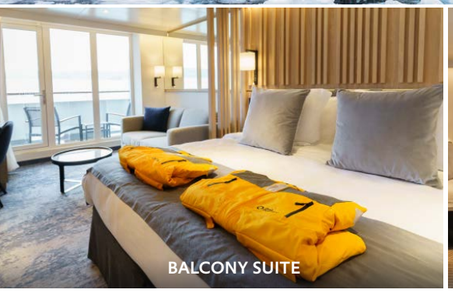


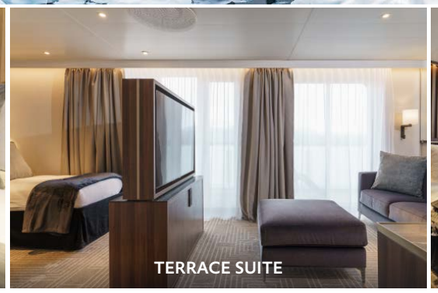


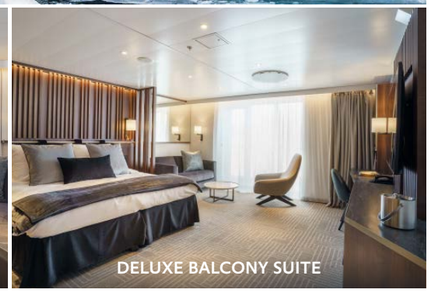




Enjoy a video tour of *Ultramarine*. *Scan the QR Code.*


BALCONY SUITE


TERRACE SUITE


DELUXE BALCONY SUITE

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Ultramarine

The technologically advanced *Ultramarine* is built to go beyond the familiar in polar travel and to immerse guests in the best the region has to offer.

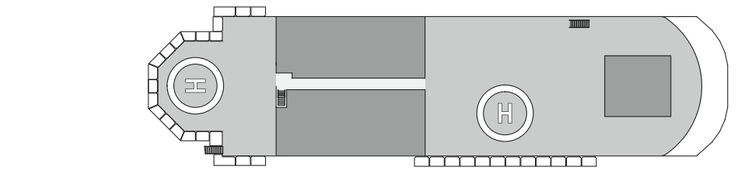
Equipped with two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-deploy Zodiacs, *Ultramarine* offers the industry's largest portfolio of off-ship adventures. The vessel features the most spacious suites in its category, breathtaking public spaces, exceptional wildlife-viewing areas, superb amenities, and sustainability systems that exceed industry standards.

Ultramarine is designed to deliver unforgettable polar memories.

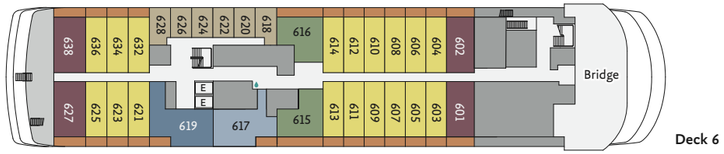
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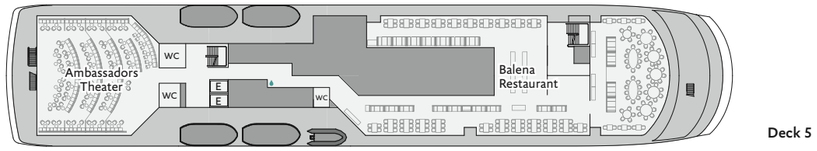
- Staff & Crew: 140
- Guests: 199
- Lifeboats: 4, fully enclosed
- Ice Class: PC6

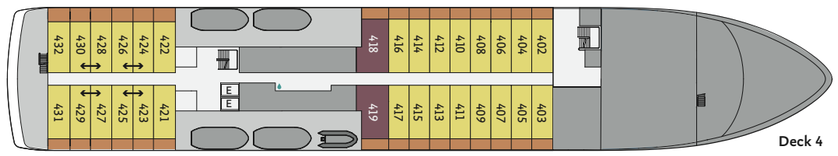
View all *Ultramarine* departures and cabin details here.

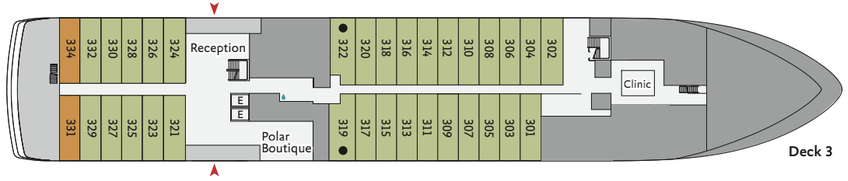














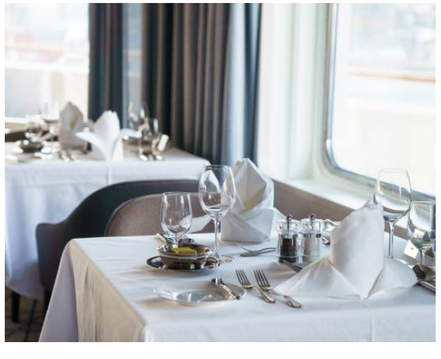
Nine Tiers of Accommodation:

- Ultra Suite
- Owner's Suite
- Penthouse Suite
- Terrace Suite
- Deluxe Balcony Suite
- Balcony Suite
- Explorer Suite
- Explorer Triple
- Solo Panorama
- Balcony



ULTRAMARINE

Featured Amenities & Highlights



Balena Restaurant

Our main dining room, which has direct access to a wraparound deck, seats 2 to 10 at each table. Floor-to-ceiling windows allow every guest to enjoy a spectacular polar view.

Bistro 487

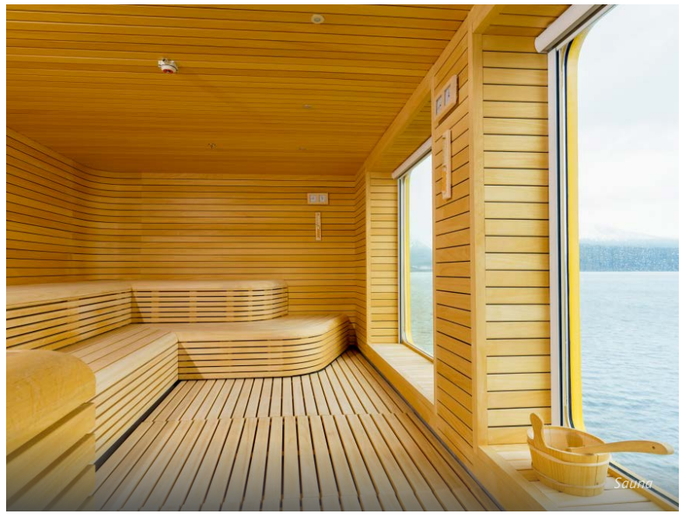
Guests can enjoy a meal in the Bistro, which offers an indoor/outdoor dining experience. Perfect for enjoying the polar landscapes.

Ambassador Theater

A state-of-the-art, high-resolution LED screen wall in the main theater ensures high-definition viewing of expert polar presentations from any angle.

Panorama Lounge and Bar

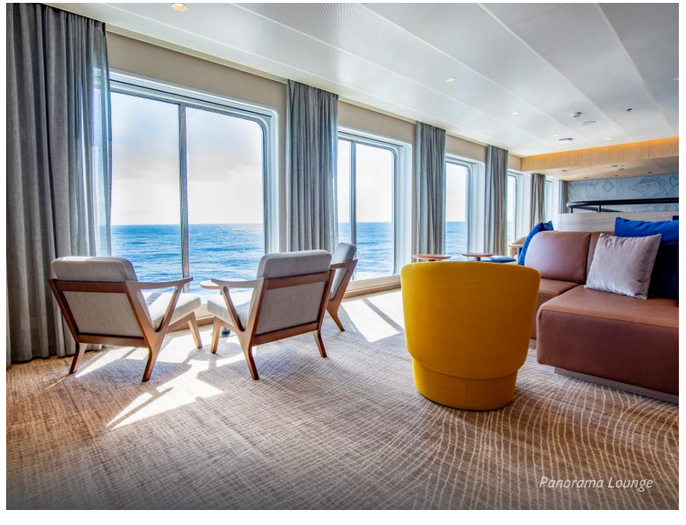
The glass-enclosed Panorama Lounge and Bar is a cozy gathering point where guests can sip a glass of wine, play a board game, socialize at the bar or bust a move on the dance floor.



Sauna



Flightseeing



Panorama Lounge

Tundra Spa

Offering a variety of exclusive treatments, the spa facilities—with adjacent steam room and sauna—allow guests to fully relax and unwind between off-ship adventures.

Sauna

The sauna's floor-to-ceiling windows ensure guests stay connected to their polar surroundings while relaxing on ship.

Smart Technology

High-definition, large-screen projectors, real-time translation services, and enhanced connectivity ensure guests get the most out of their polar expedition.

Two Twin-Engine Helicopters

Ultramarine's two helicopters transport guests to new destinations only accessible by air, and offer helicopter-supported excursions exclusive to Quark Expeditions.

Water-Level Zodiac Hangar

A water-level Zodiac hangar allows our team to quickly deploy our fleet of 20 Zodiacs to get guests off the ship for both scheduled and spontaneous adventures.

Ready Rooms

Our two ready rooms, with assigned lockers, allow guests to quickly change in and out of their expedition gear.

Fitness Center

The fully-equipped fitness center features a separate yoga space with views of the polar landscape.

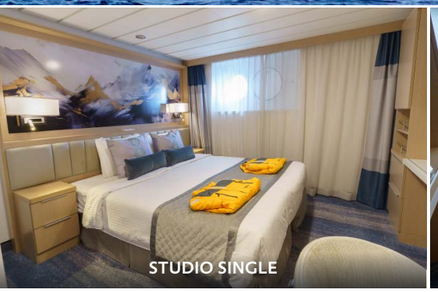
Wraparound Deck

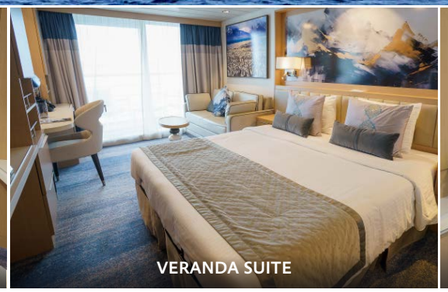
The wraparound deck on Deck 5 offers generous outdoor viewing opportunities of the polar wilderness.

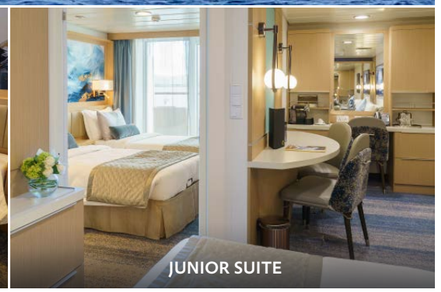
See what a day onboard *Ultramarine* really looks like. *Scan the QR Code.*



Watch a sneak peek of *Ocean Explorer*. *Scan the QR Code.*


STUDIO SINGLE


VERANDA SUITE


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MEET THE SHIP

Ocean Explorer

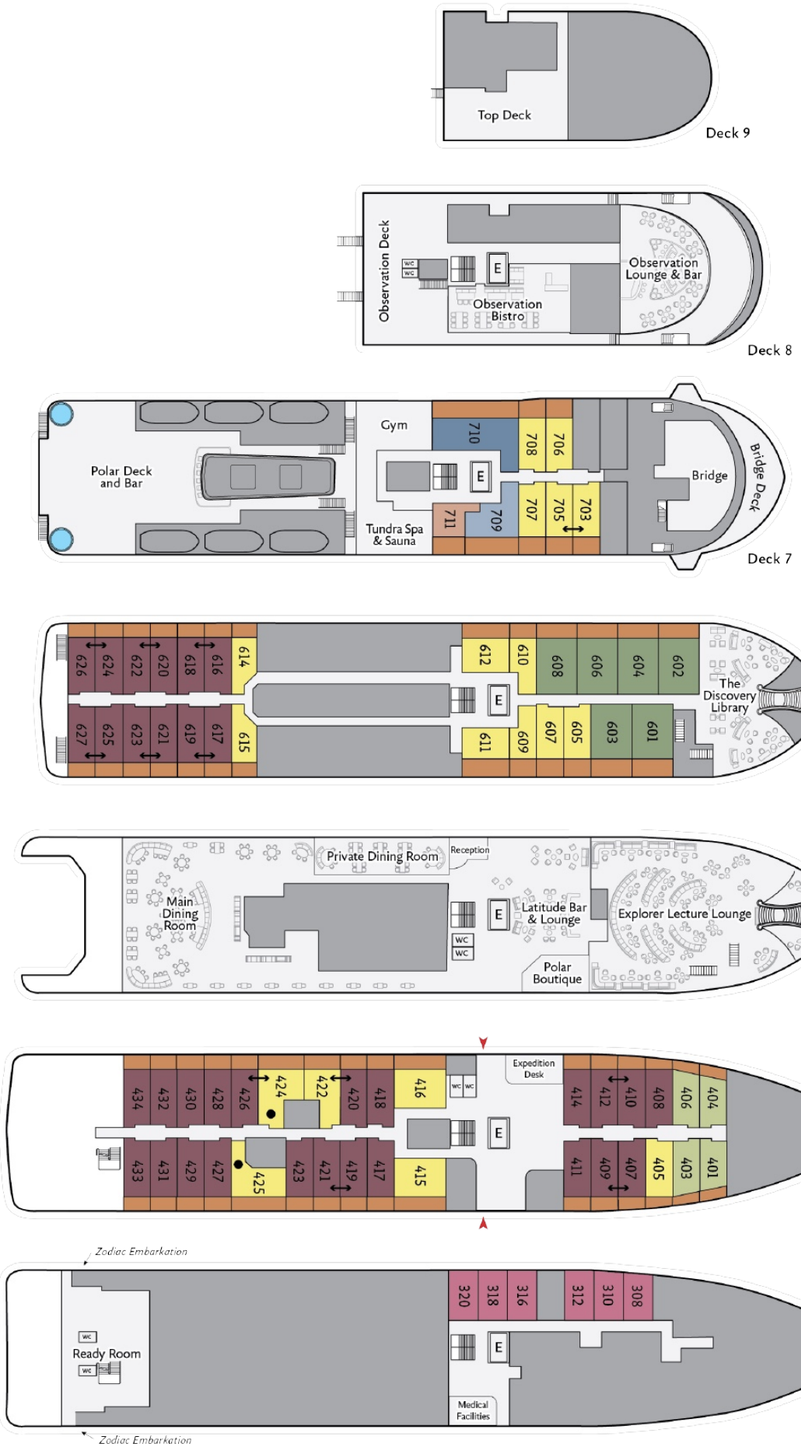
The 142-passenger *Ocean Explorer*, the newest addition to our fleet, is modern, elegant and purpose-built for polar exploration. The innovative ULSTEIN X-BOW® ensures a comfortable and smooth sailing experience. Spacious cabins feature a bespoke Scandinavian design and almost all have verandas. Guests can relax in Tundra Spa, the gym, sauna with large windows, and two outdoor Jacuzzis. Located at the bow is the light-filled Discovery Library, which introduces a welcome airiness to the expedition ship.

Ocean Explorer offers abundant observation areas on Decks 7, 8 and especially on Deck 9, which offers 360-degree panoramic views from the very top of the vessel.

Ship Specifications:

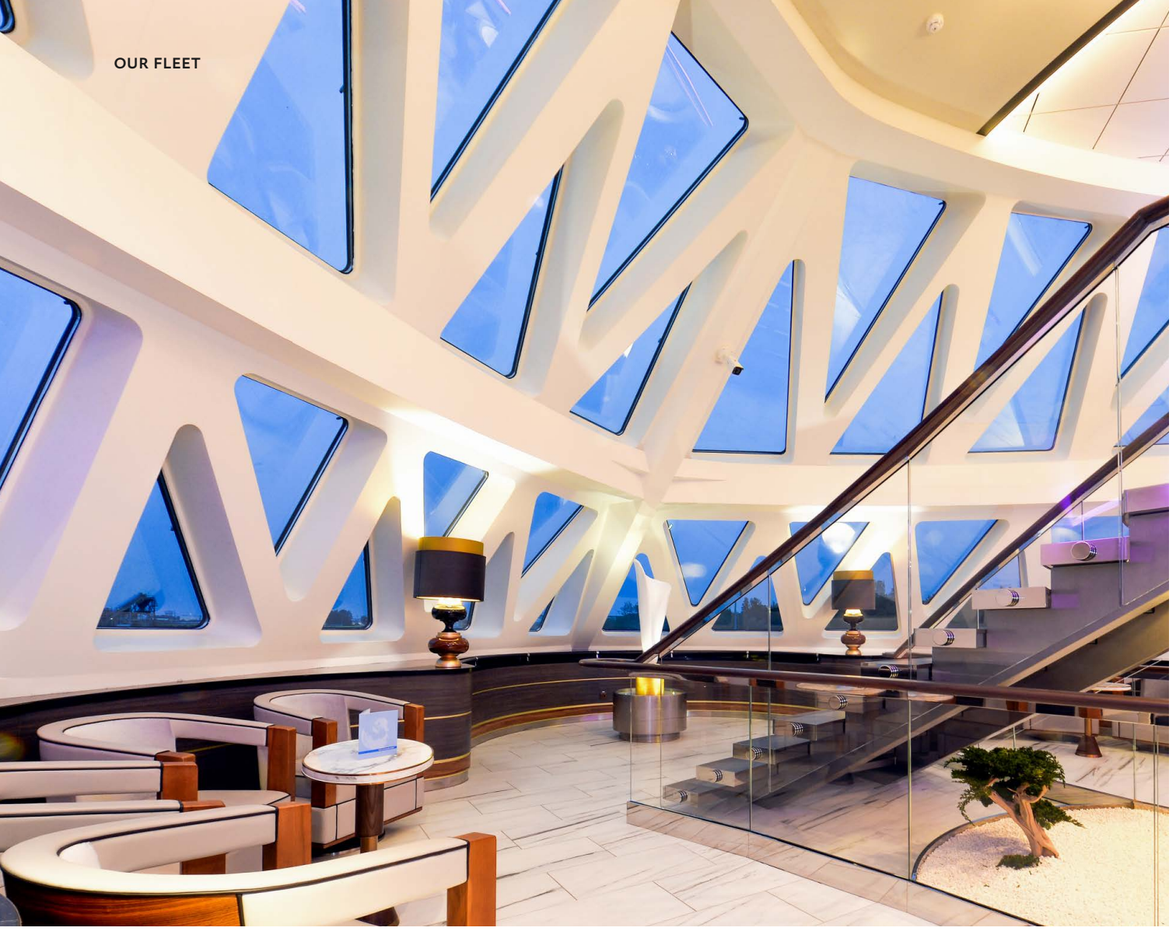
- Staff & Crew: 105
- Guests: 142
- Lifeboats: 2
- Ice Class: 1A, PC6

View all *Ocean Explorer* departures and cabin details here.



Eight Tiers of Accommodation:

- Owner's Suite
- Penthouse Suite
- Studio Veranda Single
- Triple Suite
- Veranda Suite
- Veranda Stateroom
- Deluxe Veranda Fwd
- Studio Single
- Balcony
- Jacuzzi



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Featured Amenities & Highlights



Dining

Ocean Explorer *guests have multiple dining options.*

The Observation Bistro—with its marine blue and off-white colors—is your go-to spot for lighter fare and grab-and-go snacks. This relaxed eatery seats up to 44 guests, who can take in full views of their polar surroundings while enjoying a light bite. Contemporary meets cozy in the modern Main Dining Room with its stylish lighting and contemporary art. Located on Deck 5, the Main Dining Room seats 144 people and features expansive floor-to-ceiling windows that open onto the spectacular polar wilderness.

Lounges

Guests have two options to enjoy a drink and socialize on Ocean Explorer.

The stylish Observation Lounge & Bar at the top of the ship guarantees incredible views and seats 63. Guests also frequent this spacious lookout on Deck 8 to enjoy cocktails and conversation with fellow travelers. The popular, beautifully-lit Latitude Bar & Lounge—with its lush sofas and faux marble-topped end tables—on Deck 5 is large enough to seat 46 and is ideal for enjoying a quiet drink on your own or hanging out with friends.



Observation Lounge



Dry Sauna



Jacuzzi

The Discovery Library

The light-filled interior library at the top of the gorgeous atrium staircase allows up to 47 guests to sit and relax while taking in the surrounding polar landscapes through the floor-to-ceiling glass. The library collection includes books in multiple languages covering wildlife, history, marine biology, ecology and geology.

Explorer Lecture Lounge

Located on Deck 5, the Explorer Lecture Lounge—where all expert polar presentations and daily recaps take place—can seat all guests and features the best in A/V equipment, including state-of-the-art systems for on-board presentations.

Gym

In addition to the exercise you'll get during off-ship excursions, you can also take advantage of the well-appointed fitness facilities on Deck 7.

Tundra Spa

Guests can enjoy a variety of massage, body and facial treatments in our signature Tundra Spa on Deck 7. We have partnered with VOYA, an industry leader in organic wellness and beauty products. All products are made from hand-harvested seaweed.

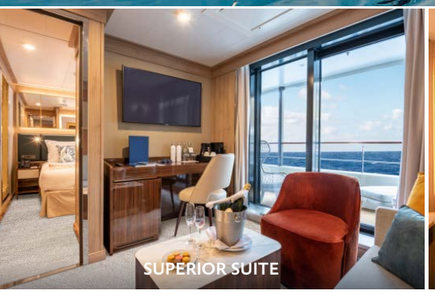
Dry Sauna and Jacuzzis

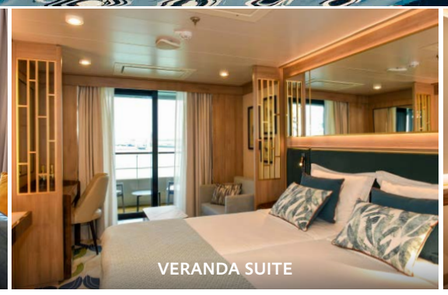
Guests can also head to the Dry Sauna on Deck 7 to relax while gazing at the polar wilderness through the large windows. Two outdoor Jacuzzis on Deck 7, at the ship's stern, mean you can relax alfresco while soaking up the polar views.

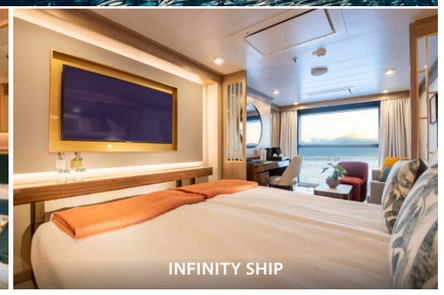
Outdoor Observation Areas

Observation areas on Decks 7 and 8 allow for higher, longer-view landscape photography while contending with less sea spray.




SUPERIOR SUITE


VERANDA SUITE


INFINITY SHIP

MEET THE SHIP

World Voyager

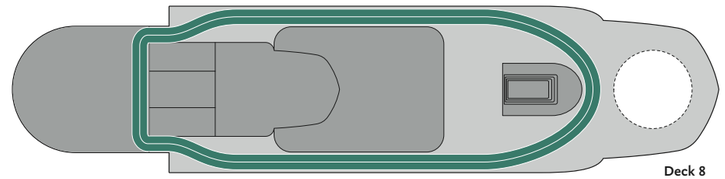
World Voyager—the newest addition to our fleet—is a modern expedition ship built for science and discovery. Every design element, from the deluxe, all-balcony suites—with direct views into the surrounding polar wilderness—to the presentation theater and Science Hub, embody the spirit of discovery: the never-ending urge to explore and learn more about our polar wilderness.

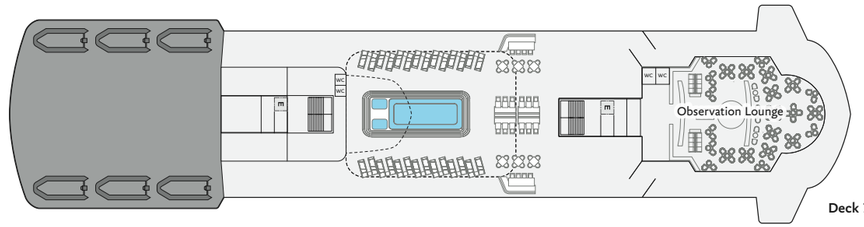
Wellness amenities, such as the spa, sauna, swimming pool, Jacuzzis and outdoor running track, allow guests to rejuvenate throughout their polar expedition. The beautifully-designed restaurant and spacious lounges are ideal for guests to gather and engage in lively discussions about the day's discoveries. Another pivotal space on *World Voyager* is the Science Hub, where guests can share knowledge, information and insights with our scientists in residence and our Expedition Guides as part of our Science & Discovery program. The latest Rolls-Royce propulsion technology ensures a comfortable, fuel-efficient sailing experience as *World Voyager* navigates the Antarctic waters.

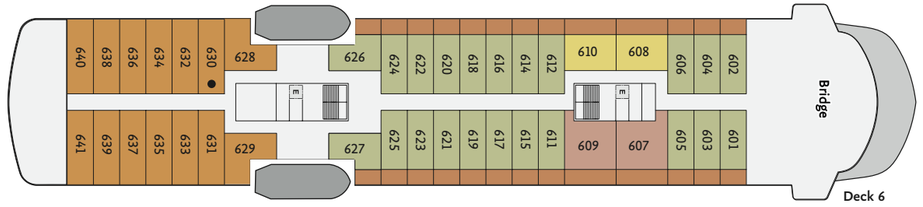
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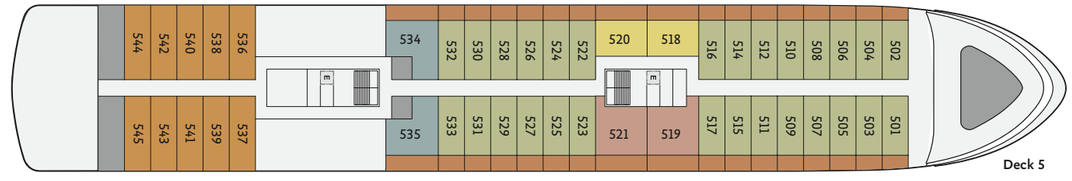
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- Guests: 168
- Lifeboats: 2, fully enclosed
- Ice Class: 1B

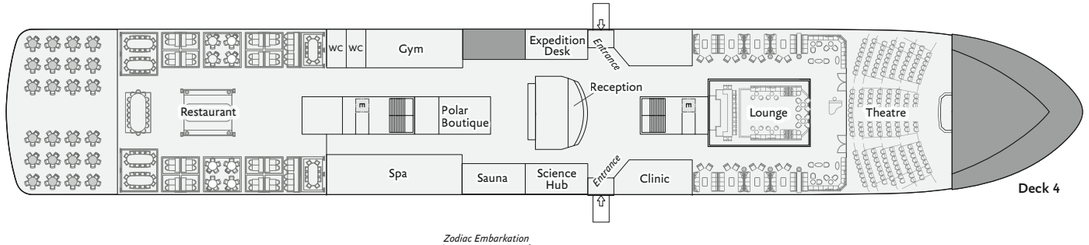
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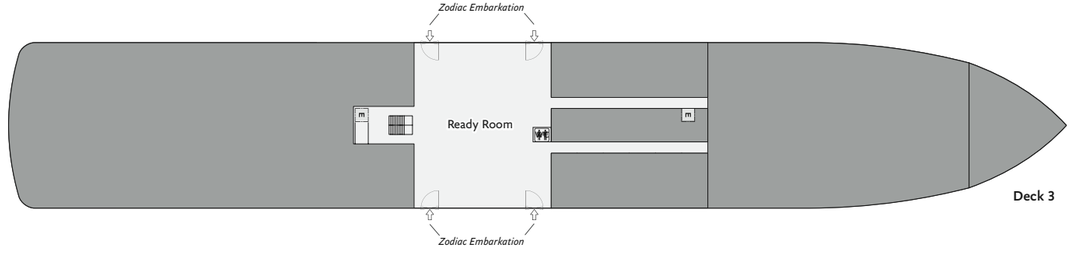

Deck 8











Five Tiers of Accommodation:

- Owner's Suite
- Deluxe Suite
- Superior Suite
- Veranda Suite:
- Infinity Suite:
- Balcony



WORLD VOYAGER

Featured Amenities & Highlights



Restaurant

The beautifully designed restaurant—which can accommodate all 168 guests—is located on Deck 4. Large windows offer excellent views of the surrounding polar wilderness.

Lounge Areas

On Deck 4, the Lounge is used for special functions and events. You can also grab a cup of complimentary coffee or tea and enjoy the panoramic polar views.

Auditorium

The theater-style auditorium on Deck 4 serves as our main hall where presentations and videos are screened for your education and enjoyment.

Library

The library, located on Deck 7, stocks a selection of field guides and reference books covering wildlife, history, marine biology, geology and other subjects.



Sauna



Wraparound Deck



Spa

Observation Decks

The Observation Decks are ideal for viewing wildlife, and are accessible whenever weather conditions permit. Guests can relax with a drink in the Observation Lounge.

Sauna

Guests can rest and relax in the comfort and warmth of the sauna while enjoying the spectacular views outside.

Science Hub

The Science Hub on Deck 4 is where guests can share knowledge, information and insights with scientists, researchers and Expedition Guides.

Wraparound Deck

Deck 8 offers a wraparound deck to take in panoramic views of the Polar Regions; various areas feature heated seating.

Fitness Center

Located on Deck 4, fitness center hours are posted at the door, with facilities available on a first come, first served basis.

Spa

The spa is located on Deck 4. Guests can book massages, facials, and hand and feet treatments that feature L'Occitane products.

Pool & Jacuzzis

Deck 7 features a large heated outdoor pool flanked by two Jacuzzis. Availability is subject to weather conditions.

Ready Room

The Ready Room on Deck 3, where guests comfortably prepare for Zodiac excursions and shore landings, is located adjacent to the Zodiac embarkation points.



FOOD & DRINK

Fine dining is an integral part of the expedition experience. Our internationally trained chefs, inspired by global cuisines, strive to accommodate all dietary requests—which must be indicated upon booking. Vegan and vegetarian options are always available. Cookies and snacks are offered at coffee stations, while fresh pastries are served warm from the oven starting around 6 a.m. Guests can enjoy complimentary wine, beer and select spirits in the bars and lounges on each ship.

ULTRAMARINE

Ambassadors Theater

Ambassadors is the main presentation spaces on *Ultramarine*, where guests enjoy informative talks and presentations from expedition staff, polar experts, and special guests. The Ambassadors bar is open during presentation hours and special events.

Panorama Lounge

The Panorama Lounge on Deck 7 is the main bar on *Ultramarine* and features spectacular forward views, comfortable seating and a friendly atmosphere, offering an array of specialty cocktails, 24-hour coffee and tea, plus a well-stocked polar library.

Balena

Balena is our finer dining restaurant on *Ultramarine*, serving contemporary cuisine for breakfast, lunch and dinner with capacity to seat all guests and the entire expedition team at the same time. Globally inspired dishes and regional specialties often feature locally sourced and sustainable ingredients. Balena, designed so that every seat has a good view, provides direct access onto the wraparound deck.

Bistro 487

Bistro 487 is the more casual restaurant serving extended breakfast, lunch, and dinner to accommodate those who rise early or late or simply want a change of scenery. Bistro 487 serves quicker meals and afternoon snacks. With access to outdoor seating on the aft deck, Bistro 487 and is ideal for guests who like to enjoy a coffee or cocktail outdoors.



Guests enjoy complimentary house beer, wine and select cocktails in the evenings as part of our **Raise a Glass and Stay Connected Free** *program.*







OCEAN EXPLORER

Main Dining Room

Contemporary meets cozy in this modern dining room with its stylish lighting and contemporary art. Located on Deck 5, the Main Dining Room seats 142 guests, and features expansive floor-to-ceiling windows that open onto the spectacular polar wilderness.

Latitude Bar & Lounge

This popular social hub is located on Deck 5. The beautifully lit bar, with its lush sofas and faux marble-topped end tables, is large enough to seat 46, and is ideal for enjoying a quiet drink on your own or hanging out with friends.

Observation Bistro

With its marine blue and off-white colors, the Observation Bistro is your go-to spot for lighter fare—and unparalleled polar views. This relaxed eatery seats up to 44 guests.

Observation Lounge & Bar

Guests frequent this stylish lookout at the top of the ship to witness the stunning vistas, and enjoy cocktails and conversation with fellow travelers. Seats 63.

Explorer Lecture Lounge

Guests convene in this Deck 5 lounge to attend presentations by polar experts and have a drink to discuss the day's polar adventures.

WORLD VOYAGER

Restaurant

The beautifully designed restaurant—which can accommodate all 168 guests—is on Deck 4. Varied table configurations allow guests the option of dining at a table for two or in a larger group.

Lounge Area

You can grab a complimentary coffee or tea or enjoy an alcoholic beverage with fellow guests in the Deck 4 Lounge.

Observation Lounge

Guests can socialize over drinks in the Deck 7 Observation Lounge while taking in their polar surroundings.



FROM WILDERNESS TO WELLNESS

Guests on *Ultramarine*, *World Voyager* and *Ocean Explorer* can choose from a variety of spa and fitness amenities after a day in the polar wilderness.

ULTRAMARINE

Tundra Spa

In collaboration with VOYA of Ireland, Tundra Spa is the core of our wellness offering on *Ultramarine*. Amenities include: two dedicated treatment rooms with heated massage beds, as well as shower facilities, hair treatment studio, and a post-treatment relaxation room with ocean views. An array of massages, body scrubs and wraps, including our signature Tundra Hot Stone Massage Journey. All treatments feature VOYA organic skincare products, made with hand-harvested seaweed oils.

Sauna

The sauna on *Ultramarine* features floor-to-ceiling windows, which enable guests to stay connected to the polar landscape outside.

Steam Room

The steam room is the perfect amenity for guests to relax and rejuvenate after exploring off-ship.

Fitness Center and Studio

Our fitness center is equipped with state-of-the-art equipment by Technogym, and the Studio is equipped with mats and balls for stretching or informal yoga.

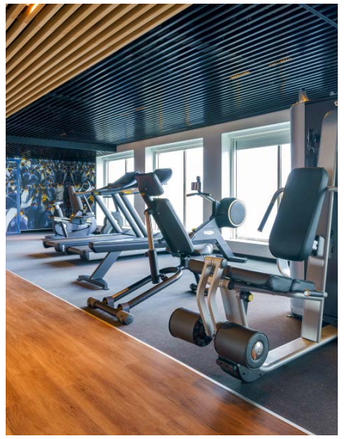
Outer Deck Track

A morning walk on the top deck could very well include some wildlife sightings.









OCEAN EXPLORER

Gym

In addition to the exercise you'll get during off-ship excursions, you can also take advantage of the well-appointed fitness facilities on Deck 7.

Dry Sauna

Guests can also head to the Dry Sauna on Deck 7 to relax while gazing at the polar wilderness through the large windows.

Tundra Spa

Guests can enjoy a variety of massage, body and facial treatments in our signature Tundra Spa on Deck 7. We have partnered with VOYA, an industry leader in organic wellness and beauty products. All products are made from hand-harvested seaweed.

Outdoor Jacuzzis

Two outdoor Jacuzzis on Deck 7, at the ship's stern, mean you can relax alfresco while soaking up the polar views.

WORLD VOYAGER

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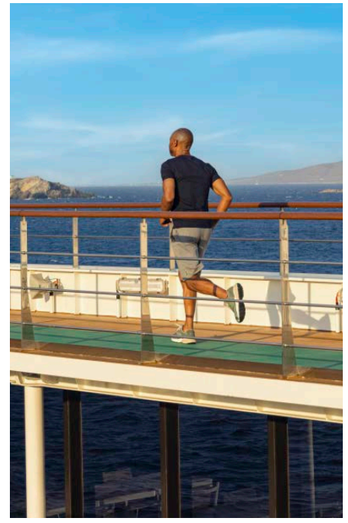
Fitness Center

Located on Deck 4, fitness center hours are posted at the door, with facilities available on a first come, first served basis.

Wraparound Deck

Guests can enjoy panoramic polar views—and heated seats—on the wrap-around outdoor track on Deck 8.

Learn more about our diverse fleet of small ships on pages 38–51



MORNING TO MIDNIGHT

Daily Life Onboard


Penthouse Suite



Ready Room


Dining experience

Wake up in your stylishly modern suite

Every guest on *Ultramarine*, *Ocean Explorer* and *World Voyager* wakes up to a view of the polar landscape from their private balcony or through a large picture window.

Join the early birds

Kickstart your day with a quiet walk on the outer decks followed by a cup of java with other early risers.

Enjoy breakfast with a view

All guests on *Ocean Explorer*, *Ultramarine* and *World Voyager* have excellent views of the polar wilderness while enjoying their first meal of the day.

Get ready to explore the polar environment

Get suited up for an off-ship excursion in the Ready Rooms, complete with dedicated lockers to store and dry personal items while you enjoy your Zodiac cruise or off-ship excursion.

Listen for morning announcements

Your Expedition Leader will announce any updates to the daily program and share weather announcements over the PA system to help you plan your day.



Enjoy wildlife views from the ship

All ships offer multiple observation spaces on the outer decks where you can watch for—or photograph—whales, birds, and other polar wildlife.

Lunch

Buffet-style lunch provides guests with a mid-day opportunity to share their morning adventures.

Unplug in the onboard library

Lose yourself in *Ocean Explorer*'s light-filled Discovery Library, or in the book-filled libraries on *Ultramarine* and *World Voyager*.



Enjoy an unforgettable off-ship Adventure Option

Choose from our robust portfolio of off-ship activities, such as sea kayaking or stand-up paddleboarding. *Ultramarine* guests can enjoy helicopter-supported excursions.

Relax and rejuvenate back on the ship

Guests on *Ultramarine* and *Ocean Explorer* can enjoy soothing treatments in Quark Expeditions' signature Tundra Spa & Sauna, while *World Voyager* guests can rejuvenate in the Spa and the heated swimming pool. Some ships feature outdoor Jacuzzis.

Attend an expert presentation

Guests on all ships can attend daily presentations by polar experts in respective theatres and presentation spaces.

Pre-dinner cocktails

Enjoy a cocktail with fellow guests while your Expedition Leader recaps the day's activities and outlines the plan for the following day.

Dinner is served

Sit down to a gourmet meal—inspired by cuisines from around the world—in the main dining areas on each ship.

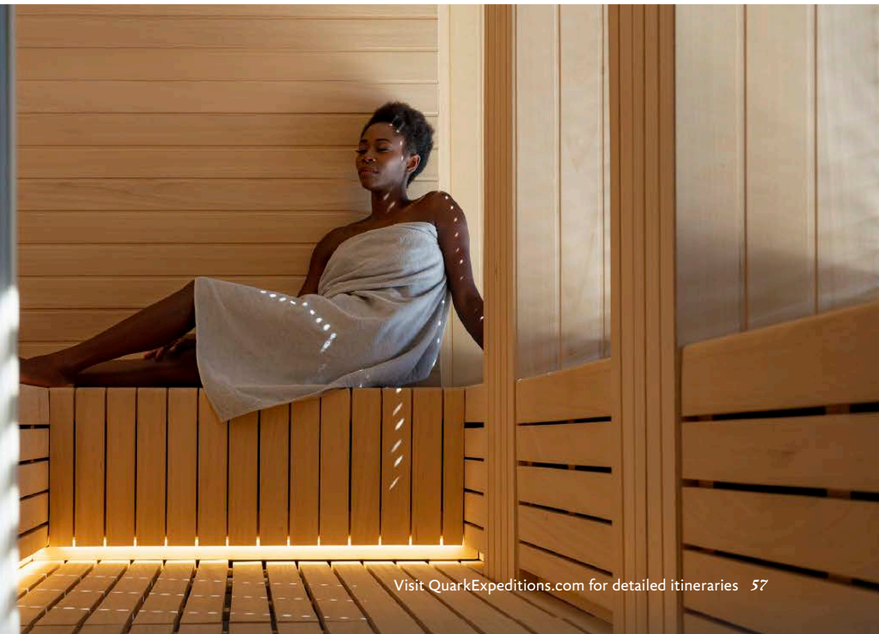
For details, see "Food & Drink" on page 52

Call it a day

Wrap up your day with a drink in the one of the lounges or bars, or take in the calm, low-light at the end of the day on the outer decks.







Sail and soar where few ever will.

Quark Expeditions maintains the most robust portfolio of adventure options in the industry—offering guests the opportunity to experience the Antarctic landscape in ways never before imagined. *Ultramarine*—with its two twin-engine helicopters and 20 quick-launching Zodiacs—is a game changer in polar adventure. Guests choose from exclusive heli-landing and Zodiac cruising to flightseeing and kayaking and more.



Unbeatable Helicopter Experience

We're proud to be recognized as the Leader of Heli Adventures in the Polar Regions. In fact, we have the longest-running helicopter program in the Arctic—dating back to 1991. Thanks to our innovative team, our Arctic 2025 itineraries provide guests with multiple options to enjoy helicopter-supported adventures thanks to *Ultramarine*'s two twin-engine H145 helicopters which allow our team to take travelers deeper in the Arctic landscape than any other operator.

Helicopter Activities

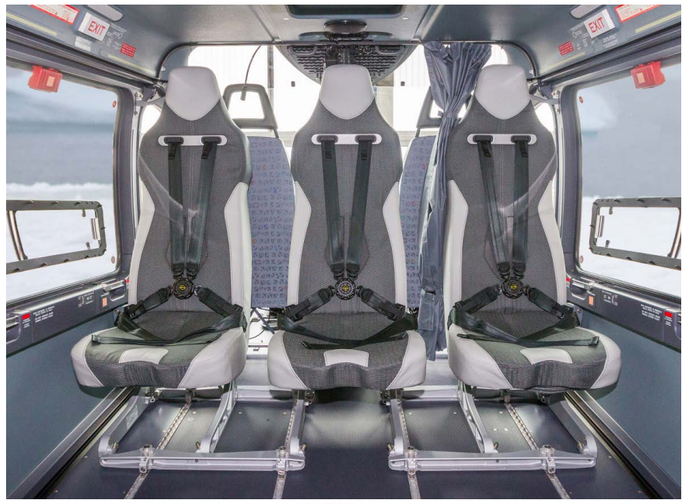
We offer the largest portfolio of off-ship adventure options in the industry. Our helicopter-supported activities—designed to take guests beyond the polar horizons—include:

FLIGHTSEEING

EXCLUSIVE HELI-LANDING

For more information on these activities, see pages 62–63







Adventure Meets Luxury

You'll enjoy superior comfort while flying over the pristine polar landscape.

- Best-in-class window sizes for viewing and photography
- Five out of seven guests get a window seat
- Quiet flying experience
- Designed for ultimate comfort.

Most Experienced Crew

Our team draws on 35 years of heli-expertise. You'll fly with:

- The best trained helicopter pilots in the polar industry
- Pilots who are well-traveled and worldly
- Guides who are personable, and always create an intimate and accessible flight experience.

Industry Leading Polar Safety

Our state-of-the-art aircrafts are equipped with the latest technology that places our helicopters among the safest in their class.

Advanced Sustainability

In keeping with our Polar Promise, our helicopters were selected for their:

- Status as the most fuel-efficient aircrafts of their category
- Small external footprint
- Reduced noise pollution.

Enjoy this video of off-ship adventures awaiting guests traveling on *Ultramarine*.

Choose your Off-Ship Adventure

Some off-ship activities are included in your expedition package, while others (Adventure Options) cost extra and need to be booked in advance.

All of our Included Activities and Adventure Options are weather-permitting. Activity offerings vary by itinerary. See individual itineraries for specific details.

Included Activities



Zodiac Cruising

These reinforced rubber skiffs whisk you safely from ship to shoreline and back, taking you into shallow waters the ship can't reach. Touring by Zodiac on the look-out for wildlife is an intimate and relaxing way to explore.



Walking/Hiking

Hiking in Antarctica is free-form and supervised by our staff, who set out a perimeter at each landing site within which you are free to explore. Some walking poles are available upon request; bring your own if you require them on every landing.



Flightseeing

Enjoying a bird's-eye view of the Antarctic—icebergs, glaciers, snow-capped peaks, ocean expanses—from the seat of a helicopter provides a unique perspective of the polar wilderness.



Polar Plunge

As madcap as it looks, this activity sees willing participants jumping into the bone-chilling ocean waters. It's a polar rite of passage—and the photo ops are priceless. Dare yourself to take the plunge.

Adventure Options



Sea Kayaking

Kayaking along the rugged coastlines and through the calm bays with an experienced guide is one of the most inspiring ways to explore pristine Antarctica. Guests in the sea kayaking program typically paddle multiple times during their expedition.



Paddling Excursion

A guided, one-time, one-hour paddle lets you enjoy the tranquil polar surroundings from an intimate perspective. Just imagine yourself gliding along on a stable, sit-on-top kayak, totally at one with the water.



Stand-Up Paddleboarding

Part surfing, part paddling, this water sport is an intimate way to experience Antarctica from the unique vantage point of the water.



Camping

It may sound unbelievable, but camping overnight on the 7th Continent is absolutely wonderful—snug in your warm, water-resistant and breathable bivy under the dim glow of a polar sky with an intimate group of campers.



Exclusive Heli-Landing

A small group of guests (with guides) will be transported by helicopter to a polar site where you'll have time to relax and enjoy your polar surroundings, after which the helicopters will pick up guests in the same spot and return to the ship.



Guest Review: Feel Angelo's excitement as he recalls seeing the Antarctic from the sea, the land—and the sky. *Scan the QR Code.*

From glaciers to Arctic wildlife, our expert guides bring polar science to life.

Why travel with us?

We've been polar-obsessed since 1991—the year we became the first operator to bring commercial travelers to the North Pole. We've been the leader of innovative polar adventures ever since.

Polar Is All We Do

We love these places. It's that simple. That's why we only go to the polar regions—and no other operator can say that.

The Best Expedition Team

Our team of polar experts is made up of the most seasoned, passionate and respected guides in the industry.

We Get You Off Ship More

With the largest expedition team in polar travel, we're able to get guests off the ship faster and more frequently.

The Most Ways to Explore

Whether you're on the ship, in a helicopter, Zodiac or kayak, biking, camping, hiking, or immersing in local culture, we offer countless ways to explore on each voyage.

Find out more about why Quark Expeditions is the best in the industry.

Traveling solo on a Quark Expeditions voyage.

Our voyages are especially popular with solo travelers for a variety of reasons.



Cost-savings for solo travelers
Solo travelers can take advantage of Quark Expeditions' Request-Share program, which pairs you with a cabin mate of the same gender. Neither pays the single supplement.

Intimate atmosphere and instant camaraderie
The camaraderie on our small ships is almost immediate. Our adventure guides and expert presenters are approachable, and always eager to talk about their polar expertise.

Communal spaces throughout the ship
Our small vessels are designed with comfortable public spaces to meet and mingle. Lounges, presentation theaters (some with small tables and chairs), bars, library, and viewing spaces on the deck nurture spontaneous conversations.

Off-ship adventure options
Off-ship activities are perfectly suited for connecting and "becoming best buddies" with fellow guests.

Small group ambience
With a maximum of 199 guests, you'll be on first-name basis with fellow guests and staff in no time at all.

Meals together
There is no assigned seating. Our restaurants and dining-rooms include tables for two, four, eight and larger groups. Solo travelers are always welcomed to join other guests.

Polar passion is a great connector
It's impossible to observe majestic wildlife and not turn to the guest next to you to share your excitement. The joy of being with like-minded travelers is one of the best perks for the guests.

From time to time we feature special offers for solo travelers.

Subscribe to our newsletter to find out about these special promotions, as well as updates on new products and itineraries.

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THE Shackleton CLUB

Once you travel with us, you instantly become a member of our loyalty program, The Shackleton Club.

ENJOY GREAT BENEFITS

A special members-only monthly newsletter
Early access to new itineraries
$150 on-ship credit
Opportunities for free cabin upgrades
Exclusive offers and promotions
Invitations to exclusive on-ship events
Immediate transfer of benefits when referring a new member
While onboard, you'll have the chance to book your next voyage at exclusive, below-market prices

AND MORE

Take advantage of The Shackleton Club membership benefits now.



What's included in your trip?

We're here to make your trip planning as easy and stress-free as possible so you can pack less, leave local flight bookings to us, purchase less gear in advance—and not have to worry about extra Wi-Fi or alcohol charges.

Trip Inclusions:

- The Quark Parka, yours to keep. (See next page)
- Access to the best people in the polar travel industry, the most experienced polar experts
- The best educational programming led by the top specialists in their fields
- Zodiac cruising and shore landings
- Three delicious meals each day, plus snacks
- Complimentary select beer, wines and select cocktails during bar service hours and dinner
- Complimentary coffee, tea and cocoa available around the clock







Inclusions continued:

- Complimentary Wi-Fi service permitting basic Internet browsing, email, posting on social media and voice applications. (Premium packages are available for more data-intensive applications.
- The loan of waterproof neoprene muck boots—one less thing to pack
- Taxes and port charges
- Online photo journal post-voyage
- Included hotels
- Port transfers to and from vessel
- All entrance fees to national parks, UNESCO World Heritage and other historic sites.



A Polar-Perfect Parka

(yours to keep!)

3-IN-1 HOODED PARKA
Water resistant shell with removable insulating layer can be worn as a stand-alone piece for warmer polar days or your journey home.

REMOVABLE, ADJUSTABLE HOOD

REFLECTIVE PATCHES

5 OUTER AND 2 INNER POCKETS
for carrying camera accessories and extra gear.

DROP TAIL
For added protection when seated outdoors.

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Join us at the other end of the earth.

Once you've experienced life-changing adventures in the Antarctic, perhaps you'll want to consider equally immersive voyages in the other Polar Region, the remote Arctic. For decades, we've explored multiple Arctic destinations: Svalbard, the Wildlife Capital of the Arctic; Greenland, the domain of icebergs, polar bears, muskoxen and Viking history; and the remote, ruggedly beautiful Canadian High Arctic known for its beautiful landscapes, wildlife and Inuit culture. We recently launched voyages to Iceland and Atlantic Canada, primarily Newfoundland and Labrador.

For details on Arctic voyages, visit www.QuarkExpeditions.com

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Imposing walrus in the Arctic.

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