



Expedition to Antarctica

JOURNEY TO EARTH'S LAST FRONTIER



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Be among the fortunate few to set foot on "The White Continent," a pristine wilderness at the bottom of the world. This 14-day, expedition-style journey to Antarctica takes you in the path of storied explorers who landed here more than a century ago. The grandeur of this majestic icescape is revealed as you cruise from the Beagle Channel across the Drake Passage to the outer shores of the remote Antarctic Peninsula—sky painting the icescape in soft hues of pink as the sun rises and falls with 20 hours of daylight in between.

Wildlife species on this largely uninhabited continent have adapted to the harshest weather conditions on Earth—including penguins and seals that exhibit little or no fear of humans. Watch these unique creatures up close on guided Zodiac and land excursions, where you can see humpback whales, leopard seals, Adélie penguins and penguin chicks of all varieties swimming among turquoise glaciers and glimmering icebergs.

Complete your adventure with a captivating tale onboard from guest speaker Felicity Aston MBE, a renowned polar explorer whose Antarctic expeditions have broken records and made history—ushering in a new age of exploration and climate change research.







Dear Brown Alum & Friends,

Join us on a 14-day, expedition-style itinerary that retraces sea lanes of "The White Continent" navigated over a century ago by the likes of Ernest Shackleton and his colleagues Roald Amundsen and Robert Falcon Scott.

Cruise for nine nights aboard the exclusively chartered LE BORÉAL—both 5-star and ice-class rated—and one of the ships within the finest fleet plying Antarctic waters. All accommodations afford ocean views. LE BORÉAL'S state-of-the-art technology and design set high standards in environmental protection and comfort.

Acclaimed polar explorer Felicity Aston MBE and Brown Professor Bathsheba R. Demuth will join us on board to discuss their expeditions and share their extensive knowledge. A schedule of exclusive and specially arranged lectures will complete your optimal Antarctic adventure.

We invite you on this incredible journey with all excursions included. We will share this departure with alumni and friends from several other institutions, so I encourage you to reserve now, while space is still available.

Sincerely,

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Zack Langway '09 Vice President for Alumni Relations

Faculty Lecturer



Bathsheba R Demuth, Dean's Associate Professor of History and Environment and Society is an environmental historian, specializing in the lands and seas of the Russian and North American Arctic. Her interest in northern environments and cultures began when she was 18 and moved north of the Arctic Circle in the Yukon. For over two years, she mushed huskies, hunted caribou, fished for salmon, tracked bears, and otherwise learned to survive in the taiga and tundra. In the years since,

she has lived in and studied Arctic communities across Eurasia and North America. From the archive to the dog sled, she is interested in how the histories of people, ideas, places, and non-human species intersect. Disclaimer: Faculty lecturers (if applicable) are subject to change or cancellation without prior notice.

Harry Holt, Jr. '84, P'16 & Nancy Holt '16



"When I first looked at the icebergs and glaciers, I felt like I was on a different planet. Everything looked so untouched, clean, and natural - the air smelled so clean and fresh. This once in a lifetime trip far exceeded my expectations with breathtaking beautiful sights and sounds."

"People ask me why Antarctica, I honestly say it was because my daughter wanted to go, but I am so glad that I said yes! We did this together and it is a gift that will continue to give joy to us for the rest of our lives."



EXCLUSIVE GUEST SPEAKER

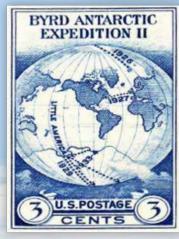
FELICITY ASTON MBE

There is an anecdote on Felicity Aston MBE's website that talks about her first "expedition" at the age of 9, which involved "being bribed" up a modest peak in England by her parents. Aston, now one of the most accomplished polar explorers and climate scientists of modern times, says this childhood milestone changed her life. Today, she is both the only woman in the world to have skied across Antarctica alone and the first person in the world to have traversed the continent purely by muscle power, which gave her a place in the Guinness World Records. Her polar career began two decades ago when she traveled to Antarctica as a meteorologist with the British Antarctic Survey. By age 23, she was monitoring climate change at the Rothera Research Station on the Antarctic Peninsula. Her Kaspersky Lab Commonwealth Antarctic Expedition was the first to 'Tweet to the Pole' and material from her "Pole of Cold expedition" has been developed into a traveling art exhibition. Aston has since written five books





Legendary explorers and aviators ushered in the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration with gripping tales of their journeys—spearheading technological advances that laid the foundations for the mechanical age of discovery. Admiral Richard Evelyn Byrd accomplished the first flight over the South Pole during the U.S. expedition of 1928, utilizing groundbreaking navigational technology. His subsequent expeditions to Antarctica would greatly advance polar research and mapping of this strange new land. One of the most remote regions in the world, Antarctica remains the only continent not to have a native human population.

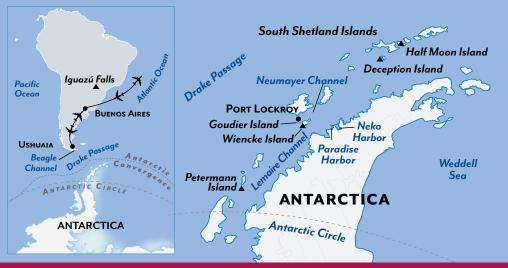




INCLUDED FEATURES

- ♦ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if you purchased air through Gohagan & Company and your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- ♦ Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom and on excursions.

- ♦ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
- Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
- ♦ Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
- ♦ Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
- Meals included as noted in the itinerary (B,L,R,D)



14-DAY/11-NIGHT ITINERARY

Departure Day 1

Depart your home city.

Buenos Aires, Argentina Day 2

Arrive in Buenos Aires. Check into the hotel and enjoy a day at leisure, with lunch and dinner on your own.

Buenos Aires Day 3

The capital city of Buenos Aires is a tapestry of diverse barrios. Enjoy a half-day walking tour to see the colorful La Boca district, Monserrat's public buildings, historical Plaza de Mayo, Palermo's lavish parks, Puerto Madero's riverfront community and the charming old quarter of San Telmo.

Visit the city's historical Recoleta Cemetery, famous for its ornate vaults, sculptures and as the final resting place of the legendary Eva Perón the former First Lady of Argentina. (B)

Buenos Aires/Ushuaia Day 4

Fly to Ushuaia and embark the ship. This afternoon, cruise Beagle Channel, named for the ship that carried Charles Darwin on his South American voyages.

Attend the Captain's Welcome Reception this evening. (B,R,D)

Cruising the Drake Passage Day 5 and Day 6

Cross the Drake Passage and, upon reaching the Antarctic Convergence, watch for breaching humpback whales and seabirds feeding on plankton and krill. Your expedition team will prepare you for your first landing in Antarctica.

During the evening, enjoy the lingering golden light of the austral summer. (B,L,D)

Port Lockroy/Jougla Point Day 7

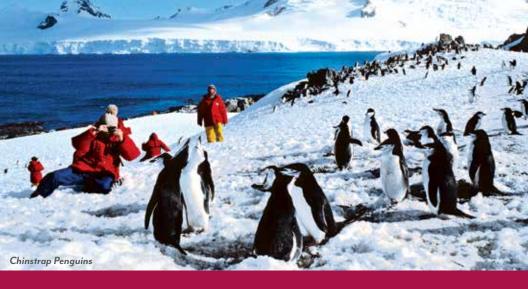
Visit Port Lockroy, built as a British intelligence port during World War II, then converted into a whaling station and scientific base. Observe the daily activities of past researchers at the living museum known as "Base A" and mail a postcard with an Antarctica postmark from the official British Post Office.
Cruise by Jougla Point on the way to Wiencke Island, which offers a rare opportunity to view the skeletal remains of an adult blue whale and view populous colonies of gentoo penguins and kelp gulls that inhabit the region. (B,L,D)

Petermann Island/ Lemaire Channel Day 8

Call at Petermann Island, where French explorer Jean-Baptiste Charcot wintered in 1909. Watch for the island's famous rookeries of Adélie and gentoo penguins and blue-eye shags.

Flanked by towering glacial cliffs between the Antarctic Peninsula and Booth Island, cruise through the Lemaire Channel, where seven miles of mountains and interweaving patterns of floes brim with wildlife. (B,L,D)





Neko Harbor/ Paradise Harbor Day 9

Listen for the low rumbling of Rudolf Glacier as it calves slabs of ice into Neko Harbor for a continental landing. Surrounded by soaring glaciers and snow-covered mountains, this spectacular harbor is one of the most dramatic sights on your expedition.

In Paradise Harbor, crystal cliffs of ice descend from sky-bent mountains into the iceberg-laden waters along the Antarctic Peninsula's western coast. Named by 19th-century whalers who sought shelter in its coves, it is an ideal sanctuary for marine wildlife including humpback whales, crabeater seals and Cape petrels. (B,L,D)

Deception Island, South Shetland Islands/ Half Moon Island Day 10

Deception Island is the top of a larger volcano that is mostly

submerged. Port Foster is a breached caldera that formed when the center of the volcano collapsed. The crescent-shaped Half Moon Island is known for its volcanic rock formations and tranquil lagoons. It houses Cámara Station, a base monitored by Argentine biologists studying regional wildlife. Here, observe the island's colony of chinstrap penguins. Attend the Captain's Farewell Reception. (B,L,R,D)

Day at Wendell Sea Day 11

Cruise below the 60th parallel south to the outer shores of the Antarctic Peninsula, Earth's last frontier. Witness the towering mountains of ice and volcanic rock that create precipitous coastlines and islands. An array of marine wildlife flourishes, including millions of penguins, countless seabirds and thousands of seals and whales. An otherworldly topography of volcanoes and glaciers,

populated with historic outposts, captures the nuance of Earth's most inaccessible continent. (B,L,D)

Cruising the Antarctic Convergence/ Beagle Channel/ Ushuaia, Argentina Day 12

Cross the Antarctic
Convergence and the
Drake Passage. The crossing
is completed with the rounding
of Cape Horn—the graveyard
of hundreds of ships that once
battled the westerly winds. Here,
the ship will go east then turn
north toward Beagle Channel
back to Ushuaia. (B,L,D)

Ushuaia/Buenos Aires Day 13

Disembark in Ushuaia and fly to Buenos Aires to depart for your home city.(B)

Home City Day 14

Arrive in home city.





LE BORÉAL Join us aboard this exclusively chartered, 5-star ice-class ship, where distinctive French sophistication meets innovative nautical design. Each of the 110 staterooms and suites (up to 484 square feet) features an ocean view and most have a private balcony. All accommodations feature individual climate control, two twin beds or one queen bed, a private bathroom with shower and luxury hotel-style hotel amenities. Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages and internet access are available throughout the cruise. All meals aboard ship are included.





2024 DEPARTURE DATES: February 13 to 26 (Tour Begins: February 14)

Category	LAND/CRUISE RATES excluding taxes, per person, based on double occupancy	Early Booking Rate through Sept. 8, 2023	Rates after Sept. 8, 2023
5	Superior Stateroom, large window featuring bathroom with shower. Deck 3, Le Champollion. (limited availability)	\$10,885	\$12,095
4	Deluxe Stateroom, small window with door to partial-wall balcony. Deck 3, Le Champollion.	\$11,875	\$13,195
3	Prestige Stateroom, expansive sliding glass door, private or partial-wall balcony . Deck 4, Le Lafayette.	\$12,955	\$14,395
2	Prestige Stateroom, sliding glass door, private balcony , shower or tub/shower. Deck 5, Le Normandie.	\$14,305	\$15,895
1	Prestige Stateroom, sliding glass door, private balcony , shower or tub/shower. Deck 6, Le France.	\$15,205	\$16,895
Deluxe Suite	Expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony , tub/shower, sitting area with sofa. Deck 6, Le France. (limited availability)	\$16,555	\$18,395
Prestige Suite II	Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony , two bathrooms: tub/shower and shower, large sitting area with sofa, two closets. <i>Deck 5, Le Normandie</i> . (limited availability)	\$17,455	\$19,395
Prestige Suite I	Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, $large\ private\ balcony$, two bathrooms: tub/shower and shower, large sitting area with sofa, two closets. $Deck\ 6$, $Le\ France$. (limited availability)	\$18,175	\$20,195
Owner's Suite	One bedroom, sitting room with sofa, table and four chairs, expansive sliding glass doors, larger private balcony , one and a half bathrooms, separate tub and shower. Deck 6, Le France. (limited availability)	\$19,975	\$22,195

Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

 $Round-trip\ airfare\ Buenos\ Aires/Ushuaia\ is\ included\ in\ the\ pricing\ displayed.$

Port taxes are an additional \$655 per person. Customers will be notified of any fuel surcharge fee prior to final payment. This fee will then be charged and collected by the vessel operating company while on board.

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PRE-PROGRAM OPTION

Iguazú Falls February 10 to 14, 2024 (Tour Begins: February 11)

The UNESCO World Heritage Site of Iguazú Falls, among the world's most spectacular natural wonders, is situated in one of South America's last remaining virgin rainforests. Spanning nearly two miles along the Argentinian border of Brazil, with more than 275 waterfalls cascading from heights of 270 feet, Iguazú Falls is three times as wide and nearly twice as high as Niagara Falls. Visit Parque das Aves jungle reserve—a nature lover's paradise and home to more than 350 species of birds, 66 varieties of mammals and an outstanding array of reptiles, fish, butterflies and flora. This exclusive, three-night Pre-Program Option features one night in the 5-star INTERCONTINENTAL BUENOS AIRES HOTEL and two nights in the 5-star MELIÁ IGUAZÚ FALLS. Buenos Aires/Iguazú round-trip airfare is included in your pre-program package price.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$1,975
Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$2,635

Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

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