Did you know that Antarctica is Earth’s driest desert? Or that the cleanest air on the planet is found here? Or that Antarctica holds 70 percent of the planet’s fresh water and 91 percent of its ice? So much to learn. Join us for a life-changing exploration of the bottom of the planet aboard one of our favorite small ships.
A brief overview

R. Crusoe offers five journeys to Antarctica and beyond. Which you choose depends on the number of days you have available. Our shortest tour focuses on the Antarctic Peninsula itself, while longer forays include the Falklands and the South Georgia Islands.


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Our atlas tells us there is no native population on the South Georgia Islands. Tell that to the 200,417 king penguins who call this home.
Please note: On these journeys, R. Crusoe & Son partners with Silversea Cruises and Ponant Cultural Cruises & Expeditions, and Crusoe travelers share the ships with other, non-Crusoe travelers.

THE LAY OF THE LAND
Let's begin with a description of all possible destinations that await us at the bottom of the earth. Knowing what's down there ought to help you decide where you want to go, what you hope to see and do, and how much time you need to do it all.

All R. Crusoe departures do include certain destinations. All, for instance, traverse the Drake Passage and cross the Antarctic Convergence.

All trace the Antarctic Peninsula, though specific stops vary depending on weather, ice conditions, and other factors.

And all depart for Antarctica via Buenos Aires, Argentina, one of our favorite cities and a hub of culture in the Southern Hemisphere. (In fact, we urge you to add a few days to the beginning or end of your voyage to explore the city.)

Finally, all of our Antarctic cruises embark and disembark on the mainland in Ushuaia, Argentina.

Falkland Islands. This small archipelago sits in the south Atlantic about 350 miles from the South American coast. Comprised of two main islands, East and West Falkland, and some 700 islets, the total landmass equals that of Ireland. The population of 2,500 here is almost entirely British, with the majority living in the capital town of Port Stanley.

The islands support a wide range of wildlife. Deep waters of the surrounding ocean are rich in marine life, which in turn feeds the enormous seabird population of the Falklands.

The islands are home to five species of penguin—rockhopper, Magellanic, gentoo, king, and macaroni—as well as black-browed albatrosses, petrels, Falkland flightless steamer ducks, kelp geese, crested ducks, oystercatchers, night herons, gulls, terns, white-rumped sandpiper, and skuas.

Seals also make their homes here. We're likely to see elephant seals (who breed on the Falklands), sea lions, fur seals, and possibly the more rare leopard seals. Porpoises, dolphins, and the occasional whale swim here, too.

On West Point Island, walk across moors for a visit to busy rookeries of elegant black-browed albatrosses and raucous rockhopper penguins. Grave Cove is a bird-watcher's paradise.

Carcass Island has been a sheep farm for
more than a century and is known for its gardens. The island also supports a quite extraordinary avian population. The reason? Carcass Island has neither a cat nor a rat population. As a result, its birds are unusually safe. Keep an eye peeled for black-crowned night herons, known in the Falklands as quarks. Also thriving here: seals and penguins and miles of tussock grass.

On Saunders Island, Magellanic and gentoo penguins nest near dramatic beaches. Cormorants and black-browed albatrosses are common along the shore as well.

Tiny Victorian Port Stanley returned to its former tranquility following the war of 1983. Sheep graze on the lawn in front of Government House, the administrative headquarters of this tiny outpost of Great Britain.

Stanley has an interesting maritime museum as well as the most southerly cathedral in the world. But most fascinating are the hulls of 19th-century sailing ships and the clipper Snow Squall, which lie haphazardly around Stanley Harbor. The hulls are still used for storage.

For years, New Island functioned as a base for whaling, as a sheep farm, and for occasional attempts to collect guano. It is considered to be one of the most beautiful islands in the Falklands archipelago as well as having possibly the most diverse range of wildlife in the region. New Island became a nature reserve in 1972.

South Georgia Islands & South Sandwich Islands. Once ravaged by the South Atlantic whaling industry, these rugged, sub-Antarctic islands and the surrounding waters are now strictly protected. They harbor abundant numbers of elephant seals, fur seals, and king penguins.

Possible visits include the Bay of Isles, home to a massive king penguin rookery; Albatross Island, a paradise for gray-headed, black-browed, light-mantled sooties and wandering albatrosses; Salisbury Plain and St. Andrews Bay, which 250,000-plus king penguins call home; Fortuna Bay, a fjord with braided rivers and plenty of penguins, fur seals, and elephant seals; Gold Harbor, an open expanse where we can also get close to thousands of king penguins; and the town of Grytviken, where Sir Ernest Shackleton is laid to rest in the small cemetery.

Antarctic Peninsula. A narrow finger of land that separates the ice-choked waters of the Weddell and Bellinghausen seas, this is the most accessible portion of land on the entire Antarctic continent. The region is sprinkled with islands. Our plan is to make several landings each day. We hope to visit research stations and witness scientific activities conducted by a multinational community of scientists who work here.

Our daily schedules are determined by weather and ice conditions. Though the expeditionary nature of our voyage makes it impossible to guarantee specific stops, we might visit a number of places.

Along the peninsula, possible visits include Petermann Island, where French explorer Dr. Jean-Baptiste Charcot anchored his ship, the Pourquoi-pas?, in 1909. With electric lighting, a motor launch, and fine French wines in her hold, the Pourquoi-pas? was certainly the most luxurious expedition ship to travel the Antarctic waters. But why not? Humpback and minke whales are often sighted around Petermann.

Surrounded by mountains and monolithic glaciers, Paradise Bay is known for its prolific wildlife. Its waters are filled with ice floes that are used as rafts by several species of seals. On shore, see the abandoned Argentinian Almirante Brown Research Station, which was destroyed by fire in 1984.

We might approach Deception Island through Neptune’s Bellows, a channel just wide enough for our ships to navigate. Majestic albatrosses fly away, replaced by southern gulls. It’s time you got nose to nose with a monster iceberg.
fulmars and pintado petrels. Our anchorage? Inside a volcano whose collapsed cone has been filled by rushing ocean water. Take a dip in the thermal waters near Pendulum Cove (something to brag to your grandchildren about).

Weather and ice permitting, we hope to travel the Lemaire, Neumeyer, and Errera channels. These beautiful, narrow fjord-like passages thread between the western islands off the coast of the Antarctic Peninsula. The scenery here is monumentally awe-inspiring and nearly indescribable. Steep mountain peaks jut out of the sea on both sides of us, and the waters surrounding our vessel are often choked with icebergs and frequented by crabeater seals. Along the way, keep an eye out for humpback and minke whales, which are known to swim here.

Brown Bluff, at the tip of the peninsula, is a paradise of picturesque beaches and glaciers overhung by a brown cliff formed by volcanic tuff. Less than half a mile from the beach stands a volcanic crater that erupted 700,000 years ago, when ice still covered the terrain. After the eruption, melted ice and ash compacted to create the brown rock we see, called hyaloclastite. Brown Bluff is home to 40,000 gentoo and Adélie penguins.

Neko Bay is one of the peninsula’s most gorgeous spots. Discovered by the Belgian explorer Andrien de Garlache at the end of the 1800s, its mountains, snow, ice, and wildlife combine to create a stunning landscape. Keep an eye out for orcas, whales, penguins, leopard seals, and a wide variety of seabird species.

Port Lockroy, on the small Antarctic island of Gaudier, was discovered by Charcot in 1903. Once a relief and repair station for whalers, it later became a research station. Today, a small museum illustrates the researcher’s life in Antarctica during the 1950s.

Wilhelmina Bay was discovered by the Belgian Antarctic Expedition of 1897-99 led by de Gerlache. The bay is named for Wilhelmina, queen of the Netherlands from 1890 to 1948. The bay is known for its large population of humpback whales and its spectacular scenery. It is surrounded by steep cliffs and an almost perfect pyramid-shaped peak that towers over the water.

South Shetland Islands. An archipelago just north of the Antarctic Peninsula. Several countries maintain research stations here, mainly on King George Island. In this incredible region, Sir Ernest Shackleton’s ship, Endurance, was stranded in 1916. From here, he and five of his men undertook a thousand-mile rescue mission on a 20-foot whaleboat to secure help.

Possible destinations in the South Shetlands includes Elephant Island and Half Moon Island, both magnets for Antarctica’s seabird population.

Drake Passage. Named for the 16th-century English seaman Sir Francis Drake, this is a deep waterway spanning 600 miles between the southern tip of South America and the South Shetland Islands. If the water is calm, stroll the decks, and take the opportunity to see and photograph wandering and black-browed albatrosses, sooty shearwaters, and black-chinned petrels. Onboard naturalists identify the species overhead.

During our cruise through the Drake Passage, we encounter the Antarctic Convergence. Here the cold waters of the Antarctic meet warmer waters from the north. This intermixing creates weather variations in and results in a concentration of marine plant life because of its higher-than-average nutrients. Look for whales and seals and innumerable seabirds that frequent the waters around the Convergence.
A purpose-built expedition ship unlike any other, the Silver Explorer, a member of the Silversea Expeditions fleet, was designed specifically for navigating waters in some of the world's most remote destinations, including Antarctica. The 6,072-ton vessel boasts a strengthened hull with a Lloyd's Register ice-class notation (1A) for passenger ships. With her eight Zodiac boats, the passengers can access even the most off-the-beaten-path destinations.

The ship, refurbished from stern to bow in 2008, carries 132 guests in 66 ocean-view cabins. Many of the staterooms feature private verandas, and all have flat-screen televisions and en-suite bathrooms. Accommodations range from 180 to 675 square feet, among the largest cabins of any expedition ship.

A convivial, cosmopolitan ambience is the rule aboard the Silver Explorer. The ship boasts amenities often found only on larger ships, including a spacious library with an Internet café, boutique shopping, a full-service spa, a beauty salon, a fitness center with sauna, and two top-deck whirlpools.
We love Ponant Cultural Cruises & Expeditions’ elegant *Le Soléal*, *Le Boréal*, and *Le Lyrial* not only because they are the newest vessels to ply the waters of Antarctica, but also because they are the most eco-friendly. All three Ponant ships follow the most stringent rules and regulations governing safety and environmental protection. All have been certified “Clean Ships” by the French society Bureau Veritas for their design and construction as well as their seagoing operations.

Why not cruise around the Bottom of the World with a clear conscience?

Green and clean, yes, but the Ponant ships are no less luxurious and comfortable for it. Each boasts a seasoned French crew of 140 serving 264 passengers (*Le Soléal* and *Le Boréal*) or 260 passengers (*Le Lyrial*). All have ice-strengthened hulls suited to the Antarctic, the latest
communications, navigational, and safety equipment that meet and excel U.S. Coast Guard regulations.

Public amenities are plentiful aboard the Ponant ships. Each has an outdoor heated pool, lecture hall/theater, well-stocked library, spa and steam room, and fitness center. Passenger elevators service all of the passenger decks on each of the ships.

The interior design aboard the Ponant ships is sleek, airy, and elegant. All suites and staterooms face outside, and the vast majority have private balconies. All have a minibar, in-room safe, individually controlled AC and heating, flat-screen TV, in-house movies, an iPod docking station, WiFi, and telephone. Room service is available 24 hours a day.

Each ship is outfitted with a fleet of Zodiac landing craft that take us near glaciers and icebergs, to shores where no piers exist, and to observe the Antarctic wildlife up close.

Onboard naturalists with interesting backgrounds—biology, ornithology, history, exploration, zoology, and such—accompany us on the Zodiacs.

And as this is a French ship, it’s no surprise that the cuisine served on board is of the highest quality. French chefs prepare carefully designed menus of varied cuisines accompanied by a selection of fine wines and enhanced by discreet and professional tables service.

LE LYRIAL DECK PLAN
1. Earth From the Bottom Up. The Antarctic Peninsula. Aboard the Silver Explorer. 11 Days.

DEPART USHUAIA
Fri 2 Dec 2016
Mon 12 Dec 2016
Fri 27 Jan 2017
Thu 16 Feb 2017
Sun 26 Feb 2017
Fri 8 Dec 2017

ARRIVE USHUAIA
Mon 12 Dec 2016
Thu 22 Dec 2016
Mon 6 Feb 2017
Sun 26 Feb 2017
Wed 8 Mar 2017
Mon 18 Dec 2017

Day 1: Buenos Aires, Ushuaia
Day 2-3: Drake Passage
Day 4-8: Antarctic Peninsula
Day 9-10: Drake Passage
Day 11: Ushuaia, Buenos Aires

2. Earth From the Bottom Up. The Antarctic Peninsula. Aboard Le Soléal, Le Boréal, or Le Lyrial. 11 Days.

DEPART USHUAIA
Wed 30 Nov 2016
Sun 4 Dec 2016
Fri 9 Dec 2016
Wed 4 Jan 2017
Sat 14 Jan 2017
Sun 24 Jan 2017
Thu 2 Feb 2017
Sun 12 Feb 2017
Wed 22 Feb 2017

ARRIVE USHUAIA
Sat 10 Dec 2016
Wed 14 Dec 2016
Mon 19 Dec 2016
Sat 14 Jan 2017
Tue 24 Jan 2017
Wed 3 Feb 2017
Sun 12 Feb 2017
Wed 22 Feb 2017
Sat 4 Mar 2017

Day 1: Buenos Aires, Ushuaia
Day 2: At Sea
Day 3: Falkland Islands
Day 4-5: At Sea
Day 6-8: South Georgia Islands
Day 9-10: At Sea
Day 11-12: Antarctic Peninsula
Day 13: South Shetland Island
Day 14-15: Drake Passage
Day 16: Ushuaia, Buenos Aires

3. Earth From the Bottom Up. The Falklands, South Georgia, & the Antarctic Peninsula. Aboard Le Soléal or Le Boréal. 16 Days.

DEPART USHUAIA
Wed 9 Nov 2016
Tue 15 Nov 2016
Thu 24 Nov 2016

ARRIVE USHUAIA
Thu 24 Nov 2016
Wed 30 Nov 2016
Fri 9 Dec 2016

Day 1: Buenos Aires, Ushuaia
Day 2-3: At Sea
Day 3: Falkland Islands
Day 4-5: At Sea
Day 6-8: South Georgia Islands
Day 9-10: At Sea
Day 11-12: Antarctic Peninsula
Day 13: South Shetland Island
Day 14-15: Drake Passage
Day 16: Ushuaia, Buenos Aires

4. Earth From the Bottom Up. The Falklands, South Georgia, & the Antarctic Peninsula. Aboard Le Soléal. 17 Days.

DEPART USHUAIA
Mon 19 Dec 2016

ARRIVE USHUAIA
Wed 4 Jan 2017

Day 1: Buenos Aires, Ushuaia
Day 2: At Sea
Day 3: Falkland Islands
Day 4-5: At Sea
Day 6-8: South Georgia Islands
Day 9-10: At Sea
Day 11-14: Antarctic Peninsula
Day 15-16: Drake Passage
Day 17: Ushuaia, Buenos Aires
5. Earth From the Bottom Up. South Georgia, the Falklands, & Antarctica. Aboard the Silver Explorer. 19 Days.

DEPART USHUAIA  ARRIVE USHUAIA
Thu 22 Dec 2016    Mon 9 Jan 2017
Mon 9 Jan 2017    Fri 27 Jan 2017
Mon 20 Nov 2017    Fri 8 Dec 2017
Mon 18 Dec 2017    Fri 5 Jan 2018

* Day 1: Buenos Aires, Ushuaia
* Day 2: At Sea
* Day 3-4: Falkland Islands
* Day 5-6: At Sea
* Day 7-9: South Georgia & South Sandwich Islands
* Day 10-11: At Sea
* Day 12-16: South Shetland Islands & Antarctic Peninsula
* Day 17-18: Drake Passage
* Day 19: Ushuaia, Buenos Aires

On a journey to Antarctica, there’s time to mingle with the locals.

A humpback whale breaches, and we get very close to the action.
### Adventurer Class
- Price: $23,625
- Waitlisted: $16,785, $19,035
- Waitlisted: $10,755, $9,495
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 180 sq. ft., two portholes, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 302-307.

### Explorer Class
- Price: $24,795
- Waitlisted: $17,685, $20,025
- Waitlisted: $10,845
- Waitlisted: $10,035
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 180 sq. ft., one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 402-404, & 406.

### View Suite
- Price: $26,955
- Waitlisted: $19,305, $21,825
- Waitlisted: $11,835
- Waitlisted: $10,935
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 215 sq. ft., one view window, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 310-321.

### Vista Suite
- Waitlisted: $20,205, $22,905
- Waitlisted: $12,375
- Waitlisted: $11,475
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 215 sq. ft., one large window, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 405, 407, 409-412, 414-421, 423, & 425.

### Veranda Suite
- Waitlisted: $26,775
- Waitlisted: $26,775
- Waitlisted: $14,535
- Waitlisted: $13,455
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 215 sq. ft., French balcony, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 500, 501, 506-509, 512, & 513.

### Expedition Suite
- Price: $39,375
- Waitlisted: $29,205, $33,165
- Waitlisted: $17,595
- Waitlisted: $17,685
- Waitlisted: $17,955
- Waitlisted: $16,605
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 430 sq. ft., two view windows, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 308, 309, 322, & 323.

### Medallion Suite
- Price: $45,495
- Waitlisted: $33,795, $38,295
- Waitlisted: $20,385
- Waitlisted: $20,745
- Waitlisted: $19,215
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 358 sq. ft., private veranda, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 502-505, 510, & 511.

### Silver Suite
- Price: $48,555
- Waitlisted: $36,045, $40,905
- Waitlisted: $21,555
- Waitlisted: $21,645
- Waitlisted: $20,095
- Waitlisted: $20,475
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 430 sq. ft., two French balconies, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 502-505, 510, & 511.

### Grand Suite
- Waitlisted: $40,545, $46,035
- Waitlisted: $24,255
- Waitlisted: $24,345
- Waitlisted: $24,885
- Waitlisted: $23,085
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 650 sq. ft., large private veranda, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 700 & 701.

### Owner's Suite
- Waitlisted: $45,045
- Waitlisted: $45,045
- Waitlisted: $27,675
- Waitlisted: $25,695
- Description: 19 Days.
- Details: Approximately 540 sq. ft., large private veranda, one view window, one queen or two twin beds, bathroom. Cabins 704 & 705.

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**Note**: Prices are based on inventory and change on an ongoing basis. All suites include a sitting area and a marble bathroom.
Inclusions for Silver Explorer
Suite accommodation (double occupancy); all onboard meals and entertainment; all gratuities aboard ship (except spa); complimentary beverages aboard ship (including select wines, champagne and spirits).

Exclusions for Silver Explorer
International airfare; internal airfare (priced separately); shore excursions; port charges, fuel surcharges, government fees and taxes; optional hotel accommodation, transfers and luggage handling; accommodation while ashore; security surcharges; casino gaming; laundry or valet services, purchases from the ship boutiques; childcare services aboard ship or any item or service of a personal nature such as massages, spa treatments, private fitness instruction, hair styling and manicures; some champagne, premium wine and spirit selections, caviar, cigarettes and cigars. Under normal conditions the cruise-only fare is guaranteed at the time of booking. However, the fare that you pay is determined far in advance of initial departure on the basis of then-existing projections of fuel and other costs. In the event of any significant change in such costs beyond Silversea's control, including but not limited to increases in the price of fuel, currency fluctuations affecting Silversea's costs, increases in government taxes or levies, or increased security costs, Silversea reserves the right to surcharge guests to cover such unexpected costs. Silversea has the right to refuse to transport guests unless the additional surcharge is paid in advance of initial departure.

Additional Services for Silver Explorer
We are happy to assist in arranging transfers, pre- or post-tour hotel accommodations, and sightseeing.

Health Status for Silver Explorer
Touring during this program requires travelers to be in good health. Walking on uneven surfaces and climbing stairs are part of many of these excursions. If you have any health or mobility issues, we urge you to discuss them with us.

Registration for Silver Explorer
To reserve your Silversea cruise, a deposit of 25 percent of the total cruise fare must be made within seven days of booking or less, depending on the voyage and time of booking. Full payment is due no later than 120 days prior to departure. Final documentation will be issued after receipt of final payment and approximately 45 days prior to sailing. All reservations are subject to cancellation if payments are not received by the due date and are guaranteed only when paid in full 120 days prior to sailing. Payments may be made by check (USD funds), VISA, MasterCard, Discover Card or Diners Club.

Cancellations for Silver Explorer
Cancellations must be received by R. Crusoe & Son in writing. Cruise and air tickets must be returned to Silversea before refunds (if owed) can be processed. Cancellations received more than 120 days prior to departure are subject to a $200 non-refundable administrative fee per booking. Cruise cancellation requests received within 120 days of the initial sailing date will be subject to the following charges, regardless of suite resale: 120-91 days prior to the initial sailing date: 15 percent of total cruise fare per person; 90-46 days prior to the initial sailing date: 50 percent of the total cruise fare per person; 45-31 days prior to the initial sailing date: 75 percent of the total cruise fare per person; 30 days prior to the initial sailing date: 100 percent of the total cruise fare per person.

In addition, guests changing or cancelling Air Packages or Silver Shore programs 90-61 days before departure are charged a $100 processing fee per person. Cancellations 60 days or less prior to sailing date are subject to 100 percent penalty per person and 100 percent of the Silver Sky Air Program fare. Cancellations of Air Packages or Silver Shore Land Adventures received 90 days or less prior to departure are subject to a $300 non-refundable administrative fee per booking. Cruise cancellation requests received more than 120 days prior to your departure date are subject to the following forfeit as a percentage of tour cost per person: 89-60 days, 10 percent of tour cost; 59-30 days, 35 percent of tour cost; 29 days or less, 100 percent of tour cost. Additional costs may include penalties incurred by Silversea from tour operators or other independent contractors. Cancellations received five days or less prior to initial sailing date for the Transfer Only Option are subject to 100 percent penalty per person.

For pre- or post-tour services, cancellations received more than 120 days prior to your departure date are subject to a $300 per person cancellation fee per person. Cancellations received less than 90 days prior to departure are subject to the following forfeiture as a percentage of tour cost per person: 89-60 days, 10 percent of tour cost; 59-30 days, 35 percent of tour cost; 29 days or less, 100 percent of tour cost.

No refund or adjustment will be made in the event of interruption or cancellation of the cruise after the commencement of same. Cancellation of the cruise after the commencement of same.

For more information, or to book this journey with R. Crusoe & Son, please call 1-800-585-8555.

R. Crusoe & Son strongly recommends travel insurance that includes coverage for trip cancellation or interruption; illness or injury while abroad; baggage loss, theft, or damage; and emergency medical evacuation. Information on our policy is available.
**Superior Stateroom**

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Approximately 226 sq. ft., one king or two twin beds, one window, bathroom. Deck 3.

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Approximately 200 sq. ft., one king or two twin beds, private balcony, bathroom with shower or tub. Deck 4.

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Approximately 200 sq. ft., one king or two twin beds, private balcony, bathroom with shower or tub. Deck 6.

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Approximately 290 sq. ft., one king or two twin beds, private balcony, bathroom. Deck 6.

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Approximately 398 sq. ft., one king or two twin beds, private balcony, bathroom. Deck 5, two Prestige Staterooms convertible to suite.

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Approximately 484 sq. ft., one king or two twin beds, large private balcony, seating area, dining table, two bathrooms. Deck 6.

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Note: Prices are based on inventory and change on an ongoing basis. All suites and staterooms in the above ships include individually controlled air-conditioning, minibar, flat-screen TV, iPod player, desk, in-room safe, dressing table, hair dryer, robes, satellite direct-line phone, 24-hour room service, and WiFi.
### Earth From the Bottom Up, Aboard *Le Lyrial*.

*Prices listed are per person, based on double occupancy.*

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Inclusions for Ponant Ships
Suite accommodation (double occupancy) on board ship; direct flights Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Buenos Aires in economy class (subject to availability); transfers to and from airport in Ushuaia; choice of full-day tour to Tierra del Fuego National Park or direct transfer to the port for embarkation; all onboard meals and entertainment; airport taxes; port taxes; gratuities aboard ship (except spa); open bar aboard ship (including house wines, house champagnes and spirits, coffee, juices, soft drinks); expedition parkas; shore excursions.

Exclusions for Ponant Ships
International airfare; airport transfers in Buenos Aires; cost of optional boot rental; fuel surcharges, reciprocity tax; optional hotel accommodation, transfers and luggage handling; gratuities for Tierra del Fuego excursion; laundry services; purchases from the ship boutiques; any item or service of a personal nature such as medical consultations and drug prescriptions; spa treatments, hair salon; premium wine and spirit selections; costs of passports and/or visas; personal insurance coverage.

Additional Services for Ponant Ships
We are happy to assist in arranging transfers, pre- or post-tour hotel accommodations, and sightseeing.

Health Status
Touring during this program requires travelers to be in good health. Walking on uneven surfaces and climbing stairs are part of many of these excursions. If you have any health or mobility issues, we urge you to discuss them with us.

Registration for Ponant Ships
To reserve your cruise, a deposit of 25 percent of the total cruise fare must be made within seven days of booking or less, depending on the voyage and time of booking. Full payment is due no later than 90 days prior to departure.

Cancellations for Ponant Ships
Cancellations must be received by R. Crusoe & Son in writing. If your cancellation request is received more than 90 days prior to your initial sailing date, a 10 percent fee will be charged. Cruise cancellation requests received within 90 days of the initial sailing date will be subject to the following charges, regardless of suite resale: 90-61 days prior to the initial sailing date: 25 percent of total cruise fare per person; 60-46 days prior to the initial sailing date: 50 percent of the total cruise fare per person; 45-31 days prior to the initial sailing date: 75 percent of the total cruise fare per person; 30 days prior to the initial sailing date: 100 percent of the total cruise fare per person.

For pre- or post-tour services, cancellations received more than 120 days prior to your departure date are subject to a $300 per person cancellation fee. Cancellations received less than 90 days prior to departure are subject to the following forfeit as a percentage of tour cost per person: 89-60 days, 10 percent of tour cost; 59-30 days, 35 percent of tour cost; 29 days or less, 100 percent of tour cost. No refund or adjustment will be made in the event of interruption or cancellation of the cruise after the commencement of same.

For more information, or to book this journey with R. Crusoe & Son, please call 1-800-585-8555.

R. Crusoe & Son strongly recommends travel insurance that includes coverage for trip cancellation or interruption; illness or injury while abroad; baggage loss, theft, or damage; and emergency medical evacuation. Information on our policy is available.
On the advancement of deposit, the depositor acknowledges that he or she has read and understands the specific inclusions, exclusions, registration, and cancellation policies of the tour, the terms and conditions listed below, and that he or she agrees to be bound by them. Cancellation penalties apply, and R. Crusoe & Son makes no refund for unused services. R. Crusoe & Son strongly recommends that travelers purchase travel insurance as described below.

Arrangements: Quoted tour prices include planning, handling, and operational charges and are quoted in U.S. dollars based on the current rate of exchange, tariff, and fuel prices. In the event of unexpected and significant cost increases, prices are subject to revision. On some programs, a fuel surcharge may apply. R. Crusoe & Son will advise travelers of possible surcharges that apply to a specific journey as soon as these surcharges are known.

Responsibility: R. Crusoe & Son and its operating partners purchase transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant services, and other services from various independent suppliers not subject to its control. R. Crusoe & Son and its operating partners cannot, therefore, be liable for any personal injury, loss, or damage to person or property that may occur due to (1) a wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary act by others not under the direct control of R. Crusoe & Son and its operating partners, (2) defects in, or failures of, any aircraft, vessel, automotive vehicle, or other means of transportation not under its control, or (3) acts of God.

R. Crusoe & Son and its operating partners also reserve the right to withdraw a tour or any part of it, to make such alterations in the itinerary as it deems necessary or desirable, to refuse to accept or retain as a member of any tour or part thereof any person at any time, and to pass on to tour members any expenditures or losses caused by airline schedule changes, delays, or events beyond its control.

R. Crusoe & Son and its operating partners are not responsible for any expenses incurred by trip members in preparing for the trip, including non-refundable or penalty-carrying airline tickets, special clothing, visa or passport fees, or other trip-related expenses.

Eligibility: Participation in R. Crusoe’s programs requires that travelers be in generally good health. Walking and stair climbing are commonly part of many tours. Travelers with physical disabilities must make them known to R. Crusoe & Son at the time of booking. It is also essential that persons with any medical problems or related dietary restrictions inform R. Crusoe & Son well before departure. All travelers are expected to be ready to experience cultural differences with grace.

Travel Documents: All travel documents (air and cruise tickets, passport, destination-specific vaccination records, and inoculation verification) are the traveler’s responsibility. It is also the responsibility of the traveler to obtain any necessary visas and public health documents for all applicable destinations and to comply with all customs requirements. Without the required documents, travelers may be denied entry into a particular destination. R. Crusoe & Son is not liable for such denial.

Air Transportation: International air prices are a separate cost in addition to the land prices of tours. Should a traveler cancel or change an air reservation before or after his or her departure, cancellations penalties may apply.

Baggage: Baggage handling is at the traveler’s risk throughout the tour. Baggage restrictions may apply. If so, R. Crusoe & Son is not responsible for excess baggage fees.

Smoking: Smoking is not permitted during situations that involve fellow travelers. This applies when travelers are in restaurants, sightseeing vehicles, trains, ships and other water transport, air transport, and when participating in group activities.

R. Crusoe & Son Travel Protection Plan

Even on a perfectly planned vacation there are forces of nature that R. Crusoe & Son cannot prevent. There is the possibility that luggage is lost en route, an illness pops up, or even the sudden need for emergency cash. To ensure that your voyage provides you with a lifetime of pleasant memories, this program contains a broad package of benefits for our travelers including:

- insurance coverage for trip cancellation or interruption
- insurance coverage for illness or injury while abroad
- emergency medical evacuation
- reimbursement for baggage loss, theft, or damage
- 24-hour assistance anywhere in the world

Complete details (including terms, condition limits, costs, and enrollment procedures) are sent upon confirmation of your tour reservation.

For pre-existing condition coverage, the premium must be paid within 21 days of the initial deposit.