



ANTARCTIC & PATAGONIAN ADVENTURE



PREMIUM ESCORTED TOUR

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22 day tour | Departing 15th November 2019



ABOUT YOUR TOUR ESCORT

Judy worked for ABC television and radio for almost 30 years. She compered and was a correspondent for national programs including *This Day Tonight*, *The National*, *Nationwide*, *7.30 Report*, *Australian Story* and *Stateline*. Judy has lived and worked in London, Kuwait and the United States.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE...

- Explore the untamed beauty and breath-taking landscapes of Patagonia on leisurely day trips
- Visit Los Glaciares National Park and see the world famous Perito Moreno Glacier
- Discover the wonders of Tierra del Fuego National Park
- Cruise to Antarctica, and enjoy the unique wildlife and scenery of the final frontier onboard *MV Hondius* to be launched in 2019
- Enjoy time in the vibrant cities of Santiago and Buenos Aires



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FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER**TASMANIA - SANTIAGO DE CHILE**

This morning we will depart Hobart to begin our adventure travelling to Santiago, Chile's capital and largest city. Santiago lies in a valley surrounded by the snow-capped mountains of the Andes and the Chilean Coastal Range. Founded in 1541, Santiago has been Chile's capital since colonial times. It is a vibrant and cosmopolitan city and although it features many colonial buildings, it has grown into a modern metropolis and the cultural centre of the country. On arrival at the airport, we will be met by our local guide and transferred to our hotel, where we have an opportunity to refresh and relax.

**SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER****B****SANTIAGO DE CHILE**

This morning, we will enjoy a half day tour of Santiago, and visit both the old and new areas of the city. Highlights of our tour include the Plaza de Armas, the city's central square and the heart of the city's old colonial core. The Plaza de Armas is home to the beautiful 18th century Metropolitan Cathedral, the early 19th century Royal Court Palace that houses the Natural History Museum and the Central Post Office completed in 1882. We then continue along to Government Palace and walk through some of the most traditional streets and neighbourhoods. Visit Cerro Santa Lucia, the hill on which Santiago was founded in 1541, now a park with fountains and stairs leading to a fort and panoramic viewpoint across the city. On completion of our tour, we will return to our hotel to enjoy the afternoon at leisure.

SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER**B,D****SANTIAGO DE CHILE - PUERTO NATALES**

Today we will transfer to the airport for our onward flight to Patagonia. On arrival we will be met by our guide and transferred to our hotel - The Singular Patagonia, at Puerto Natales. The award winning Singular Patagonia is a unique historic destination. Built around the history of the old Bories cold warehouse, the hotel has been pioneer to the birth of Puerto Natales. The hotel museum has preserved the original century-old industrial machinery, for which it was declared a historic monument in 1996.

Explore the landscape, or simply enjoy the perfect fusion between luxury and nature in surroundings of unparalleled natural beauty, The Singular Patagonia is a space of sophistication, history and the highest levels of personalised service at the so-called "end of the world" deep in the heart of Chilean Patagonia.

MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER**B,L,D****PATAGONIA**

We have two days to explore the breathtaking landscapes of Patagonia - an untamed wilderness of stunning beauty with windswept pampas, snow-capped peaks, glaciers, blue-tinged icebergs, fjords and lakes. Friendly, experienced and knowledgeable guides will lead the way, and give us an in-depth, insider look at Patagonia. There are over 20 different Patagonia excursions available ranging from leisurely day trips to activities that will excite the thrill-seeker.

YOUR CHOICE OF INCLUDED ACTIVITIES:*Basic Level Options*

- Trekking Sierra Baguales - Private Reserve
- Discover Torres Del Paine National Park
- Sailing around the Patagonia Fjords: Serrano and Balmaceda Glaciers
- Puerto Natales, Land of Pioneers
- Trekking to the Milodon Caves
- Horseback Riding to Puerto Consuelo
- Cycling around Puerto Natales

Medium Level Options

- The Water Track
- Cycling around Laguna Sofía
- Trekking and watching Andean condors
- Horse Riding around Laguna Sofía
- Kayak Puerto Bories to Puerto Natales
- Kayak Fjord Eberhard to Villa Luisa
- Kayak harbour tour
- Fly fishing Patagonia

Difficult Level Options

- Tenerife 360° - Horseback Riding or Trekking
- Trekking to the Base of Torres Del Paine
- Horseback Riding - Tres Paso

TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER**B,L,D****PATAGONIA**

Today is at leisure to enjoy more activities, or just relax and take in the awe-inspiring surrounds.

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER**B****PATAGONIA - EL CALAFATE**

This morning we will transfer across the border into El Calafate, which flanks the southern shore of Lago Argentino in the southern part of Argentina's Santa Cruz

Province. The town is near the edge of the Southern Patagonian Ice Field and one of the gateways to World Heritage Listed Parque Nacional Los Glaciers. The name El Calafate is derived from the calafate plant common in Patagonia. The town's main street, Avenida del Libertador General San Martín, is lined with restaurants, cafes, chocolate shops and souvenir shops.

THURSDAY 21 NOVEMBER**B****EL CALAFATE**

This morning we will be collected from our hotel to venture into Los Glaciares National Park to see the world famous Perito Moreno Glacier. The glacier is more than two miles wide and averages 74m in height above the surface of the water of Lake Argentino. It is one of the very few glaciers in the world that continues to advance and if you are lucky you may see the glacier calving as large masses of ice break away from the glacier and collapse into the water. Enroute to the glacier, stop at the pier for a short boat trip to the southern wall of the glacier. From the water level you get a feel for the size of this remarkable glacier - a true highlight of Patagonia. Reaching the Icebergs Channel, the boat will stop at a safe distance from the glacier, continuing to sail down all its front, allowing a spectacular view of the high wall of ice. On completion of the tour we will return to our hotel.

FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER**B****EL CALAFATE - USHUAIA**

Today we will transfer to the airport for our onward flight to Ushuaia. On arrival, we will be met by our driver and transferred to our hotel. This evening we will have a briefing session to ensure we are ready for our cruise tomorrow!

**SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER****B,D****EMBARK SHIP**

This morning you have the option of partaking in a half day tour of Tierra del Fuego National Park, one of the most frequently visited places in Ushuaia. Alternatively, you can take the morning to explore Ushuaia and pick up any essential supplies before boarding the ship in the mid-afternoon. Highlights of Ushuaia include the award-winning Museo Marítimo y del Presidio de

Ushuaia, (Maritime & Prison of Ushuaia Museum), located in Ushuaia's former prison, in buildings dating back to 1906. Stroll along the main street of Avenida San Martin with its many cafes, shops and restaurants, explore the Argentinean leather markets and maybe taste a succulent lamb dish for which Patagonia is famous. This afternoon, you will be transferred together with your fellow expeditioners to the pier to board your vessel. On embarkation you will meet the expedition crew and be shown to your suite. In the early evening we sail down the majestic Beagle Channel past magellanic penguin, rock cormorant and sea lion colonies as we head towards Antarctica. We will enter the legendary Drake Passage just after midnight.

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER **B,L,D**
DRAKE PASSAGE

Over the next two days on the Drake Passage, we catch a taste of life from the perspective of the polar explorers who first braved these regions: cool salt breezes, rolling waves, maybe even a fin whale blasting up a column of sea spray. After passing the Antarctic Convergence – Antarctica's natural boundary, formed when north-flowing cold waters collide with warmer subantarctic seas. Not only does the marine life change, the avian life changes too: a variety of albatrosses and petrels show up, along with Cape pigeons and southern fulmars. Then, near the South Shetlands Islands, the first icebergs flash into sight – always an exciting moment for those aboard. We are also treated to a fantastic lecture program during this time and continue for the duration of the cruise. Be prepared to be astounded by legendary tales, find out more about the unique flora and fauna of this part of the world, and learn about the geology of the Antarctic.

MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER **B,L,D**
DRAKE PASSAGE

Today will be at leisure to enjoy the ship or take part in another lecture.

TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER –
FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER **B,L,D**
ANTARCTICA

We arrive to Antarctica, the world's most pristine wilderness. Grey stone peaks greet us, sketched with snow, towers of broken blue-white ice, and dramatically different wildlife below and above. We first pass the snow-capped Melchior Islands and Schollaert Channel, sailing between Brabant and

Anvers Islands.

Sites we may visit during our time here may include:

Cuerverville Island – stabbing up between Rongé Island and the Antarctic Peninsula, Cuerverville houses a colony of several thousand gentoo penguins, as well as pairs of breeding brown skuas.

Danco Island – activities here may focus on the gentoo penguins nesting on the island, in addition to the Weddell and crabeater seals that may be found nearby.

Crystal Sound – if conditions permit, we may enjoy a landing in this ice-packed body of water.

Port Lockroy – after sailing through the Neumayer Channel, we may get a chance to visit the former British research station – now a museum and post office – of Port Lockroy on Goudier Island.

We may also be able to partake in activities around Jougla Point, meeting gentoo penguins and blue-eyed shags. There are great opportunities for kayaking and camping here.

Paradise Bay – You may be able to walk on the Continent again at this location, or to take a Zodiac cruise in the sprawling, ice-flecked waters. Here you have a good chance of seeing humpback and minke whales.

Wilhelmina Bay & Guvernøren – this is a great place to spot humpback whales, and you also may embark on a Zodiac cruise around the ghostly wreck of Guvernøren, a whaling vessel that caught fire here in 1915. Around the Melchior Islands, amid a frozen landscape peopled with icebergs, you may encounter even more whales, leopard seals, and crabeater seals.

King George Island – Heading to the South Shetland Islands, the aim is a landing at the Chinese Great Wall Station. There are also Russia, Argentine, and Uruguayan research stations in this area. Onboard your adventure you will have plenty of free time, as well as enjoy some fantastic hospitality!

SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER -
SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER **B,L,D**
ANTARCTICA

Our return voyage is far from lonely. While crossing the Drake, we're again greeted by the vast array of seabirds remembered from the passage south. But they seem a little more familiar to you now, and you to them. The return crossing is always a great time to relive the experiences with your fellow

passengers, and check through some of the incredible photography taken by the group.

MONDAY 2 DECEMBER **B**
USHUAIA - BUENOS AIRES

Every adventure, no matter how grand, must eventually come to an end. It's now time to disembark in Ushuaia, after the journey of a life time. On arrival, we will be transferred to the airport for our onward flight. Buenos Aires, Argentina's elegant, historic and cosmopolitan capital, is known as the "Paris of the South" due to its European atmosphere with glamorous avenues lined with fashionable shops and Parisian-style restaurants and cafes. Located on the western shore of the estuary of the Río de la Plata, Buenos Aires has many fascinating neighbourhoods to explore including the colourful and lively La Boca, home to art galleries and tango shows; San Telmo with its restored mansions and antique stores and Recoleta, the city's most exclusive area.

TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER **B**
BUENOS AIRES

Today is free at leisure for you to discover some of the most important highlights of the city of Buenos Aires. Discover the history of the Plaza de Mayo Square, the site of Argentina's most important historical events - see its surroundings and the most emblematic buildings and learn all about them. Mayo Avenue is the main strip of the oldest residential neighbourhood in Buenos Aires: San Telmo. Visit the neighbourhood of La Boca and discover the original Tango. See the mythical Boca Juniors soccer stadium. Contemplate the modernization of the city whilst traveling along Puerto Madero and its exclusive docks, full of excellent restaurants and large offices. Pass through the Retiro neighbourhood and move on to see Palermo and its most exclusive residential area. In Recoleta you can discover the final resting place of Eva Peron, "Evita" and wander through Recoleta Cemetery where she is to be found. Or simply relax at a cafe and watch the world go by.

WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER **B**
BUENOS AIRES

Today we will be collected from our hotel for our flight home.

THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER
IN TRANSIT

FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER
ARRIVE TASMANIA

Today we arrive home and say goodbye to our new found friends.

TOUR PRICE

Twin Share \$19,930*pp ex Tasmania

Single Supplement \$8950*
(Limited availability)

Pricing based on twin porthole cabins. While this pricing is current as of August 2018, fluctuating fuel surcharges, currency exchange rates and taxes may result in an increased cost. Available business and mixed class airfare upgrades available, as well cabin upgrades. Price on application.

INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST

- Accommodation as per the itinerary
- International flights & ticket taxes (subject to change and subject to availability at the time of booking.)
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- All airport transfers
- Transportation throughout
- Local English speaking driver/guides
- Sightseeing as mentioned in the itinerary
- Entrance and park fees

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST

- Travel Insurance
- Innoculations
- Items of a personal nature
- Chilean Tourist Card of US\$117 to paid in cash on arrival into Chile
- Gratuities



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

TOUR PAYMENTS A non-refundable deposit of \$4000 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. The balance of payment is due not later than 21 June 2019.

CANCELLATIONS Cancellations fees apply. Cancellation fees may also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the tour. Notice of all cancellations must be made in writing to Andrew Jones Travel on or before final payment due date 21 June 2019. All deposits and interim payments are non-refundable. After final payment due date: 100% of total price. Cancellation fees also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the vacation. If flight changes, including flight cancellations, are requested, revision fees or airline cancellation fees will apply. Andrew Jones Travel Pty. Ltd. and the carriers, accommodations, and other suppliers providing tour services shall all be known as the 'Operators' and reserve the right to cancel or re-schedule any vacation departure. If cancellation is made prior to departure of the tour, the only responsibility of the Operators will be to refund to the passenger the amount we have received for the reservation. We will try to re-book the same vacation with a different departure date, or a similar tour. Where the Operators have confirmed flights, we will try to confirm air seats for the selected new dates, subject to availability. The Operators cannot assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets or other travel arrangements.

REVISION FEES A fee of \$150 per transaction will be charged for any alteration or revision made to a reservation, plus any additional costs from tour operator, designated airline and all other operators and carriers. Airline penalties may also apply. A change to traveller name, vacation date or tour itinerary at any time will be treated as a cancellation and new reservation; standard cancellation fees apply.

PARTICIPATION For the benefit of everyone on your holiday, the Operators reserve the right to accept or reject any person as a holiday participant, and to remove from the tour any participant whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the interests of the other participants.

TRAVELLERS WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE You must report any disability requiring special attention to Andrew Jones Travel at the time the reservation is made. All travellers must be able to handle their own suitcase. The Operators will make reasonable attempts to accommodate the special needs of disabled travellers, but is not responsible in the event it is unable to do so, nor is it responsible for any denial of services by carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other independent suppliers. Most transportation services, including the touring motor coach, are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance to a tour participant for walking, dining, getting on and off motor coaches and other vehicles, or other personal needs. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travellers who need such assistance, and must assume total responsibility for the handicapped participants well-being. Motorised scooters are unsuitable for touring vacations in this brochure.

SMOKING Smoking is not allowed on transportation or accommodations.

PRICE GUARANTEE Air tickets booked via Andrew Jones Travel are guaranteed when we receive full payment. This does not include any Government/airport tax increases and currency fluctuations. Vacation prices are per person, based on two persons sharing a room. Single room supplements are listed where applicable.

ACCOMMODATIONS The accommodations listed in this brochure are intended to be used on this departure; however, if a change becomes necessary for any reason, the accommodations substituted will be equivalent in standard to those shown. Every effort is made to reserve your preferred room request. It may occasionally happen that an accommodation provides some double-bedded or twin-bedded rooms, as room configuration is at the discretion of individual hotels. Please note that accommodation check-in times vary worldwide. Paying for a single supplement ensures own room, not necessarily a twin bedded or double bedded room.

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE Due to limited coach capacity, this single bag should have dimensions not exceeding 76x53x28cm (30x21x11") and weight not exceeding 20kg (44 lbs) or less if your air carrier has stricter weight/dimension limitations. We regret we are unable to accept a second suitcase, or any luggage exceeding these limits. We recommend you consult your air carrier as size and weight limitations vary from airline to airline and even according to destination, and are becoming more restrictive. The Operators are not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers. Regulations within most airports require that travellers handle their own luggage through customs.

Your carry-on bag should not exceed the dimensions of 30x28x14cm (12x11x6"). For safety reasons wheeled carry-on bags will not be accepted. Further restrictions apply on safari aircraft.

No responsibility is accepted for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the tour participant's belongings. Baggage insurance is recommended.

DINING A restaurant or date of a dinner may be substituted at any time due to reasons beyond the Operators' control.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE Airport taxes which are payable directly at the airport: passports; and vaccinations, tips to local city guides or staff; laundry, telephone, mini bar, alcohol beverages and food not on the regular table d'hote menu (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel or restaurant); optional excursions; travel insurance, excess baggage fees; all other items of a personal nature.

HOLIDAYS During local or national holidays, certain facilities such as museums and restaurants, sightseeing tours and shopping may be limited or not available. Alternatives will be offered whenever possible.

SAFETY Please be aware that during your participation in vacations operated by the Operators, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including, but not limited to, the hazards of travelling in undeveloped areas; travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft or other means of transportation; the forces of nature, political unrest and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. The Operators will not have liability regarding provision of medical care or the adequacy of any care that may be rendered. It is understood that the Operators will use its best efforts to ensure that adequate measures are taken.

TRAVEL INSURANCE Passengers are strongly advised to take out travel insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances which may arise (including, but not limited to; cancellation fees, loss of luggage, early return following death of a relative as defined in the respective proposal forms). We recommend passengers investigate all Department of Foreign Affairs warnings regarding the safety of travelling to certain destinations. The Operators will not be held liable for any act of government, terrorism, revolution or other act. The Operators reserve the right to cancel the tour at any stage due to an act of government or terrorism. Andrew Jones Travel strongly recommends that you obtain travel insurance upon first deposit, as deposits are non-refundable.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS All passengers must have a valid passport with at least 6 months validity from return date. It is the responsibility of each passenger to ensure any applicable visas for all countries visited have been obtained prior to departure. Failure to obtain correct documentation will mean the passenger will be unable to participate in particular shore excursions and may be denied boarding and/or entry into certain countries. Meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and costs is the sole responsibility of passengers.

TOUR ESCORT The inclusion of an Andrew Jones Travel tour escort is subject to minimum passenger numbers. A substitute tour escort may be used without notice if unforeseen circumstances arise.

* Conditions apply. Price is per person, twin share. Price is correct at time of publication August 2018 but may fluctuate due to changes in taxes, charges, surcharges and currency. Airfare included is based on a group airfare and all passengers will need to fly on these flights, dates and destination only. Price does not include taxes imposed directly by third parties. Tour is subject to availability and terms and conditions as listed. Minimum tour numbers apply, see booking conditions for more details. A service fee and credit card surcharge will apply.