

PATAGONIA

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3 NEW WAYS
TO EXPERIENCE
CHILEAN PATAGONIA

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Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic have joined forces to further inspire the world through expedition travel. Our collaboration in exploration, research, technology and conservation will provide extraordinary travel experiences and disseminate geographic knowledge around the globe.

DEAR TRAVELER,

A vast land at the southern end of South America, Patagonia spans national boundaries but has no precise borders of its own. It comprises massive snow-covered Andean peaks, pampas, fjords, glaciers, forests, rivers, lakes and valleys—inhabited by exceptionally interesting wildlife that is marvelously adapted to living here.

Magellan named it after a mythical race of giants (the Native Americans he encountered there in 1520 were taller than most of his crew). Charles Darwin explored some of Patagonia in 1833 and 1834, and contributed to the understanding of its natural history. And my father, Lars-Eric Lindblad, was among the first to bring adventurous travelers to Patagonia by expedition ship back in 1967.

We've planned some extraordinary 2016 expeditions aboard *National Geographic Explorer* to explore there. We've done it with the cooperation and assistance of friends engaged in preserving parklands, and they have enabled privileged access for us.

We're offering you a choice of three journeys, slated for October, Patagonia's vibrant spring:

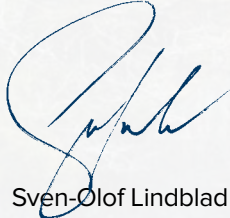
Rounding the Cape: Chilean Patagonia & Argentina's Staten Island (20 days) You'll see massive glaciers, volcanoes, the fantastical massif of Chile's signature Torres del Paine National Park, pristine native forests, and the culture of Chiloé Island, a place beloved by Chileans. Plus, three days exploring Argentina's Isla de los Estados (Staten Island), at the far end of South America—a place that was off limits until our pioneering voyage in late 2015. There you'll find rockhopper penguins, pristine forests, and even Jules Verne's "lighthouse at the end of the world."

Patagonian Treasures: From Torres del Paine to Cape Horn (15 days) combines a week aboard *National Geographic Explorer*, exploring Chile's fjords and otherwise-inaccessible parks, with several days exploring Torres del Paine National Park. Using the superb Tierra Patagonia lodge as a base, you'll see waterfalls, peaks and wildlife. You'll have the chance to walk, take more ambitious hikes, and even ride horseback if you're so inclined.

Exploring Chilean Patagonia: Peaks, Glaciers, and Fjords (11 days) provides the highlights of Chilean Patagonia in the span of just a week and a half, and enables you to explore—on foot, by Zodiac and kayak—places that otherwise would be difficult to reach. You'll enjoy special access to Karukinka and Yendegaia, absolutely spectacular parks, and even explore Cape Horn.

As always, our expedition staff will add dimensions to your experience, ensuring that whatever duration you choose will be time well spent, and amply rewarding. I hope you will experience Patagonia with us.

All the best,



Sven-Olof Lindblad



Pio XI Glacier, the longest in the Southern Hemisphere outside Antarctica, is also one of the planet's few remaining advancing glaciers.

THE NEW FRONTIER FOR DISCOVERY

“No place on the planet is fully at rest. Only time—unimaginable stretches of time that conceal from human eyes the dynamic natural forces shaping the Earth—creates the illusion of stasis. But sometimes, if you’re lucky, you come upon a place where time seems compressed, where you can feel in your bones how kinetic even geology really is. The glacier-carved coast of Chile is such a place. Here Earth’s energy seems almost palpable. Tectonic plates are spreading and then diving... glaciers such as Pio XI—short, brutal rivers of ice—descend swiftly to the sea. Offshore, the upwelling of the Peru current is a fountain of aquatic life... This Patagonia differs utterly from the one that name usually conjures—a land of broad pampas. This Patagonia belongs to sea and ice.”

This excerpt from Verlyn Klinkenborg’s “The Power of Patagonia,” *National Geographic* magazine, February 2010, sets the expectations for our Patagonia season: three itineraries of varying length that offer travelers the thrilling luxury of experiencing Chilean Patagonia, whether they’re time-blessed or time-challenged.



NG Explorer is a perfect platform.

Our longest itinerary, the 20-day **Rounding The Cape: Chilean Patagonia and Argentina’s Staten Island** is, of course, the most comprehensive, venturing deep into the ‘land of fire,’ with special permission to explore Argentina’s Isla de los Estados (Staten Island) Reserve. Our 15-day **Patagonian Treasures: Torres Del Paine to Cape Horn** is a rare land and sea hybrid that delivers

site-specific grandeur: sunsets over Torres del Paine from the superb Tierra Patagonia Hotel, and the thunderous boom and crackle of the ice-fringed, fjord-carved coast aboard *NG Explorer*. **Exploring Chilean Patagonia: Peaks, Glaciers and Fjords**, provides wildlife and sumptuous vistas in a compact 11-day getaway. Retreat, and return renewed! Together they present a formidable challenge to even the most steely-minded decider, but the good news is: you can’t lose. Choosing to explore Patagonia is a win win—a new frontier for discovery, and a guaranteed life-enhancer.

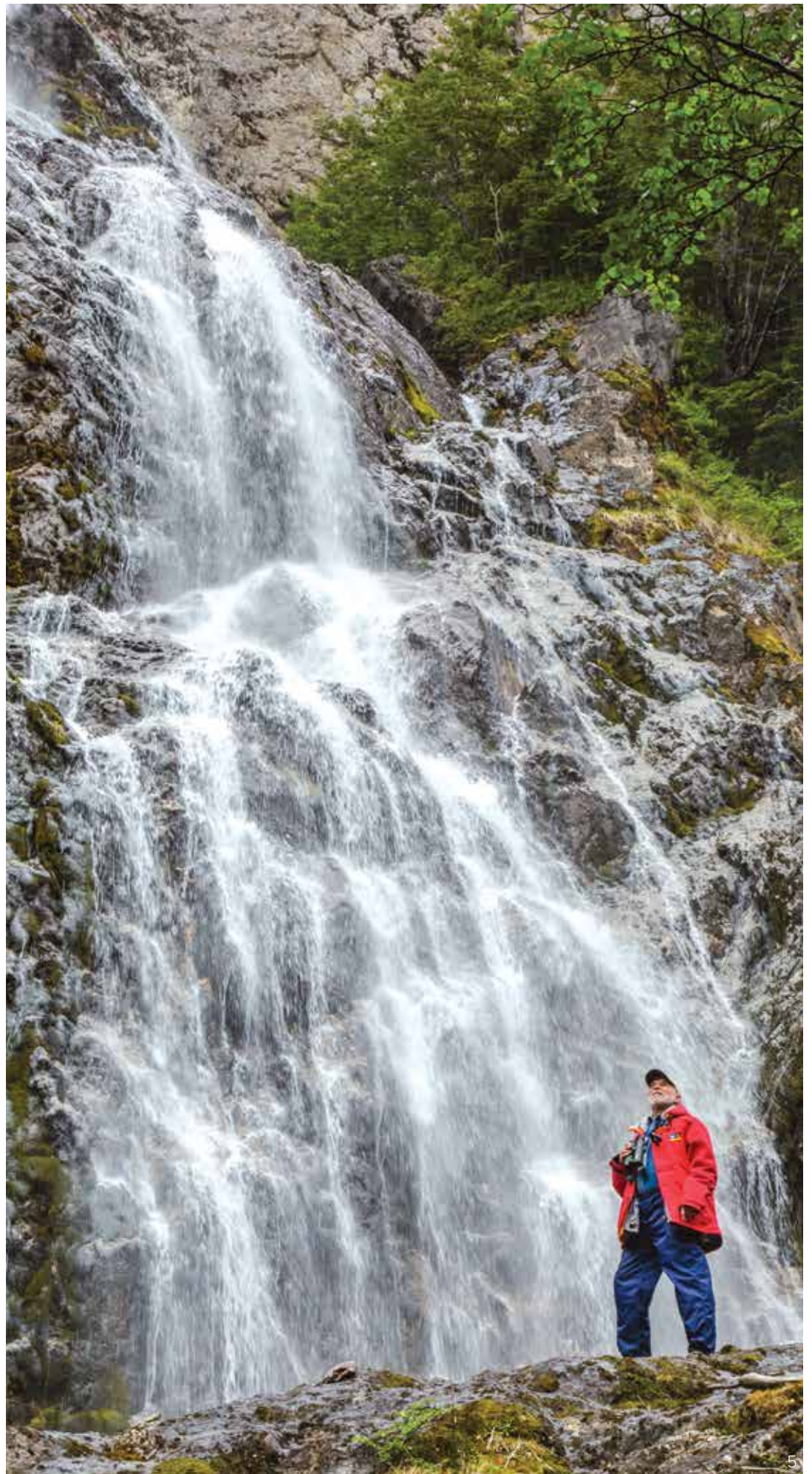
WILDNESS THAT TRANSCENDS HUMAN IMPACT

Jagged mountain peaks half-dressed in snow, crystal palace glaciers including one inexorably advancing, calved bergs, wind-wracked pines, turquoise lakes, maze-like channels, and intricate fjords. Patagonia, one of Earth's last untamed wild places, offers landscapes that invite the eye, the lens, and challenge even the most articulate visitor's powers of description.



Clockwise: Lupines in Torres del Paine National Park contrast against the snow-clad peaks; calving glacier, Chilean fjords; a waterfall in Karukinka Natural Park; Cape Horn, where the Atlantic and Pacific meet at the southern edge of South America.







INTRIGUING WILDLIFE THRIVES IN PATAGONIA WILDNESS



Clockwise from top: Guanaco herd in Torres del Paine; Andean condor; adult Patagonian red fox; Magellanic penguins; Imperial shags.







COOL TOOLS ABOARD ENSURE EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES

National Geographic Explorer is the only ship exploring Patagonia with this complete array of exploration tools. These tools, designed to maximize your opportunities for up-close, personal adventures, plus our generous 1:10 expedition staff-to-guest ratio, provide peer-less opportunities to experience life-enhancing encounters with the beauty and wildness of a unique region.

Clockwise from upper left: The staff quickly deploys Zodiacs to get you out exploring at a moment's notice; National Geographic Explorer is equipped with an ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) capable of exploring depths up to 1,000 feet, providing footage to view in the dry warmth and comfort of the lounge; our innovative mobile platform lets us embark on a kayak exploration from virtually anywhere; guests join staff in examining ice charts on the bridge; guests exploring by Zodiac don't have to worry about getting wet with our custom-designed floating bridge.



THE QUALITY OF OUR STAFF ENHANCES THE QUALITY OF YOUR EXPERIENCE

Comprised of scientists, naturalists, historians, and a veteran expedition leader, the members of our dynamic expedition team are engaging companions. And you'll benefit from their broad array of specialized knowledge—history, archaeology, geology, ornithology, botany, photography, and more. It's their generosity of spirit and insights that make our itineraries uniquely rewarding, transforming events into memorable, life-enhancing experiences.



Lucho Verdesoto (expedition leader), Eduardo Shaw (historian), Tom Ritchie and Jim Kelley (naturalists).

▶ VISIT WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/EXPERTBIOS AND SELECT YOUR ITINERARY TO LEARN WHICH STAFF IS TRAVELING ON YOUR DEPARTURE.

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Lourdes Garcia-Navarro
NPR South America Correspondent

Lourdes Garcia-Navarro is an NPR international correspondent covering South America. Her stories span culture, politics, corruption, crime, sports, and much more.

✓ *Join her on Exploring Chilean Patagonia: Peaks, Glaciers & Fjords. - Oct. 24, 2016*



Alejandro Wolff
Former Ambassador to Chile

Alejandro Wolff served as U.S. Ambassador to Chile from 2010 to 2013 and during his term, Chile was included in the U.S. Visa Waiver Program and in the launch of a Youth Ambassadors program for high school students. He has also worked for the Department of State in Algeria, Morocco, and Cyprus.

✓ *Join him on Rounding the Cape: Chilean Patagonia & Argentina's Staten Island. - Oct. 16-22, 2016*



Gregg Treinish
National Geographic Emerging Explorer

Gregg Treinish is the founder of Adventurers and Scientists for Conservation, an organization that connects scientists in need of field data with outdoor adventurers exploring the planet's most remote places. He is also a conservationist and 2008 National Geographic Adventurer of the Year.

✓ *Join him on Exploring Chilean Patagonia: Peaks, Glaciers & Fjords. - Oct. 31, 2016*



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Jeff has photographed vivid landscapes and dramatic situations in nearly 50 countries.

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Spectacular Staten Island.

“Much of the geography of the world has become familiar and much visited. It is becoming rare to find a location where an organization is given the chance to take part in developing management plans, including visitor procedures and basic research, and to also assist in restoration of the natural environment. Lindblad Expeditions being awarded the first official permit to this new Provincial Reserve is a great honor. Lindblad’s experience in other areas of the world and the company’s environmental ethics stance has been key. There has also been a lot of emphasis on National Geographic Explorer, her officers, and the technology available for navigation in challenging situations. And now as a result, our guests will be among the few to ever visit this stunning, untouched, wild place.” —Bud Lehnhausen, Naturalist aboard National Geographic Explorer



EXTRAORDINARY & EXCLUSIVE

An idea as well as a place, Patagonia, with its loosely defined borders and no overarching national identity, is the last of the mythic frontiers. On **Rounding the Cape**, we’ll visit ‘brand-name’ destinations: **Torres del Paine**, **Tierra del Fuego**, the **Beagle Channel**, and



Magellanic woodpecker.

Cape Horn. And enjoy privileged access to a number of stunningly beautiful natural parklands—Karukinka and Yendegaia—plus special and rare access to Argentina’s Isla de los Estados (Staten Island) Reserve.

Kris Tompkins, former CEO and one of the founders of the Patagonia clothing company, created the Patagonia Land Trust in 2000 with a mission to “buy, restore and conserve important habitat in Patagonia before it’s too late.” **Yendegaia National Park** is the result of a public-private collaboration between Kris and husband Doug Tompkins’ conservation project, and the Government of Chile. By special permission, we’ll have Yendegaia’s untrammled beauty, wildlife and scenic wonders to ourselves.



Black-browed albatross.

Karukinka Natural Park is a private park in Chilean Tierra del Fuego, donated to the Wildlife Conservation Society by Goldman Sachs. We have been granted special permission to visit it, as well, giving you two opportunities to experience first-hand the benefits of enlightened protection.

After several years of discussions, Lindblad Expeditions will be the first operator permitted to visit Argentina’s recently founded Provincial Reserve, named Staten Island by early Dutch explorers. With its massive rockhopper penguin colonies and stunning and diverse scenery, this island will likely rank high among your top nature travel experiences.

ROUNDING THE CAPE: CHILEAN PATAGONIA AND ARGENTINA'S STATEN ISLAND

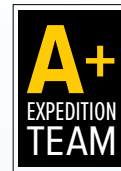
20 DAYS/17 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER
PRICES FROM: \$18,990 to \$35,500 (See pages 26-27 for complete prices.)

Venture deep into Chile's glorious fjords past incandescent icebergs and massive glaciers. From the "land of fire," Tierra del Fuego, to the jagged spires of Torres del Paine National Park, have a comprehensive Patagonia experience at close range aboard *National Geographic Explorer*. Plus enjoy the unprecedented opportunity to visit Argentina's Staten Island—*National Geographic Explorer* is one of the only ships ever permitted to visit this unique wild habitat since its recent designation by Argentina as a provincial reserve. And we also enjoy special access to its rockhopper penguin rookeries.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ See Patagonia's signature Torres del Paine National Park, with our naturalists.
- ▶ Explore the Chilean fjords by Zodiac, kayak and on foot.
- ▶ Venture through wildlife reserves not easily accessible to the public, including Yendegaia and Karukinka Natural Parks in Tierra del Fuego.
- ▶ By special permission, be one of the few people ever to explore Isla de los Estados (Staten Island), located at the extreme end of South America.
- ▶ Transit the legendary Beagle Channel and take in the view of Cape Horn.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



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A waddle of rockhopper penguins.



OCT. 8 AND 9: U.S./SANTIAGO, CHILE
Fly overnight to Santiago, and check in to the Grand Hyatt Hotel. The Andes form an inspiring backdrop to our guided overview. (Oct. 9: L)

OCT. 10: PUERTO MONTT/EMBARK
Fly from Santiago to Puerto Montt, Chile's northern gateway to Patagonia. Embark *National Geographic Explorer*. (B,L,D)

OCT. 11: CASTRO (CHILOÉ ISLAND)
See Chiloé's attractive *palafitos*, colorful fishermen's houses precariously built on stilts along the water's edge. (B,L,D)



Colorful palafitos, Chiloé Island.

OCT. 12: PUMALÍN NATIONAL PARK
Pumalín's 750,000 acres in Chilean Patagonia are protected as one of the last remaining areas of the unusual alerce forest, consisting of huge trees similar in size to California redwoods. Walk the park trails to see them up close. (B,L,D)

OCT. 13-16: THE INLAND PASSAGE & THE CHILEAN FJORDS

A vast area of snowcapped mountains, glaciers, thousands of islands, lakes, soaring granite walls, and waterfalls, the archipelago is virtually untouched by man. We make good use of our Zodiacs, kayaks and undersea technology. One highlight is the Pio XI Glacier, the longest glacier in the Southern Hemisphere outside Antarctica. Be on deck to look for condors as our ship transits the Kirke Narrows. (B,L,D)

OCT. 17: PUERTO NATALES/TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK
From Puerto Natales, drive to monumental Torres del Paine National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere. Discover one of the most spectacular and wildlife-rich areas in the Americas, covering 450,000 acres of glaciers, forests and grasslands, rivers and colorful lagoons. (B,L,D)



Pumalín's alerce forest.

OCT. 18-20: EXPLORING TIERRA DEL FUEGO/ KARUKINKA NATURAL PARK
Tierra del Fuego is one of Patagonia's crown jewels. We have special permission from the Wildlife Conservation Society to visit Karukinka Natural Park, home to nesting black-browed albatross, condors, and elephant seals. (B,L,D)

OCT. 21: THE CHILEAN FJORDS, BEAGLE CHANNEL & YENDEGAIA
Myriad fjords or senos indent the coast. We cruise deep into the senos, punctuated at the end by tidewater glaciers, to explore by Zodiac, kayak, and on foot. Transit the Beagle Channel to Yendegaia, a newly established park on Tierra del Fuego. (B,L,D)

OCT. 22: CAPE HORN
Today we visit Cape Horn, the southernmost tip of the continent, and, weather permitting, land there for panoramic views. (B,L,D)

OCT. 23-25: ISLA DE LOS ESTADOS (STATEN ISLAND), ARGENTINA
By special permission, *Explorer* will be one of the only expedition ships ever to visit extraordinary Staten Island. Its mountainous, forested landscapes and rugged fjords are beautiful. Spot colonies of southern rockhopper and Magellanic penguins, fur seals and sea lions. See the San Juan de Salvamento "lighthouse at the end of the world," which inspired Jules Verne's novel by the same name, along with the ruins of a penal colony. (B,L,D)

OCT. 26 AND 27: USHUAIA/ DISEMBARK/BUENOS AIRES/U.S.
Disembark in Ushuaia. Take a charter flight to Buenos Aires and connect to your overnight flight home. (Oct. 26: B,L)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2016 Oct. 8

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Add three days post-voyage at [Iguazú Falls](#), or choose a post-voyage extension to [Easter Island](#). See pages 22-23 or our website.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

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Torres del Paine.



Adult guanaco. Torres del Paine National Park.

“In the Chilean fjords, however, there will never be crowds. Their very remoteness puts them at risk, and not just from salmon farms and hydro dams. The risk is a lack of awareness, a forgetting that places as wild as Chilean Patagonia cannot survive without protection. Creating parks and reserves—even a UNESCO World Heritage site—may make a difference...”

*—Verlyn Klinkenborg’s *The Power of Patagonia*, National Geographic, February 2010*



Guest enjoying the majestic backdrop of Torres del Paine.

LEGENDARY VISTAS

Was it for this landscape of blue, green and silver, of granite spires, glaciers, lakes, mountains and daisy-filled meadows that poet Gerard Manley Hopkins wrote, “The world is charged with the grandeur of God?”

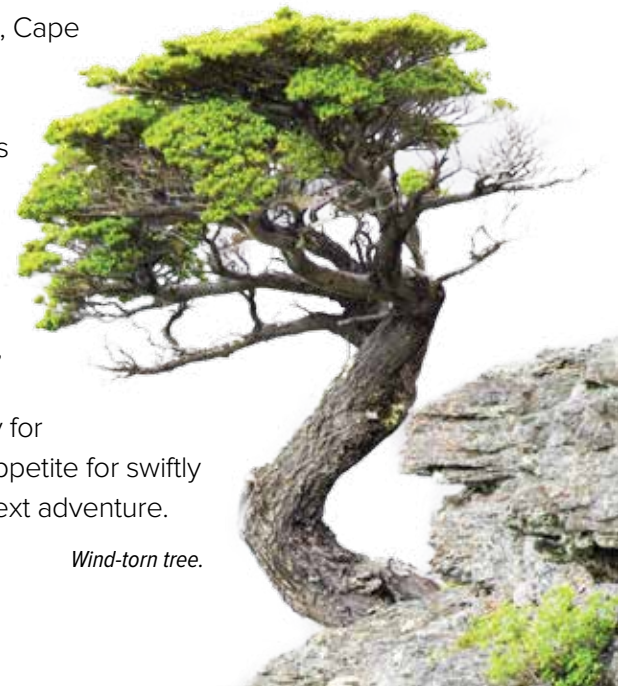


Southern caracaras.

Join our **Patagonian Treasures** expedition and you’ll experience Patagonian wonders on land and sea. We’ll savor a 3-day deep steep at

the architecture award-winning Tierra Patagonia Hotel, with its panoramic views of Torres del Paine National Park, in addition to an exhilarating coastal exploration aboard *NG Explorer*. Cruise into fjords, draw close to tidewater glaciers, and amid a myriad of other wonders, enjoy privileged access to parks including Karukinka and Yendegaia.

Post a ‘gone fishing’ sign on your office door to join **Exploring Chilean Patagonia** and be back renewed in no time. The crystalline air and panoramic vistas will revitalize you. And the images—digital or mental—you’ll return with of the Beagle Channel, Cape Horn, the Inland Passage, the hundred species of blue the ice can hold, black-browed albatross, the stately guanaco, will sustain your energy, capacity for life—and your appetite for swiftly planning your next adventure.



Wind-torn tree.

PATAGONIAN TREASURES: FROM TORRES DEL PAINE TO CAPE HORN

15 DAYS/12 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER
PRICES FROM: \$13,940 to \$21,710 (See pages 26-27 for complete prices.)

Optimize your Chilean Patagonia experience with this unique land and sea expedition. Spend three days at the superb Tierra Patagonia Hotel to savor the grandeur of Torres del Paine's sunrises and sunsets, its iconic landscapes and profusion of wildlife. Then explore fjords, glaciers and panoramic vistas aboard *National Geographic Explorer*. Venturing out on Zodiac forays, kayaking the pristine fjords, or hiking virgin trails, you'll breathe the rarified air of a near-mythic region. Enjoy special access to the vast parklands of Yendegaia and Karukinka. And check viewing legendary Cape Horn on your life list, as well.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Discover over several days the wildlife-rich, iconic landscapes of Torres del Paine, Patagonia's jewel. Stay at the superb Tierra Patagonia Hotel.
- ▶ Explore Buenos Aires (on the Oct. 24 departure) or Santiago (on the Oct. 27 departure).
- ▶ Transit the legendary Beagle Channel and see storied Cape Horn.
- ▶ Venture through wildlife reserves not easily accessible to the public, including Yendegaia and Karukinka Natural Parks in Tierra del Fuego.
- ▶ Zodiac cruise and kayak through the breathtaking Chilean fjords.

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Torres del Paine National Park.



DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires, Argentina's capital. Check in to the excellent Sofitel Buenos Aires Hotel before having a guided overview of the city, seeing its Beaux-Arts palaces and the famous balcony forever associated with Eva Perón. (Day 2: L)

DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES/USHUAIA/ EMBARK

Fly to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, via private charter. Join a catamaran cruise of the Beagle Channel before embarking our ship. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: CAPE HORN

Today we visit Cape Horn, the southernmost tip of the continent, and, weather permitting, land there for panoramic views. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: YENDEGAIA

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DAY 6: SENO PARRY

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DAY 7: TIERRA DEL FUEGO, CHILE: KARUKINKA NATURAL PARK

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Rhea pair.

DAYS 8 AND 9: EXPLORING THE INLAND PASSAGE & THE CHILEAN FJORDS

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Tierra Patagonia Hotel.

DAYS 10-12: DISEMBARK PUERTO NATALES/TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK

Disembark the ship in Puerto Natales, and drive to monumental Torres del Paine National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere reserve. Spend three days discovering one of the most spectacular and wildlife-rich areas in the Americas, covering 450,000 acres of glaciers, forests, grasslands, rivers, and colorful lagoons. Choose among a variety of possibilities, including walks and hikes, horseback riding, sailing among icebergs to the foot of the immense Grey Glacier, visiting the powerful Salto Grande waterfall, and seeing the towers of the central massif from the Blue Lagoon. Look out for guanacos, gray foxes, rheas and Andean condors. Stay at the outstanding Tierra Patagonia Hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: TORRES DEL PAINE/PUERTO NATALES

Drive to Puerto Natales, stopping at the renowned Milodón Cave, where remains of an extinct giant sloth were found, and spend the night at the Remota. (B,L,D)

DAYS 14 AND 15: PUNTA ARENAS/ SANTIAGO/U.S.

Drive to Punta Arenas. Take a charter flight to Santiago and connect to your overnight flight home. (Day 14: B,L)



EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATE: 2016 Oct. 24, Oct. 27*

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Puerto Natales' colorful waterfront.

EXPLORING CHILEAN PATAGONIA: PEAKS, GLACIERS, AND FJORDS

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PRICES FROM: \$8,950 to \$16,720 (See pages 26-27 for complete prices.)

In the compact timeframe of a week away from the office, you can experience the peerless fjords, glaciers and panoramic vistas that make Chilean Patagonia one of the most lauded nature destinations on Earth. Exposing you to the ‘best of’ highlights, like the stunning Beagle Channel, massive glaciers and more, this perfectly-paced expedition also brings you into the seldom-seen natural splendors of natural parks Yendegaia and Karukinka. Cap off your expedition with the sight of legendary Cape Horn for a hard-to-top-this photo op.

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Bernal glacier.



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We'll see massive southern elephant seals.

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Kayaking in Patagonia.



Tierra del Fuego.



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DATE: 2016 Oct. 24, Oct. 31*

**This departure travels in the opposite direction, starting with a night in Santiago, Chile, then sailing aboard National Geographic Explorer from Puerto Natales to Ushuaia. Visit our website for details.*

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Add three days pre- or post-voyage at **Iguazú Falls** (depending on direction) or choose a post-voyage extension to **Easter Island**. See pages 22-23.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

Michael Melford is an expert in all aspects of digital photography with several *National Geographic* covers to his credit. Join him on both departures.



OPTIONAL EXPEDITION EXTEN

IGUAZÚ FALLS

PRE- OR POST-EXTENSION: 3 DAYS/3 NIGHTS

2016 PRICES*: Double Occupancy: \$2,790; Sole Occupancy: \$3,490

**To be added to the cost of the voyage. Airfare not included.*

Taller than Niagara, Iguazú Falls' monumental Devil's Throat thunders 350 feet down into a river canyon—an incredible display of raw power that's felt as much as it's seen. From our base at the only hotel within Iguazú National Park, we'll experience the falls and surrounding subtropical forest that's home to over 450 bird species. This extension can be taken after *Rounding the Cape: Chilean Patagonia & Argentina's Staten Island*. Depending on departure date, a pre- or post-extension is available for the 11- and 15-day Patagonia voyages.



Toco toucan.

The spectacular view of Iguazú Falls.



SIONS TO EXPLORE MORE

EASTER ISLAND

POST-EXTENSION: 4 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

2016 PRICES*: Double Occupancy From: \$4,190;

Sole Occupancy From: \$5,140

**To be added to the voyage cost. Chilean immigration fee, all airfares are not included. NOTE: Due to airline schedules, you may be required to spend an extra night in Buenos Aires. Additional costs will apply. Ask for details.*

Visit one of the most mysterious places on Earth—Easter Island, home to more than 600 giant *moai* or stone statues carved by the ancient Rapa Nui. Join an archaeologist to walk among the statues, now the only sentinels of a long-lost culture, and learn about the people who made their lives for generations on this intriguing island in the remote Pacific. This extension can be taken after all three voyages.



Above: Guest photographing fallen moai head and red scoria topknot at Ahu Akahanga on Easter Island.

Below: The giant statues, or moai, are said to be the largest ancient monuments in the Pacific.





THE LUXURY OF COMFORT

National Geographic Explorer provides a welcoming home in faraway lands. Decorated in relaxing earth tones, her 81 cabins, including 4 suites with balconies, 9 cabins with balconies, and 14 solo cabins are inviting and rewarding—with deluxe bedding, our signature feather duvets and thick terry robes. All cabins feature flat screen TVs with movie programming, as well as channels broadcasting the live feed from our remote-controlled crow's nest camera, and our electronic chart system. And all cabins are equipped with Ethernet connections, plugs for laptops and phone or camera chargers.

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*Top left: section of suite with balcony.
Bottom left: the Fitness Center with panoramic views and a classic Swedish sauna make the Wellness Spa at the top of the ship a perfect place to end an active day. Top right: Explorer's Library, brimming with definitive guides, books, novels, and gorgeously illustrated coffee table books, is a comfortable place to read or study a topic.*



Left: Hotel Manager Henrik Ahlberg welcomes you. Above: the strikingly plated dishes dazzle daily, with healthy options from wholesome to indulgent.



Upper deck cabin with balcony.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

THE WORLD'S ULTIMATE EXPEDITION SHIP

National Geographic Explorer is a state-of-the-art expedition ship and the flagship of the Lindblad fleet. It is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, with an ice-reinforced hull, enabling it to navigate remote passages while providing exceptional comfort.

Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.	Rounding the Cape: Chilean Patagonia and Argentina's Staten Island	Patagonian Treasures: From Torres del Paine to Cape Horn	Exploring Chilean Patagonia: Peaks, Glaciers, and Fjords
CATEGORY 1: Main Deck with one or two Portholes #301-308	\$18,990	\$13,940	\$8,950
CATEGORY 2: Main Deck with Window #317-320, 335-336	\$20,420	\$14,600	\$9,610
CATEGORY 3: Main Deck with Window #313-316, 321-328, 337-340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350	\$21,250	\$14,980	\$9,990
CATEGORY 4: Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #103-104, 107-108, 201-202, 204-207, 210, 212, 217, 226, 228	\$22,520	\$15,610	\$10,620
CATEGORY 5: Upper Deck with Balcony #209, 211, 214, 216, 218, 220-222, 224	\$26,630	\$17,540	\$12,550
CATEGORY 6: Veranda Deck–Suite #101-102; Upper Deck–Suite with Balcony #213	\$30,990	\$19,640	\$14,650
CATEGORY 7: Upper Deck–Suite with Balcony #215, 219, 230	\$35,500	\$21,710	\$16,720
CATEGORY A SOLO: Main Deck with Window #309-312, 329-334	\$25,520	\$17,690	\$11,990
CATEGORY B SOLO: Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #105-106, 203, 208	\$26,560	\$18,190	\$12,490
CATEGORY 3 TRIPLE: Main Deck with Window #341, 343	*	*	*
Advanced Payment	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$1,000

Note: *Third person rates are available in the designated triple occupancy cabins at one-half the double occupancy rate. Cabins 341, 343, 101, 102, 215, 219, and 230 can accommodate a third person.

Sole occupancy: Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories A and B.

Shared accommodations: Available in Categories 1 and 2.

Note: Cabins 209, 211, 214, 216-218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 303-306 — These cabins have one queen-sized bed. All other double cabins have two lower single beds; some can convert to a queen-sized bed.

Rounding the Cape: Chilean Patagonia and Argentina's Staten Island—Includes one hotel night in Santiago. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: Miami/Santiago, Buenos Aires/Miami: Economy from \$1,390; Business from \$4,280. Charter airfare from \$665 (Santiago/Puerto Montt, Ushuaia/Buenos Aires).

Patagonian Treasures: From Torres del Paine to Cape Horn—Includes one hotel night in Buenos Aires (Oct. 24 departure) or Santiago (Oct. 27 departure), one hotel night in Puerto Natales, three hotel nights in Torres del Paine. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: Miami/Buenos Aires, Santiago/Miami: Economy from \$1,390; Business from \$4,280. Charter airfare from \$805 (Buenos Aires/Ushuaia and Punta Arenas/Santiago, or vice versa).

Exploring Chilean Patagonia: Peaks, Glaciers, and Fjords—Includes one hotel night in Buenos Aires (Oct. 24 departure) or Santiago (Oct. 31 departure). Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: Miami/Buenos Aires, Santiago/Miami: Economy from \$1,390; Business from \$4,280. Charter airfare from \$805 (Buenos Aires/Ushuaia and Punta Arenas/Santiago, or vice versa).



Standard bathroom.



Spacious solo cabin.



Main deck cabin with window.

All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies. Decorated in relaxing earth tones, with deluxe bedding, all cabins feature flat screen TVs with movie programming, as well as Ethernet connections and plugs for laptops or camera chargers.

CAPACITY: 148 guests in 81

outside cabins. **REGISTRY:** Bahamas

OVERALL LENGTH: 367 feet

PUBLIC AREAS: Bistro bar; restaurant; chart room; global gallery; library, lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for videos and presentations; mudroom with lockers for expedition gear, observation lounge and Internet café.

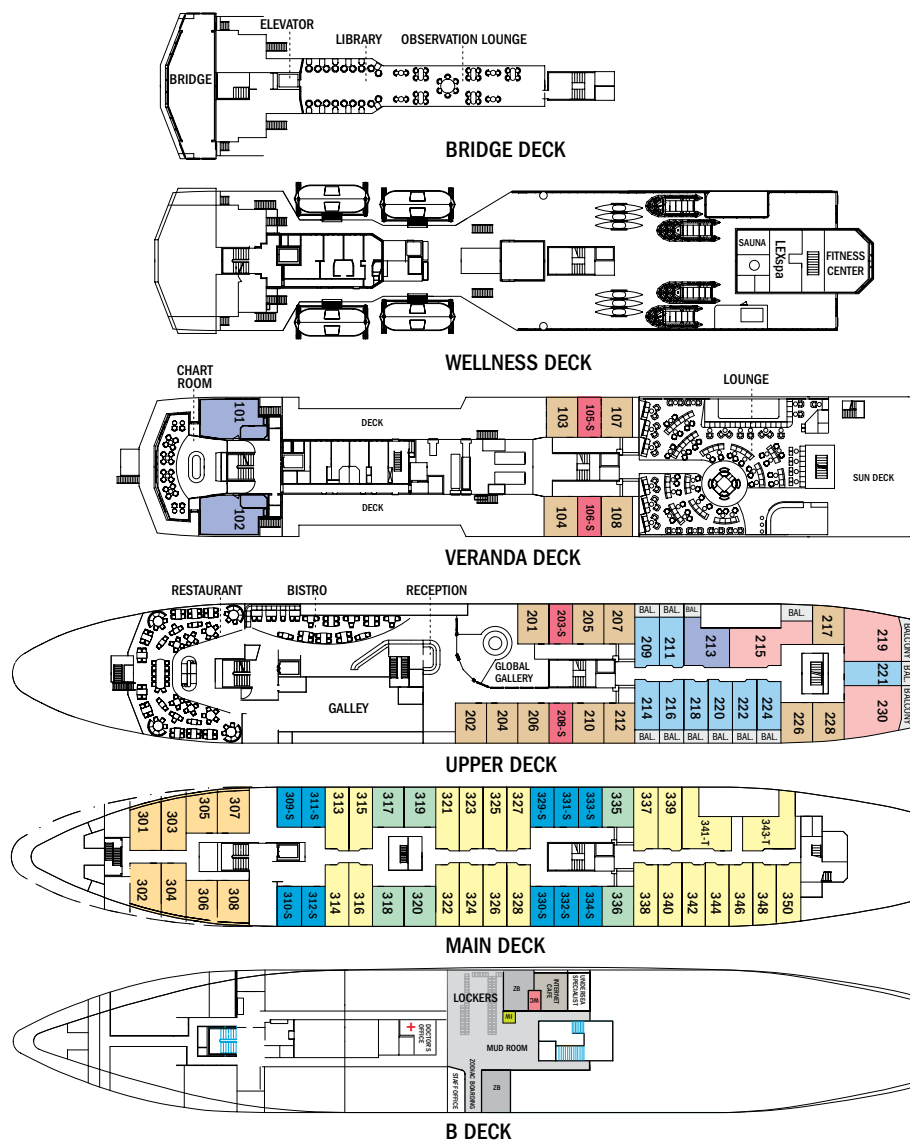
OPEN BRIDGE: Provides guests with an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

MEALS: Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Menu is international with local flair.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: 13 Zodiac landing craft, 36 double kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, SplashCam, underwater video camera, crow's nest remote controlled camera, video microscope.

WELLNESS: The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features a glass-enclosed fitness center, outdoor stretching area, two LEXspa treatment rooms and a sauna.

SPECIAL FEATURES: A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, LEX/NG-certified photo instructor and video chronicler. Laundry service available.



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BRINGING THE KIDS: We believe sharing an expedition with your kids or grandkids is a life-enhancing experience. So, take \$500 off for each child under the age of 18.

COMBINING OFFERS: Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings!



INCLUSIVE PRICING

We include just about everything you have the opportunity to do as part of your expedition aboard ship and ashore. The only things not included are those of a personal nature—alcohol, internet usage, tips to the crew, wellness treatments and other specialized arrangements.

ABOARD SHIP

- ✓ All meals and non-alcoholic beverages
- ✓ Cappuccinos, lattes & complimentary refillable water bottle
- ✓ 24-hour coffee, tea & soda on demand
- ✓ Hors d'oeuvres & snacks during lounge recap
- ✓ Sauna
- ✓ Fitness center
- ✓ Fully stocked library
- ✓ The guidance and company of our expedition staff

ASHORE

- ✓ Meals on land, as indicated in itinerary
- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
- ✓ Transfers to and from group flights
- ✓ The expertise of our expedition staff

ACTIVITIES

- ✓ All excursions
- ✓ Zodiac & kayak explorations
- ✓ Lectures & presentations in the lounge



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Not Included: Air transportation (except where shown as included), extensions, passport, visa, immigration fees, meals not indicated, travel protection plan, items of a personal nature, such as alcoholic beverages, e-mail, voyage DVD, laundry. Gratuities to ship's crew are at your discretion.

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Reservations: To reserve your place, an advance payment is required at the time of reservation. The per person advance payment amount varies by program: \$2,500 for the 20-day voyage; \$1,500 for the 15-day; and \$1,000 for the 11-day voyage. Payment is accepted by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or by check.

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Final Payment: Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. Payment schedules may vary for certain longer voyages, due to high demand for these voyages. We reserve the right to cancel your reservation if payment has not been received by final payment due date.

Travel Protection Plan: We strongly recommend that you take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, medical assistance, and damaged or lost baggage, and provides medical assistance and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. and Canadian residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date. Travel Protection premiums are non-refundable once plan is purchased.

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CANCELLATION POLICY

Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start	Per Person Cancellation Fee
180 or more days	\$750*
179–120 days	Advance payment cost
119–90 days	25% of trip cost
89–60 days	50% of trip cost
59–0 days	No refund

*\$750 will be rewarded in the form of a Lindblad Expeditions Travel Certificate.

This cancellation policy applies to expeditions as well as pre- or post- extensions.

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Cancellation policy for certain longer voyages and Holiday departures may vary due to high demand for these voyages. Our Group cancellation policies are listed in the Terms and Conditions section of our website, or you may call us for details. We stress the importance of purchasing a travel protection plan to protect yourself from fees in the event you need to cancel your reservation.

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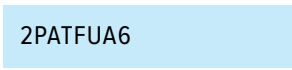
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