ANTARCTICA

ONCE IN A LIFETIME | ONCE IN A CENTURY

CELEBRATING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE IMPERIAL TRANS-ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION
Dear Traveler,

A century ago there was much interest globally in Antarctica. Roald Amundsen reached the geographic South Pole on December 11, 1911. Robert Falcon Scott reached the Pole on January 17, 1912 only to realize that his rival, Amundsen, had gotten there first.

Scott and his four other expedition members perished on their return to the coast, while Amundsen and all his men survived. This rivalry and its outcome has been written about, studied and debated ever since.

There is no doubt that Sir Ernest Shackleton took note of the contrast between these two leaders, which might well have played a part in planning for his Imperial Trans-Antarctic expedition that he described as ‘the one remaining great object of Antarctic journeying’—crossing the Antarctic continent on foot via the South Pole.

He set off from Plymouth, England aboard Endurance on August 8, 1914 and, while he never accomplished his mission, his expedition was perhaps the most remarkable tale of adventure and leadership ever, and has also been written about and studied about for a century.

We have always been inspired by the great explorers—not only their vision and their imagination, but as mentors. It is they who remind us of the wonder and the inherent dangers that Antarctica is capable of serving up—and that includes my father, Lars-Eric Lindblad, who had the foresight and the courage to be the first to bring citizen explorers here nearly a half century ago.

Of course now, we as a company know more and have better tools—and also have men and women who are the best and the brightest in today's Antarctic exploration. They navigate and lead our expeditions on our two Antarctic-bound ships, know their history and have plenty of it themselves. They will share the wonders with you responsibly and safely.

Antarctica is the greatest expression of wildness on planet Earth. And to go there during the centennial of Shackleton’s famed expedition is a wonderful touch of inspiration.

I hope you will choose to join us this season.

All the best,

Sven-Olof Lindblad

PS. I’m sure you’ve heard about the Russian icebreaker Akademik Shokoloskiy that was icebound in Antarctica. It’s important to note that the Commonwealth Bay region, where this happened, has very different climate features than the Antarctic Peninsula we explore, which is the most northerly part of the continent. The Peninsula provides many more options to choose routes based on prevailing ice conditions and, because of its more benign latitude, also has the greatest amount of wildlife on the continent.
Sir Ernest Shackleton (right) and photographer Frank Hurley at Patience Camp sit before a tent on the ice floe.
In 1914 Ernest Shackleton and a crew of 27 stalwart individuals attempted to undertake what Shackleton described as “the one remaining great object of Antarctic journeying”—crossing the continent on foot from the Weddell Sea to the Ross Sea via the South Pole. While disaster famously beset the *Endurance* expedition, Shackleton, through extraordinary leadership and dogged, relentless effort, lost none of his men; all were saved in 1916.

The legendary tale of how he accomplished this is still taught in the best military and business schools on the planet. And it has inspired us as an expedition company, since Lars-Eric Lindblad took the first group of ‘citizen explorers’ to Antarctica in 1966. Shackleton’s leadership model underlies everything about us: the Ice Masters and expedition teams we assign, the guiding principles we adhere to, and the high degree of respect and caution we bring to voyaging in the untamed wildness of Antarctica.

Our expedition team has given guests a stirring presentation on the Shackleton expedition every season since our beginning. And no Lindblad-National Geographic expedition to South Georgia is complete without a pilgrimage to Shackleton’s gravesite and a whisky toast.* So, taking advantage of the Centennial to honor him is simply another chance to do what our hearts and minds do annually.

However, the Centennial creates a fresh opportunity—to illuminate another fascinating, possibly less familiar, aspect of the *Endurance* story.

The team Shackleton recruited for his expedition included engineers, a geologist, a meteorologist, a biologist, a physicist, an artist, and a photographer. We know from Shackleton’s own and other accounts that much valuable scientific data was collected, however all was lost when the *Endurance* sank.

What remains are the photographs taken by expedition photographer, Frank Hurley. Books by and about Shackleton’s expedition are many. But the fact we remain enthralled, moved, and are able to feel each individual personality involved some hundred years hence, is largely due to Frank Hurley. His vivid, authentic, compassionate, and stunning record of the people, the place and the experience, and his technical mastery, still thrill us all, even in this age of mega-pixel smartphones, sophisticated photo gear, and post-production software.

So, it is to Frank Hurley, expedition photographer extraordinaire, that we dedicate our 2014-15 Antarctic, South Georgia and the Falklands season. We invite you to join us this year, and to have your own experience of Antarctica’s wonders greatly enhanced by this homage.

*For more on this subject, please see page 22.
EXCLUSIVE ONBOARD CENTENNIAL EVENTS

Centennial Presentation Created by Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic photographer and writer Kim Heacox, the author of Shackleton: The Antarctic Challenge, this entertaining multi-media presentation will bring Frank Hurley to vivid life. Learn about his outsized personality, globe-spanning achievements, and the story behind his famous photos—as you get inside his experience in Antarctica 100 years ago.

Centennial Photo Ops & More After the presentation, guests are invited to go ashore with their National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructors—to hear stories about Hurley’s technical skills, toughness and artistic greatness, as they aim for their own iconic ship-in-Antarctica and other shots. Those who choose to hike in the spacious beauty of the Antarctic evening with a naturalist or historian will hear stories about how Shackleton’s men survived and what (beyond luck, leadership and daring) enabled them all to return home.
Expedition photography is in our DNA. Photographers accompanied all of Lars-Eric Lindblad’s pioneering expeditions. Sven Lindblad spent his formative years as a photographer in Africa; has published several books, worked on documentaries, and continues to shoot regularly, contributing to our photo library. And he has assigned photographers to every expedition we’ve undertaken.

Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic formed a meaningful and productive alliance in 2004. As a result, National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion, our polar ships, are the only ships voyaging in Antarctica with top National Geographic photographers aboard every departure.

With significant careers to their credit, these multi-published pros are there to inspire, advise and assist guests of all skill and interest levels. In addition, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor is on hand to help novice enthusiasts understand their camera and its settings, the basics of composition, and wildlife behavior, so they can be in the right place at the right time. Our on-board Expedition Photography Program also includes slideshows, photo critiques, and other photo-sharing events for all to enjoy. It’s fun and infectious—guests who never thought of themselves as photographers get caught up in the joy of “aim & create.” So whether you use a smartphone, a point & shoot, or a sophisticated DSLR, count on returning home with improved skills, confidence, and your best shots ever.

MEET THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS AND PHOTO INSTRUCTORS ON OUR 2014-15 DEPARTURES ON PAGE 21.
Endurance among great blocks of ice.

An up-close encounter with a minke whale. Kayakers observe a Weddell seal on the ice.
“...nine splendid bergs. One mighty specimen was shaped like the rock of Gibraltar but with steeper cliffs, and another had a natural dock that would’ve contained the Aquitania:* A spur of ice closed the entrance to the huge blue pool. Hurley brought out his cinematograph-camera, in order to make a record of these bergs.”

—ERNEST SHACKLETON, SOUTH: THE STORY OF ERNEST SHACKLETON’S 1914-1917 EXPEDITION

21ST-CENTURY POLAR EXPLORING

The ice in all its myriad forms. The penguins and their endlessly amusing antics—gabbling in their rookeries, bobbing by on a blue berg, or catapulting onto shore after a day of feeding at sea. Sleek leopard seals, genial-looking predators, sunning themselves on floes. The doe-eyed crabeater seals. The lethally beautiful killer whales slicing through the water like a pack of hunting knives. And the jet-black mountains shooting straight from the sea to improbable, white-laced heights.

Every facet of Antarctica is thrilling, and heart-achingly lovely.

Its vastness is both humbling and uplifting. Its silence both daunting and among the greatest gifts this noisy world can give you. It is like nothing and nowhere else. It must be seen to be believed.

Discover it on personal encounters, and share the experience with like-minded others.

*A Cunard ship, nicknamed “Ship Beautiful,” the Aquitania embarked her maiden voyage from London to New York on May 30, 1914. Shackleton embarked his expedition on August 1, 1914 and therefore would have been aware of the publicity attending her launch. His reference was likely as much about the beauty of the blue pool as it was about the scale.
“The only return and privilege an Explorer has in the way of acknowledgement for the help accorded him is to record on the discovered lands the names of those to whom the Expedition owes its being.”

—ERNEST SHACKLETON, SOUTH
Ernest Shackleton, in the time-honored tradition of exploration, assigned the names of his benefactors to the map of Antarctica he and his men ‘drew’ by right of discovery. These place names stand recorded and honored today: Caird Coast and Beardmore Glacier are two of the better known. In the hundred years since his expedition, nearly all of the remaining blank spaces in the world have been filled in, named by explorer after explorer. However, there is one instance in Antarctica in which the acknowledgment flowed to, not from, the explorer.

In 1996, the U.S. Board on Geographic Names recognized Lars-Eric Lindblad’s contribution to Antarctica by officially designating a section of Charcot Bay as “Lindblad Cove.” Their letter stated that, “A noted conservationist, Mr. Lindblad operated the first cruise to Antarctica in 1966 and was a leader in the concept of expedition tourism as a means of environmental awareness.”

During our Antarctic season, *National Geographic Explorer* occasionally calls at Lindblad Cove, where a toast is invariably made to the memory of Lars-Eric by the ship’s staff, some of whom first traveled to Antarctica with him on board the *Lindblad Explorer*. 

**Lindblad Cove**

63° 51' S, 59° 27' W
The voyage of the James Caird, Endurance’s lifeboat, launched from Elephant Island to South Georgia, a distance of 800 nautical miles. Undertaken by Shackleton and five companions, its objective was to obtain rescue for the crew trapped on Elephant Island after the loss of Endurance.

A vast colony of king penguins and fuzzy chicks, South Georgia.

A pair of southern elephant seals.
What did We see, do? What Was the Weather like? read our daily expedition reports for an unvarnished account of past seasons.

GO FURTHER, TO SOUTH GEORGIA & THE FALKLANDS

“...This record of the voyage to South Georgia is based upon scanty notes made day by day. The notes dealt usually with bare facts of distances, positions, and weather, but our memories retained the incidents of the passing days in a period never to be forgotten.”

—ERNEST SHACKLETON, SOUTH

Dense colonies of king penguins, fur seals, elephant seals, and macaroni penguins. Slopes thick with grey-headed, black-browed, wandering and light-mantled sooty albatross—nearly a third of all birds of the species nest here—and that’s only South Georgia. Add the Falklands, with its colonies of rockhopper penguins, windward ledges filled with albatross, and the resolute Englishness of the sheep camps dotting the landscape, and you have one of the most life-enhancing travel experiences on the planet.

Why stop at Antarctica when there is this much more to discover? Follow in Shackleton’s footsteps and explore more. National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion both offer a convenient number of dates for this longer voyage (see pages 30-31).

WHAT DID WE SEE, DO? WHAT WAS THE WEATHER LIKE? READ OUR DAILY EXPEDITION REPORTS FOR AN UNVARNISHED ACCOUNT OF PAST SEASONS. GO TO EXPEDITIONS.COM/DER AND SELECT ANTARCTICA.
“A jagged line of peaks with a gap like a broken tooth confronted us. This was the ridge that runs in a southerly direction from Fortuna Bay, and our course Eastward to Stromness lay across it. A very steep slope led up to the ridge and an icy wind burst through the gap.”

—ERNEST SHACKLETON, SOUTH

JAMES BALOG is a photographer who has redefined the notion of environmental photography. He initiated the Extreme Ice Survey (EIS) in 2007, the most wide-ranging ground-based photographic glacier study ever conducted.

In an unprecedented collaboration, we are enabling the EIS team to extend their ice-monitoring activities, by helping them place time-lapse cameras on the seventh continent.
James Balog and his team will travel with us, and our guests, on the February 15, 2014 departure aboard National Geographic Explorer to set up their cameras overlooking numerous glaciers on the Antarctic Peninsula and South Georgia Island, and to train our expedition team. For the next five years, members of our expedition staff will be acting as adjuncts to Balog’s team—monitoring the cameras and facilitating the ongoing collection of photographs.

It’s a privilege for us to assist Balog and his team, and it’s a great opportunity for our guests to be part of the cutting edge of climate science today.

The EIS project was featured in the June 2007, June 2010, and Oct. 2013 issues of National Geographic magazine, and in the 2009 NOVA documentary Extreme Ice. The feature-length film Chasing Ice, premiered at the 2012 Sundance film festival and subsequently went into worldwide distribution, enabling millions of people to see the startling evidence of climate change the EIS team amassed. Balog’s 2012 book Ice: Portraits of the World’s Vanishing Glaciers summarizes the work of the Extreme Ice Survey through 2012.
It's in the spring season (Nov.-Dec.) when the captain can adroitly “park” National Geographic Explorer, allowing guests to disembark directly on the ice.
ULTIMATE POLAR EXPEDITION SHIPS

National Geographic Explorer, flagship of the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet, is a purpose-built expedition ship, and the only newly converted ship whose design is informed by 45+ years of Lindblad’s polar expedition experience, plus the collective 170 years of expedition experience the Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic alliance represents.

National Geographic Orion, the most recent addition to the fleet, is also a purpose-built expedition ship, commissioned in 2004 and constructed to traverse vast expanses of the Southern Ocean, from the tropics to the polar reaches.

Both are ice-class polar vessels, built to demanding technical specifications. Both are beautiful ships as well, designed with careful attention to details and comfort. Explorer accommodates 148 guests in 81 outside-facing cabins. Orion accommodates 102 guests in 53 outside-facing cabins. Both ships are equipped with state-of-the-art tools for exploration, making them each an unparalleled base for explorations, and enabling the fullest expression of our signature style: an intimate, learning-oriented expedition environment.

The captains of the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet are extraordinary mariners. For example, Leif Skog, Lindblad VP of Marine Operations and Master of the National Geographic Explorer, has been navigating vessels in Antarctica nearly every season since 1979. As Chairman of the IAATO Marine Committee (Int'l Assn. of Antarctic Tour Operators), he was a primary architect of the IAATO Emergency Contingency Plan for all vessels operating in Antarctica.
From left: Guests join the officers on the bridge to watch them navigate the Antarctic ice; our expedition staff assists guests on a Zodiac landing on the seventh continent; our innovative mobile platform lets us embark on a kayak exploration from virtually anywhere in the ice.
COOL TOOLS ABOARD ENSURE EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES

National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion are the only ships exploring Antarctica, South Georgia and the Falklands with this complete array of exploration tools. Combine these tools, designed to maximize your opportunities for up-close, personal adventures, with our generous expedition staff-to-guest 1:10 ratio and you have the opportunity for unprecedented and life-enhancing encounters with Antarctica’s beauty and wildness.

✓ A Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) that can explore depths of up to 1,000 feet to reveal the fascinating polar ocean
✓ A Remote-controlled Crow’s Nest Camera with real-time footage broadcast on high definition LCD video screens within each cabin
✓ An Electronic Chart System that broadcasts as a channel in the cabins
✓ A Chart Room with nautical maps and a coffee, tea, hot cocoa station
✓ Open Invitation to visit the Bridge to observe ship navigation first-hand
✓ The Observation Lounge, providing panoramic vistas of scenic destinations
✓ A Large Fleet of Mark-V Zodiaks can go almost anywhere, and are the finest and most tested expedition landing craft in the world.
✓ A Fleet of Double Kayaks (36 on Explorer; 24 on Orion) that allow guests to kayak in pristine environments. And a specially designed kayak launch platform enables kayak deployment from anywhere in the ice.
✓ A Professional Video Chronicler to capture every facet of your unique adventure, and make a professionally edited DVD available for purchase by departure
TRAVEL WITH AN A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

The comment cards we receive from guests after every voyage consistently express the same sentiments: “Outstanding expedition staff.” Our expedition leaders, known as ELs to staff and guests alike, are exceptional leaders who attract and inspire the naturalists, marine biologists, geologists, historians, climatologists, and undersea specialists who accompany our voyages. Collectively, these specialists have hundreds of years of experience, and many are long-tenured polar veterans. They are the informative experts with whom explorers want to travel repeatedly; and the engaging conversationalists with whom curious travelers want to share drinks or dinner.

Here is a partial list of staff during our Antarctic season: clockwise from top left: expedition leader Lisa Kelley; Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructors Michael Nolan & CT Ticknor; polar naturalists Eric Guth, Jason Kelley and Karen Copeland.

Please visit www.expeditions.com/expertbios and select your itinerary to learn which staff is traveling on your departure.

1.800.EXPEDITION (1.800.397.3348)
Explorer and Orion are equipped with a ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) capable of exploring depths up to 1,000 feet to capture vibrant footage for viewing in the lounge.

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE OCEAN WHILE STAYING COMPLETELY DRY

Inspired by Jacques Cousteau, Sylvia Earle, Bob Ballard and other National Geographic explorers, National Geographic Explorer and Orion are the only expedition ships that travel with an undersea specialist. They dive with a video camera and bring back footage for all to watch in vivid HD, in the dry warmth and comfort of the lounge, perhaps with a cocktail in hand and hors d’oeuvres at the ready. Always interesting, it can also be a revelation—the Antarctic footage you see may be of marine life few scientists, or human eyes for that matter, have ever seen.
SHARE THE EXPERIENCE WITH ENGAGING FELLOW EXPLORERS

The guest speakers in our Global Perspectives Program add relevant insight and personal experience to the expedition community. Each individual has chosen to join us, specifically to go exploring along with our staff and guests. Whether it’s on walks, over cocktails or during dinner, you’re sure to find mutual ground for interesting conversations. And enjoy, over the course of the voyage, the pleasure of discovering how much you have in common with so many.

JARED DIAMOND
National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence, scientist and Pulitzer Prize-winning author, he is best known for his popular science books, including *Guns, Germs, and Steel*.
- Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falklands, Feb. 14, 2015

KENDRICK TAYLOR
Chief Scientist for a project that is investigating the role of greenhouse gases in climate change and the stability of the Antarctic ice sheet.
- Antarctica, Nov. 28, 2014

PETER HILLARY
Born into mountaineering royalty, Peter was a member of the National Geographic 50th Anniversary Everest Expedition. He has summited the highest mountain on each of the seven continents and established a new overland route to the South Pole.
- Antarctica, Feb. 6, 2015
- Antarctica, South Georgia, Falklands, Feb. 16, 2015

EDWARD LARSON
Pulitzer Prize-winning author. His latest book is *An Empire of Ice: Scott, Shackleton, and the Heroic Age of Antarctic Science*.
- Antarctica, Jan. 17 & 27, 2015

JOE MCCONNELL
Environmental scientist working in the Arctic and Antarctic. His U.S. National Science Foundation-funded work focuses on ice core studies of climate and human impacts.
- Antarctica, Dec. 8, 2014

FEN MONTAIGNE
Journalist and author of *Fraser's Penguins: A Journey to the Future in Antarctica*, his account of working with ecologist Bill Fraser on the impact of warming on Adelie penguins.
- Antarctica, Dec. 28, 2014
There is no clearer symbol of the everlasting connection between expedition and photography than the presence of a National Geographic photographer aboard every *National Geographic Explorer* and *Orion* voyage. Travel with these top pros and you’ll pick up tips and advice in incredible field conditions. You’ll share every photo op, and you might just land some cover-worthy shots yourself.

Joining us this season are National Geographic photographers Chris Rainier, Michael Melford, Kevin Schafer, Tim Laman, Rich Reid, Sisse Brimberg and Cotton Coulson.

[MEET THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS AT EXPEDITIONS.COM/ANTARCTICAPHOTOGRAPHERS](expeditions.com/antarcticaphotographers)
In February 2007, the New Zealand Antarctic Heritage Trust made a stunning discovery: they uncovered two crates of Mackinlay’s Rare Old Highland Malt, remnants of the original 25 cases Ernest Shackleton ordered to provision his 1907-1909 Nimrod expedition, frozen in the Antarctic ice. After satisfying an international protocol, Whyte and Mackay were able to recreate this whisky and issue it in limited release, with a portion of funds from its sales donated to the Antarctic Heritage Trust.

In honor of the Shackleton Centennial, we have provisioned National Geographic Explorer and Orion with this legendary whisky. We’ll pour it with compliments, for a toast to commemorate the enduring spirit of the Heroic Age of Exploration.
Our hotel managers and head chefs are integral to every expedition—as important to the intricate calculus of happiness aboard our ships as the expedition leaders and the captains. Their ability to respond flexibly keeps our vital expeditionary spirit fed, so to speak. You can eagerly rush to the deck for a spontaneous dinner hour wildlife sighting, without worry that it’s wreaking havoc in the kitchen: dinner will still be superb.

Like the ships’ connectedness to the outdoors, each meal is a window of sorts, reflecting the region through fresh ingredients sourced locally from providers who act sustainably. Whether you’re hiking the tussock grasses in the Falklands to see nesting black-browed albatross, photographing penguins in Antarctica or elephant seals in South Georgia, you’re building an appetite—for food, comfort and personal service—these team members are dedicated to satisfying.

Serge Dansereau, owner and chef of Sydney’s beautiful Bather’s Pavilion restaurant, has been a transformative force in Australian cuisine since the ‘80s. His commitment to natural foods, sustainable producers and responsibly harvested seafood mirrors Lindblad National Geographic’s own. The force behind Orion’s celebrated menus, he will continue to design National Geographic Orion’s menus, and train her kitchen and wait staff.
Decorated in relaxing earth tones, *National Geographic Explorer* has 81 cabins, including 4 suites with balconies, 9 cabins with balconies, and 14 solo cabins, and all are inviting and rewarding. *National Geographic Orion*’s private spaces are as alluring as her public ones. Decorated in rich jewel tones, she has 53 cabins, including 10 suites with balconies, and four solo cabins.

All cabins feature deluxe bedding, our signature feather duvets and thick terry robes. In addition, each has a flat screen TV 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 your own laptop and phone or camera charger.

**THE PERFECT ENDING TO ACTIVE DAYS**

Learn more about our ships at: expeditions.com/ngexplorer, or expeditions.com/ngorion
Clockwise, from right: The library is a relaxing place to read or study a topic; have a massage in the spa to unwind; hear talks from staff in the lounge, shown here aboard Explorer.

A category 5 balcony suite aboard Orion.
The entire crew poses in front of the Endurance for Frank Hurley’s camera.
ENTER INTO THE SHACKLETON CENTENNIAL SPIRIT ON US

Exclusively ours and designed specifically for this Centennial expedition season, this unique expedition parka combines the best of then and now. Based on historic expedition wear, including the parka worn by Lars-Eric Lindblad on the cover of his autobiography, *Passage To Anywhere*, our parka combines vintage style with high-tech fabrication for maximum comfort. Complete with commemorative patches, it’s the ultimate souvenir of your adventure, a “red badge of courage,” so to speak, and a keepsake you’ll be proud to own. Your parka will be waiting for you aboard the ship in Ushuaia.

(Designs shown are for illustrative purposes only; actual details may vary slightly.)

BE INSPIRED—WITH OUR COMPLIMENTS

First published in 1959, *Endurance: Shackleton’s Incredible Voyage* by American journalist, Alfred Lansing, is considered by many the definitive account of Shackleton’s 1914-1917 expedition. It’s a rousing pre-read, or to enjoy in the ship’s observation lounge with a 360° view of Antarctica. Our “Thank You” to you for choosing to explore Antarctica with us, it will be sent prior to your departure.

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14 DAYS/11 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER
PRICES FROM: $12,350 to $23,560 (See page 34 for complete prices.)

Traveling aboard the state-of-the-art National Geographic Explorer, encounter the spectacular Antarctic Peninsula and the surrounding islands and waterways. Glide around enormous tabular icebergs by Zodiac, walk along beaches covered with thousands of penguins, and kayak amid abundant marine life.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS
▶ View magnificent mountains, towering icebergs, and ice formations that make up the dramatic Antarctic landscape.
▶ Cruise aboard sturdy Zodiac landing craft in search of leopard seals.
▶ Kayak in protected waters, paddling around icebergs as penguins swim nearby.
▶ Walk on shore amid thousands of penguins, including gentoo, Adélie, and chinstrap.
▶ Explore the world’s last great wilderness in the company of a team of top naturalists.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE
Our unparalleled expedition team is key to an in-depth experience, and our generous expedition staff-to-guest ratio of 1:10 means more choice in activities, and more diverse personalities and interests you can gravitate to. An expedition leader, 8 naturalists/historians, a National Geographic photographer, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, a Global Perspectives guest speaker, an undersea specialist, a video chronicler, and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the wonders.

Visit our website to read staff and guest speaker bios for this expedition.

Gentoo penguins.
DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA
Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires, Argentina’s cosmopolitan capital. Settle into the Caesar Park Hotel (MGallery) before taking a guided overview of the city, seeing its Beaux-Arts palaces, grand boulevards, and the famous balcony forever associated with Eva Peron.

DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES/USHUAIA/EMBARK
Fly by private charter to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, and enjoy lunch on a catamaran cruise of the Beagle Channel. Then embark the National Geographic Explorer and set sail. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: AT SEA/DRAKE PASSAGE
While crossing the legendary Drake Passage, spot albatross and other seabirds that glide alongside the ship. (B,L,D)

DAYS 5–10: EXPLORING ANTARCTICA
With long hours of daylight at this time of year, we have ample opportunity to explore the Antarctic Peninsula and the surrounding islands. In keeping with the nature of an expedition, the schedule is flexible so that we can take advantage of the unexpected—watching whales perform off the bow, taking an after-dinner Zodiac cruise, or heading out on an extra landing during the day. We anticipate making several Zodiac landings each day to hike, kayak among the icebergs, and experience close encounters with wildlife. You may have the thrill of watching our powerful ship crunch through the pack ice, or step ashore to the cries of thousands of gentoo penguins. You’ll learn how climate change affects the penguin populations, and how best to capture images of those same penguins from a National Geographic photographer. Back aboard, our undersea specialist may present video from that day’s dive or show rare images taken up to 1,000 feet below the surface using our ROV. Our expert staff will craft an expedition where you will learn more, see more and experience more. (B,L,D)

DAYS 11 AND 12: AT SEA
Enjoy the ship’s amenities as the Antarctic coast disappears from view. Round the southernmost tip of South America, and see the meeting of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Celebrate your voyage at a farewell dinner on board. (B,L,D)

DAYS 13 AND 14: USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/ DISEMBARK/BUENOS AIRES/U.S.
Disembark in Ushuaia. Fly to Buenos Aires and connect with your overnight flight home. (B,L)

EXPERIMENT DETAILS
DATES: 2014 Nov. 28; Dec. 8, 18, 28; 2015 Jan. 7, 17, 27; Feb. 6

SPECIAL OFFER:
Book by Jun. 30, 2014 on the Nov. 28 & Dec. 8, 2014 departures to receive free economy group airfare Miami/Buenos Aires/Miami. New bookings only, not combinable with other offers. See page 40 or call for full details.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS
Add four days post-voyage on Easter Island or three days post-voyage at Iguazú Falls, or two days pre-voyage to Buenos Aires. Visit our website, or see pages 32-33 for details.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS
Every departure travels with a National Geographic photographer. Travel with renowned photographers Sisse Brimberg and Cotton Coulson (Nov. 28 & Dec. 8, 2014), or Michael Melford (Jan. 7 & 17, 2015). Learn more at expeditions.com/photo
ANTARCTICA, SOUTH GEORGIA, AND THE FALKLANDS

24 DAYS/21 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER AND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

PRICES FROM: $21,360 to $41,190 (See pages 34 & 36 for complete prices.)

This voyage has it all: the impossible beauty of Antarctic ice, the vast king penguin colonies of South Georgia, and the Falkland’s amazing bird colonies. Traveling aboard our ice-class expedition ships National Geographic Explorer or National Geographic Orion, spend five days discovering the Antarctic Peninsula. Stroll through lively crowds of penguins in stunning South Georgia, and hike the shores of the Falkland Islands. Experience boundless wildlife and captivating beauty as you venture into some of the planet’s most unspoiled landscapes.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

Our experienced expedition leader and team of eight naturalists are your conduit to an extraordinary experience. And the National Geographic photographer and LEX/NG-certified photo instructor on board, ours exclusively, are key to capturing the incredible wildlife. Our video chronicler will record the entire voyage. The undersea specialist will reveal the deep, while our wellness specialist helps you feel the “tonic of wildness.” Count on the Global Perspectives guest speaker for relevant insights.

EXpedition Highlights

▶ Trace the story of Sir Ernest Shackleton’s fateful journey to South Georgia, during the centennial anniversary year.
▶ See three distinct regions, and benefit from our 45+ years of experience here.
▶ Glide in a Zodiac or a kayak past massive icebergs.
▶ Walk amid 200,000 king penguins on a single beach.

Visit a vast colony of 200,000 king penguins.
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Fly to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, and enjoy lunch on a catamaran cruise of the Beagle Channel. Then embark your ship and set sail. (B,L,D)

DAYS 4: AT SEA
Settle into shipboard life as we sail to the Falkland Islands. Keep a lookout for albatross and other seabirds that glide alongside the ship. (B,L,D)

DAYS 5 AND 6: FALKLAND ISLANDS
The Falklands boast the largest black-browed albatross colony in the world, king cormorants, nesting rockhopper penguins, and Magellanics penguins in their green tussock grass burrows. Stroll the photogenic Victorian-style town of Port Stanley and visit the evocative Anglican Cathedral with its archway of whalebones. (B,L,D)

DAYS 7 AND 8: AT SEA (B,L,D)

DAYS 9-13: SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND
This is the final resting place for explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton and we’ll hoist a toast at his gravesite. Teeming wildlife and breathtaking scenery greet our ship. Hundreds of Antarctic fur seals are on hand as our Zodiacs make landfall. And at a vast penguin colony you’ll be surrounded by 200,000 king penguins! (B,L,D)

DAYS 14 AND 15: AT SEA (B,L,D)

DAYS 16-20: ANTARCTICA
With long hours of daylight, we make the most of our days exploring the Antarctic Peninsula and surrounding islands. Our schedule is flexible, allowing us to take advantage of the unexpected. We’ll sail through the incomparable Lemaire Channel and land on the “White Continent,” exploring via Zodiac, kayak and on foot, and using our arsenal of tools for exploration. (B,L,D)

DAYS 21 AND 22: AT SEA
On our final days at sea, enjoy one last chance to view the marine life of these southern waters. Toast our epic voyage at a festive farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

DAYS 23 AND 24: USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/DESEMBARK/BUENOS AIRES/U.S.
Disembark in Ushuaia. After time to explore, fly to Buenos Aires by private charter. Connect to your flight home, arriving the next day. (B,L)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DAYS (Explorer): 2014 Nov. 8; 2015 Feb. 16*
*This voyage travels in reverse.

SPECIAL OFFER:
Book by Jun. 30, 2014 and receive complimentary round-trip airfare (Miami/Buenos Aires) on the Nov. 8, 2014 Explorer departure. See page 40, or call for full details.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS
Add a three-day post-voyage extension at Iguazú Falls, or a four-day post-voyage extension on Easter Island, or two days pre-voyage to Buenos Aires. Visit our website or see pages 32-33.

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OPTIONAL POST-VoyAGE EXTENSION
IGUAZÚ FALLS

3 DAYS/3 NIGHTS

2014/15 PRICES*: Double Occupancy: $3,290; Sole Occupancy: $2,590

*To be added to the voyage cost. Airfares not included. Ask for details. The Iguazú Falls extension can be taken after departures of “Antarctica,” and “Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands.” Adds three nights to the voyage.

Taller than Niagara, Iguazú Falls is also twice as wide with 275 cascades spread in a horseshoe shape over nearly two miles of the Iguazú River. Situated in Iguazú National Park in northeastern Argentina, this nature sanctuary is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, owing to its beautiful subtropical forest, with 450 species of birds, including toucans and parrots, and butterflies, orchids and endangered jaguars. The monumental Devil’s Throat is the culmination of our experience as water thunders 350 feet down into a river canyon—an incredible display of raw power.

DAY 1: USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/DISEMBARK/ BUENOS AIRES
Disembark our ship in Ushuaia and proceed to the airport for our flight to Buenos Aires, where we transfer to the luxurious Caesar Park Hotel (MGallery). This seductive city set along the Rio de La Plata is the gateway to Argentina. Settle into your hotel located in the fashionable Recoleta district with its shops and galleries, and have dinner at your leisure. (B)

DAY 2: IGUAZÚ FALLS-LOWER CIRCUIT
After our short flight from Buenos Aires to Iguazú, we take a 15-minute bus ride to Iguazú National Park, where we check in to our rooms overlooking the Falls at the Sheraton Hotel, the only hotel within Iguazú National Park. Following lunch, we have our first close-up views of the Falls. A naturalist-led walk of the Lower Circuit offers an intimate experience of the landscape. We stroll the catwalk that leads to river level, where we board small boats for a ride over water rapids—a spectacular approach offering panoramic views of the rushing waters. (B,L)

DAY 3: DEVIL’S THROAT
Explore the National Park’s diverse environments with our local guides, who have a special license to access restricted areas of the park to spot toucans and parrots. Next, visit the awe-inspiring Devil’s Throat (Garganta del Diablo), where 14 cascades drop 350 feet with such force that there is always a 100-foot cloud of spray overhead. Watch for the rainbow! Dinner this evening will be at a typical restaurant in Puerto Iguazú. (B,D)

DAY 4: IGUAZÚ FALLS-UPPER CIRCUIT/ BUENOS AIRES/U.S.
Join a morning walk to the Upper Circuit of the Falls for our last view of the rushing waters. Early this afternoon, fly back to Buenos Aires and connect to an overnight flight home. (B,L)
OPTIONAL POST-VOYAGE EXTENSION
EASTER ISLAND

4 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

2014/15 PRICES*:
Please inquire for 2014 prices.
*To be added to the voyage cost. Chilean immigration fee, all airfares not included.

NOTE: Due to airline schedules, on select departures the extension spends an additional night in Buenos Aires. Additional costs will apply. Ask for details.

The Easter Island extension can be taken after select departures of “Antarctica,” and “Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands.” Adds 4 days/4 nights to the voyage.

Follow your expedition with a visit to one of the most mysterious places on Earth—Easter Island. Home to silent sentinels of a long-lost culture, this tiny island is located 2,300 miles west of Chile in the Pacific Ocean and almost 1,200 miles from its nearest island neighbor. Learn about the ancient Rapa Nui culture that grew up in isolation. Where did these people come from and why did they carve more than 600 giant moai or stone statues? Learn from key archaeologists Edmundo Edwards and Claudio Cristino who have worked on uncovering these great relics.

DAY 1: USHUAIA/DESEMBARK/SANTIAGO, CHILE (VIA BUENOS AIRES)
Today we disembark National Geographic Explorer in Ushuaia and fly to Santiago, where we check in to our hotel. (B,L)

DAY 2: SANTIAGO/EASTERN ISLAND
Fly to Easter Island and begin your exploration. Check in to the fine Altiplanoico Hotel, our base for the next three nights. (B,L,D)

DAY 3-4: EASTER ISLAND
Visit the Tahai archaeological complex and museum to learn about the prehistory of the island, and the Rano Kau ceremonial site of Orongo, sited magnificently at the very edge of a volcanic crater. Explore Ahu Te Pito Kura, Punapau red stone quarry and Ahu Akivi, one of the latest constructions on the island, with seven moai 14 feet tall. See Rano Raraku, where most of the stone statues were carved. Visit Ahu Tongariki, the largest ceremonial altar in Polynesia. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: EASTER ISLAND/SANTIAGO/U.S.
We have the morning to continue exploration of Easter Island before our flight to Santiago, connecting to an overnight flight home. (B,L)

OPTIONAL PRE-VOYAGE EXTENSION
BUENOS AIRES

3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS

2014/15 PRICES*:
Double Occupancy: $1,560; Sole Occupancy: $1,910
*To be added to the voyage cost. Airfares not included.

The Buenos Aires extension can be taken prior to departures of “Antarctica” and “Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falklands.”

Buenos Aires, one of the world’s great cities, is richly influenced by European culture, with a mix of distinctive neighborhoods, great art and music. Set along the Rio de la Plata, it has a lovely natural setting. It’s a “must-see” city that greatly rewards exploration.

DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./ BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA
Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires, and check in to the fine Caesar Park Hotel (MGallery) before taking a guided overview of the city. Visit the brightly painted bohemian community of La Boca, with shops, street art and galleries, and continue to San Telmo, with its exceptional market and antique stores. See the Plaza de Mayo, dominated by the presidential palace, whose famous balcony is forever associated with Eva Perón. (L)

DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES
We continue our explorations of the city, visiting the ornate Teatro Colón opera house, opened in 1908; explore the stylish Puerto Madero area, where we have lunch; and visit the MALBA Museum, with a first-rate collection of South American art. After dinner at a local restaurant, we see a performance of tango dance and song in a restored building that has hosted tango performances for decades. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: TIGRE DELTA/BUENOS AIRES
Today we see the Evita Museum and explore renowned La Recoleta Cemetery, where Argentina’s elite (including Eva Perón) are buried in elaborate mausoleums. A short drive takes us to the province of Tigre, where two rivers combine to form a vast delta. The Delta Terra project protects the natural habitat and wildlife, and we walk the trails in search of birdlife and other fauna and flora. Our return to Buenos Aires is by boat along the Rio de la Plata. (This day becomes Day 2 of the main itinerary, and we fly the next day to Ushuaia to embark our ship.) (B,L)
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**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.

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**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.*

**Note:** 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.

**Note:** Includes one hotel night in Buenos Aires. Immigration fees are not included.

**Sample Airfares:** Round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from $1,400; Business from $4,300. Charter Airfare: $790 round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia. Airfare subject to change.
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; mud room 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, a fleet of 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, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, Global Perspectives guest speaker on every voyage, and a video chronicler. Laundry service available.

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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.
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**OUR NEWEST EXPEDITION SHIP**

The state-of-the-art *National Geographic Orion* is the newest addition to the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet. A fully stabilized, ice-class vessel with an ice reinforced hull, *Orion* is at home navigating polar ice as well as small harbors in the South Pacific.

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| CATEGORY 1 SOLO: | Main Deck with oval window or two portholes #301, 322, 323 | $31,990 |
| CANCELLED* Bridge Deck—Suite with two windows #512 | $37,360 |

All cabins feature ocean views, private facilities, climate controls, internet access for your own laptop, and a flat-screen TV with movie programming.

**Note:** Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories 1 and 3 include #301, 322, 323, and 512. Shared accommodations available in Categories 1 and 2.

**Note:** Third person rates available at one-half the double occupancy rate in designated triple occupancy cabins.

**Note:** Includes one hotel night in Buenos Aires. Immigration fees are not included.

**Sample Airfares:** Round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from $1,400; Business from $4,300.

*Includes one hotel night in Buenos Aires. Immigration fees are not included.*

 Antarctia, South Georgia & Falklands 2014/15
The bathrooms in each cabin have a marble sink.

Category 1 & 2 cabin.

Category 4 deluxe suite.

All cabins face outside with ocean views, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies. Decorated in rich jewel tones, with deluxe bedding, all cabins feature flat screen TVs with movie programming, as well as internet access for your own laptop.

CAPACITY: 102 guests in 53 outside cabins.
REGISTRY: Bahamas.
OVERALL LENGTH: 338 feet.
PUBLIC AREAS: Outdoor café, lounge with bar, restaurant, global market, library, state-of-the-art lecture theater for videos and presentations, mud room with lockers for expedition gear, sundeck, marina platform.
OPEN BRIDGE: Provides guests with an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.
MEALS: All meals are served in a single seating with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. The cuisine is international with local flair, featuring tastes of the regions we explore.
EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, a fleet of 24 double kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, underwater video cameras, Splash-Cam, video microscope, & crow’s nest camera.
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BACK-TO-BACK SAVINGS: Save 10% on any consecutive journeys taken aboard National Geographic Explorer. This saving is applicable on voyage fares only, and is not valid on extensions or airfare.

BRINGING A GROUP: For your party of eight people or more, you will each receive 5% off the cost of your expedition. A deposit of 10% of the trip cost is required at the time of reservation, and an additional 25% is required 180 days in advance. Final payment is due 120 days in advance. (Excludes extension and airfare.) Note: If taking advantage of this discount, a variation of the cancellation policy will apply. Please ask upon making your reservation.

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✓ 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
RESERVATION INFORMATION

Costs Include: All accommodations aboard ships or in hotels per itinerary or similar, all meals and non-alcoholic beverages aboard ship, meals on land as indicated, air transportation where indicated as included, shore excursions, sightseeing and entrance fees, special access permits, transfers to and from group flights, use of kayaks, tips (except to ship’s crew), taxes and service charges, services of a ship physician, and services of our expedition staff.

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