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ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER
AND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION | 2018/19







DEAR TRAVELER,

On December 1, 1959, the Antarctic Treaty was signed in Washington, DC by twelve nations, and has since been acceded to by many others. It entered into force in 1961.

'The main purpose of the Antarctic Treaty is to ensure in the interest of all mankind that Antarctica shall continue forever to be used exclusively for peaceful purposes and shall not become the scene or object of international discord.'

—SECRETARIAT OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY

A continent that does not recognize any sovereign nation's claim, dedicated to peace and science. A mere twelve pages of sheer elegance, this treaty is still in full force nearly 60 years later.

Consider this as a backdrop to what is the world's greatest remaining expression of wildness.

A place of superlatives beyond imagination: soaring mountains, vast icescapes, and icebergs the size of skyscrapers. Life in abundance: penguins, seals, and whales. It is a place where the word awesome is an understatement.

And it is also, without question, a dynamic continent, changing before our eyes as vast, country-size ice shelves break off their glacial connection to the continent—testaments to a changing climate.

But back to the notion of an international continent dedicated to 'peace and science.' How refreshing an idea to spend time in such a place.

What a tonic for your spirit and your memory bank.

And, finally, if you do elect to explore this magnificent continent, and/or the equally impressive

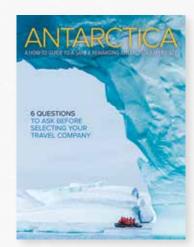
sub-Antarctic islands of South Georgia and the Falklands, please do so with us. Five years after the Antarctic Treaty was signed, my father, Lars-Eric Lindblad, pioneered the first layman expedition to Antarctica. So, we have over a half century of experience here. That experience matters a great deal, and you will definitely benefit in a multitude of ways from what we have learned since.

Please read on to see the remarkable experiences we offer.

All the best,

Sven-Olof Lindblad

P.S. If you would like to read the text of The Antarctic Treaty, go to expeditions.com/treaty.



There are 6 important questions to ask before you decide with whom to book your Antarctic adventure. This guide answers them all. Get yours now, see page 48.



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Having ships we can control, with a completely coordinated staff and crew, is vital for safety reasons and for service reasons—to provide an authentically adventurous and meaningful expedition experience for our guests.

If what you want from your travel is passive spectatorship, then chances are, a cruise will do for you. But if you want active engagement with the White Continent and its wonders, our authentic expedition style will exceed your every expectation.

Experience the real deal: Antarctica with us.

"This form of travel isn't for spectators, it's for all of those who want to 'get in the arena'—those who are explorers in our modern world in their own right—seeking knowledge, seeking adventure. A rugged climb up an icy, snow-covered mountain, a thrilling walk across a vast trek of sea ice, and yes, a polar plunge. These are the deep and rich experiences that Lindblad Expeditions, together with National Geographic, offer."

—JEAN CASE, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

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The Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic Alliance | In 2004 Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic joined forces to bring individuals to the planet's most interesting places.

Through our partnership with National Geographic, we enable guests to share the adventure with modern heroes of exploration—National Geographic photographers, explorers, scientists and researchers. And through the LEX-NG Fund, our guests can contribute to diverse conservation initiatives and make a positive impact on the places they explore. See who will be traveling with you on pages 16 & 17.

Our ships | Polar ship National Geographic Explorer was completely renovated and inaugurated in 2008. It is the embodiment of the Lindblad-National Geographic partnership, and the product of our respective heritages—built to provide our guests with extraordinary opportunities. In 2014 we welcomed our second polar vessel, National Geographic Orion, as a sister ship to Explorer. Both have a DNV Ice-1A Class rating on the hull of each ship to easily and safely penetrate the softer, first-year ice that is common in the Antarctic, allowing their captains to perform the "magic" of "parking" them on the ice so guests can disembark. And, they are tough enough to provide guests with the thrill of crushing through ice; and nimble enough to navigate safely through the bergy bits floating in Antarctic waters. Both ships are equipped with the complete suite of expedition tools, and public space enhancements that distinguish Lindblad Expeditions. Two different personalities, same ultimate Antarctic experience. Learn more about our tools for exploration on pages 6 & 7; see the ships on pages 44-47.

Our Ice Master Captains |

The captains of the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet have spent decades in the ice. They have each navigated many dozen expeditions, and in the case



of Captains Skog and Kreuss (meet them on pages 8-9) they are now each at 150 Antarctic expeditions. And they are extraordinary mariners. Our captains have soundings and coastal map records going back to 1966 and the pioneering days of Lindblad Travel. Their seasoned ships' officers and crews are also polar veterans, handpicked and well-trained to act without hesitation in any severe condition. Learn how they enhance your experience on pages 8 & 9.

Our seasoned expedition teams I Our singular focus is to ensure that you get the most out of your travel experience. To accomplish this, we employ the most experienced, knowledgeable expedition team in the business; and we leverage the best experts to share the adventure with you to add layers of insight and perspective to our teams' expertise. Meet the team on page 16.



The Antarctic undersea

Our approach to exploring Antarctica and beyond is indepth and 360°. That's why we are invested in providing you with a comprehensive experience of the Antarctic

undersea, to enhance your knowledge and understanding of the entire polar eco-system. Our expedition team includes an undersea specialist-videographer who dives to reveal the fascinating world beneath the ship—through video footage and presentations in the dry comfort of the ships' lounges. In addition, both our ships are equipped

C DIFFERENCE | EXCLUSIVE FEATURES

with ROVs (Remotely Operated Vehicles) to reach depths human divers can't. *Learn more on pages 14 & 15.*

Our Expedition Photography program

Photography is in our DNA; our founder and CEO, Sven Lindblad, started his career as a professional photographer, and photographers have accompanied our expeditions since his father's early pioneering days. Our guests have the exclusive benefit of being inspired by and learning from top National Geographic photographers on both our polar ships. In addition, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructors are at your side and at your service. Working with all skill levels, they ensure that you will capture the moments at the heart of your Antarctic expedition, and return home with your best photos ever. See what our Expedition Photography program offers you, and who's onboard on page 17.

Below: King penguins on the beach of South Georgia.

Thoughtful itineraries | There's a reason, or several, you've chosen to travel this far. In over 50 years of exploring Antarctica we've learned what matters to people, and our itineraries—governed as they are by Mother Nature—are designed to make the most of your time and curiosity. We deliver an experience of Antarctica that is both subtly curated, and customizable by you, to yield the richest, most meaningful experience possible. Find our itineraries on pages 30-31 & 38-41.

Unrivalled value | From the moment you depart till the day you disembark your travel is made seamless by our land, program and expedition teams. Everything you have the opportunity to see or do on your expedition, including a pre-voyage hotel stay in either Buenos Aires or Santiago, is included in the expedition price, excepting airfare. Since even your bar tab and crew gratuities are included, you could, in theory, travel like a Shackleton, Amundsen, or Scott—with no wallet in your parka. See what's included on pages 28 & 29.



PERFECT PLATFORMS FOR EXPLORATION

National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion are genuine expedition ships, not cruise ships masquerading as one. Therefore, they are uniquely equipped to facilitate our

brand of keen seeing and experiencing—with stateof-the-art tools for exploration. Unparalleled bases for discovery, they each enable the fullest expression of our expedition style: an intimate, authentic, learningoriented environment. As you see here, both ships have virtually identical features and abilities, and provide equal safety features and an equally excellent Antarctic experience. Which ship to choose depends on the polar itinerary and departure you favor—find our three itineraries on pages 30-31 and 38-41.



Only the early season enables this unique thrill! During November-December, conditions permitting, our ice masters may "park" our ships in the ice. Guests can then disembark onto a frozen sea—to hike, cross-country ski, or snowshoe.





TOOLS, TECHNOLOGY & EXPEDITION BENEFITS ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER & NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION



DNV ICE-1A Class rating on the hull of each ship, enabling us to navigate the ice safely

A Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) that can explore the ocean at depths up to 1,000 feet

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 & a coffee, tea, hot cocoa station (*Explorer*); Chart cabinetry in section of Observation lounge (*Orion*) with 24-hr coffee, tea, cocoa station



Open Invitation to Visit the Bridge throughout the expedition

An Observation Lounge, providing panoramic vistas of scenic destinations, supply of binoculars

Large fleet of Zodiacs and a seamless, safe boarding

system for swift, effortless disembarkation of all guests

Large fleet of Double Kayaks that allow personal exploring in pristine Antarctic environments

Daily Choice of Numerous Activities so that you maximize your time ashore, on Zodiacs, or in the kayaks



Generous 1 to 1.5 staff-to-guest ratio on each ship

A Professional Video Chronicler to capture every facet of your unique adventure, and professionally edit a DVD prior to departure available for purchase.

WELCOME TO THE BRIDGE



Our captains are also vital, engaged members of the expedition community. Here Captain Oliver Kreuss welcomes guests onto the Bridge to watch the officers navigate.



Our captains' spotting skills rival our top naturalists. Often, they are the first to see, and are as excited as any guest about, a spectacular whale encounter, penguins on a bobbing berg, or a gorgeous golden hour photo op.

Captains who have attained the necessary experience navigating polar waters are called ice masters. An ice master is familiar with the unique wind, weather, and current dynamics in polar waters. He or she is also intimately familiar with all the forms of ice and the unique challenges each form presents.

Leif Skog, Lindblad VP of Marine Operations and Master of the *National Geographic Explorer*, is a perfect example of the caliber of our captains. He began his career working for polar expedition ships in the late 70s. On one of his earliest Antarctic assignments, he was appointed Ice Master and Project Leader for the shipping and landing of all the heavy equipment to build the largest airstrip in Antarctica at the Rothera Base for the British Antarctic Survey. He has navigated 150 expeditions to the Antarctic and 50 to the Arctic, with nearly 450 expeditions worldwide.

Lindblad Expeditions is a member of International Association of Antarctic Tour Operators (IAATO), and Captain Skog served as chairman of the Marine Committee, and was the architect for the IAATO-wide Emergency Contingency Plan for all passenger ships cruising in Antarctica. The plan focused on how ships in the vicinity of the peninsula would communicate, coordinate, and respond in the unlikely event of an emergency.

Another important distinction of our expeditions is this: on a cruise, the captain and the cruise director operate independent of each other and follow the same routine each week. However, our captains and expedition leaders collaborate, working together around weather, ice conditions, or other challenges to get you out on exploring adventures. They make the unique, up-close Antarctica experience we provide possible.

FIND DETAILS ON OUR IMPRESSIVE POLAR CAPTAINS AT **EXPEDITIONS.COM/CAPTAINS**



ACTIVELY EXPLORE EVERY DAY, IN MANY WAYS



National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion Antarctic itineraries are crafted by explorers, and every itinerary point features opportunities to head out and discover, in one dynamic way or another. You can begin each day with a morning stretch class, or a pre-breakfast coffee at the 24/7 coffee/tea stations on each ship. And you can look forward to brisk walks or strolls, Zodiac tours or landings and opportunities

to kayak, cross-country ski or snowshoe depending on the season, location and conditions. Our fleet of Zodiacs and kayaks, plus our teams' swiftness in deploying, ensures that you will spend no time wistfully awaiting a turn—the entire expedition community can be accommodated. For those whose fitness requirements demand it—the Fitness Centers are open at any time of day or night, particularly useful in Antarctica, where the midnight sun blurs distinction!





Clockwise from top: Exploring amid the bergs via Zodiac with narration by a naturalist; hikers head up for spectacular views of the polar wilderness; a fleet of stable and virtually untippable kayaks allow for personal exploration; explorers cross-country ski out on the frozen sea in November. Inset: an exuberant guest takes the polar plunge challenge.







THE PENGUINS OF ANTARCTICA TO KNOW



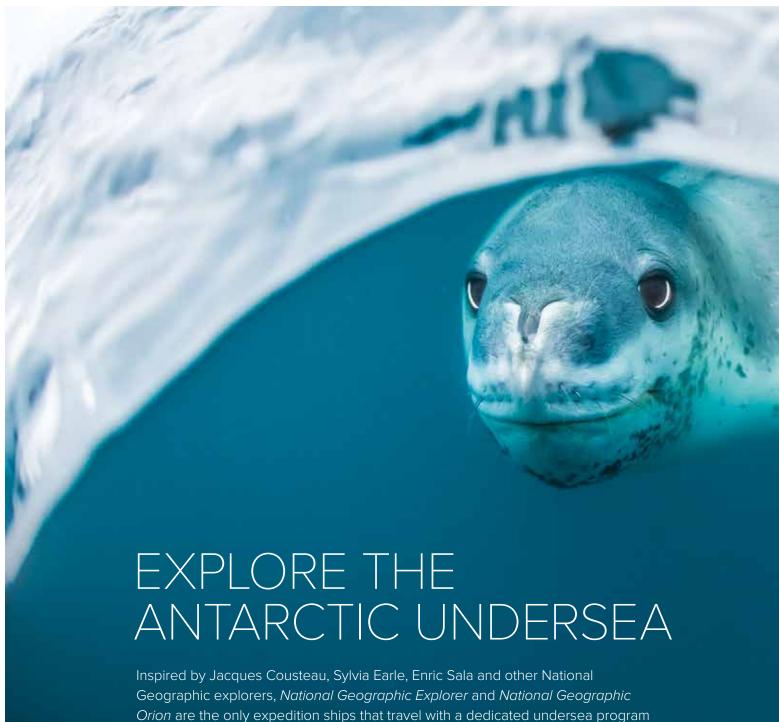
THEM IS TO LOVE THEM

The penguin experience in Antarctica is another thing entirely: it's incredible, less seeing than being—since they move freely about, interweaving among us, and generally delighting us with their behavior. It's hard to resist the tendency to anthropomorphize as explorer Apsley Cherry-Garrard, author of "The Worst Journey In The World," so famously did: 'They are extraordinarily like children, these little people of the Antarctic world, either like children, or like old men, full of their own importance and late for dinner, in their black tailcoats and white shirt-fronts—and rather portly withal.' Each different species has their signature look and traits to observe and photograph. And there's always activity throughout the season. During November and early December, you'll see intriguing courting and nest-building rituals. In late December chicks are beginning to hatch, and in January and February penguin parents are busy fetching krill and feeding chicks.

In addition, there's the penguins' natural predator, the deceptively genial looking leopard seal; Weddell and fur seals; plus the plethora of seabirds that thrive in the Southern Ocean to observe and admire—amid the spectacular landscape of the legendary ice.

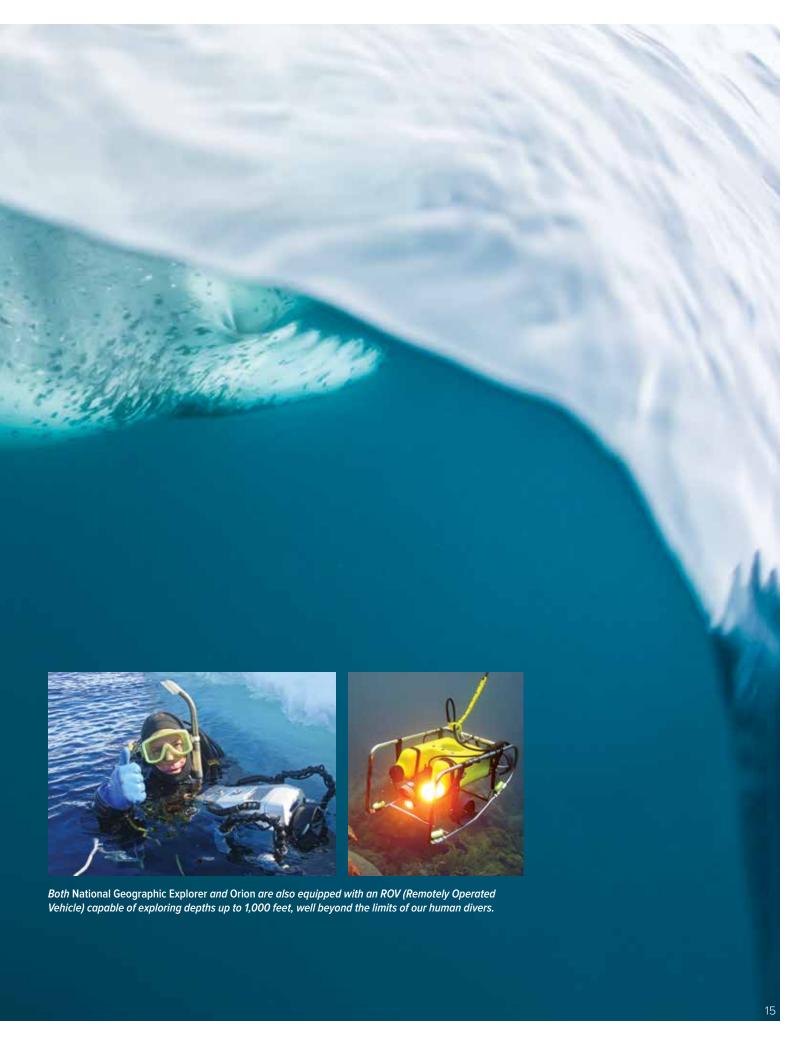
SEE THE HUMOROUS HABITS OF PENGUINS AT EXPEDITIONS.COM/PENGUINHABITS





Inspired by Jacques Cousteau, Sylvia Earle, Enric Sala and other National Geographic explorers, *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion* are the only expedition ships that travel with a dedicated undersea program and full-time undersea specialists who dive with a video camera and bring back footage for all to watch in vivid HD, in the dry warmth and comfort of the ships' Lounges—perhaps with a cocktail in hand and hors d'oeuvres at the ready. Always interesting, it can also be pioneering. In Antarctica, the footage you see may be of marine life few scientists, or human eyes for that matter, have ever seen.

SEE AN AMAZING UP-CLOSE ENCOUNTER WITH A LEOPARD SEAL AT **EXPEDITIONS.COM/SEAL**



A+ EXPEDITION TEAMS

Our Expedition Leaders, known as ELs to staff and guests alike, are outstanding leaders who attract and inspire the naturalists, biologists, marine biologists, zoologists, and undersea specialists who return each year, like migratory creatures, to the Southern Ocean aboard *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion*—to share the Antarctic ice with you and your fellow guests. Collectively, these specialists have hundreds of years of experience guiding travelers to the most interesting places in the world.

Passionate about the geographies they explore, our naturalists illuminate each facet of the Antarctic through their enthusiasm and knowledge. Our guests consistently cite the expertise and engaging company of our staff as key reasons to repeatedly travel with us. More than guides, they are engaging companions, joining you at meals as well as on walks, Zodiac, and kayak forays. Our industry-leading ratio of 1 expedition staff to 12 guests on *Explorer* and *Orion* ensures that you'll have a variety of interests and personalities to choose from on daily activities. You are never herded into large groups, you can gravitate naturally to the staff member you're most interested in.

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





Here is a partial list of staff during our Antarctic season: clockwise from left: Expedition leader Russell Evans, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor Michael S. Nolan, naturalist and birder Brent Stephenson, naturalist Jennifer Kingsley, undersea specialist Paul North, veteran polar naturalist Tom Ritchie.









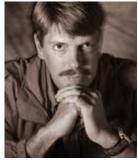
BENEFIT FROM NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ABOARD



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion are the only expedition ships exploring Antarctica with National Geographic photographers aboard every departure. These photographers have inspired countless professional and amateur photographers, and accompany our ships to inspire and assist you.

And, they are flanked by Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructors, all talented naturalists, trained to assist you with your camera settings, the basics of composition, observation, and more to equip you with skills. Now, every guest—from iPhone camera users to semi-pro shooters—can stand side-by-side with top photographers, pick up tips in the field, and take great photos. And you'll want to—Antarctica provides a photo op a minute and a once-in-a-lifetime experience to capture. And you don't have to consider yourself a photographer to participate in the fun and rewards of "aim & create." You'll return home with your best photos ever, and a lifelong skill.















Here is a partial list of National Geographic photographers traveling with us: Clockwise: Tim Laman, Erika Larsen, David Doubilet, Jay Dickman, Jonathan Irish, Ralph Lee Hopkins, Massimo Bassano.

LEARN MORE AT **WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/PHOTO** AND FIND INTERESTING BIOS FOR ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS AT **WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGPS**

SHARE THE ADVENTURE WITH ENGAGING GLOBAL PERSPEC

Our Global Perspectives guest speaker program aboard *National Geographic Explorer* pairs engaging and knowledgeable experts with our expedition team's expertise to enrich your experience, and add extra levels of relevant insight. Join us aboard *National Geographic Explorer*, and you'll share adventures, drinks, dinner, and deck time with these intriguing individuals.



DAVID ALLEN SIBLEY

David is the author and illustrator of the series of successful guides to nature that bear his name, including The New York Times best seller The Sibley Guide to Birds. He has contributed art and articles to Smithsonian, Science, The Wilson Journal of Ornithology, Birding, BirdWatching, and North American Birds, and wrote and illustrated a syndicated column for The New York Times. He is the recipient of the Roger Tory Peterson Award for Lifetime Achievement from the American Birding Association and the Linnaean

Society of New York's Eisenmann Medal.

South Georgia & the Falklands, Oct. 22, 2018

ROBERT LEE HOTZ

The science columnist for *The Wall Street Journal*, Robert writes about cutting-edge research on climate change, cosmology, molecular medicine, the human brain and much more. He has traveled three times to the South Pole, and



twice to the Greenland ice cap under the auspices of the National Science Foundation. A Pulitzer Prize finalist, he is among America's most respected science journalists. **Antarctica, Jan. 5, 2019**

ROBERT BINDSCHADLER

After a 30-year career at NASA, Dr. Bindschadler retired in 2010 as the Chief Scientist of NASA's Hydrospheric and Biospheric Sciences Laboratory. He is a past President of the International Glaciological



Society and is currently both a NASA Emeritus Scientist and a Senior Research Scientist at Morgan State University. He maintains an active interest in glaciers and ice sheets, and has led 16 Antarctic field expeditions to study the dynamics of the West Antarctic ice sheet. He has testified before Congress, briefed the U.S. Vice President and published over 140 scientific papers.

Antarctica, Nov. 26, 2018

SUSAN GOLDBERG

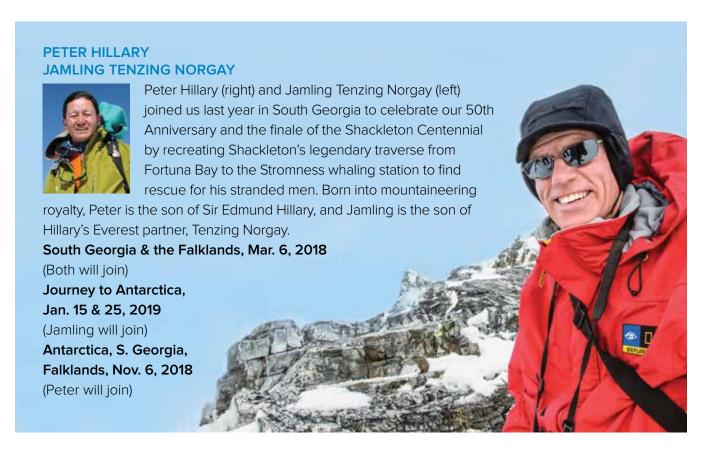
Susan is Editorial Director of National Geographic Partners and Editor In Chief of *National Geographic* magazine. As Editorial Director, she is in charge of all publishing ventures, includ-



ing digital journalism, magazines, books, maps, children and family, and travel and adventure. She is the 10th editor of the magazine since it was first published in October 1888. Most recently, she has been named one of Washington's most powerful women in the October 2017 issue of *Washingtonian*.

Antarctica, Dec. 26, 2018

TIVES GUEST SPEAKERS



JON BOWERMASTER

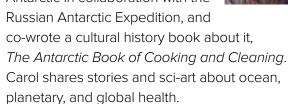
A noted oceans expert, awardwinning journalist, author, filmmaker and adventurer, Jon is a six-time grantee of the National Geographic Expeditions Council. One of the Society's 'Ocean Heroes,' his first assignment

for *National Geographic* magazine in 1989 was to document a dog-sled expedition that crossed Antarctica taking 221 days. He is the founder of Oceans 8 Films and One Ocean Media Foundation.

Antarctica, Feb. 4, 2019



of the Society of Women Geographers. She led the first civilian clean-up expedition to the Antarctic in collaboration with the Russian Antarctic Expedition, and



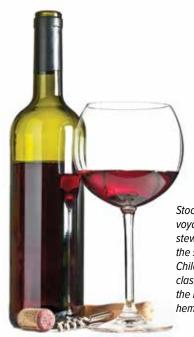
Antarctica, Dec. 6, 2018



LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR GUEST SPEAKERS AT **EXPEDITIONS.COM/POLAR_SPEAKERS**



EXCEPTIONAL HOTEL STAFF



Stocking for our Antarctic voyages is a joy for our wine steward, since we provision the ships in Argentina and Chile, producers of world-class wines. Prepare to taste the best of the southern hemisphere.

National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Orion, sister flagships of the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet, share matching appetites for adventure and dining excellence. Serge Dansereau, the head chef and owner of the iconic Bathers' Pavilion Café in



Sydney, Australia, is a multi-award winning chef, renowned internationally, and considered 'the father of the fresh food movement.' He designs the menus and trains the staff aboard both ships. His menu concepts are brought to life daily by each ship's Executive Chef. Count on them to keep your expeditionary spirit fed, so to speak, and for daily diversity and regional flavors.









Dining rooms on both ships, like
Orion's shown here, are inviting and
informal. No assigned seating makes
for easy mingling with congenial
fellow guests, expedition staffers,
and special guests. Breakfast and
lunches are often buffet-style;
dinners are artfully plated and
served. Save room for dessert—
extraordinary daily!

"Discovering sustainable local growers and fisheries on our itineraries to ensure that our guests 'taste' the regions they're exploring is rewarding work. We provision for Antarctica in Argentina with fresh produce and sustainably produced meat and poultry. Unlike cruise companies which mandate a food program across the fleet, our chefs have the freedom to execute Serge's smartly conceived dishes while taking advantage of what's at hand. When a local fishing boat hails our ship with line-caught fish, for example, the chef can say yes! And when our ship is in the Falklands, we can obtain fresh vegetables from a hydroponic grower we know, and fresh lamb from an island rancher we've known for years. Our goal is for our guests to experience the geography through the food served aboard wherever possible. And to always dine extraordinarily well."

—Ana Esteves, Manager Hotel Operations, Lindblad Expeditions



AN AUTHENTIC EXPEDITION EXPERIENCE STARTS HERE



Every individual who joins our expeditions is there for his or her own reasons: to learn about the region, to see how others live, to have personal encounters and experiences, and to see and observe wildlife. But what proves most satisfying ultimately is the *esprit du corps* of our expedition community. It's a deeply rewarding

phenomenon. And our sister ships, *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion* enhance this experience-sharing. Our ships' lounges feature 'the circle of truth,' where talks, presentations, and the daily ritual of cocktail hour "Recap," a hallmark of our expeditions, take place.

In addition, both ships offer fully-stocked libraries, genial spaces where guests can look up any topic or creature that interests them. Or, just hole up with a good book. Observation lounges on both ships are lavishly windowed, for a constant connection to the world outside. And on both ships, guests have an open invitation to visit the bridge—to watch the captain and his officers navigate, and to hang out with the naturalists endlessly on alert for marine animal and bird sightings while we're underway. Every inch of each ship presents a fresh vantage point for observation, for capturing an image, or for a quiet talk with a new-found friend. You will remember the satisfactions of life aboard long after you leave.







Far left: Explorer's Observation
Lounge is flooded with light and
non-stop views; the Library (left) is
stocked with all manner of reference,
geography-relevant and other books,
plus cards, games, and an everready stock of binoculars.



Clockwise from top: Expedition leader Russell Evans conducts a presentation from the 'circle of truth,' a hallmark of our expeditions and the design of our ships' lounges; expansive decks invite you outdoors to relax, read and observe the vistas; guests are drawn to the bridge to watch the calm, quiet work of navigation unfold, open to all during the voyage; Explorer's Bistro Bar is a lively alternative to the main dining room for meals and socializing.











Orion's observation lounge and library provide a welcome to readers, card players, and sailors who love to review the nautical charts on display. At right, Orion's main lounge is the center of shared life aboard; expansive windows invite in scenic views, and the reflective ceiling mirrors the ocean in a sublimely relaxing way.



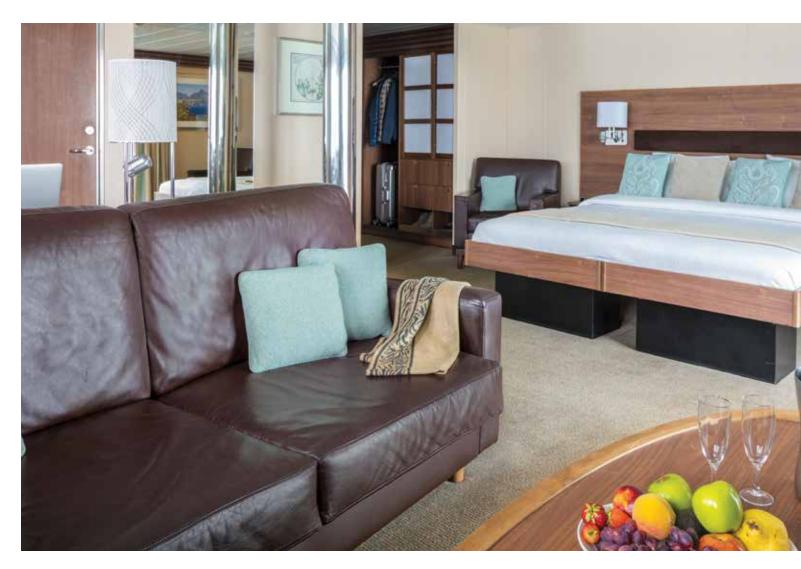






From left: Explorer's fitness center offers a panoramic view instead of the usual gym TV screens. A classic Swedish sauna makes the Wellness Spa at the top of the ship a perfect place to end an active day. Massages and body treatments are the ideal counterpoint to walking, hiking, kayaking or a good workout—and a perfect way to take advantage of transit time at sea.









PERFECT ENDING TO ACTIVE DAYS

National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic
Orion offer private spaces as inviting as their public ones.
Explorer's 81 outside cabins, including 4 suites with balconies,
9 cabins with balconies, and 14 solo cabins, are decorated
in a contemporary palette of relaxing earth tones. Orion's 53
outside cabins, including 9 suites with balconies, and 4 solo
cabins, are traditional in style with rich jewel-toned fabrics and
furniture. Both ships provide deluxe bedding—our signature
feather duvet—and thick terry robes. All cabins feature flat screen TVs

with news and 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 and wifi connections, and USB ports for mobile devices.

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR SHIPS AT: **EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGEXPLORER**, or **EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGORION**







Clockwise from top left: Explorer Category 7 upper deck suite with balcony; every cabin has a National Geographic atlas; Category 2 cabin aboard Orion; Explorer suite bathroom; a Category 6 balcony suite aboard Orion.

INCLUSIVE PRICING MEANS





Travel to the Antarctic region is a major decision and, rightfully, the focus of all your thoughts and planning until the moment you embark ship. However, our expeditions offer the travel equivalent of an amuse bouche to anticipate and savor. If you're aboard National Geographic Explorer, you'll spend time before embarkation in Buenos Aires, a warm, cosmopolitan counterbalance to the icy beauty of Antarctica. From the elegant interior of your hotel, the Sofitel Buenos Aires, and its strollable environs, to the tawdry glamour of tango in La Boca, and the fascinating Recoleta necropolis, the time you spend here will be highly gratifying, filled with discoveries. (The urbane flower shop across the street from the hotel? It's a speakeasy. Walk in and see how cool it is behind the walk-in cooler's door...) And if aboard

National Geographic Orion, Santiago will welcome you to the south with sun-splashed ochre walls, waving palms and breathtaking mountains ringing the city. Enjoy the highly walkable city, on your own or on the informative tour we provide, head out into the surrounding countryside, or opt to savor the warmth poolside in the elegant garden of your graciously appointed hotel, Hotel Santiago by Mandarin.



King penguins, South Georgia.

VALUE PLUS EXPERIENCES

FREE ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE ON SELECT DEPARTURES

See page 48 or call for details.

FREE BAR TAB AND CREW GRATUITIES

Your bar tab and gratuities for the crew are complimentary on all departures of *National Geographic Explorer* and *National Geographic Orion*. Call for details.

COMPLIMENTARY LIMITED EDITION 50TH ANNIVERSARY ANTARCTICA PARKA

NO EXTRA CHARGES FOR ACTIVITIES—EVER

All the daily activities—from city explorations at the beginning and end of the expedition, to Zodiac, kayaking, or hiking explorations—are included in the price.

INCLUDED ON ALL OFFSHORE EXCURSIONS:

- ✓ Meals on land, as indicated in itinerary
- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
- ✓ Transfers to and from group flights
- ✓ One night hotel accommodation at the Sofitel Buenos Aires (or similar) or Hotel Santiago by Mandarin (or similar) & city overview
- ✓ Guided overview in Ushuaia and hotel VIP lounge pre-airport with refreshments

NO CHARGE FOR EXPERTISE

The knowledgeable guidance and company of our expedition staff, plus all lectures and presentations, and our fully stocked onboard library, are open to all and included in the price.

AND FREELY ENJOY THE FOLLOWING:

- ✓ All meals—from breakfast, lunch & dinner in the dining room
- ✓ All non-alcoholic beverages including unlimited cappuccinos, latte, coffee, tea & soda
- ✓ Alcoholic beverages, excepting certain super-premium brands of alcohol
- ✓ Complimentary refillable water bottle
- ✓ Hors d'oeuvres & snacks during lounge recap
- ✓ Tea time with pastries; all-day fruit, cookies
- ✓ Fitness Center with elliptical, treadmill, stationary bicycle, free weights, bands & more
- ✓ Traditional Swedish Sauna
- ✓ Daily stretching class with wellness specialist
- ✓ Mac computers for downloading your camera's memory card & Internet access
- ✓ Access to the B+H Photo locker with the latest gear to try out on loan
- ✓ Access to the ship's Bridge for optimal observation and to watch navigation
- ✓ Crew gratuities



JOURNEY TO ANTARCTICA: THE WHITE CONTINENT

14 DAYS/11 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER AND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

PRICES FROM: \$13,890 to \$29,490 (See pages 44-45 for complete *National Geographic Explorer* prices; see pages 46-47 for *National Geographic Orion* prices.)

raveling aboard the state-of-the-art National Geographic Explorer or National Geographic Orion, encounter the spectacular Antarctic

Peninsula and the surrounding islands and waterways. Glide around enormous icebergs by Zodiac, photograph the penguin colonies, and kayak in complete tranquility.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ► Explore the world's last great wilderness in the company of a team of top naturalists celebrating Lindblad's 50-year heritage in Antarctica.
- ▶ View magnificent mountains, towering icebergs, and huge glaciers.
- Cruise aboard sturdy Zodiac landing craft in search of wildlife.
- ► Kayak in protected waters, paddling as penguins swim nearby.
- ▶ On shore, observe thousands of penguins, including gentoo, Adélie, and chinstrap.
- November departures on both ships offer the possibility to cross-country ski and snowshoe—on the frozen sea.

EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



Our dedicated staff is key to your experience. Representing diverse expertise, our knowledgeable expedition team allows

for more activities and interests you can gravitate to. An expedition leader, 8 naturalists/historians, a National Geographic photographer, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, undersea specialist, video chronicler, and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the wonders. And a Global Perspectives guest speaker adds relevant insight (*Explorer* only).

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

A pair of gentoo penguins welcomes guests.



DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (EXPLORER) OR SANTIAGO, CHILE (ORION)

Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires (Explorer) or Santiago (Orion). Settle into the Sofitel Buenos Aires Hotel (or similar) before seeing the city's Beaux-Arts palaces and the famous balcony associated with Eva Perón. Or check into the Hotel Santiago by Mandarin (or similar) before our guided overview of this vibrant city backed by the inspiring Andes. (Day 2: L)

DAY 3: FLY TO USHUAIA/EMBARK Fly by private charter to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world. Join a catamaran cruise of the Beagle Channel. Embark National Geographic Explorer or Orion. (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 at play off the bow, taking an after-dinner Zodiac cruise, or heading out

on an extra landing. We anticipate offering opportunities each day to hike, kayak among the ice floes, 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 thousands of Adélie and gentoo penguins. You'll learn how climate change affects the penguin populations, and how best to capture images of 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, see and experience more. (B,L,D)

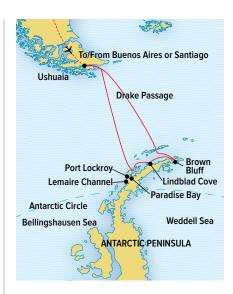
DAYS 11 AND 12: AT SEA

Enjoy the ship's amenities as the Antarctica 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: DISEMBARK USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/BUENOS AIRES (EXPLORER) OR SANTIAGO, CHILE (ORION)/U.S.

Disembark in Ushuaia. Fly by charter to Buenos Aires or Santiago and connect with your overnight flight home. (Day 13: B,L)





EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES (Explorer): 2018 Nov. 26; Dec. 6, Dec. 16⁺, 26⁺; **2019** Jan. 5, 15, 25; Feb. 4 DATES (Orion): 2018 Nov. 25; Dec. 5, 15, 25 2019 Jan. 4, 14, 24; Feb. 3 Orion departures route via Santiago instead of

Buenos Aires. Visit our website.

[†]For holiday rates, see pages 44-45 and 46-47.

SPECIAL OFFERS:

Book by Jan. 31, 2018 on select dates for **FREE ROUND-TRIP** economy group airfare Miami/Buenos Aires or Santiago; ask about other U.S. gateways. Plus, we will cover your bar tab and tips to the crew.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Prior to your voyage, add two days in Buenos Aires (Explorer) or two days in Santiago (Orion). Add a four-day post-voyage extension to Easter Island (both ships), or three days post-voyage at Iguazú Falls (Explorer only). Call for details, or see page 42.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS

Travel with former NASA Chief Scientist Robert Bindschadler, Nov. 26, 2018; Susan Goldberg, Editor In Chief of National Geographic magazine, Dec. 26, 2018; science writer for *The Wall* Street Journal, Robert Lee Hotz, Jan. 5, 2019; adventurer & mountaineer Jamling Tenzing Norgay, Jan. 15 & 25, 2019; author & adventurer Jon Bowermaster, Feb. 4, 2019.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

All Explorer and Orion voyages travel with a National Geographic photographer. To date: Orion: Rich Reid. Jan. 6 & 16. 2018: Explorer: Erika Larsen, Jan. 15 & 25, 2018; Phil Schermeister, Nov. 26, 2018; Tim Laman, Dec. 26, 2018.

Massive king penguin colonies, as splendid a sight as this world offers, can be found in a special place: South Georgia. A remote island in the Southern Ocean some 750 nautical miles from Antarctica, South Georgia is the new frontier—where savvy travelers with a passion for wild places can experience the genuine sovereignty and majesty of a last wild kingdom.

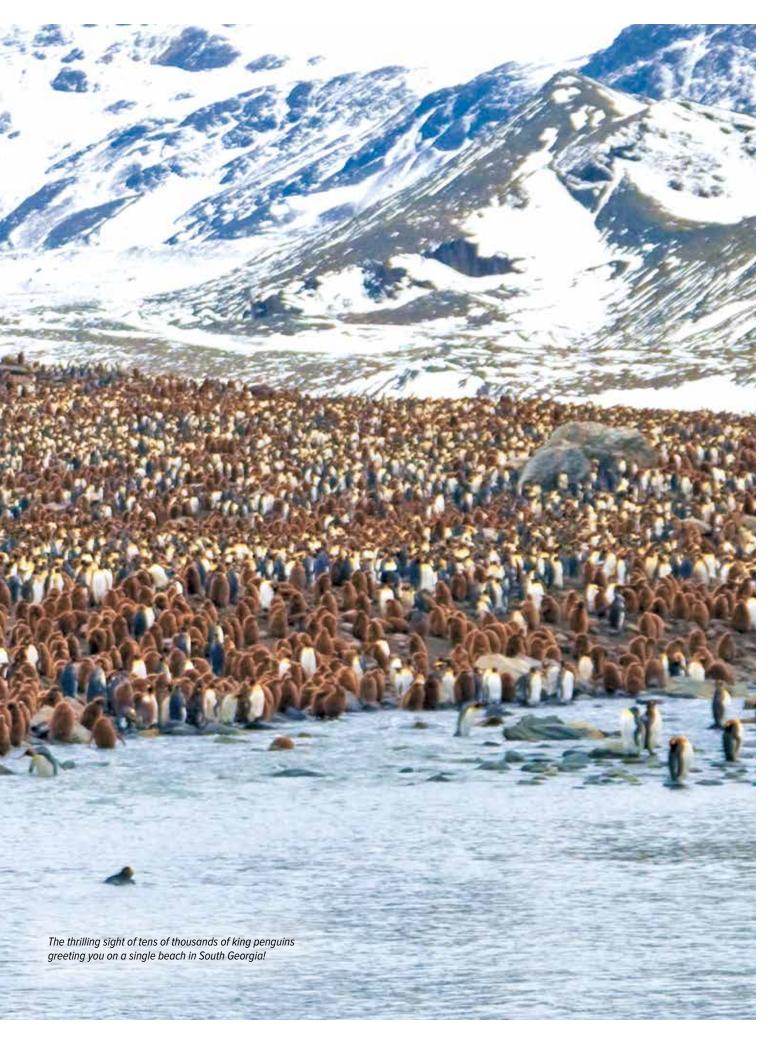




In addition to the colossal king penguin colonies, South Georgia is also home to thriving fur seal populations, elephant seals, gentoo and macaroni penguins, skuas, and the tiny but mighty South Georgia pipit, the only songbird below the polar front. We have the luxury of time here—to fully absorb the wonder of it: an island that grants us a vision of the primeval world in which animals have dominion, and live their lives in full.









And the Falkland Islands, a geography few of even the most knowledgeable travelers know, rivals South Georgia in its gasp-inducing pristine beauty and wildness. While the Falklands boasts a human population (3,000 people in total; 2,500 of whom live in the capital, Stanley) the animals—specifically albatross, rockhopper penguins, fur seals and more—vastly outnumber them and constitute a major draw for wildlife enthusiasts and photographers.

SOUTH GEORGIA AND THE FALKLANDS

19 DAYS/16 NIGHTS-ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

PRICES FROM: \$16,990 to \$32,880 (See pages 44-45 for complete *National Geographic Explorer* prices.)

teeped in Shackleton and whaling lore, covered mostly in glaciers, South Georgia explodes with life: gentoo and king penguins, enormous elephant seals and a thriving fur seal population. Here on South Georgia you can observe one of the world's great wildlife spectacles: literally tens of thousands of stately king penguins on a single beach. Add the human side of the region in the Falklands, reminiscent of Great Britain, with grazing sheep, tea and scones. And in the Falklands, the albatross reveal the beauty of their mysterious lives.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

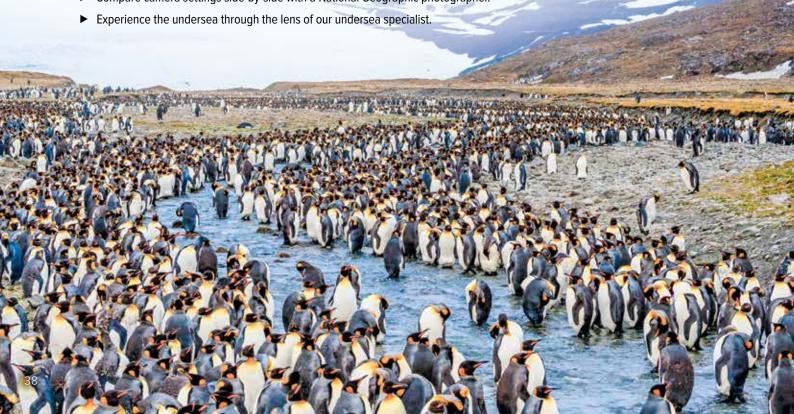
- ► Weather permitting, hike in the footsteps of Sir Ernest Shackleton's fated Imperial Trans-Antarctica Expedition aboard *Endurance*.
- ▶ See stately king penguins—literally tens of thousands on a single beach in South Georgia.
- ▶ Observe magnificent black-browed albatross in the Falklands, and see Magellanic penguins peeking from their burrows.
- ▶ Paddle a kayak amid curious fur seals, and Zodiac cruise South Georgia's isolated bays.
- ► Compare camera settings side-by-side with a National Geographic photographer.

PIONEERING VOYAGES FLY THE FALKLANDS CROSSING!

Join the Mar. 6, 2018 departure to be on our first-ever expeditions that will fly one-way from the Falklands instead of making the crossing by sea—converting a day at sea into an extra day in South Georgia. Fly from the trim Royal Airforce base in East Falkland (a short ride from Port Stanley) to Santiago, Chile for connecting flights home; or spend an extra day or two in Santiago, if you wish, to experience an elegant city set against the Andes.

Note: For itinerary details, go to: expeditions.com/flythefalklands3 (Mar. 6, 2018)

King penguins as far as the eye can see, South Georgia.



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

Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires. Settle into the Sofitel Buenos Aires Hotel (or similar) before seeing the city's Beaux-Arts palaces and the famous balcony associated with Eva Perón. (Day 2: L)

DAY 3: FLY TO USHUAIA/EMBARK Fly to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world. Join a catamaran cruise of the Beagle Channel before embarking *Explorer*. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: AT SEA IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC Settle into shipboard life, listening to informal discussions from our naturalist staff to prepare for the wildness in the Falklands. Spend time on deck and on the bridge, scanning for petrels, penguins and albatross. (B,L,D)



DAYS 5 AND 6: FALKLAND ISLANDS

Each Falkland Island is a variation on the theme of topographical beauty with whitesand beaches, vaulting cliffs, windswept moors, and the sunlit yellows and sage greens of waving tussock grass. The Falklands boast thousands of irresistible gentoo, rockhopper and Magellanic penguins, as well as magnificent albatross, and fur seals and huge elephant seals. Our visit to Stanley offers a chance to meet the hospitable locals, hoist a drink at a local pub, and stroll around this remote colonial town. (B,L,D)

DAYS 7 AND 8: AT SEA

During our days at sea, we learn about the fascinating history of Antarctic exploration, as well as the flora, fauna and geology of South Georgia. Our naturalists help identify the seabirds that follow us: wandering albatross, prions and black-browed albatross. (B,L,D)

DAYS 9-13: SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND Explore the spectacular coastline of South



Georgia Island. In keeping with the nature of an expedition, our schedule is flexible with opportunities for walking, hiking, kayaking and Zodiac excursions. Sailing along the coast, we plan to offer activities every day including Grytviken, the final resting place of Shackleton, and Stromness Harbour, where Shackleton, Tom Crean and Frank Worsley finally reached aid at a whaling station. And, on a single beach, you will see thousands of king penguins! (B,L,D)

DAYS 14 AND 15: AT SEA

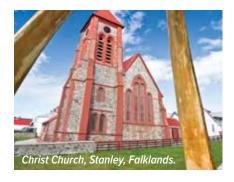
With whales beneath and birds above, head up to the bridge. Or spend the day enjoying the ship's spa, fitness center, library, and observation deck. (B,L,D)

DAY 16: FALKLAND ISLANDS

Our journey across the South Atlantic Ocean takes us once more to the island archipelago that teems with nature and wildlife. Take a last walk along the beautiful white-sand beaches, meander through tussock grass or sit atop a cliff and ponder the views. (B,L,D)

DAY 17: AT SEA

One last chance to catch up on your reading in the library and send emails home saying "Don't want this to end." (B,L,D)



DAYS 18 AND 19: DISEMBARK USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/FLY TO BUENOS AIRES

Disembark in Ushuaia. Fly by private charter to Buenos Aires and connect with your overnight flight home. (Day 18: B,L)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2018 Mar. 6⁺; Oct. 22; **2019** Mar. 6⁺Note: On the Mar. 6, 2018 voyage, guests disembark in the Falklands and fly by private charter to Santiago, converting a day at sea into a day in South Georgia. Call for details or visit expeditions.com/flythefalklands3.

SPECIAL OFFERS:

- Book by Jan. 31, 2018 to receive FREE ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE (Miami/Buenos Aires), plus FREE CHARTER AIRFARE (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia). Plus, we will cover your bar tab and tips to the crew.
- Solo travelers on the Mar. 6, 2018 voyage may waive the solo premium on solo cabins.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Prior to your voyage, add two days in **Buenos Aires**. Add a four-day post-voyage extension
to **Easter Island**, or three days post-voyage at **Iguazú Falls** (not available Mar. 6, 2018).
Visit our website or see page 42.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS Travel with adventurers Peter Hillary and Jamling Tenzing Norgay, Mar. 6, 2018; renowned birder David Allen Sibley, Oct. 22, 2018. Learn more at expeditions.com/experts

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER Travel with Jay Dickman, Mar. 6, 2018.

ANTARCTICA, SOUTH GEORGIA, AND THE FALKLANDS

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

PRICES FROM: \$23,990 to \$47,720 (See pages 44-45 for complete National Geographic Explorer prices; see pages 46-47 for National Geographic Orion prices.)

his 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 one of 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.

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ► Trace the story of Sir Ernest Shackleton's fateful journey aboard *Endurance*, and toast at his gravesite in South Georgia.
- ► See three distinct regions, and benefit from our 50 years of experience here.
- Glide in a kayak or explore in a Zodiac past massive icebergs.
- Observe tens of thousands of king penguins on a single beach.



EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



Our dedicated staff is key to your experience. Representing diverse expertise, our knowledgeable expedition RIENCE team allows for more activities

and interests you can gravitate to. An expedition leader, 5-8 naturalists/historians, a National Geographic photographer, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, undersea specialist, video chronicler, and a wellness specialist all contribute to your experience of the wonders. And a Global Perspectives guest speaker adds relevant insight (Explorer only).

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

A thrilling humpback whale sighting via Zodiac.

DAYS 1 AND 2: U.S./BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (*EXPLORER*) OR SANTIAGO, CHILE (*ORION*)

Depart on an overnight flight to Buenos Aires (*Explorer*) or Santiago (*Orion*). Settle into the Sofitel Buenos Aires Hotel (or similar) before seeing the city's Beaux-Arts palaces and the famous balcony associated with Eva Perón. Or check into the Hotel Santiago by Mandarin (or similar) before our guided overview of this vibrant city backed by the inspiring Andes. (Day 2: L)

DAY 3: FLY TO USHUAIA/EMBARK

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

DAY 4: AT SEA

Settle in to shipboard life as we sail to Antarctica. Keep a lookout for albatross that glide alongside the ship. (B,L,D)



DAYS 5-10: 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 (conditions permitting) and spend these days on the "White Continent," exploring via Zodiac, kayak and on foot, and using our arsenal of tools for exploration. (B,L,D)

DAYS 11 AND 12: AT SEA (B,L,D)

DAYS 13-17: 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. And at a vast



penguin colony you'll see tens of thousands of king penguins! (B,L,D)

DAYS 18 AND 19: AT SEA (B,L,D)

DAYS 20 AND 21: FALKLAND ISLANDS

The Falklands boast albatross, king cormorants, nesting rockhopper penguins, and Magellanic penguins in their green tussock grass burrows. Stroll the photogenic colonial town of Stanley and visit the evocative Anglican Cathedral with its archway of whalebones. (B,L,D)

DAY 22: AT SEA

On our final day 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: DISEMBARK USHUAIA, ARGENTINA/BUENOS AIRES (EXPLORER) OR SANTIAGO, CHILE (ORION)/U.S.

Disembark in Ushuaia. Fly by charter to Buenos Aires or Santiago and connect with your overnight flight home. (Day 23: B,L)

EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES (*Explorer*): 2018 Nov. 6*; 2019 Feb. 14
DATES (*Orion*): 2018 Nov. 5*; 2019 Feb. 13
*These voyages travel in reverse.

Note: *Orion* departures route via Santiago instead of Buenos Aires. Visit our website.

SPECIAL OFFERS:

Book select departures by Jan. 31, 2018 for FREE ROUND-TRIP economy group airfare Miami/Buenos Aires (or Santiago). Plus, we will cover your bar tab and tips to the crew.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Prior to your voyage, add two days in **Buenos Aires** (*Explorer*) or two days in **Santiago**(*Orion*). Add a four-day post-voyage extension to **Easter Island** (both ships), or three days post-voyage at **Iguazú Falls** (*Explorer* only). See page 42 or call for details.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES GUEST SPEAKERS Travel with mountaineer Peter Hillary, Nov. 6, 2018; adventurer Tim Jarvis, Feb. 14, 2019.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

All *Explorer* and *Orion* voyages travel with a National Geographic photographer. To date: *Orion*: Ralph Lee Hopkins, Nov. 5, 2018.



EXTEND YOUR EXPEDITION



ADD BUENOS AIRES

PRE-VOYAGE/2 DAYS/2 NIGHTS

2017/18*: \$1,890 per person, double occupancy.

Explore vibrant Buenos Aires on a curated two-day extension that showcases the beguiling personality of one of the world's greatest cities. Add it before *National Geographic Explorer* voyages only of Antarctica; Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falklands; South Georgia & the Falklands.



ADD SANTIAGO CITY, WINE & CULINARY HIGHLIGHTS

PRE-VOYAGE/2 DAYS/2 NIGHTS

2017/18*: \$1,990 per person, double occupancy.

Get a taste for Santiago's world famous cuisine at premier restaurants and venture into wine country for private tours and tastings at Chile's top wineries. Available for *National Geographic Orion* voyages only on **Antarctica**; **Antarctica**, **South Georgia & the Falklands**.



ADD IGUAZÚ FALLS

POST-VOYAGE/3 DAYS/3 NIGHTS

2017/18*: \$2,790 per person, double occupancy.

Taller than Niagara, Iguazú Falls' monumental Devil's Throat thunders 350 feet down into a river canyon—an incredible display of raw power. Stay at the only hotel within Iguazú National Park. Available for *National Geographic Explorer* voyages only on **Antarctica**; **Antarctica**, **South Georgia & the Falklands**; **South Georgia & the Falklands**.

Note: On all extensions airfare is not included; additional cost applies



ADD EASTER ISLAND

POST-VOYAGE/4 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

2017/18*: \$4,390 per person, double occupancy.

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. Add it after select departures of **Antarctica**; **Antarctica**, **South Georgia & the Falklands**.

[†]Note: Due to airline schedules, on select departures the extension spends an additional night in Buenos Aires (Explorer) or Santiago (Orion); additional cost applies.

EXPEDITIONS BY PRIVATE CHARTER

In the last several years the 148-guest *National Geographic Explorer* has served as the platform for a major climate awareness summit in the Arctic; and the 102-guest *National Geographic Orion* has hosted a TED conference in the South Pacific. Both ships are available for charters to Antarctica in season, from a corporate incentive or meeting, to a special event with friends and family, and provide you with unparalleled possibilities for a transformative experience.







NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER

CAPACITY: 148 guests in 81 outside cabins. **REGISTRY**: Bahamas. **OVERALL LENGTH**: 367 feet.

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-1A Super on the forward hull, enabling it to navigate polar passages while providing exceptional comfort. It carries kayaks and a fleet of Zodiac landing craft. An undersea specialist operates a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) and sophisticated video equipment, extending access to the underwater world.

PUBLIC AREAS: Bistro bar; chart room; restaurant; global gallery; library, lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for films, slideshows and presentations; mudroom with lockers for expedition gear, and observation lounge. Our "open bridge" provides guests an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

CATEGORY 1: Main Deck with one or two portholes #301-308

CATEGORY 2: Main Deck with window #317-320, 335-336

CATEGORY 3: Main Deck with window #313-316, 321-328, 337-340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350

CATEGORY 4: Upper and Veranda Decks with window #103-104, 107-108, 201-202, 204-207, 210, 212, 217, 226, 228

CATEGORY 5: Upper Deck with balcony #209, 211, 214, 216, 218, 220-222, 224

CATEGORY 6: Veranda Deck–Suite #101-102; Upper Deck-Suite with balcony #213

CATEGORY 7: Upper Deck–Suite with balcony #215, 219, 230

CATEGORY A SOLO: Main Deck with window #309-312, 329-334

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

CABINS: All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies. Equipped with ethernet and wifi connections and USB ports for mobile devices.

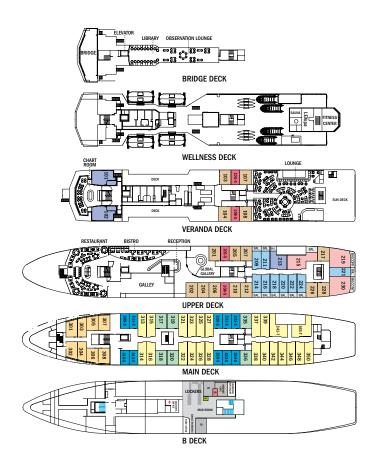
EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, a fleet of 36 double kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, splashcam, underwater video camera, crow's nest remote controlled camera and video microscope.

SPECIAL FEATURES: A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, Global Perspectives guest speaker, National Geographic photographer, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and video chronicler, internet café and laundry.

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

CATEGORY B SOLO: Upper and Veranda Decks with window #105-106, 203, 208

CATEGORY 3 TRIPLE: Main Deck with window #341, 343 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: Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories A and B. 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.









From top: Category 5 cabin with balcony; a standard bathroom; example of a spacious solo cabin with window.

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Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.

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ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. 7	CAT. A SOLO	CAT. B SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Journey to Antarctica – Page 30	2018/19	\$13,890	\$14,940	\$15,380	\$16,550	\$19,990	\$22,800	\$26,600	\$18,680	\$19,220	\$1,500	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from \$1,280; Business from \$3,210. Charter airfare from \$890-960 (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).
Journey to Antarctica – Holiday departures – Page 30	2018/19	\$14,990	\$16,120	\$16,610	\$17,850	\$21,550	\$24,590	\$28,650	\$20,150	\$20,760	\$1,500	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from \$1,280; Business from \$3,210. Charter airfare from \$890-960 (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).
South Georgia and the	Mar. 2018	\$15,930	\$16,990	\$17,930	\$18,990	\$22,990	\$26,580	\$30,830	\$21,240	\$22,410	4 2 F00	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy
Falklands – Page 38	Oct. 2018/ Mar. 2019	\$16,990	\$18,130	\$19,130	\$20,350	\$24,580	\$28,350	\$32,880	\$22,660	\$23,910	\$2,500	from \$1,200; Business from \$2,700. Charter airfare from \$890-960 (round- trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).
Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands – Page 40	2018/19	\$23,990	\$25,740	\$26,950	\$28,220	\$34,750	\$39,990	\$46,450	\$32,180	\$33,690	\$3,000	Includes one hotel night. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: round-trip Miami/Buenos Aires: Economy from \$1,280; Business from \$3,210. Charter airfare from \$890-960 (round-trip Buenos Aires/Ushuaia).



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

CAPACITY: 102 guests in 53 outside cabins. REGISTRY: Bahamas. OVERALL LENGTH: 338 feet.

The state-of-the-art *National Geographic Orion* (built in 2004) joined the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet in 2014. A fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, with an Ice-1A steel reinforced forward hull, it enables us to navigate polar passages in exceptional comfort.

PUBLIC AREAS: Outdoor café, lounge with bar, restaurant, sundeck, reception desk, observation lounge and library, global gallery, marina platform, and mudroom. Our "open bridge" allows guests to meet our captain and officers 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.

CATEGORY 1: Main Deck with oval window #316, 318, 319-321

CATEGORY 2: Main Deck with oval window #302-312, 314, 315, 317

CATEGORY 3: Upper Deck—Suite with window #401-412, 414-419

CATEGORY 4: Bridge Deck—Deluxe suite with window #511. 515

CATEGORY 5: Bridge Deck—Suite with French balcony #501, 503-506, 508

CABINS: All cabins feature ocean views, private facilities, climate controls, and a flat-screen TV with DVD/CD player. Equipped with ethernet and wifi connections and USB ports for mobile devices. Some cabins have French balconies. Single cabins in Category 1 and Category 3 include #301, 322, 323, and 512.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiac landing craft, a hydrophone, underwater video cameras, a fleet of 24 double kayaks, crow's nest camera, and a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV).

SPECIAL FEATURES: Laundry, a full-time doctor, video chronicler, National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus an undersea specialist.

WELLNESS: A wellness specialist, fitness center, LEXspa treatment room and sauna are on board.

CATEGORY 6: Bridge Deck—Owner's suite with French balcony #502, 507, 509*, 510

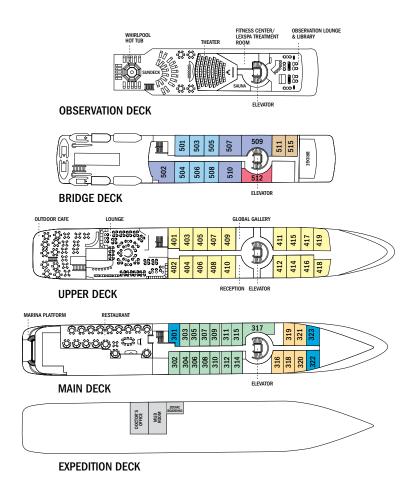
*Cabin 509 has two windows in lieu of a French balcony.

CATEGORY 1 SOLO: Main Deck with oval window or two portholes #301, 322, 323

CATEGORY 3 SOLO: Bridge Deck—Suite with two windows #512

NOTE: Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories 1 and 3. 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.









Nautical chart table in the observation lounge and library; main lounge and bar; Category 3 suite.

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Journey to Antarctica – Page 30	2018/19	\$14,170	\$15,230	\$16,960	\$20,500	\$23,440	\$27,290	\$21,250	\$25,440	\$1,500	Includes one hotel night in Santiago. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: round-trip Miami/Santiago: Economy from \$1,300; Business from \$3,800. Charter Airfare from \$960-\$1,240 (round-trip Santiago/Ushuaia).
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Antarctica, South Georgia & Falklands – Page 40	2018/19	\$24,620	\$26,380	\$28,450	\$35,660	\$41,150	\$47,720	\$36,930	\$42,670	\$3,000	Includes one hotel night in Santiago. Immigration fees are not included. Sample Airfares: round-trip Miami/Santiago: Economy from \$1,300; Business from \$3,800. Charter Airfare from \$960-\$1,240 (round-trip Santiago/Ushuaia).

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Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start	Per Person Cancellation Fee							
180 or more days	\$750*							
179–120 days	Advance payment cost							
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