

# PATAGONIA

TORRES DEL PAINE,  
CHILEAN FJORDS  
TO CAPE HORN

SUPERB LODGES  
ON LAND

+ SPECIAL ACCESS  
TO STATEN ISLAND





DEAR TRAVELER,

Patagonia is a compelling destination for any curious traveler, including those who travel with a camera. Recently, National Geographic photographer, Krista Rossow, posted a link to her blog, *Patagonian Dreams*, on Instagram. Her posts were about her recent expedition there with us aboard *National Geographic Orion*. Her personal take on what she saw and felt, and her images, which so beautifully captured what makes Patagonia so exhilarating, really moved us, so we were delighted when she agreed to let us showcase her take on Patagonia. I hope her passion for the place and her photos move you to explore the beauty there too.



All the best,

A stylized white signature of Sven Lindblad over a background of a turquoise lake and green hills.

Sven Lindblad

Cover photo: National Geographic Orion backed by the Garibaldi Glacier, Tierra del Fuego, Chile. © Krista Rossow.

Ship's registry: Bahamas

# PATAGONIAN DREAMS

BY KRISTA ROSSOW



Krista Rossow has worked as a photographer, photo editor and educator for National Geographic. She has traveled with us from the Galápagos, Peru, and Patagonia, to Alaska, Antarctica, and the Arctic. Find her on Instagram @kristarossow



*Once upon a time, I flew south in the springtime to find autumn in the Austral lands. I boarded a ship named National Geographic Orion that took me through turbulent channels and calm coves on an expedition of wonder. I was enchanted by gnarled forests of windswept beech trees and lighthouses dangling over the ends of the Earth. I was charmed by orchestras of elephant seals. I felt wind and mud in my face as I galloped a horse across the pampas. I was brought to tears by the sheer beauty of mountains. And I even licked a glacier.*

*It does feel like some sort of wonderful dream now, months later, as I write this while Christmas lights twinkle outside of my window. The trip I took in March as a National Geographic expert for Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic to Argentina's Staten Island and Chilean Patagonia was one of my favorites to date. Although I don't yet have a scheduled return, I'm working on it and dreaming about Patagonia in the meantime. Here are a few images to inspire your own Patagonian dreams.*

▶ SEE KRISTA'S ENTIRE BLOG AT  
[bit.ly/patagoniandreams](https://bit.ly/patagoniandreams)

*"I've seen the Torres del Paine massif in countless photos and nothing could prepare me for how overwhelmed I'd feel when I finally gazed at such beauty in person... Torres del Paine National Park is in the top five most beautiful places I've ever been."*



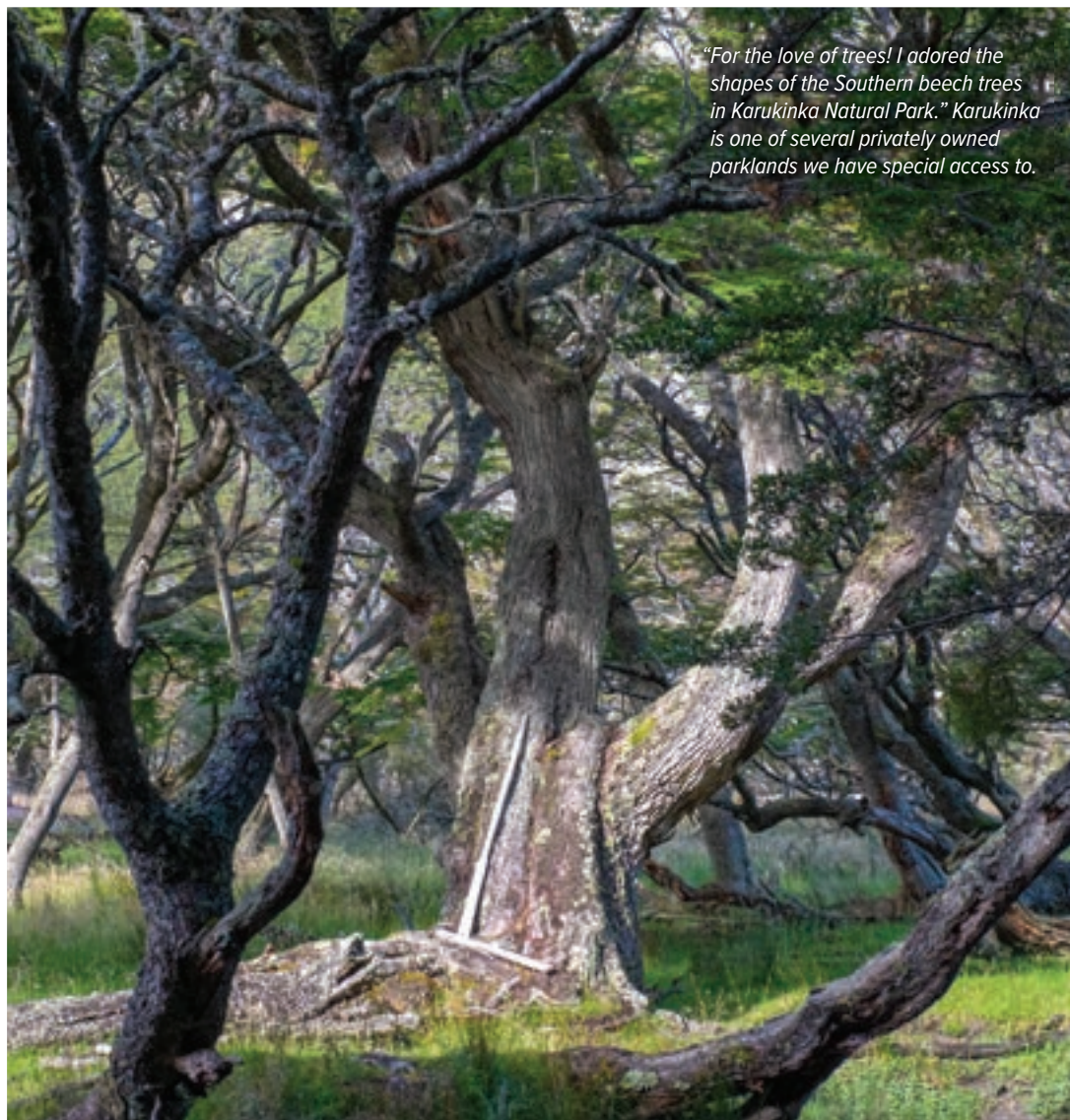
*"We took various hikes throughout Torres del Paine National Park and had many guanaco as willing subject matter to pose in front of the gorgeous mountain backdrops."*



*"Although I didn't photograph while galloping on my horse, that experience is seared into my mind forever."*







*"For the love of trees! I adored the shapes of the Southern beech trees in Karukinka Natural Park." Karukinka is one of several privately owned parklands we have special access to.*



*"Southern elephant seals in Karukinka Natural Park blend into the beach like logs when they're resting, but they cannot be ignored when they cause a ruckus. In fact, this bunch interrupted an interview I was doing with Video Chronicler, Mark Coger."*



*"Most of my visit to Cape Horn was conducted under torrential rains, but as I made a dash for the last Zodiac to the ship, the sky parted and this rainbow appeared."*



# SUBERB ACCOMMODATIONS ON LAND & SEA

*National Geographic Orion* is the perfect platform for exploring Patagonia's stunning coast and fjords, plus the extraordinary Isla de los Estados (Staten Island). She is equipped with a fleet of Zodiacs and kayaks for active, up-close explorations—and for making the most of scenic cruising time, too. Her expansive decks are ideal for vista-watching; her welcoming Bridge is stocked with binoculars; her library invites referencing and reading while underway, and her observation lounge is the ideal place for steeping in spectacular views. *Orion's* amenities are also deeply rewarding: the dining aboard, from the breakfast buffet, lunch, teatime, and hors d'oeuvres at recap, to Executive Chef Lothar Greiner's remarkable dinner offerings, is supremely satisfying. And the ship's 53 spacious cabins and suites offer the perfect ending to active days—with our signature feather duvets.



*From top: Category 6 French balcony suite; stocking in Chile and Argentina is a joy for our wine steward. Prepare to taste the best of the Southern Hemisphere.*



National Geographic Orion.





Explora Patagonia.

## PATAGONIA'S FINEST LODGES

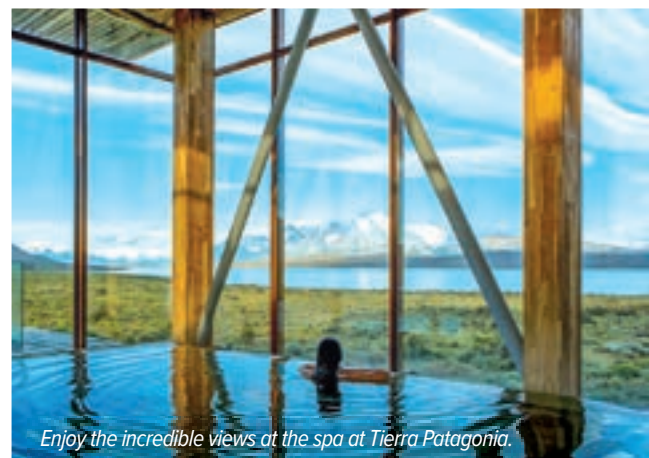
Our 16-day **Best of Patagonia** itinerary includes a three-day stay in an outstanding lodge.

Voted Chile's Leading Boutique Hotel for three consecutive years, **Explora Patagonia** is our 2019 base for exploring inland Patagonia. A superb lodge situated in the heart of iconic Torres del Paine National Park, it offers sumptuous views of the Paine Massif, Paine River and Salto Chico Falls. You'll have the opportunity to walk or hike in some of the most astonishing landscapes anywhere, including lenga tree forests and prairies; horseback ride, if you wish, in the shadows of great mountains, enjoy the spa amenities. Contemplate the jaw-dropping views, including one of the world's most beautiful glacial lakes, before retiring in splendid comfort at day's end.



Explora Patagonia room.

**Tierra Patagonia** is our 2020 base for exploring. A National Geographic Unique Lodge of the World, it's described in 'Why We Love This Lodge' as *"like part of the Patagonian scenery, from the way it curves into the landscape to the way it was built and furnished...inspired by traditional Chilean estancias and the building style of the indigenous Tehuelche people...the wood-clad interior conveys a sense of sweeping movement and great expanses...like the dramatic Patagonian landscapes."* Perched on a bluff over Chile's Lake Sarmiento and surrounded by views of the colossal Torres del Paine peaks, it offers you options to explore, hike, swim or opt for a massage, and end your days of discovery with a glass of excellent Chilean wine and extraordinary vistas.



Enjoy the incredible views at the spa at Tierra Patagonia.



**BEST OF CHILEAN PATAGONIA:  
TORRES DEL PAINE TO CAPE HORN—  
INCLUDES ARGENTINA'S STATEN ISLAND  
16 DAYS/13 NIGHTS ABOARD  
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION  
PRICING FROM: \$15,760<sup>+</sup>**

**EXPEDITION DETAILS**

DATES 2019: Nov. 7; 2020: Mar. 8\* & Nov. 15; 2021: Mar. 7\*

\*These voyages travel in reverse.

**ITINERARY AT-A-GLANCE**

Days 1 & 2	U.S./Santiago, Chile
Day 3	Fly to Punta Arenas/Drive to Puerto Natales
Day 4-6	Torres Del Paine National Park/Spend three days in an outstanding lodge
Day 7	Torres Del Paine National Park/ Puerto Natales/Embark
Days 8 & 9	Kirke Narrows & Exploring Chilean Fjords
Day 10	Exploring Tierra Del Fuego/ Karukinka Natural Park
Day 11	Exploring the Beagle Channel
Day 12	Cape Horn
Days 13 & 14	Isla de los Estados (Staten Island), Argentina
Days 15 & 16	Ushuaia/Disembark/Santiago/U.S.

► FIND THE COMPLETE DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY, DATES,  
AND RATES AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/BEST\\_PATAGONIA](https://expeditions.com/best_patagonia)

<sup>+</sup>Per person, double occupancy based on Category 1, valid as of the time of printing, subject to modification, and not guaranteed until booking and required deposit is made. See all terms and conditions at [expeditions.com/terms](https://expeditions.com/terms)

**PUERTO NATALES**

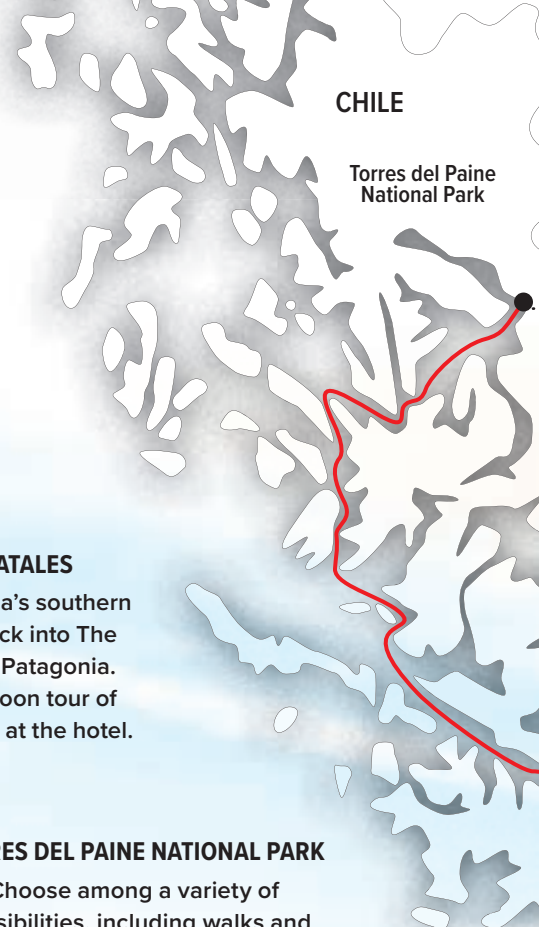
One of Patagonia's southern gateways. Check into The Singular Hotel Patagonia. Have an afternoon tour of town and dinner at the hotel.

**TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK**

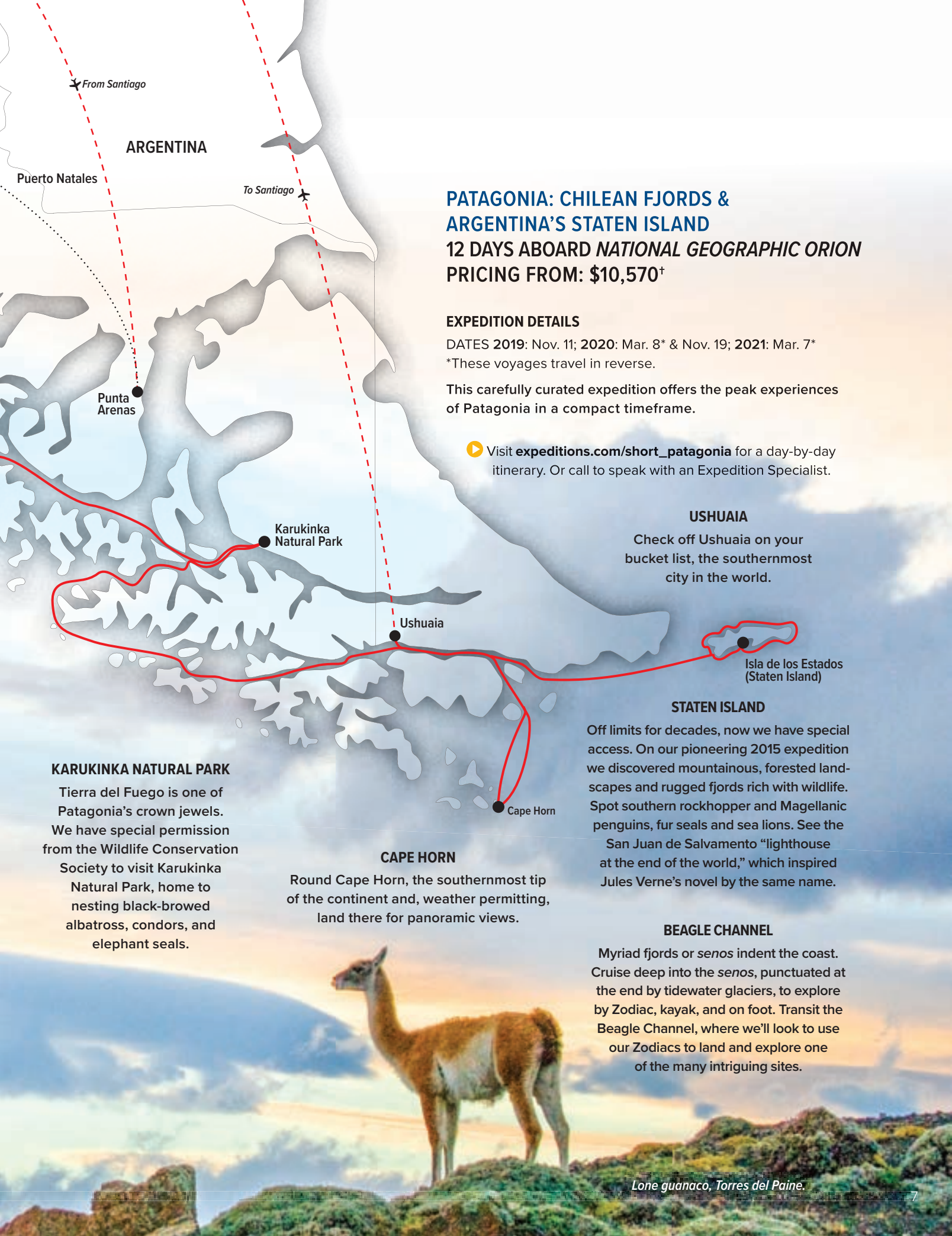
Choose among a variety of possibilities, including walks and hikes, horseback riding, sailing among icebergs to the foot of the immense Grey Glacier, visiting the Salto Grande waterfall, and seeing the towers of the central massif from the Blue Lagoon. Look for guanacos, rheas and condors.

**CHILEAN FJORDS**

Our Captain and local pilots guide us through Kirke Narrows, accessible only to a small ship such as *Orion*. We'll look to make stops in the extensive maze of channels and islands of the Chilean fjords, where we may go out to explore by Zodiac and kayak or take a forest walk.







ARGENTINA

Puerto Natales

From Santiago

To Santiago

Punta Arenas

Karukinka Natural Park

Ushuaia

Cape Horn

USHUAIA

Check off Ushuaia on your bucket list, the southernmost city in the world.

Isla de los Estados (Staten Island)

STATEN ISLAND

Off limits for decades, now we have special access. On our pioneering 2015 expedition we discovered mountainous, forested landscapes and rugged fjords rich with wildlife. Spot southern rockhopper and Magellanic penguins, fur seals and sea lions. See the San Juan de Salvamento "lighthouse at the end of the world," which inspired Jules Verne's novel by the same name.

BEAGLE CHANNEL

Myriad fjords or *senos* indent the coast. Cruise deep into the *senos*, punctuated at the end by tidewater glaciers, to explore by Zodiac, kayak, and on foot. Transit the Beagle Channel, where we'll look to use our Zodiacs to land and explore one of the many intriguing sites.

CAPE HORN

Round Cape Horn, the southernmost tip of the continent and, weather permitting, land there for panoramic views.

KARUKINKA NATURAL PARK

Tierra del Fuego is one of Patagonia's crown jewels. We have special permission from the Wildlife Conservation Society to visit Karukinka Natural Park, home to nesting black-browed albatross, condors, and elephant seals.

## PATAGONIA: CHILEAN FJORDS & ARGENTINA'S STATEN ISLAND

12 DAYS ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICING FROM: \$10,570<sup>+</sup>

### EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES 2019: Nov. 11; 2020: Mar. 8\* & Nov. 19; 2021: Mar. 7\*

\*These voyages travel in reverse.

This carefully curated expedition offers the peak experiences of Patagonia in a compact timeframe.

▶ Visit [expeditions.com/short\\_patagonia](https://expeditions.com/short_patagonia) for a day-by-day itinerary. Or call to speak with an Expedition Specialist.

Lone guanaco, Torres del Paine.



# OUR TEAM WILL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES

Because you deserve an absolutely unforgettable experience, our team will do whatever it takes—from manning the spotting scopes at sea and on land to ensure you won't miss a single wildlife sighting, to ferrying you hot chocolate across the icy straits as you Zodiac-explore spectacular fjords. Explore Patagonia under the expert guidance of a veteran expedition leader, naturalists, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, a video chronicler, plus an undersea specialist and a wellness specialist. Their knowledge and passion for Patagonia will enhance your experience and your understanding.



*Representing the entire team: expedition leader Peter Wilson, naturalist Madalena Patacho, certified photo instructor Juan Carlos Avila, naturalist and native Chilean Alex Searle, and undersea specialist Peter Webster.*

*Explore the fjords by Zodiac, with narration by a naturalist.  
And for individual exploration, paddle a kayak in a quiet cove.*





## TRAVEL & STORYTELL WITH KIKE

National Geographic photographer, **Kike Calvo**, is your traveling companion on these voyages: Nov. 7 & 11, 2019, Mar. 8, 2020. Kike, an expert photographer, will inspire, and can also instruct you if desired, to capture the moments at the heart of your expedition. He's an expert on Patagonia, its unique photo ops and amazing light—one of the few to have explored and documented the marvels of Staten Island in his gorgeous eponymous book. He will guide you to your best photos ever, or for non-photographers, kindle your powers of observation to enhance your experience.

▶ TO LEARN MORE ABOUT KIKE, GO TO **EXPEDITIONS.COM/KIKE**



## ISLAND AT THE END OF THE WORLD

Isla de los Estados, also known as Staten Island, is so seldom seen that it holds a near-mythic place in the region's collective consciousness. World famous for Jules Verne's novel *The Lighthouse at the End of the World*, Staten Island has also inspired photographers like Kike Calvo, whose book of gorgeous photos reveal stunning forests, exotic birds, and towering peaks.

In 2015, ours was the first outside expedition ship granted the privilege to travel here. What we discovered on that pioneering voyage exceeded our fondest hopes: an island of exceptional interest with exceptional wildlife. Thousands of seabirds. Blue-eyed shags nesting in the tussock grass. Magellanic penguins heading down to the sea to feed. South American fur seals basking on the rocky shoreline and in the crystal clear waters, and South American sea lions swirling through the kelp beds.



## THE WORLD'S RAREST TRAVEL SOUVENIR

*"If we're lucky enough to land at Cape Horn, I'll be happy to get your passport stamped for you, while you discover the thrill of exploring this remarkable place."*

—Craig Murray, Hotel Manager, *National Geographic Orion*

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