



## Le Commandant Charcot takes guests to the geographic North Pole for the first time!



Yesterday at 6 pm (CET), guests on board *Le Commandant Charcot* reached the geographic North Pole, a first for PONANT passengers!

On 13 July, 2022, at 6:00 pm (CET), *Le Commandant Charcot*, the world's only luxury icebreaker, reached the geographic North Pole. This is a highly symbolic achievement for PONANT, expert in expeditions to polar regions and only cruise company sailing under the French flag.

Indeed, last September, *Le Commandant Charcot* was the first French vessel to reach this latitude (90,00,000°). This time, the feat has been repeated with guests on board, who are living a unique experience in the footsteps of great polar explorers.

*"It is with great humility, and emotion that we have reached this latitude, each of us aware of the exceptional character of this moment we have been living"* said Captain Patrick Marchesseau, at her helm.

*Le Commandant Charcot* is also the first hybrid-electric cruise ship powered by liquefied natural gas to accommodate scientific research teams onboard, providing them with dedicated work areas. She puts scientific research at the heart of PONANT's commitment and unique concept of travel.

### ABOUT PONANT

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*Explore to Inspire*: explore to better understand, learn, share and protect. For more than 30 years, PONANT has been committed to more responsible tourism and voyages of exploration which have meaning. The French-flagged fleet comprises 13 small capacity ships equipped with state of the art environmentally friendly equipment. With PONANT, exploration is refined, authentic and a source of inspiration. For more information [www.ponant.com](http://www.ponant.com)

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