LE COMMANDANT CHARCOT IN ANTARCTICA

Embark on a unique journey aboard Le Commandant Charcot, the world's only luxury icebreaker, to explore the heart of the 7th continent. Perfect for both first-time adventurers and seasoned explorers, this vessel breaks through formidable pack ice, granting rare access to Antarctica's most uncharted realms. Experience polar exploration redefined, where ultimate luxury meets unmatched discovery.

- All inclusive including fine dining in all restaurants (Sila and Nuna) & all drinks in restaurants, bars and minibars (excluding premium card)
- A waterproof parka, yours to keep as our gift.
- Waterproof boots & walking sticks are available to borrow for adults and children.
- For Owner's, Duplex, Privilege & Grand Prestige Suites: Butler service & Fitness and well being Coach private lessons

WHAT WILL YOU EXPERIENCE IN ANTARCTICA

The early summertime October, November

The break-up of the sea-ice, accompanied by the **migratory** arrival of wildlife.

The sky painted with pink light, during the very short nights.

Crabeaters, Weddell and leopard seals: parents protect their calves as the young seals dare to go into the water for first time.

Inside the gentoo, chinstrap and Adelie penguin colonies, adults sit on their first eggs.

At this time, emperor penguins take advantage of the extended sea-ice to finish moulting.



Summertime December, January

The busy wildlife: the penguin chicks grow & birds play, the seals and leopard seals take some rest, whales and orcas feed in the plankton-rich waters.

The blue ocean sparkling under the sun and the warmest temperatures of the season.

The melting snow reveals some vegetation and rocky ground.

The night disappears and offers a luminous sky during the night.

Scientific stations are open and some of them accept visitors, like the British Port Lockroy.



A **peaceful atmosphere:** juvenile birds are almost weaned, allowing adults to leave and feed freely in the ocean.

62°F/32°F

From 6:30AM

to 5:00PM

Ice floes & compact

sea ice

The big chicks are moulting and preparing their first migrations to the north.

Beaches, easy to reach in zodiac as the sea-ice has almost totally disappeared.

The micro-vegetation of the archipelago and the mountains add color to the all-white landscape.

Cetaceans are still numerous as they prepare to migrate.

INCLUDED

THE EMPEROR PENGUINS OF WEDDELL SEA

Ushuaia - Ushuaia • 12 nights / 14 nights for the last departure 12.19.25 4 departures: 10.30.2025 to 11.12.2025 • 11.11.2025 to 11.24.2025 • 11.23.2025 to 12.06.2025 • 12.19.2025 to 01.03.2026





A must-see!

- The only vessel able to reach the almost inaccessible Weddell Sea as early as October, so our guests can see **emperor penguins and their juveniles** before they head back out into the ocean.
- Larsen Ice Shelf, generating immense tabular icebergs.
- Wildlife: Emperor, Adelie, chinstrap and Gentoo penguins; leopard, crabeater and Weddell seals; humpbacks whales and orcas.
- ALSO INCLUDED: overnight in Santiago + flight Santiago/Ushuaia + transfers + flight Ushuaia/Santiago.
- Guests of honour: Nicolas Vincent, Endurance 22's Expedition Sub-Sea Manager - only on 11.11.25 departure, Donna Urquhart, ultra-marathon runner and scientist - only on 11.23.25 departure.

ACTIVITIES



ZODIAC | HIKING OR SNOWSHOEING | POLAR PLUNGE WITHOUT SUIT | KAYAKING | PHOTO AMBASSADOR



BE ONE OF THE FEW TO VISIT SNOW HILL DECEMBER 19, 2025

- Spend an additional 2 days exploring even further.
- Visit Snow Hill Island and see Emperor Penguin juveniles by **zodiac or kayak.**
- Voyage is hosted by modern day explorers from The Explorers Club.

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IN THE WAKE OF JEAN-BAPTISTE CHARCOT

Ushuaia - Ushuaia • 14 nights 2 departures: 12.05.2025 to 12.20.2025 • 01.03.2026 to 01.17.2026





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THE EXPLORERS CLUB

A must-see!

- Journey in the footsteps of Jean-Baptiste Charcot's two great polar expeditions.
- Crossing the Antarctic Circle, approaching the distant Charcot Island and exploring the Bellingshausen Sea's abundant biodiversity.
- Wildlife: Adelie, chinstrap and Gentoo penguins; leopard, crabeater and Weddell seals; humpbacks, Minke whales and orcas.
- ALSO INCLUDED: overnight in Santiago + flight Santiago/Ushuaia + transfers + flight Ushuaia/Santiago included.
- 12.05.25 voyage is hosted by Astrobiologist, **Britney Schmidt**, member of The Explorers Club.

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UNEXPLORED ANTARCTICA BETWEEN TWO CONTINENT

USHUAIA - HOBART, TASMANIA • 29 nights 1 departure: 01.16.2026 to 02.15.2026



ARGENTINA USHUAIA
Drake Passage Antarctic Circle
Lharcot Island
Bellingshausen Sea
Amundsen Sea
Ross Sea
Balleny Islands
Macquarie Island
HOBART AUSTRALIA

A must-see!

- Crossing the three southern seas: Bellingshausen, Amundsen and Ross.
- The most little-known islands in the world: Charcot Island and the Islands of Marie Byrd Land.
- Monumental glaciers & icebergs: The **Ross Ice Shelf**, Drygalski glacier, the **Mount Erebus**, the highest volcano in Antarctica
- The Macquarie Island's impressive colony of Royal penguins and Antarctic petrels, whales, orcas, seals and penguins
- Overnight in Santiago + flight Santiago/Ushuaia + transfers + flight Ushuaia/Santiago included
- Voyage is hosted by Jonathan Shackleton, descendant of Sir Ernest Shackleton and family historian.

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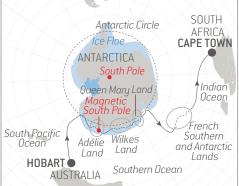
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A PONANT EXCLUSIVE EXPERIENCE

UNEXPLORED ANTARCTICA BETWEEN TWO CONTINENT

Hobart, Tasmania – Cape Town • 28 nights 1 departure: 02.17.2026 to 03.17.2026





A must-see!

- An all-new *Le Commandant Charcot* half-circumnavigation!
- Set off on the trail of the great explorers and sailors like Jules Dumont-d'Urville or James Cook and attempt to reach the Magnetic South Pole!
- Be among the rare people to discover Adelie Land which covers around 400,000 km² (250,000 square miles) of Antarctica.
- Explore World's largest polar icecap, the Inlandsis in East Antarctica, a huge expanse of ice more than 3,000 metres (almost 10,000 feet) deep.
- UNESCO World Heritage Site: French Southern and Antarctic Lands, from the Crozet archipelago to the Kerguelen Islands.
- Wildlife: humpback whales, seals, orcas, various penguins (emperor, Gentoo, Adelie, chinstrap and macaroni), and light-mantled albatrosses.

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