

## Ponant : 18D17N The Antarctic Odyssey

Price per person  
from  
MYR 82900



## Tour Description

Luxury cruise aboard to experience a truly exceptional sea voyage with a difference. Discover expeditions to the majestic landscapes of the Arctic and the Antarctic. Great choice for couples, solo travelers and those who love small-ship cruising. Ponant Cruises offers exceptional bilingual service, world-class dining and elegantly-appointed accommodation and public areas in terms of the onboard experience. Choose a cruise on an Explorer Class vessel, you will benefit from several expedition-style features. Relaxing in the Blue Eye Lounge, an underwater multi-sensory environment that boasts comfortable seating and privileged views of life beneath the waves. Ponant's expedition ships also carry a fleet of Zodiacs deployed frequently throughout each itinerary for sightseeing excursions and trips ashore.

### Cancellation Policy

- ~ Postpone or cancel free of charge up to 10 days after the booking is confirmed
- ~ From 10 days after the booking is confirmed to 365 days prior to departure: EUR 150 plus RM100 refund admin fees per guest per cruise for the cruise service only
- ~ From 364 to 211 days prior to departure: 10% of total price
- ~ From 210 – 91 days prior to departure: 25% of total price
- ~ Cancellation within 90 days prior to departure: 100% of total price

### Payment Terms

- ~ Deposit payment of 25% must be received within 10 days after the booking is confirmed.
- ~ Balance payment must be made 90 days prior to departure
- ~ Booking made within 90 days prior to departure require full payment at the time of booking



## Day 1 :- ARRIVE BUENOS AIRES

Welcome to Argentina. Meet and greet at by Ponant Representative and shuttle provided from the airport to your hotel. Upon check in hotel, relax at hotel after long flight. Join other expedition members at dinner

Dinner

## Day 2 :- USHUAIA

Capital of Argentina's Tierra del Fuego province, Ushuaia is considered the gateway to the White Continent and the South Pole. Nicknamed "El fin del mundo" by the Argentinian people, this city at the end of the world nestles in the shelter of mountains surrounded by fertile plains that the wildlife seem to have chosen as the ultimate sanctuary. With its exceptional site, where the Andes plunge straight into the sea, Ushuaia is one of the most fascinating places on earth, its very name evocative of journeys to the unlikely and the inaccessible... Embarkation from 4.00pm to 5.00pm

## Day 3 :- AT SEA

During your journey at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This journey without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, depending on the activities offered, or to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.

## Day 4 :- NEW ISLAND & GRAVE COVE

This island with its distinctive jagged relief is located on the western edge of the Falkland Islands and is home to a tiny village of two families. Step onto the golden sand of its flower-lined beaches, beside which an old stone house still stands, and you'll feel like you've entered a natural paradise. A narrow pathway weaves around typical Falkland moorlands. Follow it and in under 20 minutes you'll find yourself at the heart of a colony of southern rockhopper penguins, black-browed albatross and imperial shags. It's the perfect opportunity to watch the albatross swoop down from the cliffs and skim the waves that crash against the rocks on the exposed side of the island then, make your way through the turbulent Woolly Gut strait and emerge in the stillness of Grave Cove. Located in the northern edge of the Falkland Islands, this bay owes its name to the vestiges of whalers' graves that overlook the beach. As you step off the boat and onto the white-sand beach, you might find yourself escorted by a few hospitable Commerson's dolphins, elegantly adorned in black and white. A stroll along the grassy dunes will lead you to a vast plain of lush green grass, tended by a few sheep. On the other side of the island you'll find one of the largest gentoo penguin colonies in the area. With some luck, you'll also glimpse a sea lion scouring the waves for his next meal.

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## Day 7 :- SOUTH GEORGIA

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## **Day 11 :- SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS**

More than 85% glaciated, these remote mountainous islands are hidden in the Southern Ocean, some 600 km from the tip of the Antarctic Peninsula. The archipelago is composed of four main islands: Coronation Island, Signy Island, Powell Island and Laurie Island. Discovered in 1821 by seal hunters, they were also explored in 1823 by the British navigator James Weddell, who gave them their current name. Despite the ravages caused by whale and seal hunting, today a sizeable leopard seal population can be found there, along with chinstrap penguins and snow petrels. Laurie Island is home to an old scientific station that is still in operation.

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Tour Prices

Cruise price (Price shown subject to exchange rate fluctuation)	Superior Stateroom (pperson)	Deluxe stateroom (pperson)	Prestige Stateroom (pperson)	Deluxe Suite (pperson)
04 Nov -12 Nov 2023	RM 82,320	SOLD OUT	RM 93,740	RM 132,200

What's included

Destination	<a href="#">ARCTIC</a> , <a href="#">Argentina</a>
Departure Location	Ushuaia
Return Location	Ushuaia

**Price includes**

- ~ 1 night pre-hotel stay in Buenos Aires
- ~ 16 nights shipboard on Ponant Cruise
- Return air ticket Buenos Aires/Ushuaia v.v
- 24 hour room service (special selection)
- Butler service (special selection)
- Free unlimited WIFI onboard
- Evening entertainment and events

**Price does not include**

- International air ticket
- Airport transfer
- Gratuities