

# Patagonia Cruises

Patagonia - Tierra del Fuego - Cape Horn



CRUCEROS<sup>®</sup>  
AUSTRALIS  
CAPE HORN & PATAGONIA



September 2013 - April 2014



Pia Glacier  
Sergio Ramazzotti/Parallelozero



## Travel with us to another world

Some 500 years ago, a group of explorers sailed along the coast of an undiscovered land and spotted natives' fires that appeared to float mystically upon the waters in the mist of dawn. Intrigued, they duly named it Tierra del Fuego – the land of fire.

Today, you can cruise with us along the path of the explorers to this extremely remote place, where the mountains meet the ocean, where Mother Nature will fill you with awe, and where time appears to have stood still.

At Cruceros Australis we specialize in taking people to extraordinary places. In fact, we are the only company to offer trips to this exclusive area. So sail with us to a very special place that will enchant you and leave you with memories to last a lifetime.

- Embarkation ports
- Excursion sites
- Other highlights of Patagonia

*Map for tourism related purposes.  
"Authorized circulation, by Resolution  
#185 from June 15th, 2000  
of the Borders and State Limits National Direction."*





De Agostini Sound

# Experience Patagonia

Enjoy a truly memorable journey, sailing through the Strait of Magellan and Beagle Channel to explore one of the most beautiful and untouched places on Earth: Patagonia, which includes the vast and dramatic region of Tierra del Fuego.

Prepare to be awestruck as you sail past imposing glaciers and through spectacular channels on an unforgettable voyage to Cape Horn – the edge of the world. You'll find yourself being both enchanted and amazed by the stunningly beautiful landscape, the resilient flora, the magnificent marine mammals and the Magellan Penguins that you will encounter during the voyage of a lifetime.

Take advantage of the opportunity to explore deeper within this unique part of the world. Simply combine one of our expedition itineraries, aboard one of our vessels, with exploring two of the region's areas of outstanding natural beauty: Torres del Paine National Park, just two hours away from Puerto Natales in Chile, and the Perito Moreno Glacier, an hour away from El Calafate in Argentina.

During your stay in Patagonia we recommend the following hotels:

- Cabo de Hornos Hotel  
Punta Arenas
- CostAustralis Hotel  
Puerto Natales

To find out more, please visit [www.hotelesaustralis.com](http://www.hotelesaustralis.com)





Horn Island

## *Your cruise options & our commitment to you*

When you voyage with Cruceros Australis, you are treated as our guest - both on board and when you're out and about exploring, discovering and enjoying your new-found surroundings. You'll soon see how our 20-plus years of experience have made us leaders in 'discovery cruises'.

Our guides, instructors and crew are also all highly experienced and dedicated to ensuring that your experience is a deeply involving and profound one - so that you return home feeling enriched.

Over the following pages, you will discover a detailed account of our four itinerary options that vary in activities, location and duration. Hosted by our two vessels, M/V Stella Australis & M/V Via Australis, our cruises take place between the months of September and April - all you need to do is pick the right one for you. We'll take care of the rest.



# Punta Arenas - Ushuaia

September 2013 – April 2014

4 nights

## M/V Stella Australis

Depart from Punta Arenas: Saturdays  
Arrival in Ushuaia: Wednesdays

## M/V Via Australis

Fixed departure dates  
(please check our online calendar)

### Day 1: Punta Arenas

Check in at 990 Magallanes Street between 13:00 and 17:00. Board the M/V Via Australis or M/V Stella Australis cruise ship at 18:00. After a welcoming cocktail reception hosted by the Captain and his crew, the ship will depart for one of the remotest parts of the planet. Our trip will take us through the Strait of Magellan and Beagle Channel to explore one of the most breathtaking wilderness regions in the world: Southern Patagonia, which includes the Tierra del Fuego archipelago.

### Day 2: Ainsworth Bay – Tuckers Islets

At dawn, we will navigate our way through Almirantazgo Sound, arriving at Ainsworth Bay which is sited within Alberto De Agostini National Park. It's the perfect spot from which to see the Marinelli Glacier descending from Darwin Mountain Range in the distance; and to appreciate how the land returns to life after glacial retreat. We will also take a walk to a beaver dam in the stunning sub-polar Magellan Forest. Whether on the beach or the island, there's a good chance of sighting Southern Elephant Seals. But do bear in mind the fact that sightings cannot be guaranteed due to the colony's unpredictable movements.

Later, we will be sailing to Tuckers Islets, and after lunch, we will board well-equipped Zodiac boats to get close to a colony of Magellan Penguins (indigenous to the Southern Hemisphere) and cormorants. In September and April, this excursion is replaced by a short walk to a nearby glacier at Brookes Bay.

### Day 3: Pia Glacier – Glacier Alley

We will navigate along the northwest arm of the Beagle Channel before disembarking at Pia Fjord. From there, we'll take a short hike to a panoramic viewpoint from where we can enjoy spectacular views of the awe-inspiring Pia Glacier whose main tongue extends from the mountaintops down to the sea. After this memorable experience, we will continue our voyage along the Beagle Channel through the majestic Glacier Alley.

### Day 4: Cape Horn – Wulaia Bay

We will be sailing through Murray Channel and Nassau Bay to reach Cape Horn National Park, where, weather permitting, we shall go ashore. The legendary Cape Horn was discovered in 1616 and is a sheer 425-meter (1,394-foot) high rocky promontory. For many years it was an important navigation route between the Pacific and the Atlantic, and is referred to as the 'End of the Earth'. The park was declared a World Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 2005.

In the afternoon, we will go ashore at historical Wulaia Bay, originally the site of one of the region's largest Yamana aboriginal settlements. Charles Darwin landed there in 1833 during his voyage on the HMS Beagle. This area is also renowned for the mesmerizing beauty of its vegetation and geography. We will take an enchanted walk through the Magellan Forest of lengas, coigües, canelos, ferns, and other endemic vegetation, to reach a panoramic viewpoint.

### Day 5: Ushuaia

Acknowledged as the southernmost city in the world, Ushuaia was founded in 1884 and was one of the original points of encounter between the Yamana and Anglican cultures. Its name derives from the Yamana word for 'penetrating bay' and it's surrounded by the last high peaks of the Andes. Today, it is one of the largest cities on Tierra del Fuego Island, with around 65,000 inhabitants. Disembarkation is scheduled at 08:00. The perfect opportunity to enjoy the city and its spectacular scenery.







Magellan Penguins on Tucker Islet



Wulaia Bay



Pia Glacier



Southern Elephant Seal at Ainsworth Bay

# Ushuaia - Punta Arenas

September 2013 – April 2014

3 nights

## M/V Stella Australis

Depart from Ushuaia: Wednesdays

Arrival in Punta Arenas: Saturdays

### Day 1: Ushuaia

Check in between 10:00 and 16:00 at 409 San Martín Street. Board the M/V Stella Australis cruise ship at 17:30. After a welcoming cocktail reception hosted by the Captain and his crew, the M/V Stella Australis will depart for one of the remotest parts of the planet. Our voyage will take us through the Strait of Magellan and Beagle Channel to explore one of the most breathtaking wilderness regions in the world: Southern Patagonia, which includes the Tierra del Fuego archipelago.

### Day 2: Cape Horn – Wulaia Bay

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### Day 3: De Agostini Sound and Águila Glacier

We will be sailing through Brecknock, Ocasión, Cockburn, and Magdalena Channels to enter the spectacular De Agostini Sound, in the heart of the Darwin Mountain Range. This is where we shall see glaciers sliding down the mountainside all the way to the sea.

In the afternoon, in well-equipped Zodiac boats, we will travel to the Águila Glacier where we will embark upon an easy walk to its base. It's the perfect opportunity to experience the beauty of Patagonia's cold rainforest and to see how the power of nature has molded the spectacular landscape.

### Day 4: Magdalena Island - Punta Arenas

Early in the morning, weather permitting, we will go ashore on Magdalena Island, located in the middle of the Strait of Magellan. The island used to be an essential source of supplies for navigators and explorers and is inhabited by an immense colony of Magellan Penguins that we will be able to see during our walk to the lighthouse. In September and April, this excursion is replaced by a ride aboard Zodiacs to Marta Island to observe South American Sea Lions.

Finally, disembarkation at Punta Arenas is scheduled for 11:30.





Magellan Penguins on Magdalena Island



Cape Horn



Wulaia Bay



Águila Glacier

# Ushuaia - Punta Arenas

October 2013 – March 2014

4 nights

## M/V Via Australis

Fixed departure dates  
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### Day 1: Ushuaia

Check in between 10:00 and 16:00 at 409 San Martín Street. Board the M/V Via Australis cruise ship at 17:30. After a welcoming cocktail reception hosted by the Captain and his crew, the M/V Via Australis will depart for one of the remotest parts of the planet. Our voyage will take us through the Strait of Magellan and Beagle Channel to explore one of the most breathtaking wilderness regions in the world: Southern Patagonia, which includes the Tierra del Fuego archipelago.

### Day 2: Cape Horn – Wulaia Bay

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### Day 3: Pia Glacier - Garibaldi Glacier

We navigate along the Northwest arm of the Beagle Channel to reach Pia Fjord, where we disembark. We will then take a short hike to gain a panoramic view of the spectacular Pia Glacier, which extends from the mountaintops down to the sea.

In the afternoon, we will enter Garibaldi Fjord where we will disembark for a hike through the forest up to a glacial waterfall to enjoy the spectacular views.

For those who choose to stay onboard, our Captain will point the bow towards the beautiful blue Garibaldi Glacier so that they can enjoy the panoramic view from the upper decks.

### Day 4: Piloto and Nena Glaciers – De Agostini Sound and Águila Glacier

In the morning, we will be sailing through Cockburn Channel to anchor in Chico Sound. Traveling in well-equipped Zodiac boats, we will explore Alakaluf Fjord and enjoy the view of Piloto and Nena Glaciers from the sea. You will find yourself being drawn to the intense blue color of Piloto Glacier, which is due to its compression and age. We will learn about the formation of glaciers and their influence on the unexpected topography of the Fuegian-Patagonian channels.

In the afternoon, we will enter the spectacular De Agostini Sound, right in the heart of the Darwin Mountain Range – the perfect viewing point to appreciate glaciers that make their way down to the sea from the upper ice field. Later that afternoon, we will travel aboard Zodiacs to the Águila Glacier where we will embark upon an easy walk to its base. It's the perfect opportunity to experience the beauty of Patagonia's cold rainforest and to see how the power of nature has molded the spectacular landscape.

### Day 5: Magdalena Island - Punta Arenas

Early in the morning, weather permitting, we will go ashore on Magdalena Island, located in the middle of the Strait of Magellan. The island used to be an essential source of supplies for navigators and explorers and is inhabited by an immense colony of Magellan Penguins that we will be able to see during our walk to the lighthouse. In September and April, this excursion is replaced by a ride aboard Zodiacs to Marta Island to observe South American Sea Lions.

Finally, disembarkation at Punta Arenas is scheduled for 11:30.





Wulaia Bay



Horn Island



Piloto Glacier



Magellan Penguins on Magdalena Island

# Punta Arenas - Ushuaia - Punta Arenas

November 2013 – March 2014

## M/V Via Australis

Fixed departure dates  
(please check our online calendar)

7 nights



## Day 1: Punta Arenas

Check in at 990 Magallanes Street between 13:00 and 17:00. Board the M/N Via Australis cruise ship at 18:00. After a welcoming cocktail reception hosted by the Captain and his crew, the M/N Via Australis will depart for one of the remotest parts of the planet. Our trip will take us through the Strait of Magellan and Beagle Channel to explore one of the most breathtaking wilderness regions in the world: Southern Patagonia, which includes the Tierra del Fuego archipelago.

## Day 2: Águila Glacier – Condor Glacier

At dawn, we sail through the beautiful De Agostini Sound, right in the heart of the Darwin Mountain Range – the perfect viewing point to appreciate glaciers that make their way down to the sea from the upper ice field. Early in the morning, in well-equipped Zodiac boats, we will travel to the Águila Glacier where we will embark upon an easy walk to its base. It's the perfect opportunity to experience the beauty of Patagonia's cold rainforest and to see how the power of nature has molded the spectacular landscape.

During the afternoon, we'll get close to the front wall of the imposing Condor Glacier in our Zodiacs.

## Day 3: Garibaldi Fjord – Pia Glacier – Glacier Alley

During the morning, we'll navigate the Ballenero Channel before disembarking at Garibaldi Fjord. From there, we'll hike through the forest up to a glacial waterfall to enjoy the spectacular views. For those who choose to stay onboard, our Captain will point the bow towards the beautiful blue Garibaldi Glacier so that they can enjoy the panoramic view from the upper decks.

In the afternoon, we will be navigating along the northwest arm of the Beagle Channel to reach Pia Fjord, from where we'll take a short hike to enjoy a panoramic view of the magnificent Pia Glacier, which extends from the mountaintops down to the sea. After this memorable experience, we will continue our voyage along the Beagle Channel through the majestic Glacier Alley.

## Day 4: Ushuaia

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In the afternoon, we will go ashore at historic Wulaia Bay, originally the site of one of the region's largest Yamana aboriginal settlements. Charles Darwin landed there in 1833 during his voyage on the HMS Beagle.

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### Day 6: Chico Sound

We will navigate through the intricate channels of the west coast of Tierra del Fuego. These channels are lonely, remote and uninhabited, but very rich in natural history and beauty. In the afternoon, we will sail through Chico Sound where we will board the Zodiacs to venture into the Alacalufe Fjord – our route to the amazingly blue Piloto Glacier.

### Day 7: Brookes Glacier – Ainsworth Bay

At dawn, we will navigate through Almirantazgo Sound, arriving at Guerrero Bay, opposite Brookes Glacier. The area is a natural amphitheater shaped by glaciers in constant movement. We will take a short walk towards one of the glaciers, enjoying the breathtaking scenery and the spectacular view of the Darwin Mountain Range. In the afternoon, we arrive at Ainsworth Bay, within Alberto De Agostini National Park. It's the perfect spot from which to see Marinelli Glacier descending from the Darwin Mountain Range in the distance; and to appreciate how the land returns to life after glacial retreat. We will also take a walk to a beaver dam in the stunning sub-polar Magellan Forest. Whether on the beach or the island, there's a good chance that we might catch a glimpse of Southern Elephant Seals. But do bear in mind the fact that sightings cannot be guaranteed due to the colony's unpredictable movements.

### Day 8: Magdalena Island – Punta Arenas

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Finally, disembarkation at Punta Arenas is scheduled for 11:30.



Buckland Mount



Magellan Penguins on Magdalena Island

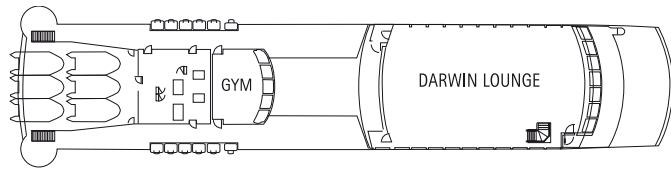
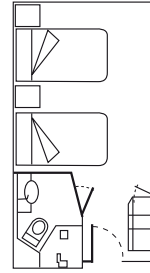
# M/V Stella Australis

**Passenger capacity** 210

**Total cabins** 100

Standard 16.5 m<sup>2</sup> / 177 sq ft

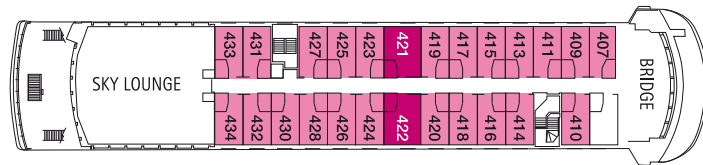
Superior 20.5 m<sup>2</sup> / 220 sq ft



**Darwin Deck**

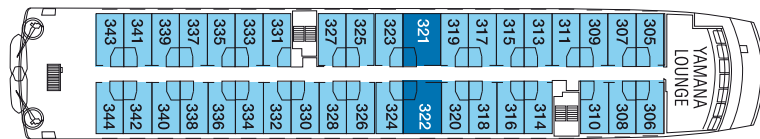


**Sky Lounge**



**Cabo de Hornos Deck**

- AAA cabins 23
- AAA Superior cabins 2

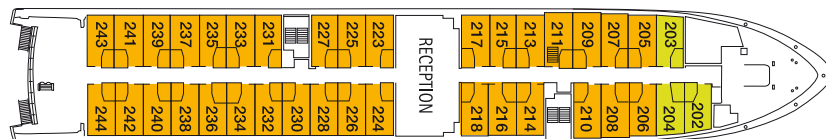


**Tierra del Fuego Deck**

- AA Cabins 36
- AA Superior cabins 2



**Darwin Lounge**



**Magallanes Deck**

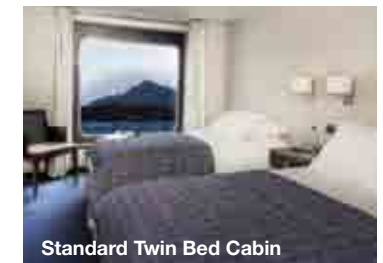
- A Cabins 34
- B Cabins 3



**Patagonia Deck**



**Standard Double Bed Cabin**



**Standard Twin Bed Cabin**

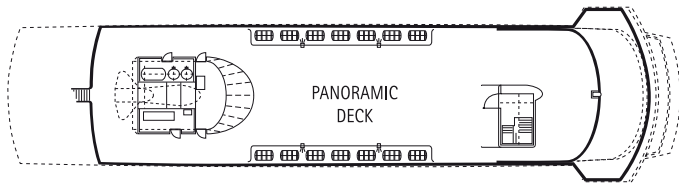
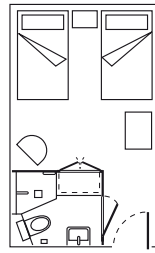


# M/V Via Australis

Passenger capacity 136

Total cabins 64

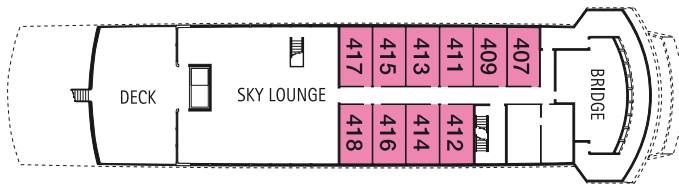
Standard 15 m<sup>2</sup> / 161 sq ft



Darwin Deck

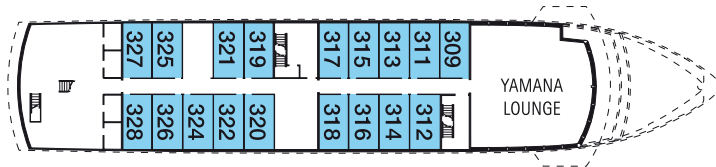


Patagonia Dining Room



Cabo de Hornos Deck

AAA cabins 10

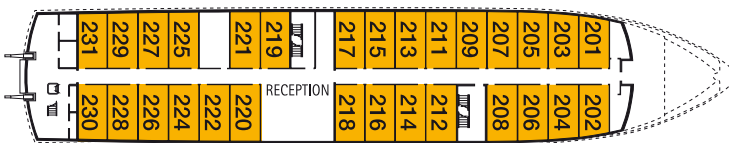


Tierra del Fuego Deck

AA Cabins 18

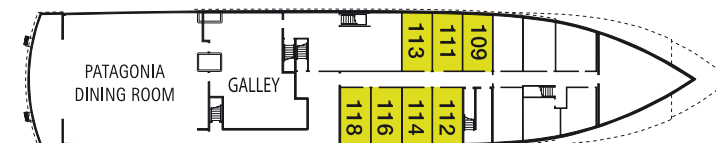


Yamana Lounge



Magallanes Deck

A Cabins 29



Patagonia Deck

B Cabins 7



Standard Twin Bed Cabin



Standard Double Bed Cabin

# Welcome aboard

Prepare yourself for a cruise of a lifetime. Both of our impressive vessels are maintained to the highest levels and fitted with comfortable interiors. You'll also find that our all-inclusive service will help you to enjoy the spectacular scenery in a totally relaxed state of mind - without your wallet.

## Here's what to expect:

- Daily excursions on Zodiac boats
- All-inclusive meals and bar with selected beverages, liquors and wines (during opening hours)
- Audiovisual presentations on the region's flora, fauna, geography, glaciology, ethnography and history
- The official languages on board are Spanish and English. We also offer guided tours in French and German for a minimum of 15 passengers per language. Please request information on availability of guided tours in other languages.
- Shop and prepaid satellite phone
- A welcome reception - always.

**NOTE:** The excursions described in the itineraries can normally be carried out. Notwithstanding the above, Transportes Marítimos Terra Australis S.A., Transportes Marítimos Via Australis S.A., and Transportes Marítimos Geo Australis S.A reserve the right to reschedule, shorten, or alter all or part of the itineraries and/or excursions without prior notice, in order to safeguard the wellbeing and safety of passengers, preserve the environment, or due to any extraordinary circumstances, acts of God or force majeure. For the same reasons, the hours of departure or arrival of the vessels may be subject to change.

The information contained within this brochure replaces and voids all previous communications. Valid as of February 2013.



Cormorants on Tucker Islets



Patagonia Dining Room



# What to bring

In order to ensure that you gain the maximum from your trip, due to the nature of the environment and the unpredictable weather conditions, you will need to bring the correct clothing. Please see the guide below.

*We look forward to welcoming you aboard!*





Pia Glacier



## Incentive trips & charters

Whether traveling alone, in a small party or with a number of guests, a truly unique and inspirational experience is guaranteed. Discovering and interacting with untamed nature while exploring the southern fjords, glaciers, channels and wilderness walks, will provide everyone with an unforgettable experience.

For a more bespoke experience, you can charter one of our vessels to create a tailor-made voyage and itinerary - we can even brand the ship with your company logo. A wide selection of on- and off-board activities includes themed evenings or parties; team-building activities; games; sculptures using millenary (glacier) ice; cocktail at Wulaia Bay (where Darwin disembarked), gymkhana and personalization of the navigation route, disembarkation places and excursions - plus so much more. Please contact us for more information on these and other charter options and activities.

*With Cruceros Australis, every moment is memorable.*



Tucker Islets



Horn Island



De Agostini Sound



# Caring for the environment

Our vessels are fitted with the latest technology to ensure they meet the required environmentally-friendly regulations, and leave minimal impact on the navigation routes.

Onboard crew and guides always ensure guests are fully aware of how to keep their carbon footprint neutral, especially when ashore.

It's always been our aim to respect, celebrate and care for the region, its flora and its fauna – and not to spoil it in any way whatsoever.



Southern Elephant Seal



Chaura



Wulaia Bay



Magellan Penguins on Tucker Islet



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