

MERBADEL EUEGO

ON THE WAY TO THE END OF THE WORLD

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EDITORIAL

A UNIQUE, UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY TO THE END OF THE WORLD

Join us, for a one-off exploration of the natural wonders, isolated fjords and surprising wildlife of Tierra del Fuego in southernmost Patagonia. Here at Australis we have been navigating the waters of Cape Horn, the Beagle Channel and Strait of Magellan since 1990 as a leading expedition cruise company.

During that time our passion and goal has never changed: to transport our guests to another world, one which is wild and beautiful, untouched by humankind and rarely seen by tourists; a unique experience that will not be forgotten.

SUMMARY

TRAVEL THROUGH THE PAGES





TAKE AN INTIMATE LOOK AT GLORIOUS PATAGONIA

PIONEERING TRAVEL

Australis cruise routes all encompass the hidden canals, fjords and environments of this evocative part of Patagonia. We have access to areas that other cruise operators do not, meaning that your on-land and offshore excursions – whether trekking towards giant glaciers, wandering forest trails or exploring the delights of the Penguin colony – will be in complete isolation.

Our itineraries also include a stop at Cape Horn, the southernmost point in the Americas which is often nicknamed the 'End of the World'. First discovered in 1616 by brave Dutch sailors, this area connects the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans, so not only is it geographically symbolic but also happens to be beautiful to look at, atmospheric and a true once-in-a-lifetime experience to visit.

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SCIENTIFIC EXPLORATION

Ever since our very first voyage, Australis has been passionate about and dedicated to the importance of environmental issues, and conservation more widely. This is something we do ourselves though also promote with our travelling guests.

So, in 2015 we took the initiative to partner with a group of scientists and specialists, at both the local CONAF organisation and scientific community at VCE, to study the Patagonian ecosystem and its endemic species. Together, through research, experiments and a greater knowledge of the ecosystem, we can ensure that the penguins, sea birds, native plant life and other wildlife across Tierra del Fuego remains protected.

THE END OF THE WORLD...

SIMPLY STUNNING LANDSCAPES

There is nowhere in the world quite like the immense glaciers, dramatic ice-laden channels, native forest and enchanting wildlife that make up this area of Patagonia; as you'll see throughout your tour.

Every day will bring something new, though the feeling of complete isolation, wonder and awe at such untouched surroundings and marvels of Mother Nature certainly stays the same.

Combine your trip on Australis with natural wonders in Patagonia as Perito Moreno Glacier and Torres del Paine national park.









MEET, DISCOVER... LIVE

THIS IS THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME...

At Australis, we feel at one with the landscape, having explored it so intimately for so long. As a result, you will be treated to all of the unmissable highlights throughout Tierra del Fuego, both on land and with exciting Zodiac boat rides, during your Australis expedition cruise. Discover the glaciers, national parks, native plant life and diverse wildlife species – including Penguins and Seals –

always in the company of our expert guides





ELEGANCE, ENTERTAINMENT & STYLE

While aboard, your enjoyment is our top priority, with every effort made to make you feel at home in the comfort of our luxurious vessels. As such, the all-inclusive onboard restaurant and lounge bar serve up gourmet treats each day, with cuisine that takes its inspiration from all over the world and a wine menu designed to please every palate.

Between meals, and indeed excursions, there is plenty else to keep you entertained throughout your Australis cruise, such as insightful seminars and lectures as well as a library of informative books. Both are an excellent way to learn more about your daily outings, the glaciology, geography, history, flora and fauna of Tierra del Fuego and wider Patagonia.

Our crew are also extremely welcoming, speaking both Spanish and English and assisting with whatever you need.







ROUTE

THE FJORDS OF TIERRA DEL FUEGO

- 4 NIGHTS -PUNTA ARENAS // USHUAIA M/V Stella Australis // M/V Ventus Australis

DAY 1: PUNTA ARENAS Check-in between 1pm and 5pm in Punta Arenas. Boarding at 6pm.

DAY 2: AINSWORTH BAY - TUCKERS ISLETS

Start as you mean to go on with a picturesque navigation through the Almirantazgo Sound, towards Ainsworth Bay and the Marinelli Glacier. Here, your knowledgeable guide will explain how life began to emerge and adapt across the region as polar ice caps retreated, something that can be seen as you then voyage to the Tucker Islets, home to Magellan Penguin and Cormorant colonies. These beautiful creatures are best admired from a Zodiac boat, ideal for cruising the coast.

NOTE: In September and April this excursion is replaced with a glacier-trekking expedition in Brookes Bay.

DAY 3: PÍA GLACIER - GLACIER ALLEY

A true highlight of any Tierra del Fuego cruise today, as you take the scenic trek to a viewpoint overlooking the Pia Glacier; a 20km-long block of solid ice. Next, enjoy the remarkable experience of cruising down 'Glacier Alley'.

DAY 4: CAPE HORN - WULAIA BAY

Navigating the Murray Channel and Nassau Bay, your next eagerly anticipated destination is the Cape Horn National Park, known for both its remote walking trails and temperamental weather! From here, it's on to historic Wulaia Bay where Charles Darwin visited in 1833 and native Yamana Canoeists had settled many years before.

DAY 5: USHUAIA

This morning, arrive at Ushuaia – the capital of Tierra del Fuego and southernmost city in the world – as your Patagonian cruise draws to a close. Disembark at around 8.30am and enjoy some leisure time around Ushuaia until your onward flight.

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ROUTE

PATAGONIAN EXPLORER

- 4 NIGHTS -USHUAIA // PUNTA ARENAS M/V Ventus Australis // M/V Stella Australis

DAY 1: USHUAIA

Check-in between 10am and 5pm in Ushuaia. Boarding at 6pm.

DAY 2: CAPE HORN - WULAIA BAY

Navigating the Murray Channel and Nassau Bay, your next eagerly anticipated destination is the Cape Horn National Park, known for both its remote walking trails and temperamental weather! From here, it's on to historic Wulaia Bay where Charles Darwin visited in 1833 and native Yamana Canoeists had settled many years before.

DAY3: PÍA GLACIER - PORTER GLACIER

In the morning we will sail through the Northwest arm of the Beagle Channel to enter and disembark at Pía Fjord. We will make an excursion to the viewpoint from where you can see the homonymous glacier, whose main tongue extends from the top of the mountain range to the sea. During the afternoon we will enter the Garibaldi fjord, to take a walk through the cold Patagonian jungle, going up to the base of a waterfall of glacial origin.

DAY 4: AGOSTINI SOUND - ÁGUILA GLACIER - CÓNDOR GLACIER

Day four of this explorational tour will see you sail through the Cockburn Channel and Agostini Sound, a dramatic backdrop of imposing peaks and glaciers descending down the Darwin Mountain Range. Disembark and enjoy a quintessential Patagonian experience, first visiting a lagoon formed from the meltwaters of nearby Águila Glacier, then a Zodiac boat ride around the so-called 'Condor Glacier', named after the abundance of Giant Andean Condors which are known to inhabit this area. The vast landscapes explored today are some of the most memorable in all of Tierra del Fuego.

DAY 5: MAGDALENA ISLAND - PUNTA ARENAS

We will disembark on Magdalena Island to discover a huge colony of Magellanic penguins. NOTE: In September and April, this excursion is replaced by a landing on Marta Island where we can observe a colony of sea lions. Disembarkation at Punta Arenas from 12:30 a.m.









MORE THAN 500 YEARS OF HISTORY

STRAIT OF MAGELLAN

The strait located in Tierra del Fuego in the middle of the Chilean fjords owes its name to the Portuguese explorer Ferdinand de Magellan, the first navigator to have discovered this passage of 564 km which separates the southern end of the Americas and Tierra del Fuego.

CAPE HORN

Legendary and mythical place discovered in 1616 by navigator Willem Shouten





COMFORT AND HOSPITALITY COMBINED

ONBOARD THE AUSTRALIS SHIPS

STELLA	VENTUS
AUSTRALIS	AUSTRALIS
Total cabins numbers	100
Cabins B	3
Cabins AA	36
Cabins AA Superior	2
Total passengers	210
Cabins A	34
Cabins AAA	23
Cabins AAA Superior	2



Cabine plan Standard : 16,5 m² Superior : 20,5 m²

VENTUS AUSTRALIS & STELLA AUSTRALIS

Our expedition cruise ships have been specially designed for Australis, with the dimensions and characteristics necessary to navigate the particular geography of Tierra del Fuego, its shallow channels and narrow fjords. The construction of both boats was carried out in the Chilean city of Valdivia, in one of the most recognized shipyards in the region, while the navigation tools and engine room equipment were imported from various countries., looking for suppliers who meet the highest standards in terms of safety and durability.

Maximum total capacity of each boat: 100 cabins, 210 passengers



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ABOUT US...

AUSTRALIS

Australis is a leading expedition cruise company, navigating the southernmost Patagonian fjords since 1990 during our 4-night adventures, between September and April, we know these waters and their wildlife personally.

Our European and Asian headquarters are located in Barcelona, with offices in South America too. So, you'll always be able to get in touch and be sure that we speak your language when it comes to unique travel experiences.

Do not hesitate to contact us and find out more!

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