



LUXURY EXPEDITIONS

by Ponant

June 2018 - May 2019 Cruises

ARCTIC • ANTARCTICA • ASIA • INDIAN OCEAN • OCEANIA • LATIN AMERICA





Experience a PONANT Luxury Expedition Voyage

Dear Guests,

Antarctica, Australia, Asia, Latin America, the Indian and Pacific Islands and the Arctic... Faraway regions, mysterious shores, antipodean people, desert islands with names that evoke adventure... Mankind has always been guided by its curiosity and its thirst to discover our wonderful common heritage: planet Earth.

Driven for nearly thirty years by their passion for sea voyages, the PONANT teams invite you to experience the very essence of travel by embarking on a PONANT expedition cruise. Drawing on our proven experience in sailing to extreme regions aboard safe ships that are respectful of the environment and equipped with the very latest technology, we bring you a range of carefully selected, unique itineraries.

These exceptional cruises, several of which are brand new, sail to both polar and tropical regions. Our priority at all times is to respect the indigenous populations and the pristine nature, which is our responsibility to protect. Daily Zodiac® inflatable boat outings, landings on shores that very few people have had the chance to visit, and fascinating on-board lectures by our expert naturalist guides: a whole world of wonder and discoveries will open up to you during your enchanted interlude far from the hustle and bustle of modern life in the exceptional comfort for which PONANT is renowned.

Let us guide you towards the vertiginous glaciers of Patagonia, the majestic Amazon, and the idyllic, deserted beaches of the Indian Ocean, or to meet the proud inhabitants of Baffin Bay or the Solomon Islands. With wide-eyed wonder and childlike curiosity you will observe breathtakingly vivacious wildlife and astonishing natural phenomena...

As you leaf through these pages, imagine your future PONANT expedition cruise, shared with your spouse, family or friends.

See you very soon on board!



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JUNE					
17th June 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	MANILA • DARWIN	12	Oceania	58
22nd June 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	BERGEN • LONGYEARBYEN	10	The Arctic	42
JULY					
2nd July 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	LONGYEARBYEN • LONGYEARBYEN	7	The Arctic	42
16th July 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	LONGYEARBYEN • LONGYEARBYEN	12	The Arctic	43
17th July 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ	12	The Arctic	44
19th July 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	DARWIN • BROOME	10	Oceania	58
29th July 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ	16	The Arctic	45
29th July 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	BROOME • DARWIN	10	Oceania	59
AUGUST					
8th August 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	DARWIN • BROOME	10	Oceania	58
10th August 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ	10	The Arctic	44
14th August 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ	13	The Arctic	45
18th August 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	BROOME • DARWIN	10	Oceania	59
27th August 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	KANGERLUSSUAQ • NOME	22	The Arctic	46
28th August 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	DARWIN • HONIARA	16	Oceania	59
SEPTEMBER					
10th September 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	NOME • SEWARD	16	The Arctic	43
13th September 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	HONIARA • LAUTOKA	11	Oceania	60
18th September 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	NOME • VANCOUVER	14	The Arctic	46
OCTOBER					
9th October 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	SAN DIEGO • PUERTO QUETZAL	13	Latin America	82
NOVEMBER					
3rd November 2018	<i>Le Lyréal</i>	MONTEVIDEO • USHUAIA	15	Antarctica	30
7th November 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	VALPARAISO • USHUAIA	13	Latin America	78
7th November 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	VALPARAISO • USHUAIA	13	Latin America	79
18th November 2018	<i>Le Lyréal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
20th November 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
20th November 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	15	Antarctica	29
24th November 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	VALPARAISO • USHUAIA	10	Latin America	79
25th November 2018	<i>Le Champlain</i>	CAYENNE • MANAUS	12	Latin America	80
29th November 2018	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	MAHE • MAHE	12	Indian Ocean	60
DECEMBER					
4th December 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
5th December 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	15	Antarctica	29
7th December 2018	<i>Le Champlain</i>	MANAUS • CAYENNE	12	Latin America	80
10th December 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
14th December 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	15	Antarctica	26
19th December 2018	<i>Le Champlain</i>	CAYENNE • FORT-DE-FRANCE	9	Latin America	80
20th December 2018	<i>Le Soléal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	16	Antarctica	27
29th December 2018	<i>Le Boréal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	27
30th December 2018	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	27

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JANUARY					
5th January 2019	<i>Le Soléal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
5th January 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	SINGAPORE • BALI	9	Asia	61
9th January 2019	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
14th January 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	BALI • CAIRNS	14	Asia	61
15th January 2019	<i>Le Soléal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
17th January 2019	<i>Le Boréal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
19th January 2019	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
25th January 2019	<i>Le Soléal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
28th January 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	CAIRNS • SYDNEY	11	Oceania	62
FEBRUARY					
6th February 2019	<i>Le Boréal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	16	Antarctica	29
7th February 2019	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
14th February 2019	<i>Le Soléal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
17th February 2019	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
17th February 2019	<i>Le Champlain</i>	PUERTO CALDERA • COLON	7	Latin America	81
21st February 2019	<i>Le Lyrial</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
22nd February 2019	<i>Le Boréal</i>	USHUAIA • USHUAIA	10	Antarctica	28
23rd February 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	DUNEDIN • DUNEDIN	16	Oceania	65
27th February 2019	<i>L' Austral</i>	USHUAIA • MONTEVIDEO	15	Antarctica	30
MARCH					
3rd March 2019	<i>Le Lyrial</i>	USHUAIA • CAPETOWN	21	Antarctica	30
4th March 2019	<i>Le Boréal</i>	USHUAIA • VALPARAISO	13	Latin America	78
5th March 2019	<i>Le Champlain</i>	FORT-DE-FRANCE • CAYENNE	12	Latin America	81
17th March 2019	<i>Le Champlain</i>	CAYENNE • MANAUS	12	Latin America	80
18th March 2019	<i>L' Austral</i>	RIO DE JANEIRO • DAKAR	16	Latin America	82
29th March 2019	<i>Le Champlain</i>	MANAUS • CAYENNE	12	Latin America	80
APRIL					
1st April 2019	<i>Le Lyrial</i>	DURBAN • MAHE	15	Indian Ocean	64
7th April 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	AUCKLAND • NOUMEA	13	Oceania	62
20th April 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	NOUMEA • HONIARA	11	Oceania	63
MAY					
1st May 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	HONIARA • CAIRNS	11	Oceania	63
12th May 2019	<i>Le Lapérouse</i>	CAIRNS • DARWIN	11	Oceania	64



POLAR EXPEDITION



TROPICAL EXPEDITION

Luxury Expedition Voyages *by Ponant*

Choosing a PONANT Expedition cruise means choosing to be truly connected to your environment: a blend of luxury and immersive experiences, exploration and great comfort, adventure and refinement... even in the heart of the most remote regions.

Polar, tropical or subtropical expeditions: from Antarctica to Papua New Guinea, from the Arctic to the Great Rivers of Latin America, PONANT will take you as close as possible to pristine nature and ancestral cultures, far from the most popular maritime routes.

You will marvel at the most unspoiled places on our planet.





Luxury amenities...

An expedition with PONANT guarantees the best conditions of day-to-day comfort for you in the most remote places on the planet. The comfort of your ship and your stateroom, personalised and attentive service, refined gastronomy... the unique atmosphere which we go to great lengths to preserve in order to stay true to our philosophy, creating that privileged feeling of being aboard one's own private yacht. In the heart of the ice or the distant archipelagos of Oceania, our luxury amenities will make your voyage an unforgettable experience.

... in the heart of extreme lands

Whether in the Polar regions or along the Amazon River, the size of our ships and their shallow draught mean you can arrive as close as possible to these hard-to-access areas. This proximity offers the privileged discovery of preserved sites. Our expedition teams are always on the lookout for the unexpected and the surprises inherent to these itineraries, and our flexibility enables us to adapt to these. A genuine philosophy of exploration travel.

A tradition of excellence, professionalism and expertise

As the only French cruise company to sail into the heart of the ice, PONANT has the talent and the experience to take you to the most remote regions in complete safety. Our Captains and our crew members are professionals, specially trained to sail in these regions. Our latest generation fleet, the youngest in the world, has the most modern technologies and equipment to assure your safety and respect for the regions visited. Our stable and silent ice-certified ships meet the most stringent international standards: 3D seabed visualisation using a dual sonar system, satellite weather station and GPS trackers on the Zodiac® inflatable boats. These safety measures can make your dreams of adventure a reality. An air of environmental respect, that only a few ships worldwide currently enjoy.



Why take an *Expedition Cruise* with PONANT

- World Leader of Luxury Polar Expeditions - PONANT carries more guests to the polar regions than any other cruise line;
- For an exceptional, once-in-a-lifetime trip;
- To get away from civilisation in hard-to-reach locations where you will have the privilege of discovering the flora, fauna and remote cultures;
- For the many Zodiac® inflatable boat outings and shore visits throughout your cruise;
- To experience the cruise in the company of a team of specialists who will share their knowledge and experience during fascinating outings and lectures;
- To cruise to the most remote parts of the planet in the total comfort afforded by luxury amenities and services;
- For exclusive opportunities to meet ancestral people who live according to their customs and traditions on their ancestors' land;
- For a worry-free trip, since all of your expedition outings are conveniently included.

Polar or Tropical Expedition Voyages: Enjoy an Unforgettable Experience

Polar Expedition Voyages



The leader in expeditions to polar regions and an expert for over 20 years in these destinations (Arctic, Antarctica, Subantarctic Islands), PONANT lets you live your dream for adventure, with the seriousness and **ecological conscience** that characterises us. In Antarctica, set off to discover the **icy vastness**, and **the prolific fauna of the White Continent**: humpback whales, seals, penguins... In the Arctic, fjords, glaciers, icebergs of changing colours and **varied fauna** await you: polar bears, Arctic foxes, walruses, orcas, whales... without forgetting the **special moments** of interaction with the Inuit people.

Tropical Expedition Voyages



A tropical Expedition voyage is more a matter of **encounters**. Sailing to remote and seldom visited destinations allows you to discover the **ancient customs** of many tribes and ethnic groups that continue their rituals on the land of their forefathers. Whether they are Papuan, Polynesian or **Māori people**, you will gain an understanding of their tradition and cultures. During visits to their villages, take time to interact with these warm and friendly people, ensuring rewarding encounters and priceless memories. Not forgetting disembarking on idyllic **white sand beaches** with crystal-clear waters and coral gardens far from the hustle and bustle of the modern world.

Zodiac® Shore Visits and Outings

During Expedition voyages, our fleet of Zodiac® inflatable boats make landing ashore in remote, seldom visited destinations, safe and enjoyable, enabling you to get as close as possible to ice and fauna. Our Zodiac® are designed to accommodate small groups of 10 guests. They are easy to step on to from the marina platform at the rear of your ship.

Our inclusive Zodiac® excursions are unique, unforgettable experiences, whether you are landing on a deserted beach in the Maluku islands of Indonesia, spending time with remote tribes of Papua New Guinea, or discovering the splendour of Antarctic glaciers.

An Experienced Expedition Team

Specialists of extreme regions, these passionate and fascinating professionals will bring cultural, environmental and historical dimensions to all your outings and will be sure to keep you informed about nearby flora and fauna, local cultures and natural phenomena. As recognised

professionals, they organise safe outings and shore visits, taking advantage of the opportunities that arise during any expedition, whilst aboard the ship the pleasure continues, with a series of cultural, scientific or historical presentations.

All-Inclusive Expeditions

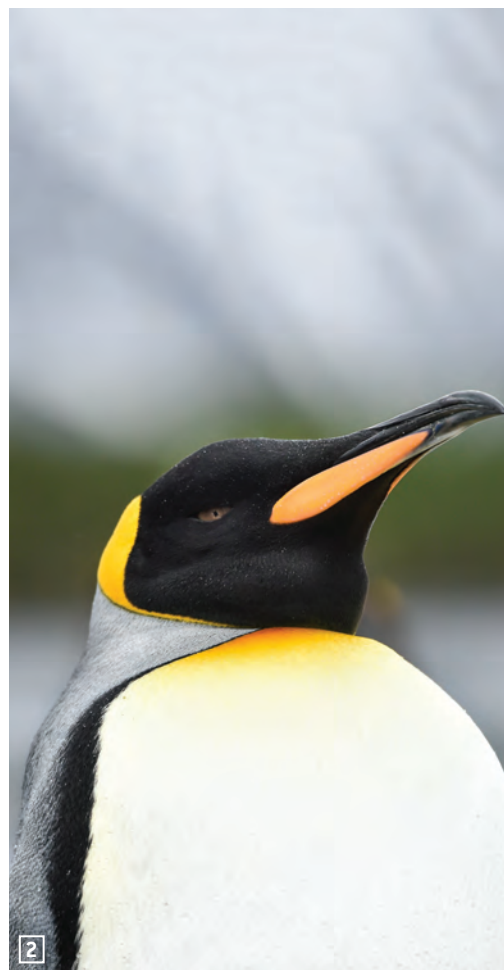
Once aboard, enjoy the adventure in total peace of mind. Everything is included: Zodiac® outings and shore visits, excursions, lectures, parkas and boot hire for polar expeditions.

Please note that some cruises are not full-expedition cruises, only a few days of expedition are included. Optional paying excursions are offered at regular ports of call.





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- 1 - Tropical Expedition voyage along the Amazon River.
- 2 - A King Penguin in South Georgia.
- 3 - Young boy in the Trobriand Islands.
- 4 - Sailing toward the ice floe...



The Expedition Team

Our Expedition team are known for their precise and accurate knowledge of extreme environments, some, like Expedition Leaders Nicolas Dubreuil and Mick Fogg, even internationally renowned for their experience. Conducting preliminary exploratory trips and preparing carefully for each itinerary, providing expert supervision, and leading discussions and informal chats with guests during a cruise, our Expedition Leaders and their team forge ties and turn PONANT guests into true ambassadors of the shores visited.



Nicolas Dubreuil - *Expedition Leader*

Nicolas' first expedition was from Vancouver to Anchorage at the age of 18. Since then, he has been spending more than eight months of each year near the poles, which he has travelled across by kayak, on skis, on a sleigh, on foot, and under water. From Alaska to South Georgia, via Nunavut, Spitsbergen, Siberia, Iceland, the Antarctic Peninsula and Greenland, he accompanies and guides expeditions for athletes, scientists, film crews, and the mobility-impaired. Nicolas Dubreuil has been a PONANT expedition leader, guide and ethnologist for 12 years.

Mick Fogg - *Expedition Leader*

In 2012, Mick was appointed first Ambassador of Orangutan Foundation International as a reward for his conservation work in Indonesia. He has led over 300 expeditions through the Asia-Pacific region, sharing his passion for these territories with guests. As an award-winning wildlife photographer and adventurer, Mick Fogg has spent the past 17 years leading expeditions to some of the world's most remote and spectacular destinations, from the Subantarctic Islands to South East Asia.





Raphaël Sané - Expedition Leader

Passionate about nature since his early childhood, Raphaël holds a Master of Advanced Studies in Hydrobiology. He took part in his first scientific expedition in 1997 to conduct a faunistic inventory in Arctic Siberia. Aboard our ships, he works as a guide, lecturer or expedition leader in polar (Arctic, Antarctica) and tropical regions (Amazon, Orinoco). He alternates his PONANT expeditions with nature conservation and research work, book publishing, and more.



Omblin Chabasseur - Assistant Expedition Leader

Fascinated by the polar regions, Omblin has lived in Finland and travelled to many countries in the Arctic to discover their magnificent, varied landscapes and their cultures. For several years now, she has accompanied the PONANT cruises to the Far North in order to share her passion and her knowledge of the flora, fauna, history, customs and traditions and to teach our guests about this fragile environment.



José Sarica - Expedition Leader

Driven from a very young age by his passion for marine mammals, José earned his Master's and doctorate in Marine Biology in Quebec. Published in international scientific journals, he teaches biotechnology at a Canadian high school and is undergoing training in animal-assisted therapy. For the last six years, he has been joining PONANT cruises as a naturalist and expedition leader to share his unconditional passion for the polar and tropical regions.



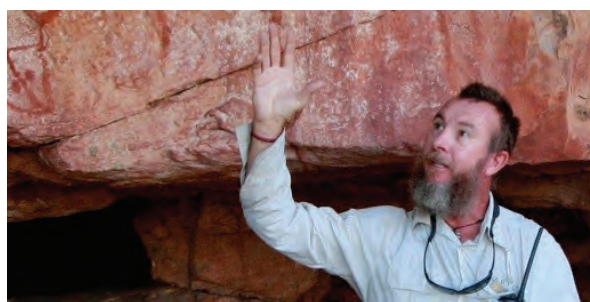
Cécile Manet - Assistant Expedition Leader

Cécile is passionate about travel and has worked in the tourism industry for 17 years. This has given her the opportunity to live in the United States, Greece, the Maldives and Australia, as well as Norway and Finnish Lapland. Her keen interest in the polar world drove her to join PONANT in 2010 as a crew member. Since 2013, she is a naturalist specialising in the history of polar expeditions. She will share with you her passion for the two hemispheres.



Liz Pope - Naturalist Lecturer

Raised in the Philippines, USA and Australia, Liz caught the 'travel bug' at an early age. After finishing her PhD studies in biology, she worked as a guide in Eastern and Southern Africa leading overland safaris and spent time as an education guide at Sydney's Taronga Zoo. Liz has worked on ships as a naturalist since 2009, which allows her to share with others her passion of the natural world. She has been thrilled to work in both poles, Alaska's Inside Passage and Papua New Guinea.



Harry Christensen - Expedition Leader

Harry is a Marine Biologist by trade, with extensive experience in educating people about the biodiversity of Indo-Pacific Coral Reefs. For over 25 years he has worked within the Tourism Industry providing educational programs to visitors in Melanesia, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia, Borneo, South Pacific, South East Asia and Kimberley regions. Harry has extensive experience in the Kimberley region, where he has worked as a guide and as an Expedition Leader for several seasons.

Expeditions in Luxury: A Unique Concept

With PONANT, access the world's remote treasures by sea, aboard luxurious limited-capacity expedition ships. French crew, expertise, attentive service, gastronomy: the promise of rare and special moments in a luxurious environment, while visiting some of the world's rarely visited outer reaches. Memorable travel experiences.

Limited-Capacity Yachts, Personalised Service

Our ships are designed to accommodate a limited number of guests, with just 92 staterooms on our new ships, *Le Lapérouse* and *Le Champlain*, 132 on *Le Boréal*, *L'Austral* and *Le Soléal* and 122 on *Le Lyrial*.

This focus on a smaller number of staterooms is a far cry from the current industry trend towards gigantism and guarantees an aura of exclusivity for our guests. Because our ships are smaller, they can easily access original and less crowded ports of call. Just like on a private yacht, our crew are determined to give each guest attentive and personalised service. And for even more comfort and peace of mind, our guests travelling in one of the suites on deck 6 have a butler at their disposal*.

The French Touch

PONANT is currently the only cruise line to sail under the French flag and as such is subject to some of the world's strictest safety standards. Our officers are French and our highly approachable crew mainly in bi-lingual.

PONANT extends this French Touch to the design, decor, service and gastronomy. Our carefully selected partners represent and perpetuate the French standard of excellence. Enjoy relaxed elegance in a luxurious environment, whatever your destination.





A Journey to the Land of Flavours

Whether you are having breakfast among friends with the horizon as special guest, a sun-kissed lunch on one of our exterior decks, or a delicious dinner prepared by our talented chefs in the elegant setting of our gastronomic restaurants, you will enjoy our refined and varied cuisine, served with a selection of fine wines presented by our expert sommeliers. To continue its route to excellence aboard its ships, PONANT joined forces with Ducasse Conseil, a catering centre of excellence run by Alain Ducasse Entreprise.



Spa & Wellbeing Between Sea and Sky *

An expedition with PONANT brings no hardship. Your cruise is the ideal moment for treating yourself, and that is why PONANT has joined forces with the leading French cosmetic house, SOTHYST™ to offer you a series of expert, top-of-the-range treatments. The spa, the gym with large plate glass windows, the heated saltwater pool and the hair salon are an invitation to total relaxation on board.



1 - *Le Boréal* in front of the Whale Bone Alley, Siberia.
2 - Traditional Dance of the Koriak people.
3 - Arctic Terns.





Respect for the Environment

Daily, PONANT is committed to being a leader in environmental protection. As we sail into sensitive areas, it is essential for us to respect the marine environment and the places we visit ashore. Natural behaviour for our teams and crews, all passionate about the ecological balance of oceans and nature.

A Responsible and Awarded Commitment for the Environment

Our ships are awarded “clean ship” label, ensuring environmental regulatory compliance in our operations and anticipating new regulations (recycling, reuse practices, waste and sewage treatment on board, reduced exhaust emissions, sustainable purchasing practices, low energy bulbs for lighting...).

In December 2016, PONANT was awarded the **Blue Charter Trophy from the French Shipowners' Association** recognising its exemplary nature in terms of economic and social development and care for the environment.



Le Cercle Polaire®

For the last six years, PONANT has actively supported Le Cercle Polaire®, a think tank focused on preserving polar environments. To raise awareness among guests, members of Le Cercle Polaire® are regular guests of honour on our polar cruises during which they discuss their projects with guests.

www.lecerclepolaire.com



Joining IAATO and AECO

PONANT is a full and proud member of the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO). **IAATO** is an industry group organisation that sets the highest possible tourism operating standards in an effort to ensure appropriate, safe and environmentally sound travel to Antarctica. Its rules include guidelines about maximum amount of guests during shore landings, and other specific guidelines about wildlife watching, visitor briefings and key safety obligations on operators).

In the Arctic, PONANT is member of the **AECO**, Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators. AECO is dedicated to managing responsible, environmentally friendly and safe tourism in the Arctic.



Support to Local Communities

Culture and traditions of local communities are an invaluable wealth that deserve our support. Accordingly, PONANT initiated a partnership with the Upernavik FabLab (fabrication lab). The goal of the Upernavik FabLab is to train local craftsmen of the Inuit community and give them the means to reproduce emblematic pieces, which can then be sold in museums and on board our ships.

Expedition Cruises in *Antarctica*

*"What poet would be able to declaim the splendour of
this polar world? What language could evoke its magic?
We are captivated by the charm of this sight that defies imagination
and that my pen is incapable of describing."*

Adrien de Gerlache - Explorer





A Day in *Antarctica*



A Guest's Account

| 7.30 am

I am up early this morning, impatient to find out what this new day has in store. Our ship is cruising off the coast of immaculate icy lands. The sun has not long risen, giving the sky a wonderful pinkish-orange hue. The light's many reflections on the ice offer us a palette of extraordinary shades of white and blue. Not far from there, I spot the team of naturalist guides heading off to survey the area. The silence is serene. The day promises to be beautiful.

| 9.00 am

It is time. We are off, boarding in small groups. For more than an hour we sail around our first icebergs and instantly fall under the charm of these blue-tinged giants. Suddenly, we hear an excited cry from the Zodiac® that is following us: a leopard seal is playing in our boat's wake!

| 11.30 am

Back on the ship, huddled around a nautical chart, we chat about our impressions of the morning's adventures and show one another our pictures. After a gourmet lunch, it is time to head to the theatre on deck 4 where our lecture and information meetings are held. Suddenly, the Captain's voice rings out: "*Whale on the port side!*" From the bridge, he invites us to make our way to the exterior decks: a majestic humpback whale is crossing our path. It is a magical moment.

| 3.30 pm

For the second time today we board our Zodiac®. This time we are heading to Paulet Island. The pilot cuts a path through the ice floes and we finally reach the shore. Over 100,000 couples of Adélie penguins live here and we are quickly encircled by these small, rather bold animals that find our presence highly intriguing.

| 5.30 pm

Back on the ship. The pastry chef has outdone himself once again: cakes, madeines and mini tarts await us in the Grand Salon, along with hot drinks. This delicious moment is just what we need to warm up while those who wish to can join the lecturers in the theatre.

| 7.30 pm

The day ends with a delicious cocktail reception held on the exterior decks. Our Captain pops opens a bottle of champagne. As the sun slowly sets on the horizon, it is time for dinner. Later on, some of the guests will attend a piano concert. But by that time, most of us will have already given in to well-deserved sleep.

Marc D. February 11th 2015 aboard
Le Soléal



Why sail *Antarctica* with PONANT

- For the extraordinary scenery, including ice floes in the Peninsula, jagged mountains in South Georgia and long plains covered with moss and lichens in the Falklands;
- To get up close to the magnificent icy giants, which are composed only of fresh water and glide along the sea like crystal cathedrals draped in a mantle of snow white and azure blue;
- To discover exceptional wildlife*: Gentoo, Adélie and chinstrap penguins, king and macaroni penguins, humpback whales, sea leopards, black-browed albatrosses, Weddell seals, Cape petrels;
- To sail in the wake of great explorers such as James Cook, Jean-Baptiste Charcot, Sir Ernest Shackleton or Paul Émile Victor;
- To discover exceptional sites including former whaling stations, scientific research stations, and of course Shackleton's famous tomb;
- To spend Christmas & New Year's Day in Antarctica in the heart of remote lands, surrounded by incredible landscapes of ice and water.

**As each trip is different and subject to the prevailing weather conditions and chance encounters, the wildlife described above illustrates possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*



The Icebergs

The Sixth Continent, a faraway land of unimaginable beauty, is home to myriad treasures, which is why a cruise to this icy expanse promises to be a unique experience. During your cruise, you will sail amid icy giants standing in vertical lines like white ships draped in fog. Calved by the ice caps and composed only of fresh water, these crystal cathedrals draped in turquoise, snow white and azure blue, are a hallmark of polar landscapes and they carry not only the history of the ice cap and glacier they come from, but also the marks of the waves that sculpt their silhouette. Get close to these natural works of art aboard our Zodiac® inflatable boats. Sometimes you will see them toppling or crashing into one another and you will understand the complex nature of this powerful yet fragile environment.



Weddell Sea

A lengthy sail in the Weddell Sea, a labyrinth in which majestic tabletop icebergs abound, will allow you to experience an extraordinary and enchanting atmosphere enhanced by true silence. Here, the gigantic platforms of ice and the ice caps sculpt a landscape like no other, home to fur seals, penguin colonies, wandering albatrosses and giant petrels. The lords of this realm, the Weddell seals, will welcome you to their lands as the roar of their cries occasionally disturbs the tranquillity of the place.

To Follow in the Footsteps of Great Explorers

Although the existence of an Antarctic Continent was mentioned by Aristotle from the Antiquity, it wasn't until 1773 that James Cook crossed the Antarctic Polar Circle for the first time. Other explorers would follow in his footsteps and undertake expeditions to the South Pole; Jean-Baptiste Charcot, Adrien De Gerlache, Sir Ernest Shackleton, and later Paul-Emile Victor, would open the way to the most extreme of all continents. Aboard your ship, we invite you to retrace the journeys of these pioneers, who set out to conquer the final frontiers of the great South, and travel to the very ends of the Earth where there is still room to feed your dreams... Some journeys cannot be described, you simply have to experience them.



Deception Island

Nestling in the north of the Antarctic Peninsula, Deception Island rewards the traveller's gaze with volcanic beaches and the vestiges of its abandoned huts. This was an important whaling port for a long time and in the early 19th century it became a refuge where sailors could wait for storms or icebergs to pass. The island's greatest asset is its exceptional wildlife. Today Deception Island is home to one of the largest colonies of chinstrap penguins in the Antarctic Peninsula, as well as elephant seals and fur seals.



South Georgia

Aboard your ship, discover South Georgia, a region formed by an underwater mountain chain that extends from the Andes to the Antarctic Peninsula. All the wildlife of the Far South can be found there. You will go ashore at Gold Harbour or Fortuna Bay, walking amongst the penguins, and will be able to approach the elephant seals basking in the weak southern sun. The highlight will come at Salisbury Plain which is home to more than 250 000 King Penguins with their orange-yellow crowns. Your ship sails through waters that are sometimes frozen, and is often escorted by killer whales, humpback whales and other cetaceans...



The Falkland Islands

Located to the south-east of South America, the Falkland Islands, renowned for their wildness, were discovered by a Spanish expedition at the beginning of the 16th century. More than 200 years later, sailors from Saint-Malo occupied the island and gave it the name used until the British conquered these lands in 1833. Surrounded by a grey and often wild sea, the islands are a small country of moors and rugged coastlines carved by the South Atlantic, where the wildlife and plant life form a link between Patagonia and Antarctica. Take the time to observe and photograph the wildlife of these wild and stunning islands.

Drake Passage

If there is one place, one sea, one passage that visitors, scientists and other sailors fear in the Antarctic, it is Drake Passage. Lying at the latitude where the famous Furious Fifties are prevalent, between Cape Horn and the South Shetland Islands, it is the shortest way to reach Antarctica. Seasoned travellers will tell you that you have to earn the right to see the White Continent... The "Antarctic Convergence" zone, where the northward-flowing Antarctic waters meet the warmer equatorial waters, is home to a rich variety of marine wildlife. But don't forget to look up in order to spot elegant albatrosses and Cape petrels as they play on the wind around your ship.



Tristan Da Cunha Archipelago

A small British archipelago discovered in the 16th century by the Portuguese sailor after whom it was named, Tristan da Cunha is made up of several scattered islands isolated in the midst of the Atlantic Ocean, most of these are listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. During your cruise aboard the *Le Lyrial*, you will discover the archipelago's eponymous main island, offering visitors basalt land lulled by the swell and topped with a volcano. Further on, your ship will take you to discover Nightingale Island before heading towards the austere-looking Gough Island, where numerous colonies of sea birds have taken up residence.



Wildlife in *Antarctica*

The Weddell Seal

A lengthy sail in the Weddell Sea will provide an opportunity for you to meet the Weddell seal, which rules these parts and is recognisable by its small head, short muzzle and large hind flippers. The males of the species have dark grey fur, while the females' coat ranges from beige to mottled light grey. A skilled diver and swimmer, this placid animal is able to remain submerged for more than an hour when hunting. It feeds on krill, squid and small fish. These peaceful and highly sociable animals tend to congregate in large groups and spend most of their days in the water or resting on the coastal ice.

The Humpback Whale

The humpback whale is considered to be the most impressive mammal in the marine world and can reach up to 19 metres in length and 65 tonnes in weight. It is recognisable by its massive body, which is black on its dorsal side and white on its ventral side, and by the many tubercles or large bumps on its head. It is a very expressive animal, renowned for the long, plaintive and melodious songs it uses to communicate. As this playful acrobat is rather bold and, above all, very curious, it will gladly approach your ship to offer you an incredible show: its huge and powerful blue-tinged tail slaps the water surface, delighting spectators and photographers.

The Chinstrap Penguin

Renowned for its boldness and agility, the chinstrap penguin is considered to be the second most common species of penguin in the Antarctic Peninsula. Recognisable by the fine band of black feathers around its throat that inspired its name, it has white plumage on its belly and black on its back. When hunting, this excellent swimmer looks for food close to shore but can also dive to depths of up to 70 metres to catch its prey. When your ship stops in these parts, you will be able to see chinstrap penguins actually sliding along the ice to reach their round nests made of small stones and pebbles, in which they lay two eggs per year.

The Black-Browed Albatross

This majestic bird of the polar seas, the black-browed albatross, has an elegant white plumage with a scattering of black on its wings, while its eyes seem to have been drawn in charcoal. This "prince of the clouds" spends most of its time gliding over the oceans and mainly feeds on squid, crustaceans and various fish. It builds its nest in the tall cliffs using dirt, grass and seaweed, and only lays a single egg in it. Your cruise will be a wonderful opportunity to admire the coastal landscapes of the Falkland Islands as several thousand of these birds line up on their promontory, facing the sea.

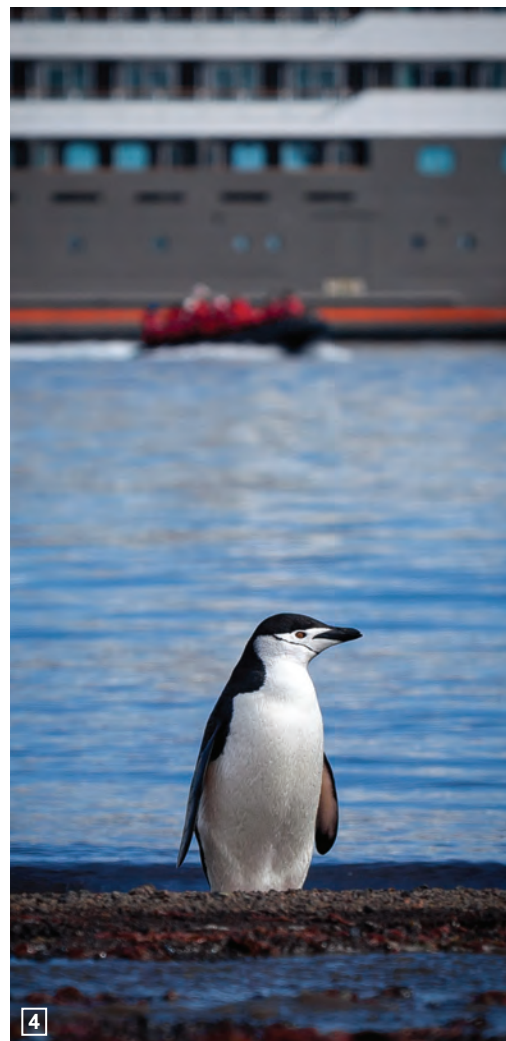
The Cape Petrel

The Cape petrel is an elegant bird with a wingspan of around 80 cm. It is considered to be one of the most unusual seabirds in the Antarctica. You will recognise this animal by the quadrangular patterns on its back, while the rest of its body is covered in plumage that is dark brown on the head and neck and white on the belly. Its diet consists mainly of krill and small fish. It is gregarious and loves to gather in vast colonies when it goes hunting in the open sea or during mating season in South Georgia. During your cruise, do not miss the opportunity to spot this graceful winged creature as it plays on the wind behind your ship.

The King Penguin

Penguins are endemic to Antarctica and admired by anyone fortunate enough to see them up close. Although this seabird cannot fly and seems awkward on land as it waddles across the ice, it is an excellent swimmer, highly skilled at catching its prey. In South Georgia, you will be able to observe the most majestic of the species: the King Penguin. The bright yellow on its head and neck are its most distinguishing feature, and it stands around 90 cm tall, it moves around in colonies of thousands of individuals, forming a colourful horde in which adults and chicks co-exist in harmony.





- 1 - Weddell Seals on coastal ice
- 2 - Black-Browed Albatross
- 3 - A flying Cape Petrel
- 4 - A Chinstrap Penguin on Deception Island
- 5 - A group of King Penguins
- 6 - Humpback Whale



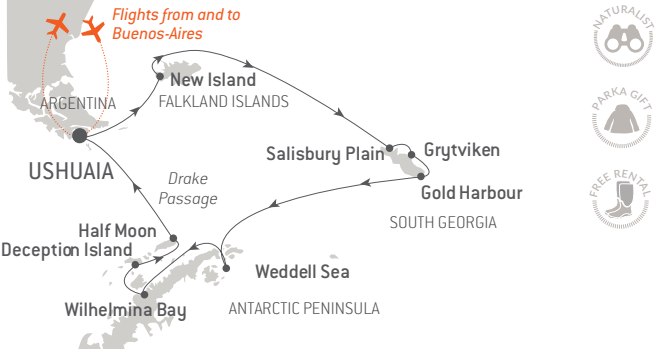
Christmas in Antarctica

USHUAIA • USHUAIA
LE BORÉAL 16 days / 15 nights
14th December 2018
from AUD 13 590 pp (see page 90)



Spend Christmas & New Year's Day in Antarctica

Because the Christmas and New Year festivities are often considered to be the most special time of the year, we are offering you a chance to make them unforgettable by embarking for an exceptional voyage of discovery to the mysterious White Continent. Accompanied by your loved ones and a qualified crew, set off for a magical Christmas spent discovering these faraway lands and join us to celebrate the end of the year 2018 in the heart of Antarctica, in the company of penguins, seals and whales, surrounded by a unique setting composed of floating icebergs, ice floes, and tall snow-covered peaks. This is bound to be a trip full of rare and intense moments, in luxurious comfort...



- NATURALIST (binoculars icon)
- PARKA GIFT (parka icon)
- FREE RENTAL (boot icon)

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7	St Andrews Bay - Grytviken (South Georgia)		
8	Gold Harbour (South Georgia)		
9,10	At sea		
11	Weddell Sea (Antarctica)		
12	Wilhelmina Bay (Antarctica)		
13	Deception Island - Half Moon (Antarctica)		
14,15	At sea - Drake Passage		
16	Ushuaia (Argentina). Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).	07.00	

- Highlights* :**
- Spending Christmas in Antarctica;
 - **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with naturalist guides;
 - Hiking opportunity;
 - Landscapes: mountain chains, imposing glaciers, abandoned former whaling stations and historic centres, drifting icebergs and sea ice in Peninsula;
 - Wildlife: elegant albatross in the Falklands, huge colonies of king penguins, fur seals and macaroni penguins in South Georgia, Gentoo, Adelie and chinstrap penguin, Minke and humpback whales.

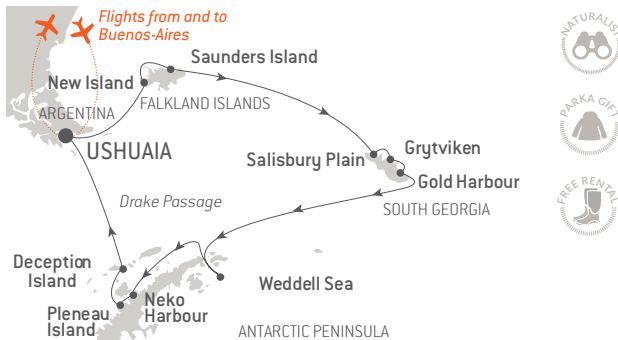
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Christmas and New Year in Southern Lands

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

LE SOLÉAL 17 days / 16 nights
20th December 2018

from AUD 18 320 pp (see page 90)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	At sea		
3	New Island - The Neck, Saunders Island (Falkland Islands)		
4, 5	At sea		
6	Salisbury Plain - Fortuna Bay - Stromness (South Georgia)		
7	St Andrews Bay - Grytviken (South Georgia)		
8	Gold Harbour - Cooper Bay (South Georgia)		
9, 10	At sea		
11	Weddell Sea (Antarctica)		
12	Neko Harbour - Paradise Bay (Antarctica)		
13	Pleneau Island /Port Charcot - Wilhelmina Bay (Antarctica)		
14	Deception Island (Antarctica)		
15, 16	At sea - Drake Passage		
17	Ushuaia (Argentina). Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).	07.00	

Highlights* :

- Christmas and New Year's Day Cruise;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with
- naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Landscapes: vast moors scattered with grassy tussocks in the Falklands, mountain chains, imposing glaciers in South Georgia, drifting icebergs and sea ice in the Peninsula;
- Wildlife: Magellanic penguins and Commerson's dolphins, king penguins, many elephant seals in South Georgia, Gentoo, Adélie and chinstrap penguins in the Peninsula.

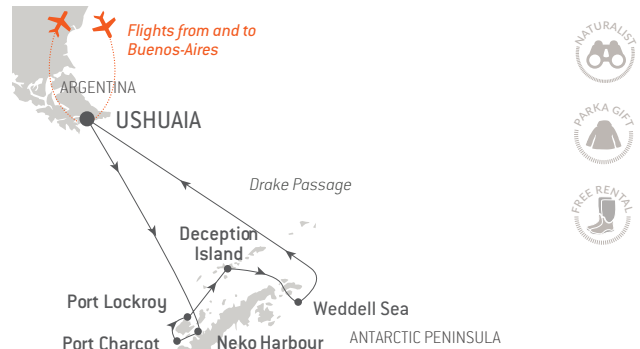
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New Year's Day in the Polar Regions

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

11 days / 10 nights
LE BORÉAL - 29th December 2018
L'AUSRAAL - 30th December 2018

from AUD 11 410 pp (see page 90)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2, 3	At sea - Drake Passage (Antarctica)		
4	Neko Harbour - Paradise Bay (Antarctica)		
5	Pleneau Island - Port Charcot (Antarctica)		
6	Port Lockroy (Antarctica)		
7	Deception Island (Antarctica)		
8	Weddell Sea (Antarctica)		
9, 10	At sea - Drake Passage (Antarctica)		
11	Ushuaia (Argentina). Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).	07.00	

Highlights* :

- Spending New Year's Day in Antarctica;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with
- naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Visiting research stations and former whaling stations;
- Landscapes: a multitude of drifting icebergs; ice floe, imposing icebergs, tall snow-covered mountains;
- Wildlife: Gentoo, Adélie and chinstrap penguins, Minke and humpback whales, Weddell seals, sea leopards and sea birds;
- Educational discovery in the respect of environment.

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Emblematic Antarctica

USHUAIA • USHUAIA 11 days / 10 nights
LE LYRIAL - 18th November 2018 & 21st February 2019
LE SOLÉAL - 20th November, 10th December 2018, 5th, 15th & 25th January, 14th February 2019
LE BORÉAL - 4th December 2018, 17th January 2019 & 22nd February 2019
L'AUSTRAL - 9th & 19th January, 7th & 17th February 2019
from AUD 10 970 pp (see page 90)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2, 3	At sea - Drake Passage (Antarctica)		
4	Neko Harbour - Paradise Bay (Antarctica)		
5	Pleneau Island - Port Charcot (Antarctica)		
6	Port Lockroy (Antarctica)		
7	Deception Island (Antarctica)		
8	Weddell Sea (Antarctica)		
9, 10	At sea - Drake Passage (Antarctica)		
11	Ushuaia (Argentina). Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).	07.00	

The Antarctic Peninsula

Imagine a vast polar expanse, a chain of snow-covered peaks plunging into Drake Passage, and majestic icebergs splitting from the ice shelf... you are in Antarctica! In this place where the fog adds an extra touch of mystery to the pervading icy atmosphere, you will truly feel like you are at the end of the world. To access the “sixth continent”, you will sail through the famous Drake Passage to reach the peninsula’s polar front, where the light creates myriad reflections on the ice-covered landscapes. The magic continues as you arrive in Neko Bay, discovered by the Belgian explorer Adrien de Gerlache. Further south, tall cliffs will appear, marking the entrance to the spectacular Lemaire Channel, and further still, Deception Island, a former whaling station, will reveal its colony of chinstrap penguins. Here, time and space take on a new significance as you are greeted by a fascinating world of power and beauty.



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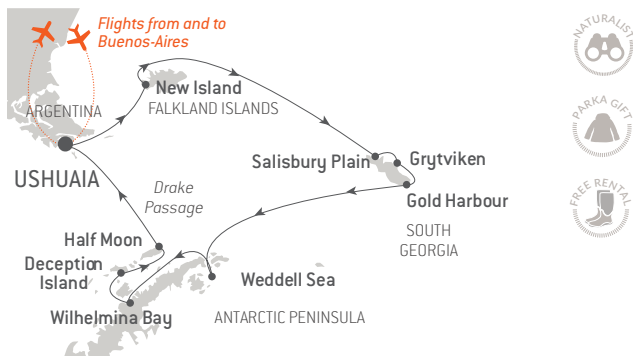
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Visiting research stations and former whaling stations;
- Landscapes: a multitude of drifting icebergs, ice floe, imposing icebergs, tall snow-covered mountains;
- Wildlife: Gentoo, Adelie and chinstrap penguins, Minke and humpback whales, Weddell seals, sea leopards and sea birds;
- Educational discovery which respects the environment.

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The Great Austral Loop

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

L'AUSTRAL 16 days / 15 nights
20th November & 5th December 2018
from AUD 13 590 pp (see page 90)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	At sea		
3	New Island - Grave Cove (Falkland Islands)		
4, 5	At sea		
6	Salisbury Plain - Fortuna Bay (South Georgia)		
7	St Andrews Bay - Grytviken (South Georgia)		
8	Gold Harbour (South Georgia)		
9, 10	At sea		
11	Weddell Sea (Antarctica)		
12	Wilhelmina Bay (Antarctica)		
13	Deception Island - Half Moon (Antarctica)		
14, 15	At sea - Drake Passage		
16	Ushuaia (Argentina). Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini) .	07.00	

Highlights* :

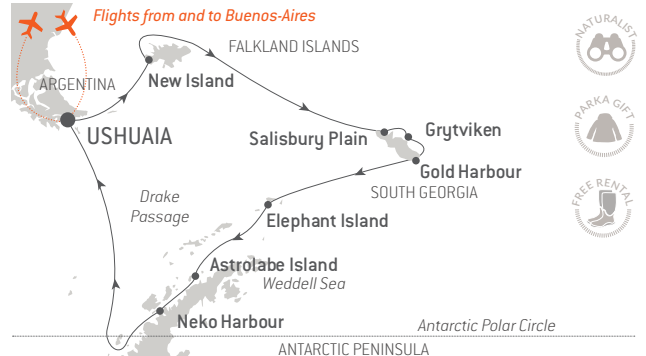
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Landscapes: mountain chains, imposing glaciers, abandoned former whaling stations and historic centres, drifting icebergs and sea ice in Peninsula;
- Wildlife: elegant albatros in the Falklands, huge colonies of king penguins, many elephant seals, fur seals and macaroni penguins in South Georgia, Gentoo, Adelie and chinstrap penguins and the majestic humpback whales in Peninsula.

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Beyond the Polar Circle

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

LE BORÉAL 17 days / 16 nights
6th February 2019
from AUD 21 430 pp (see page 90)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	At sea		
3	New Island - Grave Cove (Falkland Islands)		
4, 5	At sea		
6	Salisbury Plain - Fortuna Bay - Stromness (South Georgia)		
7	St Andrews Bay - Grytviken (South Georgia)		
8	Gold Harbour - Cooper Bay (South Georgia)		
9	At sea		
10	Elephant Island (Antarctica)		
11	Astrolabe Island (Antarctica)		
12	Neko Harbour - Petermann Island (Antarctica)		
13	Passage of the Antarctic Polar Circle		
14, 15	At sea - Drake Passage		
16	At sea - Drake Passage - Ushuaia (Argentina)		18.00
17	Ushuaia (Argentina). Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini) .		

Highlights* :

- Our only cruise proposing to **cross the Antarctic Circle**: latitude 66° 33' 39";
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Landscapes: vast moors scattered with grassy tussocks in the Falklands, mountain chains, imposing glaciers in South Georgia, drifting icebergs and sea ice in the Peninsula;
- Wildlife: Magellanic penguins, king penguins, many elephant seals and fur seals, Gentoo, Adelie and chinstrap penguins.

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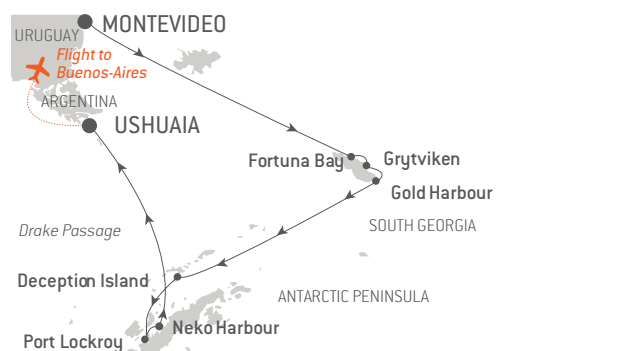
The Great Adventure

MONTEVIDEO • USHUAIA / USHUAIA • MONTEVIDEO

LE LYRIAL - 3rd November 2018

L'AUSTRAL - 27th February 2019

16 days / 15 nights - **from AUD 10 830 pp** (see page 90)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Montevideo (Uruguay). Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		19.00
2 to 5	<i>At sea</i>		
6	Fortuna Bay - (South Georgia)		
7	Grytviken - (South Georgia)		
8	Gold Harbour - Cooper Bay (South Georgia)		
9, 10	<i>At sea</i>		
11	Deception Island (Antarctica)		
12	Wilhelmina Bay - Port Lockroy (Antarctica)		
13	Paradise Bay - Neko Harbour (Antarctica)		
14, 15	<i>At sea - Drake Passage (Antarctica)</i>		
16	Ushuaia (Argentina). Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).	07.00	

This itinerary can be done in both directions

Highlights* :

- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity: Grytviken, Deception Island;
- Landscapes: mountain chains, imposing glaciers and lush green pastures in South Georgia, drifting icebergs and sea ice in the Peninsula;
- Wildlife: king penguins, elephant seals and fur seals in South Georgia, Gentoo, Adelie and chinstrap penguins in the Peninsula;
- Educational discovery which respects the environment.

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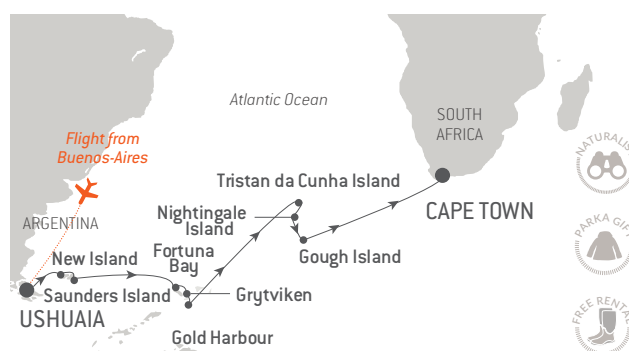
From Antarctica to Africa

USHUAIA • CAPE TOWN

LE LYRIAL 22 days / 21 nights

3rd March 2019

from AUD 10 590 pp (see page 90)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	<i>At sea</i>		
3	New Island - Grave Cove (Falkland Islands)		
4	The Neck - Saunders Island - Steeple Jason Island (Falkland Islands)		
5, 6	<i>At sea</i>		
7	Salisbury Plain - Fortuna Bay - Stromness (South Georgia)		
8	St Andrews Bay - Grytviken (South Georgia)		
9	Gold Harbour - Cooper Bay (South Georgia)		
10 to 13	<i>At sea</i>		
14	Tristan da Cunha Island (British Overseas Territories)		
15	Nightingale Island (British Overseas Territories)		
16	Gough Island (British Overseas Territories)		
17 to 20	<i>At sea</i>		
21	Navigation in front of the Cape of Good Hope Cape Town (South Africa)	10.00	
22	Cape Town (South Africa). Disembarkation		07.00

Highlights* :

- Sailing from Antarctica to Africa on the same cruise;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity: Falkland Islands, South Georgia, Tristan da Cunha;
- Wildlife: Magellanic penguins and Commerson's dolphins in the Falklands, colonies of king penguins, elephant seals and fur seals in South Georgia;
- Discovering the Tristan da Cunha archipelago, many of whose islands are **UNESCO World Heritage Sites**;
- Sailing around the Cape of Good Hope.

**Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*

Formalities

FOR ALL CRUISES

The information below is current but subject to change at any time without advance notice from government authorities. Please consult your respective government agencies for visa and health information.

Passport valid for at least six (6) months beyond the completion of your trip. Passport must contain at least two completely clear, blank, unused visa pages for each visa required, not including any amendment pages. Visa pages with stains or ink from other pages in the passport are not usable. Guests who deviate from the scheduled embarkation or disembarkation port should research the foreign entry requirements for the port country. Due to government regulations, regrettably, PONANT will have to deny boarding to any guest who fails to obtain the appropriate travel documentation for this trip.

SPECIFIC FORMALITIES

Argentina: ENTRY/EXIT REQUIREMENTS: Australian and Canadian citizens entering/exiting Argentina must have a valid passport and pay a RECIPROCITY TAX. Fee may be paid online in US dollars by credit card. Consult www.migraciones.gov.ar. At time of print, the fees were as follow (subject to change without notice) Australia: USD \$100* - (multiple entry valid for one year). Canada: USD \$75* (one entry) or USD \$150 (multiple entry valid for 5 years from first entry).

Argentina: should you require a visa to travel to Argentina, we recommend you apply for a double-entry visa as a technical stop in Chile might be scheduled.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



- Travelling to Antarctica, Falkland and South Georgia Islands is an exhilarating expedition experience. The raw beauty and untouched wilderness offer an unusual chance to experience a place where there is little evidence of human presence. Inevitably, there are some consequences that come with such remoteness: please remember that you are far from modern hospitals with full medical facilities and evacuation can take several days thus necessary medical help may not be immediately available.
- Given the inaccessibility of the White Continent, this is an obligation to choose your insurance company carefully. Evacuation costs from the Antarctic Peninsula are up to more than USD \$130,000 plus medical costs. Therefore, please be particularly prudent when choosing an insurance company, especially if you are insured by your credit card. In addition, it is mandatory to return **the medical questionnaire, provided at time of booking, between 90 and 45 days prior to departure**. This questionnaire is very important in order to respect mandatory safety rules in polar zones. Any false information on this questionnaire may lead to a refusal of your embarkation at the port of departure, without any possible recourse.
- These voyages include activities such as outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boat (sometimes wet landings), moderate walks to more active hikes. All this accompanied by your expedition team of naturalist guides. Considering the nature of the programmes, a reasonable level of mobility is required to enjoy these expeditions.
- Due to the exceptional nature of this itinerary, the calls/sites listed are only a guide. The final route will be confirmed by the ship's Captain with priority being given to passenger safety. Pack ice may also force the Captain to change course at the last minute. His decision will be based on advice from expert pilots who are present on board during our cruise in South Georgia and Antarctica. Zodiac® inflatable boat landings or outings accompanied by your expedition team offer plenty of opportunities to discover and experience what Antarctica and/or South Georgia have to offer at close range. These will of course depend on the weather conditions, the ice, the wind and the sea state.
- A PONANT polar water-resistant parka is offered on board for all departures with the logo "Parka Gift" (in case of consecutive cruises, only one complimentary parka will be provided). We also recommend you follow the clothing instructions and advice you will find in your travel documents.
- Complimentary boot hire: Save space and lighten your baggage by booking your boots, available until 7 days prior departure on our dedicated website boots.ponant.com. You will find them in front of your stateroom at embarkation. For more information, please contact us.
- By choosing an expedition cruise, passengers agree to follow the rules of good conduct presented by the expedition team during the cruise.
- We remind you that being properly equipped is essential (clothing, sunglasses, etc.) and we recommend bringing binoculars to enable you to observe the wildlife comfortably and respectfully during your excursions and shore visits.



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IAATO is an industry group organisation that sets the highest possible tourism operating standards in an effort to ensure appropriate, safe and environmentally sound travel to Antarctica. This effort is unique, and the challenge to maintain environmentally responsible tourism exists to this extent in no other region of the world.

Pre & Post Cruise Programmes

We invite you to enhance your cruise and extend your trip with carefully designed, high-quality programmes. These are group excursions, and are available either immediately before or after your cruise; they must be booked before departure. Before selecting your flights, please do not hesitate to contact your travel agent or PONANT to tie them in with these programmes. The programmes with the logo “Escorted Programme” benefit from a PONANT accompaniment. Visit au.ponant.com for details on these programmes and to obtain prices. Simply check the related cruise and look for the “Pre/Post & Overlands” tab.

Ushuaia, Argentina

Patagonia, a Land of Contrasts *(5 days / 4 nights)*

Your pre-cruise programme: FOR ALL CRUISES DEPARTING FROM USHUAIA

On your arrival at the airport, you will be transferred to your hotel before enjoying a panoramic tour of Buenos Aires and dinner in a typically Argentinian restaurant. On the following day, you will fly to the small town of El Calafate, considered to be the gateway into Patagonia's Los Glaciares National Park, before heading off to discover Perito Moreno, the famous glacier that is regarded as an unmissable stage of any trip to Argentina. Your programme will then take you into the heart of the Torres del Paine National Park, designated a World Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 1978. On your final day, you will be transferred to the city of Ushuaia where you will be able to enjoy an afternoon of free time before you board.



Ushuaia, Argentina

Overnight in Buenos Aires *(2 days / 1 night)*

Your pre-cruise programme:
FOR ALL CRUISES DEPARTING FROM USHUAIA

Meet and greet at the airport and transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon, panoramic tour of Buenos Aires. You will discover the highlights of the attractive and pulsating capital of Argentina, famous for being “the Paris of South America”. You will visit the heart of the city, May Square (Plaza de Mayo), with the Government House (Casa Rosada) on one side and the cathedral on the other side, including a visit to the City Hall. From there, the bus drives you through San Telmo (a tango district) to La Boca, with its most famous colourful and picturesque houses. La Boca is the oldest harbour of Buenos Aires and in the early 20th century, most Italian immigrants made here their first steps in their new homeland. At the end of the tour you will visit the northern part of Buenos Aires and the Recoleta neighbourhood with its French style wide avenues, parks and residential houses. Eventually you will visit the unique monumental cemetery, where Evita Perón is buried.

Ushuaia, Argentina

Iguazu Falls *(5 days / 4 nights)*

Your pre-cruise programme:
USHUAIA • MONTEVIDEO - 27th February 2019 aboard *L'Austral*
USHUAIA • CAPETOWN - 3rd March 2019 aboard *Le Lyrial*
Your post-cruise programme:
MONTEVIDEO • USHUAIA - 3rd November 2018 aboard *Le Lyrial*

You will be greeted at the airport and taken to your hotel. In the afternoon, you will discover Buenos Aires and its main districts. The next day, you will fly to Iguazu Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. On the Argentinean side, two routes will allow you to get as close as possible to the falls. On the Brazilian side, you will have a full, front-on view of three kilometres of waterfalls. Transfer to the airport, Iguazu / Buenos Aires flight, then upon arrival in Buenos Aires a transfer to your hotel is included. The next day you will be taken to the airport for your flight to Ushuaia.

Capetown, South Africa



Safari in the Kruger National Park - Stay at the Jock Lodge (4 days / 3 nights)

Your post-cruise programme:

USHUAIA • CAPETOWN - 3rd March 2019 aboard *Le Lyrial*

From Cape Town, you will fly to Kruger National Park. From there, you will be taken to your lodge at the heart of a game reserve. Then an unforgettable experience will begin, with two full days of safari that will give you the opportunity to see the Big Five: lions, rhinoceroses, African elephants, leopards and buffalos, in their natural habitat. Your experienced ranger/guide will facilitate encounters with these remarkable animals. Your African adventure will end at Johannesburg airport.

Capetown, South Africa

The Cape Peninsula (1 day)

Your post-cruise programme:

USHUAIA • CAPETOWN - 3rd March 2019 aboard *Le Lyrial*

Your day of discovery will lead you to the cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, situated at the point where the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet. This location has encouraged the development of a variety of endemic species of both flora and fauna. Do not miss the emblematic Cape Point and its spectacular cliffs. The programme will enable you to observe the native colony of African penguins on Boulders Beach, before visiting the Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden.



Montevideo, Uruguay

Montevideo, Showcase of the Beginning of the 20th Century (1 day)

Your pre-cruise programme:

MONTEVIDEO • USHUAIA - 3rd November 2018 aboard *Le Lyrial*

Meet and greet at the airport, followed by a tour of Montevideo. In the Old Town, you will be able to discover the Uruguayan capital's emblematic buildings, monuments and sculptures in Constitution Square and Independence Square. You will be served lunch during the excursion. You will then be transferred to the port.

Pre & Post Cruise Transfers

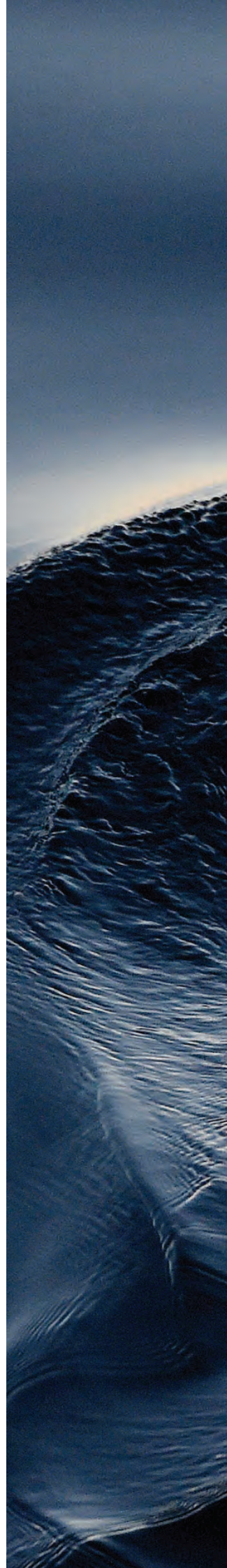
In order to make your trip as perfect as possible and simplify your journeys between your embarkation/disembarkation port and the airport, PONANT offers you to book a transfer service. Your transfers can either be direct or include a panoramic tour. Before or after your cruise, we offer you the chance to discover the emblematic landmarks of the most beautiful cities from the comfort of a coach, before taking you to your ship or the airport. These programmes are run in groups and led by an English-speaking guide.

For more information about transfers (prices and availability), please visit au.ponant.com or contact your travel agent.

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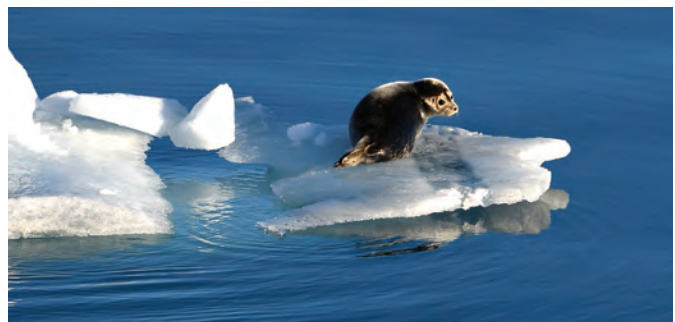
Expedition Cruises in *The Arctic*

From Spitsbergen to Greenland, from Baffin Bay to Alaska,
or along the mythical Northwest Passage, follow in
the wake of the great explorers.
Sail to these icy regions to see exceptional wildlife and interact
with the Inuit during unforgettable encounters.





Meeting the People of *The Arctic*



Some civilisations fascinate us because of their simple way of life, as though our modern world has no hold on them... The Inuit people of Greenland and the Aleut in Alaska live in harmony with nature and perpetuate their ancestral way of life in the heart of the icy vastness in the Far North. They live off hunting and fishing and the pace of their daily life is set by their traditions and beliefs which stem from shamanism and from the respect that is due to the spirits which, according to them, dwell in every living creature. These deft craftsmen from the North Pole create masterpieces by sculpting walrus tusk ivory or caribou antlers and by working the furs and skins of marine mammals with great skill.

"This morning, Le Soléal came within sight of Kullorsuaq, a small Inuit village of 200 inhabitants with which the PONANT teams share a special bond. This is the village where our expedition leader Nicolas Dubreuil lives. The first landmark is the so-called thumb, the mountain which stands behind the village and inspired its name (kullor: thumb, suaq: big).

Immediately upon landing on the rocky beach, our guests got to witness the cleaning of a seal brought back by a hunter to feed the village. He cut it up and prepared it in front of the curious and impressed onlookers, who were surprised by the dexterity with which he handled his knife and recovered the flawless skins to dry them in the sun. He invited everyone to taste the liver, a choice piece that is full of vitamins... and some gave into temptation!

The captain sent the Zodiac® inflatable boats to fetch all of the village inhabitants wanting to board the ship for a visit and, more importantly, to see the show that some of the villagers were going to put on for the Le Soléal guests. A parade of traditional costumes made of pearls and skins then began, as songs rose in celebration of births or simply to express the joy of being together and the thanks of a community that was happy to share this special day.

It was a wonderful moment spent together and a moving experience!"

Cécile Manet, naturalist guide aboard *Le Soléal*



Why sail *The Arctic* with PONANT

- To go in search of ice floe at the foot of the icebergs and experience a complete change of scenery in the land of the midnight sun and the Northern Lights.
- Unusual encounters with the People of the Far North, Inuits or Aleutians, who will share their local traditions with you;
- To discover exceptional wildlife*: polar bears, grizzlies, orcas, Arctic foxes, bald eagles, Arctic terns, humpback whales, walruses and elegant narwhals;
- To sail in the wake of great explorers, as Roald Amundsen, James Cook, Sir John Franklin, Jean Malaurie or Paul-Emile Victor;
- Experience a luxury polar expedition voyage.

**As each trip is different and subject to the prevailing weather conditions and chance encounters, the wildlife described above illustrates possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*



Must-see Destinations in *The Arctic*

Nunavut Territory

The Canadian Arctic Archipelago is a terrain of frozen earth and sea ice, of far-away isolated lands. And yet, the Inuit people have lived here for thousands of years, connected to “their land”. In 1999 the Inuit obtained recognition of their territory, Nunavut, which means “our land” in Inuktitut. They continue their ancient way of life in these extreme conditions. Their oral history speaks of a time when there were no differences between them and the animals they hunted; a time when man and nature communicated and when the spirits of the earth and the sea controlled Inuit destiny. Under the midnight sun, this fascinating place that has been left unspoiled by the indigenous people, will reveal its landscapes.

Greenland

A land forgotten by time where the primeval beauty of the environment conjures feelings of a rare intensity... Discover Greenland, the island at the end of the world. As your ship slowly inches its way towards its coast, the land of the people appears just as one might imagine it, revealing the full magnificence of its landscapes, composed of light greenery, water, ice, icebergs, and bright colours bathed in dazzling light. Greenland is a green and white oasis surrounded by a turbulent sea; a place where the interactions between people and nature are unique. This year again, sail in the wake of the great Scandinavian explorers who once lived on these shores. On this exceptional voyage, each site visit is a timeless experience.



Baffin Bay

At the edges of extreme lands, where the sea ice becomes fragmented only during the brief Arctic Summer, your ship will head North, between deserts of ice and snow swept by winds. Witness virgin lands from the dawn of time, and the immensity of the polar oceans: you are on Baffin Island. Take the time to look around you and you will discover a secret part of a protected treasure: polar bears, humpback whales, walrus or migratory birds. We will offer several outings by Zodiac® inflatable boat, in order to get as close as possible to the exceptional wildlife. As you sail Baffin Bay, let yourself be captivated by these unique landscapes: steep cliffs, gigantic fjords, icebergs and glaciers.

Spitsbergen

Surrounded by the icy Arctic Ocean, the history of the Svalbard Islands is exceptionally rich. Your ship will have sailed to latitude 78° north when it reaches the chiselled coasts of Spitsbergen, the last island before the Pole. Here, the sea deploys its thick, bright armour of ice... During your cruise, your excursions on land will have you following in the footsteps of the great explorers and whale hunters of old, to discover extraordinary landscapes composed of snow-covered peaks, sheer cliffs and fjords scattered with icebergs. The days at sea will be interspersed with outings in Zodiac® inflatable boats to spot the King of the ice, the polar bear.



Alaska

With its wide open spaces, gigantic glaciers, jagged mountains and sparkling lakes... Alaska invites you to journey in the footsteps of the fur traders and gold prospectors. Aboard your ship, we invite you to cruise along the coast of Alaska, whose “Interior Passage” was crafted by the sculpture of imposing glaciers to make room for vertiginous fjords. Here, nature is shaped by glacier fronts, coniferous forests, and myriad islands and islets where the soft sun lights up the sky. During unique stopovers, discover a wild nature, between Alaska and Eastern Siberia, from the Wrangel Nature Reserve to the Pribilof volcanic islands.



Katmai Region

Vast tundra plains, deep canyons, sparkling lakes... During your cruise, Le Soléal will introduce you to a vast kingdom where nature reigns supreme: the Katmai landscape. Located to the south-west in the Alaska Peninsula, between the Gulf of Alaska and the Bering Sea, here you will discover landscapes sculpted by wind and rain, dominated by the sumptuous Mount Katmai, crowned with glaciers and a caldera. This place is also home to exceptional wildlife, and you should be able to spot numerous species such as the legendary brown bear, which paces up and down the banks of the translucent rivers, where countless shoals of sockeye salmon spawn.

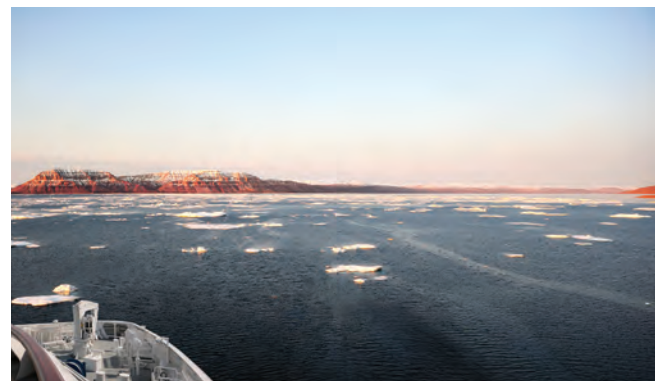
Volcanic Pribilof Islands

Lost in the middle of the Bering Sea, the Pribilof archipelago is made up of four volcanic islands where nature has crafted exquisitely beautiful landscapes. Here, on the islands of Saint Paul and Saint George, you will find majestic volcanoes, lava deserts and crater lakes, offering travellers a magnificent vantage point from which to observe a fauna composed almost exclusively of fur seals. The archipelago is also renowned as a paradise for birds – Saint Paul, especially, as more than 240 different species of seabirds take flight from the top of its majestic cliff.



The Northwest Passage

For more than three centuries, different generations of sailors attempted to find a maritime route to link the Atlantic to the Pacific via the Canadian North. The search for this mythical passage led to both tragedies and feats. In the end, it was the Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen who found it first in 1906, after a long and perilous three-year voyage in extreme weather conditions. The elusive Northwest Passage really did exist. Aboard Le Soléal, well beyond the Arctic Circle, PONANT invites you to sail along this legendary maritime route in the wake of the great explorers of old for a truly different travel experience.



Wildlife in *The Arctic*

The Polar Bear

A symbol of the power and fragility of the Far North, the polar bear is a source of fascination for its immaculate fur coat, its calm elegance and its mysterious aura. While the King of the Ice weighs just a few hundred grams at birth, a fully grown male can weigh 700 kg and is relatively solitary, endlessly roaming the ice of the Arctic Circle in search of ideal hunting and fishing sites. An excellent swimmer, its webbed feet allow it to venture into deep water, and its fur is adapted to underwater excursions, providing protection against temperatures as low as -40°C.

The Orca

A member of the dolphin family, this master of the oceans is without doubt the most emblematic mammal of the Arctic waters. Orcas generally live in groups of up to 30 members, can reach 9 metres in length and their markings are very distinctive with an entirely black back, a white belly and a white patch above the eye. Their powerful body is topped with a fin, the shape of which varies, taking the form of an isosceles triangle or curved according to gender, making it possible to identify male and female specimens. Audacious and agile, they will happily swim in the wake left by your ship during your cruise.

The Bald Eagle

The fascinating, emblematic and surprising bald eagle nests in the heart of Canada's forests near large bodies of water. Its immaculate white head and tail, which contrast with the dark brown of the rest of its plumage, distinguish this proud and wild bird from other eagles. The bald eagle is fond of community life and mates for life. During your cruise, you might have the privilege of admiring the unique spectacle of this great lord of the Canadian skies as it circles above the towns and cities without ever really approaching them.

The Brown Bear

Alaska is the archetype of wild lands and is one of the great unspoilt regions of the world. It is no surprise that the brown bear has made its home there. A distant cousin of the grizzly, the brown bear is easily recognised by its imposing size and its brown fur. The arrival of Arctic Summer is the wake-up call for brown bears; the crystal lakes and streams are their main larder, especially during the salmon spawning season. The abundance of food at this time brings them out of their hiding places, making it easier to observe them – particularly the mothers and their winter-born cubs.

The Arctic Fox

Also called snow fox, the Arctic fox is perfectly adapted to Arctic life. With short, rounded ears that limit heat loss, this small canine is a master at the art of camouflage. In winter, its thick white coat enables it to blend into the snow-covered landscapes of the Far North, while in Arctic Summer its greyish coat allows it to roam around the tundra without drawing attention. Scandinavian legend tells that the Arctic fox brings the Aurora Borealis, the spectacular light show that illuminates the sky during polar nights. In ancient Finnish, Aurora Borealis means “fox fire”.

The Sea Otter

The sea otter, with its long, streamlined body and thick brown fur, is the smallest marine mammal in the world. If this charming little rodent prefers to live near the shore in shallower waters with rocky beds, this is more because of its dietary preferences than any fear of the open sea. The sea otter feeds on crabs, sea urchins and fish. Sea otters can be found floating gently on their backs or wrapped around giant seaweeds, which help hold them in place while they feed or sleep.





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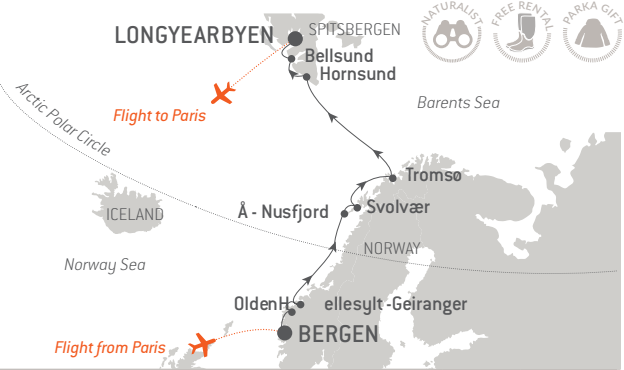
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- 5 - Polar Bears
- 6 - The Orca

Fjords & Spitsbergen

BERGEN • LONGYEARBYEN
LE BORÉAL 11 days / 10 nights
22nd June 2018
from AUD 10 570 pp (see page 91)






DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Paris / Bergen (Norway). Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Olden (Norway)		
3	Hellesylt (Norway)		
4	Geiranger (Norway)		
5	Crossing Polar Circle		
6	Å (Lofoten Islands, Norway)		
7	Nusfjord (Lofoten Islands, Norway)		
8	Svolvær (Lofoten Islands, Norway)		
9	Sailing along Trollfjorden		
10	Tromsø (Norway)		
11	Sailing along Bjørnøya (Bear Island)		
12	Hornsund (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
13	Bellsund (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
14	Longyearbyen (Spitsbergen, Norway)	07.00	
15	Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Longyearbyen / Paris.		

Highlights*:


- Sail into universally known and recognised West Norwegian Fjords to the ice floe landscapes of Spitsbergen;
- Cross the Arctic Circle;
- Expedition cruise during the last 4 days of the cruise including **outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your naturalist guides during the 2 last days of the cruise;
- Landscapes: fjords, vertiginous cliffs, ice floes, jagged mountains, icebergs, ice caps, steep-sided valleys, sheer cliffs, huge glaciers;
- Wildlife: Minke whales, polar bears, Artic foxes, Svalbard reindeer, Arctic terns, walruses, puffins.

**Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*



The Best of Spitsbergen

LONGYEARBYEN • LONGYEARBYEN
LE BORÉAL 8 days / 7 nights
2nd July 2018
from AUD 11 250 pp (see page 91)






DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Paris / Longyearbyen (Spitsbergen, Norway). Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Lilliehöök Glacier (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
3	14th July-Glacier (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
4	Magdalena Bay - Gravneset (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
5	Virgohamna, Danskøya (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
6	Sailing towards the ice floe		
7	Texas Bar, Liefdefjorden (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
8	Monacobreen (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
9	Ny-Ålesund (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
10	Kongsbreen, Kongsfjorden (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
11	Alkhornet (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
12	Pyramiden (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
13	Nordenskiöld Glacier (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
14	Longyearbyen (Spitsbergen, Norway)	07.00	
15	Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Longyearbyen / Paris.		

Highlights*:

- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Sailing in Spitsbergen's fjords and towards the ice floe;
- Landscapes: ice floes, jagged mountains, icebergs, ice caps, steep-sided valleys, sheer cliffs, huge glaciers;
- Wildlife: polar bears, Arctic foxes, Svalbard reindeer, Arctic terns, walruses, whales, puffins.

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Discovery of the King of the Arctic

LONGYEARBYEN • LONGYEARBYEN

LE BORÉAL 13 days / 12 nights

16th July 2018

from AUD 14 860 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Paris / Longyearbyen (Spitsbergen, Norway). Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Gnålodden - Hornbreen (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
3	Bakanbukta - Ginevrobotnen - Agardhbukta (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
4	Boltoden - Isbukta (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
5	Bellsund (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
6	Ny-Ålesund - Kongsbreen, Kongsfjorden (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
7	At sea - Sailing towards the ice floe		
8	Wildefjorden - Daghogda (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
9	Jotunkjeldene - Monacobreen - Texas Bar (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
10	At sea - Sailing towards the ice floe - Ytre Norskøya (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
11	Signehamna - 14 th July-Glacier (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
12	Alkhornet - Nordenskiöld Glacier (Spitsbergen, Norway)		
13	Longyearbyen (Spitsbergen, Norway) Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Longyearbyen / Paris.	07.00	

Highlights*:

- The most complete PONANT cruise to Spitsbergen: 13 days for a fully-comprehensive discovery of the kingdom of the polar bear;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Landscapes: ice floes, jagged mountains, icebergs, plains covered with moss and lichens, lakes and rivers;
- Wildlife: polar bears, Arctic foxes, Svalbard reindeer, Arctic terns, walrus, whales, narwhals.

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Fire and Ice in the Arctic

NOME • SEWARD

LE BORÉAL 17 days / 16 nights

10th September 2018

from AUD 13 500 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Seattle / Nome (Alaska, United States). Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		20.00
2	Date Line change		
3	Providenia (Bukhta, Russia)		
4	Big Diomedé (Russia) - Cap Dejnev (Tchoukotka, Russia)		
5	Kolioutchine island (Russia)		
6 to 8	Krasina Bay - Wrangel Island National Reserve		
9	Cap Vankarem (Tchoukotka, Russia)		
10	Penkigney (Russia) - Yttygran Island / Whale Bone Alley - Providenia		
11	Date Line change - Savoonga (Alaska, United States)		
12	At sea		
13	Saint-Paul (Alaska, United States)		
14	Unalaska - Dutch Harbour (Alaska, United States)		
15	Chankliut island (Alaska, United States)		
16	Geographic Harbor - Hidden Harbor/ Kinak Bay (Alaska, United States)		
17	Holgate Glacier (Alaska, United States)		
	Seward (Alaska, United States) Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Anchorage / Seattle	06.30	

Highlights*:

- An expedition cruise amid the stunning Arctic and volcanic landscapes of Alaska and Russia to discover the jewels of Beringia;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your naturalist guides;
- Sail in the heart of the Bering Sea, surrounded by the planet's most remote islands;
- Discovery of the Wrangel Island Nature Reserve, listed as a **UNESCO World Heritage site**;
- Discover the Aleutian Islands, an emerged part of the Pacific Ring of Fire.

*Visits to Wrangel Island are subject to permission being granted by the Russian authorities. This port of call can only be confirmed once this authorisation has been received, six months before the cruise departure date.

The Unexplored Greenland

REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ
LE BORÉAL 11 days / 10 nights
 10th August 2018
 from AUD 8 410 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Reykjavik (Iceland) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Reykjavik (Iceland)		
3	At sea		
4	Sailing along Prins Christian Sund Kangerluk fjord (Greenland)		
5	Narsaq (Greenland)		
6	Nuuk (Greenland)		
7	At sea		
8	Eqi glacier, Paul-Émile Victor base (Greenland)		
9	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
10	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
11	Kangerlussuaq (Greenland) Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Kangerlussuaq / Paris	07.00	

Highlights*:

- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats with your naturalist guides;
- Visit traditional villages and meet the Inuit people;
- Disko Bay, listed as a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, to see the Northern Hemisphere's largest icebergs;
- Discovery of Nuuk, the capital of Greenland;
- Landscapes: fjords, iridescent glaciers and icebergs, wild tundra, lakes, alpine peaks;
- Wildlife: musk oxen, Arctic foxes, humpback whales, orcas, seals.

**Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*

The Saga of Erik the Red

REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ
LE SOLÉAL 13 days / 12 nights
 17th July 2018
 from AUD 9 670 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Reykjavik (Iceland) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Reykjavik (Iceland)		
3	At sea		
4	Nansen Harbor (Greenland)		
5	Skjoldungen Fjord (Greenland)		
6	Prins Christian Sund - Herjolfsnes (Greenland)		
7	Hvalso - Narsaq (Greenland)		
8	At sea		
9	Nuuk (Godthaab, Greenland)		
10	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
11	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
12	Evighedsfjorden (Greenland)		
13	Kangerlussuaq (Greenland) Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Kangerlussuaq / Paris	06.00	

Highlights*:

- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats with your naturalist guides;
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Ultima Thule: Greenland and the Canadian Arctic

KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ

LE SOLÉAL 17 days / 16 nights

29th July 2018

from AUD 20 340 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Paris / Kangerlussuaq (Greenland).		
2	Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
3	Sisimiut (Greenland)		
4	Qikiqtarjuaq - Kivitoo (Canada)		
5	Arctic Bay (Canada) - Isabella Bay (Niginania, Canada)		
6	Sam Ford Fjord (Canada)		
7	Icy Arm Fjord (Canada) - Feachem Bay, Buchan Gulf (Nunavut, Canada)		
8	Beatrice Point - Coburg Island (Canada)		
9	Pim Island - Alexander Bay (Canada)		
10	Geomagnetic North Pole - Hans Island (Greenland)		
11	Hans Island - Humboldt Glacier (Greenland)		
12	Etah - Siorapaluk (Greenland)		
13	Cape York - Savissivik (Greenland)		
14	Kullorsuaq (Greenland)		
15	Nuliarfik (Greenland)		
16	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
17	Evighedsfjorden (Greenland)		
	Kangerlussuaq (Greenland)	07.00	
	Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Kangerlussuaq / Paris.		

Highlights*:

- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with your naturalist guides;
- Visit traditional villages and encounter the Inuit people;
- Disko Bay, listed as a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, to see the Northern Hemisphere's largest icebergs;
- Discover of the area of Ultima Thule, the mythical northern kingdom, in the footsteps of the Vikings;
- Wildlife: polar humpback whales, Arctic terns, wolves, belugas, caribou, bearded seals, orcas.*

**Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*

Baffin Bay Secrets

KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ

LE SOLÉAL 14 days / 13 nights

14th August 2018

from AUD 14 950 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Paris / Kangerlussuaq (Greenland).		
2	Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
3	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
4	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
5	Eqi glacier, Paul-Émile Victor base (Greenland)		
6	Karrat fjord (Greenland)		
7	Kullorsuaq - Tugtutligssuaq (Greenland)		
8	Savissivik (Greenland)		
9	Thule (Greenland)		
10	Pond Inlet (Canada)		
11	Sam Ford Fjord (Canada)		
12	Clyde River (Canada)		
13	Isabella Bay (Niginania, Canada)		
14	Sisimiut (Greenland)		
	Kangerlussuaq (Greenland)	07.00	
	Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Kangerlussuaq / Paris.		

Highlights*:

- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with your naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Visit traditional villages and encounter the Inuit people;
- Disko Bay, listed as a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, to see the Northern Hemisphere's largest icebergs;
- Landscapes: ice floes, jagged mountains, icebergs, ice caps, steep-sided valleys, sheer cliffs, huge glaciers;
- Wildlife: polar bears, walruses, Arctic terns, a lot of caribou, musk oxen, whales, orcas.

**Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*

The Northwest Passage

KANGERLUSSUAQ • NOME

LE SOLÉAL 23 days / 22 nights

27th August 2018

from AUD 25 270 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Paris / Kangerlussuaq (Greenland). Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 18.00 to 19.00		22.30
2	Sisimiut (Greenland)		
3	Ilulissat (Greenland)		
4	Tugtutok (Greenland)		
5	Kullorsuaq (Greenland)		
6	Savissivik (Greenland)		
7	Pond Inlet (Canada)		
8	Beechey Island (Canada)		
9	Fury Beach (Canada)		
10	Qariaraqyuk - Fort Ross - Bellot Strait (Canada)		
11	Gjoa Haven (Canada)		
12	At sea		
13	Johanssen Peninsula - Edimburgh Island (Canada)		
14	Holman (Canada)		
15	Minto Inlet (Canada)		
16	Franklin Bay (Canada)		
17	At sea		
18	Herschel Island (Canada)		
19	Point Barrow (Alaska, United States)		
20	At sea		
21	Inalik, Little Diomed - Fairway Rock (Alaska, United States)		
22	Savoonga (Alaska, United States)		
23	Nome (Alaska, United States) Disembarkation and transfer. Flight Nome / Seattle.	06.00	

Highlights*:

- Crossing the legendary Northwest Passage, in the wake of Explorers;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with your naturalist guides;
- Visit traditional villages and encounter the local people;
- From Ilulissat : Helicopter flight over a glacier (optional).

**Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*

In the Wake of Pioneers

NOME • VANCOUVER

LE SOLÉAL 15 days / 14 nights

18th September 2018

from AUD 11 270 pp (see page 91)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Seattle / Nome (Alaska, United States). Transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		20.00
2	Savoonga (Alaska, United States)		
3	St Matthew (Alaska, United States)		
4	Saint George (Alaska, United States)		
5	Dutch Harbor (Alaska, United States)		
6	Delarof Harbor (Ile Unga, Alaska, United States)		
7	Geographic Harbor (Alaska, United States)		
8 to 9	At sea		
10	Sitka (Alaska, United States)		
11	Hoggatt Bay (Alaska, United States)		
12	Prince Rupert (Canada)		
13	At sea		
14	Seymour Narrow (Canada)		
15	Vancouver (Canada) Disembarkation.	08.00	

Highlights*:

- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac®** inflatable boats with your naturalist guides;
- Hiking opportunity;
- Visit traditional villages and encounter the Aleut people;
- Landscapes: fjords, tall mountains, huge glaciers, primary forest, jagged cliffs;
- Wildlife: brown bears, walruses, Arctic terns, caribou, musk oxen, whales and orcas.

**Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*

Formalities

FOR ALL CRUISES

The information below is current but subject to change at any time without advance notice from government authorities. Please consult your respective government agencies for visa and health information.

Passport valid for at least six (6) months beyond the completion of your trip. Passport must contain at least two completely clear, blank, unused visa pages for each visa required, not including any amendment pages. Visa pages with stains or ink from other pages in the passport are not usable. Guests who deviate from the scheduled embarkation or disembarkation port should research the foreign entry requirements for the port country. Due to government regulations, regrettably, PONANT will have to deny boarding to any guest who fails to obtain the appropriate travel documentation for this trip.

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- (1) **Canada:** Travel by sea - The eTA is not required for this cruise
- (2) **Canada:** Entry by air - The eTA is required for Australian and British citizens; US citizens are exempt. Other nationalities, please contact Canada consulate website for details. <http://www.canada.ca/en/index.html>
- (3) **Russia:** An individual Russian visa (single-entry tourist visa type) must be obtained prior to your cruise. A copy of your passport (photo page) must be sent to PONANT at time of booking of your cruise, this in order to prepare the "letter of invitation" necessary to obtain your visa. A copy of your visa must be sent to PONANT at the very latest 70 days prior to your cruise date.
Please note: in case PONANT does not receive a copy of your Russian visa by the deadline, the immigration procedures specific to the areas visited won't be obtained for your embarkation.
- (4) **United States:** Visa may be required. Please contact USA consulate website for details.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



- A polar parka will be offered upon your arrival on board the ship for all expedition programs where the logo "parka" appears. We also kindly ask you to follow the dress-code instruction you will find with your travel documents. Don't hesitate to contact us if needed.
- **Complimentary boot hire:** Save space and lighten your baggage by booking your boots, available until 7 days prior departure on our dedicated website boots.ponant.com. You will find them in front of your stateroom at embarkation. For more information, please contact us.
- Expeditions programs include activities such as outings in Zodiac® inflatable boats (sometimes with "wet landing"), moderate walks to more active hikes. All this accompanied by your expedition team of naturalist guides. Certain Zodiac® outings will not allow for landings just cruising. Landings will depend on weather conditions, position of ice and winds and the state of the sea. These can force a change of plans at any time.
- **Kangerlussuaq • Nome:** Given the inaccessibility of this itinerary, **it is mandatory to return the medical questionnaire, provided at time of booking, between 90 and 45 days prior to departure.** This questionnaire is very important in order to respect mandatory safety rules in polar zones. Any false information on this questionnaire may lead to a refusal of your embarkation at the port of departure, without any possible recourse.
- Travelling to polar/isolated regions is an exhilarating experience. The raw beauty and untouched wilderness offer an unusual chance to experience a place where there is little evidence of human presence. Inevitably, there are some consequences that come with such remoteness: please remember that you are far from modern hospitals with full medical facilities, thus evacuation is highly expensive. Without the necessary medical coverage, all expenses will have to be immediately paid from with your personal funds. We urge you to subscribe full coverage insurance, choose your insurance company very carefully and be extremely vigilant and ensure your insurance is fully comprehensive.
- Taking into consideration the unusual and exceptional character of expedition itineraries, the ports of call shown are an indication only. The final route will be confirmed by the Captain and Expedition Leader, who will take into account the touristic quality of the sites and above all, the safety of the passengers. Their decision will be subject to that of local authorities and the expert pilots present on board during the navigation in polar and /or isolated zones.
- By choosing an expedition cruise, passengers agree to follow the rules of good conduct presented by the expedition team during the cruise.
- We remind you that being properly equipped is essential (clothing, sunglasses, etc.) and we recommend bringing binoculars to enable you to observe the wildlife comfortably and respectfully during your excursions and shore visits.



In the Arctic, PONANT is an acceding member of the AECO, Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators. AECO is dedicated to managing responsible, environmentally friendly and safe tourism in the Arctic.

Pre-Bookable Tours

Reservation and payment of pre-bookable tours must be made when booking your cruise or at least 60 days prior to your cruise departure date. Full tour program is available on our website au.ponant.com 12 months prior to your cruise. A minimum number of participants are required to confirm these programs.

Reykjavik, Iceland

Glacier Adventure (9 hours)

from AUD 420 pp

Tour available on:

REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 17th July 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*
REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 10th August 2018 aboard *Le Boréal*

After a stop in Thínvellir, Iceland's leading national park, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, you will head to the Kaldidalur valley to discover the Langjökull Glacier. Later, you will board 4-wheel drive vehicles and head off to discover this white paradise. After lunch, your excursion will continue to the Borgarfjörður region.



Reykjavik, Iceland

Inside a Volcano (6 hours)

from AUD 710 pp

Tour available on:

REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 17th July 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*
REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 10th August 2018 aboard *Le Boréal*

From Reykjavik, you will enjoy an exceptional visit to the Thrihnúkagigur volcano, located deep inside the Bláfjöll mountain range. When you arrive, you will travel by lift in small groups down into the magma chamber of this dormant volcano, where you can admire the astonishing rock and lava formations, constituted over centuries of activity.



Ilulissat, Greenland

Scenic Helicopter Flight Over the Glacier (2 hours)

from AUD 870 pp

Tour available on:

REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 17th July 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*
KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 29th July 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*
REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 10th August 2018 aboard *Le Boréal*
KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ - 14th August 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*
KANGERLUSSUAQ • NOME - 27th August 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*

After a quick flight over Ilulissat, a small, typical village whose name means “iceberg” in Greenlandic, you will head to the famous Sermeq Kujalleq glacier, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, which calves impressive icebergs. From the sky, the view is extraordinary. This is a different way to approach this fascinating world of ice and water.

Pre & Post Cruise Programmes

We invite you to enhance your cruise and extend your trip with carefully designed, high-quality programmes. These are group excursions, and are available either immediately before or after your cruise; they must be booked before departure. Before selecting your flights, please do not hesitate to contact your travel agent or PONANT to tie them in with these programmes. The programmes with the logo “Escorted Programme” benefit from a PONANT accompaniment. Visit au.ponant.com for details on these programmes and to obtain prices. Simply check the related cruise and look for the “Pre/Post & Overlands” tab.

Vancouver, Canada

Discover Vancouver (1 day / 1 night)

Your post-cruise programme:

NOME • VANCOUVER - 18th September 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*

Discover the city of Vancouver and its natural beauty spots, including Stanley Park, not only the biggest park in the city but also a cultural and historic site, as testified by the many totem poles to be found there. You will continue your visit with the Anthropology Museum followed by Chinatown, before heading to Gastown, Vancouver’s historic district. After being transferred to your hotel, you will be able to enjoy a free evening. The next day you will be taken to the airport to board the flight selected by PONANT.



Seattle, United States of America

One Night in Seattle (1 day / 1 night)



Your pre-cruise programme:

NOME • SEWARD - 10th September 2018 aboard *Le Boréal*
NOME • VANCOUVER - 18th September 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*

Your post-cruise programme:

KANGERLUSSUAQ • NOME - 27th August 2018 aboard *Le Soléal*
NOME • SEWARD - 10th September 2018 aboard *Le Boréal*

When you arrive at the airport or the port, you will be directly transferred to your hotel, ideally located in downtown Seattle. After lunch, you will have the afternoon and evening free to discover the city and its many neighbourhoods and monuments. The next day you will be either taken to the port to board your ship, or to the airport for your return flight.

Pre & Post Cruise Transfers

In order to make your trip as perfect as possible and simplify your journeys between your embarkation/ disembarkation port and the airport, PONANT offers you the opportunity to book a transfer service. Your transfers can either be direct or include a panoramic tour. Before or after your cruise, we offer you the chance to discover the emblematic landmarks of the most beautiful cities from the comfort of a coach, before taking you to your ship or the airport. These programmes are run in groups and led by an English-speaking guide.

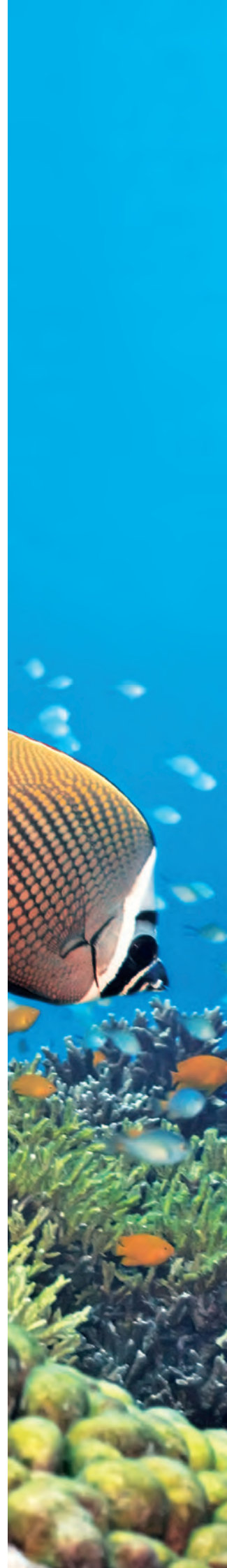
For more information about transfers (prices and availability), please visit au.ponant.com or contact your travel agent.

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Expedition Cruises in *Asia, Oceania* and the *Indian Ocean*

The vast Pacific Ocean is dotted with remote lands and wild coastlines, our planet's ultimate destinations for adventure. Listen to the adventurer in you and join us for one of our expedition cruises to Oceania, Australia, or the Indian Ocean.

Between spectacular scenery, tropical rainforests and coral reefs, you will meet people who have called these idyllic islands home for thousands of years.





Asia, Oceania & The Indian Ocean, Adventure Awaits



In his home country, Australia, people call him “Crocodile Dundee” due to his knowledge of nature and his taste for adventure. After having led more than 300 expeditions through Antarctica, South-East Asia, Oceania, and the coasts of Australia, the explorer Mick Fogg is now placing his experience at PONANT’s service.

Your reputation as an explorer and photographer is well established. Can you tell us about your background?

Mick Fogg: Growing up in Australia, I was introduced to nature’s wonders at a very young age. After years of working and educating people about Australia’s Great Barrier Reef, I decided to explore further afield, through Oceania and Asia: Papua New Guinea, Borneo, Indonesia, Vanuatu, The Solomon Islands... I was fortunate enough to work with renowned photographers, who were keen to share their knowledge and experience.

What made you decide to become an Expedition Leader on PONANT ships?

M.F: PONANT’s fleet of small luxury expedition ships make it possible to combine luxury and adventure. As the world leader of luxury expeditions, PONANT desired to expand its expeditions outside the Polar Regions. My years of experience in the Asia Pacific region made us a perfect match.

What do you like the most about being an Expedition Leader?

M.F: One of the great joys is sharing unique experiences with well-educated and well-travelled people. Most of our guests aren’t satisfied with just taking a photograph of the destination and heading back home. They want to experience the destination and learn more about what they are seeing and the people they are meeting.

You’ve led expeditions throughout the Pacific and Oceania. Do you have a favourite destination – or maybe a top three?

M.F: It’s impossible for me to narrow down a favourite destination. My journeys have taken me to some pretty amazing destinations across the planet. Australia’s remote Kimberley region is definitely in my top three. The timeless landscapes, pristine environments and harsh beauty are like nowhere else on earth.

Of all the polar destinations I have visited, Macquarie Island is still my favourite. The landscape is spectacular and it has some of the highest densities of wildlife of anywhere on the planet.

Tanjung Puting National Park, holds a very special place in my heart. It was here that I first encountered Orang-Utans in the wild and chose a path to enlighten people about their plight.



Why travel on a
*Tropical
expedition*
voyage with PONANT?

- To discover remote islands and archipelagos, each of which has a unique landscape, culture and personality;
- To enjoy the possibility of snorkelling in crystal lagoons, exploring some of the world's most diverse coral reef ecosystems;
- To experience privileged encounters with traditional tribes, living on the lands of their ancestors;
- To observe wild and unspoiled animal life, such as orang-utans, crocodiles, albatrosses and sea turtles;
- To make extraordinary journeys along the Kimberley coast, one of the last great wilderness areas in the world.



The Chesterfield Islands

"Without wronging anyone, without oppressing any indigenous people, and unbeknown to anyone, our beautiful country preserves a small, discreet and secret empire whose extreme fringes never cease to amaze."

This is how historian and author Bruno Fuligni described the Chesterfield Islands, a group of minuscule lands lost in the Coral Sea off the north-eastern coast of Australia. Made up of several uninhabited islets and reefs that sit on the surface of the water, this mysterious archipelago was named after the ship of the English captain who discovered it in 1791. It was conquered by the French in 1878. This paradise for nature lovers offers its rare visitors long, immaculate beaches where thousands of seabirds have found refuge.

The Kimberley Coast in Australia

The Kimberley region of Western Australia is a wild land of remote, spectacular scenery spread over huge distances. Larger than 75% of the world's countries, the Kimberley is one of the world's last great Wilderness areas, and one of Australia's greatest natural assets. The 13,000km of remote isolated coastline boasts more than 2,600 islands, Australia's largest inshore reef, the world's largest population of Humpback whales, extensive undisturbed mangrove forests, wild rivers, and important seabird breeding colonies. It is a national biodiversity hotspot, and listed in the top 3.7% of least impacted marine environments worldwide.



The Scattered Islands

The Scattered Islands are like minuscule confetti sprinkled around Madagascar forming an archipelago of unrivalled beauty. Their geographical isolation, and their very limited human settlement make them a true geological sanctuary, classed as a nature reserve since 1975. Regularly used as the "zero point" in scientific studies, they offer their rare visitors almost pristine vegetation composed mainly of mangrove, as well as long beaches of shimmering sand stretching out behind turquoise lagoons, and coral reefs that are home to the world's highest concentration of sea turtles.

The Seychelles

The Seychelles archipelago is made up of 115 islands emerging from the Indian Ocean. Some seem to be moored under the Equator whilst the most distant gently approach the coast of Madagascar. Do not miss the granite beaches with their shimmering pink highlights, where the erosion-polished rocks are harmoniously gathered along the shore, creating an almost unreal landscape; or fall under the spell of the shady coconut groves, a veritable Garden of Eden with a 1001 hiding places. A paradise of biodiversity, La Digue island is today a refuge for many species of sea birds, but it is the giant turtles that one may encounter as one walks the island paths that have made the island's reputation.



The Maluku Islands

The Malukus is made up by over a thousand tropical islands ranging from rugged, mountainous wildernesses to active volcanoes and idyllic coral atolls. Fine beaches and coral reefs abound, and there are plenty of historical reminders of the region's turbulent past. These are the famous Spice Islands which drew Indian, Chinese, Arab and eventually European traders in search of cloves and nutmeg. Far from the well worn tourist paths, the Malukus receive few outside visitors. The over 100 ethnic groups native to Malukus are among the friendliest and most hospitable in all Indonesia. Today, music and dancing are as much part of life as are fishing and farming.



Papua New Guinea

Described as the most culturally diverse country on earth, Papua New Guinea is home to over 700 different ethnic groups, speaking an equivalent number of languages. There is no such thing as a typical Papua New Guinean, but the majority remain dependent on subsistence farming and live in small isolated villages. Tradition remains strong in a society where wealth is not accumulated for its own sake, but so it can be given away, with elaborate ceremony. You will be amazed at the warmth and sincerity of a proud people willing to showcase their traditional art and culture.

The Solomon Islands

The Solomon Islands remain today a hidden paradise in the South Pacific. It is a land of contrast and adventure, best known for its crystal waters and spectacular white sand beaches. Comprising over 990 islands, the diversity of landforms and cultures are striking. Village life remains much as it has done for centuries, unhurried, undeveloped and unspoilt. Traditional customs handed down from ancestral spirits, form the basis of cultural values remaining today. The island chain played a significant role during the Second World War and many relics and wrecks remain, providing a window into this tumultuous period.



The Vanuatu Archipelago

Vanuatu is an archipelago of 83 islands nestled in the warm tropical waters of the South Pacific Ocean. It is home to a unique blend of ancient traditional villages, picture perfect beaches, accessible active volcanoes and coral reefs teeming with life. It offers an idyllic setting for anyone seeking adventure or wanting to relax on a tropical beach fringed with palm trees. With no written language, songs and dances are of paramount importance in maintaining traditions. Art, in its many forms, from body decorations and tattoos, to elaborate masks and carvings are a vital part of ritual celebrations and the social life of the many villages spread throughout the archipelago.



Wildlife in *Asia, Oceania* and the *Indian Ocean*

The Saltwater Crocodile

Mainly present from India to the Solomon Islands, the saltwater crocodile, also referred to as “salties”, are the largest living reptile in the world. These astonishing predators can reach up to 6.5 metres (21 feet) in length. They are easily recognisable by their large body, and rows of bony scales in shades of grey and brown, that run along their body and tail. During the wet season, they spend most of their time in freshwater rivers and swamps, moving downstream to estuaries in the dry season, and sometimes travelling far out to sea.

The Komodo Dragons

On the remote island of Komodo, a protected natural reserve home to the largest lizards still walking the Earth, distant cousins of the dinosaurs: the monitor lizards of Komodo - the Komodo dragons. Do not miss the visit to the Komodo National Park, which has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1991. These volcanic islands are inhabited by around 5,700 giant lizards, who earned their name of “Komodo Dragon”. These reptiles can grow to 4 metres in length and weigh around 70 kg, and are found nowhere else on earth, so they present a huge scientific interest for the study of evolution.

The Short-Eared Rock Wallaby

Short-eared rock wallabies are small, playful and adorable marsupials belonging to the macropod family. They have short grey fur, yellow-orange feet and a striped tail. They are particularly fond of arid environments, where they take shelter in caves and crevices to keep cool. They are easy to spot and observe as they hop between rocks and cliffs in the North of Australia, using their long tail for balancing. This is a very sociable species that likes to live in small groups composed of one male and 5 or 6 females, sometimes gathering in large colonies of more than a hundred individuals.

The Tropicbird

An aerial symbol of purity and freedom, the Tropicbird is one of the emblematic animals of the Scattered Islands. Boasting immaculate white plumage when seen from the ground, the upper side of its wings is made up of black feathers with perfectly symmetrical lines. Another distinctive sign, the tail of this seductive bird is very long and consists of two very fine feathers resembling two white straws, floating elegantly behind the bird in flight. Tropicbirds commonly capture their prey – such as flying fish – by plunge diving. They are generally silent, but can sometimes be heard making a series of clicking sounds during courtship.

The Lemur

A species endemic to Madagascar, it is believed that the first lemurs arrived on the island riding on floating tree trunks. Considered to be a distant cousin or ancestor of the monkeys, this tiny animal with its pointed nose is recognisable for its brown silky fur. A sociable animal, it likes to live in a group and hide in the tops of trees, jumping from branch to branch, feeding on fruit, leaves and bark. Don't miss your chance to come face to face with these adorable mammals that don't hesitate to hop on the shoulders of people walking by.

The Giant Tortoise

Also known as the elephant turtle for its feet that resemble those of a pachyderm, the Seychelles giant tortoise is the largest species of tortoise on Earth, with males weighing up to 300 kg. Its shell is brown or beige in colour and domed in shape, whilst the head and feet are covered in tiny scales. Its favourite hiding places are the islands and islets of the archipelago, deep in the coral reef, the mangroves and the coastal dunes. This tortoise is active early in the morning and takes refuge in mud puddles or in the shade provided by small shrubs as soon as it starts to get hot.





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- 1 - The saltwater Crocodile
- 2 - The Komodo Dragons
- 3 - The Tropicbird
- 4 - The short-eared Rock Wallaby
- 5 - The Lemur
- 6 - The giant Tortoise

Exploring the Malay Archipelago

MANILA • DARWIN

L'AUSTRAL 13 days / 12 nights

17th June 2018

from AUD 5 430 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Manila (Philippines) Embarkation from 15.00 to 16.00		17.00
2	Coron (Philippines)		
3	Sibuyan Island (Philippines)		
4	Cuatro Islands (Philippines)		
5, 6	At sea		
7	Pulau Lihaga (North of Sulawesi, Indonesia) Tangkoko National Park		
8	At sea		
9, 10	Raja Ampat (West Papua, Indonesia)		
11	Banda Neira (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
12	At sea		
13	Darwin (Australia) Disembarkation	08.00	

Highlights:

- Expedition voyage discovering culture, landscapes, fauna and flora of the Malay Archipelago;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with naturalist guides;
- Coron Island, listed as **UNESCO World Heritage Site**;
- Visit the Tangkoko National Park to look for the famous Tarsier, one of the tiniest primates in the world;
- The Maluku, the paradisiac Spice Islands;
- Swimming and snorkelling from deserted beaches.

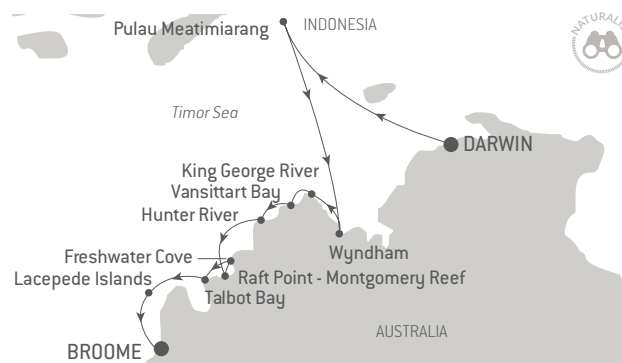
Iconic Kimberley

DARWIN • BROOME

L'AUSTRAL 11 days / 10 nights

19th July & 8th August 2018

from AUD 9 290 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Darwin (Australia) Embarkation from 14.00 to 15.00		16.00
2	Pulau Meatimiarang (Indonesia) - technical stop -		
3	Wyndham (Australia)		
4	King George River (Australia)		
5	Vansittart Bay (Australia)		
6	Hunter River (Australia)		
7	Raft Point (Australia) Montgomery Reef (Australia)		
8	Freshwater Cove (Australia)		
9	Talbot Bay (Australia)		
10	Lacepede Islands (Australia)		
11	Broome (Australia) Disembarkation	06.30	

Highlights:

- Expedition voyage discovering the Kimberley coast, one of the world's last remaining pristine wilderness areas;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with naturalist guides;
- Discover Aboriginal culture and ancient rock art;
- Pristine mangrove environments, home to the world's largest living reptile;
- Unique tidal phenomena such as the Horizontal Falls at Talbot Bay;
- In Wyndham, enjoy one of the 3 complimentary excursions*: Ord River experience, Bungle Bungle scenic flight or El Questro Park experience. (see page 67)

**subject to availability, on a first come first served basis in chronological order of booking, please contact our travel agents.*

Iconic Kimberley

BROOME • DARWIN

L'Austral 11 days / 10 nights

29th July & 18th August 2018

from AUD 9 290 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Broome (Australia) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Lacepede Islands (Australia)		
3	Talbot Bay (Australia)		
4	Freshwater Cove (Australia)		
5	Montgomery Reef (Australia) Raft Point (Australia)		
6	Hunter River (Australia)		
7	Swift Bay (Australia)		
8	Vansittart Bay (Australia)		
9	King George River (Australia)		
10	At sea		
11	Darwin (Australia) Disembarkation	06.00	

Highlights:

- Expedition voyage discovering the Kimberley coast, one of the world's last remaining pristine wilderness areas;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with naturalist guides;
- Discover Aboriginal culture and ancient rock art;
- Pristine mangrove environments, home to the world's largest living reptile;
- Unique tidal phenomena such as the Horizontal Falls at Talbot Bay;
- King George River and the majestic Twin Falls.

Natural Wonders and Cultures of the Coral Triangle

DARWIN • HONIARA

L'Austral 17 days / 16 nights

28th August 2018

from AUD 10 760 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Darwin (Australia) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	At sea		
3	Banda Neira (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
4 - 5	Raja Ampat (West Papua, Indonesia)		
6	At sea		
7	Pulau Lamsutu (Indonesia)		
8	Jayapura (West Papua, Indonesia)		
9	Kopar Village (Papua New Guinea)		
10	Madang (Papua New Guinea)		
11	Tami Island (Papua New Guinea)		
12	Kitava (Papua New Guinea)		
13	Samarai (Papua New Guinea)		
14	At sea		
15	Gizo - Njari Island (Solomon Islands)		
16	Roderick Bay - Florida Island (Solomon Islands)		
17	Honiara, Guadalcanal (Solomon Islands) Disembarkation, transfer to the airport and flight Honiara/Brisbane.	07.00	

Highlights:

- Expedition voyage discovering the mysteries of Melanesia, in the heart of the Coral Triangle;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with naturalist guides;
- Rajah Ampat home to the greatest number of fish and coral species on the planet;
- Encounters with local people: cultural performances, dances, arts & crafts;
- Possibility of diving and/or snorkelling with an experienced instructor on board.

Ancient Cultures and Landscapes of Vanuatu

HONIARA • LAUTOKA

L'AUSTRAL 12 days / 11 nights

13th September 2018

from AUD 6 410 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Brisbane / Honiara, Guadalcanal (Solomon Islands). Direct transfer to the port. Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		23.00
2	At sea		
3	Vanikoro (Solomon Islands)		
4	Ureparapara Island (Vanuatu) Sana Island (Vanuatu)		
5	Moto Lava Island (Vanuatu)		
6	Espiritu Santo (Vanuatu)		
7	Malekula (Vanuatu)		
8	Ambrym Island (Vanuatu)		
9	Lamen Island - Lopevi Island (Vanuatu)		
10	Tanna Island (Vanuatu)		
11	At sea		
12	Lautoka (Fiji) Disembarkation	07.00	

Highlights:

- Expedition voyage discovering Vanuatu: traditional villages, tropical beaches, coral reefs, active volcanoes;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your expedition team;
- Visit the last known location of the 1788 "lost voyage" of La Pérouse in Vanikoro;
- Sail into the caldera of Ureparapara;
- Stand on the edge of an active volcano on Tanna Island;
- Swim in the famous "blue holes" of Espiritu Santo;
- Discover a wide range of cultures and traditions;
- Possibility of diving and/or snorkelling with an experienced instructor on board.

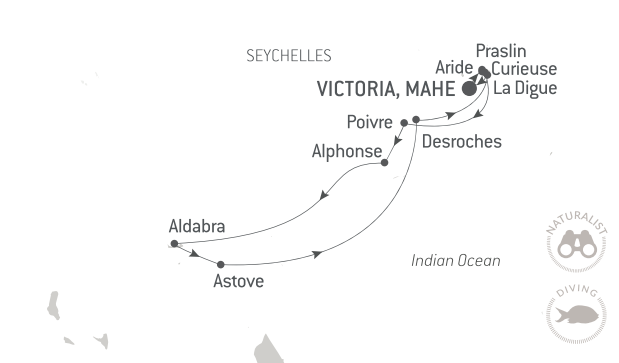
Treasures of Seychelles

MAHE • MAHE

LE LAPÉROUSE 13 days / 12 nights

29th November 2018

from AUD 8 430 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Victoria, Mahe (Seychelles) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Aride (Seychelles)	11.00	18.00
3	Praslin (Seychelles) Curieuse (Seychelles)	07.00 14.30	12.45 19.00
4	Poivre (Seychelles)	12.00	19.00
5	Alphonse (Seychelles)	08.00	18.00
6	At sea		18.00
7	Aldabra (Seychelles)	06.00	
8	Aldabra (Seychelles)		19.00
9	Astove (Seychelles)	06.00	18.00
10	At sea		
11	Desroches (Seychelles)	08.00	18.00
12	La Digue (Seychelles) Victoria, Mahe (Seychelles)	08.00 21.30	18.00
13	Victoria, Mahe (Seychelles) Disembarkation		

Highlights:

- UNESCO World Heritage sites:** Aldabra, the largest coral atoll in the world and the Vallée de Mai nature reserve in Praslin;
- The Aride nature reserve, a treasure of the Seychelles with some 73 hectares of colourful vegetation and more than one million birds;
- The bare red earth of Curieuse, a granite island in the Seychelles;
- The coral island of Desroches, an intimate destination home to lush vegetation of coconut palms, takamakas and filaos;
- Anse Source d'Argent, the most famous beach of La Digue;
- Possibility of diving and/or snorkelling with an experienced instructor on board.

Expedition to Borneo & Beyond

SINGAPORE • BALI

LE LAPÉROUSE 10 days / 9 nights

5th January 2019

from AUD 5 060 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Singapore (Singapore) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Tembelan Islands (Indonesia)		
3	<i>At sea</i>		
4	Tanjung Puting National Park (Indonesia)		
5	<i>At sea</i>		
6	Tanjung Wangi (Java - Indonesia)		
7	Badas (Indonesia) Sumbawa (Indonesia) Mojo (Indonesia)		
8	Pink Beach (Komodo Island, Indonesia)		
9	Loh Liang (Komodo Island, Indonesia)		
10	Bali (Indonesia) Disembarkation	06.30	

Highlights:

- An opportunity to view Orang-utans in their natural environment at Tanjung Puting National Park;
- **UNESCO World Heritage site:** Komodo National park;
- The Ijen volcano on the island of Java and its spectacular caldera surrounded by volcanic cones and craters;
- Meeting the locals and discovering their traditions and culture;
- Pink Beach, a pink sand beach that is unique in the world;
- Possibility of snorkelling, particularly on the uninhabited idyllic Tembelan Islands.

Exploring the Indonesian Archipelago

BALI • CAIRNS

LE LAPÉROUSE 15 days / 14 nights

14th January 2019

from AUD 8 450 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Bali (Indonesia) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Pulau Banta (Komodo, Indonesia)		
3	Loh Buaya, Rinca (Komodo, Indonesia)		
4	Kalabahi (Alor Island, Indonesia)		
5	<i>At sea</i>		
6	Banda Neira (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
7	Pulau Bui, Kei Islands (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
8	Triton Bay (West Papua, Indonesia)		
9	<i>At sea</i>		
10	Syuru (Papua, Indonesia) Agats (Papua, Indonesia)		
11	<i>At sea</i>		
12	Cape York (Australia)		
13	<i>At sea</i>		
14	Lizard Island (Australia)		
15	Cairns (Australia) Disembarkation	07.00	

Highlights:

- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your expedition team;
- **UNESCO World Heritage site:** Komodo National park;
- Alor Island, located in the eastern Lesser Sunda Islands, see traditional fishing and the weaving of ikats;
- The Maluku, the paradisiacal Spice Islands;
- Discover the Asmat region and its small traditional villages, inhabitants and warrior ceremonies;
- Cape York, the northern-most point of the Australian continent, which is very hard to reach apart from by sea;
- On Lizard Island, snorkelling the coral reefs of Watson's Bay.

Australian Food and Wine Experience

CAIRNS • SYDNEY

LE LAPÉROUSE 12 days / 11 nights

28th January 2019

from AUD 6 270 pp (see page 92)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Cairns (Australia) Embarkation from 17.00 to 18.00		23.00
2	Lizard Island (Australia)		
3	Willis Island (Australia)		
4	At sea		
5	Hardy Reef (Australia)		
6	Percy Island (Australia)		
7	Lady Musgrave Island (Australia)		
8	At sea		
9	Brisbane (Australia)		
10	At sea		
11	Sydney (Australia)		
12	Sydney (Australia) Disembarkation	07.00	

Highlights:

- This voyage is themed as a food and wine voyage;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your expedition team;
- Many opportunities for swimming, snorkelling and relaxation on unspoiled islands, with white sand beaches and crystal-clear water;
- From Hardy Reef, the possibility to observe some of the world's most beautiful sea beds, with coral reefs and diverse undersea life;
- A call at Brisbane, the sophisticated and sun-drenched capital of Queensland;
- After your cruise, possibility to discover Sydney & the Blue Mountains.

Discovering the Hidden Treasures of New Caledonia

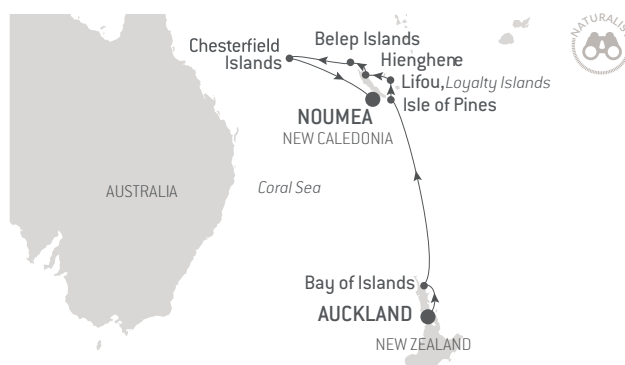
NEW CRUISE

AUCKLAND • NOUMEA

LE LAPÉROUSE 14 days / 13 nights

7th April 2019

from AUD 6 670 pp (see page 93)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Auckland (New Zealand) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Bay of Islands (New Zealand)		
3 - 4	At sea		
5	Isle of Pines (New Caledonia)		
6	Lifou, Loyalty Islands (New Caledonia)		
7	Hienghene (New Caledonia)		
8	Belep Islands (New Caledonia)		
9	At sea		
10	Chesterfield Islands (New Caledonia)		
11	Chesterfield Islands (New Caledonia)		
12 - 13	At sea		
14	Noumea (New Caledonia) Disembarkation	06.30	

Highlights:

- A brand-new PONANT cruise to explore the diversity of New Caledonia, from the world's most beautiful shores to cultural discoveries;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your expedition team;
- Discover the tropical lagoons of New Caledonia, an exceptional example of **UNESCO-designated** coral reef ecosystems, such as the Bélep archipelago in the large Northern Lagoon;
- Hienghene, with its black limestone cliffs, and the discovery of the arts and traditions of the Kanak culture;
- For the very first time, a call at the Chesterfield Islands, an archipelago lost in the Coral Sea teeming with sea birds and sea turtles.

Revealing the Mysteries of Melanesia

NOUMEA • HONIARA

LE LAPÉROUSE 12 days / 11 nights

20th April 2019

from AUD 7 280 pp (see page 93)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Noumea (New Caledonia) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Lifou, Loyalty Islands (New Caledonia)		
3	Tanna Island (Vanuatu)		
4	At sea		
5	Espiritu Santo (Vanuatu)		
6	Malekula (Vanuatu)		
7	Ambrym Island (Vanuatu)		
8	Ureparapara Island (Vanuatu) Sana Island (Vanuatu)		
9	Vanikoro (Solomon Islands)		
10	At sea		
11	Santa Ana (Solomon Islands)		
12	Honiara, Guadalcanal (Solomon Islands) Disembarkation, transfer to the airport and flight Honiara/Brisbane.	07.00	

Highlights:

- Expedition voyage discovering Vanuatu: traditional villages, tropical beaches, coral reefs, active volcanoes;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your expedition team;
- Visit the last known location of the 1788 “lost voyage” of Lapérouse in Vanikoro;
- Sail into the Caldera of Ureparapara;
- Stand on the edge of an active volcano on Tanna Island;
- Swim in the famous “blue holes” of Espiritu Santo;
- Discover a wide range of cultures and traditions, like the Rom dances of the inhabitants of Ambrym island.

Ancient Cultures of Papua New Guinea

HONIARA • CAIRNS

LE LAPÉROUSE 12 days / 11 nights

1st May 2019

from AUD 6 670 pp (see page 93)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Brisbane / Honiara, Guadalcanal (Solomon Islands). Direct transfer to the port. Embarkation from 17.00 to 18.00		23.00
2	Roderick Bay (Solomon Islands)		
3	Njari Island - Gizo (Solomon Islands)		
4	At sea		
5	Alotau (Papua New Guinea)		
6	Tufi (Papua New Guinea)		
7	Lusançay Islands (Papua New Guinea)		
8	Trobriand Islands (Papua New Guinea)		
9	Dobu, Fergusson Island (Papua New Guinea)		
10	Samarai Island (Papua New Guinea)		
11	At sea		
12	Cairns (Australia) Disembarkation	07.00	

Highlights:

- Discover the mysteries of Papua-New Guinea, the land of a thousand cultures;
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your expedition team;
- Tufi, a spectacular tropical fiord, where the inhabitants produce traditional tapa cloth;
- Calls at the Lusançay Islands and the D'Entrecasteaux Archipelago, named after the French explorers who set off in search of La Pérouse;
- Swimming and snorkelling on deserted beaches surrounded by coral reefs, home to very rich underwater life;
- Encounters with local people: cultural performances, dances, arts & crafts.

Discover the Ancient Wonders of Papua and Spice

CAIRNS • DARWIN

LE LAPÉROUSE 12 days / 11 nights

12th May 2019

from AUD 6 140 pp (see page 93)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Cairns (Australia) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	At sea		
3	Cape York (Australia)		
4	At sea		
5	Asmat (West Papua, Indonesia)		
6	At sea		
7	Triton Bay (West Papua, Indonesia)		
8	Mommon (West Papua, Indonesia) Sebakor Bay (West Papua, Indonesia)		
9	Kei Islands (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
10	Banda Neira (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
11	At sea		
12	Darwin (Australia) Disembarkation	07.00	

Highlights:

- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats with your expedition team;
- Discover the Asmat region and its small traditional villages, inhabitants and warrior ceremonies;
- Expeditions in a Zodiac® to Triton Bay's karst islands, decked with tropical vegetation, and to explore the caves in Sebakor Bay;
- The Maluku, the idyllic Spice Islands;
- Many opportunities for swimming and snorkelling in idyllic sites.

The Scattered Islands & the Seychelles

DURBAN • MAHE

LE LYRIAL 16 days / 15 nights

1st April 2019

from AUD 8 310 pp (see page 93)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Durban (South Africa) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2 - 3	At sea		
4	Europa (Scattered Islands)	06.00	19.00
5	At sea		
6	Juan de Nova (Scattered Islands)	06.00	19.00
7	At sea		
8	Glorieuses (Scattered Islands)	06.00	19.00
9	Nosi Komba (Madagascar)	06.30	19.00
10	Assomption (Seychelles)	15.45	19.00
11	Aldabra (Seychelles)	05.00	
12	Aldabra (Seychelles)		19.00
13	At sea		
14	Alphonse (Seychelles)	06.00	13.00
15	La Digue (Seychelles) Victoria, Mahe (Seychelles)	08.00 19.00	16.00
16	Victoria, Mahe (Seychelles) Disembarkation		

Highlights:

- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats with your expedition team;
- Visiting Aldabra Atoll, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that is home to the world's largest population of tortoises;
- Discovering the Scattered Islands, a geological sanctuary with nature reserve status since 1975;
- A variety of idyllic landscapes: atolls, coral reefs, lagoons, mangroves, white-sand beaches;
- A rich and protected fauna and flora;
- An exceptional cruise to discover the most beautiful islands in the Indian Ocean;
- Possibility of diving and/or snorkelling in the Seychelles with an experienced instructor on board.

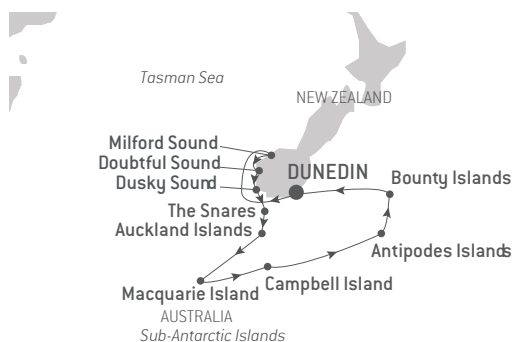
Macquarie and the New Zealand Subantarctic Islands Expedition

DUNEDIN • DUNEDIN

LE LAPÉROUSE 17 days / 16 nights

23rd February 2019

from AUD 12 490 pp (see page 93)



Subantarctic islands

The New Zealand subantarctic islands, Macquarie Island and Fiordland National Park have been honoured with World Heritage status, meaning they represent the best of the world's natural heritage. They are remote, rugged, wild and beautiful places, home to some of the most abundant and unique wildlife on earth. More than half of the world's albatross and penguin species reside here. The region is also a haven for marine mammals, boasting impressive breeding colonies of sea lions, fur seals and elephant seals. For nature lovers, birders, photographers, and travellers wishing to venture where few have gone before, these sites provide a truly privileged glimpse into a unique world.

DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Dunedin (New Zealand) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	At sea		
3	Sailing in the Milford Sound (New Zealand)		
4	Sailing in Doubtful Sound and Dusky Sound (New Zealand)		
5	The Snares (New Zealand)		
6 - 7	Auckland Islands (New Zealand)		
8	At sea		
9 - 10	Macquarie Island (Australia)		
11	At sea		
12	Campbell Island (New Zealand)		
13	At sea		
14	Antipodes Islands (New Zealand)		
15	Bounty Islands (New Zealand)		
16	At sea		
17	Dunedin (New Zealand) Disembarkation	06.30	



Highlights:

- A unique PONANT cruise letting you explore the Subantarctic Islands of New Zealand, one of the least visited regions in the world;
- **Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with your expedition team;
- Opportunities for guided walks on the Auckland Islands, Campbell Island and Macquarie Island, all of which are **UNESCO World Heritage Sites**;
- Wildlife: colonies of fur seals, elephant seals, king and yellow-eyed penguins. A very wide variety of birds: Gibson's albatross, giant petrels and Auckland shags;
- Landscapes: Beaches of black sand, cliffs and lush green prairies, contrasted with snow-capped mountain chains over-looking glacial valley fiords.



Formalities

FOR ALL CRUISES

The information below is current but subject to change at any time without advance notice from government authorities. Please consult your respective government agencies for visa and health information.

Passport valid for at least six (6) months beyond the completion of your trip. Passport must contain at least two completely clear, blank, unused visa pages for each visa required, not including any amendment pages. Visa pages with stains or ink from other pages in the passport are not usable. Guests who deviate from the scheduled embarkation or disembarkation port should research the foreign entry requirements for the port country. Due to government regulations, regrettably, PONANT will have to deny boarding to any guest who fails to obtain the appropriate travel documentation for this trip.

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- (1) **Indonesia:** Visa delivered and charged onboard (35 € to date, subject to change), this visa on arrival is valid for 30 days.
- (2) **Indonesia:** Bali is an official entry port and airport, therefore citizens of Australia, Canada, United Kingdom and the United States are visa exempt, with the condition that their stay does not exceed 30 days. You will be asked to show your return ticket or proof of exit of the Indonesian territory.
- (3) **Papua New Guinea:** Visa delivered onboard free of charge.
- (4) **Solomon Islands:** Visa delivered onboard free of charge.
- (5) **Solomon Islands:** Visa delivered free of charge on arrival. Please send a copy of your passport (photo page) to PONANT at least 30 days prior to cruise date.
- (6) **Vanuatu Islands:** No visa required.
- (7) **Chile:** Entry/Exit requirements for Australian and Mexican citizens entering/exiting Chile must have a valid passport and pay a RECIPROCITY TAX that will be issued for a stay of up to 90 days upon payment. Currently, the fee is only charged at the Santiago International Airport. Payment can be made in U.S. currency or by credit card. At time of print, the fees were as follow (subject to change without notice): Australia: US\$117 - Mexico: US\$23
- (8) **Australia:** An Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) must be obtained before your arrival in Australia. For more information, please visit www.immi.gov.au. Carriers should be aware that there will not be any physical evidence in your passport. Australian customs regulations are very strict, especially for the import of food items such as fresh food (even sealed), fruits, eggs, meat, plants, vegetables, seeds, grains. Fur and feathers are also forbidden. We highly recommend you consult this website for further details: www.customs.gov.au
- (9) It is recommended that you contact your health professional for any specific medical advice relating to travel through these regions, including advice on Malaria prevention and dengue fever.
- (10) **Madagascar:** Visa obtained and charged onboard (65 € subject to change). Anti-malarial treatment is recommended (see your doctor) especially if you are participating on a program in the Kruger National Park.
- (11) For more information on conditions in the Subantarctic Islands, please refer to the "Important Information" paragraph on page 31.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Visas:** before departure, please check carefully that your visas are valid for the right date and time spent in the countries in order to avoid unpleasant situations.
- **Sightseeing:** some places can only be visited on foot. Also, sites may have stairs or require you to take off shoes.
- **Currency:** plan to have US dollars in small notes as they are easier to use outside of large cities.
- **Medication:** if you have a medical treatment, do not forget your prescription.
- **Coaches:** road conditions are poor in certain countries. Timings are unpredictable due to heavy traffic conditions. The comfort of coaches cannot be compared to that of international vehicles and often lack suspension.
- **Guides:** PONANT is aware that the quality of guides is of utmost importance and puts all efforts in place to secure the best local guides available. Note that guides in Asia often have heavy accents. Several of our calls visit small and isolated communities where resources (transportation and guides) are scarce, resulting in higher prices.

As you will be visiting some very remote and isolated parts of the world, resources (transportation and guides) are scarce and may not be of the standards you are used to. We ask for your patience and understanding during these truly unique experiences as we share the lifestyle and cultures of these seldom visited people and places.

Complimentary Excursions

Wyndham - Kimberley, Australia

Darwin - Broome Cruises, 19th July 2018 and 8th August 2018, on board L'Austral.

During your port of call at Wyndham, you have the choice of one free excursion from the three on offer. As the number of participants for each excursion is limited, we ask you to make your choice and inform your travel agent no less than 90 days before your cruise departure date. Places are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis, so we advise you to book as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

Discover the Ord River *(8 hours)*

COMPLIMENTARY

After a one hour journey through magnificent scenery, you will reach Lake Kununurra and will take a seat aboard your boat to discover the Ord River, home to one of the most beautiful river ecosystems in Australia. Do not miss the chance to contemplate this magnificent environment, home to the most impressive concentration of bird species in all of the Kimberley, as well as many freshwater crocodiles.



Flyover the Bungle Bungles

(5 hours including 2 hour flight) **COMPLIMENTARY**

This marvellous panoramic flyover from Kununurra to the Bungle Bungle chain will allow you to observe from the sky the diversion dam, Lake Kununurra, as well as the irrigation zone of the Ord River. You will fly over the mountainous Carr Boyd chain which holds back the waters of Lake Argyle, known as the inland sea. Further on, you will enjoy a birds-eye view of Lissadell Farm, Mount Osmond, the Purnululu National Park and the Bungle Bungles, a truly unusual experience.



Discover El Questro *(11 hours)*

COMPLIMENTARY

Covering a surface area of nearly 10 times the size of Switzerland, El Questro is located in the eastern part of the Kimberly region considered to be one of the last true natural frontiers. Do not miss the exceptional opportunity to discover Emma Gorge and the famous thermal springs of Zebedee. After lunch, you will take a mini-cruise through the Chamberlain gorge, populated by extremely diverse flora and fauna and overlooked by imposing cliffs.



Pre-Bookable Tours

Reservation and payment of pre-bookable tours must be made when booking your cruise or at least 90 days prior to your cruise departure date. Full tour program is available on our website au.ponant.com 12 months prior to your cruise. A minimum number of participants are required to confirm these programs.

Kimberley, Australia

Tours available on:

DARWIN • BROOME - 19th July & 8th August 2018 aboard *L'Austral*
BROOME • DARWIN - 29th July & 18th August 2018 aboard *L'Austral*

Mitchell Falls Scenic Helicopter Flight & Landing (1 hour 30 minutes)

from AUD 690 pp

Located upstream on the Hunter River, the Mitchell Falls are without doubt one of the Kimberley's most impressive natural wonders. From the beach of Naturalist Island you will take your seat aboard a helicopter to **fly over these falls, before landing on the Mitchell Plateau**. Then you will be free to admire the beauty of this exceptional site, before taking your return flight.



Fast Boat Ride Through Horizontal Falls (30 minutes)

from AUD 90 pp

From Talbot Bay, take the opportunity to observe Cyclone Creek and the Horizontal Falls. Aboard rigid inflatables, you will enjoy an exhilarating ride on the turbulent waters of the rapids at this site, travelling at speed between the narrow cliff faces carved by erosion in the sandstone walls, to fully enjoy the foaming rapids during tidal change.

Scenic Helicopter Flight Over the Horizontal Falls (10 minutes)

from AUD 190 pp

This excursion will give you the opportunity to admire the natural phenomenon of the Horizontal Falls from the air. After a brief transfer in a Zodiac® inflatable boat to the floating pontoon located in Talbot Bay, you will take a 10-minute scenic flight and discover the famous falls, Talbot Bay, as well as the spectacular chains of the McLarty Range.

Pre & Post Cruise Programmes

We invite you to enhance your cruise and extend your trip with carefully designed, high-quality programmes. These are group excursions, and are available either immediately before or after your cruise; they must be booked before departure. Before selecting your flights, please do not hesitate to contact your travel agent or PONANT to tie them in with these programmes. The programmes with the logo "Escorted Programme" benefit from a PONANT accompaniment. Visit au.ponant.com for details on these programmes and to obtain prices. Simply check the related cruise and look for the "Pre/Post & Overlands" tab.

Manila, Philippines

Manila Heritage (2 days / 1 night)



Your pre-cruise programme:

MANILA • DARWIN - 17th June 2018 aboard *L'Austral*

Known as "the pearl of the Orient", **Manila** reveals its treasures to those who take the time to discover it. Buzzing with life and activity, the bustling capital of the Philippines still remembers a rich diversity of cultural influences. When you arrive, you will be taken to your hotel for an evening of free time. The next day, you will be given the opportunity to visit the city, to discover its most beautiful historic sites and monuments, such as the famous **Chinese Cemetery**, **Casa Manila**, **Fort Santiago** and the **American Cemetery** dating from WWII.

South Africa, Durban

Safari in the Kruger National Park - Stay at Jock Lodge (4 days / 3 nights)



Your pre-cruise programme:

DURBAN • MAHE - 1st April 2019 aboard *Le Lyréal*

You will fly to Kruger National Park. From there, you will be taken to your lodge at the heart of a game reserve. Then an unforgettable experience will begin, with two full days of safari that will give you the opportunity to see the Big Five: lions, rhinoceroses, African elephants, leopards and buffalos in their natural habitat. Your experienced ranger/guide will facilitate encounters with these remarkable animals. At the end of your safari, fly to Durban to embark your ship.

Darwin, Australia

From the Natural Wonders of Sydney to the Top End (3 days / 3 nights)

Your pre-cruise programme:

DARWIN • HONIARA - 28th August 2018 aboard *L'Austral*.

This programme is also available as a 3 days / 2 nights post-cruise programme.

Your post-cruise programme:

MANILA • DARWIN - 17th June 2018 aboard *L'Austral*

Sydney will reveal itself through its emblematic landmarks, the **Opera House** and the **Harbour Bridge**; its historic district, The Rocks, and its exceptional coastline, including Manly Beach, which has its own local culture and lifestyle. You will leave the coast and head to the **Blue Mountains** to discover their remarkable landscapes. You will take a breathtaking ride at the **Scenic World** ecological complex. You will visit **Featherdale** Wildlife Park to meet Australian native animals. This programme can be undertaken before or after your cruise. A one-way economy flight either to or from Sydney to Darwin is included so this excursion can be completed either as a pre or post-cruise programme.



Lautoka, Fiji

Vida's Highlights Tour (1 day)

Your post-cruise programme:

HONIARA • LAUTOKA - 13th September 2018 aboard *L'Austral*

Leaving your ship in **Lautoka**, you will set off on a 4-hour visit around **Vuda Point**, which tradition considers the landing site of the canoes bringing the Melanesians who would populate the islands over three millennia ago. After visiting a garden bringing together several hundred species of orchids, you will enjoy a splendid 360° view over **Nadi Bay**. A stop in Lautoka town centre will give you the opportunity to buy a few souvenirs, before heading to the airport for your return flight.

Lautoka, Fiji

Relaxation on Malolo Island (2 days / 1 night)

Your post-cruise programme:

HONIARA • LAUTOKA - 13th September 2018 aboard *L'Austral*

For your shore visit, you will be transferred by speed boat to your hotel. On arrival, you will be shown directly to your traditional 'bure' bungalow, with its breathtaking views over the lagoon and surrounding area. During an afternoon of free time, you will be able to set off to explore the island or simply enjoy the facilities of your hotel before dinner. On the following day, you will go to the port of **Denarau** before being transferred to the airport for your return flight.

Pre & Post Cruise Transfers

In order to make your trip as perfect as possible and simplify your journeys between your embarkation/ disembarkation port and the airport, PONANT offers you the opportunity to book a transfer service. Your transfers can either be direct or include a panoramic tour. Before or after your cruise, we offer you the chance to discover the emblematic landmarks of the most beautiful cities from the comfort of a coach, before taking you to your ship or the airport. These programmes are run in groups and led by an English-speaking guide. For more information about transfers (prices and availability), please visit au.ponant.com or contact your travel agent.

For more information on the detailed programmes and prices,
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Expedition Cruises in *Latin America*

From Patagonia to Cape Horn, from Darien National Park in Panama to the mysterious Cocos Island, or from the Sea of Cortez to the Amazon rainforest, awaken your inner explorer by embarking on one of our expedition cruises.

Latin America is a vast continent full of contrasts, offering unique scenery, a rich variety of wildlife, and unforgettable encounters with fascinating cultures.





Latin America

Diverse and Captivating



"The South American continent is truly fascinating, with a diversity of breathtaking landscapes, but also a diversity of cultures. With the range of itineraries available, it is possible to sail from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean, from the vastness of Patagonia to the glaciers in the Beagle Channel, or even from the national parks in Costa Rica to the Amazon rainforest. No two landscapes are alike, but everything is magnificent. These wonderful places are all accessible by sea and the distance that separates them is much reduced during a cruise, making it possible to discover the best of this vast continent in just a couple of weeks. Taking a cruise leaves you free to enjoy all of the sights while someone else takes care of the logistics. Whether you are interested in glaciers, archaeological sites, botany, wildlife, or the underwater world, I am convinced that at least one of our cruise itineraries will tick all of your boxes.

Our different expedition cruises give you the opportunity to discover several facets of Latin America. Start with Chile, a land of contrasts that reveals its riches to travellers fond of the great outdoors. While you're there, explore the Andes mountain range. It is home to the city of Valparaíso, a colourful port of call often mentioned in sailors' songs. Make your way further south to discover Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego before reaching the tempestuous Cape Horn. Here, nature is wild and pristine between fjords and glaciers. It is stunning and unforgettable.

After the ice, who could resist the appeal of the Amazon rainforest and its fabulous ecosystem, which the locals have successfully tamed? Our expert naturalists will guide you along the Orinoco or the Amazon River, introducing you to this extraordinary plant world between land and water. And finally, the Brazilian coast: a unique cruise from Brazil to the Bissagos Islands will take you to the heart of lush vegetation and long white-sand beaches.

Due to its sheer size, Latin America offers such a wide variety of climates, cultures and landscapes that it is difficult to decide which sites are most worthy of a visit. After all, beauty is in the eye of the beholder! If I had to summarise Latin America in just a few words, I would say: unforgettable, sublime... mythical."

German AMAYA, cruise designer at PONANT



Why sail *Latin America* with PONANT ?

- To visit exceptional and seldom visited sites in Patagonia, the Bissagos Islands, the Cortez Sea or the Amazon basin;
- To discover a great variety of authentic cultures;
- To sail the rivers of the Orinoco and the Amazon and encounter the Warao tribe, “the boat people”;
- To observe endemic wildlife including caimans, iguanas, pink river dolphins, capuchin monkeys, macaws, toucans, scarlet ibises in the Amazon rainforest or llamas and Magellanic penguins in Patagonia;
- To discover the fabulous biodiversity of the Caribbean and the Sea of Cortez, with the opportunity to explore the underwater world while snorkelling (available on selected cruises);
- To round the mythical Cape Horn and transit the Beagle Channel;
- To discover UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Tortel, the Cape Horn Biosphere Reserve, Torres del Paine National Park, Rio de Janeiro, Paraty, Salvador de Bahia and the Bijagos.



Must-see Destinations in *Latin America*

Orinoco: Meeting the Warao

The Orinoco Delta, an extraordinary universe of vegetation set on the water in the heart of Warao Indian territory. During our cruise there will be outings in Zodiac® inflatable boats to discover the villages located along the shores of this aquatic labyrinth. The powerful beauty of the river, the magic of its nights, the discovery of unusual and secret wildlife and the extravagant vegetation will make you into the explorer you always dreamed of being... Villages of simple palm-thatched huts built on stilts are proof of the presence of Warao Indians, whose name means “people of the pirogues”. You will be astonished by the ease with which they sail their craft as they come to meet your ship.

The Amazon

Despite its image as an impenetrable land, the Amazon can be explored, even when one is not a hardened explorer. Aboard your ship, sail this river and journey deep into the heart of this green paradise, the Amazon, the rich exuberance of a wild symphony. It is here, on the outer decks of your ship that you will be able to appreciate this colossal waterway to the full, secret refuge for thousands of animals. Tribes are living here, far from any contact with the city, in harmony with nature. Aboard our Zodiac®, do not miss the daytime and nocturnal excursions to experience the surrounding environment.



Expedition in the Chilean Fjords

Your ship will chart a course towards the south of Chile, to archipelagos and tortuous fjords where majestic glaciers seem to meet the ocean. This remote setting is remarkable for the splendour of its sea scattered with islands, and its slow and powerful glaciers that have been transforming and reshaping the landscapes over centuries. During your expedition cruise, you will have many opportunities to set out aboard our Zodiac® boats, piloted by your naturalist guides, to get as close as possible to this untamed natural world, where the presence of human beings is almost imperceptible.

Cape Horn

Discover the crucial passage sailors call “the Horn”. This legendary cliff stands some 425 metres tall and is the most southerly point of the lands attached to South America. Your ship will sail around the characteristic silhouette discovered in January 1616 by two Dutch sailors who named it after their hometown. Weather conditions permitting, you will disembark at the foot of the cape and climb up wooden steps to the imposing memorial dedicated to all the sailors who lost their lives rounding the cape. The sculpture depicts the slender silhouette of an albatross in flight. A solemn atmosphere reigns over this intensely wild land surrounded by a fierce and powerful ocean.



Torres del Paine

Well beyond the 42nd parallel stretch the wild open spaces of Patagonia. All the beauty of this region can be summed up in the Torres del Paine National Park, which is arguably one of South America's finest. Declared a Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO, the untouched wilderness competes with the intense colours of an immense sky. This earthly paradise, coloured by numerous lakes in varying shades of azure blue and magnified by immaculate glaciers, provides a sumptuous setting for incredible and diverse wildlife. Torres del Paine National Park is home to more than 25 species of mammals, including the country's famous emblem: the huemul.



The Sea of Cortez

In the south of California, a slim desert peninsula advances into the Pacific Ocean, scorched by the sun, landscape of canyons and cactus... This "Baja California" forms the boundary of the Sea of Cortez, scattered with some 200 islands and islets, formed from red volcanic rock that plunges into the incredibly transparent sea. The breathtaking richness of its aquatic wildlife that earned the Sea of Cortez its listing among the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. From Zodiac® boats or on the outer decks of your ship, admire the ballet of the playful sea lions, keep an eye out for sea turtles and the silvery flashes of immense shoals of anchovies.

The Caribbean Archipelagos

Who has never dreamt of setting sail to follow in the footsteps of Christopher Columbus and discover these unspoiled Edens, lands of a thousand facets? We invite you to chart a course towards the Caribbean Islands, pearls of the South, showcased against the turquoise water. Here the sea is everywhere. In the south, it outlines the curves of the long sandy beaches that stretch out in the shade of the palm trees, whilst in the north it is topped with white spray to splash at the foot of volcanoes. The Caribbean Sea is truly a paradise for divers, offering an exceptional underwater environment of coral reefs and multicoloured fish for you to admire during your aquatic excursions.



Devil's Island

Lying off the coast of Kourou, an essential element of any trip to Guiana, the Islands of Salvation were known as the "Devil's Island" because of the strong sea currents that made access to them perilous. Once infamous for being the site of a jail with very harsh conditions of detention, where Alfred Dreyfus was exiled, today they are a peaceful place where coconut palms cast shade over the crystal-clear waters. During your cruise, we invite you to make a timeless journey to visit the many remains of the prison that are still visible, including cells and the abandoned hospital.



Wildlife in *Latin America*

The Caiman

As you sail along the rivers in the Amazon basin you are bound to run into this large aquatic reptile, which you will recognise by its body covered in scales and its eyes and nostrils which sit on the top of its head. This configuration enables it to see and breathe while the rest of its body remains under water. Caimans can reach lengths of up to 5 metres; they are the largest predator in the Amazon ecosystem. Since humans are the only predator they fear, caimans feed on anything they can hunt: fish, reptiles, birds, and even small mammals.

Sea Lions in the Sea of Cortez

The sea lions in Baja California are very playful and rather friendly. They don't hesitate to venture close to divers in the Sea of Cortez. Curious, they move like dancers in a ballet as they edge closer to inspect swimmers' flippers and other equipment. You'll be moved by their big, soft eyes that seem to beg for a pat, and you'll be amused by their playful antics. The males are much larger and their sagittal crest is very pronounced. The females have a dark brown or reddish brown coat. An unforgettable encounter!

The Llama

The Spanish conquistadors called them ovejas (sheep) because of their long and thick wool, which is very useful to protect against the harsh Andean winter. The llama is the largest camelid in South America. Its oval head and its long hair in colours ranging from white to brown distinguish it from its cousins the alpaca, the vicuña and the guanaco. It is bred for its soft fur, used to make ponchos and blankets. The llama sometimes defends itself by spitting! During your cruise you will no doubt come across these curious animals, which move around the plateaux in small herds, often made up of one male and five females.

Scarlet Ibis

The scarlet ibis is a majestic bird found on the Pacific coast of Central America and the Greater Antilles. It has elegant red feathers and a beak that curves downwards. Its dazzling red plumage is due to its diet, which mainly consists of prawns and other crustaceans. The scarlet ibis spends most of its time in the marshy areas inland. It uses its long beak to find food in the mud flats and murky waters along Brazil's shorelines. During your cruise, you could be lucky enough to spot these birds as they search for food.

The Sea Turtle

The sea turtle is a fascinating animal found along the coast of Latin America. It weighs 160 kg on average and is one of the fastest of its species: it can swim at speeds of up to 35 km/h. In Latin America, you might encounter this species during a scuba dive or while snorkelling. With its hydrodynamic shell and front flippers, the sea turtle truly gives the impression of flying through the water. Most sea turtles only leave the water to lay their eggs. After securing the surrounding area, the female turtle uses her flippers to dig a hole measuring about 40 cm (15 inches) in which to deposit her eggs.

The Magellanic Penguin

Known for its boldness and agility, the Magellanic penguin owes its name to Ferdinand Magellan, who was the first to discover this species in 1519, during a voyage around the tip of South America. This penguin is small in size, has a black back and a white front marked by two black stripes: one under the chin and another in a horseshoe shape around the belly. This excellent swimmer mainly feeds on molluscs and crustaceans. During your landings, don't be surprised, Magellanic penguins are very demonstrative, and often, when one starts to squawk the entire colony can end up joining in and raising quite a ruckus!





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Patagonia and Chilean Fjords

VALPARAISO • USHUAIA

L'AUSTRAL 14 days / 13 nights

7th November 2018

from AUD 7 060 pp (see page 94)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Valparaíso (Chile) Embarkation from 15.00 to 16.00		17.00
2	At sea		
3	Castro (Chile)		
4	Puerto Montt (Chile)		
5	At sea		
6	Tortel (Chile)		
7 to 9	Crusing in the heart of the Chilean Fjords		
10	Puerto Natales (Chile)		
11 to 13	Sailing around Cape Horn and Beagle Channel		
	Ushuaia (Argentina)	07.00	
14	Disembarkation and transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).		

Highlights:

- **Outings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** and sailing to the heart of the Chilean fjords;
- Rounding the mythical Cape Horn;
- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Torres del Paine National Park, Valparaíso, the Churches of Castro, the Cape Horn biosphere reserve, Tortel;
- Landscapes: the snow-capped peaks of the Andes towering above fjords, iridescent glaciers, and mountain lakes with crystal-clear water;
- Wildlife: condors, humpback whales, fur seals, dolphins, sea lions, alpacas, Magellanic penguins and cormorants.

Chilean Fjords and Patagonia

USHUAIA • VALPARAISO

LE BORÉAL 14 days / 13 nights

4th March 2019

from AUD 7 340 pp (see page 94)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires / Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. Embarkation from 17.00 to 18.00		21.00
2 to 4	Sailing around Cape Horn and Beagle Channel		
5	Puerto Natales (Chile)		
6 to 7	Crusing in the heart of the Chilean Fjords		
8	Tortel (Chile)		
9	At sea		
10	Puerto Montt (Chile)		
11	Castro (Chile)		
12	At sea		
13	Valparaíso (Chile)		14.00
14	Valparaíso (Chile) Disembarkation.		

Highlights:

- **Outings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** and sailing to the heart of the Chilean fjords;
- Rounding the mythical Cape Horn;
- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Torres del Paine National Park, Valparaíso, the Churches of Castro, the Cape Horn biosphere reserve; Tortel;
- Landscapes: the snow-capped peaks of the Andes towering above fjords, iridescent glaciers, and mountain lakes with crystal-clear water;
- Wildlife: condors, humpback whales, fur seals, dolphins, sea lions, alpacas, Magellanic penguins and cormorants.

Adventure in Patagonia

VALPARAISO • USHUAIA

LE SOLÉAL 14 days / 13 nights

7th November 2018

from AUD 7 950 pp (see page 94)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Valparaíso (Chile) Embarkation from 12.30 to 13.30		15.00
2	At sea		
3	Chiloe Island (Chile)		
4	At sea		
5	Tortel (Chile)		
6	Pie XI Glacier (Chile)		
7	El Brujo Glacier (Chile)		
8	Estero Las Montañas (Chile)		
9, 10	Puerto Natales (Chile)		
11	Agostini Glacier (Chile)		
12	Cape Horn (Chile) - Sailing in the Beagle Channel		
13	Puerto Williams (Chile)		
	Ushuaia (Argentina)	07.00	
14	Disembarkation and transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).		

Highlights:

- A 100% cruise expedition, to discover Patagonia and Chilean Fjords;
- **Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with experienced naturalists;
- Disembarkation at Cape Horn, weather permitting;
- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Tortel, the Cape Horn biosphere reserve;
- Sailing the Beagle Channel and in the Strait of Magellan;
- Optional additional cost excursion: Torres del Paine National Park, from Puerto Natales;
- Wildlife: condors, humpback whales, fur seals, dolphins, sea lions, alpacas, Magellanic penguins and cormorants.

In the Heart of Chilean Fjords

VALPARAISO • USHUAIA

LE BORÉAL 11 days / 10 nights

24th November 2018

from AUD 5 980 pp (see page 94)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Valparaíso (Chile) Embarkation from 17.00 to 18.00		20.00
2	At sea		
3	At sea		
4	Chilian Channels Entry North (Chile)		
5	Tortel - Jorge Montt Glacier (Chile)		
6	English Passage - Pie XI Glacier (Chile)		
7	El Brujo Glacier (Chile)		
8	Sailing along Canal Gabriel - Ainsworth Bay (Chile)		
9	Garibaldi Glacier (Chile)		
10	Cape Horn - Puerto Williams (Chile)		
	Ushuaia (Argentina)	07.00	
14	Disembarkation and transfer to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires International (Pistarini).		

Highlights:

- A 100% cruise expedition, to discover Chilean Fjords and The Tierra Del Fuego;
- **Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with experienced Naturalists;
- Disembarkation at Cape Horn, weather permitting;
- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Tortel, the Cape Horn biosphere reserve;
- Sailing the Beagle Channel, in the Gabriel Channel and in the Strait of Magellan;
- Landscapes: the snow-capped peaks of the Andes towering above fjords, iridescent glaciers, and mountain lakes with crystal-clear water;
- Wildlife: condors, humpback whales, fur seals, dolphins, sea lions, alpacas, Magellanic penguins and cormorants.

Natural Wonders of the Amazon

NEW CRUISE

CAYENNE • MANAUS / MANAUS • CAYENNE

LE CHAMPLAIN 13 days / 12 nights

25th Nov. 2018 & 17th March 2019 (Cayenne departures)

7th Dec. 2018 & 29th March 2019 (Manaus departures)

from AUD 8 770 pp (see page 94)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Cayenne (French Guiana) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2	Devil's Island (French Guiana)		
3	At sea		
4,5	Belem (Brazil)		
6	Abacate (Brazil) - Sailing along the Strait of Breves		
7	Ilha Itaquara (Brazil)		
8	Guajara (Brazil)		
9	Curua-Una (Brazil)		
10	Santarem - Alter do Chao / Jari (Brazil)		
11	Balaio - Parintins (Brazil)		
12	Parintins - Botos (Brazil)		
13	Silves (Brazil)		
	Manaus (Brazil)	06.00	
	Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Manaus/Miami.		

This itinerary can be done in both directions

Highlights:

- Cruise in the heart of the Amazonian rainforest, considered the lung of the planet;
- On Devil's Island, the possibility of strolling through the former prisons;
- Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with experienced naturalists, into the green paradise of the Amazon;
- Possibility to observe an endemic wildlife: toucans, falcons, ibises, parrots, monkeys, iguanas;
- Crossing the equator line.
- Charter flight Manaus/Miami or Miami/Manaus included.

Sailing the Orinoco

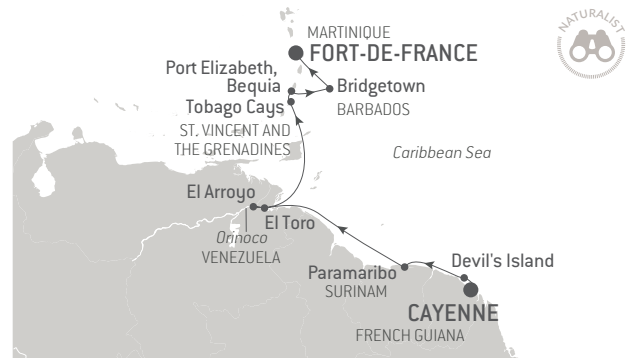
CHRISTMAS CRUISE

CAYENNE • FORT-DE-FRANCE

LE CHAMPLAIN 10 days / 9 nights

19th December 2018

from AUD 4 920 pp (see page 94)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Cayenne (French Guiana) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		21.00
2	Devil's Island (French Guiana)		
3	Paramaribo (Surinam)		
4	At sea		
5	El Toro, Orinoco (Venezuela)		
6	El Arroyo, Orinoco (Venezuela)		
7	Tobago Cays (St. Vincent and the Grenadines)		
8	Port Elizabeth, Bequia (St. Vincent and the Grenadines)		
9	Bridgetown (Barbados)		
10	Fort-de-France (Martinique) Disembarkation.	06.00	

Highlights:

- On Devil's Island, the possibility of strolling through the former prisons, in an idyllic setting surrounded by exotic vegetation;
- Discovering the historic inner city of Paramaribo, **a listed UNESCO World Heritage Site**;
- Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with a team of experienced naturalist guides exploring the rivers of the Orinoco, in the heart of tropical rainforest;
- Special encounters with the Warao tribes, whose name translates as "the boat people";
- Possibility of observing an endemic wildlife including spider monkeys, macaws, toucans, scarlet ibises, caimans and iguanas.

Caribbean & Orinoco

FORT-DE-FRANCE • CAYENNE

LE CHAMPLAIN 13 days / 12 nights

5th March 2019

from AUD 6 570 pp (see page 94)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Fort-de-France (Martinique) Embarkation from 17.00 to 18.00		21.00
2	Pigeon Point - Soufriere (Saint Lucia)		
3	Port Elizabeth, Bequia (St. Vincent and the Grenadines)		
4	Tobago Cays (St. Vincent and the Grenadines)		
5	Saint Georges (Granada)		
6	At sea		
7	El Toro, Orinoco (Venezuela)		
8	Puerto Ordaz (Venezuela)		
9	El Arroyo, Orinoco (Venezuela)		
10	At sea		
11	Paramaribo (Surinam)		
12	Devil's Island (French Guiana)		
13	Cayenne (French Guiana) Disembarkation.	06.00	

Highlights:

- **Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with a team of experienced naturalist guides exploring the rivers of the Orinoco, in the heart of tropical rainforest;
- Special encounters with the Warao tribes;
- Wildlife: spider monkeys, macaws, toucans, scarlet ibises, caimans, iguanas;
- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Saint Lucia and its two rocky pitons, the historic inner city of Paramaribo;
- On Devil's Island, the possibility of strolling through the former prisons, in an idyllic setting surrounded by exotic vegetation;
- Exceptional underwater life in the Grenadines, such as vibrant coral and multicolour fish.

National Parks and Panama Canal

PUERTO CALDERA • COLON

LE CHAMPLAIN 8 days / 7 nights

17th February 2019

from AUD 3 450 pp (see page 95)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Puerto Caldera (Costa Rica) Embarkation from 17.00 to 18.00		22.00
2	Herradura (Costa Rica)		
3	Quepos (Costa Rica)		
4	At sea		
5	Punta Alegre (Panama) Darien National Park		
6	Crossing the Panama Canal		
7	Holandes Cayes (Panama)		
8	Colon (Panama) Disembarkation.	06.00	

Highlights:

- **Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** with a team of experienced naturalist guides;
- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** the Darien National Park from Punta Alegre, and its magnificent jungle;
- Optional additional cost excursions in the National Parks of Costa Rica: the Carara National Park from Herradura, the Manuel Antonio National Park from Quepos;
- Discover the magnificent islets of the San Blas Islands and the picture-postcard beaches of Quepos;
- Sailing through the Panama Canal, truly a masterpiece of civil engineering;
- Encounter with the indigenous Emberas tribe in the Darien National Park.

The Sea of Cortez

SAN DIEGO • PUERTO QUETZAL

LE SOLÉAL 14 days / 13 nights

9th October 2018

from AUD 6 240 pp (see page 95)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	San Diego (United States) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		18.00
2, 3	At sea		
4	Cabo San Lucas (Mexico)		
5	Coronado Island (Mexico) - Danzante Island (Mexico)		
6	Montserrat Island (Mexico) - Puerto Agua Verde (Mexico)		
7	San Jose Island - Punta Colorada (Mexico) San Jose Island - Bahia Amortajada (Mexico)		
8	Los Islotes (Mexico) - Partida Island (Mexico) Espiritu Santo Island (Mexico)		
9	Cerralvo Island (Mexico)		
10, 11	At sea		
12	Huatulco (Mexico)	12.00	20.00
13	At sea		
14	Puerto Quetzal (Guatemala) Disembarkation.	06.00	

Highlights:

- An expedition cruise to discover the fabulous biodiversity of the Sea of Cortez, with your naturalist guides;
- **Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats;**
- Possibility of snorkelling;
- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** the islands and protected zones of the Gulf of California (also known as the Sea of Cortez), Antigua and its colonial architecture from Puerto Quetzal;
- Landscapes: reliefs of red volcanic rock plunging into the turquoise water with the desert as the backdrop in the Sea of Cortez, dazzling white sandy beaches in Huatulco;
- Wildlife: sea lions, dolphins, whales, sea turtles, barracuda, rays, pelicans, countless species of sea birds.

From Brazil to Africa

RIO DE JANEIRO • DAKAR

L'AUSURAL 17 days / 16 nights

18th March 2019

from AUD 6 170 pp (see page 95)



DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00		21.00
2	Paraty (Brazil)	07.00	18.00
3, 4	At sea		
5	Salvador de Bahia (Brazil)	07.00	21.00
6	At sea		
7	Recife (Brazil)	07.30	21.00
8	At sea		
9	Fernando de Noronha (Brazil)		
10 to 13	At sea		
14	Maio - Formosa (Bijagos, Guinea-Bissau)		
15	Caravela (Bijagos, Guinea-Bissau)		
16	Carache (Bijagos, Guinea-Bissau)		
17	Dakar (Senegal) Disembarkation.	07.30	

Highlights:

- **UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Rio de Janeiro, Paraty, Salvador de Bahia, the historic city of Olinda from Recife, the Bijagos and Fernando de Noronha islands;
- **Outings and landings in Zodiac® inflatable boats** in the Bijagos
- Visit to traditional villages in the Bijagos;
- Enthusiastic and knowledgeable guides and naturalists;
- Before or after your cruise, optional visits to Rio de Janeiro, Dakar and Goree Island.

Formalities

FOR ALL CRUISES

The information below is current but subject to change at any time without advance notice from government authorities. Please consult your respective government agencies for visa and health information.

Passport valid for at least six (6) months beyond the completion of your trip. Passport must contain at least two completely clear, blank, unused visa pages for each visa required, not including any amendment pages. Visa pages with stains or ink from other pages in the passport are not usable. Guests who deviate from the scheduled embarkation or disembarkation port should research the foreign entry requirements for the port country. Due to government regulations, regrettably, PONANT will have to deny boarding to any guest who fails to obtain the appropriate travel documentation for this trip.

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- (1) **Argentina:** Entry/Exit requirements: Australian and Canadian citizens entering/exiting Argentina must have a valid passport and pay a RECIPROCITY TAX. Fee may be paid online in US dollars by credit card. Consult www.migraciones.gov.ar. At time of print, the fees were as follows (subject to change without notice) Australia: USD \$100 (multiple entry valid for one year). Canada: USD \$75 (one entry) or USD \$150 (multiple entry valid for 5 years from first entry). Should you require a visa to travel to Argentina, we recommend you apply for a double-entry visa as a technical stop in Chile might be scheduled
- (2) **Chile:** Entry/Exit requirements for Australian and Mexican citizens entering/exiting Chile must have a valid passport and pay a RECIPROCITY TAX that will be issued for a stay of up to 90 days upon payment. Currently, the fee is only charged at the Santiago International Airport. Payment can be made in US dollars or by credit card. At time of print, the fees were as follows (subject to change without notice): Australia: US\$ 117, Mexico: US\$ 23
- (3) **USA:** Visa may be required. Please contact USA consulate website for details.
- (4) **USA:** Should your flight transit via the US, a visa may be required. Please contact USA consulate website for details.
- (5) **Brazil:** Should you need a visa for Brazil, we strongly recommend you start the necessary application process early.
- (6) **Brazil, French Guiana & Bijagos:** The yellow fever vaccination is mandatory, bring along the original certificate. Anti-malarial treatment is highly recommended (check with your doctor)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Chilean Fjords programme:** During this cruise, Zodiac® outings and/or landings may be organised to bring you closer to the hidden wonders of these spectacular fjords and glaciers.
- **Panama Canal programme:** The schedules depend on several factors and despite our best efforts, crossing the Panama Canal during the day is not guaranteed.

Pre-Bookable Tours

Reservation and payment of pre-bookable tours must be made when booking your cruise or at least 60 days prior to your cruise departure date. Full tour programme is available on our website au.ponant.com or with your travel agent. Prices can be changed or modified. A minimum of participants is required to confirm. The final programme will be sent with your travel documents.

Devil's Island, French Guiana

Discover the Guiana Space Centre (6 h 30)

from AUD 240 pp

Tour available on:

CAYENNE • MANAUS - 25th November 2018 & 17th March 2019
aboard *Le Champlain*

CAYENNE • FORT-DE-FRANCE - 19th December 2018 aboard *Le Champlain*

You will sail by catamaran to Kourou, the gateway to the Guiana Space Centre, the launch pad for European and French space exploration, in operation since 1973. During your visit, you will discover its many structures, including the Jupiter Control Centre, the nerve centre for the launch of the Ariane 5 rockets, controlling all the operational activity at the base. Your visit will continue with a visit to the Space Museum, a veritable temple of information on space activity around the world, but also more broadly about scientific and technical culture.



Puerto Ordaz, Venezuela

Canaima National Park by Air (9 h 30)

from AUD 710 pp

Tour available on:

FORT-DE-FRANCE • CAYENNE - 5th March 2019 aboard *Le Champlain*

Leaving from Puerto Ordaz, you will fly to one of the most beautiful regions of Venezuela, surrounded by majestic tepuis (table-top mountains), rivers of crystal-clear waters punctuated with natural viewing points. When you arrive in Canaima, a safari truck will take you to your lodge, from where you will sail in a pirogue canoe on the lagoon. You will then disembark on a small beach where you will have the chance to get as close as possible to the famous Salto Hacha waterfall, in an environment of savannah and forest, before returning to your lodge where you will be served a local lunch.



Pre & Post Cruise Transfers

In order to make your trip as perfect as possible and simplify your journeys between your embarkation/disembarkation port and airport, PONANT offers you the opportunity to book a transfer service. Your transfers can either be direct or include a panoramic tour. Before or after your cruise, we offer you the chance to discover the emblematic landmarks of the most beautiful cities in Latin America from the comfort of a coach, before taking you to your ship or the airport. These programmes are run in groups and led by an English-speaking guide.

For more information about transfers (prices and availability), please visit au.ponant.com or contact your travel agent.

**For more information on the details programmes and prices,
please consult au.ponant.com or call your travel agent.**

Pre & Post Cruise Programmes

We invite you to enhance your cruise and extend your trip with carefully designed, high-quality programmes. These are group excursions, and are available either immediately before or after your cruise; they must be booked before departure. Before selecting your flights, please do not hesitate to contact your travel agent or PONANT to tie them in with these programmes. The programmes with the logo “Escorted Programme” benefit from a PONANT accompaniment. Visit au.ponant.com for details on these programmes and to obtain prices. Simply check the related cruise and look for the “Pre/Post & Overlands” tab.

Cayenne, French Guiana

The Kaw Nature Reserve (1 day / 1 night)

Your pre-cruise programme:

CAYENNE • MANAUS - 25th November 2018 & 17th March 2019 aboard *Le Champlain*

CAYENNE • FORT-DE-FRANCE - 19th December 2018 aboard *Le Champlain*

Discover the Kaw national nature reserve during a programme exclusively designed for PONANT guests. A bus will drive you and your guide to French Guiana's second largest nature reserve, in terms of surface area. Aboard a motorised pirogue canoe, you will explore this unique mangrove system, floodable savannah and tropical rainforest from the water. The nature reserve is home to rare species such as the black caiman and the scarlet ibis, protected mammals such as the manatee and the giant otter, and more than 500 species of birds. At the end of the day you will be taken to the port to board your ship.



Miami, United States of America

Miami and its Art Deco District (2 days / 2 nights)

Your pre-cruise programme:

MANAUS • CAYENNE - 7th December 2018 aboard *Le Champlain*
MANAUS • CAYENNE - 29th March 2019 aboard *Le Champlain*

Your post-cruise programme:

CAYENNE • MANAUS - 25th November 2018 & 17th March 2019 aboard *Le Champlain*

Enjoy a walking tour of the Art Deco District of South Miami Beach, an architectural delight featuring more than 800 art deco style buildings while the Mediterranean Renewal, Art Deco and MiMO (Miami Modern) styles combine to form an architectural ensemble that is unique in the world. You and your knowledgeable guide will take a leisurely stroll to take in many of these magnificent structures that have been restored to their original splendour between 1923 and 1943, during “the Roaring Twenties”. Geometric lines, patterns and vibrant colours that create a living environment reminiscent of modern industrial ingenuity. Following lunch, depart for Bayside Marketplace.



Ushuaia, Argentina

Iguazu Falls (5 days / 4 nights)

Your pre-cruise programme:

USHUAIA • VALPARAISO - 4th March 2019 aboard *Le Boréal*

Your post-cruise programme:

VALPARAISO • USHUAIA - 7th November 2018 aboard *L'Austral* - 7th November 2018 aboard *Le Soléal* - 24th November 2018 aboard *Le Boréal*

You will be greeted at the airport and taken to your hotel. In the afternoon, you will discover Buenos Aires and its main districts. The next day, you will fly to Iguazu Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. On the Argentinean side, two routes will allow you to get as close as possible to the falls. On the Brazilian side, you will have a full, front-on view of three kilometres of waterfalls. Iguazu / Buenos Aires flight and transfer to your hotel included. The next day you will be taken to the airport for your flight to Ushuaia.



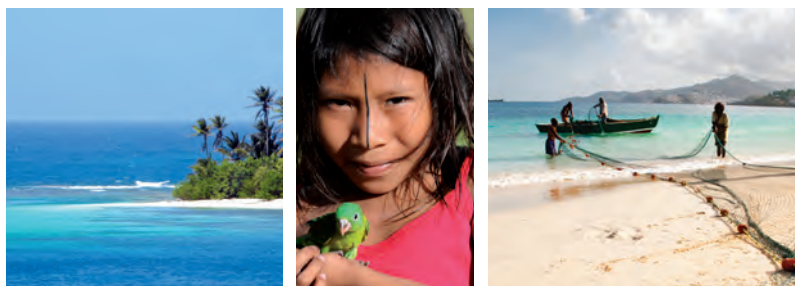
Grand Voyages

What would be more enjoyable than exploring multiple destinations, undertaking polar or tropical expeditions, learning about different cultures and meeting local communities?

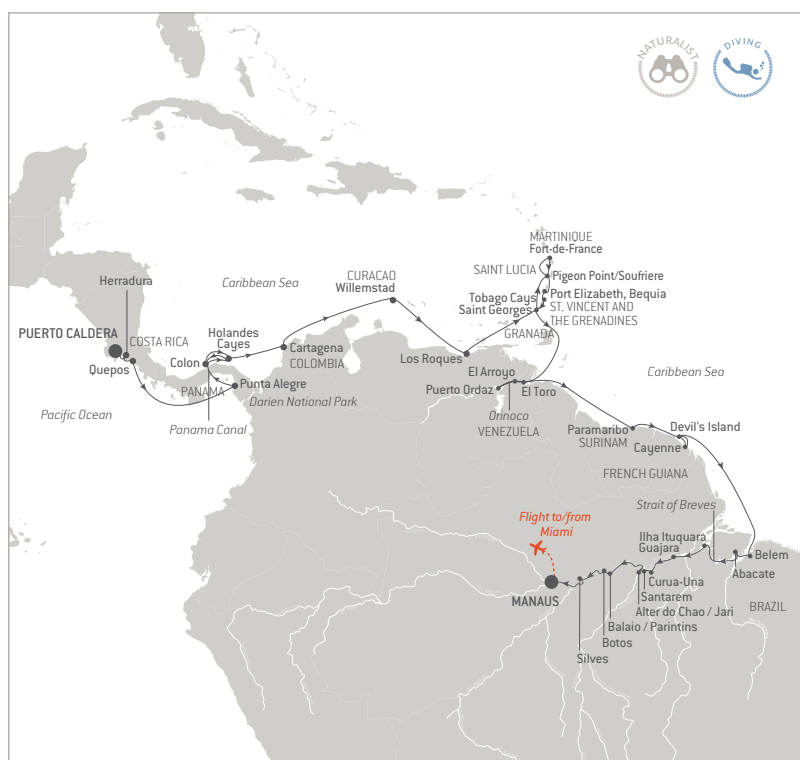
With PONANT, take a 41 to 55 day Grand Voyage full of exciting new experiences and discoveries, allowing you to make the most of your journey by fully immersing yourself in these magnificent destinations. You will enjoy unique itineraries to discover at your leisure, must-see ports of call and enjoy back to back discounts.

Don't wait any longer! Join us aboard one of our luxurious ships for an unforgettable Grand Voyage.

Le Champlain: Puerto Caldera - Manaus



Explore the natural wonders and beauty of Latin America and the Caribbean on this exciting 41 day voyage. Start in Costa Rica with a visit to two incredible national parks and the chance to see multi-coloured birds, monkeys, iguana and maybe even a sloth! Next, stop at the magnificent Darien National Park in Panama, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, home to remarkable plants and wildlife, before sailing through the Panama Canal and succumbing to the charms of the clear waters of Panama and the San Blas Archipelago. Here you will be able to visit Holandes Cayes, one of the coral islets where the Kuna people live. Stops in Colombia, Venezuela and Grenada will be enjoyed, then Saint Lucia. Fort-de-France in Martinique is followed by the idyllic beaches of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Next the Venezuelan coast and the Orinoco, one of South America's major rivers, which you will explore in our Zodiac® inflatable boats. Then on to French Guiana via the Salvation Islands. To end your journey an expedition cruise along the Amazon River will uncover it's many treasures from dense and varied vegetation, tropical fruit to a host of animal species, before ending your adventures in Manaus.



PUERTO CALDERA • MANAUS

LE CHAMPLAIN 41 days / 40 nights

17th February 2019

from AUD 24 980 pp

DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Puerto Caldera (Costa Rica) Embarkation from 17.00 to 18.00		22.00
2	Herradura (Costa Rica)		
3	Quepos (Costa Rica)		
4	At sea		
5	Punta Alegre (Panama) Darien National Park		
6	Crossing the Panama Canal		
7	Holandes Cayes (Panama)		
8	Colon (Panama)	06.00	18.00
9	Holandes Cayes (Panama)		
10	Cartagena (Colombia)		
11	At sea		
12	Willemstad (Curaçao)		
13, 14	Los Roques (Venezuela)		
15	Saint George's (Grenada)		
16	Pigeon Point Soufriere (Saint Lucia)		
17	Fort-de-France (Martinique)	07.00	21.00
18	Pigeon Point - Soufriere (Saint Lucia)		
19	Port Elizabeth, Bequia (St. Vincent and the Grenadines)		
20	Tobago Cays (St. Vincent and the Grenadines)		
21	Saint Georges (Granada)		
22	At sea		
23	El Toro, Orinoco (Venezuela)		
24	Puerto Ordaz (Venezuela)		
25	El Arroyo, Orinoco (Venezuela)		
26	At sea		
27	Paramaribo (Surinam)		
28	Devil's Island (French Guiana)		
29	Cayenne (French Guiana)	06.00	18.00
30	Devil's Island (French Guiana)		
31	At sea		
32, 33	Belem (Brazil)		
34	Abacate (Brazil) - Sailing along the Strait of Breves Ilha Ituquara (Brazil)		
35	Guajara (Brazil)		
36	Curua-Una (Brazil)		
37	Santarem - Alter do Chao / Jari (Brazil)		
38	Balaio - Parintins (Brazil)		
39	Parintins - Botos (Brazil)		
40	Silves (Brazil)		
	Manaus (Brazil)	06.00	
41	Disembarkation. Transfer to the airport. Flight Manaus/Miami.		

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Le Lyrial: Ushuaia - Mahe



Discover the contrasting landscapes and wildlife on this unforgettable 55 day voyage visiting multiple continents and islands. Start with the majestic beauty of the Antarctic Peninsula viewing dreamlike landscapes created by the ice floes. In Neko Harbour you perhaps may spot seals, whales, and gentoo penguins. Next set a course for Cape Town. Along the way you will visit the Falklands and South Georgia, with the opportunity to visit explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton's former whaling station and tomb. After reaching Cape Town you will explore South Africa's wild east coast, while in Durban head into the heart of the Phzulu Safari Park where you will uncover the fascinating beliefs and rituals of the Zulu culture and people. Departing Durban visit the Scattered Islands of the Indian Ocean, make a port of call at Madagascar then to your final destination, the islands of the Seychelles, where idyllic beaches await.



USHUAIA • MAHE

LE LYRIAL 55 days / 54 nights

21st February 2019

from AUD 31 970 pp

DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Flight Buenos-Aires / Ushuaia (Argentina). Meet and greet and transfer for lunch and time at leisure in the Arakur resort. Optional excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park before embarkation. <i>Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00</i>		18.00
2,3	<i>At sea</i> - Drake Passage (Antarctica)		
4	Neko Harbour - Paradise Bay (Antarctica)		
5	Pleneau Island - Port Charcot (Antarctica)		
6	Port Lockroy (Antarctica)		
7	Deception Island (Antarctica)		
8	Weddell Sea (Antarctica)		
9,10	<i>At sea</i> - Drake Passage (Antarctica)		
11	Ushuaia (Argentina).	07.00	18.00
12	<i>At sea</i>		
13	New Island - Grave Cove (Falkland Islands)		
14	The Neck - Saunders Island - Steeple Jason Island (Falkland Islands)		
15,16	<i>At sea</i>		
17	Salisbury Plain - Fortuna Bay - Stromness (South Georgia)		
18	St Andrews Bay - Grytviken (South Georgia)		
19	Gold Harbour - Cooper Bay (South Georgia)		
20 to 23	<i>At sea</i>		
24	Tristan da Cunha Island (British Overseas Territories)		
25	Nightingale Island (British Overseas Territories)		
26	Gough Island (British Overseas Territories)		
27 to 30	<i>At sea</i>		
31	<i>Navigation in front of the Cape of Good Hope</i> Cape Town (South Africa)	10.00	18.00
32 to 33	Cape Town (South Africa)		18.00
34	<i>At sea</i>		
35,36	Port Elizabeth (South Africa)		
37	<i>At sea</i>		
38	Richards Bay (South Africa)		
39,40	Durban (South Africa)	08.00	18.00
41,42	<i>At sea</i>		
43	Europa (Scattered Islands)		
44	<i>At sea</i>		
45	Juan de Nova (Scattered Islands)		
46	<i>At sea</i>		
47	Glorieuses (Scattered Islands)		
48	Nosi Komba (Madagascar)		
49	Assomption (Seychelles)		
50,51	Aldabra (Seychelles)		
52	<i>At sea</i>		
53	Alphonse (Seychelles)		
54	La Digue (Seychelles) Victoria, Mahe (Seychelles)		
55	Victoria, Mahe (Seychelles) <i>Disembarkation</i>	07.00	

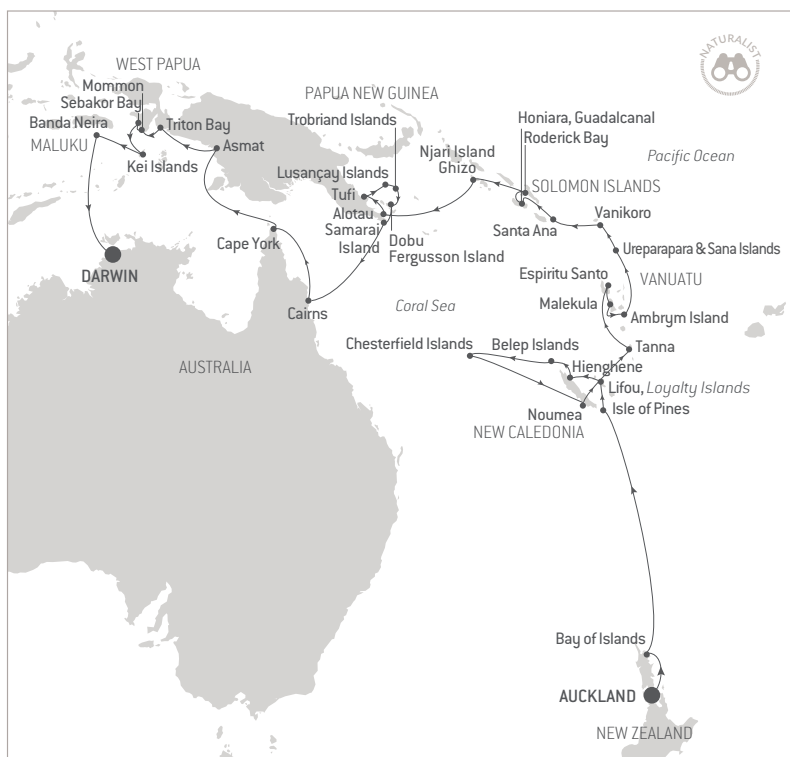
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Le Lapérouse: Auckland - Darwin



Uncover the hidden treasures of the Pacific Islands of New Zealand, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea on this incredible 47 day voyage. Start your voyage on New Zealand's North Island. Before leaving Auckland you will get the chance to attend a Maori ceremony in the beautiful Bay of Islands, then set sail for New Caledonia discovering it's white-sand beaches and tropical vegetation on the island of Lifou before reaching the port of Nouméa. Next sail for the islands of Vanuatu, where you will discover contrasting landscapes of active volcanoes, beaches bordered by palm trees, and tropical forests as well as the chance to visit traditional villages. The Solomon Islands offer a tropical Eden, with stunning white-sand beaches and crystal-clear waters perfect for swimming and snorkeling. On the last leg of your voyage you will stop in the port of Cairns and then sail along the Great Barrier Reef, passing Cape York, and onto Papua New Guinea. Here you will visit small villages in the Asmat region, one of the most isolated and mysterious regions in the world. Your adventure will then end on a high by sailing the Maluku Islands, dubbed the "spice islands" before ending your voyage in Darwin.



AUCKLAND • DARWIN

LE LAPÉROUSE 47 days / 46 nights
7th April 2019

from AUD 20 020 pp

DAY	ITINERARY	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
1	Auckland (New Zealand) <i>Embarkation from 16.00 to 17.00</i>		18.00
2	Bay of Islands (New Zealand)		
3 - 4	<i>At sea</i>		
5	Isle of Pines (New Caledonia)		
6	Lifou, Loyalty Islands (New Caledonia)		
7	Hienghène (New Caledonia)		
8	Belep Islands (New Caledonia)		
9	<i>At sea</i>		
10-11	Chesterfield Islands (New Caledonia)		
12 - 13	<i>At sea</i>		
14	Noumea (New Caledonia)	06.30	18.00
15	Lifou, Loyalty Islands (New Caledonia)		
16	Tanna Island (Vanuatu)		
17	<i>At sea</i>		
18	Espiritu Santo (Vanuatu)		
19	Malekula (Vanuatu)		
20	Ambrym Island (Vanuatu)		
21	Ureparapara Island (Vanuatu) Sana Island (Vanuatu)		
22	Vanikoro (Solomon Islands)		
23	<i>At sea</i>		
24	Santa Ana (Solomon Islands)		
25	Honiara, Guadalcanal (Solomon Islands)	07.00	23.00
26	Roderick Bay (Solomon Islands)		
27	Njari Island - Gizo (Solomon Islands)		
28	<i>At sea</i>		
29	Alotau (Papua New Guinea)		
30	Tufi (Papua New Guinea)		
31	Lusançay Islands (Papua New Guinea)		
32	Trobriand Islands (Papua New Guinea)		
33	Dobu, Fergusson Island (Papua New Guinea)		
34	Samarai Island (Papua New Guinea)		
35	<i>At sea</i>		
36	Cairns (Australia)	07.00	18.00
37	<i>At sea</i>		
38	Cape York (Australia)		
4	<i>At sea</i>		
5	Asmat (West Papua, Indonesia)		
6	<i>At sea</i>		
7	Triton Bay (West Papua, Indonesia)		
8	Mommon (West Papua, Indonesia) Sebakor Bay (West Papua, Indonesia)		
9	Kei Islands (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
10	Banda Neira (Moluccas, Indonesia)		
11	<i>At sea</i>		
12	Darwin (Australia) <i>Disembarkation</i>	07.00	

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Antarctica

The rates of our cruises are per person, based on double-occupancy and including taxes.

For single-occupancy rates, please contact us.

For details, please refer to the General and Particular Terms and Conditions of Sale on pages 106 to 110.

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

on 14th December 2018; 15 nights
Christmas in Antarctica
aboard *Le Boréal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-25%

Superior Stateroom	17 220	13 590
Deluxe Stateroom	18 470	14 530
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	20 480	16 040
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	21 410	16 740
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	22 400	17 480
Deluxe Suite	30 700	23 700
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	35 640	27 410
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	37 330	28 680
Owner's Suite	42 680	42 680
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 110
Chartered flight (included)		1 520
Airport taxes (included)		100

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

on 20th December 2018; 16 nights
Christmas & New Year in Southern Lands
aboard *Le Soléal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-25%

Superior Stateroom	23 500	18 320
Deluxe Stateroom	25 250	19 630
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	28 080	21 760
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	29 410	22 750
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	30 790	23 790
Deluxe Suite	42 440	32 530
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	49 370	37 720
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	51 760	39 520
Owner's Suite	59 270	59 270
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 180
Chartered flight (included)		1 520
Airport taxes (included)		100

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

on 29th and 30th December 2018; 10 nights
New Year's Day in the Polar Regions
aboard *Le Boréal* and *L' Austral*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	15 300	11 410
Deluxe Stateroom	16 390	12 180
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	18 170	13 420
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	18 980	13 990
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	19 860	14 610
Deluxe Suite	27 130	19 690
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	31 460	22 730
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	32 960	23 780
Owner's Suite	37 650	37 650
Safety and port taxes (included)		740
Chartered flight (included)		1 520
Airport taxes (included)		100

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

on 20th Nov 18 and 5th Dec 2018; 15 nights
The Great Austral Loop
aboard *L' Austral*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-25%

Superior Stateroom	17 220	13 590
Deluxe Stateroom	18 470	14 530
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	20 480	16 040
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	21 410	16 740
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	22 400	17 480
Deluxe Suite	30 700	23 700
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	35 640	27 410
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	37 330	28 680
Owner's Suite	42 680	42 680
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 110
Chartered flight (included)		1 520
Airport taxes (included)		100

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

on 18th Nov 18 and 21st Feb 2019; 10 nights
Emblematic Antarctica
aboard *Le Lyrial*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	14 670	10 970
Deluxe Stateroom	15 710	11 700
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	17 390	12 880
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	18 180	13 430
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	19 010	14 010
Deluxe Suite	25 950	18 870
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	30 080	21 760
Privilege Suite - Deck 6	31 500	22 750
Grand Deluxe Suite - Deck 6	35 990	25 900
Grand Privilege Suite - Deck 6	48 160	34 410
Owner's Suite	48 620	48 620
Safety and port taxes (included)		740
Chartered flight (included)		1 520
Airport taxes (included)		100

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

on 20th November 2018, 4th & 10th December 2018,
5th, 9th, 15th, 17th, 19th & 25th January 2019,
7th, 14th, 17th & 22nd February 2019;
10 nights - Emblematic Antarctica
aboard *Le Soléal*, *Le Boréal* and *L' Austral*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	14 670	10 970
Deluxe Stateroom	15 710	11 700
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	17 390	12 880
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	18 180	13 430
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	19 010	14 010
Deluxe Suite	25 950	18 870
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	30 080	21 760
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	31 500	22 750
Owner's Suite	35 990	35 990
Safety and port taxes (included)		740
Chartered flight (included)		1 520
Airport taxes (included)		100

USHUAIA • USHUAIA

on 6th February 2019; 16 nights
Beyond the Polar Circle
aboard *Le Boréal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-10%

Superior Stateroom	23 500	21 430
Deluxe Stateroom	25 250	23 000
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	28 080	25 550
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	29 410	26 740
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	30 790	27 990
Deluxe Suite	42 440	38 470
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	49 370	44 710
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	51 760	46 860
Owner's Suite	59 270	59 270
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 180
Chartered flight (included)		1 520
Airport taxes (included)		100

MONTEVIDEO • USHUAIA

on 3rd November 2018; 15 nights
The Great Adventure
aboard *Le Lyrial*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	14 650	10 830
Deluxe Stateroom	15 750	11 600
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	17 540	12 850
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	18 370	13 430
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	19 240	14 040
Deluxe Suite	26 610	19 200
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	30 980	22 260
Privilege Suite - Deck 6	32 480	23 310
Grand Deluxe Suite - Deck 6	37 220	26 630
Grand Privilege Suite - Deck 6	49 800	35 430
Owner's Suite	50 290	50 290
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 110
Chartered flight (included)		770
Airport taxes (included)		50

USHUAIA • MONTEVIDEO

on 27th February 2019; 15 nights
The Great Adventure
aboard *L' Austral*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-25%

Superior Stateroom	14 930	11 750
Deluxe Stateroom	16 030	12 570
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	17 820	13 910
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	18 650	14 540
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	19 520	15 190
Deluxe Suite	26 890	20 720
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	31 260	23 990
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	32 760	25 120
Owner's Suite	37 500	37 500
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 110
Chartered flight (included)		1 050
Airport taxes (included)		50

USHUAIA • CAPETOWN

on 3rd March 2019; 21 nights
From Antarctica to Africa
aboard *Le Lyrial*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	14 000	10 590
Deluxe Stateroom	15 030	11 310
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	16 690	12 470
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	17 470	13 020
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	18 270	13 580
Deluxe Suite	25 130	18 380
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	29 200	21 230
Privilege Suite - Deck 6	30 600	22 210
Grand Deluxe Suite - Deck 6	35 010	25 300
Grand Privilege Suite - Deck 6	46 230	33 150
Owner's Suite	46 680	46 680
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 550
Chartered flight (included)		1 050
Airport taxes (included)		50

Price List in AUD

Arctic

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BERGEN • LONGYEARBYEN on 22nd June 2018; 10 nights Fjords & Spitsbergen aboard *Le Boréal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-0%

Superior Stateroom	10 570	10 570
Deluxe Stateroom	11 300	11 300
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	12 480	12 480
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	13 040	13 040
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	13 620	13 620
Deluxe Suite	18 480	18 480
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	24 620	24 620
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	25 770	25 770
Owner's Suite	29 420	29 420
Safety and port taxes (included)		740
Chartered flight (included)		1 320
Airport taxes (included)		130

LONGYEARBYEN • LONGYEARBYEN on 2nd July 2018; 7 nights The Best of Spitsbergen aboard *Le Boréal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-0%

Superior Stateroom	11 250	11 250
Deluxe Stateroom	11 990	11 990
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	13 190	13 190
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	13 760	13 760
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	14 340	14 340
Deluxe Suite	19 280	19 280
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	25 510	25 510
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	26 690	26 690
Owner's Suite	30 400	30 400
Safety and port taxes (included)		520
Chartered flight (included)		1 850
Airport taxes (included)		130

LONGYEARBYEN • LONGYEARBYEN on 16th July 2018; 12 nights Discovery of the King of the Arctic aboard *Le Boréal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-20%

Superior Stateroom	17 860	14 860
Deluxe Stateroom	19 130	15 870
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	21 190	17 520
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	22 160	18 300
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	23 160	19 100
Deluxe Suite	31 630	25 870
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	42 320	34 430
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	44 330	36 030
Owner's Suite	50 690	50 690
Safety and port taxes (included)		890
Chartered flight (included)		1 850
Airport taxes (included)		130

NOME • SEWARD on 10th September 2018; 16 nights Fire and Ice in the Arctic aboard *Le Boréal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-25%

Superior Stateroom	16 890	13 500
Deluxe Stateroom	18 080	14 390
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	19 990	15 820
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	20 880	16 490
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	21 810	17 190
Deluxe Suite	29 670	23 080
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	39 580	30 510
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	41 470	31 930
Owner's Suite	47 350	47 350
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 180
Chartered flight (included)		2 050
Airport taxes (included)		100

REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ on 10th August 2018; 10 nights The Unexplored Greenland aboard *Le Boréal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	11 100	8 410
Deluxe Stateroom	11 870	8 950
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	13 120	9 830
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	13 710	10 240
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	14 320	10 670
Deluxe Suite	19 480	14 280
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	25 990	18 840
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	27 210	19 690
Owner's Suite	31 080	31 080
Safety and port taxes (included)		740
Chartered flight (included)		1 270
Airport taxes (included)		150

REYKJAVIK • KANGERLUSSUAQ on 17th July 2018; 12 nights The Saga of Erik the Red aboard *Le Soléal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	12 890	9 670
Deluxe Stateroom	13 810	10 310
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	15 310	11 360
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	16 020	11 860
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	16 760	12 380
Deluxe Suite	22 950	16 710
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	30 760	22 180
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	32 240	23 210
Owner's Suite	36 860	36 860
Safety and port taxes (included)		890
Chartered flight (included)		1 120
Airport taxes (included)		150

KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ on 29th July 2018; 16 nights Ultima Thule: Greenland and the Canadian Arctic aboard *Le Soléal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-10%

Superior Stateroom	22 200	20 340
Deluxe Stateroom	23 780	21 760
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	26 330	24 060
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	27 530	25 140
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	28 790	26 270
Deluxe Suite	39 310	35 740
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	52 600	47 700
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	55 100	49 950
Owner's Suite	62 990	62 990
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 180
Chartered flight (included)		2 200
Airport taxes (included)		250

KANGERLUSSUAQ • KANGERLUSSUAQ on 14th August 2018; 13 nights Baffin Bay Secrets aboard *Le Soléal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Superior Stateroom	19 920	14 950
Deluxe Stateroom	21 320	15 930
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	23 590	17 520
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	24 650	18 260
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	25 760	19 040
Deluxe Suite	35 090	25 570
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	46 860	33 810
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	49 090	35 370
Owner's Suite	56 090	56 090
Safety and port taxes (included)		960
Chartered flight (included)		2 200
Airport taxes (included)		220

KANGERLUSSUAQ • NOME on 27th August 2018; 22 nights The Northwest Passage aboard *Le Soléal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-0%

Superior Stateroom	25 270	25 270
Deluxe Stateroom	27 080	27 080
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	30 030	30 030
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	31 400	31 400
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	32 840	32 840
Deluxe Suite	44 980	44 980
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	60 280	60 280
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	63 170	63 170
Owner's Suite	72 250	72 250
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 630
Chartered flight (included)		2 370
Airport taxes (included)		140

NOME • VANCOUVER on 18th September 2018; 14 nights In the Wake of Pioneers aboard *Le Soléal*

PONANT BONUS
Up to
-25%

Superior Stateroom	14 240	11 270
Deluxe Stateroom	15 280	12 050
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	16 940	13 290
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	17 710	13 870
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	18 550	14 500
Deluxe Suite	25 420	19 650
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	34 100	26 160
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	35 730	27 390
Owner's Suite	40 880	40 880
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 040
Chartered flight (included)		1 290
Airport taxes (included)		40

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Asia, Oceania & Indian Ocean

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MANILA • DARWIN

on 17th June 2018; 12 nights
Exploring the Malay Archipelago
aboard *L' Austral*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-25%

Superior Stateroom	6 950	5 430
Deluxe Stateroom	7 500	5 840
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	7 940	6 170
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	8 180	6 350
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	8 420	6 530
Deluxe Suite	11 350	8 730
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	12 230	9 390
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	12 610	9 680
Owner's Suite	13 230	13 230
Safety and port taxes (included)	890	

DARWIN • BROOME

on 19th July and 8th August 2018; 10 nights
Iconic Kimberley
aboard *L' Austral*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-10%

Superior Stateroom	10 210	9 290
Deluxe Stateroom	11 000	10 000
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	12 290	11 160
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	12 890	11 700
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	13 510	12 260
Deluxe Suite	18 780	17 000
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	25 440	23 000
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	26 700	24 130
Owner's Suite	30 650	30 650
Safety and port taxes (included)	940	
Chartered flight (included)	120	

BROOME • DARWIN

on 29th July and 18th August 2018; 10 nights
Iconic Kimberley
aboard *L' Austral*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-10%

Superior Stateroom	10 210	9 290
Deluxe Stateroom	11 000	10 000
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	12 290	11 160
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	12 890	11 700
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	13 510	12 260
Deluxe Suite	18 780	17 000
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	25 440	23 000
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	26 700	24 130
Owner's Suite	30 650	30 650
Safety and port taxes (included)	940	
Chartered flight (included)	120	

DARWIN • HONIARA

on 28th August 2018; 16 nights
Natural Wonders and Cultures of
the Coral Triangle aboard *L' Austral*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
0%

Superior Stateroom	10 760	10 760
Deluxe Stateroom	11 540	11 540
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	12 190	12 190
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	12 520	12 520
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	12 880	12 880
Deluxe Suite	17 090	17 090
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	18 380	18 380
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	18 900	18 900
Owner's Suite	19 810	19 810
Safety and port taxes (included)	1 180	
Chartered flight (included)	690	
Airport taxes (included)	70	

HONIARA • LAUTOKA

on 13th September 2018; 11 nights
Ancient Cultures and Landscapes
of Vanuatu aboard *L' Austral*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-20%

Superior Stateroom	7 630	6 410
Deluxe Stateroom	8 180	6 850
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	8 620	7 210
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	8 860	7 400
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	9 090	7 580
Deluxe Suite	11 990	9 900
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	12 870	10 610
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	13 230	10 890
Owner's Suite	13 850	13 850
Safety and port taxes (included)	810	
Chartered flight (included)	690	
Airport taxes (included)	70	

MAHE • MAHE

on 29th November 2018; 12 nights
Treasures of Seychelles
aboard *Le Lapérouse*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-20%

Deluxe Stateroom	10 320	8 430
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	11 550	9 410
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	12 130	9 880
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	12 730	10 360
Deluxe Suite	17 810	14 420
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	24 210	19 540
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	25 410	20 500
Privilege Suite	26 680	21 520
Grand Deluxe Suite	29 340	23 650
Owner's Suite	30 810	30 810
Safety and port taxes (included)	890	

SINGAPORE • BALI

on 5th January 2019; 9 nights
Expedition to Borneo & Beyond
aboard *Le Lapérouse*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Deluxe Stateroom	6 960	5 060
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	7 380	5 350
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	7 610	5 510
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	7 830	5 670
Deluxe Suite	10 590	7 600
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	15 260	10 870
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	15 720	11 190
Privilege Suite	16 190	11 520
Grand Deluxe Suite	16 680	11 860
Owner's Suite	17 180	17 180
Safety and port taxes (included)	630	

BALI • CAIRNS

on 14th January 2019; 14 nights
Exploring the Indonesian Archipelago
aboard *Le Lapérouse*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Deluxe Stateroom	11 660	8 450
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	12 360	8 940
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	12 740	9 210
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	13 110	9 470
Deluxe Suite	17 720	12 700
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	25 520	18 160
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	26 280	18 690
Privilege Suite	27 080	19 250
Grand Deluxe Suite	27 890	19 820
Owner's Suite	28 730	28 730
Safety and port taxes (included)	990	

CAIRNS • SYDNEY

on 28th January 2019; 11 nights
Australian Food and Wine Experience
aboard *Le Lapérouse*

POYANT BONUS
Up to
-30%

Deluxe Stateroom	8 630	6 270
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	9 140	6 630
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	9 420	6 820
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	9 690	7 010
Deluxe Suite	13 110	9 410
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	18 870	13 440
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	19 440	13 840
Privilege Suite	20 030	14 250
Grand Deluxe Suite	20 630	14 670
Owner's Suite	21 240	21 240
Safety and port taxes (included)	780	

AUCKLAND • NOUMEA

on 7th April 2019; 13 nights
Discovering the Hidden Treasures of
New Caledonia aboard *Le Lapérouse*



Deluxe Stateroom	9 140	6 670
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	9 700	7 060
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	9 980	7 260
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	10 280	7 470
Deluxe Suite	13 910	10 010
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	20 020	14 290
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	20 630	14 710
Privilege Suite	21 250	15 150
Grand Deluxe Suite	21 890	15 590
Owner's Suite	22 540	22 540
Safety and port taxes (included)	920	

NOUMEA • HONIARA

on 20th April 2019; 11 nights
Revealing the Mysteries of Melanesia
aboard *Le Lapérouse*



Deluxe Stateroom	9 630	7 280
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	10 140	7 630
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	10 430	7 840
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	10 700	8 030
Deluxe Suite	14 100	10 410
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	19 860	14 440
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	20 430	14 840
Privilege Suite	21 020	15 250
Grand Deluxe Suite	21 620	15 670
Owner's Suite	22 230	22 230
Safety and port taxes (included)	780	
Chartered flight (included)	940	
Airport taxes (included)	80	

HONIARA • CAIRNS

on 1st May 2019; 11 nights
Ancient Cultures of Papua New Guinea
aboard *Le Lapérouse*



Deluxe Stateroom	8 760	6 670
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	9 230	7 000
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	9 470	7 160
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	9 720	7 340
Deluxe Suite	12 800	9 490
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	17 970	13 110
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	18 480	13 470
Privilege Suite	19 010	13 840
Grand Deluxe Suite	19 550	14 220
Owner's Suite	20 100	20 100
Safety and port taxes (included)	780	
Chartered flight (included)	940	
Airport taxes (included)	80	

CAIRNS • DARWIN

on 12th May 2019; 11 nights
Discover the Ancient Wonders of Papua
and Spice aboard *Le Lapérouse*



Deluxe Stateroom	8 450	6 140
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	8 960	6 500
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	9 230	6 690
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	9 500	6 880
Deluxe Suite	12 840	9 220
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	18 500	13 180
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	19 050	13 560
Privilege Suite	19 620	13 960
Grand Deluxe Suite	20 210	14 380
Owner's Suite	20 820	20 820
Safety and port taxes (included)	780	

DURBAN • MAHE

on 1st April 2019; 15 nights
The Scattered Islands & the Seychelles
aboard *Le Lyrial*



Superior Stateroom	11 400	8 310
Deluxe Stateroom	12 310	8 940
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	13 790	9 980
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	14 460	10 450
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	15 200	10 970
Deluxe Suite	21 240	15 200
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	24 850	17 720
Privilege Suite - Deck 6	26 080	18 580
Grand Deluxe Suite - Deck 6	29 990	21 320
Grand Privilege Suite - Deck 6	40 170	28 450
Owner's Suite	40 560	40 560
Safety and port taxes (included)	1 110	

DUNEDIN • DUNEDIN

on 23rd February 2019; 16 nights
Macquarie and the New Zealand Subantarctic
Islands Expedition aboard *Le Lapérouse*



Deluxe Stateroom	17 340	12 490
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	19 420	13 940
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	20 400	14 630
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	21 420	15 340
Deluxe Suite	29 980	21 340
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	40 800	28 910
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	42 840	30 340
Privilege Suite	44 980	31 830
Grand Deluxe Suite	49 480	34 990
Owner's Suite	51 960	51 960
Safety and port taxes (included)	1 180	



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Latin America

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VALPARAISO • USHUAIA		
on 7th November 2018; 13 nights		
Patagonia & Chilean Fjords		
aboard <i>L' Austral</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -30%
Superior Stateroom	9 340	7 060
Deluxe Stateroom	10 020	7 530
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	11 120	8 300
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	11 640	8 670
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	12 170	9 040
Deluxe Suite	16 710	12 210
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	22 450	16 230
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	23 520	16 980
Owner's Suite	26 940	26 940
Safety and port taxes (included)	920	
Chartered flight (included)	770	
Airport taxes (included)	50	

USHUAIA • VALPARAISO		
on 4th March 2019; 13 nights		
Chilean Fjords & Patagonia		
aboard <i>Le Boréal</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -30%
Superior Stateroom	9 620	7 340
Deluxe Stateroom	10 300	7 810
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	11 400	8 580
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	11 920	8 950
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	12 450	9 320
Deluxe Suite	16 990	12 490
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	22 730	16 510
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	23 800	17 260
Owner's Suite	27 220	27 220
Safety and port taxes (included)	920	
Chartered flight (included)	1 050	
Airport taxes (included)	50	

VALPARAISO • USHUAIA		
on 7th November 2018; 13 nights		
Adventure in Patagonia		
aboard <i>Le Soléal</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -25%
Superior Stateroom	10 020	7 950
Deluxe Stateroom	10 750	8 490
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	11 950	9 390
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	12 500	9 810
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	13 080	10 240
Deluxe Suite	17 980	13 920
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	24 170	18 560
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	25 340	19 440
Owner's Suite	29 020	29 020
Safety and port taxes (included)	920	
Chartered flight (included)	770	
Airport taxes (included)	50	

VALPARAISO • USHUAIA		
on 24th November 2018; 10 nights		
In the Heart of Chilean Fjords		
aboard <i>Le Boréal</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -30%
Superior Stateroom	7 900	5 980
Deluxe Stateroom	8 470	6 380
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	9 380	7 020
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	9 810	7 320
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	10 260	7 640
Deluxe Suite	14 020	10 270
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	18 790	13 610
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	19 690	14 240
Owner's Suite	22 510	22 510
Safety and port taxes (included)	710	
Chartered flight (included)	770	
Airport taxes (included)	50	

CAYENNE • MANAUS		
on 25th November 2018; 12 nights		
Natural Wonders of the Amazon		
aboard <i>Le Champlain</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -0%
Deluxe Stateroom	10 130	10 130
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	10 640	10 640
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	10 900	10 900
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	11 190	11 190
Deluxe Suite	14 510	14 510
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	20 150	20 150
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	20 700	20 700
Privilege Suite	21 280	21 280
Grand Deluxe Suite	21 860	21 860
Owner's Suite	22 470	22 470
Safety and port taxes (included)	850	
Chartered flight (included)	1 600	
Airport taxes (included)	50	

CAYENNE • MANAUS		
on 17th March 2019; 12 nights		
Natural Wonders of the Amazon		
aboard <i>Le Champlain</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -5%
Deluxe Stateroom	10 130	9 740
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	10 640	10 230
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	10 900	10 480
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	11 190	10 750
Deluxe Suite	14 510	13 900
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	20 150	19 260
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	20 700	19 790
Privilege Suite	21 280	20 340
Grand Deluxe Suite	21 860	20 890
Owner's Suite	22 470	22 470
Safety and port taxes (included)	850	
Chartered flight (included)	1 600	
Airport taxes (included)	50	

MANAUS • CAYENNE		
on 7th Dec 2018 and 29th March 2019; 12 nights		
Natural Wonders of the Amazon		
aboard <i>Le Champlain</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -15%
Deluxe Stateroom	9 920	8 770
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	10 430	9 200
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	10 690	9 430
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	10 980	9 670
Deluxe Suite	14 300	12 490
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	19 940	17 290
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	20 490	17 760
Privilege Suite	21 070	18 250
Grand Deluxe Suite	21 650	18 740
Owner's Suite	22 260	22 260
Safety and port taxes (included)	890	
Chartered flight (included)	1 400	
Airport taxes (included)	40	

CAYENNE • FORT-DE-FRANCE		
on 19th December 2018; 9 nights		
Sailing the Orinoco		
aboard <i>Le Champlain</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -25%
Deluxe Stateroom	6 350	4 920
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	6 740	5 210
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	6 930	5 350
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	7 140	5 510
Deluxe Suite	9 640	7 380
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	13 870	10 560
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	14 280	10 860
Privilege Suite	14 720	11 190
Grand Deluxe Suite	15 150	11 520
Owner's Suite	15 600	15 600
Safety and port taxes (included)	630	

FORT-DE-FRANCE • CAYENNE		
on 5th March 2019; 12 nights		
Caribbean & Orinoco		
aboard <i>Le Champlain</i>		
		POYANT BONUS Up to -25%
Deluxe Stateroom	8 480	6 570
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	8 990	6 950
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	9 250	7 150
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	9 540	7 360
Deluxe Suite	12 860	9 850
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	18 500	14 080
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	19 050	14 500
Privilege Suite	19 630	14 930
Grand Deluxe Suite	20 210	15 370
Owner's Suite	20 820	20 820
Safety and port taxes (included)	850	

PUERTO CALDERA • COLON
on 17th February 2019; 7 nights
National Parks & Panama Canal
aboard *Le Champlain*



Deluxe Stateroom	4 730	3 450
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	5 030	3 660
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	5 170	3 760
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	5 330	3 870
Deluxe Suite	7 200	5 180
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	10 350	7 390
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	10 660	7 600
Privilege Suite	10 980	7 830
Grand Deluxe Suite	11 320	8 070
Owner's Suite	11 660	11 660
Safety and port taxes (included)		490

SAN DIEGO • PUERTO QUETZAL
on 9th October 2018; 13 nights
The Sea of Cortez
aboard *Le Soléal*



Superior Stateroom	8 520	6 240
Deluxe Stateroom	9 200	6 710
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	10 300	7 480
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	10 820	7 850
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	11 350	8 220
Deluxe Suite	15 890	11 390
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	21 630	15 410
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	22 700	16 160
Owner's Suite	26 120	26 120
Safety and port taxes (included)		920

RIO DE JANEIRO • DAKAR
on 18th March 2019; 16 nights
From Brazil to Africa
aboard *L'Austral*



Superior Stateroom	8 340	6 170
Deluxe Stateroom	8 890	6 560
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4	9 340	6 870
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5	9 580	7 040
Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6	9 820	7 210
Deluxe Suite	12 760	9 270
Prestige Suite - Deck 5	13 650	9 890
Prestige Suite - Deck 6	14 020	10 150
Owner's Suite	14 650	14 650
Safety and port taxes (included)		1 130







PONANT *Fleet*

Welcome on board

Fluid lines, streamlined bow, and an appearance enhanced by two glass arches which let in light and provide water views: the exterior lines of our ships reflect the spirit of a subtly revisited nautical theme.

Aboard, our guests truly enjoy the relaxed elegance of the atmosphere and experience a different and exclusive type of cruise, and a concept of travel that is intimate, luxurious and immersive...

The Sisterships: *L'Austral*, *Le Boréal*, *Le Soléal*, *Le Lyrial*

Fitted with only 132 carefully designed staterooms and suites on *Le Boréal*, *L'Austral* and *Le Soléal* and 122 on *Le Lyrial*, 95% with private balcony and all with sea views, our sisterships are in perfect harmony with PONANT's policy of offering all guests exacting levels of service and real contact with the crew, and by virtue of their compact size have the advantage of being able to sail near to far-off lands all over the world.

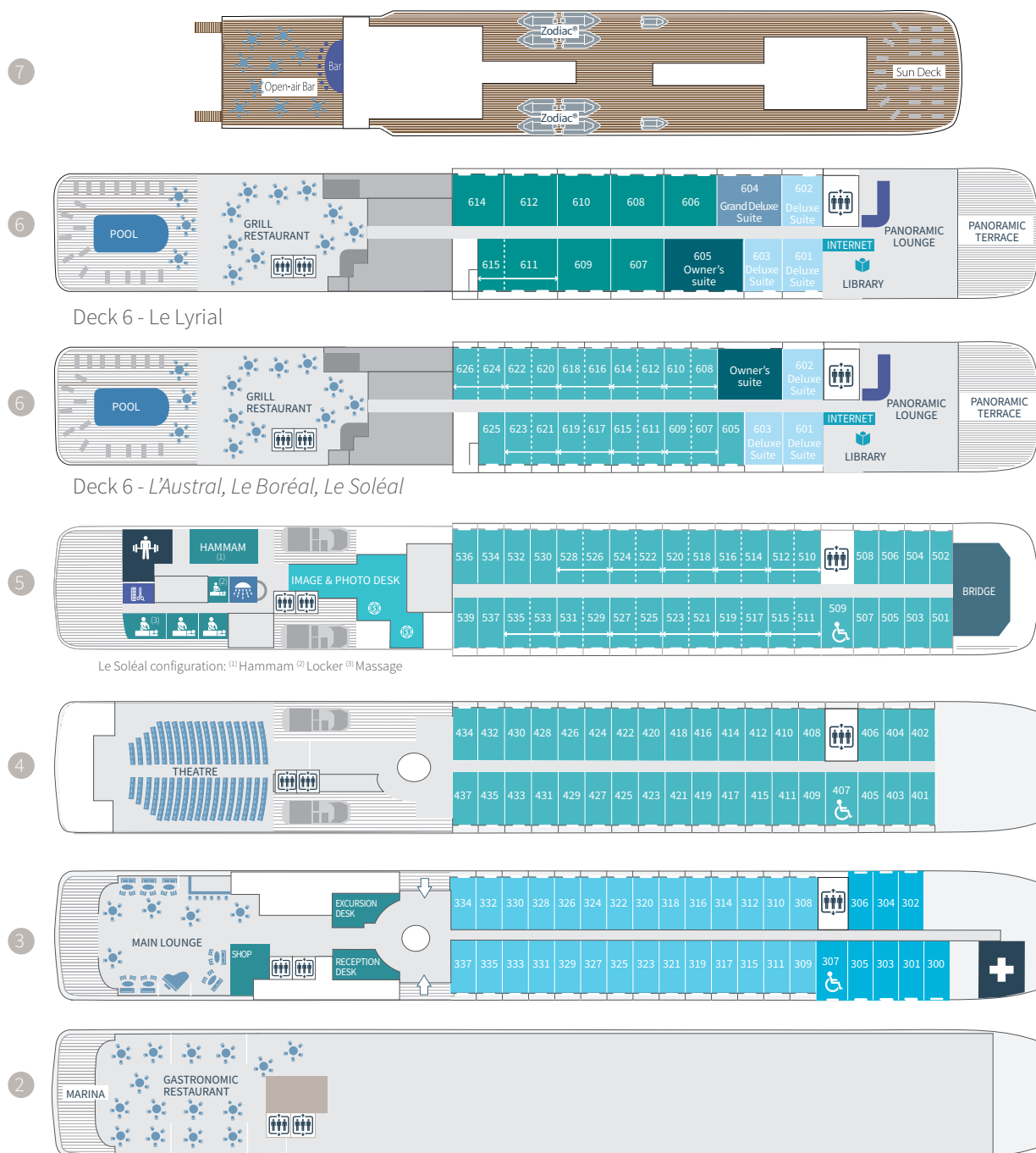
These limited capacity ships are perfectly suited to island- and city-hopping.

They boast large windows and exterior decks so guests can enjoy breath-taking views to the horizon.

On board, great food takes centre stage, paying tribute to the French culinary tradition in a setting that is worthy of the finest restaurants.



Deck Plans



- 2 Gastronomic Restaurant - Marina
- 3 28 Deluxe Staterooms with private balcony - 8 Superior Staterooms (Staterooms 300 & 301 have a porthole) - Main Lounge - Shop - Reception Desk - Excursion desk - Medical centre
- 4 35 Prestige Staterooms with private balcony - Theatre
- 5 37 Prestige Staterooms with private balcony (with 22 Prestige Staterooms convertible into 11 Prestige Suites) - Fitness - Beauty Corner Sothys™: Balneo, Hammam, Massage, Hairdresser - Relaxation Room - Image & Photo Desk - Bridge
- 6 **Le Boréal, L'Austral, Le Soléal:** Owner's Suite - 3 Deluxe Suites with private balcony - 20 Prestige Staterooms with private balcony (with 18 Prestige Staterooms convertible into 9 Prestige Suites) - **Le Lyrial:** Owner's Suite 1 Grand Privilege Suite - 3 Deluxe Suites with private balcony - 1 Grand Deluxe Suite - 8 Privilege Suites - 1 Prestige Stateroom - Pool - Grill Restaurant - Internet space - Library - Panoramic Lounge - Panoramic Terrace
- 7 Open-air Bar - Sun Deck

■ Owner's Suite Deck 6	↔ Prestige Suites Deck 6 - 5 (except Le Lyrial)	■ Prestige Staterooms Deck 4 - 5 - 6
■ Privilege Suites Deck 6 - Le Lyrial	■ Grand Deluxe Suites Deck 6 - Le Lyrial	■ Deluxe Staterooms Deck 3
↔ Grand Privilege Suite Deck 6 - Le Lyrial	■ Deluxe Suites Deck 6	■ Superior Staterooms Deck 3

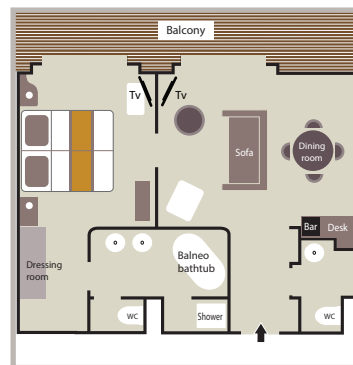
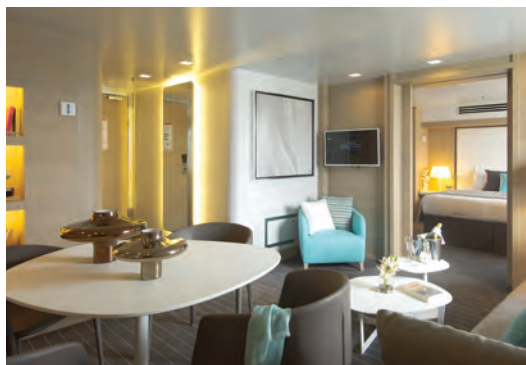
Please note that the following Staterooms have an ice-strengthened balcony: all the Deluxe Staterooms, Prestige Staterooms 401 to 406 & 501 to 506, Deluxe Suites 601 & 602.

Discover your Stateroom

Elegance and flexibility of the suites and staterooms, decorated by French interior designers, with a panoramic sea view.

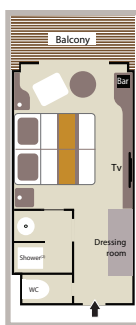
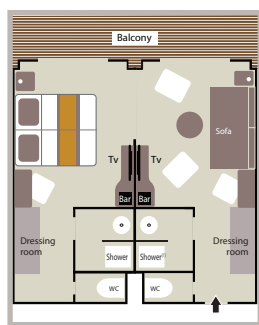
L'Austral, Le Boréal & Le Soléal Accommodation

OWNER'S SUITE (45 sq.m + 9 sq.m. private balcony / 484 sq.ft. + 97 sq.ft. private balcony)



20 PRESTIGE SUITES (37 sq.m. + 8 sq.m. private balcony / 398 sq.ft. + 86 sq.ft. private balcony)

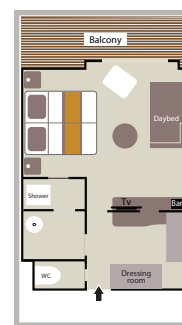
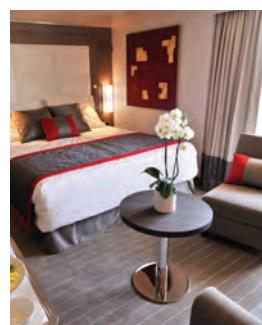
92 PRESTIGE STATEROOMS (18.5 sq.m. + 4 sq.m. private balcony / 200 sq.ft. + 43 sq.ft. private balcony)



⁽¹⁾ Prestige Suites aboard *Le Boréal* & *Le Soléal*: 1 shower and 1 bathtub.

⁽²⁾ Prestige Staterooms aboard *Le Boréal* & *Le Soléal*, decks 5 & 6: 1 shower or bathtub depends on staterooms.

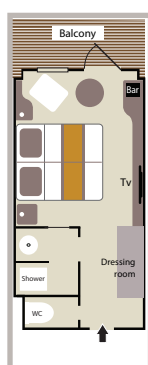
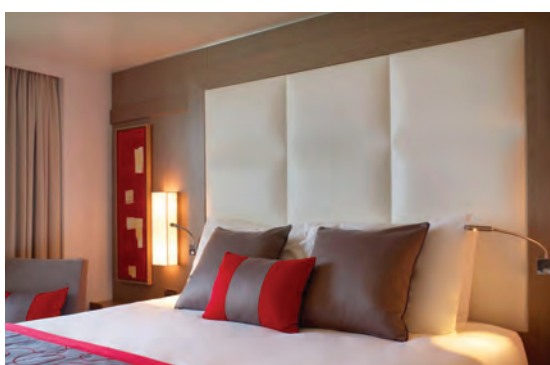
3 DELUXE SUITES (27 sq.m. + 5 sq.m. private balcony / 290 sq.ft. + 54 sq.ft. private balcony)



Deluxe Suites aboard *Le Boréal*: 1 shower and 1 bathtub.

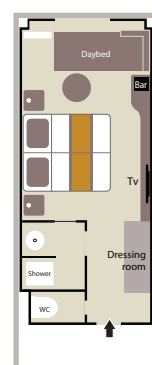
28 DELUXE STATEROOMS

(18.5 sq.m. + 4 sq.m. private balcony / 200 sq.ft. + 43 sq.ft. private balcony)



8 SUPERIOR STATEROOMS

(21 sq.m. / 226 sq.ft)



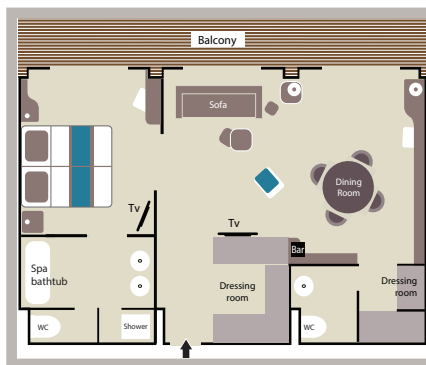
Amenities

- Individually-controlled airconditioning
- Stateroom layout: king-size bed or twin beds, interconnecting Staterooms available (Children welcome)
- Minibar
- Flat screen satellite TV
- iPod™ players
- Desk with stationery
- Safe
- French bath products
- Dressing table, bath robes, hairdryer
- Direct line telephone
- 110V American (two flat pins) / 220V European (round sockets with two round pins)
- 24hr room service
- Internet access Wifi

Le Lyrial Accommodation

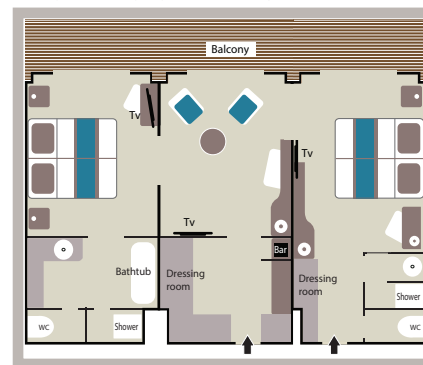
OWNER'S SUITE

54 sq.m + 12 sq.m. private balcony / 581 sq.ft + 129 sq.ft. private balcony



GRAND PRIVILEGE SUITE

54 sq.m + 12 sq.m. private balcony
581 sq.ft + 129 sq.ft. private balcony



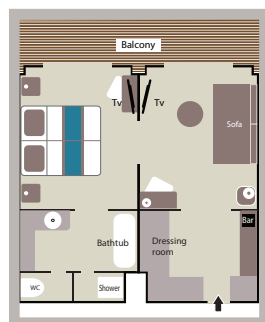
GRAND DELUXE SUITE

45 sq.m + 10 sq.m. private balcony
484 sq.ft + 108 sq.ft. private balcony



8 PRIVILEGE SUITES

36 sq.m + 8 sq.m. private balcony
388 sq.ft. + 86 sq.ft. private balcony

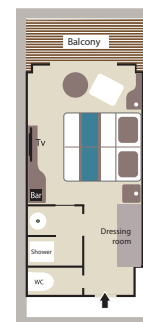
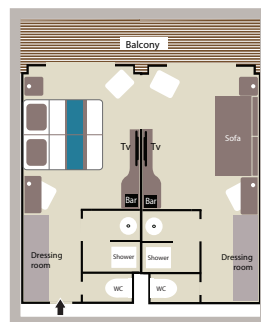


11 PRESTIGE SUITES

36 sq.m. + 8 sq.m. private balcony / 388 sq.ft. + 86 sq.ft. private balcony

73 PRESTIGE STATEROOMS

18 sq.m. + 4 sq.m. private balcony / 194 sq.ft. + 43 sq.ft. private balcony

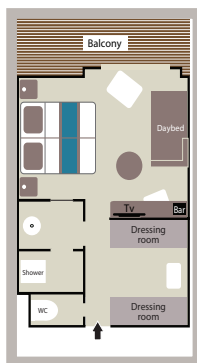


Deck 4

Decks 5-6

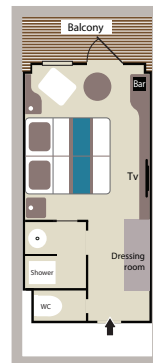
3 DELUXE SUITES

27 sq.m. + 6 sq.m. private balcony
291 sq.ft. + 65 sq.ft. private balcony



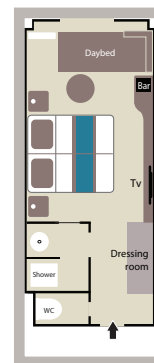
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18 sq.m. + 4 sq.m. private balcony
194 sq.ft. + 43 sq.ft. private balcony



8 SUPERIOR STATEROOMS

21 sq.m. / 226 sq.ft



Public Areas

LOBBY

1 453 sq.ft / 135 sq.m Concierge lounge including reception, customer relations and excursions desk, concierge service

RESTAURANTS

• Gastronomic Restaurant

3 982 sq.ft / 370 sq.m

Capacity: 268

Elegant main dining room for breakfast, lunch and dinner serving French and international cuisine, fine wine cellar

• Grill Restaurant

2 530 sq.ft / 235 sq.m

Inside capacity: 150

Outside capacity: 60

Casual eating venue for breakfast, buffet lunch and themed dinner

LOUNGES

• Main Lounge

2 745 sq.ft / 255 sq.m

Inside capacity: 110

Outside capacity: 30

Afternoon tea, lounge, live music, dance floor and cocktail bar

Access to the outside terrace

• Panoramic Lounge

1 184 sq.ft / 110 sq.m

Library, internet desk, cocktail bar, live

entertainment on selected evenings

Direct access to the panoramic terrace

• Open-air Bar (Pool deck)

Seating: 50

Overlooking the pool deck

RECREATION / RELAXATION

• Theatre

2 690 sq.ft / 250 sq.m

Capacity: 250

Main show room for conferences and live

entertainment on selected evenings

State-of-the-art audio and video technology

• Fitness & Beauty Corner

Fitness room: Kinesis equipment, running

machines, bicycles.

Beauty Corner Sothys™: Hairdresser,

Massage rooms (2), Balneo room, Hammam,

Relaxation room

• Leisure area

Wii™ area, photoshop

The PONANT Explorers: *Le Champlain* and *Le Lapérouse*

128 metres long with just 88 staterooms, each with a private balcony, 4 suites, each with a plate glass window and private terrace. Guests aboard *Le Champlain* and *Le Lapérouse* will find all of the special touches that have forged the reputation of PONANT cruises.

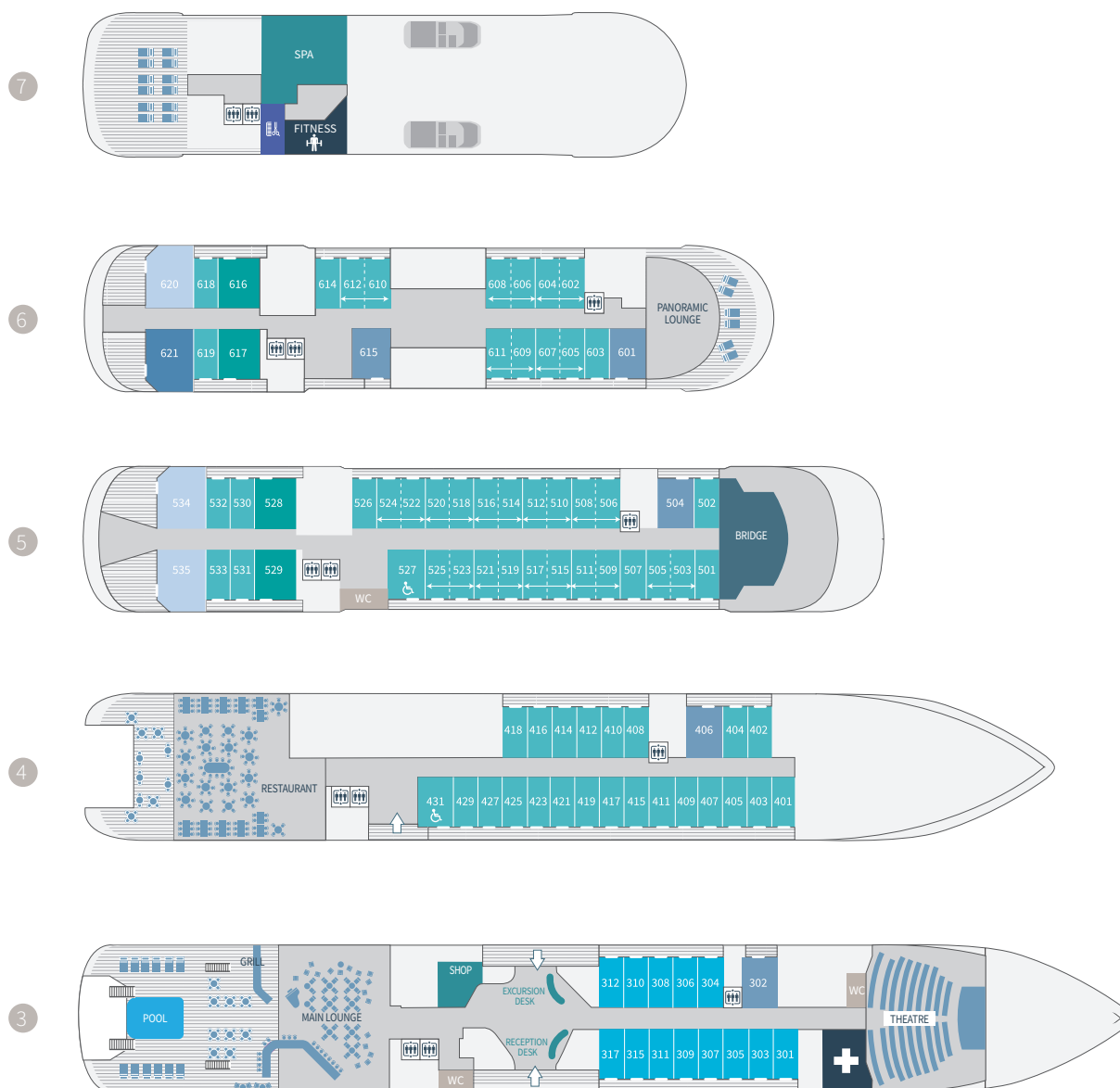
The smaller capacity ships creates an intimate atmosphere, while the 110 crew members provide professional and attentive service. The ship is equipped with state-of-the art technology. These new stars of the PONANT fleet are fitted with a movable marina platform, enabling guests to swim and engage in other activities directly from the ship.

A submersible mini-port provides easy access to a number of nautical activities (kayaking, paddle boarding, water skiing, and more). You will also discover a world first on board these ships, Blue Eye, a multi-sensory underwater lounge where guests will be able to view the underwater environs surrounding the ship through large transparent glass windows while listening live to the marine world. Then at night, specially designed non-intrusive lighting will be sure to attract fascinating marine life for observation.

Our concept of luxury, a different way to travel...



Deck Plans*



3 Reception Desk - Excursion Desk - Main Lounge - Pool Deck - Shop - Medical Centre - Theatre - 13 Deluxe Staterooms - 1 Deluxe Suite

4 Restaurant - 24 Prestige Staterooms (including 1 for person of reduced mobility) - 1 Deluxe Suite

5 Bridge - 28 Prestige Staterooms (including 1 for person of reduced mobility and 20 Prestige Staterooms convertible into 10 Prestige Suites) - 1 Deluxe Suite - 2 Privilege Suites - 2 Grand Deluxe Suites

6 Panoramic lounge - 14 Prestige Staterooms (including 6 Prestige Staterooms convertible into 3 Luxury Suites) - 2 Deluxe Suites - 2 Privilege Suites - 1 Grand Deluxe Suite - 1 Owner's Suite

7 Fitness - Ponant Yacht Spa - Sun Deck

Note: Blue Eye, multi-sensory underwater lounge is located in the hull under the water line.

Owner's Suite
Deck 6

Privilege Suites
Deck 5 - Deck 6

Grand Deluxe Suites
Deck 5 - Deck 6

Prestige Suites
Deck 5 - Deck 6

Deluxe Suites
Deck 3 - Deck 4 - Deck 5 - Deck 6

Prestige Staterooms
Deck 4 - Deck 5 - Deck 6

Deluxe Staterooms
Deck 3

* Non-contractual plans, ships under construction.

Discover your Stateroom*

*Elegance and flexibility of the suites and staterooms,
decorated by French interior designers, with a panoramic sea view.*

Accommodation*

OWNER'S SUITE

45 sq.m + 30 sq.m. private patio
484 sq.ft + 323 sq.ft. private patio



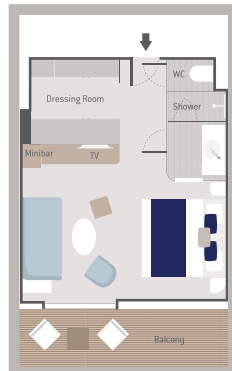
3 GRAND DELUXE SUITES

45 sq.m + 30 sq.m. private patio
484 sq.ft + 323 sq.ft. private patio



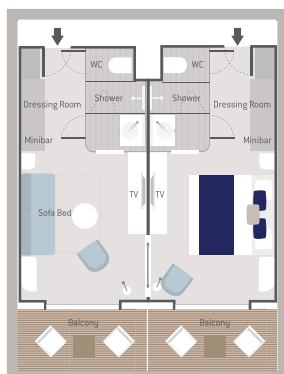
4 PRIVILEGE SUITES

32 sq.m + 8 sq.m. private balcony
344 sq.ft + 86 sq.ft. private balcony



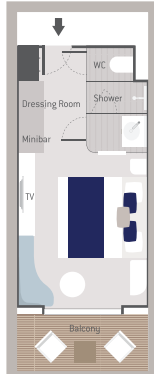
13 PRESTIGE SUITES

40 sq.m + 8 sq.m. private balcony
430 sq.ft + 86 sq.ft. private balcony



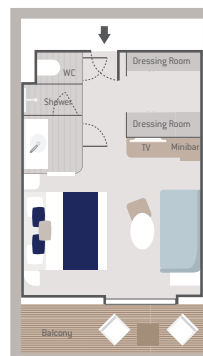
66 PRESTIGE STATEROOMS

19 sq.m + 4 sq.m. private balcony
204 sq.ft + 43 sq.ft. private balcony



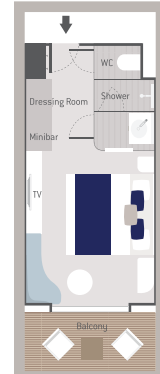
5 DELUXE SUITES

27 sq.m + 6 sq.m. private balcony
291 sq.ft + 65 sq.ft. private balcony



13 DELUXE STATEROOMS

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204 sq.ft + 43 sq.ft. private balcony



Amenities

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- Flat screen satellite TV
- Video on demand
- iPod™ players
- Desk with stationery
- Safe
- French bath products
- Dressing table, bath robes, hairdryer
- Direct line telephone
- 110V American (two flat pins) /220V European (round sockets with two round pins)
- 24hr room service
- Internet access Wifi

Public Areas

RECEPTION AREA

1507 sq.ft - Reception/concierge desk, excursions desk, ship's administrative services, sales office, 538 sq.ft boutique.

MAIN LOUNGE

2153 sq.ft which can accommodate all of our guests to share convivial moments and to host activities organised during the day or evening.

RESTAURANTS

- **Grill Restaurant**
Capacity: 70
Buffets - Grills
- **Panoramic Restaurant**
Capacity: all guests
Buffet & table service
opens onto deck

RECREATION / RELAXATION

- **Hydraulic platform**
 - Easier boarding
 - Easier Zodiac® embarkation and disembarkation
 - Easier access to the sea for practising various water sports such as kayaking or paddle-boarding.
- **Pool deck**
 - Pool with a panoramic view, equipped with a counter-current swimming system
 - Solarium
 - Outdoor bar and lounge
- **Theatre**
Capacity: 188
 - Main show room for conferences and live entertainment on selected evenings
 - State-of-the-art audio and video technology



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General Terms and Conditions of Sale

Important notice

These General Terms and Conditions of Sale (GTCS) form an integral part of the Contract entered into by CDP and the Traveller. The Particular Terms and Conditions of Sale (PTCS) – which are specific to each Cruise season – may create an exception to these General Terms and Conditions of Sale. In any event, the specifications of the Cruise Ticket and of the Passenger Ticket shall prevail over the General and Particular Terms and Conditions of Sale. All these contractual documents make up the Contract entered into by CDP and the Traveller.

In the event that a provision in these General Terms and Conditions of Sale and/or in the Contract breaches a mandatory legal provision, and/or is considered as invalid, this invalidity shall not affect the validity of the other clauses.

In accordance with Law No. 78-17 of 6 January 1978 regarding data privacy, Travellers have the right to view and correct any personal information that concerns them, and that Compagnie du Ponant may be required to gather for the purposes of its business activities.

1. Definitions:

- 1.1 **“Tickets”**: refers interchangeably to Transportation, Cruise, and/or Airline Tickets.
- 1.2 **“Airline Ticket”**: A document that contains the specifications of the air transportation contract via which the Airline undertakes to carry the Traveller between the airports mentioned therein.
- 1.3 **“Cruise Ticket”**: a document that contains the specifications of the cruise contract via which the Organiser of the Cruise undertakes to have the Traveller carried by the Sea Carrier, and to provide them with the amenities and services that are mentioned on the Cruise Ticket. The Cruise Ticket delivered to the Traveller is governed by the general terms and conditions of the Cruise Ticket.
- 1.4 **“Passenger Ticket”**: a document that contains the specifications of the passenger transportation agreement via which the Sea Carrier undertakes to carry the Traveller between the ports mentioned therein. The Passenger Ticket delivered to the Traveller is governed by the general terms and conditions of the Passenger Ticket.
- 1.5 **“CDP”**: Compagnie du Ponant, a simplified joint stock company, which has its registered office at 408, avenue du Prado 13008 Marseille, with share capital of €3,644,607. The company is registered on the Marseille Trade and Companies Register under No. 344 497 011, holds Government Licence No. 013.06.0005, is a member of SNAV (French National Travel Agents' Association) and is registered with ATOUT France under No. IMO13120040. The company's financial cover is provided by APST, 15 avenue Carnot, 75017 Paris. Compagnie du Ponant has subscribed to an insurance policy covering its Professional Civil Liability under No. AA714708 with Generali Assurance IARD – 7 boulevard Haussmann – 75456 Paris Cedex 09.
- 1.6 **“Signing of the Contract”**: refers to the point when the contract is entered into between the Traveller(s) and CDP, i.e. when the latter confirms their booking to the Traveller.
- 1.7 **“General Terms and Conditions of Sale” or “GTCS”**: the clauses in this document.
- 1.8 **“Particular Terms and Conditions of Sale” or “PTCS”**: the contractual clauses applicable to the Contract, which are specific to each Cruise season.
- 1.9 **“Contract”**: all the respective obligations incumbent upon CDP and the Traveller, as specified on the invoice and the Tickets, as well as in the GTCS and PTCS.
- 1.10 **“Cruise”**: a round-trip by sea as described in the CDP Sales Brochure and/or on the CDP website, and on the Cruise Ticket.
- 1.11 **“Expedition Cruise”**: cruise during which exploration excursions are planned in Zodiac® inflatable boats, accompanied by nature guides.
- 1.12 **“Pre-Booked excursion and/or extension”**: Services including Transfers, sight-seeing trips and ground services before, during and/or after the Cruise.
- 1.13 **“Fixed-Rate Package”**: refers to the combination of a Cruise with a Flight and/or a Transfer and/or Pre- and Post-Cruise Services, and/or Pre-Booked Excursions and/or Extensions, and/or any other tourism service booked when Signing the Contract. The Fixed-Rate Package does not include land excursions that have not been booked at the same time as the Cruise, and the services offered on board the ship.
- 1.14 **“Organiser of the Cruise”**: a private individual or a company that undertakes to have the Travellers carried by the Sea Carrier, and to provide them with the amenities and services that are mentioned on the Cruise Ticket, and whose letterhead appears on the Cruise Ticket.
- 1.15 **“Disabled Person” or “Person with Reduced Mobility”**: any person affected by a restriction on their movements or a restriction preventing them from enjoying the Services agreed due to a significant alteration of one or several of their physical, sensory, mental, cognitive, or psychological functions, to multiple handicaps, or to a debilitating health problem.
- 1.16 **“Service”**: refers to any Cruise, Fixed-Rate Package, Flight, Transfer, Pre- and Post-Cruise Service, Pre-Booked Excursion and/or Extension, and any other tourism service booked when Signing the Contract.
- 1.17 **“Price”**: total cost of the Services booked by the Traveller.
- 1.18 **“Pre- and Post-Cruise Services”**: Services including Transfers, sight-seeing trips and ground services before and/or after the Cruise, as mentioned in the Contract.
- 1.19 **“Transfer”**: an operation that consists in carrying Travellers between the port of embarkation and/or disembarkation and a meeting point determined by CDP (airport, hotel, or railway station, etc.).
- 1.20 **“Sea Carrier”**: a private individual or company that operates the ship that carries the Travellers, and whose letterhead is shown on the Passenger Ticket.
- 1.21 **“Air Carrier”**: a company that undertakes to carry the Travellers by air, and whose letterhead is shown on the Airline Ticket.
- 1.22 **“Vendor”**: a private individual or legal entity that has sold the Services included in the Contract directly to the Travellers.
- 1.23 **“Travellers”**: any person named at the time of the booking and/or Signing of the Contract, and whose name is shown on an invoice and/or on the Tickets issued by CDP or by the Vendor.

2. Acceptance and application of the General Terms and Conditions

2.1 The Signing of the Contract implies acceptance of all these GTCS and PTCS by the Traveller, with no reservations, together with the clauses and conditions in the Passenger Ticket and the Cruise Ticket.

3. Applicable legislation

- 3.1 Where CDP acts in the capacity of a Sea Carrier, the contractual relations between CDP and the Traveller shall be governed by the Passenger Ticket and by the provisions of the French Transport Code, and specifically Articles L. 5420-1 to L. 5421-12, by the Application Decree of 31 December 1966, and by the provisions of the London International Convention of 19 November 1976, as well as by the provisions of Regulation 392/2009 issued by the European Parliament and Council on 23 April 2009, where applicable, which form an integral part of the Passenger Ticket.
- 3.2 Where CDP is the Organiser of the Cruise, the contractual relations between CDP and the Traveller shall be governed by the Contract, which includes the Cruise Ticket, as well as by Articles 47 to 49 of Law No. 66-420 of 18 June 1966 regarding chartering and sea carriage contracts, and its application decree of 31 December 1966.
- 3.3 Where CDP is the Vendor of a tourism package within the meaning of Article L. 211-2 of the French Tourism Code, the contractual relations between CDP and the Traveller shall be governed by the Contract, and by Articles L. 211-1 et seq. and R. 211-1 et seq. of the French Tourism Code.

4. Payment of the Price

- 4.1 The Signing of the Contract implies payment of 25% of the Price of this Service as an advance, while the balance must be paid within 60 business days at most prior to the beginning of the first Service featured in the Contract.
- 4.2 As an exemption to Article 4.1, the balance must be paid within 90 days at most before the beginning of the first Service featured in the Contract in the case of Expedition Cruises.
- 4.3 Once the Service has been paid for in full, the Traveller shall receive the Ticket(s) and the exchange vouchers, where applicable, together with the insurance policy, if that policy has been subscribed directly with CDP.

5. Rates and reductions per person and per cruise

5-1: Public rates are the reference rates of the cruise applicable for the validity period of the brochure. Public rates are per person and based on double occupancy.

5-2: Ponant Bonus Fares is a special savings programme offered published cruise only rates for selected voyages. Ponant Bonus is the guaranteed best price you can obtain on the day you make your reservation. It can save you up to 30% off the public rates (rate port to port only, out port taxes and security and airline fare).

Ponant Bonus fares are capacity controlled, subject to availability and may change at any time without notice.

5.3 **Single Supplement**: The single supplement shall apply to any person who occupies a stateroom on their own. The Supplement shall apply to the port-to-port section (excluding port taxes) of the Ponant Bonus rate in effect. This supplement may change depending on the occupancy rate of the cruises concerned. It may therefore change for certain categories of staterooms and/or suites only, or for an entire cruise at any time with no notice. The single supplement shall be offered in certain stateroom categories for a selection of cruises. This selection shall be updated in accordance with the occupancy rate, and can be viewed on our website at au.ponant.com.

5.4 Depending on the occupancy of the ship (with the exception of the *Le Ponant* yacht) the time of reservation, a “guaranteed” Deluxe Deck 3 stateroom may be offered. This means that the booking has been made in the Deluxe Deck 3 category without a stateroom number being assigned, and that the stateroom shall be assigned at the Company's discretion, and may change at any time until embarkation. Once the stateroom number has been assigned, no request for a change may be accepted. This formula offers the advantage of potentially benefiting from a stateroom in a higher category without a price surcharge. The minimum category selected at the time of booking shall be guaranteed in any event.

5.5 Other Savings

These offers are not combinable with any other discounts or special offers, and are not applicable on Ocean Voyage (except Grand Admirals of the Ponant Yacht Club who also benefit from these advantages on Ocean Voyage)

If you could obtain more discounts, the amount of the second discount is calculated from the price obtained after deducting the 1st and so on.

5.5.1 **Combination of cruises**: (Discount only applies to port/port cruise fare does not include port charges, not applicable to Ocean Voyages, and subject to availability at time of booking). Both offers below are not cumulative.

- On all our cruises: 10% off on any combined cruise
- On a particular selection of cruises accessible on our website:
 - o 20% off the 2nd cruise
 - o 30% off the 3rd cruise
 - o 40% off the 4th cruise

5.5.2 Ponant Yacht Club Grand Admiral Members

-5% off the cruise-only rate, port taxes excluded. This offer will also work for Ocean Voyages.

-10% off the cruise only rate, port taxes excluded, of your 2nd cruise in the same year - excluding back to back cruises.

5.5.3 Ponant Yacht Club Admiral Members

-5% off the cruise only rate, port taxes excluded, of your 2nd cruise in the same year – excluding back to back cruises.

5.5.4 Honeymoon Offer

For any cruise taken within the 12 months after the wedding or civil union (1), you can enjoy the following advantages:

- Classic Offer (cruises in Staterooms):
 - AUD 420 off on your stateroom
 - Bottle of champagne on arrival
 - A photography session and 25% discount on your photos (except on board *Le Ponant*)
 - Surprise aboard.
- Prestige Offer (cruises in Suites on board all our ships except *Le Ponant*):
 - Enjoy all the benefits of the Classic Offer
 - Your 2 favourite photos are free
 - 1 spa treatment per Suite (maximum value: 115 €).

(1) Offer valid on presentation of proof.

5.5.6 Wedding Anniversary

If you are celebrating any multiple of five years of marriage or civil union (PACS) (1), enjoy a AUD 300 reduction per stateroom /suite for a cruise taken during the calendar year of your anniversary.

(1) Offer valid on presentation of proof. Reduction applies only once per year of anniversary.

5.5.7 Family & Friends

- Any group booking that includes at least 5 paying persons will receive an unconditional 5% reduction on that cruise port/port (port taxes not included).

- Preferential rate for 8 to 17 year-olds sharing a stateroom or Suite with 1or 2 adults. Please contact us.

5.5.8 Referral Program

Introduce PONANT to your relatives and friends and take advantage of the Sponsorship offer. As a sponsor, you receive a AUD 400 reduction per stateroom on your next cruise, after the person you sponsor has returned from their cruise; they in turn enjoy a reduction of AUD 300 on their first cruise. When you refer somebody, on his/her first cruise the person you are referring will receive a \$75 discount on any pre/post-cruise programme. The pre- and post-cruise Referral Bonus can only be used once per cabin and per referred person. The discount applies to any purchase of a pre- or post-cruise programme with a minimum stay of one night.

The number of sponsored persons is not limited; you are allowed to cumulate reductions.

5.5.9 Booking on board

-5% off the cruise only (excluding port charges and security) for each new cruise booked with our onboard staff.

Except the No Single Supplement Offer and the Ponant Bonus, the offers described above are not cumulative among them.

6. Passports, Visas and Vaccination Certificates

6.1 Every Traveller shall be responsible for performing the administrative and/or health formalities required by the countries concerned by the Services, including those formalities disclosed by CDP and viewable on the website au.ponant.com as well as in the brochure, prior to Signing the Contract.

6.2 Travellers should contact the relevant embassies and/or consulates and perform the administrative and/or health formalities required by the countries concerned by the Services prior to Signing the Contract.

6.3 CDP shall not be held responsible for the consequences of a Traveller failing to comply with police, customs, or health formalities prior to or during the length of the Services under any circumstances. A Traveller who is unable to board a flight or a ship because they cannot present the documents required may not claim any refund or compensation.

6.4 In any event, Travellers are advised to check all the information with the authorities concerned prior to the departure date. CDP advises Travellers to consult the country factsheets relating to the chosen destinations. CDP specifically draws Travellers' attention to the fact that the information provided may change up until the departure date, and they are advised to consult that information up until the time of departure.

CDP invites Travellers to adjust their behaviour to the visited country, to exercise vigilance and to avoid carrying valuable objects during their travel.

7. Embarkation and sea carriage conditions

• General rules

7.1 The Traveller must present themselves for embarkation under the conditions determined by the Passenger Ticket, and at least two hours before the ship's scheduled departure time. The

Passenger Ticket and/or the Cruise Ticket issued by CDP shall only be valid for the Cruise and the ship mentioned on the ticket.

7.2 The purpose of the Passenger Ticket is to transport the Travellers and their luggage from the time when they embark at the port of departure to the time when they disembark at their destination.

7.3 All Travellers must hold a valid passport, or an identity card, where applicable, that are valid for six months following the date of their return, together with the visas and vaccination certificates likely to be required in the ports where the ship calls and the port of destination. Every Traveller shall be personally responsible for complying with the legal and regulatory provisions required prior to departure. The Carrier, the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or CDP, and/or the Captain may refuse to allow a Traveller who does not show the documents enabling them to disembark at the port of destination port and at the scheduled ports of call to embark or disembark.

7.4 If a Traveller who has reserved a Cruise solely on a port-to-port basis organises their own air or ground transport to the port of embarkation and/or to their home address, they are strongly advised to purchase changeable and refundable transportation tickets, and to allow for reasonable transfer times between the station, the airport, and the port. In the event of a delay, cancellation or change, CDP shall not be responsible for the transport and Transfer expenses and/or for any other kind of amenities and services not included in the Cruise Ticket that were not directly purchased from CDP. CDP shall not be responsible for any incidents or accidental damage to equipment and/or bodily injury that may occur during travel to and/or from the ship.

7.5 Every Traveller shall guarantee that they are fit to travel by sea, and that their state of health or behaviour shall not harm the other Travellers or the proper performance of the Services agreed and/or proposed. If a Traveller's state of health is likely to limit their ability to enjoy the Services agreed, or to disrupt the proper provision of those Services, they must inform CDP, and must provide a medical certificate certifying their fitness on request. Any health problem, if known, must be mentioned to CDP's Medical Department in writing when Signing the Contract or before the departure of the ship (or prior to the beginning of the Services) at the latest.

7.6 Travellers shall be responsible for Doctor's appointments, medical care, and medication on land or on board the ships. All Travellers must ensure that they are covered by an appropriate medical insurance policy.

7.7 In the event of the threat of an epidemic, the Carrier, the Organiser of the Cruise, CDP, the Captain of the ship, or any other local health authority may demand that the Traveller fill in a health questionnaire and take a screening test, where applicable, before or at the time of embarkation or disembarkation, including during port calls.

7.8 In the specific case of Expedition Cruises, where you are reminded that any medical facilities are several days away by sea, a mandatory full medical questionnaire (a document provided on Signing the Contract) must be filled in by the Traveller's referring attendant physician between 90 and 45 days prior to the beginning of the Services, and must be returned to CDP's Medical Department (medical@ponant.com) by mail or e-mail within 40 days prior to the beginning of the Services at the latest. Any medical certificate issued prior to the determined period shall not be valid. Any Traveller who has not returned their duly completed mandatory medical certificate shall not be allowed to embark, and shall not benefit from any refund.

7.9 Travellers must comply with the rules on board throughout the journey. Travellers are required to attend any safety demonstrations and explanations that are organised on board, and to follow the crew's instructions at all times.

7.10 If they consider it necessary, the Carrier, the Organiser of the Cruise, CDP and/or the Captain of the ship may terminate the contract and refuse to carry any Traveller who does not comply with the conditions for entering into the destination ports, or whose presence on board could be harmful to the comfort, health, and safety of the other Travellers and the crew, breach the laws and rules of the ports where the ship calls, or render the Carrier, the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or CDP liable for the Traveller's legal defence or repatriation. Accordingly, the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or CDP, and/or the Captain of the ship may decide to take the following appropriate measures: Refuse to allow the Traveller(s) to embark or disembark in any port that the ship calls at; 2) Disembark the Traveller(s) at any port that the ship calls at; 3) Transfer the Traveller(s) to another ship; 4) Confine the Traveller(s) on board, in their stateroom, or in a stateroom managed by the on-board medical team; 5) Have the doctor and their team administer any drugs, medications, or other permissible substances, and/or confine the Traveller in hospital or in any other similar facility at the port of destination if the on-board doctor considers it necessary.

• Disabled Persons and Persons with Reduced Mobility

7.11 Due to safety requirements, every Traveller must be independent, or travel with a person who is capable of providing them with all the assistance required during the performance of the Services.

7.12 Travellers whose mobility is restricted due to a physical disability or to a condition that requires special treatment and/or special assistance, including people who use wheelchairs, must inform CDP in writing at the time when they make the booking request, or as soon as the Traveller becomes aware of their disability if that disability occurs following the booking, but in any event at least 30 days prior to the beginning of the Services, in order to enable CDP to confirm to the Traveller that they will be physically able to enjoy the Cruise on board the ship and/or the Services agreed, *inter alia*.

7.13 The Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or CDP, and/or the Captain reserve the right to refuse access to Travellers who have failed to inform CDP or the Vendor about a disability or their need for assistance, if such disability and need are not compatible with the applicable safety rules and the specific regulations for the navigation area, or require care that CDP and/or the Carrier would not be in a position to provide, or if the design of the passenger ship, and the port infrastructure and facilities, including port terminals, make the embarkation, disembarkation, or transportation of the person concerned under satisfactory safety conditions impossible.

7.14 Going ashore may be difficult or even impossible for Travellers with Restricted Mobility, or Disabled Travellers, especially in the event of disembarkation in launches or/and excursions in Zodiac® inflatable boats.

7.15 Once they have received CDP's written agreement, Travellers who use a wheelchair must embark with their own wheelchair, and must absolutely be accompanied by a person who is capable of assisting them at all times. Every disembarkation shall nonetheless be subject to the approval of the Captain.

7.16 *Le Boréal*, *L'Austral*, *Le Soléal* and *Le Lyrial* all have three staterooms that are specially equipped to receive Disabled Persons, or Persons with Restricted Mobility (two staterooms on board *Le Lapérouse* and *Le Champlain*). Please note that the *Le Ponant* yacht specifically does not allow access to Persons with Restricted Mobility or Disabled Persons due to a different design.

• Children and Pregnancy

7.17 Children under three years of age shall not be authorised to embark on the ships. Children aged over three and under eight may only embark on the ships on presentation of an embarkation authorisation from Ponant, which shall preferably be requested as soon as the child is registered as a Traveller, and issued against a release, and which must be presented at the time of embarkation in all cases. Failing to do so will result in the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or CDP not being able to admit the child on board.

7.18 In the case of all the Expedition Cruises, children must be fully independent during all the outside activities organised and during disembarkation in Zodiac® inflatable boats, be sufficiently tall to sit on the inflatable sides of the inflatable boats, and old enough to understand, and immediately respond to the orders given by the persons in charge. As a result, children's participation in any activity in an inflatable boat shall be subject to the agreement of the Captain and of the Expedition Head, depending on the sea conditions, and the difficulty of disembarking at each location visited. The ships do not carry Parka's in children's sizes. Parents must arrange to bring a suitable Parka for children.

7.19 Minor children shall remain under their parents or guardians' full and entire responsibility when on board and/or during excursions.

7.20 As the ships do not have any facilities to enable women to give birth on board, women who are over six months pregnant shall not be allowed to embark on the ships. In any event, pregnant women travelling on board the ship are advised to consult a doctor prior to embarkation, in order to ensure that their state of health is compatible with the planned cruise.

• Authorised luggage

7.21 Every Traveller must label each luggage item correctly, and indicate their full name, the name of the ship, their destination, and their stateroom number in a highly legible manner. The markings

must be visible and permanent.

7.22 Goods, property, and items where the contents may threaten the health and safety of the other Travellers and their Luggage, of persons or of property, and may damage or pollute the ship, inflammable, explosive, corrosive, hazardous, or odorous materials, or materials that are likely to leak, items where importation is prohibited or that do not comply with customs or police regulations, and generally speaking property and items other than those intended for the Traveller's personal use are prohibited on board and in their luggage (hereinafter the "Prohibited Items"). In any event, the Traveller shall be liable for any injury, loss, or damage suffered as a result of the presence of Prohibited Items in their luggage or in their stateroom, and shall hold the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or CDP harmless against any proceedings that may be initiated against them as a result of the presence of these Prohibited Items on board or at the time of embarkation or disembarkation. These Prohibited Items may be disembarked, destroyed, thrown into the sea, or rendered harmless at any time and any place by the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, the crew, and/or CDP, without compensation, and notwithstanding payment of any destruction costs by the Traveller.

7.23 Travellers must keep an eye on their luggage and personal effects throughout the length of the Services, including their stay on board and during embarkation, transfer, and disembarkation operations. The Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or CDP shall decline any liability for luggage that is left unsupervised by the Traveller, and where the latter has not taken all necessary precautions to avoid theft, loss, or damage. The Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier and/or CDP shall not be liable for fragile items, jewellery, watches, money, cash, computers and other electronic appliances, mobile phones, or any other valuable items that the Traveller has not declared as valuables, and entrusted for custody on board with a descriptive inventory and an estimate, and for which they have not paid the corresponding proportional custody fees.

7.24 Travellers shall be liable under civil and criminal law for any direct or indirect damage that they cause to the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or CDP, and to the other Travellers or third parties. They shall be solely liable for any fine or penalty inflicted by the relevant authorities on their account.

7.25 Travellers shall agree to allow the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, the officers of the crew and/or CDP, together with the customs, health and/or administrative authorities in port of call countries or the State where the ship is registered free access to their stateroom, luggage, and personal effects on request and without delay.

7.26 The Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or CDP shall not be liable for the damage caused to photographic, telephone, and electronic equipment and cameras that are lost or damaged during the performance of the Services, whether on board the ship or in ancillary facilities, or during embarkation and disembarkation operations, or for any damage caused to items that have fallen into the water.

• Pets

7.27 Pets, including service or medical assistance animals are prohibited on board the ships, and are not admitted for embarkation.

• Smoking policies

7.28 The ships are non-smoking except for the specifically designated areas on the outside decks (the policy also applies to electronic cigarettes).

8. Air carriage

8.1 The full Airline Tickets shall be presented in the form of electronic tickets. The surnames and given names must strictly be those indicated on the Traveller's valid passport. Any error or request for alteration shall result in the purchase of a new Airline Ticket.

8.2 In accordance with French Decree No. 2007-669 of 2 May 2007 regarding the obligation to inform Travellers of the identity of the Airline Carrier, CDP shall inform Travellers of the identity of the known Airline Carrier(s) likely to provide air transportation as at the date when they register. In the event of a change subsequent to the signing of the Contract, CDP undertakes to disclose any changes in the identity of the Airline Carrier(s) prior to departure as soon as it becomes aware of them.

8.3 Airline companies may enter into so-called mutual code-sharing agreements, which consist in marketing a flight under their own name even though it may be operated by an aircraft belonging to another airline.

8.4 The term "direct flight" means that there shall be no change of aircraft, but does not exclude the possibility of one or several stop-overs. The term "non-stop direct flight" means a flight with no change of aircraft and no stop-overs.

8.5 The timetables and types of transport mentioned by CDP shall be those disclosed by the Airline Carriers. They shall therefore be indicative up until the time of departure, and subject to alterations for all kinds of reasons (additional stop-overs, weather conditions, air traffic control authorisations, and strikes, etc.). In accordance with the Warsaw and Montréal Conventions, the timetables and itineraries, and the departure and destination airports shall never be a contractual feature of the Transportation Ticket; under these conditions, CDP cannot be held liable for any changes beyond its control.

8.6 CDP cannot be held responsible for any technical, climate-related or political incident, delay, cancellation or strike, additional stop-over, or change of aircraft or routing, etc. that may arise during the air transportation, and no compensation may result on any grounds whatsoever. If a Traveller wishes to waive their right to benefit from a Service, they shall be liable for the cancellation fees set out below.

8.7 The Airline Carrier's responsibility shall be limited in the event of damage, complaints, or claims of any kind, in accordance with the conditions set out on the Airline Tickets. CDP shall not refund any expenses (taxis, meals and hotels, etc.) if the Traveller is under the responsibility of the Airline Carrier. The consequences of any accidents and/or incidents that may arise during the performance of the air transportation shall be governed by the Warsaw and Montréal Conventions, and by the local regulations governing domestic transport systems in the country concerned.

8.8 Depending on the Airline Carrier, the usual baggage allowance on regular international flights (excluding the benefits granted to members of loyalty programmes) is strictly limited to a maximum of 23 kg in the hold and 8 kg in the stateroom per Traveller. On regular domestic flights, the allowance usually ranges between a maximum of 15 and 20 kg in the hold. On charter flights operated by CDP, the maximum hold luggage allowance is 23 kg (subject to confirmation by the selected Airline Carrier) and 5 kg for each item of luggage in the stateroom. Travellers are advised to pay close attention to this restriction. Airline Carriers do not hesitate to charge additional fees for excess baggage, and sometimes refuse to check luggage that is too heavy or too bulky due to strict security rules. The liability of CDP and of the Airline Carrier cannot be engaged in the event of refusal to check in a Traveller due to the fact that their luggage exceeds the allowance.

9. Transfer of the Contract

9.1 A Traveller may transfer their Contract to a third party who fulfils the same conditions as them for the performance of all the Services, as long as those Services have not begun, in accordance with Article R. 211-7 of the French Tourism Code, and only where this Code applies to CDP.

9.2 The transferor and/or the transferee shall be required to pay the resulting fees. They must inform CDP of this decision by any means that enables them to obtain an acknowledgement of receipt (registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt, e-mail, or fax, etc.) within 60 business days at the latest prior to the beginning of the Services.

9.3 In the event that a Traveller transfers their Contract without informing CDP in accordance with the procedures provided for above, this transfer shall not be valid, and the Services provided for in the Contract shall be cancelled with no possible refund.

10. Cancellation or alteration of the Contract by the Traveller

10.1 Pursuant to Article L. 121-21 of the French Consumer Code, Travellers are informed of the fact that they do not benefit from the right of withdrawal provided for in Article L. 121-17 of said Code.

10.2 Travellers cannot alter the Services provided for in the Contract without CDP's prior agreement. 10.3 If a Traveller alters or cancels a portion or all of the Services provided for in the Contract, shall need to inform CDP via any means that enables them to obtain an acknowledgement of receipt (fax, email, or registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt) as soon as the event resulting in this alteration or cancellation occurs. The date on which the document was sent shall be the date on which the alteration and/or cancellation fees are invoiced.

Requests to alter a cruise shall only be accepted subject to Compagnie du Ponant being informed

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within a timeframe of at least 90 days before the departure of the cruise, via the means set out above. This timeframe shall be increased to 150 days for Expedition Cruise programmes. Beyond that deadline, alteration requests shall be considered as cancellation requests, and shall therefore be managed according to Paragraph 10.5, which governs cancellation fees. The alteration terms and conditions exclusively involve the option for the traveller to replace a port-to-port cruise with another port-to-port cruise with Compagnie du Ponant.

10.4 Alteration fees:

In the event of an alteration involving a higher-value travel package, and subject to compliance with the terms and conditions set out in Points 10.4.a to 10.4.d, no alteration fee shall be applied to the cruise service, or to the other services, (e.g. air travel). The rebooking fees shall amount to the expenses already incurred by Compagnie du Ponant:

- 10.4. a: The passenger may alter their cruise subject to replacing it with a more expensive cruise than the one that is being replaced;
- 10.4. b: The departure date of the cruise booked as a replacement must fall within a maximum timeframe of 12 months from the date when the alteration request was made;
- 10.4.c: The reservation and payment of the deposit for the replacement cruise must be made at the same time as the alteration request ;
- 10.4. d: The replacement cruise selected shall become non-exchangeable and non-refundable from that point; the passenger may only cancel it.

In the event that the Contract is switched to a Service of a lower value than the initial value, alteration fees shall apply, and shall be equal to those in the cancellation terms and conditions set out in Article 10.5 below. The fee percentage shall then apply to the difference between the price of the initial Service and/or of the new Service.

Specific terms and conditions for an alteration request from Ponant Yacht Club High Admirals.

In the event of the 1st alteration of a tourism package: no fees shall be applied to the cruise service, as long as the request is made within a timeframe of at least 90 days before the departure of the cruise. This timeframe shall be extended to 150 days for Expedition Cruise programmes. New departure within 12 months after the date of departure initially scheduled. Only one alteration without penalty charges per calendar year and per person entitled to Grand Admiral status, regardless of the cruise. Any alteration request aside from the alteration of the 1st cruise shall be subject to the general sales condition applicable by default.

In the case of other services (e.g. air travel), the alteration fees shall amount to the expenses already incurred by Compagnie du Ponant:

10.5 Cancellation fees:

For the Expedition Cruises:

- From the registration confirmation date up to 91 days prior to the departure of the Cruise: 25% of the total amount of the Services;
 - Between 90 days and 76 days before the departure of the Cruise: 50% of the total amount of the Services;
 - Between 75 days and 61 days prior to the departure of the Cruise: 75% of the total amount of the Services;
 - Less than 61 days prior to the departure of the Cruise: 100% of the total amount of the Services.
- ### For other cruise programmes:
- From the registration confirmation date up to 91 days prior to departure: 10% of the total amount of the Services;
 - Between 90 days and 61 days before the departure of the Cruise: 25% of the total amount of the Services;
 - Between 60 days and 46 days prior to the departure of the Cruise: 50% of the total amount of the Services;
 - Between 45 days and 31 days prior to the departure of the Cruise: 75% of the total amount of the Services;
 - Less than 30 days prior to the departure of the Cruise: 100% of the total amount of the Services.

For the other Services:

No refund shall be granted for any cancellation or waiver of an airline or ground Service included in the contract, or of any service that forms part of the Cruise, for any reason whatsoever.

10.6 In the event that a Traveller is prevented from taking the Cruise by a force majeure event, or due to their death, the Contract shall be terminated via the notice provided by the Traveller or their beneficiaries prior to the execution of the Contract. One quarter of the price of the Contract shall then be payable to CDP. The same conditions shall apply to the family members of a Traveller who was prevented from taking the Cruise by a force majeure event or who has died, and who were meant to be travelling with them.

10.7 A Traveller who does not present themselves at the departure of a Service, or who finds themselves unable to depart, or decides not to depart for any reason whatsoever, including due to a connection delay, cannot claim any refund.

10.8 Once the Services have begun, the Traveller shall be required to pay the full price of the Contract, regardless of the reason that may lead them to decide to waive it.

11. Cancellation, interruption, or alteration of the Contract by CDP

11.1 The arrival and departure times are provided for information purposes and are not definitive. In its capacity as the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or the Carrier, and/or the Vendor of a Package, CDP cannot guarantee that the times will fit in with (air plane and train, etc.) connection timetables.

11.2 CDP may assign travellers different staterooms than those initially provided for.

11.3 CDP reserves the right to interrupt a Cruise or to change its itinerary for any reason that it shall consider valid; in this case, CDP cannot be held liable for any loss or harm.

11.4 Specifically in the event of adverse weather conditions, or due to the political or social situation in a port of call country, or due to any other event that may endanger the safety of the Travellers, property, or the ship, or in the event of orders imposed by public authorities, the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or the Carrier, and/or CDP shall have the option to change the itinerary or the ports of call or destination, to delay the trip or to end it, to divert the ship, to tow another ship or to be towed, to transfer the Travellers and their luggage to any other means of transport, even if such transfer results in extending or shortening the length of the programme.

11.5 The ship may provide assistance to any person or property at sea under all circumstances, and cannot be held liable for the consequences of a change to the Cruise programme for that reason.

11.6 Where CDP is required to alter the Cruise after the Travellers have embarked for reasons beyond its control, the Travellers cannot claim any compensation other than the refund of the Services that were not provided and not replaced, or of the unused portion of the Tickets less any expenses incurred, from either CDP, the Carrier, or the Organiser of the Cruise. Conversely, CDP may ask the Travellers to pay a price supplement corresponding to the additional services provided to the Travellers due to an extension of the trip.

11.7 In the case of external events beyond the control of the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or the Carrier, and/or CDP, or for any reason relating to the safety of the Travellers, or of the ship, or due to an insufficient number of participants, CDP may cancel the Cruise, and must inform the Travellers and/or the Organiser of the Cruise, where applicable, by registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt, or via e-mail, or via a press release.

11.8 CDP's Cruises and other Services are subject to a minimum number of participants.

11.8.1 CDP reserves the right to cancel a Cruise up to 21 days prior to departure if the minimum number of Travellers registered is less than or equal to 50% of the ship's "passenger capacity" (200 Passengers for the Expedition Cruise programs, 244 passengers for the other Cruises on board *L'Austral*, *Le Boréal*, *Le Lyrial* and *Le Soléal*, 172 passengers on board *Le Lapérouse* and *Le Champlain*, and 55 passengers for *Le Ponant Yacht*).

11.8.2 CDP reserves the right to cancel any other service other than the Cruise if the number of Passengers is less than 20 participants (unless specified otherwise).

11.9 Where CDP is the Organiser of the Cruise, and regardless of the reason for the cancellation, no compensation shall be payable to the Traveller, who shall have a choice between the following solutions: (i) The full refund of the price of the Contract, (ii) another Service at an identical price, (iii) a Service at a lower price, and the refund of the difference in price between the two Services on the

basis of the published prices. Travellers must inform CDP of their choice as soon as possible, and in any event prior to the cut-off date mentioned in the cancellation documents.

11.10 The means of transport that are the subject of the Services shall be reserved by CDP in accordance with the terms and conditions of each operator who provides these services. CDP reserves the right to substitute one means of transport for another, or one hotel for another in the same category. In the second case, if the hotel is in a lower category, the excess amount paid shall be refunded to the Travellers.

11.11 All the Services shall be offered within the limit of the places available. If there is no more room in the category proposed, CDP may offer additional places in exchange for a price supplement, depending on availability.

12. Liability

12.1 Where it acts in the capacity of a Sea Carrier, CDP shall be liable for any harm caused to Travellers in accordance with the provisions and compensation limits provided for in the following legislation, depending on their respective scopes of application, namely Articles L. 5421-1 to 5421-8 of the French Transport Code, and (EC) Regulation 392/2009 issued by the European Parliament and Council on 23 April 2009. Where this Regulation is applicable, the compensation limits assigned to the Carrier in the event of death or bodily harm amount to 400,000 drawing rights per Traveller and per event.

12.2 Where it acts in the capacity of a Sea Carrier, CDP shall be liable for any damage caused to luggage in accordance with the provisions and compensation limits provided for in the following legislation, depending on their respective scopes of application, namely Articles L. 5421-9 to 5421-12 of the French Transport Code, Decree No. 67-268 of 23 March 1967, as amended by Decree No. 86-1065 24 September 1986, and (EC) Regulation 392/2009 issued by the European Parliament and Council on 23 April 2009. Where this Regulation is applicable, the compensation limits assigned to the Carrier in the event of loss of or damage to luggage shall be 2,250 special drawing rights for each passenger and trip, while an excess of 149 special drawing rights per Traveller shall be applied in any event. Where (EC) Regulation 392/2009 does not apply, the maximum compensation for loss of or damage to luggage payable by the Carrier shall be €1,520 per Traveller and per trip.

12.3 In any event, where it acts in the capacity of a Sea Carrier, CDP shall benefit from the compensation limits included in the London International Convention of 19 November 1976, as amended by the 1996 Protocol; these limits shall prevail over any other limits determined by legislation where the application is not mandatory.

12.4 Where it operates as the Organiser of the Cruise, CDP shall be liable for any bodily harm or damage to property that occurs on board the ship or in its ancillary facilities or vessels during embarkation or disembarkation, or that occurs during carriage at sea within the same limits and under the same conditions as the Carrier. Where this damage or injury occurs outside such circumstances, but between the beginning and the end of the cruise, the compensation potentially payable to the Traveller by the Organiser of the Cruise and/or CDP shall be capped at 50% of the price of the Cruise.

12.5 Where it is involved in the capacity of the vendor of a fixed-price travel package within the meaning of the French Tourism Code, CDP shall be responsible for any harm or damage caused to Travellers or their luggage within the limits and conditions specified in Article L. 211-16 of said Code. CDP's liability may specifically not be engaged in relation to the consequences of the following events:

a) Loss or theft of the Tickets, failure to present the correct documents, or presentation of identity or health documents that are out of date or where the validity period is insufficient (identity card, passport, visas, and vaccination certificates, etc.), or that do not comply with the instructions mentioned in the documents delivered to the Traveller;

b) unforeseeable and unavoidable incidents or events that affect a third party to the travel contract (force majeure events). Where a cancellation is required by circumstances that have the nature of a force majeure event and/or for reasons relating to the security of Travellers, and/or as the result of an injunction issued by a French or foreign administrative authority.

12.6 CDP's liability in its capacity as the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or the Carrier, and/or the Vendor of a Package shall be expressly excluded in the case of non-pecuniary losses, loss of enjoyment and so-called punitive and or similar damages.

12.7 Where a Traveller is not allowed to embark on the ship – including after of during a port call – under the conditions mentioned in Articles 6, neither CDP, in its capacity as Organiser of the Cruise, and/or the Carrier, and/or the Vendor of a Package, nor the Captain of the ship, nor the crew shall be held liable on any grounds whatsoever.

12.8 CDP shall not be held liable for bodily harm, or damage to property or non-physical damage caused by wars, blockades, riots, strikes, social conflicts, acts of piracy or terrorism, epidemics or periods of quarantine, natural disasters and catastrophes, nuclear fusion, fission, pollution or explosion or its consequences, the closure of the port of departure, of call, or destination, the impounding, requisition, or seizure of the ship for whatever reason, the use of the ship for special Government purposes, or due simply to the threat of the above events. Moreover, it shall not be held liable for any harm caused by the Traveller's deliberate involvement in an affray or in a hazardous activity or action that was not rendered necessary in order to safeguard human life.

12.9 CDP shall not be held liable under any circumstances for any damage caused by the interruption and/or the alteration of the trip as the result of a force majeure event, including, wars, blockades, riots, strikes, social conflicts, acts of piracy or terrorism, epidemics or periods of quarantine, natural disasters and catastrophes, nuclear fusion, fission, pollution or explosion or its consequences, the closure of the port of departure, of call, or destination, the impounding, requisition, or seizure of the ship for whatever reason, the use of the ship for special Government purposes, or due simply to the threat of the above events.

12.10 In the event that CDP is responsible for transporting luggage during a period prior or subsequent to the disembarkation of the ship in its capacity as the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or the Carrier, and/or the Vendor of a Package, it shall act as a representative on the Traveller's behalf, and its liability shall not replace the liability of the carriers who are effectively responsible for transporting the luggage.

12.11 Luggage that is not claimed at the time when the ship or any other means of transport arrives shall remain at the port at the Travellers' expense and at their own risk.

12.12 Any delay in delivering the luggage that inconveniences the Traveller may only give rise to the payment of a compensation amount that cannot exceed 20% of the amount that would be payable in the event of the loss of the luggage stowed in the hold under the terms of Article 12.2. CDP reserves a period of 3 (three) months to look for lost luggage.

12.13 Unless a specific written contractual agreement is in place, ground or air transport, Transfers, water sports and scuba diving from the deck, services included in the Pre- and Post-Cruise Services, Excursions and/or Extensions, excursions on land, including, where applicable, the booking of hotels and restaurants and guided tours when booked from the ship with CDP and invoiced by the latter, are supplied by independent service providers who are neither representatives nor employees of the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, the Vendor of the Package, and/or CDP. Travellers shall use these services at their own risk, and CDP shall only be involved as an intermediary, in its capacity as the Organiser of the Cruise, the Carrier, and/or the Vendor of the Package, and shall not assume or engage any liability for the services, regardless of whether such liability involves bodily harm or damage to property, cancellation, delay or a change of programme.

12.14 Any Traveller who takes part in outside activities as part of the Expedition Cruises agrees to take part in them in good faith and solely at their own risk. In this case, participation engages the liability of each participant, in terms of their physical fitness, their safety, their behaviour, and their comfort. Travellers' attendance at the information briefings provided on board is mandatory. The liability of CDP, its Managing Directors, Directors, officers, crew members, and expedition team members, and the activity leaders cannot be engaged in the event of loss or damage suffered while taking part in outside activities offered during Expedition Cruises under any circumstances.

13. Price reviews

13.1 The prices proposed by CDP are established in accordance with the economic conditions on the day when they are published. These economic conditions include, inter alia, the cost of

transportation and fuel, the royalties and taxes relating to the services proposed (entry and/or exit duties in the countries visited, airport or port taxes, embarkation or disembarkation taxes, visa fees, and the cost of admission to tourist attractions), and the exchange rates used when setting the price of the programmes. CDP expressly reserves the right to review its prices. Any change in the cost of transportation and fuel, in taxes, royalties, in the euro and US dollar exchange rates, or special drawing rights and visa fees shall be fully reflected in the price of the trips, including travel agents' commissions, where applicable. Where the French Tourism Code applies, CDP also has the option to lower the Price pursuant to Article L. 211-12 of said Code, on the understanding that, in this case, no pricing review may occur less than 30 business days prior to the scheduled departure date.

13.2 Where the French Tourism Code applies, Travellers shall be informed of any increase in the Price via registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt – or via any other means as long as it enables the effective receipt of the correspondence to be proved – on the basis of a notice period of 30 (thirty) days prior to the departure date. When they receive this notice, the Passenger and/or the purchaser of the Ticket(s) may cancel their contract and receive an immediate refund of the amount paid by informing the Vendor in writing within a period of 7 (seven) days following receipt of the notice of the price increase.

Any daily surcharge (S) in the case of cruise services only shall be calculated as follows:

$$S = \frac{(\text{change in the price of fuel} \times \text{X daily consumption}^{**})}{\text{Capacity of the ship}^{***}}$$

(*) MGO FOB Rotterdam 0.1% in US\$

(**): *L'Austral*, *Le Boréal*, *Le Soléal* and *Le Lyrial*: 20 tonnes; *Le Ponant*: 5.5 tonnes; *Le Lapérouse* and *Le Champlain*: 10 tonnes

(***): *L'Austral*, *Le Boréal*, *Le Soléal* and *Le Lyrial*: 200 for Expedition Cruises and 244 for the other programmes; *Le Ponant*: 55; *Le Lapérouse* and *Le Champlain*: 172.

14. Travel Insurance

14.1 The sale of the Services by CDP does not include any kind of insurance.

14.2 Passengers shall be responsible for subscribing to cancellation/luggage/assistance/repatriation/medical insurance(s).

15. After-sales

15.1 Any comment or claim relating to a trip or stay must be sent by registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt, clearly specifying the alleged incident and loss, to either Compagnie du Ponant – 408 avenue du Prado 13008 Marseille, if the Traveller signed their Contract directly with CDP, or to the travel agency that sold them the Services, within a period of one month following the date of their return, subject to the statute of limitations. CDP encourages passengers to fill in the satisfaction questionnaires delivered on board the ship at the end of the Cruise.

15.2 Once they have contacted the After-Sales Departments mentioned in Article 14.1, and failing a satisfactory reply within a period of 60 days, the Traveller may contact the French Tourism and Travel Mediator, whose details and contact methods are available on the following website: www.mtv.travel.

15.3 Any proceedings initiated by the Traveller against CDP in its capacity as the Organiser of the Cruise, and/or the Carrier must be initiated within a period of 1 (one) year for damage to property and of 2 (two) years for bodily harm, subject to the statute of limitations as from the date when the Traveller disembarked or should have disembarked.

15.4 The statute of limitations for any proceedings against CDP in its capacity as the vendor of a Package shall expire within the timeframe specified by Articles 2224 and 2226 of the French Civil Code.

16. Applicable law & Jurisdiction

16.1 This Contract is governed by French law.

16.2 Only the courts in the area of the Marseille District Court, France, have jurisdiction to hear any proceedings initiated against CDP, its employees, subsidiaries, or sub-contractors, even in the event that third parties are involved.

17. Excerpt from the French Tourism Code:

The information contained in CDP's hard-copy brochures and on the company's website is the prior information provided to the Traveller and provided for by Article L. 211-9 of the French Tourism Code. However, in accordance with Article R. 211-5 of the French Tourism Code, Compagnie du Ponant expressly reserves the right to alter certain items prior to the signing of the Contract.

Excerpt from the French Tourism Code determining the conditions for performance of the activities relating to the organisation and sale of trips or stays:

Article R. 211-3: Subject to the exclusions provided for in the third and fourth sub-paragraphs of Article L. 211-7, any offer and sale of travel or accommodation services shall give rise to the delivery of appropriate documents that comply with the rules determined in this section.

In the event of the sale of airline travel tickets or tickets for travel on a regular shipping line, which does not include services relating to this transportation, the vendors shall deliver one or several passenger tickets for the entire trip to the purchaser, issued by the carrier or under their responsibility. In the event of on-request transportation, the name and the address of the carrier on behalf of whom the tickets are issued must be mentioned.

The separate invoicing of the various components of the same travel package shall not release the vendor from the obligations incumbent on them as a result of the regulatory provisions in this section.

Article R. 211-3-1: The exchange of pre-contractual information on the availability of contractual terms shall be in writing. This process may take place via e-mail under the validity and performance conditions provided for in Articles 1369-1 to 1369-11 of the French Civil Code. The vendor's name or company name and their address shall be mentioned, together with the number relating to their registration on the register provided for under Sub-Paragraph a) of Article L. 141-3, or, where applicable, their name, address and a number relating to their registration with the association or union mentioned in the second sub-paragraph of Article R. 211-2.

Article R. 211-4: The vendor or must disclose information on the price, dates, and the other components of the services provided at the time of the trip or the stay to the consumer prior to the signing of the contract; this information shall include:

- 1) The destination, the means, the characteristic features, and the categories of transport used;
- 2) The accommodation type, its location, its level of comfort and its main characteristic features, its accreditation and its tourism classification in accordance with the regulations or practices of the host country;
- 3) The catering services provided;
- 4) A description of the itinerary where a tour is involved;
- 5) The administrative and health formalities to be performed by French nationals or by nationals of another EU Member State, or of a State that is party to the European Economic Area Agreement, specifically in the event that the crossing of borders is involved, together with the timeframe for performing those formalities;
- 6) The tours, excursions, and other services included in the fixed-price, or that may be available in exchange for a price supplement;
- 7) The minimum or maximum size of the group that will enable the trip or stay to go ahead, as well as the cut-off date for informing the consumer in the event that the trip or stay is cancelled, if the trip or stay going ahead is dependent on a minimum number of participants; that date cannot be set at less than twenty-one days prior to the departure date;
- 8) The amount or the percentage of the price payable as an advance on signing of the contract, as well as the timetable for payment of the balance;
- 9) The terms and conditions for price reviews, as provided for by the contract, pursuant to Article R. 211-8;
- 10) The contractual cancellation terms and conditions;
- 11) The cancellation terms and conditions set out in Articles R. 211-9, R. 211-10, and R. 211-8;
- 12) The information relating to optional subscription to an insurance policy covering the consequences of certain cancellation events, or to an assistance policy covering certain specific risks, including repatriation expenses in the event of an accident or illness;
- 13) Where the contract includes air transport services, the information for each leg of the flight, as provided for in Articles R. 211-15 to R. 211-18.

Article R. 211-5: The prior information provided to the consumer shall commit the vendor, unless

the vendor specifically has the right to alter certain aspects of that information. In that case, the vendor must clearly specify the extent of that alteration, and which aspects it covers. In any event, any alterations made to the prior information must be disclosed to the consumer prior to the signing of the contract.

Article R. 211-6: The contract entered into by the vendor and the purchaser must be in writing, and drawn up in two copies, one of which shall be given to the purchaser, and signed by both parties. Where the contract is entered into via electronic means, Articles 1369-1 to 1369-11 of the French Civil Code shall apply. The contract must include the following clauses:

- 1) the name and address of the vendor, their guarantor and their insurance company, together with the name and address of the organiser;
- 2) the trip destination or destinations, and the various periods and their dates in the event of a segmented trip;
- 3) the means of transport used, and their characteristic features and categories, and the departure and return dates and locations;
- 4) the accommodation type, its location, comfort level and main characteristic features, and its tourism classification pursuant to the regulations or practices of the host country;
- 5) the catering services provided;
- 6) the itinerary where a tour is involved;
- 7) the tours, excursions or other services included in the total price of the trip or stay;
- 8) the total price of the services invoiced, together with an indication of any potential review of that invoice pursuant to the provisions of Article R. 211-8;
- 9) an indication, where necessary, of the royalties or taxes relating to certain services such as landing disembarkation or embarkation taxes at ports and airports, and hotel taxes when they are not included in the price of the service or services provided;
- 10) the timetable and procedures for payment of the price; the final payment made by the purchaser cannot be less than 30% of the price of the trip or stay, and must be made at the time when the documents enabling the trip or stay to take place are delivered;
- 11) the special terms and conditions requested by the purchaser and accepted by the vendor;
- 12) the procedures according to which the purchaser may lodge a claim against the vendor on the grounds of their failure to execute, or their poor execution of the contract; this claim must be made as soon as possible, via any means that enables an acknowledgement of receipt by the vendor to be obtained (fax, e-mail, or registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt), and, where applicable, mentioned in writing to the organiser of the trip and to the service provider concerned;
- 13) the cut-off date for informing the purchaser in the event that the trip or stay is cancelled by the vendor if the trip or stay going ahead is dependent on a minimum number of participants, in accordance with the provisions of Sub-Paragraph 7) of Article R. 211-4;
- 14) the contractual cancellation terms and conditions;
- 15) the cancellation conditions provided for in Articles R. 211-9, R. 211-10, and R. 211-11;
- 16) further information regarding the risks covered, and the amount of the cover provided by the insurance policy covering the consequences of the vendor's professional third-party liability;
- 17) information regarding the insurance policy covering the consequences of certain cancellation cases subscribed by the purchaser (policy number and name of the insurance company), together with the information regarding the assistance policy covering certain specific risks, including repatriation expenses in the event of an accident or illness; in this case, the vendor must give the purchaser a document specifying the risks covered and the risks excluded, at the very least;
- 18) the cut-off date for informing the vendor in the event that the purchaser transfers the contract;
- 19) an undertaking to provide the following information to the purchaser, at least 10 days prior to their scheduled departure date:
 - a) the name, address, and telephone number of the vendor's local representative, or else, the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of local organisations likely to assist the consumer in the event of a problem, or else the telephone number enabling emergency contact to be made with the vendor;
 - b) in the event of trips and stays abroad involving minors, a telephone number and an address that enables direct contact with the child or the person in situ responsible for their stay to be established;
- 20) the clause governing the cancellation and refund, free of charge, of the amounts paid by the purchaser in the event of non-compliance with the information obligation provided for in Sub-Paragraph 13) of Article R. 211-4;
- 21) the undertaking to inform the purchaser of the departure and arrival times in good time prior to the beginning of the trip or the stay.

Article R. 211-7: The purchaser may transfer their contract for the trip or stay to a transferee who meets the same conditions as them, as long as the contract has not taken effect. Unless the transferor benefits from a more favourable clause, they are required to inform the vendor of their decision via any means that enables an acknowledgement of receipt to be obtained (fax, e-mail, or registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt) at least seven days prior to the beginning of the trip. This deadline shall be extended to 15 days where it involves a cruise. This transfer shall not be subject to prior authorisation by the vendor under any circumstances.

Article R. 211-8: Where the contract includes an express price review option, within the limits provided for in Article L. 211-12, it must mention the specific calculation procedures for the price changes, in the case of both increases and decreases, and specifically the amount of the transportation expenses and related taxes, the currency or currencies that may have an impact on the price of the trip or the stay, the portion of the price to which the change applies, and the exchange rate for the currency or currencies used as a benchmark when determining the price shown in the contract.

Article R. 211-9: Where the vendor finds themselves required to alter one of the key aspects of the contract prior to the purchaser's departure, such as by significantly increasing the price, and where they ignore the information obligation mentioned in Sub-Paragraph 13) of Article R. 211-4, the purchaser may take the following measures, without prejudice to any appeals for compensation for the loss that they may suffer, and once they have been informed by the vendor via any means that enables an acknowledgement of receipt to be obtained (fax, e-mail, or registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt, etc.):

- either cancel the contract and obtain immediate repayment of the amounts paid with no penalty;
- or accept the change or the substitute trip proposed by the vendor; in that case, an amendment to the contract specifying the alterations made shall then be signed by the parties; any price decrease shall be deducted from the amounts that may remain payable by the purchaser, and if the payment already made by the latter exceeds the price of the altered service, the excess amount must be returned to them prior to their departure date.

Article R. 211-10: In the event provided for in Article L. 211-14, where the vendor cancels the trip or the stay prior to the purchaser's departure, they must inform the purchaser via any means that enables an acknowledgement of receipt to be obtained (fax, e-mail, or registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt, etc.); the purchaser shall then obtain immediate repayment of the amounts paid from the vendor without any penalty, without prejudice to any claims for compensation for any loss that they may have suffered; in this case, the purchaser shall receive a compensation amount that is at least equal to the penalty that they would have paid if they had been responsible for the cancellation on this date.

The provisions of this article shall not prevent the reaching of an amicable agreement with a view to the purchaser accepting a replacement trip or stay offered by the vendor under any circumstances.

Article R. 211-11: Where the vendor finds themselves unable to provide a major portion of the services provided for in the agreement, and which account for a significant percentage of the price paid by the purchaser after the latter's departure, the vendor must immediately take the following measures, without prejudice to the claims for compensation for any losses that may have been suffered:

- either offer services as a replacement for the services provided for, and potentially bear any additional cost, and, if the services accepted by the purchaser are of a lower quality, the vendor must refund the price difference to them as soon as they return;
- or, if they cannot offer any replacement service, or if that service is refused by the purchaser on valid grounds, provide the purchaser with transportation tickets enabling them to return to their place of departure under conditions that may be considered as equivalent, or to another place agreed by both parties, at no additional cost. The provisions of this article shall apply in the event of non-compliance with the obligation provided for in Sub-Paragraph 13) of Article R. 211-4.

Article R. 211-12: The provisions of Articles R. 211-3 to R. 211-11 must be included in the brochures and the travel contracts offered by the persons mentioned in Article L. 211-1.

Article R. 211-13: The purchaser can no longer claim the benefit of the clause provided for under Sub-Paragraph 20 of Article R. 211-61 once the service has been provided.

Particular Terms and Conditions of Sale

1 - The rates of our cruises are per person and include the following:

- All meals while on board the ship (from dinner on the day of embarkation to breakfast on the day of disembarkation)
- Captain's welcome cocktail and gala dinner
- "Open Bar" (pouring wines, house champagne, alcohol except premium brands. List available upon request)
- Evening entertainment and events
- Room service 24h (special selection)
- Highly qualified bilingual French/English expedition team on all cruises identified by "Expedition" logo
- English speaking lecturer on selected sailings identified by "lecturer on board" logo
- English speaking golf escort on selected sailings identified by "golf cruise" logo
- English speaking dive master on selected sailings identified by "dive on board" logo
- Water sports activities (except scuba diving) using the ship's equipment, when permitted by local authorities and confirmed by ship Master according to safety and sea conditions onsite
- Park entry fees into protected areas

1-1 Our Antarctica "Cruise, Flights" & Transfers" program rates are per person and also include:

- "Cruise, Flights & Transfers" Programs for expedition voyages **Ushuaia-Ushuaia**: flights Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires
 - "Cruise, Flights & Transfers" Program for expedition voyages **Ushuaia-Montevideo** and **Montevideo-Ushuaia**: one-way flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia or Ushuaia/Buenos-Aires
 - "Cruise, Flight & Transfer" Program for expedition voyage **Ushuaia-Capetown**: one-way flight Buenos-Aires/Ushuaia
 - Meet and Greet by our representatives in Ushuaia and direct luggage transfer from the airport to the ship for port clearance
 - On embarkation days in Ushuaia: transfer to the Arakur Resort located inside Cerro Araken natural Reserve, enjoy time at leisure and lunch
 - On disembarkation days in Ushuaia: direct transfer from the ship to the airport (not included on Ushuaia - Montevideo cruise)
 - In case of the Traveller's opposition, prior to the Signing of the Contract, to the Flights & Transfers Service included in the Fixed-rate Package, a penalty fee of 30% of the Service amount excluding taxes will be charged to the Traveller.
 - Complimentary boot rental (except for guarantee deposit)
 - Complimentary polar parka for you to keep (no children sizes available)
- All flights indicated and included in the cruise package are in economy class.

1-2 Our "Cruise, Flights" and Transfers" program rates are per person and also include:

- o **"Valparaiso-Ushuaia"**: on disembarkation day – direct transfer from the ship to the airport. Flight Ushuaia/Buenos Aires
[On cruises S071118 and B241118](#)
- Complimentary boot rental (except for guarantee deposit)
- Complimentary polar parka for you to keep (no children sizes available)
[On cruise A011118](#)
- Complimentary boot rental (except for guarantee deposit)
- o **"Ushuaia-Valparaiso"**: on embarkation day –flight Buenos Aires/Ushuaia, meet and greet by our representatives in Ushuaia, transfer to the Arakur Resort located inside Cerro Araken natural Reserve, enjoy time at leisure and lunch
[On cruise B040319](#)
- Complimentary boot rental (except for guarantee deposit)
- o **"Cayenne-Manaus"**: on disembarkation day, coach transfer from port to the Manaus airport, for flight Manaus-Miami
- o **"Manaus-Cayenne"**: on embarkation day, flight Miami-Manaus, meet and greet at the airport followed by direct coach transfer to the port of Manaus
- o **"Noumea-Honiara"**: on disembarkation day, coach transfer from port to the Honiara airport, for flight Honiara-Brisbane
- o **"Honiara-Cairns"**: on embarkation day, flight Brisbane-Honiara, meet and greet at the airport followed by coach transfer to the port of Honiara.
- In case of the Traveller's opposition, prior to the Signing of the Contract, to the Flights & Transfers Service included in the Fixed-rate Package, a penalty fee of 30% of the Service amount excluding taxes will be charged to the Traveller.

Those flights are being studied and are subject to change until the flight plan is confirmed and this up to 3 months prior to each cruise. All flights indicated and included in the cruise package are in economy class.

2 - Our cruise rates do not include:

- The optional excursion "Tierra del Fuego National Park" on embarkation days in Ushuaia. This excursion must be prebooked and paid at least 3 months prior to departure.
 - Any ground services before and/or after the cruise other than the ones mentioned in each "Cruise, Flights & Transfers" package and for which details are available upon request. Don't hesitate to contact your travel agent or consult [au.ponant.com](#)
 - The optional pre and post cruise programs, overlands and excursions presented in this brochure and on [au.ponant.com](#)
 - Visa expenses (which may include additional administrative charges imposed by the authorities of a country) and/or immigration reciprocity taxes if applicable.
 - Gratuities to onboard crew, local guides and drivers
 - Luggage handling
 - Optional Spa package to be booked prior your departure
 - Beverages other than the ones mentioned
 - Dives when authorised by local authorities and feasible with ship equipment and zodiacs.
- Rates: 70 € per standard dive; 80€ per dive when local equipment or staff must be used, 80€ for a "discover scuba dive" course, on some cruises a dive package might be on offer. In order to participate to diving sessions, guests must have with them a medical certificate less than 1-year-old and their up to date dive book.
- Laundry services, hair salon and à la carte Spa treatments
 - Personal expenses, on board medical consultations and drug prescriptions
 - Cancellation/luggage/assistance/repatriation/medical insurance(s)

3 - Ground services

Ground services in the port of departure, transfers to the ship, including, as applicable, hotel room and restaurant bookings or guided tours, are performed by independent suppliers who are not employees of Compagnie du Ponant. In this respect, Compagnie du Ponant acts only as an agent and shall not be held liable for said services or for the acts or omissions of subcontractors or other contractors. The passenger agrees that Compagnie du Ponant acts as agent and/or trustee for any person including ground and maritime agents and subcontractors, who provide any service forming, or in connection with, any part of the cruise.

Our Cruise and Flights package programs are made in connection with Compagnie du Ponant selected regular or private charter flights. Final timings and schedule of the day by day program will be communicated with the cruise ticket. All our programs are based on economy class air and according to number of seats available. If the class is not available anymore, we will suggest, depending on the availability, extra seats with a supplement.

On International flights, check-in luggage is limited to 23kg/50lbs and 8kg/11 to 17lbs per person for carry-on luggage (besides airlines frequent flyer advantages). On regular domestic or intercontinental flights, check-in luggage limits are between 15 and 20 kg/33 to 44lbs and 5 to 8kg/11lbs per person for carry-on. On Compagnie du Ponant Private charter flights, check-in luggage is limited to 23 kg/50lbs and 5kg/11lbs maximum per person as carry-on. We thank you for taking these restrictions into account. Airline carriers charge for extra weight and sometimes refuse, for strict security reasons, to check-in overweight and oversized luggage. Compagnie du Ponant and the airline carriers waive all liability for luggage with extra weight that is refused at the check-in.

3-1 Services included in "Cruise, flights and Transfers packages":

Packages "Cruise, Flights and Transfers" include ground services before and/or after the cruise as described in documents available 12 months prior departure of each cruise and available on [au.ponant.com](#). However, the complete details will only be made available once the flight times have been confirmed (approximately 3 months prior to departure).

3-2 Ground activities included during expedition cruises itself:

By choosing an expedition cruise, passengers agree to follow the rules of good conduct presented by the expedition team during the cruise. We remind you that being properly equipped is essential (clothing, sunglasses, etc.) and we recommend bringing binoculars to enable you to observe the wildlife comfortably and respectfully during your excursions and shore visits.

3-3 Pre and post-cruise programs and pre bookable tours:

Pre and Post-cruise programs (as detailed on [au.ponant.com](#)), pre bookable tours and shore excursions are performed by independent suppliers who are not employees of Compagnie du Ponant. In this respect, Compagnie du Ponant acts only as an agent and shall not be held liable for said services or for the acts or omissions of sub-contractors or other contractors.

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Hotel accommodations are based on 4 and 5-star rated hotels. Official check-in time is 4pm, check-out time is 11am unless early check-in or late check-out supplement are paid.

Travellers are advised to check all the information with the authorities concerned prior to the departure date. CDP advises Travellers to consult the country factsheets relating to the chosen destinations. CDP specifically draws Travellers' attention to the fact that the information provided may change up until the departure date, and they are advised to consult that information up until the time of departure. CDP invites Travellers to adjust their behavior to the visited country, to exercise vigilance and to avoid carrying valuable objects during their travel.

3-4 Shore excursions:

Unless otherwise noted, shore excursions are sold and charged on board and are ruled by general conditions that apply to the contract signed with the local tour operator and the relevant national regulations. The passenger agrees that CDP acts as agent and/or trustee for any person including ground and maritime agents and subcontractors, who provide any service in connection with any part of the cruise.

Excursions can involve activities that may not suit persons with disabilities. Prices are only given as an indication and may change. Before departure, you will receive a tour program detailing the excursions on offer with the latest rates. Five months before cruise departure, shore excursions can also be viewed on [au.ponant.com](#). Shore excursions are currently only bookable onboard. In the event of an excursion being cancelled due to a technical reason, shortage of participants or a case of force majeure, the client will not be eligible for any compensation.

Please note that you will not be reimbursed for excursions if you cancel after registration. Any meals offered during excursions are simple and should not be compared to the standards on board the ship.

3-4-1 Cruises with Complimentary Shore Excursions:

If your selected cruise mentions "complimentary shore excursions", one excursion per day, per port of call and per person is free from the selection of free tours. Other shore excursions might be available for sale; you will find the price in your cruise documents.

The complimentary shore excursions are non-changeable, nor exchangeable with the shore excursions or overlands which are available for sale, they are also non-refundable. The shore excursion credit associated to the loyalty program does not apply on cruises with complimentary shore excursions.

In case you decide not to participate on those complimentary shore excursions, we kindly ask you, for organizational reasons, to inform the Shore Excursions desk onboard.

The tours are subject to a minimum and/or maximum of participants, each reservation will be confirmed onboard based on availability. PONANT thanks you in advance for your understanding in the event of cancellation of a tour due to the lack of participants or if the maximum number of participants has been reached.

Your invitation to our Information Events



We would like to invite you and your friends to attend one of our upcoming information events held in a capital city near you.

During our presentations we share with you carefully chosen and designed itineraries, enabling you to access the treasures of the world via the sea.

The PONANT team will be on hand to meet you and answer your questions. Light refreshments will be provided. And don't miss the exclusive offers that will also be available on the day.

Feel free to let your friends know, even if you are not able to attend.

To obtain the dates and times and register for these events, contact your Travel Agent or our Cruise Consultants at PONANT: Phone 1300 737 178 (Australia) or 0800 44 32 62 (New Zealand) or email reservations.aus@ponant.com.

Spaces are strictly limited so we advise registering your interest early to avoid disappointment.

We look forward to meeting you!



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