# FALKLANDS (MALVINAS) & SOUTH GEORGIA

# 15 DAYS / 14 NIGHTS

# **Itinerary**

- A wilderness experience in the Southern Ocean
- · The Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas)
- · In-depth visit to South Georgia

## Day 1 / Port Stanley, Embarkation

Pick up at the airport in Port Stanley, town visit, and embarkation.

## Day 2 / Saunders Island, Carcass Island

During a morning visit to Saunders Island, we enjoy the long white-sand beach. A wilderness experience, the main attractions there are rockhopper penguins, nesting black-browed albatross, and sub-Antarctic gentoo penguins. In the afternoon we visit Carcass Island. There is an option for an easy hike to the settlement, bird watching, and a typical Falklands tea experience.

## Day 3 / New Island, Weddell Island

We visit New Island, a classic West Falklands experience, with albatross & penguin colonies. Depending on local conditions, in the afternoon we could visit Weddell Island.

#### Day 4 / Bleaker Island

Morning landing at Bleaker Island, a natural reserve with a famous bird area featuring a large variety of birds. In the afternoon, we head to South Georgia.

#### **Day 5-6** / At Sea

As we sail towards South Georgia, attend an engaging program of lectures and presentations. In the company of expert guides, watch for wildlife from the lounge or from the outside decks. You may spot magnificent seabirds, such as albatrosses and petrels, as well as different species of whales.

#### Day 7 / Elsehul Bay

Depending on sea conditions over the previous days, arrival is planned for the afternoon. Provided we receive approval from the South Georgia government, we plan to do an evening Zodiac cruise at Elsehul Bay.

#### Day 8 / Grytviken, Fortuna Bay

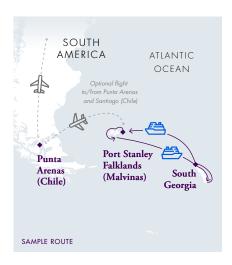
Our first landing is at Grytviken. We clear Customs and then visit a historical site with the South Georgia Museum and Ernest Shackleton's grave.



In the afternoon, we land at Fortuna Bay / Stromness to see king penguins. Here we learn more about Shackleton and his expedition, and there is also an optional 2-3 hour "Shackleton walk."

# **Day 9** / Gold Harbour, Cooper Bay

In the morning, we plan a landing at Gold Harbour, a spectacular location with king penguins, elephant seals, and hanging glaciers. There are also sooty albatrosses here. In the afternoon and on a Zodiac cruise, we visit Cooper Bay to see macaroni penguins.



### Day 10 / St Andrews Bay, Ocean Harbour

St Andrews Bay is the destination of our morning excursion. We see the largest king penguin colony, and elephant seal bulls. In the afternoon, we plan a Zodiac cruise and landing at Ocean Harbour. The highlights here are a shipwreck and the remains of the whaling industry.

#### Day 11 / Prion Island, Salisbury Plain

In the morning, we plan to visit Prion Island to see the nesting wandering albatross. In the afternoon, we head to Salisbury Plain for more king penguins and stunning landscapes.

#### Day 12-14 / At Sea

As we make our way back to the Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas), our program of lectures and presentations continues.

#### Day 15 / Port Stanley, Disembarkation

Upon arrival at Port Stanley, we disembark and transfer to the airport for the departing flight.



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