

# My Experience in Antarctica

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## Antarctica....That's Hot!!

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脫離港式買樓輪迴 12萬積蓄尋夢

### 80後會計師辭職闖南極

會考9A狀元，放棄數萬月薪，「自降身價」駕巴士的報道，惹來坊間不少談論。原來這股80後辭職尋夢的現象，近期似成潮流。網上「辭職去南極」專頁的作者，亦是辭了前景不俗的會計師工作隻身去旅行，獲許多網民激讚與羨慕。

記者：畢嘉敏、黃璋琛

近日在facebook、《U-Travel》博客等社交平台出現的「辭職去南極」專頁，作者自稱是80後會計師，年初辭去四大會計師行工作，月初帶着12萬元積蓄，開始南極之旅，沿途用文字和圖畫記錄旅程，預計一個月後回港。

作者博文所述，她的計劃不獲親友支持：「在這個買樓買樓還是買樓的香港，跟別人說你拿十幾萬去旅行看企鵝，等同自殺。」

網民勁Like 8000個讚

然而在網絡上，這名80後會計師的行動卻引來極大反響。「辭職去南極」的facebook專頁，由月初設立至今，已獲得近八千個「讚」。不少人表示，佩服作者追尋夢想的勇氣和決心，亦有人羨慕她「脫離港式買樓輪迴」。

同樣是80後的鄧小姐，在食品檢測業工作兩年感到毫無拼勁，經一年計劃和儲錢，2008年參加澳洲工作假

「辭職去南極」作者現時仍未返港，她表示下月中才回來，之後才接受傳媒訪問。（資料圖片）

的士行錯路

## 南極自在觀

鄭文雅  
Antarctica by Olivia Cheng

15. 6. 2013

14:00	開幕	Opening Ceremony
	新書發佈會	Book Launch
16:00 - 17:00	分享講座	Seminar
10:00 - 19:00	攝影展	Photo Gallery

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10:00 - 17:00	攝影展	Photo Gallery
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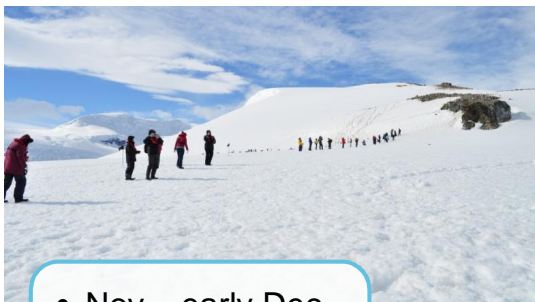
# Factual Information



- 5th largest continent (i.e. 11.9mil sq. km)
- Northernmost point ~ 63S
- Continent with average highest elevation (~ 2400m)
- Average annual rainfall depth of 150mm
- Largest icesheet on earth (i.e. cover 90% freshwater)
- Sea level increased by ~ 60m if melt



# Travel Season



- Nov – early Dec
- White snow
- Courting season for penguins & birds

Late Spring / Early Summer

Full Summer

- Mid Dec - Jan
- Penguin chicks



Late Summer

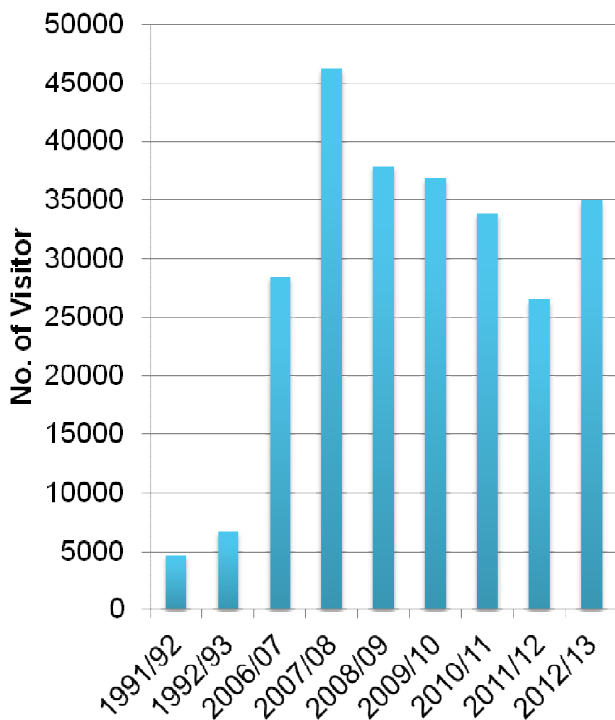


- Feb - March
- Marine animals

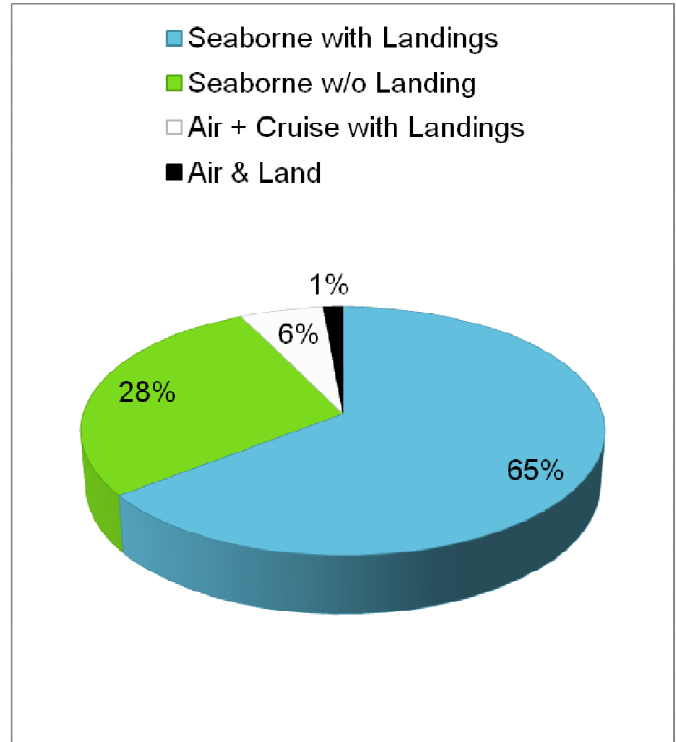




## Growth of Tourism



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## Antarctic Treaty

- Signed by 12 nations in 1959 and in force in 1961, currently having 50 signatory nations
- Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty in 1991, which designates the Antarctic as a natural reserve
- Recommendation XVIII-1 adopted at the Antarctic Treaty Meeting, Kyoto, 1994, covering:-
  - Protect Antarctic Wildlife
  - Respect Protected Areas
  - Respect Scientific Research
  - Be Safe
  - Keep Antarctica Pristine

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# Guidance for Visitors to the Antarctica

- Landing and Transport Requirements - New general guidelines adopted in 2011
  - 1 ship at 1 site at 1 time
  - No landing for vessels with 500+ pax
  - Max 100 pax for every landing
  - Maintain 1:20 guide to pax ratio



- IAATO - to promote the "safe and environmentally responsible" travel
  - Found in 1991 by 7 companies and currently 100+ members
  - Walk slow
  - 5m from animals / birds
  - Avoid cut off the route for animals to sea
  - Be obedience

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## Gateway to Antarctica



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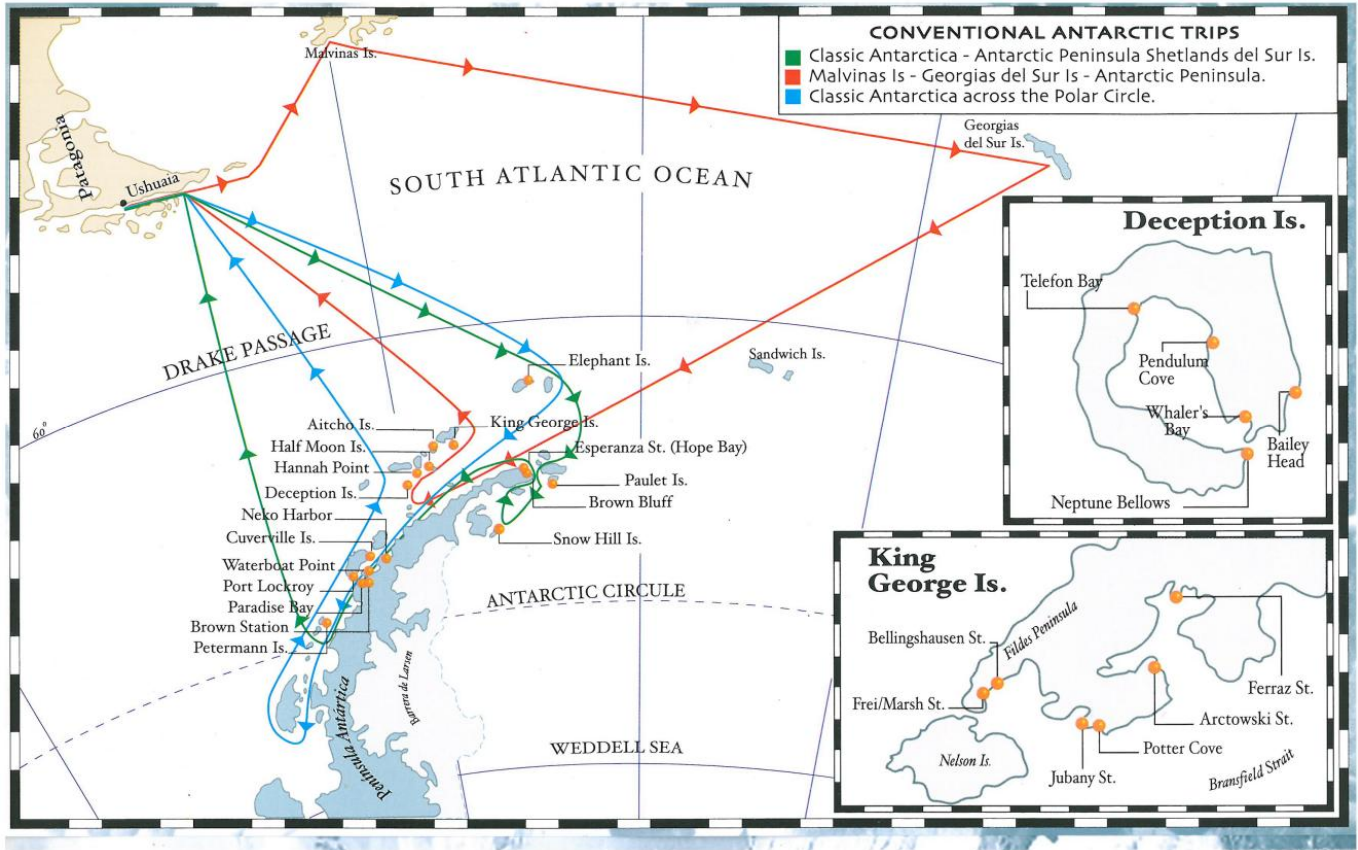
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# Conventional Antarctic Trips



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# Drake Passage



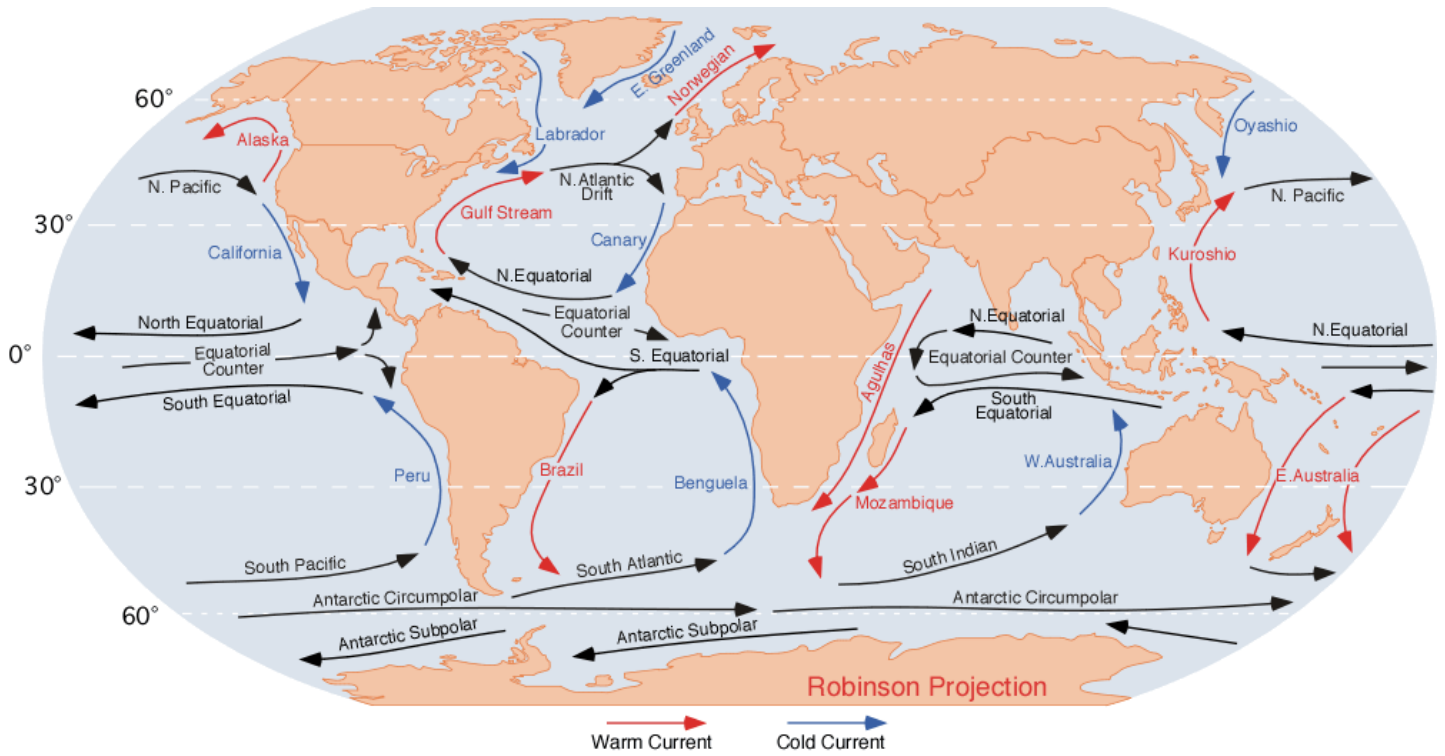
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# Antarctic Circumpolar Current



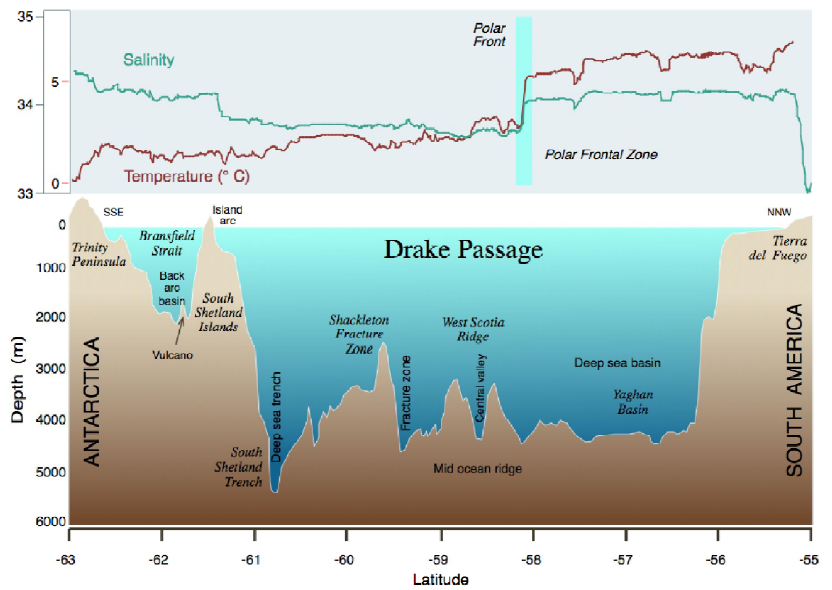
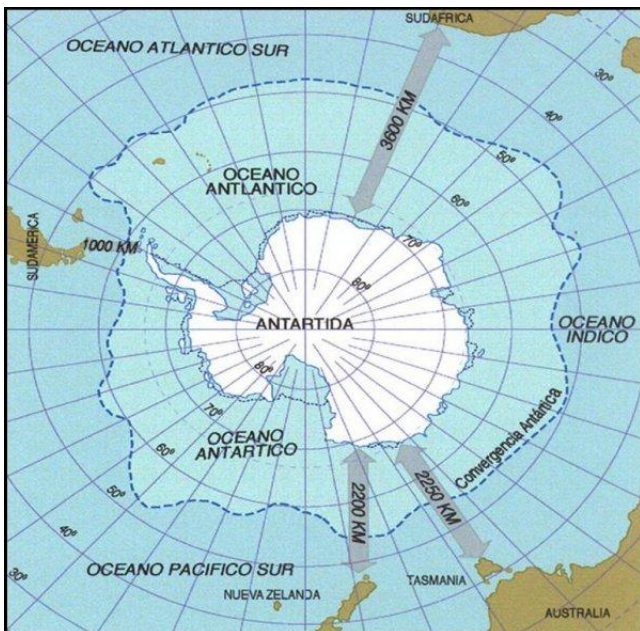
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# Antarctic Convergence



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# Expedition Cruise

- **M/S Expedition (G Adventure)**
- Ice class: Swedish/ Finnish 1B  
Length: 105.23 metres (345 feet)  
Breadth: 18.63 meters  
Cruising Speed: 16 knots
- Capacity: 130 passengers
- Covered motor lifeboats 4 pcs  
capacity of 192 people.



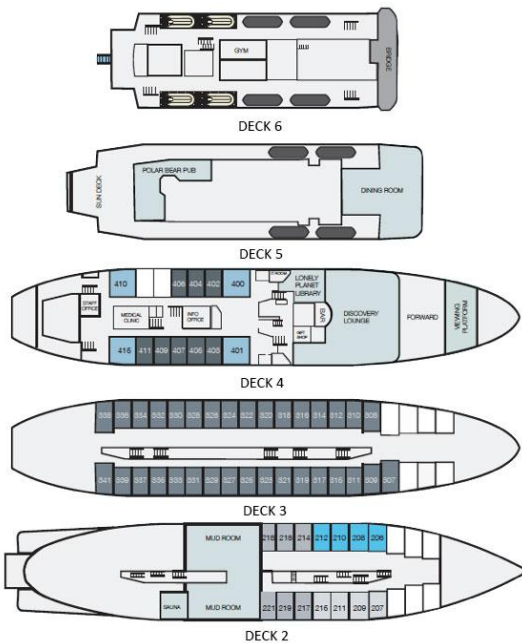
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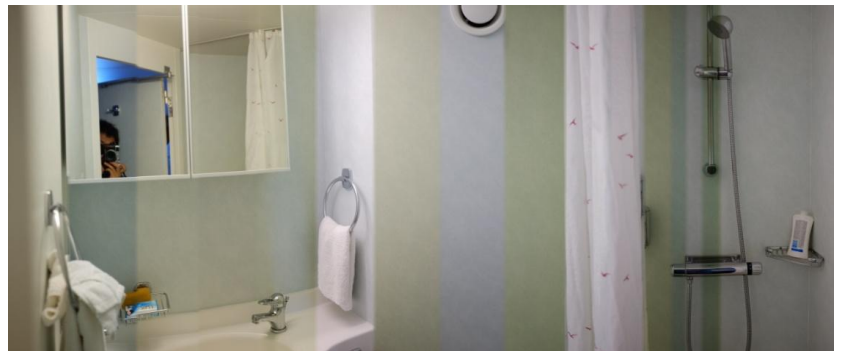
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## Cruise Floor Plan



### CABIN DESCRIPTIONS

CATEGORY 1	1 upper berth, 2 lower berths, en-suite washroom, Porthole
CATEGORY 1A	2 upper berths, 2 lower berths, en-suite washroom, Porthole
CATEGORY 2	2 lower berths, en-suite washroom, Porthole
CATEGORY 3	2 lower berths, en-suite washroom, Window
CATEGORY 4	2 lower berths, en-suite washroom, Window
CATEGORY 5	Queen bed, Lounge area, en-suite washroom, Large Window



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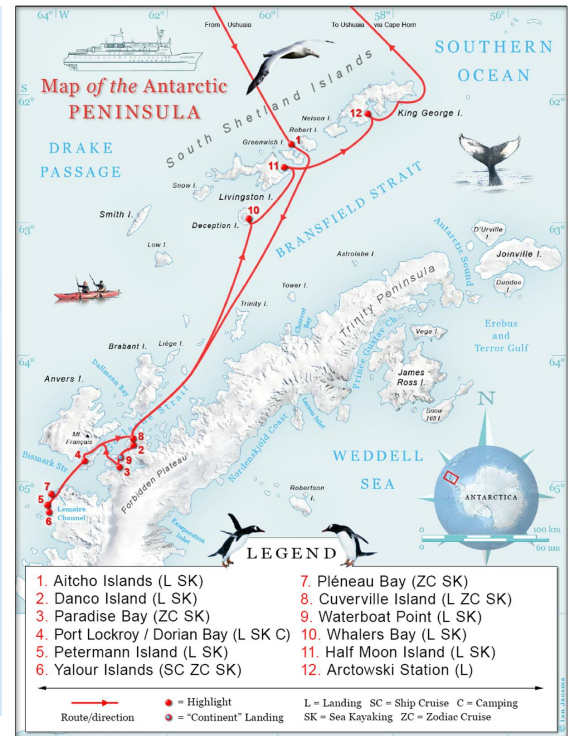
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# Trip Itinerary – Classic Antarctica (12-day)

November 30<sup>th</sup> to December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 | Total Distance = 1,773 Nautical Miles



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## Expedition Team

- Marine Biologist
- Naturalist
- Geologist
- Historian
- Doctor
- Zodiac Driver
- Kayaking Master
- Camp Leader
- Photographer
- Musician



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# Lectures and Discovery Lounge



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# Dinning Room



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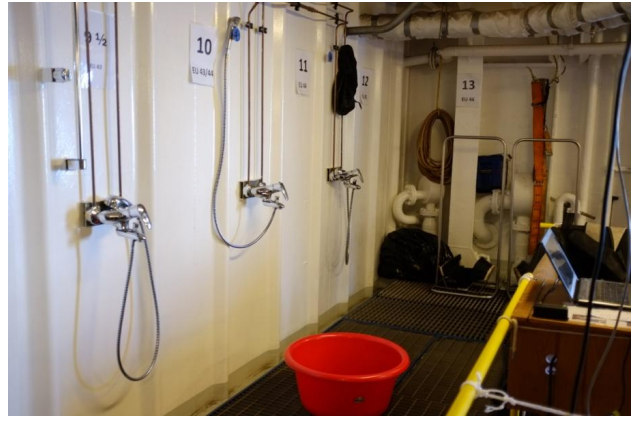
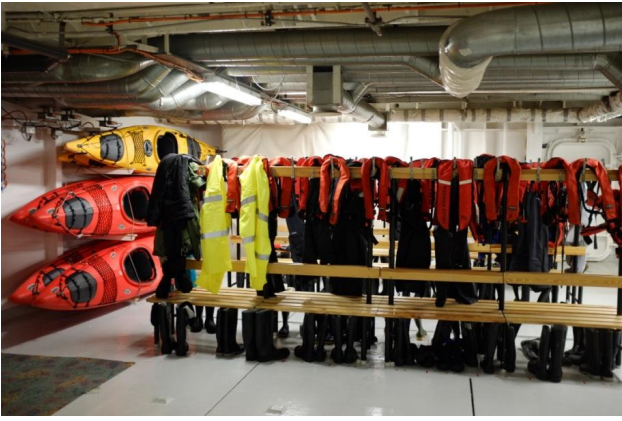
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# Mud Room



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# Gear Up?!



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# The White Continent



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# The White Continent



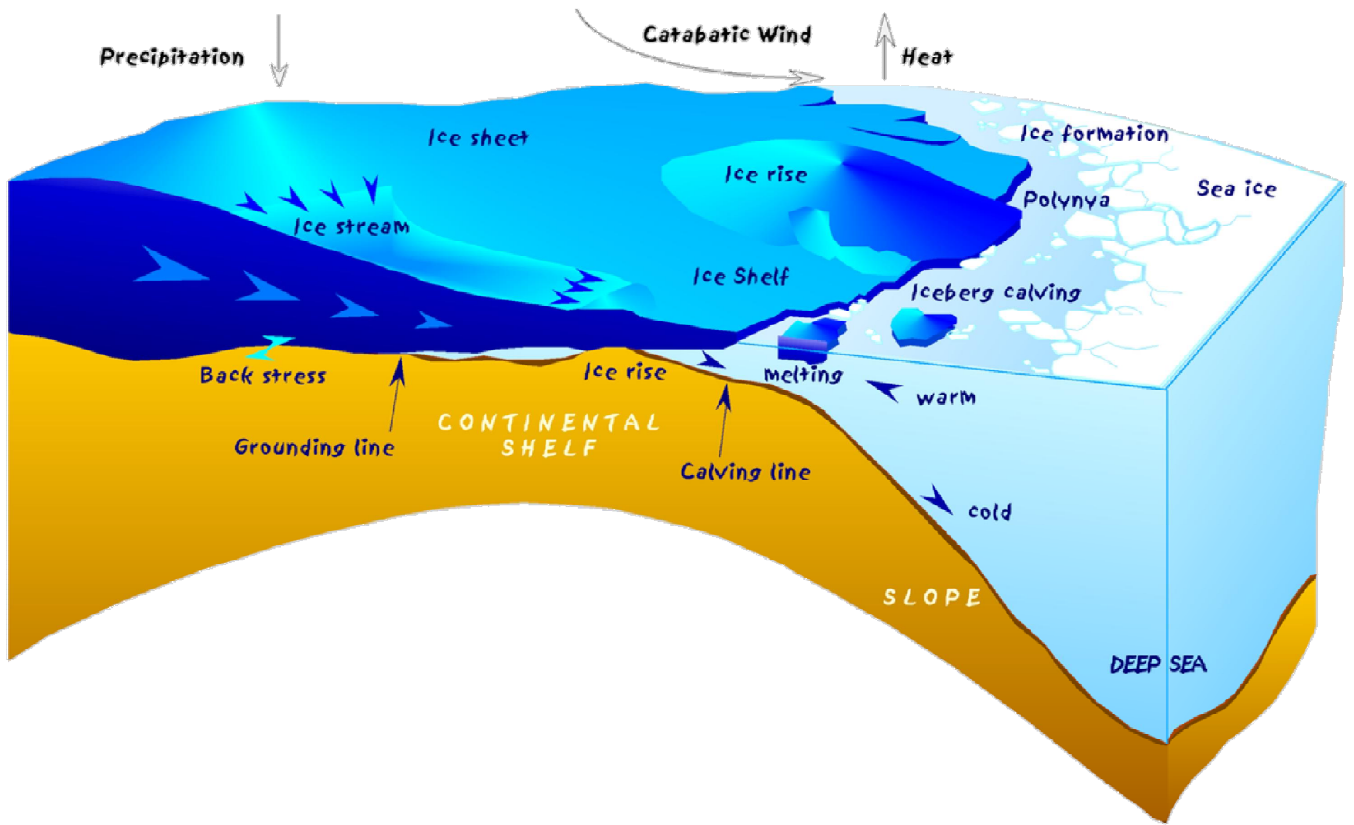
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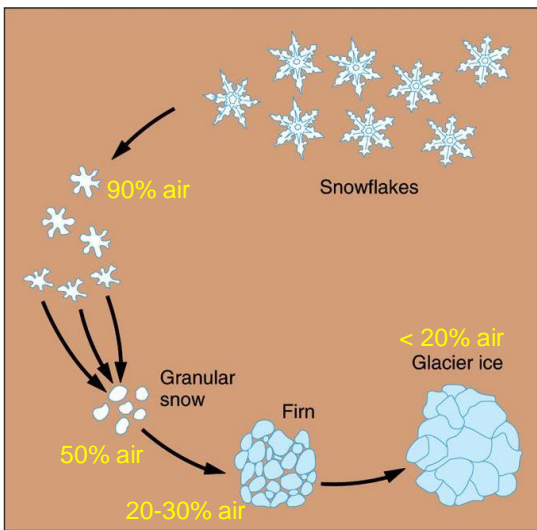


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# Iceberg, iceshelf and sea ice



# The Iceberg Blues





# What's behind...



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# Deception Island



*An aerial view of Deception Island*



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# Historical Site & Monument – Port Lockroy



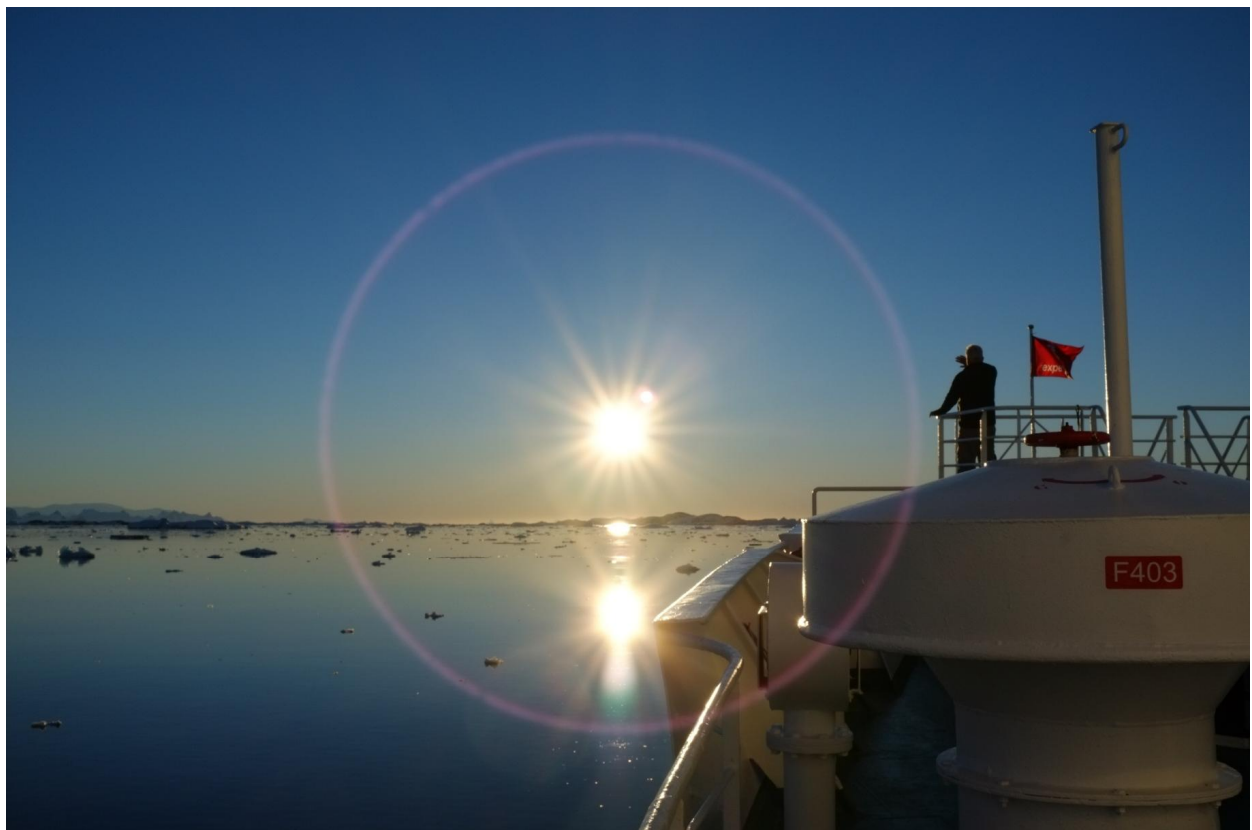
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# The White Continent (Sunset)



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# Antarctic Wildlife



Snowy Sheathbill



Pintado Petrel



Southern Elephant Seal



Antarctic Shag



Antarctic Minke Whale



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# Penguin Colony



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# Kingdom of Penguins

Adelie Penguin



Gentoo Penguin



Chinstrap Penguin



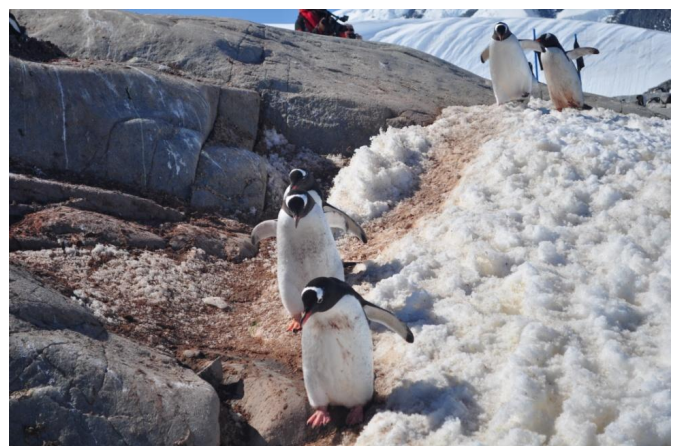
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# Penguin's Highways



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# Antarctic Wildlife



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# Optional activities



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# How to plan?



## 愛地球・愛南極 17天阿根廷(南極半島)極地遊踪

#APO-17

直正踏足南極, 近距離接觸 企鵝、海獅、冰山 難得一見的  
24小時白晝奇景, 親身體驗南極最珍貴的一面, 您怎可錯過!

世界之最	<p>◆ 南極洲是全球最高, 海拔 2,300 米, 最高的山峰更高達 5140 米, 地球平均並未受污染處。全球最淨為地球環保最珍貴僅存之地。</p>	
海角天涯	<p>◆ 南極洲固定面積為 1380 萬平方公里, 足足相等於兩個澳洲, 要進入南極洲只能於每年 11 月至 3 月間最宜季節, 24 小時都是白晝奇景, Paradise Bay(天堂灣) 環抱浮冰, 越冰山破冰海, 闖人生高峰。</p>	
開創奇蹟	<p>◆ 這次旅程提供機會帶給人類對大自然景點有更深的體會, 由南美洲最南面市鎮烏斯懷亞出發, 郵輪過向終年積雪的南極半島進發, 大大小小的浮冰陪伴左右, 巨大的信天翁彷彿是這些浮冰的主人, 一群群滑翔士般的企鵝於沿岸高談闊論, 一團團的海獅海豹在海中嬉戲覓食, 忽然間鯨魚噴出了水柱, 像是嘉年華會迎接我們到達這神秘的白色大陸。</p>	
難能可貴	<p>◆ 登陸南極依靠天氣和各種野生動物的出沒情況而定, 然而郵輪所探訪各處都蘊藏著奇幻而扣人心弦的美景。諸如由火山口所形成的奇幻島 (Deception Island), 客人可在冰天雪地中於溫泉暢泳。紐馬雅水道(Neumayer Channel) 兩旁的海獅海豹群和企鵝群, 天堂灣(Paradise Bay) 的浮冰, 都是人生難得體會的奇景。</p>	

【船舶介紹】豪華舒適的冰級探險船“海洋鑽石號 OCEAN DIAMOND”。



船員	: 94 人	旅客	: 189 人
船長	: 124 公尺	船寬	: 16 公尺
吃水	: 4.9 公尺	總噸	: 8282 噸
航速	: 15.5 節	冰級	: 1D
建造	: 1986 年	裝修	: 2012

「海洋諾瓦號」南極半島、飛越德瑞克海峽、南美洲  
13/27天探索之旅 CEVA013(天) / CEV027(天)

Jetour Explorer

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船遊: 智利(聖地牙哥、華巴拿奧、蓬索地瑪)  
南極半島!  
巴西(里約熱內盧、伊瓜蘇大瀑布)  
阿根廷(布宜諾斯艾利斯)  
秘魯(利馬、庫斯科、馬丘比丘古城、亞馬遜森林、船拉卡斯(島島)、納斯卡神祕線線!)

出發日期: 請參閱價目表 旺季期間將有加團團出發, 歡迎查詢。  
如欲提升乘搭商務客位往返之服務, 請與本公司查詢。



# Tour Operators





# Expensive camera needed?



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# Expensive camera needed?



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# Expensive camera needed?



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# Thank You

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