

ANTARCTICA CRUISES ABOARD THE MS FRAM



Hurtigruten Cruises

19 DAYS / 18 NIGHTS

Celebrate Christmas among abandoned whaling stations and spend New Year's Eve hiking with penguins. This expedition takes you to the vast horizons of the Falkland Islands, across the open sea to South Georgia, and of course, all the way to the crystal ice in Antarctica. This 19-day cruise will have you singing Christmas carols and make for an unforgettable Holiday experience.

FROM

\$ 9738

per person

THIS CRUISE INCLUDES:

Full-board service
Lectures and presentations on the vessel

HIGHLIGHTS

Ushuaia
Falkland Islands
South Georgia
South Orkneys
Antarctica
Drake Passage

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Day 1 USHUAIA

Start your voyage in the world's southernmost town, Ushuaia, where you will board the MS Fram. Once night falls, you will set course for the Southern Ocean and your Christmas adventure awaits.



Day 2 **AT SEA**

As you head across the open sea towards the Falkland Islands, participate in one of the lectures hosted by the expedition team.

Enjoy cruising aboard the MS Fram and observe the vast wilderness from the comfort of the ship.



Day 3 - Day 4 **FALKLAND ISLANDS**

Meet the penguins as you explore the Falkland Islands! Here, there will be an abundance of wildlife and nature. The penguins are extremely friendly and curious, so don't be surprised if they approach you. On the second day here, explore Stanley, the island's capital. Put on some comfortable walking shoes, because this town is best explored by foot. You will have plenty of opportunities to visit the shops and restaurants or explore the wildlife outside of town.



Day 5 - Day 6 **AT SEA**

Spend two days cruising towards the beautiful South Georgia. While on the ship, attend some of the exciting presentations on the region's wildlife, whaling, and polar history.

The expedition team has extensive knowledge of the geology and glaciology of South Georgia. One of their most fascinating stories told is that of Sir Ernest Shackleton's ill-fated ship 'Endurance', and the incredible bravery that saved them all.



Day 7 - Day 8 **SOUTH GEORGIA**

Sing carols and pour the eggnog as you celebrate Christmas Eve in South Georgia! With the magnificent mountain scenery, glistening glaciers, and beaches teemed with wildlife; you will not be disappointed.

While in South Georgia, explore abandoned whaling stations, the whaling museum, a Norwegian whaler's church, and Sir Ernest Shackleton's gravesite.



Day 9 **AT SEA**

Today you continue course towards Antarctica. Learn about the wonders of the great white continent and prepare for the adventure of a lifetime. The topics of focus will be the fascinating history, unique environment, and wildlife of Antarctica.



Day 10 **SOUTH ORKNEYS**

Make sure your camera is fully charged because the deserted South Orkney Islands are every photographer's dream. The snow-capped mountains, massive icebergs, and wilderness create beautiful Kodak moments. You only have one day here, so make the most out of exploring these islands.



Day 11 **AT SEA**

While at sea, you will cruise past the Washington Strait and Coronation Island before moving towards Elephant Island and Antarctica.



Day 12 -16 **ANTARCTICA**

On the 12th day of Christmas, you will reach the stunning white continent, Antarctica! Your itinerary in Antarctica will be full of excursions, including Deception Island, the South Shetlands, and the volcanic caldera. The volcanic caldera is one of the few places in Antarctica that you can backpack and hike, a rarity that will offer an exceptional experience. You will also visit Half Moon Island, which offers the best views of icebergs.

There will always be chances of kayaking and hiking if the weather permits. If you're lucky, you might be able to partake in hiking an active volcano, a rarity among many.



Day 17 - Day 18 **DRAKE PASSAGE**

After exploring the beautiful Antarctica for the past four days, the MS Fram will make its way north, back to South America. You will sail from the Antarctic Peninsula to Ushuaia. For a recap of your journey, tune into the lecture series on board where the expedition team will go over all of your incredible experiences of Antarctica, the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and the South Orkney Islands.



Day 19 **USHUAIA**

Your Christmas voyage ends in Ushuaia. Say goodbye to the people you met on the ship and continue to your next destination in South America, or catch your flight home to South America.