

# 27 Days | Antarctica & South America Adventure

Rio de Janeiro - Iguazu - Buenos Aires - Ushuaia - Antarctic Peninsula - Port Stanley - Montevideo - and more...

From **\$13,999** Typically \$15,999 **★** pp twin share



Summit Corcovado Mountain to see the spectacular views of Rio

Stand in awe at majestic and awe-inspiring Iguassu Falls

Admire the elegant architecture in Buenos Aires, the "Paris of South America"

At Recoleta Cemetery, see the final resting place of Eva "Evita" Peron

Tango lesson with professional Argentine tango dancers

# Travel**dream**

# **Description**







Embark on an unforgettable journey through the vibrant landscapes and rich cultures of South America.

Your adventure begins with a flight to Brazil, where the lively city of Rio de Janeiro awaits. Upon arrival, immerse yourself in the rhythm of the city, with its stunning beaches and iconic landmarks. Ascend Corcovado Mountain to marvel at the breathtaking views from the towering Christ the Redeemer statue, a symbol of Rio's beauty and spirituality.

In the following days, explore Rio at your own pace, soaking in the atmosphere of its bustling streets and vibrant neighborhoods. Opt for a cable car ride to the top of Sugar Loaf Mountain for panoramic vistas, or delve into the heart of Brazilian culture with a Carnival and Samba Experience.

Next, venture to the awe-inspiring Iguassu Falls, where the sheer power and grandeur of nature will leave you speechless. Traverse the Brazilian and Argentinean sides of the falls, getting up close to cascading waters and lush rainforest surroundings.

# Read our latest Travel Blogs at 'Wake Up Here'

From there, journey to Buenos Aires, a city steeped in history and charm. Discover its iconic landmarks, from the Plaza de Mayo to the colorful streets of La Boca. Immerse yourself in the passionate world of tango with a professional lesson, or indulge in an evening of fine dining and captivating performances.

Before bidding farewell to Argentina, savor one last taste of its rustic heritage with a Gaucho Party at a traditional estancia. Then, embark on the ultimate

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adventure as you set sail for Antarctica aboard the luxurious Sapphire Princess cruise liner. Over 17 nights, you'll journey through icy waters, encountering breathtaking landscapes and fascinating wildlife along the way.

From bustling city streets to pristine polar landscapes, this tour promises an unforgettable exploration of the diverse wonders of South America and beyond.





# **Itinerary**

Day 1

#### Australia **X** Rio De Janerio, Brazil

Today you will check in and board your flight bound for Brazil! Enjoy the services of your flight as you fly East.

Meals: Inflight Menu

Day 2

#### Rio De Janerio

Welcome to Brazil! Morning arrival in Rio, the vivacious "sun and fun" capital of South America; meet your transfer and arrive at your hotel. The rest of the day is yours to rest, relax and acclimate to your new surroundings. Tonight, attend an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager and fellow travelers, followed by dinner at a typical Brazilian Churrascaria!

Meals: Dinner

**Accommodation:** TBA on Booking Confirmation

Day 3

#### Rio De Janerio

Awake this morning in amazing Rio. Begin the day with an ascent by a scenic cog railway to the summit of Corcovado Hill.

Here, at 2,400 feet above the city stands the 125 foot tall statue of Christ the Redeemer. The Christ statue, that embraces the entire city, is designated as one of the seven "New Wonders of the World". See the thrilling 360 degree sweeping view of the city and understand why Rio is known as one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Afterwards, continue along Rio's famous beaches, including Copacabana and Ipanema before returning to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast



#### Rio De Janerio

Today is at leisure to discover all of the delights of Rio on your own. Watch the volleyball and soccer matches on the beach, shop for local crafts, and linger at a waterfront café to just "people-watch". Join the optional not-to-be-missed glass cable car ride that takes you to the top of iconic Sugar Loaf Mountain, symbol of the city, where you'll see the stunning panorama of the beaches, Corcovado Mountain, downtown Rio and Guanabara Bay. In the afternoon attend the optional Carnival and Samba Experience. Visit one of the top Samba schools in the city and learn what made the Samba & Carnival icons of Brazilian national identity. On your last night in Rio at leisure, be sure to sample the cuisine at some of the fabulous restaurants and cafes ringing the beachfront.

Optional: Half Day Sugar Loaf Mountain (AM)

Optional: Half Day Carnival and Samba Experience (PM)

Meals: Breakfast

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## Day 5

#### Rio De Janerio **⊀** Iguassu Falls (Brazillian Side)

Depart Rio this morning on a flight to Iguassu Falls. Upon arrival, walk along the winding pathways on the Brazilian side of the majestic and awe-inspiring Falls, one of the world's greatest natural wonders. Iguassu consists of over 275 separate cataracts across a span of two and one-half miles, wider than Victoria Falls and higher than Niagara Falls and more dramatic than both. Stand in awe at the unforgettable panoramic views before crossing the border to Iguazu, the Argentinean side of the Falls, for overnight. After a day filled with unforgettable memories, return to the hotel and enjoy a typical Argentine dinner.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner



### Iguassu Falls (Argentinian Side)

Your adventure continues this morning on the Argentinean side of the Falls. A rail car takes you to the top of the Falls on the Upper Circuit,\* and you will walk to the Lower Circuit where the power of nature surrounds you. Continue along the catwalks to Devil's Gorge - stand in amazement as you gaze at spectacular "Devil's Throat" the most magnificent of all of the cataracts. View, photograph and feel the spray of the thundering waters, one of nature's most impressive achievements and a unique experience for your senses. Spend the rest of the day exploring the natural treasures of Iguazu National Park, designated a World Heritage Site for its rare and endangered flora and fauna.

\*Please be advised that in order to access the falls, you are required to walk over uneven surfaces, followed by a series of narrow boardwalk paths. The paths feature many sets of stairs and can be slippery due to the mist.

Meals: Breakfast

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## Day 7

#### Iguassu Falls **₹** Buenos Aires, Argentina

This afternoon transfer to the airport for your flight to the cosmopolitan city of Buenos Aires. Its beauty is apparent with its elegant architecture, wide tree-shaded boulevards, striking monuments and sprawling parks. Spend the rest of the evening at leisure to get acquainted with the "Paris of South America" and its distinct European flavor.

Meals: Breakfast



#### **Buenos Aires**

Discover the city's highlights this morning on a tour that includes the Plaza de Mayo, Metropolitan Cathedral and Casa Rosada (government palace); see the balcony where Eva and Juan Peron made their speeches. Then, to the colorful La Boca neighborhood, a working class barrio, and the old quarters of San Telmo and Caminito, a mix of colonial style homes, narrow lanes, artists' lofts and very trendy cafes. Drive to the Recoleta Cemetery, final resting place of many of the wealthiest and most important Argentine historical figures. The grounds here cover more than four city blocks, filled with tombs adorned by works of local and international sculptors, and more than 6,400 mausoleums including the tomb of Eva "Evita" Peron, always heaped with flowers and letters from adoring fans. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring some of Buenos Aires neighborhoods and fabulous collection of shops before this evening's tango lesson with professional Argentine Tango dancers. Tonight is at leisure, or, participate in the optional Argentine Dinner and Tango Show.

Optional: Buenos Aires Dinner & Tango Show (PM)

Meals: Breakfast

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# Day 9

#### **Buenos Aires**

Revisit some of your favorite places in the city today, shop for leatherwear and designer clothes, or, join the optional fun-filled Gaucho Party\* at the Santa Susana Ranch. Get ready for a rustic experience at a typical Argentine ranch (estancia), dedicated to agriculture and the breeding of cattle and horses. After a tour of the grounds, enjoy a typical barbecue lunch, followed by a folklore show with live music and dancing. Return to the hotel with time to freshen up for this evening's "Farewell to Argentina" dinner.

Optional: Full Day Gaucho Party (For May 20 departure, the optional tour is unavailable due to private events at the ranch).

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner



#### Buenos Aires

This morning after breakfast, catch a taxi to the Buenos Aires cruise dock to board the 'Sapphire Princess', your luxury cruise liner to the Antarctica continent.

Embarkation commences at 4PM. The ship will remain docked overnight in BA.

Meals: Breakfast and All Meals Onboard

**Accommodation:** 'Sapphire Princess'

# Day 11

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Today the ship will depart at 4PM.

Enjoy the ships services and facilities while the ship is in dock.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

**Accommodation:** 'Sapphire Princess'

# Day 12

#### . At Sea

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Meals: All Meals Onboard

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Day 15

## **Punta Areans, Chile**

The ship will arrive at 7AM.

A voyage through the Strait of Magellan is an exhilarating experience, offering the traveler extraordinary sights of untamed natural beauty. Located on the western side of the strait, Punta Arenas is the capital of the Magallanes Region and the bustling center of one of the world's largest sheep farming areas. Visitors to this most southern part of the world should keep in mind that this is frontier land; the most attractive features are found in the rugged nature and indigenous wildlife, trying to exist in often harsh and unpredictable weather conditions.

The ship will depart at 6PM.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

**Accommodation:** 'Sapphire Princess'

Day 16

# 🚊 Ushuaia, Argentina

The ship will arrive at 12PM.

Ushuaia is considered the capital of the Argentine Tierra del Fuego province. Located on the Beagle Channel and backed by the Martial Mountains, the city offers an abundance of eco-tourist activities and access to Tierra del Fuego National Park. The End of the World Museum provides regional history exhibits, and the old penitentiary houses the maritime, prison and Antarctic museums.

The ship will depart at 8PM.

Meals: All Meals Onboard



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Meals: All Meals Onboard

**Accommodation:** 'Sapphire Princess'

## Day 18

#### . Antarctic Peninsula

Today is a Full Day of Cruising the Antarctic Peninsula. Please note, that at no stage will you be able to disembark the ship.

Explore the least-visited and least-known continent in the world. Cruise past majestic blue icebergs, or maybe catch a glimpse of elephant seals and penguins along the ice. Depending on the cruise line, you may be able enjoy day trips to islands and bays, including King George Island, Deception Island, Paradise Bay, Torgersen and Anvers Islands, Port Lockroy, Paulet Island, Petermann Island and Lemaire Channel.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

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Meals: All Meals Onboard



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Meals: All Meals Onboard

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# Day 22

## 🚊 At Sea

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Meals: All Meals Onboard



## nort Stanley, Flakland Islands

The ship will arrive at 7AM.

With a population of less than 2,000 people, Port Stanley has the feel of a small English village; its small size and remoteness make it unlike any other capital city in the world. The self-guided Maritime History Trail tells the tale of vessels that struggled to sail around Cape Horn; many ships were abandoned and still lie in the harbor. The islands boast magnificent unpolluted coastlines. One landmark edifice is the Christ Church Cathedral, built in 1892. Penguin-watching season runs September to April.

The ship will depart at 630PM.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

**Accommodation:** 'Sapphire Princess'

## Day 24

### .At Sea

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Meals: All Meals Onboard

**Accommodation:** 'Sapphire Princess'

# Day 25

## 🚊 At Sea

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Meals: All Meals Onboard



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The ship will arrive at 9AM.

Montevideo is nestled on the north shore of the River de la Plata. The best view of the city is from the top of town hall. The most prominent sites here are the statues of the country's heroes scattered throughout the town. The grandest of them all, a 30-ton equestrian statue, sits in Independence Square, while the others fill the local parks. The top excursions include a city tour and an all-day ranch visit.

The ship will depart at 6PM.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: 'Sapphire Princess'

Day 27

#### Buenos Aires **X** Australia

Welcome back to BA! On arrival, disembark after breakfast and transfer to the airpot for your return flight home.

Meals: Breakfast and Inflight Menu



# **Inclusions & Exclusions**

#### **Inclusions**

- Return Economy Class Airfares from Brisbane. Melbourne & Sydney to Rio de Janeiro and from Buenos Aires
- Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- All intra-flights: Rio de Janeiro-Iguassu & Iguazu-Buenos Aires
- 8 nights First Class accommodations
  - o 3 nights Rio de Janeiro
  - o 2 nights Iguazu, Argentina
  - o 3 nights Buenos Aires
- 11 meals: 8 breakfasts, 3 dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Services of English-speaking local guides
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- 17 nights Antarctica Cruise on Sapphire Princess Roundtrip from Buenos Aires, Argentina
- All Meals and non chargeable entertainment on this the cruise

## About your Cruise Ship the 'Sapphire Princess':

Sapphire Princess sails to some of the world's most breathtaking destinations. With over 700 spacious balconies, you'll be able to set your sights on the wonders of the world without even leaving the ship. Casual eateries like the pizzeria, the International Café, Horizon Court and Trident Grill all offer quick delicious bites. You can also opt for the main dining rooms or any of the specialty dining restaurants, which offer a joyful celebration of food with dishes made with the freshest ingredients possible. While the kids are in their own age divided areas, the adults can enjoy some time on their own at The Sanctuary. The Lotus Spa offers several treatments, a fitness center and an enclosed climate controlled top deck recreation area with hot tubs, a pool and a bar. Churchill's is a hidden gem where the pub like atmosphere invites cigar smokers to enjoy premium cigars in an intimate setting. There are also a wide variety of entertainment options: Movies Under the Stars, original musical productions and guest entertainers are all sure to please. The Skywalkers Nightclub and Club Fusion both offer after-hours fun. Other amenities include an art gallery, shops, a sport court, an Internet café, a library and a casino.

**About your Cabin:** This deal is based on an Inside Stateroom onboard the cruise. We highly recommend due to the nature of this program that you upgrade to an Oceanview or Balcony Stateroom.

#### **Exclusions**

- Any visas or ESTA as required
- Transfers
- Meals not mentioned
- Gratuities onboard the Cruise
- All drinks
- Any additional requests
- Tips
- Travel Insurance
- Items of a Personal Nature



Travelling Solo: A single supplement of \$5000 is available and payable on check out.

**Upgrades:** If you are wanting to upgrade your cabin, you can select your choice on check out.

**ID:** A Passport with 6 months validity is required to be taken with you to board the cruise ship.

**Insurance:** All guests must have travel insurance to participate on this tour and will be required to show this prior to departure.

**Travel Insurance:** We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click HERE.

Travelling on your own? Why not join the Traveldream Solo Travellers Facebook group where you can interact with other travellers.