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*Classic Falklands, South Georgia &  
Antarctica*

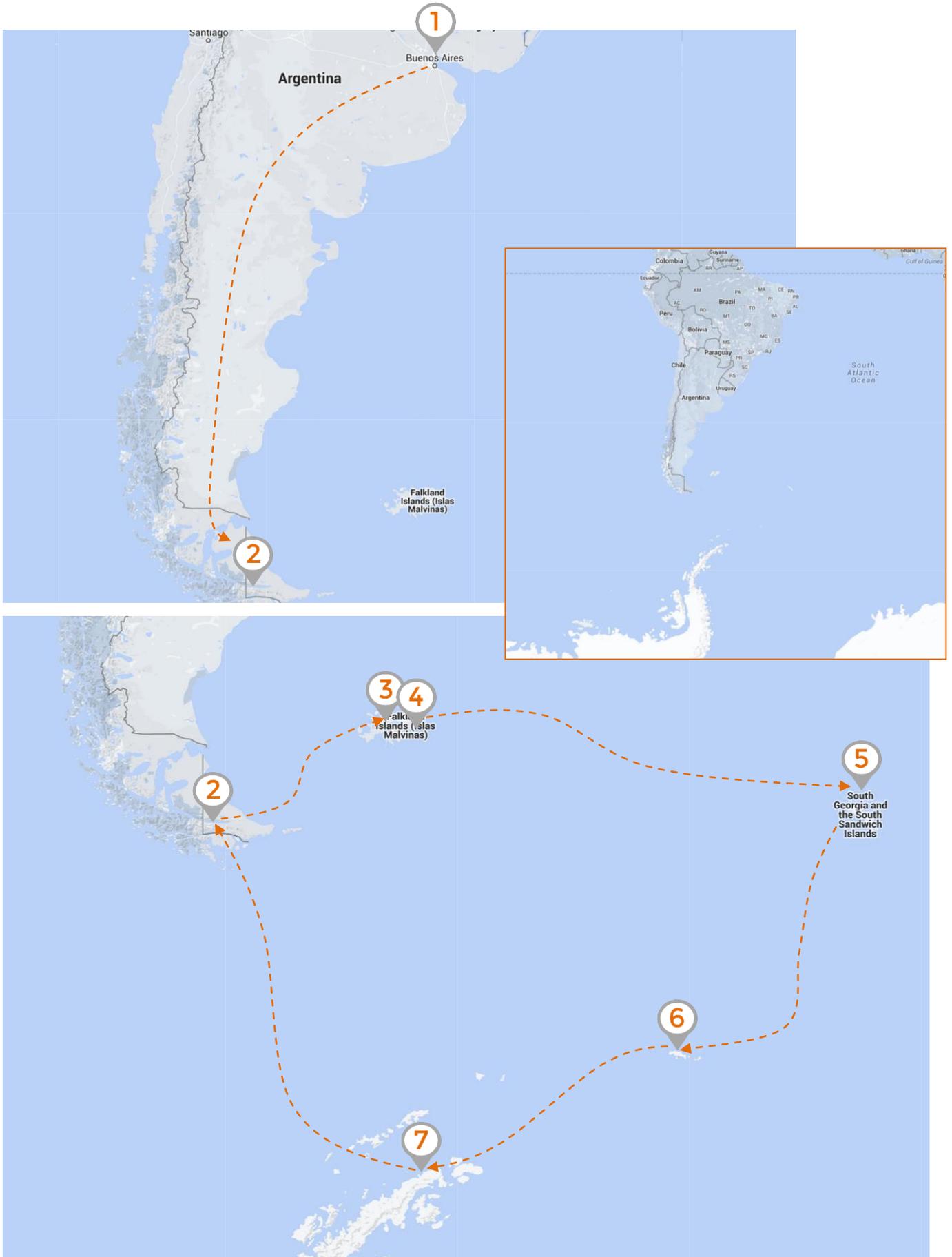
*25-days / 24-nights*

## Itinerary Summary

No.	Date	Location	Details	Meals	Hotel	Nts
	Day 01	<b>FLIGHT</b>	Depart Heathrow	-	Overnight flight	1
<b>1</b>	Day 02	<b>BUENOS AIRES</b>	Arrive in Buenos Aires	B	Intersur Recoleta	2
	Day 03		Half day city tour & evening dinner & Tango show	BD		
<b>2</b>	Day 04	<b>USHUAIA</b>	Air & road transfer to Ushuaia	B	Hotel Albatros	
	Day 05	<b>CRUISE</b>	Meet your cruise vessel for an 18-night cruise	BLD	M/V Plancuis	18
	Day 06		At Sea	BLD		
<b>3</b>	Day 07		Excursion on Falkland Islands	BLD		
<b>4</b>	Day 08		Excursions on Port Stanley	BLD		
	Day 09		At Sea	BLD		
	Day 10		At Sea	BLD		
<b>5</b>	Day 11		Excursions on South Georgia	BLD		
	Day 12		Excursions on South Georgia	BLD		
	Day 13		Excursions on South Georgia	BLD		
	Day 14		Excursions on South Georgia	BLD		
	Day 15		At Sea	BLD		
<b>6</b>	Day 16		Excursions on the South Orkney Islands	BLD		
	Day 17		At Sea	BLD		
<b>7</b>	Day 18		Excursions on Antarctic Peninsula	BLD		
	Day 19		Excursions on Antarctic Peninsula	BLD		
	Day 20		Excursions on Antarctic Peninsula	BLD		
	Day 21		At Sea	BLD		
	Day 22		At Sea	BLD		
<b>2</b>	Day 23		Arrivel in Ushuaia meet flights to Buenos Aires	B	Intersur Recoleta	1
	Day 24	<b>DEPART</b>	Meet the return flights to the UK	B	-	
	Day 25	<b>HEATHROW</b>	Arrive back in the UK	-	-	



**Itinerary Maps**



## Detailed Itinerary



### Day 01 DEPART

Depart Heathrow with British Airways.



BA245 Economy Dep: Heathrow 22:10

Arr: Buenos Aires 08:55 (Day 02)



### Day 02 BUENOS AIRES

Private transfer on arrival to your hotel.

#### Intersur Recoleta



#### 1 x Executive Callao Room on a Bed & Breakfast basis for 2-nights

Combining classic architecture with luxurious interiors, Intersur Recoleta is located in the vibrant and exclusive area of Recoleta. Intersur Recoleta has elegant rooms. Intersur is only 7 blocks from the Museum of Fine Arts and 4 blocks from the famous Recoleta Cemetery. The trendy restaurant district, Puerto Madero, is a 10-minute drive. A buffet breakfast with pastries and croissants is served daily at Recoleta Bar. Guests can dine à la carte at Marcelo Restaurant. There is a 24-hour front desk and a handy currency exchange service. The domestic airport is only 4 km away.



### Day 03 BUENOS AIRES



#### Private half day city tour

Cosmopolitan and vibrant, Buenos Aires is a modern capital city with a distinctly European feel. There are many good museums, plenty of green open spaces and the architecture is striking. Away from the centre, several of the traditional neighbourhoods still remain. San Telmo has a quaint faded appeal with cobbled streets which really come alive on Sundays when the weekly antiques market is held. The area of La Boca, established by Italian immigrants, is well worth a visit to see the colourful buildings. Synonymous with Argentina, Eva Peron's final resting place can be seen amongst the grand and ornate surroundings of the Recoleta Cemetery.



**Day 03 BUENOS AIRES ...**



**Shared evening excursion to Dinner & Tango show at Esquina Carlos Gardel**

Named after the greatest tango singer of all, the 'Esquina Carlos Gardel' is located on the site of the 'Chanta Cuastro' restaurant where Gardel used to meet friends in the 1920s and '30s to eat, drink and sing late into the night, and is acknowledged as the city's premier Dinner & Tango Show. The superb food and service, together with the stylish art nouveau interior, recreate the sophisticated and luxurious atmosphere of that era. The show is a spectacular mix of live tango music, singing and dancing and features some of the most talented performers in Buenos Aires.



**Day 04 BUENOS AIRES - USHUAIA**

Private transfer to the airport to meet your internal flight to Ushuaia.



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Dep: Buenos Aires TBA

Arr: Ushuaia TBA

Private transfer on arrival to your hotel.

**Hotel Albatros**



**1 x Standard Room on A Bed & breakfast basis for 1-nights**

Situated in front of the Beagle Channel next to the city's harbour and main street, the 4-star Hotel Albatros is within walking distance of a range shops, cafes and restaurants. This modern hotel has 77 spacious and comfortable rooms and a welcoming bar and restaurant. There is a spa with Jacuzzi, sauna, gym and complimentary Wi-Fi is available.



**Day 05 USHUAIA - CRUISE**



Private transfer to Ushuaia Harbour to board the M/V Plancius.

In the afternoon, you will commence your cruise, leaving Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego, Argentina, the southernmost city in the world located at the Beagle Channel and sail through this scenic waterway for the rest of the evening.

**M/V Plancius**



**1 x Twin Porthole Cabin on a Full Board basis for 18-nights**

M/V Plancius was built in 1976 as an oceanographic research vessel for the Royal Dutch Navy nowadays the M/V Plancius accommodates 116 passengers in 53 passenger cabins. The vessel offers a restaurant/lecture room on deck 3 and a spacious observation lounge (with bar) on deck 5 with large windows, offering full panorama view. The vessel has large open deck spaces (with full walk-around possibilities on deck 3), giving excellent opportunities to enjoy the scenery and wildlife. M/V Plancius is comfortable and nicely decorated. The voyages in the Arctic and Antarctic regions are primarily defined by an exploratory educational travel programme, spending as much time ashore as possible.

**Your vessel deck plan**



**Your voyage summary**

- DAY 1: Embarkation and departure from Ushuaia
- DAY 2: At sea
- DAY 3: Falkland Islands
- DAY 4: Port Stanley
- DAY 5 - 6: At sea
- DAY 7 - 10: South Georgia
- DAY 11: At sea
- DAY 12: South Orkney Islands
- DAY 13: At sea
- DAY 14 - 16: Antarctic Peninsula
- DAY 17 - 18: At sea
- DAY 19: Arrival in Ushuaia and disembark the vessel



**Please Note:**

All landing and excursions will depend on weather and sea conditions



**Day 06** AT SEA



**Day 07** FALKLAND ISLANDS



Spend the whole day in the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) , weather and conditions permitting, you will have the chance to explore the fascinating western side of the archipelago.

On Carcass Island you may encounter breeding Magellanic and Gentoo penguins, but also numerous waders and passerine birds are present. On Saunders Island, you can see the majestic Black-browed albatross and their sometimes-clumsy landings near their nesting site along with breeding Imperial shags and Rock hopper penguins. King penguins, Magellanic penguins, and Gentoo penguins are also present here.



**Day 08** PORT STANLEY



In Stanley the capital of the Falklands you can experience Falkland culture, which has some South American characteristics as well as Victorian charm. See the colourful houses, well-tended gardens, and English style pubs. The small, but very interesting museum\* is well worth a visit featuring an exhibition covering the early days of settlement up to the Falklands War of 1982. Approximately 1300 people live in the small capital in which all passengers are free to wander around on their own.



**Please Note:**

Admission fees to local attractions are not included



**Days 09-10** AT SEA



**Days 11-14** SOUTH GEORGIA



During day 11 you will arrive at your first landing site in South Georgia. Depending on weather you will visit the bay of Elsehul, with its very active fur seal breeding beach, and then set course to Right Whale Bay, Salisbury Plain, Godthul, St. Andrews Bay, Gold Harbour, Cooper Bay and Drygalski Fjord to give you a good opportunity to see a wide spectrum of landscapes and wildlife, like the Elephant seals, Fur seals, King and Macaroni penguins.

One of many highlights is a visit to Prion Island, where you will witness the breeding efforts of the huge Wandering albatross and enjoy watching their displays (the island is closed for visitors during breeding season from 20 November – 07 January). At Fortuna Bay you could try to follow in the footsteps of the great British Explorer Ernest Shackleton and hike over to Stromness Bay. There and at Grytviken you will see an abandoned whaling station, where King penguins now walk in the streets and seals have taken residency. At Grytviken we'll also offer a visit to the Whaling History Museum as well as to Shackleton's grave nearby. You will depart from South Georgia in the afternoon of day 14.



**Day 15** AT SEA



**Day 16** SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS



You will visit the Argentinean Orcadas station – the oldest permanently manned Antarctic station. The friendly base personnel will show you their facilities and you can enjoy the wonderful views of the surrounding glaciers.



**Day 17** AT SEA



**Days 18 - 20** ANTARCTIC PENINSULA



If the ice conditions allow you will sail into the Weddell Sea through the ice-clogged Antarctic Sound. Huge tabular icebergs will announce your arrival to the eastern side of the Antarctic Peninsula.

During your three day visit of the Antarctic Peninsula visit half Moon Island in the South Shetland Island for a visit to a Chinstrap penguin rookery. Often Weddell seals haul out on the beaches here. At Deception Island you will find hot springs, an abandoned whaling station.

On your last landing day before returning to Ushuaia, visit Charlotte Bay on the west coast of Graham Land. The topography of the surrounding area is mountainous, with nunataks rising through the ice. Charlotte Bay is often filled with icebergs. Mostly you will see seals and occasionally kelp gulls, skuas, shags, or penguins.



**Days 21-22** AT SEA



**Day 23** USHUAIA - BUENOS AIRES

Arrive in Ushuaia and disembark the vessel. Private transfer on arrival to the airport for your internal flight to Buenos Aires.



TBA Economy Dep: Ushuaia TBA Arr: Buenos Aires TBA

Private transfer on arrival to your hotel.



**Intersur Recoleta**  
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**Day 24** BUENOS AIRES - DEPART



BA244 Economy Dep: Buenos Aires 14:00 Arr: Heathrow 06:25 (Day 25)



**Day 25** BUENOS AIRES - DEPART

Arrive in the UK.

# Holiday Cost

**from £12,795.00 per person**

20% deposit is required to secure this booking

## **Suggested Itinerary**

- This is just a suggested itinerary which we can amend to fit your exact requirements.

## **Includes**

- International flights as listed.
- All pre-payable airport departure taxes.
- Hotel accommodation as listed.
- Transfers as listed (on a shared basis unless specified as private).
- Meals as listed.
- Excursions as listed (on a shared basis unless specified as private).

## **Excludes**

- Local departure taxes where applicable.
- Tips and gratuities.
- Any future currency surcharges.
- Any future airline fare, tax or fuel surcharges.\*

*\*In the event of airfare /tax increases you will have the option to pay for your airfare in advance to avoid these increases.*

## **Please Note**

- The cost of this itinerary is based on 2 passengers sharing one room.
- All flights, accommodation and services are subject to availability at the time of booking.
- Air fares, taxes, schedules and routings are subject to change until ticket issue.

## **Booking Conditions**

- Usually a deposit of 20% is required to secure a booking.
- The final balance would be due 10 weeks prior to departure.
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