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M/V Plancius

Plancius was built in 1976 as an oceanographic research vessel for the Royal Dutch Navy and was originally named Hr. Ms. Tydeman. In 2009 the vessel was rebuilt as a passenger vessel complying with all SOLAS regulations. She is 89m long, 14.5m wide, and has a maximum draft of 5m. Her ice class is 1D, and she averages a cruising speed of 10.5 knots using three diesel-electric engines.

Captain Ernesto Barria

and his international crew

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Day 1 – 03th February

Ushuaia – Embarkation Day

16:00 GPS Position: 54° 48.6'S / 66° 54.0'W

Wind: N-5, **Sea State:** Calm, **Weather:** Overcast, **Air Temp:** 7°C, **Sea Temp:** 8°C

Finally the day had arrived, and our expedition to Antarctica was about to begin! We found ourselves in Ushuaia, in the most southern part of Argentina, also called *the end of the world*. During our expedition, we would go even farther south.



We were not expected to embark Plancius until 16:00. That gave us time to recover from the long journey south and explore the town of Ushuaia. This small town offers a lot of coffee and cake cafes as well as many outdoor shops. Ushuaia makes for a cozy town and is ideal for buying last-minute items like hats, gloves, or another layer to keep warm.

At 16:00 it was time to make our way up the gangway of Plancius. We were greeted at the dock by members of the expedition team, and the hotel manager quickly checked us in. There was not a lot of time to relax, as at 17:15 a mandatory safety drill was scheduled, so our presence in the lounge was required. We were welcomed by expedition leader Eduardo, and the chief officer guided us through a safety video and drill procedure. Then we all sat in the lounge, wearing our bulky orange life vests. When we heard the abandon ship alarm, we made our way outside to the lifeboats where the second officer informed us further.

With the mandatory drill done, it was time to release the ropes, start the engines, and leave the port of Ushuaia behind. The captain came down to the lounge and greeted us with a glass of champagne, speaking some warm words of welcome. Eduardo then gave us more information about the program for the days ahead.

Soon it was time for dinner. The galley team had prepared a delicious buffet, and the dining room was buzzing with excitement. The members of the expedition team also joined for dinner, and this offered a first opportunity to get to know each other. After a long and intense day, it was time for a good rest.

Day 2 – 04th February

At Sea – Drake Passage

12:00 GPS Position: 62° 15.8'S / 63° 51.4'W

Wind: NW-5, **Sea State:** Moderate, **Weather:** Foggy, **Air Temp:** 3°C, **Sea Temp:** 2°C

Our first day on the Drake passage. The ship was rocking and rolling, and we had to slowly train our sea legs. We started the day with a delicious breakfast in the restaurant and many people were present, which is always a good start to the sea days. Shortly after breakfast, we were invited to the mandatory briefing about IAATO. This introduction to the overseeing organization that works out the rules and regulations of what we can and can't do. All of this to ensure that Antarctica stays as pristine as possible during and after our presence. Some of the most important parts are not introducing new species and disturbing existing species both in flora and fauna.



During the briefing, some Hourglass Dolphins were spotted on our starboard, creating a small break which

worked out well for everyone. After the mandatory briefing, we were ready to hand out the rubber Muck boots recommended for landings in Antarctica. A perfect way was to keep your feet dry on wet landings or deep snow. This was a smooth operation where boots were handed out quickly among everybody on the ship. The right sizes were not always easy to find but in the end it all worked out.

Due to tight bio security rules, we also organized a mandatory bio security this morning. During this time, we invited everybody by deck to join us in the Lounge to clean all our outer clothing and gear that we would take ashore in Antarctica. This is quite a long process as lots of people had just done small hikes around Ushuaia the days before which made this extra challenging. The people that had rented their gear were quite lucky and had a very fast turnaround.



In the afternoon we kept on going for the biosecurity for deck 3 and 4. During this time multiple sea birds were flying around the ship including the Southern Giant Petrel and the Black Browed Albatross. The weather had cleared up quite a bit as well so many people were enjoying the outer decks, especially on the bow of the ship. The afternoon carried on with Steffi and her lecture in which we were introduced to

many species of Petrels, Shearwaters and Albatrosses. All birds from the family Procellariiforms are called the tube-nosed birds. Specialized to survive for very long times in the open sea far away from any land.

Later that afternoon we had our first official Recap. This is where we also got the chance to introduce ourselves as the expedition team, a diverse team with many different backgrounds. Afterwards, Marco talked about the influence of wind patterns in Antarctica; Steffi about the history of the Drake Passage together with related information like the creation and what it means to the area. As last Koen explained as a last-minute crash course about the Antarctic Convergence. One of the ways we could confirm entering the Antarctic region that very night.



In the end, it was a day filled with new information and great preparation for our first landing in Antarctica. Hopefully tomorrow the weather will be as compliant as today and our sea legs will be improved.

Day 3 – 05th February

At Sea – Drake Passage and Bransfield Strait

12:00 GPS Position: 64° 29.6'S / 61° 59.6'W

Wind: S-2, **Sea State:** Moderate, **Weather:** Cloudy, **Air Temp:** 2°C, **Sea Temp:** 1°C

Our second wakeup call with another song from our expedition leader Eduardo. We were on our way to the Antarctic Peninsula. We continued sailing to the south within Antarctic waters, as we had crossed the Antarctic Convergence during the night.



the operation between the floor and the sofas.

After a good breakfast, we were invited to attend several presentations to introduce us to the activities to come. At 9.30am, we had our first presentation, which explained the procedures for kayaking. David explained how to equip ourselves and how to get to the kayak from the Zodiac, which would take us some distance from the boat. He even offered to practice getting into the kayak by simulating



We started by seeing the first icebergs in the distance. The fauna was also different now. As well as the giant petrels, a magnificent sooty mantled albatross passed close to the boat. Three fin whales were also spotted to port. Their blows could be seen in the distance.

At the end of the morning, Koen and Marco explained how the camping activity would work. The plan was for us to spend the night on the ice, digging a small shelter to protect ourselves from the wind.

We continued our way to the south during the nice buffet and continued to feel the movement of the waves. After lunch, we met up in the lounge for a coffee and a chat about our first impressions of the start of our trip. We then watched the second episode of the Blue Planet video in the lounge. Then at 4pm, Koen gave us a presentation on the historic exploration of Antarctica.

At the end of the afternoon, Eduardo invited us to join him in the lounge for a recap of the day and a presentation of the day ahead. At the time of the presentation, we had already covered 1040 km and were now approaching the Peninsula. The plan was to pass close to the Melchior Archipelago at dawn the next morning. Eduardo gave us an overview of the weather: we were sailing at the edge of the low-pressure area; the wind should decrease in the next few hours, and we were hoping to be able to make our first trip ashore in good conditions.

Steffi then showed us how birds adapt to long flights and how albatrosses take advantage of the wind to fly without expending energy. Régis took over and gave us the first information on how to identify the birds we were gradually discovering in this environment. Some were easy to recognize because of their wingspan, while others required more practice and observation. Finally, Elke gives us information on the citizen science programs that have been set up and to which we can contribute at the end of our trip. For example, we could help track whales by the colour of their tails or help estimate the size of penguin colonies by counting individuals on photos taken in real time in the Antarctic.



At 7pm, we sat down for a good meal served on a plate. We finished the day in the lounge, excited at the prospect of touching the Antarctic tomorrow.

Day 4 – 06th February

Wilhelmina Bay and Stoney Point

12:00 GPS Position: 65° 10.7'S / 64° 09.5'W

Wind: WSW-3, **Sea State:** Calm, **Weather:** Part. Cloudy, **Air Temp:** 1°C, **Sea Temp:** 1°C

At last, the ship was lying more calmly in the water. A first glance out of the window this morning showed us that we were surrounded by a landscape thickly covered in ice. In the distance, a whale blew a fountain of water into the air. Immediately after breakfast, we set off on our first adventure on our Zodiacs, kayak or underwater in a dry suit. The light drizzle later turned to sleet and soaked us quite a bit. The cold and wet were a little annoying but were forgotten as soon as we could enjoy the glowing icebergs.



Ribbons of small pieces of ice stretched through the water. The sound of the clashing lumps of ice and the plopping as they melted transported us to another universe. A loud blow in the background brought us back to reality: two sleeping humpback whales were slowly travelling through the water. On closer inspection, the icy desert turned out to be quite lively. A Dominican gull was being chased by a skua, cormorants flew resolutely towards the mainland and Antarctic terns fished for krill in the water. Shortly before we finished our excursion, a few whales had awoken and were busy fishing for krill in the surface waters. It was an unforgettable spectacle that we were able to see up close.

After we had warmed up sufficiently with a good meal and had some time for a nap, we drove into Paradise Bay. A truly picturesque landscape: icebergs wherever you look and ice-covered mountains whichever way you turn. The captain manoeuvred us slowly and carefully between the pieces of bergy bits and icebergs. At the very end of the bay lay a tiny snow-covered island: Stoney Point, the destination of our afternoon excursion. One by one we disembarked in the rubber dinghies.



On land, snowshoes and a pre-stacked path awaited us up the viewing hill. As kayakers, we were

let off the boat a little later and had the ice-filled bay almost to ourselves. It was a fantastic

experience to glide silently between icebergs and bergy bits of ice. In the distance, we saw our travelling companions clambering over the snow cap of Stony Point like ants. They, in turn, had chosen a couple of Weddel seals on land as another perfect photo opportunity.

Interestingly, all the seals had different coloured fur. A characteristic that could even make it possible to distinguish between individuals. A few gentoo penguins also attracted our attention; we had not yet been able to visit a larger colony, but it was certainly a first taste of what the coming days could bring.

During dinner, M/V Plancius slowly sailed out of Paradise Bay again, past white and blue shining ice, majestically illuminated scenery and numerous other feeding whales. What a first day in the Antarctic!



Day 5 – 07th February

Petermann Island and Salpêtrière Bay

12:00 GPS Position: 64°49.2'S / 63°30.5'W

Wind: SW-3, **Sea State:** Calm, **Weather:** Overcast, **Air Temp:** 1°C, **Sea Temp:** 1°C



In the early hours of the morning, we were invited to drag ourselves out of bed and head for the outside decks or the observation lounge to enjoy a magical moment.

Plancius was about to embark on one of the legendary passages of the Antarctic Peninsula, the Lemaire Channel. It was indescribable to sail

through this narrow passageway overlooked by majestic rock ramparts. This passage, sometimes blocked by too many icebergs, was now free. The steep mountains, all black and white, were reflected in a sea as smooth as a mirror.

After breakfast, our expedition team takes us on a tour of Petermann Island, a mecca for polar exploration. One kilometre long, this island is one of the places explored by Jean Baptiste Charcot during his second Antarctic expedition aboard the three-masted schooner "*Pourquoi-Pas*".

Before disembarking, the Zodiacs took us close to a tide mark where the two letters "PP" engraved in the rock are visible at low tide. We were then welcomed ashore by Eduardo and his team. From the very first metres, wildlife was everywhere. The Argentinian shelter hut nearby was surrounded by penguins who had established their colony there, while an elephant seal slept peacefully on the foreshore between the rocks.

Several routes had been opened by our expedition team, and we could take them at our leisure to reach a colony of Adélie and Gentoo penguins, or a breathtaking viewpoint on a high point.

Here and there, in the middle of the white expanses, penguins return from the sea with their stomachs full of food for their offspring. The chicks, already quite large and gradually shedding their thick down, look like scruffy teenagers.

We could observe them stretching, sleeping soundly or even pestering their parent for yet another meal. What a sight!



In the afternoon, our expedition team suggested us a zodiac cruise in Salpêtrière Bay and Port Charcot located on the western side of Booth Island. This area is well renowned for the number and size of its icebergs. In fact, all around us stranded monsters of ice, each bigger than the next, competing in originality, shape and colour.

Smaller drifting ice floes would go almost unnoticed if they weren't used as platforms for a few sleeping seals. We could then observe Crabeater and Leopard seals that were not roused from their torpor by the noise of the zodiac engines.

After all these observations in this maze of ice, and as we made our way towards Plancius, a humpback whale came to the surface to breathe. On several occasions, we could see it swimming and then diving slowly, showing us its fluke. What a delight!



After the usual daily recap, in which H  l  ne told us more about Sea leopard and Marco shared his knowledge of icebergs, dinner was served. For some, the adventure didn't end there. A group of brave volunteers set off to camp under the stars.

Equipped with their camping kit (mattress, sleeping bag and duvet), they boarded the Zodiacs and left Plancius for a night in the snow, in splendid scenery and perfect weather conditions.



Camping Location: Damoy Point, Dorian Bay

After the incredible afternoon, M/V Plancius was repositioned sailing North across the Lemaire channel and into the Neumayer to reach our overnight spot that had been chosen to spend the night. The beautiful and protected area adjacent to Dorian Bay, tucked in between Jabot Peak and Tombstone Hill.



The weather conditions were excellent, wind was absent, and the sky partially clouded, therefore an incredible night awaited us. After dinner we were shuttled ashore by our expedition team, whilst Koen and Marco had set up the camping site for the night.

The snow was crispy when we started digging our snow pits for the night and the cloudless sky anticipated a bright although cold night. After setting up our kit, the guides led us on a relaxing walk alongside the bay to watch the sunset near a small Gentoo rookery and a lonely resting Weddell seal.

The last sunlight rays cast fabulous hues of yellow and pink on Mount Franais and Mount Agamemnon, the highest peaks of Anvers Island, while M/V Plancius sailed through the Neumayer Channel and wished us good night.



Day 6 – 08th February

Jougla Point and Damoy Point/Dorian Bay

12:00 GPS Position: 64°33.4'S / 61°58.4'W

Wind: ESE-1, **Sea State:** Calm, **Weather:** Part.Cloudy, **Air Temp:** 2°C, **Sea Temp:** 1°C

For forty brave souls, the morning started quite early. Our campers enjoyed a night with fresh air and Antarctic scenery outside of the ship. The Expedition staff picked them up around 5:30 to give them some additional hours of sleep and all of us some travel time to the new place. They looked happy and enjoyed their adventure of a different kind.



Our morning activity was planned at Jougla Point. We went out in our beloved Zodiacs and explored a small rocky outcrop located in the Southwest of Wiencke island. The place was full of breeding Gentoo penguins and Antarctic Blue-eyed Shags. The chicks were a few weeks old and were just hilarious, laying on top of each other, chasing the parents or just standing around and watching us. The landscape was rocky and by

that, dirty and full of penguin poo, well that is also something we also need to see on our trip to Antarctica.

The smell was intense but real, but this could not stop us. During the little loop that the team had set up, we also explored some whalebones from the old whaling times. The place was used for shelter against harsh conditions by whaling ships and to process captured whales. The bottom of the sea is still covered by many whale artefacts and many of these bones have been arranged on shore as well. For us a great opportunity to judge the size of some of the marine mammals that live in these areas. But honestly, we enjoy it much more to observe them alive.

For our lunchbreak the Bridge Team treated us well and while having another amazing and filling lunch, we cruised the Peltier channel, a tight channel between glacier covered mountains. A restaurant with a view, we would say.



But the earned calories needed to be burned, in the afternoon, we got the chance for a snowshoe hike around Damoy Point. Damoy offered us stunning scenery with surrounding mountains and glaciers. The sun came out and added the last bit of a

happy vibe to this place. We walked up the little hill, enjoyed the various penguin colonies and explored the old Damoy Hut.

The hut was used by FIDS and later by the British Antarctic Survey, as a shelter for scientists and supplies that were meant to be brought further South mainly to Rothera station; the nearby glacier was used as a runway for the planes to land on this remote corner of the Antarctic Peninsula. Many nights were spent here waiting for reasonably good weather. The day was just amazing and with more and more sun, it just got better and better.



After our return to the ship, a daily recap was scheduled, but the weather and the outside scenery was just too good to stay inside, so we cancelled the recap, or better we just interrupted it and hung around at the outer deck. This is a “once in a lifetime” moment.

Eduardo likes when a plan works, and I think the plan of the Hotel department worked as well: they scheduled an Antarctic BBQ for us outside. How incredible was this!

Captain decided to support and drove the ship to Børgen Bay with a speechless beautiful panorama. No wind, ice just everywhere also on the sea around us. It was almost surreal to listen to music, enjoy a BBQ and see this unique and untouched landscape. We were so grateful for the day, and some people danced through the night as if there would be no tomorrow.



Day 7 – 09th February

Foyn Harbour and Portal Point

12:00 GPS Position: 62°51.0'S / 60°12.3'W

Wind: W-2, **Sea State:** Smooth, **Weather:** Snow, **Air Temp:** 1°C, **Sea Temp:** 1°C

We woke this morning under a contrasting grey and gloomy sky; nevertheless, we all got into Zodiacs, kayaks or dry suits. And the trip was well worth it! First we went to the shipwreck of the *Guvernøren*. The tragic end of a floating whaling processing plant, that caught fire on Christmas Eve 1915 due to a careless crew member.

The captain then sank the ship to save the cargo, whale oil for the whole season. The poor fellows then had to wait a whole 6 weeks on the ice-covered islets to be rescued by their sister ship. They didn't get bored, because they had to salvage barrel after barrel from inside the ship and bring them ashore.



However, we knew the warm Plancius was close by when we ventured between the offshore islands in snowfall and later out into the open sea. Every rocky outcrop was occupied by fur seals. South polar skuas also watched us from the beach line. A school of shags landed in the water not far away and stragglers kept arriving. It was a whole school outing on the open water. They probably wanted to show their offspring the colourful visitors that were noisily making their way through their waters.



Finally, we went on a whale safari. Numerous pairs of sleeping humpback whales floated on the mirror-smooth, grey surface. But soon life came into the water. One after the other, they picked up speed, arched their backs and showed their flukes. Soon they were all engaged in some form

of krill fishing. Each zodiac got its very own group of whales. They dove down without haste, took a big gulp of krill water in their huge mouths and reappeared on the surface. A soul-stirring spectacle. Surely there was not one of us who did not realise the power of nature in their presence. The sounds of the whale blowing were still ringing in our ears that evening before we went to bed.

The snowflakes were no less intense in the afternoon. A flat island, just visible, was our next destination. Once ashore, we were greeted by numerous fur seals. Weddell seals rested in the snow in several places. The view of the bay behind the landing site was magnificent, although in black and white. Numerous small and large pieces of ice decorated the water and land, framed by a vertically dropping glacier walls.

A surprise awaited us after we had first climbed a small rounding hill and then descended again. A young emperor penguin was resting on the edge of the snowfield. He was completely unimpressed by the 5-6 fur seals sharing the ledge with him. The penguin had travelled far away from its colony so that it could turn up here. The nearest areas for emperor penguins are on the eastern side of the Antarctic Peninsula in the Weddell Sea.



Another fantastic day on the western side of the Antarctic Peninsula before wrapping up the operations and starting our way north across the Bransfield strait on our way to the South Shetland islands.

Day 8 – 10th February

Telefon Bay, Deception Island

12:00 GPS Position: 62°51.3'S / 60°12.4'W

Wind: NE-4, **Sea State:** Moderate, **Weather:** Overcast, **Air Temp:** 3°C, **Sea Temp:** 2°C

After a calm night across the Bransfield strait we woke up looking at the narrow passage known as "Neptune Bellows", which connects the external waters around the island with the interior part of the caldera. Soon the captain directed the bow of Plancius straight into the narrow gap

and M/V Plancius sailed graciously through the Neptune Bellows into Port Foster. A small crowd had meanwhile gathered in the outer decks, awakened by Eduardo wake-up call, admiring in awe the impressive basaltic cliffs bursting with birdlife and beautiful reddish-to-orange lapilli-tuff layers which told us of the turmoiled history of this volcanic island.



Deception Island is one of the most active volcanoes of Antarctica and over the past century it had undergone several eruptions, the most recent ones happened in 1968-70. It is located on the Bransfield basin, where extension over the last 4 million years (of a rate of

10mm/year) has caused the opening of the Bransfield Strait, together with persistent volcanism in the area. The rifting is connected to trench-rollback which is related to the adjacent subduction zone. The volcanism is mainly below sea level but three of these volcanic centres make it above sea level: Deception Island, Penguin Island and Bridgeman Island. These islands form the youngest emerging land of the South Shetland archipelago.

Our landing for the morning was Telefon Bay, named after the whaling ship that used to be moored in this bay during the summer season. Located about 9km on the northeastern shore of Port Foster, we set foot on the ashy and rocky landscape of Deception island; a drastic change compared to the snowy terrain of the past days. A short hike led us to the ridge of a lateral moraine carved out by glacier erosion; from here we appreciated the dark layers of different eruptive events deposited on the ice over the past decades, and a very unique glacier feature, a dirt cone, a pyramidal cone of ice and snow that gets cover with insulated debris material ejected from the bottom or the side of a glacier.



The trail led us up on the rim of a small cinder cone, one of the many that dotted the inner part of Port Foster. From here we could enjoy a nice view of the whole caldera with the two research bases of Gabriel de Castilla and Deception looming on the horizon across the bay. Back at the shoreline the traditional Polar Plunge started right away. The participation was beyond expectation and even our brave staff joined the plunge after most of the participants had been shuttled back to the ship.



Brunch was served in the restaurant, whilst M/V Plancius was maneuvered out through the Bellows, passing the southeastern shore of Livingston Island and through the beautiful and treacherous Macfarlane strait dotted with impressive towers of basaltic columnar joints. Unfortunately, the weather was not co-operative this

time with us, while transiting around the southeastern corner of Livingstone Island on our way to Edinburgh Rock, a thick fog fell upon us, decreasing visibility. The officers worked hard to keep the ship on a safe track, and despite trying to buy sometime the visibility didn't improve. However, the expedition team found a nice way to salute Antarctica with a warm chocolate and rum party at the deck behind the bridge.



Rather than sailing out into the open ocean through the treacherous waters of the MacFarlane strait, captain decided to opt for the more secure Nelson passage, between Greenwich and Nelson island. Two long days awaited us across the infamous waters of the Drake Passage, however the weather forecast seemed to be on our side.

Day 9 – 11th February

At Sea – Drake Passage

12:00 GPS Position: 59°29.2'S / 62° 14.4'W

Wind: NE-4, **Sea State:** Moderate, **Weather:** Overcast, **Air Temp:** 5°C, **Sea Temp:** 3°C

Overnight, we left the waters of the South Shetlands and shortly after dinner we could feel the rolling and pitching of the ship among the deeper waters of the southern tip of the Drake Passage. Although the weather overnight was still foggy, during the night we could still see some nice icebergs in the distance. The ship rolled a bit more during the night due to the typical swell of the Drake, running from West to East.

Sharp at 08:00 in the morning Eduardo woke us up with Pink Floyd's "Keep Talking" song. Shortly after the doors of the dining room opened and everybody joined the room for breakfast. After the expedition team collected our boots, we attended an interesting lecture about ice and glaciers dynamics presented by Elke; followed by Michael showing us a few historical videos of Little America and Whaler's Bay.

Lunch was offered shortly after noon and then it was time for a short nap. Meanwhile the visibility around the ship had improved and we could observe a few Black Browed Albatross and Wilson's Storm Petrels gliding around Plancius, which at a good constant 11 knots had made good progress across the Drake.

The lecture marathon carried on with Steffi introducing us to the world of Cetaceans; those incredible marine mammals we had been so lucky to observed feeding around the Antarctic Peninsula. Lately at 18:00 we had our last daily recap. For this one, Ingrid our hotel manager had a few announcements to make, mostly to prepare our guests for disembarkation and about the methods to pay their bills. This was followed by Eduardo who presented the plans for our next day and the weather. We are being very lucky with the weather which seems to be cooperating, so far we have had a smooth Drake passage. The microphone then was passed to Steffi who presented a footage of the curious case of a penguin who devoted his life to crime stealing rocks from his neighbour. Finally H el ene gave a very energetic recap presenting the life of *Belgica antarctica*, one of the few midges that populates in great numbers the white continent.

Shortly after dinner was served, while in the meantime the wind outside had increased and so did the waves. A few people spent some time after dinner around the bar; the Drake was starting to take its toll on us, and a long rocky night was coming.

Day 10 – 12th February

At Sea – Drake Passage and Beagle Channel

12:00 GPS Position: 55°30.5'S / 66° 00.5'W

Wind: SW-4, **Sea State:** Moderate, **Weather:** Overcast, **Air Temp:** 8°C, **Sea Temp:** 8°C



We awoke for our final day aboard Plancius to the rolling seas of the Southern Ocean. Three-meter swell and 25knots of wind buffeted our port side, disturbing sleep for some, whilst rocking others into an even deeper slumber. Nevertheless, we arose to another day of lectures, food and wildlife aboard Plancius as we drew ever closer to Tierra del Fuego.

After another delicious breakfast from our galley team, Marco offered us his presentation about Patagonia with interesting historical insights and guiding us through some of the marvelous natural wonders of the land we were about to approach. Immediately after Michael lectured us with technical and historical aspects of the whaling era, fortunately long gone.

Then, after lunch our Expedition Leader, Eduardo guided us into the unknown world of the Theory of the Relativity of Albert Einstein and how the application of this last one led to the development of such navigational systems as GPS that we use in our daily lives.

Meanwhile, M/V Plancius had reached the calm and protected waters of the Beagle channel which showed us all its rich wildlife: rock and imperial shags flew around the stern of the ship, whilst black-browed albatrosses and Southern Giant Petrels were gliding alongside.



A Sei Whale was spotted on the horizon and duly announced and as quick we were out a small pod of playful Dusky Dolphins were escorting us into the eastern section of the Beagle channel

right in between the Chilean islands of Nueva and Picton and the southeastern shore of Tierra del Fuego. The dolphins seemed happy with the wakes created by the ship and kept swimming alongside on port and starboard for half an hour.



Eventually it was time for Captain Ernesto farewell cocktail. We gathered for a final time in the lounge and after a rousing speech, the captain offered a toast to this incredible voyage and Eduardo thanked the team and crew for their efforts. The festivities finished with a beautiful slideshow – a fitting memory of a truly amazing Antarctic basecamp.

Dinner was served shortly after, whilst we picked up the pilot and continued our navigation towards the port of Ushuaia which we reached in the late evening.

Day 11 – 13th February

Ushuaia - Disembarkation Day

09:00 GPS Position: 54° 48.6'S / 66° 54.0'W

Wind: NW-3, **Sea State:** Calm, **Weather:** Overcast, **Air Temp:** 12°C, **Sea Temp:** 9°C

With our bags packed and left outside our doors for the staff to collect, we enjoyed our final hearty breakfast from the galley crew. Following breakfast, we disembarked and said goodbye to Eduardo and all the team. Whilst many of us leave with some sadness, we are grateful to be back on solid ground and with our hearts full of fond memories and unforgettable experiences from our exploration Antarctica Peninsula.

Thank you for your enthusiasm and support, but most of all for joining us on this adventurous Antarctica Basecamp voyage. We hope to see you again in the future, wherever that might be!

Total distance sailed: 1668 nautical miles
Farthest South: 65°10.6'S / 064°07.5'W



On behalf of Oceanwide Expeditions, Captain Ernesto Barria, Expedition Leader Eduardo Rubio-Herrera and his team, Hotel Manager Ingrid Van der Loo, and all the crew and staff of M/V Plancius, it has been a pleasure traveling with you!

Kayak Trip log

6th AM Starting our kayaking program with a truly Antarctic feel. Icebergs, whales, and stunning scenery everywhere. The team quickly got the feel of the kayaks and paddles, and we enjoyed a magic morning on the water.

6th PM In the afternoon we had amazing calm conditions. Paddling amongst the ice we found a resting leopard seal and swimming gentoo penguins.

7th AM- Another fantastic morning on the water. Incredible surrounding for our kayaking. The silence and majesties of Antarctica on display.

7th-PM Big icebergs and diving humpbacks. This afternoon we took advantage of the sunshine and a tailwind to enjoy a beautiful paddle close to the iceberg graveyard. Two humpbacks passed close by and we finished with a small iceberg putting on a display as a piece broke away and sent us a small wave.

8th PM- A beautiful relaxing paddle along the shore. Taking advantage of the shelter offered by Portal point we cruised Dorian Bay. Then we used the following wind to handrail along the coast for a couple of miles with fantastic ice and glacier fronts to our side.

9th AM A magic morning with sleeping giants. We had the pleasure of resting close to a sleeping humpback to start the paddle, then fur seals, the Governor shipwreck and mirror smooth seas.

9th PM Portal Point was full of playful fur seals swimming right up to us in the kayaks and of course the biggest surprise of the trip an Emperor penguin.

10th AM Our last paddle in Antarctica. An early morning paddle in the caldera of Deception Island. A landscape from another planet and some wildlife too. Chinstrap penguin, fur seal and a curious juvenile Imperial Shag.



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EXPEDITIONS

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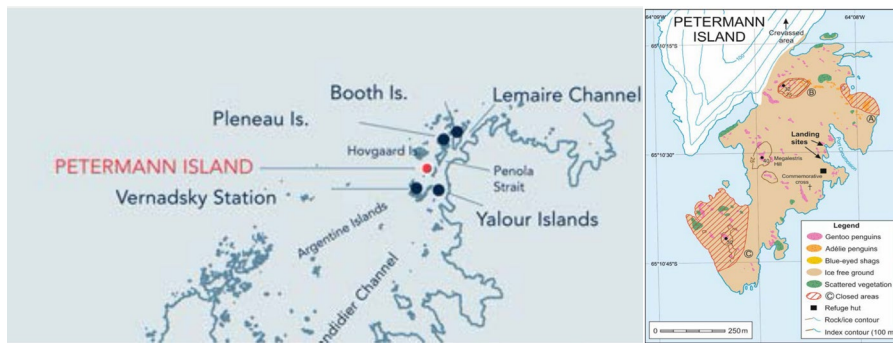
February 3rd to 14th 2024.

Dive 1 Wilhelmina Bay. 7.3m 45 Minutes. 64°38'S 64°62'10"W

After kitting up we did our first dive of the trip in Wilhelmina Bay. This was our check dive, a dive for us to check our kit and to make sure we are correctly weighted. The Bay was shallow so provided a safe site. There were many penguins and whales in the water. We saw lots of little things on the rocks on the seabed. Limpets, Sea Spiders, Nudibranch, and small fish. As a check dive it made an interesting start to our expedition.

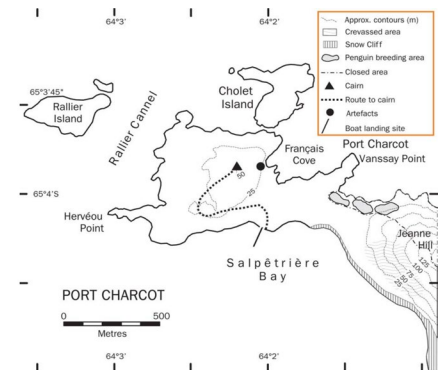
Dive 2 Stony Point Enterprise Island. Depth 6.7m Time 40 Minutes. 64°54'47"S 62°55'59"W

This was our first wall dive of the trip. Even as we kitted up, we saw interesting nature around the site. We saw more small creatures living on this pretty wall. Lots of bright pink starfish on the Kelp. A few individual Salp in the water. The visibility was good and the water Blue. A great dive which ended too soon as we reached our dive time of 40 minutes. After the dive we went for a Zodiac cruise around the ice, seeing a leopard seal on an ice flow was a real treat.



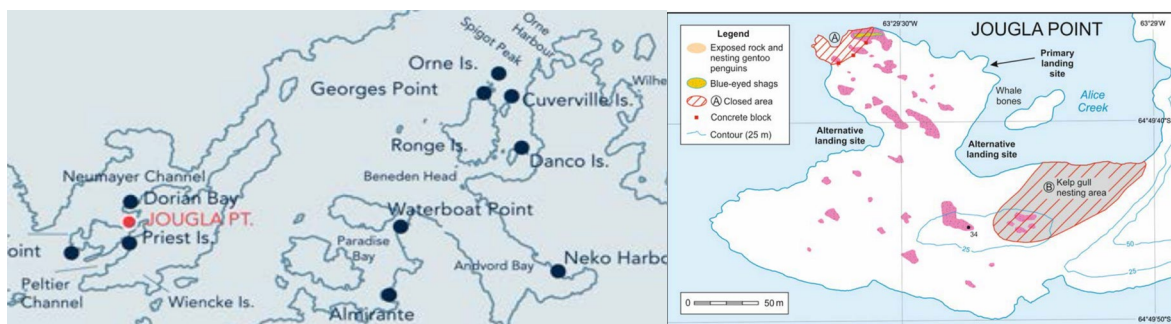
Dive 3 Port Circumcision, Peterman Island. 7.8m 52 Minutes. 65°4'S 64°0'W

In the morning the team woke for breakfast after which we made a dive in this beautiful place. The dive team showed us a carving in the rock made by the crew of the Porquas Pas Jean Baptiste Charcot's ship. There was a penguin swimming in the water. The team decided to dive around ice. So, after a briefing about how the mix of fresh and saltwater effects visibility and buoyancy the divers entered the water. The divers enjoyed the beauty of the ice. The light and visibility were good. After the dive we watched penguins entering the sea with whales around near the ship.



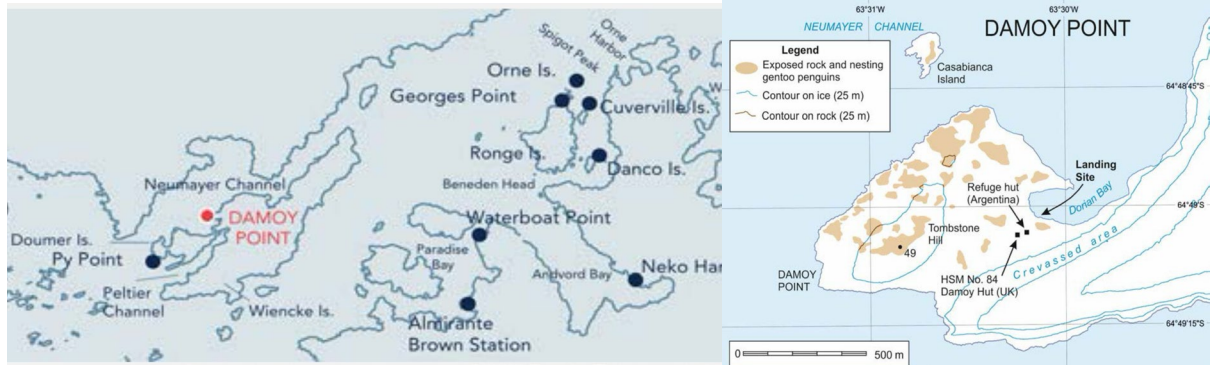
Dive 4 Port Charcot (Ice) 11.3m 40 Minutes. 65°4'S 64°0'W

We tried to make a dive in strong wind and rough seas. We found a piece of Ice with a large patch of open water around it. The dive team kitted up and entered the water. Then the wind started to move the ice, so a recall was sounded. The team performed a perfect recall and were soon back on the Zodiacs. All were amazed at how much the ice was moving in the wind. All were glad to be recalled on safety grounds. A shore landing was also enjoyed seeing the Penguins that live in this beautiful place.



Dive 5 Jougla Point. 11.3m 55 Minutes. 64° 49' 60" S 63° 30' 0" W

We entered Port Lockroy harbour staying to the right side of the bay and entered the water close to where the penguins were entering the water too. Some saw these majestic birds zip by as they left the harbour to feed. We kept the reef to the right and travelled towards the interior of the harbour. Some of us found large white rocks which in fact were whale bones. Covered in life as they scrape off calcium to build their bodies. We turned after 20 minutes with the reef to the left and returned to our entry point. The visibility was great, so we saw many marine species



Dive 6 Casa Bianca Island, Damoy Point. 16.7m 58 Minutes. 64°49'S 63°32'W

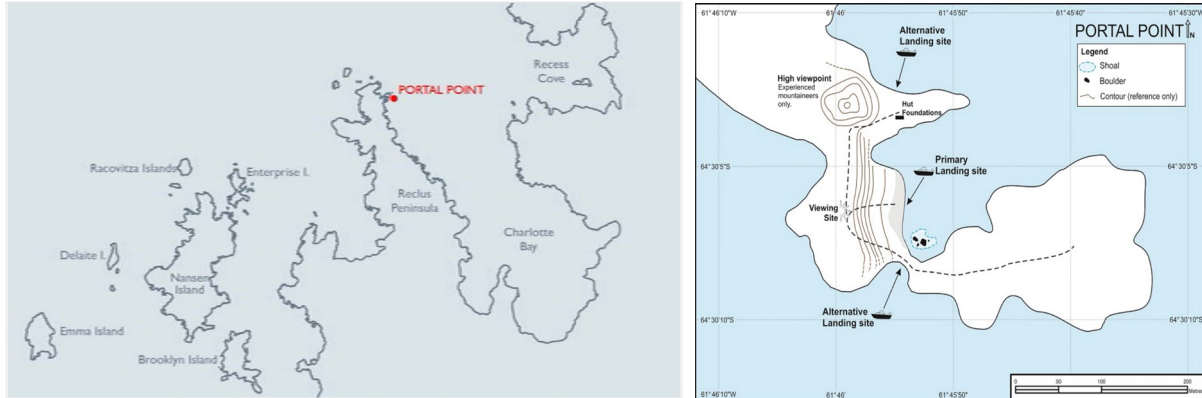
This dive was on ice off this island we had great visibility and took many photographs. The dive team found three pieces of ice for us to dive on, so we had a smaller group on each piece. The ice is smooth and has wonderful shapes. In the brief the team talked of the strange effects on our buoyancy caused by the mix of fresh and salt water this proved to be true. The divers all experienced



these odd effects whilst diving the ice.

Dive 7 Governoren Wreck, Foyen Island. 14.8m 58 Minutes. 64°33'S 62°1'W

The wreck stands proud of the water Michael said, "Even I can find this one", A yacht was moored against the ship, so we dived the port side following the whole length of this once majestic vessel. It was grounded in 1915 to save the Whale Oil inside as the ship was on fire. We saw bones of whale on the seabed, harpoons used to kill them. The stern was in good condition and the rudder and propellor made for a majestic sight. Soon we returned re-tracing our path back to the zodiacs where as usual the dive team were waiting to help us into the boat.



Dive 8 Portal Point. (ICE) 8.8m 43 Minutes. 64°30'S 61°46'W

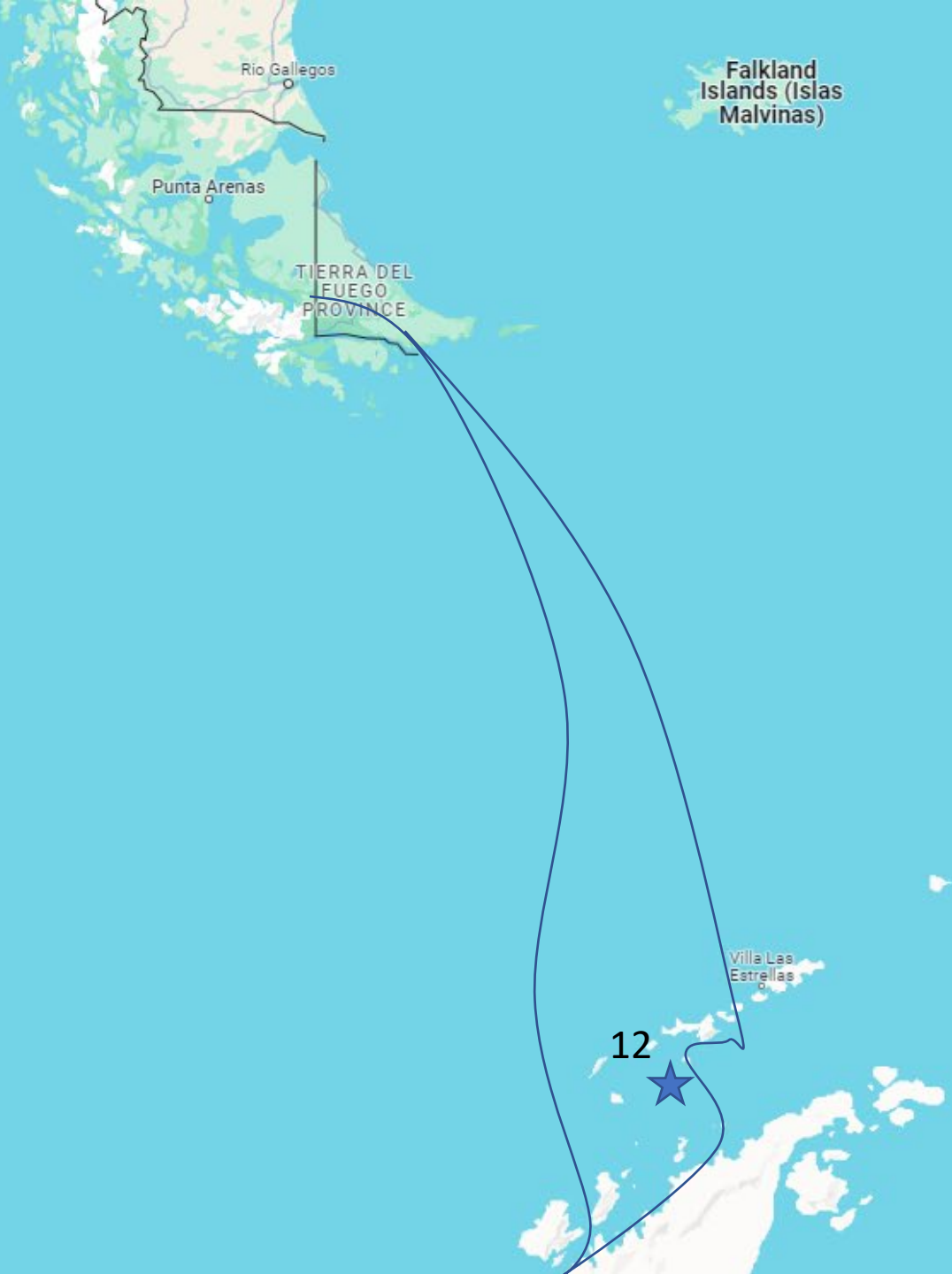
After kitting up we made a dive on a large piece of grounded ice. The visibility was not quite the same as the previous ice but was still good. We made laps around the berg enjoying the noise of the ice from underwater. Too soon it was time to surface and return to the ship, Cold, hungry and happy the pack ice was closing in so we returned to the ship enjoying our last whales on the way.



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Species list: PLA28 - 3 rd February - 13th February 2024

English	Latin	3-feb	4-feb	5-feb	6-feb	7-feb	8-feb	9-feb	10-feb	11-feb	12-feb	Francais
Adelie Penguin	<i>Pygoscelis adeliae</i>					X						Manchot Adélie
Gentoo Penguin	<i>Pygoscelis papua papua</i>				X	X	X					Manchot Papou
Chinstrap Penguin	<i>Pygoscelis antarctica</i>	X		X		X	X		X			Manchot à jugulaire
Macaroni Penguin	<i>Eudyptes chrysolophus</i>											Gorfou macaroni (doré)
Emperor penguin	<i>Aptenodytes forsteri</i>											Manchot empereur
Southern Giant Petrel	<i>Macronectes giganteus</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	Pétrel géant
Cape Petrel (Pintado)	<i>Daption capensis</i>											Damier du Cap
White-chinned Petrel	<i>Procellaria aequinoctialis</i>		X	X	X					X		Pétrel à menton blanc
Antarctic Petrel	<i>Thalassoica antarctica</i>			X								Pétrel Antarctique
Snow Petrel	<i>Pagodroma nivea</i>											Pétrel des neiges
Wilson's Storm-Petrel	<i>Oceanites oceanicus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Océanite de Wilson
Blue Petrel	<i>Halobaena caerulea</i>											Pétrel bleu
Black-bellied Storm-Petrel	<i>Fregetta tropica</i>			X								Océanite à ventre noir
Antartic Prion	<i>Pachyptila desolata</i>			X								Prion de la Desolation
Southern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialoides</i>											Fulmar antarctique
Antarctic Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax bransfieldensis</i>				X	X	X	X	X			Cormoran (impérial)
Pale-faced Sheatbill	<i>Chionis alba</i>					X	X					Chionis – Bec en fourreau
Kelp Gull	<i>Larus dominicanus</i>	X			X	X	X	X	X			Goéland dominicain
Antarctic Tern	<i>Sterna vittata</i>				X	X	X	X	X			Sterne antarctique
South Polar Skua	<i>Catharacta maccormicki</i>				X		X	X				Labbe de Mac Cormick
Sub-Antarctic (Brown) Skua	<i>Catharacta antarctica</i>					X	X	X	X			Labbe brun
Wandering Albatross	<i>Diomedea exulans</i>		X	X						X	X	Albatros hurleur
Black-browed Albatross	<i>Thalassarche melanophris</i>	X	X	X						X	X	Albatros à sourcils noirs
Grey-Headed Albatross	<i>Diomedea chrysostoma</i>											Albatros à tête grise
Light Mantled Sooty Albatross	<i>Phoebetria palpebrata</i>			X								Albatros fuligineux
Sooty Shearwater	<i>Procellaria griseus</i>	X									X	Puffin fuligineux

Marine mammals	Latin	3-feb	4-feb	5-feb	6-feb	7-feb	8-feb	9-feb	10-feb	11-feb	12-feb	Francais
Antarctic Minke Whale	<i>Balaenoptera bonaerensis</i>						X					Petit Rorqual antarctique
Humpback Whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>			X	X	X		X	X			Mégaptère (Baleine à bosse)

Blue Whale	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>											Baleine bleue
Fin Whale	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>			X								Rorqual commun
Sei Whale	<i>Balaenoptera borealis</i>	X									X	Rorqual boréal
Southern Bottlenose Whale	<i>Hyperoodon planifrons</i>											Baleine à bec australe
Straptoothed Beaked Whale	<i>Mesoplodon layardii</i>											Baleine à bec de Layard
Long Finned Pilot whale	<i>Globicephala melas</i>											Globicéphale noir
Orcas	<i>Orcinus orca</i>											Orque (épaulard)
Hourglass Dolphin	<i>Lagenorhynchus cruciger</i>		X									Lagénorhynque sablier
Peale's Dolphin	<i>Lagenorhynchus australis</i>											Lagénorhynque à menton noir
Commerson's Dolphin	<i>Cephalorhynchus commersonii</i>											Dauphin de Commerson
Southern Elephant Seal	<i>Mirounga leonin</i>					X						Éléphant de mer austral
Antarctic Fur Seal	<i>Arctocephalus gazella</i>			X		X		X				Otarie à fourrure antarctique
Southern Sea Lion	<i>Otaria flavescens</i>	X									X	Lion de mer d'Amérique du Sud
Leopard seal	<i>Hydrurga leptonyx</i>				X	X						Léopard de mer
Weddel seal	<i>Leptonychotes wedellii</i>				X	X	X	X				Phoque de Weddel
Crabeater seal	<i>Lobodon carcinophaga</i>					X						Phoque crabier
Dusky Dolphin	<i>Lagenorhynchus obscurus</i>	X									X	Dauphin obscur

Eduardo Rubio - Expedition Leader



I describe myself as an astronomer by profession with a passion for sharing nature's wonders. I aim to help to better understanding of what scientists do with the public. Born in Guatemala (1978), I live in Switzerland since 2017. I speak English, Spanish and German.

After studying physics, I got my PhD in Astronomy from the University of Amsterdam in 2010. After a postdoctoral position I became a lecturer of physics and Astronomy as well as a guide in expedition cruise ships. Since 2018 I have worked for Oceanwide Expeditions in various roles such as guide, assistant expedition leader and expedition leader in the Antarctic and in the Arctic. Today I enjoy these trips as well as teaching undergraduate/graduate students and doing science outreach at the Planetarium of the Museum of Transport in Switzerland.

My interests vary from history of exploration to the intricacies of astronomy. During the trips I have undertaken, I offer lectures about polar explorers, the science carried out in Antarctica (astronomy in particular), about our Universe, and the mysteries of our ocean's depths, to mention some. At sea, besides being an engaged guide and lecturer, I love to show constellations to people, pointing out their names and their lore. In every trip I make, I always aim to raise the enthusiasm of guests towards science, and their awareness towards the unique and fragile planet where we live.

Français

Je me décris comme un astronome de profession, passionné par le partage des merveilles de la nature. Mon objectif est de contribuer à une meilleure compréhension de ce que font les scientifiques avec le public. Né au Guatemala (1978), je vis en Suisse depuis 2017. Je parle anglais, espagnol et allemand.

Après avoir étudié la physique, j'ai obtenu mon doctorat en astronomie à l'Université d'Amsterdam en 2010. Après un poste postdoctoral, je suis devenu professeur de physique et d'astronomie ainsi que guide sur des bateaux de croisière d'expédition. Depuis 2018, je travaille pour Oceanwide Expeditions dans différents rôles tels que guide, assistant chef d'expédition et chef d'expédition dans l'Antarctique et dans l'Arctique. Aujourd'hui, je profite de ces voyages pour enseigner à des étudiants de premier et deuxième cycles et pour faire de la vulgarisation scientifique au planétarium du Musée des transports en Suisse.

Mes centres d'intérêt vont de l'histoire de l'exploration aux subtilités de l'astronomie. Au cours des voyages que j'ai effectués, j'ai donné des conférences sur les explorateurs polaires, la science menée en Antarctique (l'astronomie en particulier), notre univers et les mystères des profondeurs de nos océans, pour n'en citer que quelques-uns. En mer, en plus d'être un guide engagé et un conférencier, j'aime montrer les constellations aux gens, en indiquant leur nom et leur histoire. Dans chacun de mes voyages, je cherche toujours à susciter l'enthousiasme des visiteurs pour la science et à les sensibiliser à la planète unique et fragile où nous vivons.

Stefanie Liller

Assistant Expedition Leader



Steffi Liller was born in Offenbach, Germany in 1978. After completing her apprenticeship as a biology lab technician at the Paul-Ehrlich Institute in Langen, Germany, she earned a degree in Biology and Meteorology at the Universities of Darmstadt and Freiburg in Germany. Alongside her studies and her love of nature, Stefanie developed an interest in and a passion for skydiving. This eventually changed from being a hobby to her profession. While working at drop-zones and indoor skydiving facilities throughout central Europe, Stefanie enjoyed sharing her passion for the sport with other people.

A large part of her career was spent as a coach. It was always very important to her to make her own skills available to people curious and interested, and to look after their safety and lasting enjoyment in the sport. Starting in 2011 she managed several indoor skydiving facilities in Germany and Austria.

In addition to her professional career, Stefanie is an avid world-traveller by foot or public transport. While exploring various landscapes and communities on all seven continents, she enjoys sharing her experiences and unique moments with others. Since 2017 Stefanie has been working as an independent coach in skydiving and indoor skydiving and guide or lector on several vessels in remote areas. Stefanie has chosen Vienna, Austria as her home base, and lives there in between trips.

Français

Steffi Liller est née à Offenbach, en Allemagne, en 1978. Après avoir terminé son apprentissage en tant que technicienne de laboratoire en biologie à l'Institut Paul-Ehrlich à Langen, en Allemagne, elle a obtenu un diplôme en biologie et en météorologie des universités de Darmstadt et de Fribourg, en Allemagne. Parallèlement à ses études et à son amour pour la nature, Stefanie a développé une passion pour le parachutisme. Ce qui n'était qu'un passe-temps au départ est finalement devenu sa profession. Stefanie aime partager sa passion pour ce sport avec d'autres personnes, ce qui l'a amenée à travailler dans le milieu du parachutisme dans différents pays d'Europe centrale.

Une grande partie de sa carrière a été consacrée à l'encadrement. Elle aime mettre à disposition ses compétences auprès de personnes curieuses et intéressées, tout en veillant à leur sécurité. À partir de 2011, elle a géré plusieurs souffleries de parachutisme en salle en Allemagne et en Autriche. En plus de sa carrière professionnelle, Stefanie aime parcourir le monde à la découverte de nouveaux paysages et de nouvelles personnes. Elle privilégie les voyages à pied ou en transport en commun.

Depuis 2017, Stefanie travaille en tant que coach indépendante en parachutisme et en parachutisme en salle, ainsi qu'en tant que guide ou conférencière sur plusieurs navires dans des régions éloignées. Stefanie a choisi Vienne, en Autriche, comme base de vie et y réside entre ses voyages.

Michael Green – Dive Team Leader



He began diving in 1980 learning with the Royal Navy in Portsmouth Harbour. Leaving the Navy, he continued to dive mainly around the U.K. dive into the wrecks always looking for a new story to learn.

He is qualified as an instructor with BSAC and PADI. Plus, certified to operate Drager Dolphin and Buddy Inspiration rebreather. He has worked for Oceanwide since coming aboard as a guest for the Last eight years. He enjoys spending time giving our guests a safe but enjoyable experience in the Polar Regions. His biggest tip for you is slow down.

Look around you, enjoy these beautiful flames they are amazing. He is looking forward to spending some time with you over the coming days. Please ask any questions you may have as soon as you have them, we are here to help!

Français

Il a commencé à plonger en 1980 en apprenant avec la Royal Navy dans le port de Portsmouth. En quittant la Marine, il a continué à plonger principalement autour du Royaume-Uni, dans les épaves, toujours à la recherche d'une nouvelle histoire à apprendre.

Il est qualifié comme instructeur avec BSAC et PADI. De plus, il est certifié pour opérer les recycleurs Drager Dolphin et Buddy Inspiration. Il travaille pour Oceanwide depuis son arrivée à bord en tant qu'invité au cours des huit dernières années. Il aime passer du temps à donner à nos invités une expérience sûre et agréable dans les régions polaires. Son plus grand conseil pour vous est de ralentir.

Regardez autour de vous, profitez de ces magnifiques paysages, toujours étonnants. Il est impatient de passer du temps avec vous dans les prochains jours. N'hésitez pas à poser toutes vos questions dès que vous en avez, nous sommes là pour vous aider !

Joseph Brooks – Expedition Guide



Joe is a lover of the great outdoors. Growing up on the small Scottish island, Bute, he had many adventures in the Scottish countryside and waters.

His interest in diving originated on a family holiday to Tobago in his early teens where he got his first taste of the underwater world, achieving his PADI open water certificate. After finishing school, he took this passion to the next level by training at the Professional Diving Academy and becoming a commercial diver. Working as a diver has taken Joe around the world including scallop diving around the Hebrides, construction of a bridge across the Thames River for the London Olympics and assisting in the creation of an artificial reef in NSW, Australia after the sinking of HMAS Adelaide.

Joe now lives in Glasgow, Scotland where he makes a living as a senior instructor delivering maritime emergency training. His first trip to Antarctica was made in February 2020 as a dive guide on MV Plancius. When not in the water Joe likes to take to Scotland's mountains, enjoying the wilderness through hiking and mountain biking.

Français

Joe est un amoureux des grands espaces. Ayant grandi sur la petite île écossaise de Bute, il a vécu de nombreuses aventures dans la campagne et les eaux écossaises.

Son intérêt pour la plongée est né lors de vacances familiales à Tobago, au début de son adolescence, où il a eu un premier contact avec le monde sous-marin, obtenant son certificat PADI open water. Après avoir terminé l'école, il a porté sa passion au niveau supérieur en suivant une formation à la Professional Diving Academy et en devenant plongeur commercial. Son travail de plongeur l'a amené à parcourir le monde, notamment à plonger dans les coquilles Saint-Jacques des Hébrides, à construire un pont sur la Tamise pour les Jeux olympiques de Londres et à participer à la création d'un récif artificiel en Nouvelle-Galles du Sud, en Australie, après le naufrage de l'HMAS Adelaide.

Joe vit aujourd'hui à Glasgow, en Écosse, où il gagne sa vie en tant qu'instructeur principal chargé de la formation aux urgences maritimes. Son premier voyage en Antarctique a eu lieu en février 2020 en tant que guide de plongée sur le MV Plancius. Lorsqu'il n'est pas dans l'eau, Joe aime s'aventurer dans les montagnes écossaises et profiter de la nature sauvage en pratiquant la randonnée et le VTT.

Arne Mogstad – Expedition guide



Arne is a passionate diver, fascinated by exploration and adventure. He lives in Northern Norway, above the arctic circle. He mostly dives in Scandinavian waters, which means cold and dark conditions, and has never dived without a drysuit. Being a certified trimix, rebreather and cave diver, one of his favorite places to dive is in the Plura Valley, a local arctic cave, with water between 1 and 5 degrees. He is also involved in cave exploration and mapping projects together with a team of international cave divers.

Diving is not his only passion. Arne loves to be outdoors in nature. He has been actively climbing since the age of 16, in every condition, both on ice and rock. His personal favorite is climbing long multi-pitch ice climbing routes, with the possibility to ski back down the mountain. He has been part of the Norwegian Alpine Rescue Group since 2012 and spent several hundred nights camping outdoors in sub-zero temperatures. Being Norwegian, he believes in the old Norwegian saying, that there is no such thing as bad weather, only bad clothing. This is a necessary mentality if you want to be outdoors a lot in the arctic.

He recently bought a 40 foot aluminum expedition sailing yacht and is learning to sail it, to further expand the opportunities for exploration and new challenges. So far he's crossed the North Sea and spent last winter living aboard while sailing Northern Norway looking for whales. In his daily life, Arne works at the hospital as a Certified Registered Nurse of Anesthesia.

Français

Arne est un plongeur passionné, fasciné par l'exploration et l'aventure. Il vit dans le nord de la Norvège, au-dessus du cercle polaire. Il plonge principalement dans les eaux scandinaves, ce qui implique des conditions froides et sombres, et n'a jamais plongé sans combinaison étanche. En tant que plongeur trimix, recycleur et spéléologue certifié, l'un de ses endroits préférés pour plonger est la vallée de Plura, une grotte arctique locale, où l'eau oscille entre 1 et 5 degrés. Il participe également à des projets d'exploration et de cartographie de grottes avec une équipe internationale de plongeurs spéléologues.

La plongée n'est pas sa seule passion. Arne aime être en plein air, dans la nature. Il pratique activement l'escalade depuis l'âge de 16 ans, dans toutes les conditions, sur glace et sur rocher. Ce qu'il préfère, c'est l'escalade de longues voies d'escalade de glace à plusieurs longueurs, avec la possibilité de redescendre à ski. Il fait partie du groupe de sauvetage alpin norvégien depuis 2012 et a passé plusieurs centaines de nuits à camper en plein air par des températures inférieures à zéro.

En tant que Norvégien, il croit au vieux dicton norvégien selon lequel il n'y a pas de mauvais temps, seulement de mauvais vêtements. C'est une mentalité nécessaire si l'on veut être souvent à l'extérieur dans l'Arctique.

Il a récemment acheté un voilier d'expédition en aluminium de 40 pieds et apprend à le naviguer, afin de multiplier les possibilités d'exploration et de relever de nouveaux défis.

Jusqu'à présent, il a traversé la mer du Nord et a passé l'hiver dernier à vivre à bord tout en naviguant dans le nord de la Norvège à la recherche de baleines.

Dans la vie de tous les jours, Arne travaille à l'hôpital en tant qu'infirmier diplômé en anesthésie.

Sid Dewall - Dive Guide



Sid was born in Gibraltar, at the southern most tip of Europe, and had been diving now for over 10 years. His passion for diving came from the experience of diving between two tectonic plates in the Silfra, Iceland and has since diver all around the world, working as a dive guide in countries such as Australia, Canada, Gibraltar and, Thailand.

Sid recently graduated with a Master's degree in Marine Science, focusing specifically on the health status and distribution of orange stony cup corals, eventually publishing and authoring a data set and diving course to educate citizen divers on various monitoring techniques and, assessing and collecting their own datasets to track changes temporally and spatially amongst benthic communities.

In his free time, he enjoys playing and coaching multiple sports, including competing nationally in Athletics, and recreationally playing Squash, and Climbing. Being a diver, Sid has always had an affinity with water and will always try to find time to join the waves, be it underneath as diver, or above the surface on a board. He is

particularly interested in marine organisms so if you have any questions or interests in diving or marine species, please ask him!

Sid est né à Gibraltar, à l'extrémité sud de l'Europe, et pratique la plongée depuis plus de 10 ans. Sa passion pour la plongée est née d'une expérience de plongée entre deux plaques tectoniques à Silfra, en Islande. Depuis, il a plongé dans le monde entier, travaillant comme guide de plongée dans des pays tels que l'Australie, le Canada, Gibraltar et la Thaïlande.

Sid a récemment obtenu une maîtrise en sciences de la mer, en se concentrant spécifiquement sur l'état de santé et la distribution des coraux orangés à cupule pierreuse. Il a publié et rédigé un ensemble de données et un cours de plongée pour former les plongeurs citoyens à diverses techniques de surveillance et pour évaluer et collecter leurs propres ensembles de données afin de suivre les changements temporels et spatiaux au sein des communautés benthiques.

Pendant son temps libre, il aime pratiquer et entraîner de nombreux sports, y compris des compétitions nationales d'athlétisme, et s'adonner au squash et à l'escalade à titre récréatif. En tant que plongeur, Sid a toujours eu une affinité avec l'eau et essaiera toujours de trouver du temps pour rejoindre les vagues, que ce soit sous l'eau en tant que plongeur, ou au-dessus de la surface sur une planche. Il s'intéresse particulièrement aux organismes marins. Si vous avez des questions ou des intérêts concernant la plongée ou les espèces marines, n'hésitez pas à les lui poser !

David Horkan – Expedition Guide



David is one of Ireland's most accomplished kayakers, with a passion for pushing the boundaries of the sport. A skilled guide, coach, and athlete, David excels in multiple disciplines, including whitewater rivers, surfing, and long-distance racing. In 2022, he made history as the first ever Irishman to win the prestigious Devizes to Westminster international kayak race.

Growing up on the West Coast of Ireland, David began kayaking at the age of 12 and quickly developed a love for the sport. After taking a break during university, he returned to kayaking with renewed vigor, seeking out new challenges and exploring the world through his love of the water.

As a professional kayaker, David has also set records for the fastest team to kayak around Vancouver Island and the fastest crossing of the Irish Sea. In addition to his competitive achievements, David has also guided kayaking expeditions in remote locations such as Patagonia, Antarctica, Iceland, Greenland, and the Faroe Islands.

In addition to his kayaking expertise, David is also a certified Canoeing Ireland instructor in whitewater, paddle surfing, and sea kayaking. He is also an ISKGA Advanced Guide and a Leave No Trace trainer, making him well-equipped to share his love of the outdoors with others. When not on the water, David is an avid kitesurfer, cyclist, and stand-up paddleboarder. David is also a technical consultant for Online Sea Kayaking and partners with leading brands such as Aquabound and Kokatat. Through his knowledge and experience, he helps these companies develop and improve their products, ensuring the best possible experience for kayakers around the world.

Français

David est l'un des kayakistes les plus accomplis d'Irlande, avec une passion pour repousser les limites de ce sport. Guide, entraîneur et athlète compétent, David excelle dans de multiples disciplines, notamment les rivières d'eau vive, le surf et les courses de longue distance. En 2022, il est entré dans l'histoire en devenant le tout premier Irlandais à remporter la prestigieuse course internationale de kayak de Devizes à Westminster.

Ayant grandi sur la côte ouest de l'Irlande, David a commencé à faire du kayak à l'âge de 12 ans et a rapidement développé un amour pour ce sport. Après avoir fait une pause pendant ses études universitaires, il est revenu au kayak avec une vigueur renouvelée, cherchant à relever de nouveaux défis et à explorer le monde à travers son amour de l'eau.

En tant que kayakiste professionnel, David a également établi des records pour l'équipe la plus rapide à faire le tour de l'île de Vancouver en kayak et la traversée la plus rapide de la mer d'Irlande. En plus de ses exploits en compétition, David a également guidé des expéditions en kayak dans des endroits reculés tels que la Patagonie, l'Antarctique, l'Islande, le Groenland et les îles Féroé.

En plus de son expertise en kayak, David est également un instructeur certifié Canoeing Ireland en eau vive, en paddle surf et en kayak de mer. Il est également guide avancé ISKGA et formateur Leave No Trace, ce qui le rend bien équipé pour partager son amour de la nature avec les autres. Lorsqu'il n'est pas sur l'eau, David est un passionné de kitesurf, de cyclisme et de stand-up paddleboard. David est également consultant technique pour Online Sea Kayaking et travaille en partenariat avec de grandes marques comme Aquabound et Kokatat. Grâce à ses connaissances et à son expérience, il aide ces entreprises à développer et à améliorer leurs produits, garantissant ainsi la meilleure expérience possible aux kayakistes du monde entier.

Régis Perdriat - Expedition Guide



Régis has always been passionate about nature and wildlife conservation.

After a master's degree in Ecology, he first specialized in seabird rehabilitation after oil spills for BirdLife France. Then he joined the Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust, studying endangered species.

In Brittany he worked seven years for the Sept-Iles National Nature Reserve, driving zodiac, counting seabirds and seals in this wild and protected archipelago.

His polar experiences go as far back as 2007, when he spent 15 months working as a field researcher studying the seabirds and marine mammals of the remote Kerguelen Islands, a French subantarctic territory.

In love with those isolated environments he carried out several fieldwork missions in subantarctic islands. He finally joined the management team of French Southern and Antarctic Lands and became Head of the Southern

Lands National Nature Reserve.

He now proposes his experience as a freelance biologist for scientific expeditions and share his passion for birds as often as he can. His last expeditions took him to North-East Greenland, Central Asia or Antarctic Peninsula.

Looking for him? Try outside, you should find him and his binoculars searching for birds or whales.

Français

Régis a toujours été passionné par la nature et la conservation de la faune. Après une maîtrise en écologie, il s'est d'abord spécialisé dans la réhabilitation des oiseaux de mer après les déversements d'hydrocarbures pour BirdLife France. Puis il s'est joint au Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust, étudiant les espèces en voie de disparition. En Bretagne, il a travaillé sept ans pour la Réserve naturelle nationale de Sept-Iles, conduisant le zodiac, comptant les oiseaux de mer et les phoques dans cet archipel sauvage et protégé.

Ses expériences polaires remontent à 2007, lorsqu'il a travaillé pendant 15 mois comme chercheur sur le terrain à étudier les oiseaux de mer et les mammifères marins des îles Kerguelen éloignées, un territoire subantarctique Français.

Amoureux de ces environnements isolés, il a effectué plusieurs missions de travail sur le terrain dans les îles subantarctiques. Il s'est finalement joint à l'équipe de gestion de terres australes et antarctiques françaises et est devenu chef de la réserve naturelle nationale des terres du Sud.

Il propose maintenant son expérience en tant que biologiste indépendant pour les expéditions scientifiques et partage sa passion pour les oiseaux aussi souvent qu'il le peut. Ses dernières expéditions l'ont emmené au Nord-Est du Groenland, en Asie centrale ou dans la péninsule antarctique.

Vous le cherchez ? Essayez à l'extérieur, vous devriez le trouver avec ses jumelles à la recherche d'oiseaux ou de baleines.

Hélène de Méringo - Expedition Guide



Native from Brittany in France, Hélène quickly developed a passion for nature and wildlife.

After studying biology and ecology, she multiplied missions in various latitudes, working for conservation programs in Guinea, Quebec, and research programs in New Zealand and Indonesia.

In 2008, she winters in the Kerguelen Archipelago as a volunteer biologist for the French Polar Institute and develops a real interest for island ecosystems and the polar world. A grandiose and decisive experience. She continues her experience in the Great South as an agent of the French Southern and Antarctic Natural Reserve.

Since 2012, she works as an engineer in a research team focus in island ecology. This work leads her to regularly participate in on-board missions to study seabirds nesting in remote islands,

particularly in the Pacific.

Since January 2019, she has been participating in cruises to the Antarctic Peninsula and the Arctic on expedition ships with Oceanwide Expedition.

Français

Originaire de Bretagne, Hélène se passionne rapidement pour la nature et la faune sauvage.

Après des études de biologie et écologie, elle multiplie les missions sous diverses latitudes, travaillant pour des programmes de conservation en Guinée, au Québec, et des programmes de recherche en Nouvelle Zélande et en Indonésie.

En 2008, elle hiverne sur l'archipel des Kerguelen en tant que biologiste volontaire pour l'Institut Polaire Français (l'IPEV) et y développe un réel intérêt pour les écosystèmes insulaires et le monde polaire. Une expérience grandiose et décisive. Elle poursuit son expérience dans le Grand sud comme agent de la Réserve Naturelle des Terres Australes et Antarctiques Françaises.

Depuis 2012, elle a rejoint le CNRS en tant qu'ingénieur d'étude au sein d'une équipe de recherche en écologie insulaire. Ce travail l'amène à participer régulièrement à des missions embarquées pour étudier les oiseaux marins qui nichent dans des îles éloignées, particulièrement dans le Pacifique (Nouvelle Calédonie, Polynésie et Clipperton).

Depuis janvier 2019, elle participe à des croisières en péninsule Antarctique et en Arctique sur des bateaux d'expédition avec Oceanwide Expedition.

Stéphane Niveau - Guide conférencier

52 ans



11Après des études de géologie à l'université d'Orléans, de géographie à l'université de Franche-Comté et un brevet d'accompagnateur en montagne, Stéphane s'installe dans le Jura et devient le Directeur du Centre polaire Paul-Emile Victor en l'an, 2000, situé au cœur de la Station des Rousses. Il

est aujourd'hui le directeur scientifique et culturel du nouvel « Espace des Mondes Polaires» dont il est le co-auteur avec Jean-Christophe Victor : structure culturelle qui associe une exposition permanente, une exposition temporaire, un auditorium, des collections polaires, un atelier pédagogique, une brasserie, une boutique, une patinoire en glace, le tout sur plus de 5 000 m². Il est administrateur du fond de dotation Paul-Emile Victor.

Stéphane encadre des expéditions en Arctique et Antarctique, à pied, à ski, en raquette, en croisière pour l'agence GNGL depuis 15 ans. Sur place dans le Jura, il encadre également des sorties en moyenne montagne depuis sa ferme à Septmoncel. Demandez le programme ! Exemple : séminaire polaire d'automne : 4 jours en octobre avec un mélange de randonnées en montagne et des interventions polaires en salle à l'Espace des Mondes Polaires (©GNGL/SN).

Grand Nord Grand Large

Koen Jongerling – Expedition Guide



Having grown up in the Netherlands Koen always knew he wanted to live in a more rugged landscape than the rather flat lowlands that surrounded him. That is why after finishing his outdoor education in 2011, he chose to move to Patagonia, Chile to find the mountains he was longing for.

Combining his love for nature and the desire to learn more, he started guiding expeditions through the mountain ranges of Patagonia. Travelling back and forth to Europe for additional mountain courses - every time feeling more at home in the rough conditions of Patagonia. In 2017 he started his own guide company, introducing travelers to the beauty of Southern Chile.

Living in Puerto Natales he came to love the cold and extreme weather and after years of working in

one of the most southern mountain ranges in the world, he could not stop looking further south to the great white continent, Antarctica.

Français

Ayant grandi aux Pays-Bas, Koen a toujours su qu'il voulait vivre dans un paysage plus accidenté que les plaines plutôt plates qui l'entouraient. C'est pourquoi, après avoir terminé sa formation en plein air en 2011, il a choisi de s'installer en Patagonie, au Chili, pour trouver les montagnes dont il rêvait.

Combinant son amour pour la nature et le désir d'en apprendre davantage, il a commencé à guider des expéditions à travers les chaînes de montagnes de Patagonie. Faisant des allers-retours en Europe pour des cours de montagne supplémentaires - se sentant chaque fois plus à l'aise dans les conditions difficiles de la Patagonie. En 2017, il a lancé sa propre société de guides, faisant découvrir aux voyageurs la beauté du sud du Chili.

Vivant à Puerto Natales, il a appris à aimer le froid et les conditions météorologiques extrêmes et, après des années de travail dans l'une des chaînes de montagnes les plus australes du monde, il ne pouvait s'empêcher de regarder plus au sud, vers le grand continent blanc, l'Antarctique.

Marco Rosso – Expedition Guide



Marco was born in the country of Pasta & Pizza. He graduated in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Padua, his native city in Italy and after a few years working in the industry he decided to embark himself on a quest.

For two years he carried his tent and camping equipment, backpacking from the steamy jungle of Mexico and Central America, through the snowy peaks of the Peruvian Andes and the dry highlands of Bolivia; rolling all the way down to the tip of South America.

The raw and powerful beauty of Patagonia convinced him to swap Mother Nature wonders for mankind and machine artifacts.

During the last seven years he has been leading groups as a trekking and camping guide in some of the most beautiful and rugged trails of Patagonia such as Torres del Paine W trek, Paine Massif O Circuit, Fitz Roy and Cerro Torre circuit as well as the southernmost trekking in the world, Dientes de Navarino trail.

One step further from Patagonia lies the Antarctica peninsula, where he is willing to share with you an incredible camping experience in this truly pristine and untouched environment.

Français

Marco est né au pays des pâtes et des pizzas. Il a obtenu un diplôme d'ingénieur en mécanique à l'université de Padoue, sa ville natale en Italie, et après avoir travaillé quelques années dans l'industrie, il a décidé de se lancer dans une quête.

Pendant deux ans, il a transporté sa tente et son matériel de camping, partant de la jungle humide du Mexique et de l'Amérique centrale, traversant les sommets enneigés des Andes péruviennes et les hauts plateaux arides de Bolivie, jusqu'à la pointe de l'Amérique du Sud.

La beauté brute et puissante de la Patagonie l'a convaincu de troquer les merveilles de Mère Nature contre les créations de l'homme et les machines.

Au cours des sept dernières années, il a dirigé des groupes en tant que guide de trekking et de camping sur certains des sentiers les plus beaux et les plus accidentés de Patagonie, tels que le trekking W de Torres del Paine, le circuit O du massif du Paine, le circuit du Fitz Roy et du Cerro Torre, ainsi que le trekking le plus austral du monde, le sentier Dientes de Navarino.

Un peu plus loin de la Patagonie se trouve la péninsule Antarctique, où il est prêt à partager avec vous une incroyable expérience de camping dans cet environnement vierge et intact.

Elke Lindner – Expedition Guide



Elke is a true polar polymath. Not only has she been working as a Naturalist guide and Expedition Leader from Spitsbergen, Greenland and the Russian Arctic to South Georgia and Antarctica since 2001. She likes to explore nature by skiing, hiking, kayaking, and climbing.

Elke studied terrestrial ecology and Arctic marine biology at the University Centre in Svalbard, the world's northernmost institution for higher education and research. She also studied ecology as well as geology, forestry and silviculture at Friedrich Schiller University, Jena, and the University of Umeå, Sweden. Between being a field biologist and botanist, Elke spent two seasons as the Longyearbyen Harbourmaster, somehow found time to go to nursing school and working as nurse at a GP's office at home. Elke

speaks fluent German, Swedish/Norwegian, English, and some Russian. However, of all of Elke's endeavours, her daughter is her favourite.

Français

Elke est une véritable polyglote polaire.

Depuis 2001, elle travaille comme guide naturaliste et chef d'expédition au Spitzberg, au Groenland, dans l'Arctique russe, en Géorgie du Sud et en Antarctique. Elle aime explorer la nature en faisant du ski, de la randonnée, du kayak et de l'escalade.

Elke a étudié l'écologie terrestre et la biologie marine arctique au centre universitaire de Svalbard, l'établissement d'enseignement supérieur et de recherche le plus septentrional du monde. Elle a également étudié l'écologie, la géologie, la foresterie et la sylviculture à l'université Friedrich Schiller d'Iéna et à l'université d'Umeå, en Suède. Entre ses activités de biologiste de terrain et de botaniste, Elke a passé deux saisons en tant que capitaine du port de Longyearbyen, tout en trouvant le temps d'aller à l'école d'infirmières et de travailler comme infirmière dans un cabinet de médecin généraliste à la maison. Elke parle couramment l'allemand, le suédois/norvégien, l'anglais et un peu le russe. Par dessus tout, son activité favorite est de s'occuper de sa fille.

Katrijn Daenen – Medical Doctor



Katrijn Daenen was born in the southern part of the Netherlands and is working as a medical doctor since 2018. Currently she is specializing in internal medicine at the Erasmus MC, Rotterdam. Within this field her special interest is focused on emergency and intensive care medicine. When she was in medical school she was curious about the world beyond Europe, and therefore did an internship in Suriname and South-Africa. Besides gaining additional knowledge about infectious diseases, she also learned to work in different kind of healthcare settings. After spending time in tropical regions, it was last year that she fell in love with the polar landscape, while visiting a winter conference in Lapland.

Since she was 6 years she is a fanatic football player and today you can still find her on the pitch three times a week. Furthermore she likes to spend time with friends and family, surf, travel and read.

Katrijn is a type of doctor that gains a lot of energy from clinical patientcare and pays attention to the environment and context of the patient. From patients' experience she is very accessible, with strong communicative and social skills. Her colleagues experience her as an enthusiastic, energetic and flexible person. Attending the crew of Oceanwide while being in such a special place on earth, is something she is really looking forward to!

Français

Katrijn Daenen est née dans le sud des Pays-Bas et travaille comme médecin depuis 2018. Elle se spécialise actuellement en médecine interne à l'Erasmus MC, à Rotterdam. Dans ce domaine, elle s'intéresse particulièrement à la médecine d'urgence et aux soins intensifs.

Pendant ses études de médecine, elle était curieuse de découvrir le monde au-delà de l'Europe et a donc effectué un stage au Suriname et en Afrique du Sud. Outre l'acquisition de connaissances supplémentaires sur les maladies infectieuses, elle a également appris à travailler dans différents types d'environnements de soins de santé. Après avoir passé du temps dans les régions tropicales, c'est l'année dernière qu'elle est tombée amoureuse des paysages polaires, en assistant à une conférence d'hiver en Laponie.

Depuis l'âge de 6 ans, elle est une joueuse de football fanatique et aujourd'hui, on peut encore la trouver sur le terrain trois fois par semaine. Elle aime également passer du temps avec ses amis et sa famille, surfer, voyager et lire.

Katrijn est un médecin qui puise beaucoup d'énergie dans les soins cliniques aux patients et qui prête attention à l'environnement et au contexte du patient. D'après l'expérience des patients, elle est très accessible et possède de solides compétences en matière de communication et de relations sociales. Ses collègues la considèrent comme une personne enthousiaste, énergique et flexible.

Participer à l'équipe d'Oceanwide tout en se trouvant dans un endroit si spécial sur terre est quelque chose qu'elle attend avec impatience !



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Ushuaia Embarkation Day
Saturday 03rd February 2024

- 1600 **Welcome on board!** Your luggage should be in your cabin when you arrive. Please check carefully if you are missing any luggage and if there is luggage in your cabin that does not belong to you then please let one of the staff know. Please feel free to look around the ship. Tea and coffee are available in the Lounge on Deck 5.
- ~1700 **Mandatory Safety and Lifeboat Instruction** in the Lounge. **ALL PASSENGERS** are required to participate in this very important instruction.
- 1800 Departure from the pier.
- 1845 Please join us in the Lounge for our Captain's Cocktails where you will meet your Captain, Ernesto Barría. Afterwards we will have an introduction to the ship by your Hotel Manager Ingrid van der Loo. At the end you will meet all your Expedition Leader Eduardo Rubio-Herrera. He will explain the plans for the coming days. There will be also a chance to meet with your Expedition Team.
- 1930 **Dinner** is served in the Restaurant on Deck 3 behind the reception desk. Enjoy your meal.

*"The wonderful things in life are the things you do, not the things you have."
-Reinhold Messner*

Tonight, we will be sailing in open water and expect the ship to move. Please make sure that all your valuables (cameras, computers, etc.) are properly stowed in your cabin to avoid accidents. Always use the railings and handholds when moving around on the ship, especially in rough seas. Always one hand for the ship and one hand for yourself. Thank you.

- 1600 **Bienvenue à bord!** Vos bagages devraient être dans votre cabine à votre arrivée. Merci de vérifier attentivement que rien ne manque et que les bagages présents sont bien les vôtres. Dans le cas contraire, merci d'en informer l'accueil. N'hésitez pas à visiter le navire. Café et thé sont à votre disposition au Salon au pont 5.
- ~1700 **Instructions de sécurité obligatoires** au Salon. Cette présentation très importante requiert la présence de **TOUS LES PASSAGERS**.
- 1800 Départ du port
- 1845 Rejoignez-nous au Salon pour le cocktail du Commandant où vous pourrez rencontrer le Commandant Ernesto Barría. Votre maître d'hôtel Ingrid van der Loo abordera ensuite la vie à bord. Pour finir, vous rencontrerez votre Chef d'expédition Eduardo Rubio-Herrera. Il vous expliquera le programme des jours à venir. Ce sera également l'occasion de rencontrer votre équipe d'expédition.
- 1930 **Le dîner** est servi au Restaurant au pont 3 derrière le comptoir de réception. Bon appétit.

""Les choses merveilleuses dans la vie sont celles que l'on fait, pas celles que l'on possède."
Reinhold Messner

Dans la nuit, nous naviguerons en haute mer et nous nous attendons à ce que le navire bouge. Veillez à ce que tous vos objets de valeur (appareils photo, ordinateurs, etc.) soient correctement rangés dans votre cabine afin d'éviter tout accident. Utilisez toujours les rambardes et les poignées lorsque vous vous déplacez sur le navire, en particulier lorsque la mer est agitée. Ayez toujours une main pour le navire et une main pour vous. Nous vous remercions.

- 0745 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre chef d'expédition.
- 0800 **Petit déjeuner (buffet)**. Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 0930 **Briefing obligatoire (IAATO)** sur la biosécurité en Antarctique. Eduardo vous expliquera les "règles du jeu" lors d'une visite en Antarctique. Une présentation des mesures de sécurité pour monter dans les zodiacs sera aussi délivrée.
- 1100 **Bottes**. Nous vous inviterons à venir récupérer vos bottes dans la salle des bottes qui se trouve au Pont 3 à l'avant. Ces bottes sont les meilleures chaussures à utiliser lors de nos débarquements.
- 1130 **Nettoyage de biosécurité** des affaires personnelles au Salon. Nous vous appellerons par pont pour nettoyer votre équipement extérieur - vestes, pantalons, sacs à dos et sacs pour appareils photo. Vous devrez signer un formulaire de déclaration après le nettoyage. Merci beaucoup.
- 1230 **Le déjeuner est servi** au restaurant.
- 1430 **Suite de la biosécurité si nécessaire**.
- 1630 **Lecture sur les oiseaux marins**. Régis donnera une présentation en français sur les oiseaux que nous aurons la chance de rencontrer au cours de notre voyage. Rejoignez-le dans la salle de restaurant.
- 1815 Premier **Récap quotidien**. Rejoignez l'équipe au Salon pour une présentation du programme de la journée à venir.
- 1900 **Le dîner** est servi au Restaurant, Pont 3, derrière le comptoir de réception. Bon appétit.

Dans la nuit, nous naviguerons en haute mer et nous nous attendons à ce que le navire bouge. Veillez à ce que tous vos objets de valeur (appareils photo, ordinateurs, etc.) soient correctement rangés dans votre cabine afin d'éviter tout accident. Utilisez toujours les rambardes et les poignées lorsque vous vous déplacez sur le navire, en particulier lorsque la mer est agitée. Ayez toujours une main pour le navire et une main pour vous. Nous vous remercions.



Antarctica – Discovery and learning voyage. Drake Passage Day 1 Sunday 04th February

- 0745 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0800 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 0930 **Mandatory IAATO Briefing** covering the need of implementing Biosecurity measures while visiting Antarctica. We will also brief you about **zodiac operations**. During this briefings Eduardo, your expedition leader will explain you the “rules of the game” when visiting Antarctica.
- 1100 **Boots.** We will invite you by deck to collect your boots from the Boot Room which is on Deck 3 forward. These boots are the best footwear for use during our landings.
- 1130 **Biosecurity Cleaning** in the Lounge. We will call you by deck to clean your outer gear – jackets, over trousers, back packs, and camera bags. You will need to sign a declaration form after you have done your cleaning. Many thanks.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- 1430 In case you still need to do your biosecurity cleaning, we’ll call the remaining decks so all of you can complete your biosecurity.
- 1630 **Lecture seabirds.** Steffi will give a presentation in English describing the birds we will encounter during the next days at sea. Join her in the lounge.
- 1815 **Daily Recap.** Please join the expedition team in the Lounge to learn about of our plans for tomorrow.
- 1900 **Dinner** is served in the Restaurant on Deck 3 behind the Reception Desk. Enjoy your meal.

I believe every human has a finite number of heartbeats. I don't intend to waste any of mine.
-Neil Armstrong.

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Antarctica – Discovery and learning voyage. Drake Passage Day 2 Monday 05th February

- 0745 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0800 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 0930 **Introduction to your activities in Antarctica.** For those who booked special activities (Kayaking, Diving and Camping) there will be a series of mandatory briefings from your activity guides as follows.
- 0930 **Kayakers** will meet in the lounge with kayak guide David.
- 1030 **Divers** will meet in the dining room with dive team led by Michael.
- 1130 **Campers** will meet in the lounge with camping guides Koen & Marco.
- We will be calling each group using our PA system.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- 1400 We have reserved this slot of time for further preparations concerning the booked activities. Please listen to announcements.
- 1430 For those who did not book any activity we'll offer a documentary film in the lounge.
- 1600 **Lecture History of Antarctica** Please Join Koen in the Lounge for a presentation describing the history of the exploration of the Antarctic continent.
- 1815 **Recap and Briefing.** Please join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for our recap and the daily plans for tomorrow.
- 1900 **Dinner** is served in the Restaurant on Deck 3 behind reception.
Enjoy your meal.

*Sea unrolled forever to meet the sky in a round of unbroken horizon.
Here was the spaciousness of the desert; the spaciousness, you might say,
of the raw materials of creation.*

-Richard Byrd

We will be sailing in open water and expect the ship to move. Always use the railings and handholds when moving around on the ship, especially in rough seas. Always one hand for the ship and one hand for yourself. Thank you.

- 0745 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0800 **Petit déjeuner (buffet)**. Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 0930 Introduction à vos activités en Antarctique. Pour ceux qui ont réservé des activités spéciales (kayak, plongée et camping), il y aura une série de briefings obligatoires avec vos guides d'activités, comme suit:
- 0930 **Les kayakistes** réunion dans le salon avec David, le guide de kayak.
0930 **Les plongeurs** réunion dans la salle à manger avec l'équipe de plongée dirigée par Michael.
10h30 **Les campeurs** réunion dans le salon avec les guides de camping Koen et Marco.
- Restez attentifs aux annonces audios.
- 1230 **Le repas est servi** au Restaurant.
- 1400 Nous avons réservé ce créneau horaire pour la poursuite des préparatifs concernant les activités prévues. Veuillez écouter les annonces.
- 1430 Pour ceux qui n'ont pas réservé d'activité, nous proposerons un film documentaire dans le salon.
- 1600 **Conférence : Histoire de l'Antarctique** Rejoignez Stephane dans le restaurant pour une présentation sur l'histoire de l'exploration du continent Antarctique.
- 1815 **Récap quotidien**. Rejoignez l'équipe d'expédition dans le salon pour découvrir nos projets pour demain.
- 1900 **Le Dîner est servi** au Restaurant, Pont 3, derrière la Réception. Bon appétit.

Je crois que chaque être humain a un nombre fini de battements de cœur.

Je n'ai pas l'intention d'en gaspiller un seul.

-Neil Armstrong.

Dans la nuit, nous naviguerons en haute mer et nous nous attendons à ce que le navire bouge. Veillez à ce que tous vos objets de valeur (appareils photo, ordinateurs, etc.) soient correctement rangés dans votre cabine afin d'éviter tout accident. Utilisez toujours les rambardes et les poignées lorsque vous vous déplacez sur le navire, en particulier lorsque la mer est agitée. Ayez toujours une main pour le navire et une main pour vous. Nous vous remercions.



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Wilhelmina Bay & Stony Point

Tuesday 06th February 2024

- 0645 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0700 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 0800 **Wilhelmina Bay** today we start our operations in Antarctica at this scenic place. We will proceed as follows:
0800 **Zodiac cruise:** All passengers not diving or kayaking, please come to the gangway for a zodiac cruise, we'll have our first Antarctic impressions.
0800 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
0815 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- 1600 **Stony Point** we'll be visiting continental antarctica this afternoon. We will proceed as follows:
1600 **Passengers:** Please come to the gangway for a landing at Stony Point.
1600 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
1615 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1900 **Recap and Briefing.** Please join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for a recap of our first day on board Plancius and the plans for tomorrow.
- 1930 **Dinner** is served in the Restaurant on Deck 3 behind reception.
Enjoy your meal.

I've seen things you people wouldn't believe. Attack ships on fire off the shoulder of Orion.

I watched C-beams glitter in the dark near the Tannhäuser Gate.

All those moments will be lost in time, like tears in rain...

— Rutger Hauer, Blade Runner

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Thank you!

- 0645 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0700 **Petit déjeuner (buffet)**. Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 0800 **Wilhelmina Bay**. Aujourd'hui nous débutons nos opérations en Antarctique. Nous procéderons comme suit:
- 0800 **Excursion en Zodiac**: Tous les passagers autres que les kayakistes et les plongeurs sont invités à rejoindre le gangway pour une excursion en zodiac et une première immersion dans ce nouvel environnement. Vous êtes invités à monter dans les 3 derniers zodiacs pour avoir les explications en français.
- 0815 **Kayakistes** : Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1230 **Le déjeuner** est servi au Restaurant.
- 1600 **Stony Point**. Cet après-midi, nous allons poser le pied sur le continent Antarctique. Nous procéderons comme suit:
- 1600 Passagers : Rejoignez le gangway pour un débarquement à Stony Point.
- 1615 Kayakistes : Rejoignez votre guide Kayak dans la salle des bottes (pont 3 avant pour récupérer votre équipement.
- 1900 **Récap quotidien**. Rejoignez l'équipe d'expédition dans le salon pour découvrir nos projets pour demain.
- 1930 **Le Dîner est servi** au Restaurant. Bon appétit.

*J'ai vu des choses que vous ne croiriez pas. Des navires d'attaque en feu sur l'épaule d'Orion.
J'ai vu des faisceaux scintiller dans l'obscurité près de la porte de Tannhäuser.
Tous ces moments seront perdus dans le temps, comme des larmes sous la pluie...*
— Rutger Hauer, Blade Runner

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Peterman Island & Port Charcot

Wednesday 07th February 2024

- 0645 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0700 **Lemaire Channel.** Today we will cross the beautiful Lemaire Channel, one of the most beautiful passages in Antarctica. Join us on the outer decks to enjoy the magnificent vistas.
- 0730 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 0930 **Petermann Island.** Today we continue operations in Antarctica. And we will offer you a landing at Petermann Island. We'll proceed as follows:
- 0930 **Landing:** All passengers not diving or kayaking, please come to the gangway for a zodiac cruise, we'll have more Antarctic impressions.
- 0900 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
- 0930 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- 1400 **Port Charcot** we'll be visiting an area that offers good impressions of the Antarctic wildlife as well as history of the Heroic Era of Exploration. We will offer you a zodiac cruise here and we'll proceed as follows:
- 1400 **Passengers:** Please come to the gangway.
- 1400 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
- 1415 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1830 **Recap and Briefing.** Please join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for our daily recap and the plans for tomorrow.
- 1900 **Dinner** is served in the Restaurant on Deck 3 behind reception. Enjoy!
- 2030 **Camping.** Tonight, those who booked camping will have the chance to go out and experience an Antarctic night. Please listen to the announcements.

Never stop because you are afraid - you are never so likely to be wrong.

-F. Nansen

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Thank you!

- 0645 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0700 **Canal Lemaire.** Aujourd'hui nous allons emprunter le Canal Lemaire, l'un des plus beaux endroits en Antarctique. Rejoignez-nous sur les ponts extérieurs pour admirer ces panoramas incroyables.
- 0730 **Petit déjeuner (buffet).** Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 0930 **Ile Petermann.** Nous poursuivons la suite de notre exploration de l'Antarctique. Nous vous proposons un débarquement sur l'Ile Petermann. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 0930 **Débarquement :** Tous les passagers autres que les kayakistes et les plongeurs sont invités à rejoindre le gangway pour une excursion en zodiac
- 0930 **Kayakistes :** Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1230 **Le déjeuner** est servi au Restaurant.
- 1400 **Port Charcot.** Nous allons découvrir un site grandiose en termes de faune Antarctique et d'histoire des grandes explorations. Nous vous proposons une excursion en zodiac. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 1400 **Passagers :** Rendez-vous au gangway.
- 1415 **Kayakistes :** Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1830 **Récap quotidien.** Rejoignez l'équipe d'expédition dans le salon pour découvrir nos projets pour demain.
- 1900 **Le Dîner est servi** au Restaurant. Bon appétit.
- 2030 **Camping.** Ce soir, les passagers qui ont réservé l'activité camping auront la chance de vivre leur première nuit Antarctique en extérieur. Restez à l'écoute des annonces.

Ne vous arrêtez jamais parce que vous avez peur – vous risquez de vous tromper.

-F. Nansen

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Jougla Point & Dorian Bay
Thursday 08th February 2024

- 0700 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0730 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 0930 **Jougla Point.** Today we continue operations in Antarctica, and we will offer you a landing at Jougla Point where you will see more wildlife. We'll proceed as follows:
- 0930 **Landing:** All passengers not diving or kayaking, please come to the gangway for a landing, we'll have more Antarctic impressions.
- 0930 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
- 0945 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- 1430 **Dorian Bay / Damoy Point** In this landing we'll be visiting an area where there will be the chance to do a walk with snowshoes. The views and wildlife will surprise you. We will proceed as follows:
- 1430 **Passengers:** Please come to the gangway.
- 1430 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
- 1445 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1815 **Recap and Briefing.** Please join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for our daily recap and the plans for tomorrow.
- 1900 **Special dinner** will be served in the back of the Restaurant on Deck 3.
Dress up warmly and Enjoy!

*At times I'm enormously aware of myself moving among this vast elemental indifference,
the only breathing thing for miles... yet it's oddly uplifting, like looking up at the stars in the
blackest of nights.*

Andrew Greig, Summit Fever.

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Thank you!

- 0700 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0730 **Petit déjeuner (buffet)**. Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 0930 **Jougla Point**. Aujourd'hui nous vous proposons un débarquement à Jougla Point où vous pourrez profiter à nouveau de la faune. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 0930 **Débarquement** : Tous les passagers autres que les kayakistes et les plongeurs sont invités à rejoindre le gangway pour une excursion en zodiac.
- 0945 **Kayakistes** : Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1230 **Le déjeuner** est servi au Restaurant.
- 1430 **Dorian Bay / Damoy Point** Pour ce débarquement nous visiterons un site qui nous permettra sans doute d'utiliser les raquettes. Le panorama et la faune y sont magiques. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 1430 **Débarquement** : Tous les passagers autres que les kayakistes et les plongeurs sont invités à rejoindre le gangway
- 1445 **Kayakistes** : Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1815 **Récap quotidien**. Rejoignez l'équipe d'expédition dans le salon pour découvrir nos projets pour demain.
- 1900 Un Dîner spécial sera servi à l'arrière du pont 3, en extérieur. Habillez-vous chaudement !

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the only breathing thing for miles... yet it's oddly uplifting, like looking up at the stars in the
blackest of nights.*

Andrew Greig, Summit Fever.

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Enterprise Island / Foyn Harbour
& Portal Point

Friday 09th February 2024

- 0700 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0730 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 0930 **Foyn Harbour / Enterprise Island.** Today we plan to take you on a zodiac cruise where we hope to show you the shipwreck of the Guvernøren, a reminder of the whaling activities of the early 20th Century. We'll proceed as follows:
- 0930 **Zodiac Cruise:** All passengers not diving or kayaking, please come to the gangway for a zodiac cruise, we'll have more Antarctic impressions.
- 0930 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
- 0945 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- 1430 **Portal Point** In this landing we'll be undertaking our activity in the Antarctic Peninsula. The place offers stunning views and chances of seeing wildlife ashore such as seals. We will proceed as follows:
- 1430 **Passengers:** Please come to the gangway.
- 1430 **Divers:** Please meet diving team in the diving area.
- 1445 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1815 **Recap and Briefing.** Please join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for our daily recap and the plans for tomorrow.
- 1900 **Dinner** will be served in the dining room, enjoy!

The greatest adventure of all is life itself.

-Bertrand Piccard

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Thank you!

- 0700 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0730 **Petit déjeuner (buffet)**. Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 0930 **Foyen Harbour / Enterprise Island**. Aujourd'hui nous espérons vous montrer l'épave du Guvernøren, un vestige de l'exploitation baleinière du début du XXe siècle. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 0930 Tous les passagers autres que les kayakistes et les plongeurs sont invités à rejoindre le gangway pour une excursion en zodiac.
- 0945 **Kayakistes** : Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1230 **Le déjeuner** est servi au Restaurant.
- 1430 **Portal Point**. Avec ce débarquement, nous prolongeons notre exploration de la péninsule antarctique. Ce site offre des vues imprenables et la chance découvrir la faune à terre. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 1430 **Débarquement** : Tous les passagers autres que les kayakistes et les plongeurs sont invités à rejoindre le gangway pour une excursion en zodiac.
- 1445 **Kayakistes** : Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1815 **Récap quotidien**. Rejoignez l'équipe d'expédition dans le salon pour découvrir nos projets pour demain.
- 1900 **Le Dîner** est servi au Restaurant. Bon appétit.

La plus grande aventure est la vie elle-même.
-Bertrand Piccard

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Telephone Bay & Edinburgh Hill

Saturday 10th February 2024

- 0645 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0700 **Neptune’s Bellows.** Early in the morning we will be crossing the narrow entrance of one of the very few sailing calderas in the world: Deception Island. There will be pastries available at the Bar (and of course coffee and tea).
- 0730 **Telephone Bay.** Today we plan to take you to land at Telephone Bay in Deception Island. You will experience surreal volcanic scenery. We’ll proceed as follows:
- 0730 **Landing:** All passengers except kayakers, please come to the gangway for a landing. At 09:30, we’ll offer you a polar plunge. We’ll bring towels.
- 0745 **Kayakers:** Please meet your Kayak guide in the gangway.
- 1030 **Brunch** will be served in the Dining Room with option to prepare yourself a self-made sandwich to quench your hunger until before dinner.
- 1430 **McFarland Strait – Edinburgh Hill.** For our last activity we plan a zodiac cruise around giant basalt columns protruding from the sea. A spectacular geological formation. Please all passengers come to the gangway at 14:30.
- Afterwards we will be sailing into the southern part of the Drake Passage to start our voyage home. It is advisable to take seasickness medication at this moment or earlier.
- 1745 **Recap and Briefing.** Please join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for our daily recap and the plans for tomorrow.
- 1830 **Dinner** will be served in the dining room, enjoy!

*We shall not cease from exploration,
and the end of all our exploring
will be to arrive where we started
-T.S. Elliot*

In the afternoon, we will be sailing in open water and expect the ship to move. Always use the railings and handholds when moving around on the ship, especially in rough seas. Always one hand for the ship and one hand for yourself. Thank you.

- 0645 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0700 **Les forges de Neptune.** Tôt le matin, nous traverserons l'entrée étroite d'une des plus belles caldeiras au monde : L'île de la Déception.
Des pâtisseries seront disponibles au salon.
- 0730 **Telephone Bay.** Aujourd'hui nous prévoyons un débarquement à Telephone Bay sur l'île de la Déception. Vous découvrirez des paysages volcaniques surréalistes. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 0730 **Débarquement** : Tous les passagers autres que les kayakistes et les plongeurs sont invités à rejoindre le gangway.
0930: Nous vous proposons **la baignade polaire!** On vous fournit les serviettes pour vous sécher.
- 0745 **Kayakistes** : Rejoignez votre guide Kayak au gangway pont 3.
- 1030 **Brunch servi au restaurant.**
- 1430 **McFarland Strait -Edinburg Hill.** Nous prévoyons notre dernière activité en péninsule Antarctique. Le site s'inscrit dans un panorama incroyable. Nous procéderons comme suit :
- 1430 zodiac croise : Tous les passagers sont invités à rejoindre le gangway.
Ensuite nous naviguerons dans le sud du passage du drake et entamons notre retour.
Préparez vos médicaments anti mal de mer éventuellement.
- 1745 **Récap quotidien.** Rejoignez l'équipe d'expédition dans le salon pour découvrir nos projets pour demain.
- 1830 **Le Dîner est servi** au Restaurant. Bon appétit.

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Antarctica – Discovery and learning voyage. Drake Passage Northbound Sunday 11th February

- 0745 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0800 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 0930 **Boots.** We will be collecting the boots and orange bags we gave you at the beginning of the voyage. We will be calling you by decks. Please listen to the announcements. Thank you.
- 1030 **Lecture** Elke is going to give a presentation about Glaciology and Ice at the Dining room. This lecture is going to be in English.
- 1145 **Film** Michael Green will be in the lounge sharing some movies filmed in Antarctica during the various stages of exploration in the late half of the 20th Century.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- 1600 **Lecture** Please Join Steffi in the dining room for a presentation about the world of the largest mammals on Earth: The Whales
- 1815 **Recap and Briefing.** Please join the Expedition Team in the Lounge for our recap and the daily plans for tomorrow.
- 1900 **Dinner** is served in the Restaurant on Deck 3 behind reception.
Enjoy your meal.

*Intelligence is the ability to adapt to change.
Stephen Hawking*

We will be sailing in open water and expect the ship to move. Always use the railings and handholds when moving around on the ship, especially in rough seas. Always one hand for the ship and one hand for yourself. Thank you.

- 0745 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0800 **Petit déjeuner (buffet)**. Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 0930 **Bottes**. Nous récupérerons les bottes et les sacs orange que nous vous avons fourni au début du voyage. Nous vous appellerons par ponts. Restez attentifs aux annonces. Merci.
- 1030 **Conférences**. Stéphane vous propose une présentation sur la glaciologie au Salon.
- 1145 **Film**. Michael Green sera au Salon pour partager avec vous quelques documentaires tournés en Antarctique durant la seconde moitié du XXe siècle.
- 1230 **Le déjeuner** est servi au Restaurant.
- 1600 **Conférences**. Hélène et Régis vous proposent de partager leur expérience sur leur hivernage à Kerguelen.
- 1815 **Récap quotidien**. Rejoignez l'équipe d'expédition dans le salon pour découvrir nos projets pour demain.
- 1900 **Le Dîner est servi** au Restaurant. Bon appétit.

L'intelligence est la capacité à s'adapter au changement.
Stephen Hawking

Dans la nuit, nous naviguerons en haute mer et nous nous attendons à ce que le navire bouge. Veillez à ce que tous vos objets de valeur (appareils photo, ordinateurs, etc.) soient correctement rangés dans votre cabine afin d'éviter tout accident. Utilisez toujours les rambardes et les poignées lorsque vous vous déplacez sur le navire, en particulier lorsque la mer est agitée. Ayez toujours une main pour le navire et une main pour vous. Nous vous remercions.



Antarctica – Discovery and learning voyage. Drake Passage Northbound Monday 12th February

- 0745 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo.
- 0800 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.
- 1030 **Lecture** Marco will present his lecture Land of Giants: an introduction to Patagonia.
- 1145 **Lecture** Join Michael Green in the Lounge to hear the presentation with the title Whaling in Antarctica during the Early 20th Century.
- 1230 **Lunch** is served in the Dining Room.
- After lunch, we will call you by deck to settle your accounts at the reception. Please wait to be called upon.
- 1500 **Lecture** Eduardo is going to give a presentation with the title “Navigation, Einstein, Clocks and GPS” in the Lounge. This lecture is going to be in English with French translation.
- 1815 **Captain’s Cocktails.** Please join the Expedition team and Captain Ernesto Barria in the Lounge to toast our voyage to Antarctica and have our last re-cap.
- 1900 **Dinner** is served in the Restaurant on Deck 3 behind reception. Enjoy your meal.

*I believe every human has a finite number of heartbeats.
I don't intend to waste any of mine.
-Neil Armstrong.*

We will be sailing in open water and expect the ship to move. Always use the railings and handholds when moving around on the ship, especially in rough seas. Always one hand for the ship and one hand for yourself. Thank you.

- 0745 **Réveil** par Eduardo, votre Chef d'expédition.
- 0800 **Petit déjeuner (buffet).** Il est servi au Restaurant pendant 1 heure.
- 1030 **Lecture.** Hélène vous proposera une présentation Restaurant sur J.B. Charcot et ses expéditions.
- 1145 **Conférence.** Michael proposera une présentation sur l'exploitation baleinière au début du XXe siècle. Cette présentation sera en Anglais et traduite en Français.
- 1230 **Le déjeuner** est servi au Restaurant.
- 1430 **Conférence.** Eduardo vous propose une présentation intitulée "Navigation, Einstein, Temps & GPS" au Salon. Cette présentation sera en Anglais et traduite en Français.
- 1815 **Cocktail du Commandant.** Rejoignez votre équipe d'expédition et le Commandant Ernesto Barria au Salon pour porter un toast à notre voyage en Antarctique et assister au dernier récap quotidien.
- 1900 **Le Dîner est servi** au Restaurant. Bon appétit.

Je crois que chaque être humain a un nombre fini de battements de cœur.

Je n'ai pas l'intention de gaspiller les miens.

-Neil Armstrong.

Dans la nuit, nous naviguerons en haute mer et nous nous attendons à ce que le navire bouge. Veillez à ce que tous vos objets de valeur (appareils photo, ordinateurs, etc.) soient correctement rangés dans votre cabine afin d'éviter tout accident. Utilisez toujours les rambardes et les poignées lorsque vous vous déplacez sur le navire, en particulier lorsque la mer est agitée. Ayez toujours une main pour le navire et une main pour vous. Nous vous remercions.

Nous accosterons dans le courant de la nuit.

0700 **Réveil** par votre chef d'expédition Eduardo !

- **Avant le petit-déjeuner à 7h30, veuillez déposer vos gros bagages à l'extérieur de votre cabine afin que nous puissions les déposer sur le quai.**
- **Sur le quai, après le débarquement, veuillez identifier vos bagages et indiquer leur destination : entrepôt, bus pour l'aéroport ou arrangements privés. Les bagages entreposés dans le bâtiment de stockage doivent être récupérés avant 14h00.**
- **Gardez votre bagage à main dans votre cabine ou apportez-le au salon.**
- **Si vous voyagez avec Grand Nord Grand Large, n'oubliez pas d'y apposer une étiquette bleu.**

0730 **Le petit-déjeuner (buffet)** sera disponible dans la salle à manger pendant 1 heure.

0830/0900 Il est temps de quitter le M/V Plancius. Veuillez vous assurer que vous avez tous vos effets personnels avec vous et que vous avez rapporté votre porte-carte à la réception.

*Aucun rêve n'est trop grand pour ceux qui ont les yeux au ciel !
- Edwin Buzz Aldrin.*

Au nom d'Oceanwide Expeditions, le commandant Barria, l'équipage et le personnel d'expédition vous remercient d'avoir voyagé avec nous et vous souhaitent un bon retour à la maison.



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Port of Ushuaia, Argentina

Tuesday 13th February 2024

We will be coming alongside the pier sometime during the night.

0700 **Wake up call** from your Expedition Leader Eduardo!

- Before breakfast at 0730 please could you put your large check in luggage outside your cabin so that we can get it onto the pier for you.
- At the pier after disembarking, please identify your luggage and indicate accordingly where do you want it: storage building, bus to the airport or private arrangements. Luggage at the storage building must be collected before 1400.
- For those going to the airport by shuttle bus provided by Oceanwide please put an ORANGE label on it.
- Keep your hand luggage in your cabin or take it to the Lounge.
- If you are traveling with *Grand Nord Grand Large*, remember to put a BLUE label on it.

0730 **Breakfast buffet** will be available in the Dining Room for 1 hour.

0830/0900 It is time to leave M/V Plancius. Please make sure you have all your belongings with you and that you have taken your key card holder back to Reception.

No dream is too high for those with their eyes in the sky!

Edwin Buzz Aldrin.

On behalf of Oceanwide Expeditions the Captain Barria, Crew and Expedition staff would like to thank you for travelling with us and wish you a very safe journey home.