Cruise Details

Name:	Ultimate South America to the Caribbean through the Panama Canal
Reference:	SCENIC132C210327-2
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse II
Regions:	South America
Departs On:	21 Mar 27
Departs From:	Valparaiso
Arrives On:	14 Apr 27
Arrives At:	Bridgetown
Cruise Nights:	24
Total Vacation Days:	25

Itinerary

Day 1: Valparaiso (Chile)

The World Heritage-listed city of Valparaíso welcomes travellers with its long and colourful history. This vibrant city is rich in music, street art and exquisite Victorian architecture.

Be warmly greeted by your crew as you arrive at your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht. Enjoy a glass of Champagne, meet your butler and get familiar with your spacious suite, admiring the city from your private verandah.

Be sure to check your daily program for scheduled Zodiac excursions, kayaking and hikes each offering a unique way to explore the wonders around you. Please book your flight to arrive into Santiago prior to 12:00 PM. Docked: 17:00

Arrives On: 21 Mar 27

Day 2: Pingüino de Humboldt National Reserve (Chile)

Start your day with a steaming barista-made coffee or tea delivered to your suite by your butler. As Scenic Eclipse II sails toward the Pingüino de Humboldt National Reserve, be sure to attend the Discovery Team's Zodiac briefing.

Covering 859.3 hectares (1,890 acres), this reserve is a stunning natural heritage site, boasting a rich and diverse ecosystem with unique features. It is home to an impressive variety of bird species. Wildlife enthusiasts might have the chance to spot remarkable creatures like the Humboldt Penguin and the Common Bottlenose Dolphin in their natural environment. Scenic Discovery:
Explore this exceptional reserve today through the exciting activities organised by the Discovery Team. In the previous evening’s recap, the Discovery Leader will go over the planned activities. Anchored: 12:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 22 Mar 27

Day 5: Paracas (Peru)

Arrives On: 25 Mar 27

Day 6: Paracas (Peru)

Paracas is a town on Peru’s west coast. It’s known for its idyllic beaches, rich heritage, and an abundance of wildlife, so much so that Paracas Peninsula has been declared a national reserve spanning desert, ocean, and islands.

This town is a launch point for the uninhabited Ballestas Islands, home to sea lions, pelicans and Humboldt penguins. Join a private vessel as you explore this coastline, including the mysterious Candelabro, a large geoglyph that stands watch over the Ica coastline.

Tonight, enjoy the ‘Somos Ebano’ group as they join us in the theatre. Formed by young people from the district of El Carmen, they demonstrate the rescue of Afro-Peruvian culture through the practice and experience of their dance and music. Ballestas Islands Wildlife Cruise
Cruise through the wildlife-rich waters of Paracas Bay to the spectacular Ballestas Islands, often called the "Galápagos of Peru." Along the way, view the mysterious Candelabro geoglyph before exploring this protected sanctuary, home to sea lions, Humboldt penguins, and thousands of seabirds. Enjoy outstanding wildlife viewing and photography opportunities as your guide shares fascinating insights into the islands' unique ecosystem. Please note: Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 4.5 hours Docked: Overnight - 20:00

Arrives On: 26 Mar 27

Day 8: Salaverry (Peru)

Salaverry is a cultural treasure of Peru, home to the ancient wonders of the Chimú and Mochica civilisations. Step back in time at Chan Chan, the largest adobe citadel in pre-Columbian America and a World Heritage-listed Site.

The impressive Moche pyramids are adorned

with vibrant mythological frescoes that bring the ancient history to life. An unforgettable journey into Peru’s rich cultural heritage awaits. Scenic Freechoice:
Sun & Moon Temples with Peruvian Paso Show
Discover the rich heritage of northern Peru on a journey through history and tradition. Explore the remarkable Temples of the Sun and Moon, where colourful murals and towering adobe pyramids reveal the legacy of the ancient Mochica civilisation. Continue to Trujillo's elegant Main Square to admire its colonial architecture before enjoying a traditional lunch accompanied by a graceful Peruvian Paso horse exhibition and the vibrant Marinera dance.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 6.5 hours

Chan Chan & Trujillo Heritage with Peruvian Paso Experience
Uncover the cultural riches of northern Peru with a visit to the magnificent UNESCO-listed Chan Chan, the largest adobe city in the Americas and former capital of the Chimu Kingdom. Wander through its remarkable ruins before continuing to colonial Trujillo, where elegant architecture surrounds the historic Main Square. Complete your day with a traditional lunch, a graceful Peruvian Paso horse demonstration, and the colourful rhythms of the Marinera dance.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 6.5 hours Docked: 07:00 - 16:00

Arrives On: 28 Mar 27

Day 10: Manta (Ecuador)

The dynamic coastal city of Manta greets you with its iconic tuna statue, a nod to its status as the tuna capital of the world and one of Ecuador’s most important fishing hubs. Ju Manta has a rich history dating back to pre-Columbian times, once home to the indigenous Manteño civilization, known for their advanced seafaring skills.

Just a short stroll from the port, the lively town centre buzzes with energy, where you can explore vibrant markets brimming with Panama hats—traditionally handwoven in Ecuador—along with exquisite silver jewellery and stylish apparel. Scenic Freechoice:
Ecuadorian Cultural Heritage & Manabita Artisans
Discover the traditions and craftsmanship of coastal Ecuador on a journey through Montecristi and Manta. Visit Ciudad Alfaro to learn about the nation's history before exploring Montecristi, famed for its artisan workshops and authentic Panama hats. Watch skilled craftsmen weave toquilla straw and create intricate tagua carvings, then enjoy Ecuadorian delicacies, local beverages, and a lively folkloric dance performance celebrating the region's vibrant cultural heritage.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 4.5 hours

Fish Market, Cancebí Museum & Montecristi
Experience the authentic culture of Ecuador’s Pacific coast with visits to Manta’s bustling fish market, the fascinating Cancebí Ethnographic Museum, and the artisan town of Montecristi. Discover the traditions of the Manabita people, learn about their fishing and farming heritage, and watch skilled craftsmen weave the world-famous Panama hat from fine toquilla straw before browsing local shops for unique handmade souvenirs.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours 40 minutes Docked: 12:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 30 Mar 27

Day 12: Utría National Park (Colombia)

Utría National Natural Park, nestled along Colombia's Pacific coast, is a true hidden gem. This lush, mountainous rainforest, one of the wettest places on Earth, boasts an incredible four distinct ecosystems. Dominated by dense rainforest, the park also features expansive mangroves lining its coastline. It teems with biodiversity, sheltering a vast array of flora and fauna, including more than 500 bird species.

Today, guests will explore this remarkable destination in staggered groups. Following a Zodiac beach landing, walk the pathways winding through the mangroves while learning about the unique flora, fauna, and local way of life from community members and local experts. During your visit, enjoy a captivating vocal performance by singers from a nearby village, showcasing the region's rich cultural traditions. In the afternoon, spend time at Playa Blanca, one of the area's few white-sand beaches, where you can relax, swim in the clear waters, or snorkel over the vibrant coral. Scenic Discovery:
Explore Utria National Park today through the exciting activities organised by the Discovery Team. During the recap, the evening before arrival, the Discovery Leader will go over the planned activities. Anchored: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 01 Apr 27

Day 12: Ensenada de Utria (Colombia)

Arrives On: 01 Apr 27

Day 13: Darién National Park (Panama)

Uncover World Heritage-listed Darién National Park, one of the most important heritage sites in central America. A natural bridge spanning the two Americas, it houses a myriad of habitats, ranging from rocky coastlines to sandy beaches and mangroves. A plethora of wildlife awaits as even endangered species of Night Monkey, Spotted Paca and Guatemalan Black Howler call these tropical forests home. Darien National Park remains one of the few examples of protected areas co-inhabited by humans in the world. Scenic Discovery:
Explore Darien National Park today through the exciting activities organized by the Discovery Team. During the recap, the evening before arrival, the Discovery Leader will go over the planned activities. Anchored: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 02 Apr 27

Day 13: Playa del Muerto (Panama)

Arrives On: 02 Apr 27

Day 14: Panama City (Panama)

Wake up in Panama City, the starting point of the iconic Panama Canal, a marvel of engineering. The Panama Canal took the United States 10 years to build and was opened for commercial use on August 15, 1914. The city comprises a juxtaposing skyline of skyscrapers, 17th century churches and colonial-style buildings, along with a vibrant culinary scene. Later, you will return to your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht to set sail for the Caribbean.

Arrives On: 03 Apr 27

Day 15: Panama City (Panama)

Today, pass through the Panama Canal, the most famous attraction in Panama. Considered one of the ‘Seven Wonders of the Modern World’, this canal is seen by many as an engineering miracle which was at first considered impossible to build. Later, you may choose to rejuvenate in the expansive Senses Spa. Attain a Zen-like state after a yoga or Pilates class or choose to indulge in a range of treatments# and wellness experiences, including massages and facials, body wraps and scrubs, manicures, and pedicures.

Arrives On: 04 Apr 27

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Day 16: San Blas Islands (Panama)

Welcome to Lemon Cay, a hidden paradise in the San Blas Islands of Panama, which is home to the indigenous Guna people and one of the biggest coconut plantations in the world. Immerse yourself in the beauty of these pristine isles dotted with swaying palm trees and surrounded by crystal-clear waters that are mottled by thriving underwater coral gardens. Take a short zodiac ride to Lemon Cay, where the Guna people greet you with music, dance, and vibrant traditions. Explore handcrafted mola textiles, sample local cuisine and browse artisan goods. Relax on the beach and soak in the natural beauty — this unique cultural experience is open to everyone on this day. Scenic Discovery:
Get active with the Discovery Team today, explore the crystal-clear waters of Lemon Cay through snorkelling, kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding. Anchored: 8:00 - 17:00

Arrives On: 05 Apr 27

Day 17: Cartagena (Colombia)

The World Heritage-listed city of Cartagena is a beautifully preserved walled city full of churches, monasteries, bustling plazas and colourful terraces with balconies draped in bougainvillea. Renowned for vibrant festivals and exquisite cuisine, Cartagena is a treasure trove of Latin American culture and history. Wander its Old Town, with cobblestone streets that are frequented by artisans and food vendors touting tropical fruits. The surrounding landscape of pristine beaches, tropical forests and a 17th century fortress adds to its allure. The evening will come alive with a spectacular performance of traditional Colombian folk dances, showcasing vibrant costumes, energetic rhythms and rich cultural storytelling. Experience the passion and heritage of Colombia through captivating music and dance. Scenic Freechoice:
Colombian Coffee Experience with Honey Pairing & a Touch of Gold
Discover the flavours and history of Cartagena on this immersive cultural experience. Join a local coffee expert for a guided tasting, learning how Colombian coffee is grown, roasted, and evaluated through a traditional cupping session. Sample distinctive coffees paired with locally produced honey before exploring the colourful streets of Cartagena’s historic centre. Complete your journey with a visit to the Gold Museum, where remarkable pre-Columbian artefacts reveal the region’s rich heritage, and enjoy time for a refreshment before returning to the ship.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Cartagena Walking Tour
Discover the history, culture, and vibrant spirit of Cartagena on this immersive guided tour. Begin with a visit to La Popa Monastery, where sweeping views overlook the city and Caribbean coastline. Continue with a photo stop at the impressive San Felipe Fortress, where you'll be greeted by a traditional Palenquera offering seasonal tropical fruit. Stroll through the colourful streets of Getsemaní, famous for its vibrant murals and Afro-Colombian heritage, before exploring the UNESCO-listed walled city. Admire colonial architecture, charming plazas, and flower-filled balconies, then visit the Gold Museum to uncover the region’s fascinating pre-Columbian history. End your experience with a refreshing Colombian ice cream before returning to the ship.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Old Cartagena by Vintage Cars
Step back in time as you explore Cartagena aboard spectacular vintage cars, capturing the spirit and elegance of the 1950s. Riding through the city in beautifully restored classic vehicles, you rediscover the old town from a unique perspective — in cars that are themselves part of Cartagena’s living history. The journey continues on foot through the atmospheric streets of the historic centre, where Spanish colonial architecture stands among the finest and best preserved in South America. Along the way, admire former merchants’ houses, flower-filled balconies, impressive civic buildings, and ornate churches. Lively squares and public spaces lined with cafés and restaurants reveal the rhythm of daily life, as locals and visitors alike gather to enjoy the charm of this remarkable city. The experience concludes with a taste of local cuisine at one of Cartagena’s trendiest restaurants, set within a historic building. Afterwards, there is free time to explore at your own pace before returning.
Activity level: Easy, Duration: 4 hours Docked: 13:00 - Overnight

Arrives On: 06 Apr 27

Day 18: Cartagena (Colombia)

On your second day in Cartagena, the city unveils fresh highlights to enjoy. The vibrant Getsemaní district captivates with its bold street art and dynamic energy, a lively contrast to the Old Town's charm. The serene Plaza de San Diego offers historical elegance and a quiet beauty, perfect for a brief pause. The bustling Bazurto Market brims with local colour, from tropical fruits to artisan crafts. These treasures complement the city's churches, plazas, and fortress, enriching your experience of its vibrant heritage. Docked: Overnight - 13:00

Arrives On: 07 Apr 27

Day 19: Cabo de la Vela (Colombia)

Embark on a cultural odyssey at Cabo de La Vela, where the indigenous Wayuu people welcome you to their ancestral lands. Learn about their rich traditions, from vibrant handicrafts to ancient rituals. Engage with locals and share stories during a visit to the local school. Cabo de La Vela is a place of striking beauty where the rugged desert landscape is adorned with windswept dunes and lapped by crystalline waters. Scenic Discovery:
Today, the Discovery Team may offer exciting watersports activities, including stand-up paddleboarding, perfect for enjoying the beautiful waters of Cabo de la Vela. Anchored: 9:30 - 16:00

Arrives On: 08 Apr 27

Day 20: Willemstad (Curaçao)

Step into the captivating charm of this picturesque harbour town, where colourful Dutch architecture blends seamlessly with Caribbean warmth. Indulge in unique shopping experiences, then relax on a historic 17th-century veranda with a refreshing drink made from the legendary Curaçao liqueur. Stroll through Willemstad's World Heritage-listed Old Town and harbour and savour a delicious fusion of Dutch and Afro-Caribbean culinary delights. Scenic Freechoice:
Treasures of Curaçao
Uncover the natural wonders and cultural gems of Curaçao on this enriching half-day adventure. Begin at the remarkable Hato Caves, where a guide will lead you through dramatic limestone formations, home to long-nose fruit bats and the famed Madonna statue. Continue to the Maritime Museum, beautifully housed in a restored 18th-century mansion, and explore over 500 years of seafaring history through ship models, artifacts, and engaging exhibits. Conclude your journey at the Chobolobo Mansion, where the island's iconic blue liqueur is crafted—and tasted—before browsing the distillery's charming shop for a flavorful souvenir.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3hrs & 45min

Capital Highlights by E-Bike
Explore the vibrant streets of Willemstad on an e-bike adventure that takes you beyond the usual paths. With pedal-assisted ease, glide through the historic districts of Punda, Scharloo, and Pietermaai—each rich in

colonial charm and colorful architecture. Cross the famous Queen Emma floating bridge on foot, then continue riding past striking murals, including Francis Sling's iconic "3 o'clock Romance," and notable landmarks like the National Archives and Fort Amsterdam. Enjoy a lively, immersive look at Curaçao's capital from a local's perspective before returning to the pier.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 1hr & 30min

Westpunt Beach & Snorkelling
Discover Curaçao's spectacular underwater world on an adventure to the island's picturesque western coast. Begin at Playa Piskadó, where, accompanied by your guide, you'll snorkel among colourful tropical fish and, if you're lucky, encounter green sea turtles in their natural habitat. Continue to beautiful Cas Abao Beach, where you can swim, snorkel, or simply relax on pristine white sand. A complimentary beach chair, shower facilities, and a refreshing drink complete this unforgettable Caribbean experience.
 Activity Level: Active, Duration: 4 hours Docked: 12:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 09 Apr 27

Day 22: Tobago Cays (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)

A picture-perfect paradise, the Tobago Cays are a pristine collection of five uninhabited islands in the heart of the Grenadines. Protected as a marine park, these breathtaking isles are surrounded by crystalline turquoise lagoons, vibrant coral reefs, and an abundance of marine life. Scenic Discovery:
After a beach landing, today's Discovery Team activities could include exciting watersports such as snorkelling, kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding. Anchored: 9:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 11 Apr 27

Day 23: Mayreau Island (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)

A true hidden gem of the Caribbean, Mayreau is the smallest inhabited island in the Grenadines, spanning just four-square kilometres (1.5 square miles) and home to a community of around 250 residents. With no airport and limited access, this secluded paradise remains blissfully untouched. From the hilltop church, take in breathtaking panoramic views of the sparkling Caribbean Sea. Unwind with a signature cocktail at the Sky Bar, then indulge in an all-inclusive culinary experience, from contemporary French fine dining at Lumière to the finest steak and seafood at Elements or bold Asian fusion flavours at Koko's. Scenic Discovery:
On this day, you might have the chance to enjoy, snorkelling, or other water activities with your Discovery Team. Please check the Daily Program for full details. Anchored: 8:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 12 Apr 27

Day 24: Soufrière (Saint Lucia)

Tucked beneath the majestic World Heritage-listed Pitons, Soufrière captures the essence of St. Lucia's charm. This quaint town buzzes with street vendors, local shops, hidden waterfalls and vibrant pools. Once the original capital of Saint Lucia, Soufrière lies within the Qualibou Depression, the crater of a dormant volcano. Visitors can unwind in mud baths, explore sulphur springs and marvel at the iconic lava domes, Gros Piton and Petit Piton. Savor the island's flavourful cuisine, from green figs and salt fish to hearty callaloo soup, traditionally made with crab or shrimp. Scenic Freechoice:
Volcano & Warm Mineral Baths
Discover St. Lucia’s volcanic heart on a visit to the famous Sulphur Springs, home to the Caribbean’s only drive-in volcano. Enjoy a guided tour of this fascinating geothermal landscape before experiencing the island’s renowned mineral-rich mud baths. Cover yourself in therapeutic volcanic mud, then relax in the warm natural pools, long celebrated for their soothing and rejuvenating properties. After this unique wellness experience, enjoy a scenic drive back through the charming town of Soufrière to the ship.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 1.5 hours

Bird Sanctuary, Hiking Trail & Farm Visit
Escape into the lush rainforest of St. Lucia on a guided eco-adventure through the beautiful Grand Eden Estate. Walk scenic nature trails while discovering tropical birds, native flora, and the traditional medicinal uses of local plants. Explore the estate’s working farm, where you’ll sample freshly picked tropical fruits and homemade fruit juice while learning about sustainable farming practices. Complete your authentic island experience with an optional tasting of locally produced rum before returning to Soufrière.
Activity Level: Moderate to Active, Duration: 3 hours

Stairway to the Pitons
Hike the spectacular Tet Paul Nature Trail and discover some of St. Lucia’s most breathtaking scenery. Accompanied by a knowledgeable guide, follow scenic paths through tropical vegetation while learning about the island’s history, culture, and medicinal plants. Reward your efforts with unforgettable panoramic views of the iconic Pitons, Jalousie Bay, the southern coastline, and even the neighbouring island of St. Vincent on a clear day. Enjoy local refreshments before returning to Soufrière.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 2 hours

Tree to Bar Chocolate Experience
Discover the journey from cacao tree to handcrafted chocolate at Project Chocolat. After a scenic drive through Soufrière, explore the seederie and learn about sustainable cacao cultivation, including the Island Growers programme and tree grafting techniques. Stroll through lush cacao groves on a rainforest boardwalk before creating your own personalised chocolate bar, from tasting fresh cacao pulp to selecting your favourite flavours. Conclude with time to browse the estate’s boutique before returning to the ship.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours Anchored: 8:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 13 Apr 27

Day 25: Bridgetown (Barbados)

Your unforgettable voyage comes to an end in the lively capital of Barbados, where British colonial heritage blends seamlessly with the island’s laid-back Caribbean

charm. Savour one final indulgent breakfast aboard your 6-star Discovery Yacht, reflecting on the extraordinary moments and new friendships made along the way. As you disembark, take with you memories of an unforgettable voyage through some of the Caribbean and Latin America's most breathtaking destinations. Please book your flight to depart out of Bridgetown after 12:00 PM. #Spa treatments at additional cost. +All drinks on board, including those stocked in your mini bar, are included, except for a very small number of rare, fine and vintage wines, Champagnes and spirits. Specialty restaurants require a reservation, enquire on board. ~Kayak and stand-up paddleboard not available in all locations. ^Flights on board our two helicopters and submersible experiences are at additional cost, subject to regulatory approval, availability, weight restrictions, medical approval and weather conditions. Helicopter not operational in Colombia and Panama. The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Scenic cannot guarantee the voyage will operate unaltered from the itinerary stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

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