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Cruise Details

Name:	Ultimate Antarctica & the Fjords of Southern Chile
Reference:	SCENIC702L170227-2
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse
Regions:	Antarctica
Departs On:	17 Feb 27
Departs From:	Buenos Aires
Arrives On:	17 Mar 27
Arrives At:	Buenos Aires
Cruise Nights:	28
Total Vacation Days:	29

Itinerary

Day 1: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Welcome to Buenos Aires, where you'll have an overnight hotel stay. Perhaps plan to spend some time in the city, nicknamed the 'Paris of South America'. Resplendent with Belle Epoque buildings, sidewalk cafes and green spaces, there's the fiery passion of Latin America - a collective love for football, flame-cooked meats (asado) and the tango. Some of the highlights are La Boca, a colourful, creative mecca with a must-do art walk, and San Telmo, a former aristocratic neighbourhood that was abandoned during a 19th-century epidemic. Mansions were turned into conventillos (shared housing), boutique hotels, antique shops, and tango clubs, exuding a captivating bohemian vibe.

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Day 2: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Fly from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia, the main island of Tierra del Fuego and the southernmost city in the world. The Captain and crew will warmly greet you as you board your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht, Scenic Eclipse. Toast the start of your once-in-a-lifetime expedition as you depart South America and cruise through the calm and scenic Beagle Channel, named so for the ship that carried Charles Darwin on his five-year discovery journey. Admire the dramatic views of the Andean mountains from the comfort of your private verandah or from the Observation Deck with its commanding view of the bow.

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Day 2: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 5: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Slide open the floor-to-ceiling doors of your verandah suite to see icebergs sculpted by nature and glacial mountains rising thousands of metres from the ocean. Antarctica is a birdwatcher's paradise, with more than 40 different species, so keep your eyes peeled for wandering albatrosses, which have the largest wingspan of any flying bird, as well as shearwaters, giant petrels and more. Due to the extraordinary nature of the region, excursions throughout your Expedition Voyage are dependent on the ice and weather conditions. Your experienced Captain and specialist Discovery Team, who have made countless journeys to Antarctica, will use their expertise to design your voyage from day to day, making the most of 18–20 hours of daylight. Scenic Discovery:
Daily experiences may include cruising on Zodiacs, stepping ashore to view vast penguin rookeries or historic huts, and kayaking or paddle boarding around icebergs. Wherever your voyage takes you, you will have countless “pinch me" moments.

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Day 6: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Portal Point^^ – a former British refuge hut – may be a potential landing site during your voyage. Or you may visit Deception Island^^ as part of your itinerary. Nestled in the South Shetland Islands archipelago, it is one of the only places in the world that ships can sail directly into the centre of a submerged caldera of an active volcano. With her world-class design and state-of-the-art technology, Scenic Eclipse can sail through a rocky gap into the horseshoe-shaped harbour. The island is also home to a few small scientific outposts and hundreds of thousands of chinstrap penguins. Tonight could be the night you enjoy Sushi^ @ Koko's with your new friends. Stay up late in the bar or retire to the library for a moment of blissful solitude before bed.

Arrives On: 22 Feb 27

Day 7: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Various species of penguins can be found in Antarctic and the sub-Antarctic region, with around 12 million penguins living on the Peninsula, including Adélie, Chinstrap, Gentoo, and the very rare Emperor penguins. Guided by the expert Polar Discovery Team, you'll witness colonies up close; hear their mighty calls and watch as they clumsily waddle along and interact with each other. Whales are another majestic creature you may encounter, whether a minke, a humpback or an Orca. Watch them from the comfort of your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht, in a Zodiac with an experienced Polar Discovery Team member, or from their level in a kayak or stand-up paddleboard – a breathtaking experience. Scenic Discovery:
When enjoying daily Scenic Discovery excursions, ask for your expert Discovery Leader for photography tips and guidance on how to spot the wildlife around you. They will help you immortalise these incredible moments while cruising on the Zodiacs, kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding around impressive ice formations.

Arrives On: 23 Feb 27

Day 8: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Lemaire Channel^^, renowned for its picturesque views and often referred to as 'Kodak Alley', could be our next exciting destination. If during your voyage the Scenic Eclipse weaves through this channel, make sure you set your alarm and embrace the cool air from the Observation Terrace. Pass through the 11-kilometre-long channel, just 700 metres wide at its narrowest point, and be amazed at the dramatic rocky mountains and glowing blue icebergs so close to the ship. In between Scenic Discovery experiences, enjoy a specialty tea or coffee in the Observation Lounge and watch the world float by through Swarovski telescopes.

Arrives On: 24 Feb 27

Day 9: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

In the distance on a clear day you can see Mount Francis^^ standing tall as Anvers Island's highest peak, showcasing the rugged beauty of Antarctica. Every day is unique, you might get the chance to hike or spend time on the pebbled beach, enjoying the view surrounded by curious penguins. Back on board, explore some of Scenic Eclipse's indulgent spaces, from the welcoming Observation Lounge to the expansive Senses Spa#. Soothe your muscles in the sauna or heated therapy lounge, join a yoga or Pilates class. Choose one of up to 10 world-class dining experiences on board tonight.

Arrives On: 25 Feb 27

Day 10: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Be sure to pack your swimming suit because you could be going for a swim today. For many, the polar plunge is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and a rite of passage on an expedition to Antarctica. Once throughout your voyage, Scenic Eclipse will stop, and the team will set up the marina ready for the brave people who want to jump into the freezing Antarctic waters. Excitement will spread through the Discovery Yacht, and you will start hearing the contagious nervous laughter. As you stand on the edge, ready to jump, you will feel the adrenaline rush while you second-guess whether this is a good idea. When you jump, the moment before you hit the water will feel like it goes forever, but soon, an invigorating, exciting, and surprisingly refreshing sensation will take over. If you choose to skip the polar plunge, make sure you find a good viewing location as you feel the chills of everyone coming out of the water. Join them for a cup of hot chocolate or toast with a glass of whiskey.

Arrives On: 26 Feb 27

Day 12: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 13: Ushuaia (Argentina)

Discover Ushuaia, the enchanting "end of the world" destination. The city is nestled along the picturesque Beagle Channel against a backdrop of snow-dusted peaks, with the towering Monte Olivia commanding attention. As your gateway to the spellbinding Antarctic Peninsula, Ushuaia promises unparalleled adventures and unrivalled beauty. Immerse yourself in a world of natural wonders, ancient cultures, and the intoxicating spirit of exploration that defines this region.

Arrives On: 01 Mar 27

Day 14: Cape Horn (Chile)

Sail through the iconic waters of Cape Horn, where the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans meet at the southernmost point of South America. It’s a great place to spot sea lions, penguins and whales. You’ll also cruise through the Murray Channel, named after British naval officer Captain John Murray. Be on the lookout for albatrosses and other seabirds that inhabit these remote waters.

Join an introductory presentation about your expedition by the Discovery Team in the state-of-the-art theatre. Feel the excitement building as they explain how your Zodiac and other Discovery Excursions will work in the coming days. The theatre is where you can watch talks, lectures, movies and documentaries during the day. At night, enjoy world-class productions from musical theatre and cabaret to pop music, dance and fun interactive game shows. Scenic Discovery:
Weather and sea

conditions permitting, you may get the opportunity to explore this remote archipelago, celebrated for its breathtaking beauty and dramatic landscapes. Join activities organized by the Discovery Team, such as a hike to the lighthouse and a visit to the Cape Horn Monument.

Arrives On: 02 Mar 27

Day 15: Chilean Fjords (Chile)

Navigate the labyrinth of the Chilean Fjords – its long narrow inlets and steep cliffs, channels and islands all carved by glaciers. From the Observation Deck, with its commanding view of the bow, marvel at the towering peaks, cascading waterfalls, and dense forests of this pristine wilderness.

You will also witness Seno Garibaldi, one of a handful of advancing glaciers in the world, and cruise to Seno Pia Glacier where you'll explore its ice crevasses and rivers. This area is a World Heritage-listed Biosphere Reserve, and its rich waters are home to seals, sea lions and seabirds, including the impressive Andean condor. Ask for some insights from the expert Discovery Team; comprised of up to 20 members, this team of geologists, historians, ornithologists, marine biologists, and glaciologists is at the heart of your Expedition Voyage. Scenic Discovery:
Get ready in your Discovery attire and join your Discovery Team for Zodiac cruising near the Seno Garibaldi and Seno Pia glaciers. Sit in silence and listen for the crack or thunder of a calving. If you're wanting a more active adventure, enjoy kayaking around the bergy bits.

Arrives On: 03 Mar 27

Day 16: Port information not found

Cruise through the calm and scenic Beagle Channel, named so for the ship that carried Charles Darwin on his five-year discovery journey. Admire the dramatic views of the Andean mountains from the comfort of the ultra-luxury Scenic Eclipse. You will also cruise through the 64-kilometre Cockburn Channel, known for its stunning glacier views. Keep an eye out for seals, dolphins, and whales which frequent these waters.

Watch this spectacular scenery slip by as you relax in a cabana on Deck 10. Alternatively, ask your butler to bring afternoon tea to your suite and relax on your private verandah. Scenic Discovery:
Seize the opportunity to explore your destination through a variety of exciting activities organised by the expert Discovery Team. During the evening recap, the Discovery Leader will share insights from the day's experiences and provide a preview of what's to come.

Arrives On: 04 Mar 27

Day 17: Aguila Glacier (Chile)

Today, you will witness the awe-inspiring Aguila Glacier and Condor Glacier, which form part of the Darwin Mountain Range – named after Charles Darwin – in Alberto de Agostini National Park. This is the third largest park in Chile, comprising fjords, glaciers and ice fields among subpolar forests and snow-capped peaks. Marvel at the immense size of these ancient ice formations cascading down the mountainside into the sea. Aguila Glacier is particularly beautiful feeding into a mineral-rich lagoon that attracts wildlife. Scenic Discovery:
Join your Discovery Team for a Zodiac adventure, spotting wildlife up close while learning about the landscape from your expert, eagle-eyed guide.

Arrives On: 05 Mar 27

Day 18: Magdalena Island (Chile)

Stand on the Observation Terrace as Scenic Eclipse cruises through the narrow passages of Magdalena Channel and Gabriel Canal, surrounded by towering cliffs and pristine wilderness. The Tucker Islets is a group of small islands and rocky outcrops in the Strait of Magellan, which is home to colonies of Magellanic penguins and other seabirds, such as skuas and petrels. Tonight could be the night you meet your new friends at Sushi @ Koko's for dinner. Enjoy entertainment in the state-of-the-art theatre and unwind with a nightcap at the Scenic Lounge Bar. Scenic Discovery:
Get ready for another day of adventure as your Discovery Team takes you close to wildlife in a Zodiac, while your expert guide explains the sights and secrets of the surrounding landscape.

Arrives On: 06 Mar 27

Day 18: Tuckers Islets (Chile)

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Day 19: Admiralty Bay, Bequia (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)

Cruise majestic Admiralty Sound, which is home to leopard and elephant seals and hugged by snow topped mountain ranges, wide bays and majestic fjords of Alberto de Agostini National Park. Go ashore to secluded Ainsworth Bay in a Zodiac, where you can get up close to towering glaciers and perhaps spot seals basking on the ice floes. You may also wish to enjoy your time on board with a visit to the gym for an invigorating workout or the studio for a Pilates class, some guided stretching or aerial yoga. Scenic Discovery:
Get ready for an unforgettable Discovery Day! Board your Zodiac and explore the wonders of southern Chile, while your knowledgeable guide brings the scenery to life with fascinating stories and insights.

Arrives On: 07 Mar 27

Day 20: Port information not found

Cruise through picturesque Whiteside Canal today and the historic Strait of Magellan, which links the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Named after Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan in 1520, this was the primary passage for seafaring transport before the Panama Canal. You'll follow the journeys of early explorers such as Ferdinand Magellan and Sir Francis Drake. Learn about the rich maritime history of these legendary waterways from your expert Discovery Team. You may wish to spend time in the theatre tonight, which has advanced cinemascope technology and multiple viewing screens that create an immersive 270-degree experience, complete with a sparkly night-sky ceiling.

Arrives On: 08 Mar 27

Day 21: Punta Arenas (Chile)

Punta Arenas is located at the southern extreme of Chile and serves as the gateway into Antarctica as well as Torres del Paine National Park. Overlooking the Strait of Magellan, the city flourished during the California Gold Rush – its prime position served as a haven for ships. The city will captivate you with its clean air, sophisticated European architecture and is renowned for kayaking. Nearby Magdalena Island is the breeding ground of Magellanic penguin colonies. When back on board, you may wish to book a treatment# at the tranquil Senses Spa. Perhaps indulge with an ESPA facial# or an alternative therapy including Ayuverdic massage# Scenic Freechoice:
Punta Arenas on Foot
Discover the history and charm of Punta Arenas on a guided walk through the heart of Patagonia’s southernmost city. Visit the Shepherd Monument and the Maggiorino Borgatello Museum before strolling along lively Bories Street. Climb to Cerro de la Cruz for panoramic views of the Strait of Magellan, then end your tour at the elegant Plaza de Armas, where historic buildings and the monument to Ferdinand Magellan reflect the city’s rich heritage.
Activity level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours

Magellan’s Discovery and Nao Victoria
Step back into the Age of Exploration on this fascinating journey through Punta Arenas. Visit the Nao Victoria Museum to explore full-size replicas of historic sailing ships, including Magellan’s famous vessel. Continue to the Maggiorino Borgatello Museum to discover Patagonia’s natural and cultural heritage, then enjoy panoramic views from Cerro de la Cruz before a brief stop at the elegant Plaza de Armas.
Activity level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours

Patagonian Estancia Experience
Discover authentic Patagonian ranch life with a visit to Estancia Olga Teresa, a family-owned sheep farm set amid the vast southern plains. Meet your welcoming hosts, watch traditional sheep-shearing and sheepdog demonstrations, and learn about the region’s ranching heritage. Complete your visit with a delicious Patagonian lamb barbecue, served with local specialties, while enjoying the warm hospitality and spectacular scenery of rural Chile.
Activity level: Easy, Duration: 6 hours 30 mins Docked: 06:00 - 20:00

Arrives On: 09 Mar 27

Day 22: Port information not found

Sail through the legendary Strait of Magellan and enjoy panoramic views of the rugged coastline out the open sea. Enjoy a specialty tea or coffee in the Observation Lounge and watch the world float by through Swarovski telescopes. Spend time with friends at one of 10 dining venues – enjoy a casual lunch at Azure Bar & Café or elegant affair at Elements. At night, enjoy a performance in the state-of-the-art theatre before you retreat to your ultra-luxury suite with a nightcap.

Arrives On: 10 Mar 27

Day 23: Isla Pinguino (Argentina)

Today you'll visit the remote and rugged Isla Pingüino, a windswept wildlife sanctuary just off the Patagonian coast. Named for its charismatic residents, the island is home to a thriving colony of Magellanic penguins and, unusually, a small group of rockhopper penguins, the only such colony found this far north on the Atlantic coast.

Step ashore with your expert Discovery Team for an up-close look at this vibrant ecosystem. As you walk the rocky terrain and seaweed-fringed coastline, keep your eyes open for lounging elephant seals and seabirds riding the thermals above the cliffs. The raw beauty of this windswept island offers a unique sense of seclusion and a deep connection to nature.

Arrives On: 11 Mar 27

Day 25: Punta Piramides (Argentina)

Explore Punta Piramides, a World Heritage-listed nature reserve and an important breeding location for the endangered southern right whale, elephant seals and a large rookery of sea lions. Orcas also frequent the area and shorebirds also stop here on their annual migrations. When enjoying daily Discovery excursions, ask for your expert Discovery Leader for photography tips and guidance on how to spot the wildlife around you. They will help you immortalise these incredible moments while cruising on the Zodiacs, kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding. Scenic Freechoice:
San Lorenzo Ranch & Punta Norte Penguin Reserve
Visit the spectacular Península Valdés to experience Patagonia's remarkable wildlife and traditions. At San Lorenzo Ranch, stroll among one of the world's largest Magellanic penguin colonies while your guide shares fascinating insights into the region's unique ecosystem. Savor a traditional Patagonian lamb barbecue before continuing to Punta Norte Nature Reserve, where sea lions and elephant seals can often be observed from a scenic coastal viewpoint
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Trekking Dunes, Caves and Fossil Canyon
Discover Patagonia's spectacular coastline on a guided trek through cliffs, towering sand dunes, ancient fossil beds, secluded beaches, and natural caves. Hike

to panoramic viewpoints overlooking the gulf, where southern right whales may be spotted during the June to November season. Follow scenic trails through dramatic landscapes shaped over millions of years while learning about the region’s geology, wildlife, and indigenous history.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 3 hours

Kayak with Sea Lions in Peninsula Valdes
Experience Patagonia from the water on a guided kayaking adventure along the scenic Golfo Nuevo. After a safety briefing, paddle past rugged cliffs, caves, and fossil-rich shores while watching for curious South American sea lions, cormorants, terns, and other coastal wildlife.
No previous kayaking experience is required, making this an unforgettable opportunity to enjoy the region’s spectacular natural beauty before relaxing with a light snack on the beach.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 3 hours

Horseback Riding Adventure
Explore the breathtaking landscapes of Península Valdés on horseback. After a short transfer and safety briefing, ride gentle, well-trained horses along scenic trails to Cerro Olazabal and the Whale Viewpoint, where sweeping views of Golfo Nuevo and Puerto Pirámides Bay await. Pause to relax, take memorable photos, and enjoy the peaceful surroundings before returning to the ranch for a delicious brunch.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 2.5 hours

Las Cuevas Bike Tour
Discover the rugged beauty of Patagonia on a guided cycling adventure through coastal trails and the scenic steppe. Ride past beaches, sand dunes, fossil-rich cliffs, and natural caves while learning about the region’s fascinating geology, wildlife, and history. Pause to enjoy a light snack before continuing your ride through the picturesque shoreline and back to town.
Activity Level: Moderate,Duration: 2 hours 15mins Anchored: 07:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 13 Mar 27

Day 28: Montevideo (Uruguay)

Arrive in Montevideo, Uruguay's vibrant capital city that boasts a rich 300-year history and an eclectic melange of Art Deco and Neoclassical architecture. While its Rambla (beachside avenue) may not be as famous as Barcelona's, it's much longer at 22 kilometres and traces the seaside almost the entire way. Most of the city's streets connect to the Rambla, making Montevideo an easy place to navigate and explore. There's a collective love for meat, wine, football and celebrations, as well as an annual month-long carnival. Scenic Freechoice:
Montevideo Highlights
Discover the best of Uruguay’s elegant capital on a panoramic tour of Montevideo’s historic and modern landmarks. Stroll through the charming Old Town, visiting Independence Square, the Cathedral, and the Solís Theatre before driving past grand parks, monuments, and the impressive Legislative Palace. Continue through the leafy Prado district and the upscale Carrasco neighborhood, with a scenic stop at Plaza Virgilio for sweeping coastal views, before returning along Montevideo’s beautiful waterfront.
Activity level: Easy to Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Ranch Visit
Escape to the Uruguayan countryside with a visit to Estancia La Rábida, a traditional family-owned ranch. Discover rural life as you explore the farm, learn about local agriculture, and gain insight into the traditions of

Uruguay’s gauchos. Meet the welcoming owners, admire sweeping views of the Río de la Plata, and enjoy a delicious traditional asado with regional wines. Browse handmade local crafts before returning to Montevideo.
Activity level: Easy, Duration: 6 hours & 30mins

City Highlights & Spinoglio Winery
Discover Montevideo and Uruguay’s winemaking heritage on this delightful excursion. After a brief stop at Independence Square, travel to the family-owned Spinoglio Winery, where generations of tradition come to life. Explore the historic underground cellar, vineyards, and oak barrel collection before sampling four signature wines paired with local delicacies. Complete your visit with a traditional Uruguayan beef lunch served with fine wines in a welcoming countryside setting.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 5 hours

Arrives On: 16 Mar 27

Day 29: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Your journey of wonder ends this morning in Buenos Aires. Farewell the crew and your new friends and disembark after breakfast, taking away memories of a truly unforgettable experience. Please book your flight to depart out of Buenos Aires after 12:00 PM. ^Flights on board our two helicopters and submersible experiences are at additional cost, subject to regulatory approval, availability, weight restrictions, medical approval and weather, ice and tidal conditions. #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. 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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