



Cruise Details

Name:	Ultimate Journey: Patagonia, Argentina, Brazil & Antarctica - Cruise & Land Journey
Reference:	SCENICOPA1080129-1
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Ikon
Regions:	South America
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Departs On:	08 Jan 29
Departs From:	Santiago
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Arrives On:	05 Feb 29
Arrives At:	Rio de Janeiro
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Cruise Nights:	28
Total Vacation Days:	29

Itinerary

Day 1: Santiago (Chile)

Welcome to Santiago and the start of your handcrafted land journey through Patagonia. A cultural hub with a rich history, the Chilean capital is set at the foot of the Andes and combines stunning natural scenery with neoclassical architecture, expansive museums and lively public squares. Upon arrival, transfer to your luxury hotel for an overnight stay.

Arrives On: 08 Jan 29

Day 2: Santiago (Chile)

Journey south to Patagonia and experience an unforgettable escape at The Singular Patagonia. Check in to your luxury hotel for a four-night Scenic Special Stay. Here, you'll have the opportunity to explore the dramatic landscapes of Torres del Paine National Park and discover the

charm of Puerto Natales – the vibrant hub for adventures into the spectacular southern Chilean fjords.
Relax in elegantly designed rooms overlooking Patagonia’s striking scenery, and enjoy thoughtfully curated daily excursions, refreshing beverages and exceptional cuisine that showcases the region’s finest flavours.

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Day 2: Torres del Paine National Park (Chile)

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Day 3: Torres del Paine National Park (Chile)

Today, begin your journey into one of the world’s most spectacular national parks. Torres del Paine is famous for its shimmering glaciers, turquoise lakes, dramatic peaks and golden pampas (grasslands). It’s also home to unique wildlife, including the guanaco and the elusive puma.
Each evening, return to your luxurious lodge to relax in the lounge and take in the magnificent views while sharing stories with your fellow guests.

Scenic Freechoice:
There are several small group activities for you to choose from and enjoy at your own pace.

Arrives On: 10 Jan 29

Day 4: Torres del Paine National Park (Chile)

Continue to explore Torres del Paine National Park and its spectacularly diverse landscapes by choosing from a range of Scenic Freechoice experiences. There are walking trails suitable for varying levels of fitness all throughout the park. Hike to the base of the rock towers that give the park their name or through the glorious scenery of the French Valley. Experienced trekkers can even explore the Grey Glacier on ice crampons. Or saddle up and discover the rolling pampas on horseback with an experienced guide.

Scenic Freechoice:
There are several small group activities for you to choose from and enjoy at your own pace.

Arrives On: 11 Jan 29

Day 5: Torres del Paine National Park (Chile)

Today you could choose to discover the magical waterways of the Torres del Paine. Kayaking is popular along the vibrant blue lakes and calm rivers. Get an incredible view of the face of the Grey Glacier as you kayak along the River Grey. The Serrano River also offers excellent fly fishing for trout and salmon.

Scenic Freechoice:
There are several small group activities for you to choose from and enjoy at your own

pace.

After each activity, return to the lodge for exceptional meals inspired by the Patagonian environment, paired with South American wines.

Arrives On: 12 Jan 29

Day 6: Torres del Paine National Park (Chile)

Farewell the Torres del Paine this morning as you drive across the border into Argentina and the town of El Calafate. It's named for the calafate berry and ancient local legend says that if you eat one of the small blue berries, you'll return to Patagonia. The town is the gateway to the Los Glaciares National Park, renowned for its vast glacier fields and colourful glacial lakes surrounded by rugged mountain peaks. Enjoy a relaxing three-night stay.

Arrives On: 13 Jan 29

Day 6: El Calafate (Argentina)

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Day 7: El Calafate (Argentina)

Discover the traditional way of life on an estancia (ranch) in the Argentine countryside, surrounded by glaciers, snowy peaks and stunning lakes. You'll get a taste of authentic Patagonian culture and experience the frontier spirit that is still alive in these vast properties. Learn about the history of gauchos and explore the rugged landscapes on horseback.

Arrives On: 14 Jan 29

Day 8: El Calafate (Argentina)

A jewel of Patagonia since its creation in 1937, the World Heritage-listed Los Glaciares National Park continues to captivate travellers with its raw, icy beauty. The pale, turquoise waters of Lake Argentino lead to the awe-inspiring Perito Moreno Glacier, towering an average of 74 metres above the water's surface. Watch in amazement as massive slabs of ice break away from the glacier's face and thunder into the lake below – an unforgettable spectacle of sight and sound. Stroll along the guided boardwalks for sweeping panoramic views of the vast 250-square-kilometre ice field, then end your day with a celebratory toast amid this breathtaking landscape dominated by the magnificent Perito Moreno Glacier. Later, join your Tour Director and fellow guests for a delicious farewell dinner this evening.

Arrives On: 15 Jan 29

Day 9: El Calafate (Argentina)

This morning, bid farewell to your Tour Director, taking with you lasting memories of Patagonia's vast and dramatic landscapes. Transfer to the airport for your flight south to Ushuaia, set on the remote island of Tierra del Fuego and known as the southernmost city in the world. On arrival, board your ultra-luxury Scenic Discovery Yacht, where the Captain and crew will warmly welcome you. Settle into your spacious suite before raising a glass to the journey ahead. As you sail through the Beagle Channel, take in the final views of South America's rugged southern landscapes, a striking prelude to the extraordinary wilderness that lies beyond.

Arrives On: 16 Jan 29

Day 9: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 11: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Today you will enter Antarctic waters, an unpredictable but stunningly beautiful environment. Put on your complimentary polar parka and head to the Observation Deck to spot icebergs for the first time – it's a feeling that will stay with you forever. Watch out for whale blows in the distance. Your Discovery Team will be available to provide insightful information. Be sure to check your Daily Program for the essential biosecurity and boot fitting schedule. And join the fascinating enrichment lecture on marine and seabird life – a captivating experience that will enhance your knowledge and connection to the natural world around you. On board, savour a leisurely lunch at Azure Bar & Café, where you can graze throughout the day as you take in spectacular ocean views. This evening, enjoy a glass of Champagne at Lumière's Champagne Bar, or choose from a range of distinct culinary experiences, before settling into an evening of thoughtfully curated entertainment.

Arrives On: 18 Jan 29

Day 12: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Slide open the floor-to-ceiling doors of your verandah suite to see icebergs sculpted by nature and glacial mountains rising from the ocean. Antarctica is a birdwatcher's delight, home to a variety of species, so keep your eyes peeled for wandering albatrosses, shearwaters, giant petrels and more. Due to the extraordinary nature of the region, Discovery Excursions throughout your Expedition Voyage are dependent on weather and ice conditions. Your experienced Captain and Discovery Leader, who have made countless journeys to Antarctica, will use their expertise to design a bespoke voyage, making the most of your time in this spectacular destination. Visit the open bridge on Deck 7 to meet the Captain and navigational team and gain first-hand insight into a Scenic Discovery Yacht's state-of-the-art technology from one of the most inspiring vantage points on board.

Scenic Discovery:

Daily experiences may include cruising on Zodiacs, stepping ashore to view vast penguin rookeries or historic huts, and kayaking or stand-up paddleboarding around icebergs. Wherever your voyage takes you, you will have countless "pinch me" moments.

Arrives On: 19 Jan 29

Day 13: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Start your day with freshly squeezed juice, steaming barista-made coffee or tea delivered to your suite by your butler. Then set out on Zodiac excursions to explore breathtaking glaciated bays, tranquil channels and pristine landing sites. As you trek across the Antarctic wilderness, meet the adorable chinstrap, Adélie and gentoo penguins that inhabit this magical region. Small groups offer the best way to experience an environmentally sensitive destination like Antarctica. You will board the Zodiacs according to your designated colour, with our expert polar Discovery Team guiding you, ensuring an unforgettable and unique adventure. Back on board, warm up in the Senses Spa, with infrared saunas, steam room and signature thermal loungers or gather at the Observation Lounge where floor-to-ceiling windows frame the polar landscape.

Arrives On: 20 Jan 29

Day 14: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Various species of penguins can be found in the Antarctic and the sub-Antarctic region, including Adélie, chinstrap and the gentoo. Guided by your expert Discovery Team, you'll witness colonies up close; hear their calls and watch as they clumsily waddle along and interact with each other. Whales are another majestic creature you may encounter, including minke whales, humpback whales or orcas. Watch them up close in a kayak or a Zodiac with your Discovery Team or observe them from the comfort of your ultra-luxury Scenic Discovery Yacht. Whichever way you see them, it's a breathtaking experience.

Scenic Discovery: During daily Discovery Excursions, ask your expert Discovery Team for photography tips so you can best capture the incredible wildlife and landscape around you. To see Antarctica from above or below the horizon book an optional helicopter[^] or submersible[^] experience.

Arrives On: 21 Jan 29

Day 15: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

From the moment it was discovered, Antarctica has held an irresistible allure for intrepid explorers. The bold exploits of legendary explorers like Scott, Shackleton, and Amundsen have fuelled its mystique, inspiring generations to venture into this untamed wilderness. On this unforgettable day, you'll cruise past Antarctica's stunning icy

mountains before stepping ashore by Zodiac to immerse yourself in the polar wilderness. With ample time to explore, this voyage ensures you experience the magic of this awe-inspiring landscape up close. Back on board, enjoy a warm speciality tea or coffee in the Observation Lounge and take in the views through the Swarovski telescopes.

Arrives On: 22 Jan 29

Day 16: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

In the untouched silence of this frozen wilderness, nature's rare sounds become unforgettable, whether it's the endearing chatter of penguins squabbling over prized pebbles or the thunderous roar of a glacier calving into the sea. Towering glaciers provide one of the most awe-inspiring spectacles of your journey, with the chance to witness massive ice formations breaking away, creating brand-new icebergs before your eyes, a moment of pure wonder. On board, explore some of your Scenic Discovery Yacht's indulgent spaces, from the welcoming Observation Lounge to the expansive Senses Spa#. Choose from a selection of world-class culinary experiences on board tonight.

Arrives On: 23 Jan 29

Day 17: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

On board your ultra-luxury Scenic Discovery Yacht, every moment is crafted for both comfort and connection. Our inviting Scenic Lounge provides the perfect setting to unwind and share unforgettable experiences with like-minded travellers. For those craving excitement, the legendary Polar Plunge offers a thrilling rush – an unforgettable dive into icy waters, expertly coordinated by the Discovery Leader and Captain. If you prefer to stay warm, find a prime viewing spot and enjoy the spectacle as fellow guests take the plunge, then join them for a toast with a glass of whiskey or a steaming cup of hot chocolate.

Scenic Discovery: Glide past towering icebergs on a Zodiac, step onto untouched white snow, and soar over vast mountain ranges. This is one of the world's few remaining pristine wildernesses, awaiting your exploration.

Arrives On: 24 Jan 29

Day 19: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 20: Ushuaia (Argentina)

After a final breakfast on board, your voyage continues as you bid farewell to your Scenic Discovery Yacht crew in Ushuaia. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires,

where the next chapter of your journey unfolds seamlessly. From the remote stillness of the polar regions, transition to the vibrant rhythm of South America, as you prepare to experience the thundering power of Iguazú Falls and the iconic landscapes and culture of Brazil, a dynamic continuation of your journey across the southern hemisphere.

Arrives On: 27 Jan 29

Day 20: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

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Day 21: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Discover the highlights and the hidden secrets of the famed 'Paris of the Americas' with your local guide today. Buenos Aires is an elegant city with pockets of colourful character, like Casa Rosada (the Pink House), the executive mansion and office of the Argentinian President. Explore soulful Recoleta, where leafy streets are lined with stylish boutiques, lavish townhouses and former palaces, as well as the famed Recoleta Cemetery, the resting place of eminent Argentinians like Eva Peron. Discover La Boca's colourful Caminito, with its multicoloured houses, street stalls and festive atmosphere.

Scenic Enrich

This evening, experience the passion of Argentine tango at the Gala Tango show, accompanied by a sumptuous dinner and Argentinian wine.

Arrives On: 28 Jan 29

Day 22: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Indulge in another delicious breakfast before delving deeper into Buenos Aires.

Scenic Freechoice:

Choose from these immersive experiences today:

Buenos Aires Street Art: Explore the city's dynamic urban art scene on a guided tour led by a local artist. Venture beyond the typical tourist routes to uncover hidden murals, underground creativity, and open-air galleries tucked away in unexpected corners of the city.

Buenos Aires Culinary Delight: Discover the rich flavours of Argentine cuisine on a guided culinary tour through the city. Savor authentic dishes at local restaurants, dine at traditional parrillas (steakhouses), and indulge in Argentine wine along the way.

Arrives On: 29 Jan 29

Day 23: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Depart Buenos Aires this morning and fly to the awe-inspiring Iguazú Falls. The world's largest waterfall system by volume, it stretches for more than 2.7 kilometres across the border of Brazil and Argentina. Enjoy a three-night Scenic Special Stay at the Gran Meliá Iguazú, the only

hotel located within the Argentinian side of Iguazú National Park. A luxurious hotel close to the thundering waters.

Arrives On: 30 Jan 29

Day 23: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

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Day 24: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

Wake up early this morning to watch the sun rising over the falls, a truly unforgettable experience. Then enjoy a leisurely tour to discover the Brazilian side of the falls. Stand on the walkway in the middle and take in this vast spectacle with 275 individual cascades spread over a four-kilometre crescent shaped cliff. Enjoy lunch with a beautiful view inside the National Park.
After lunch, embark on an exhilarating jet boat adventure toward the base of the falls, where you'll feel the refreshing spray on your face and the sheer power of the cascading water up close.
Optional helicopter flight Take to the skies on an optional helicopter flight and soar above Iguazú Falls for a breathtaking bird's-eye view of this natural wonder. (Additional cost, please book on tour.)

Arrives On: 31 Jan 29

Day 25: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

This morning, visit the Argentinian side of the falls before the park gates open to the public. Around 80 per cent of the falls are on this side of the border and the many walkways that thread between the upper and lower falls allow you to get closer into the cliff face. Walk to the lookout where you will see the famous Devil's Throat, the largest and most formidable waterfall within the entire system. Be awed by the sheer volume of water cascading over the falls.

Arrives On: 01 Feb 29

Day 26: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

After one final glorious sunrise, bid farewell to the magnificent Iguazú Falls. Fly to the vibrant city of Rio de Janeiro, famous for its golden beaches, lush jungle and colourful favelas, all under the watchful eye of Christ the Redeemer. The days are fuelled by sunshine and the nights by vibrant samba music. Settle into the refined comfort of the Fairmont Rio de Janeiro Copacabana for a three-night Scenic Special stay, where sophisticated design meets exceptional service and world-class amenities.
Scenic Sunset Drinks Enjoy Scenic sunset drinks at Sugarloaf Mountain, savouring a local tapas dinner while taking in the

brehtaking views of Rio at sunset.</p>

Arrives On: 02 Feb 29

Day 26: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

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Day 27: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

<p>Today, you will discover the beating heart of this exotic city. Take a fascinating walking tour through downtown Rio, home to the Metropolitan Cathedral and the Selaron Stairs. Learn about Rio's history and culture and get a taste of the local lifestyle. Ride the cogwheel railway to the top of Corcovado Mountain to see the famous Christ the Redeemer statue, a national icon of Brazil.

For lunch, savour a mouth-watering Brazilian churrascaria experience, where expertly grilled meats are carved tableside and served in true local style.</p>

Arrives On: 03 Feb 29

Day 28: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

<p>Discover more of Rio with another full day in the city. </p><p>Scenic Freechoice:
Embrace the diversity of Rio de Janeiro with one of these Scenic Freechoice

Botanical Garden: Walk through the World Heritage-listed biosphere reserve Jardim Botânico while learning about its unique history and its vital role in preserving Brazil's unique flora and fauna. Admire thousands of species of plants and look for curious monkeys.

Rio, City of Contrast: Take a fascinating walking tour through downtown Rio to see its most famous sights while hearing stories of the city's history, culture and local lifestyle. Be immersed in the vibrant atmosphere of bustling marketplaces and feel the dynamic rhythm of daily life in this captivating city.</p><p>Celebrate the final night of your journey with a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.</p>

Arrives On: 04 Feb 29

Day 29: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

<p>Bid farewell to your Tour Director and fellow guests as you transfer to Rio de Janeiro's airport to begin your journey home. Take with you cherished memories of your time discovering the treasures of Argentina and Brazil. </p><p>The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Scenic cannot guarantee the journey will operate unaltered from the itinerary stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information. Hotels are indicative and subject to change.</p>

Arrives On: 05 Feb 29

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