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Cruise Details

Name:	Highlights of Antarctica, Argentina and Brazil - Cruise & Land Journey
Reference:	SCENICOSA1021228-1
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Ikon
Regions:	Antarctica
Departs On:	02 Dec 28
Departs From:	Rio de Janeiro
Arrives On:	22 Dec 28
Arrives At:	Ushuaia
Cruise Nights:	20
Total Vacation Days:	21

Itinerary

Day 1: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Welcome to vibrant Rio de Janeiro, a city bursting with colour and energy. Here, sweeping golden beaches meet lush rainforest and lively favelas, all watched over by the iconic Christ the Redeemer. Days by the ocean blend into evenings alive with the rhythm of samba. 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.

This evening, begin your journey with a warm welcome dinner at a distinctive local restaurant, the perfect introduction to Rio’s rich flavours and hospitality.

Arrives On: 02 Dec 28

Day 2: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Today, 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.

Arrives On: 03 Dec 28

Day 3: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Discover more of Rio with another full day in the city. 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. Scenic Sunset Drinks
Enjoy sunset at Sugarloaf Mountain, sipping drinks and savouring a local tapas dinner while taking in the breathtaking views of Rio at sunset.

Arrives On: 04 Dec 28

Day 4: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Fly southwest across Brazil today 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: 05 Dec 28

Day 4: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

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Day 5: 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: 06 Dec 28

Day 6: 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: 07 Dec 28

Day 7: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

After one final glorious sunrise, bid farewell to the magnificent Iguazú Falls. This morning, fly south to Argentina's vibrant capital, Buenos Aires, where you'll be transferred to your elegant hotel for a three-night stay.

Arrives On: 08 Dec 28

Day 7: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

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Day 8: 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: 09 Dec 28

Day 9: 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: 10 Dec 28

Day 10: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Depart Buenos Aires on an included flight to Ushuaia the gateway to Antarctica and the world’s southernmost city, nestled on the rugged shores of Tierra del Fuego. The Captain and crew will warmly greet you as you board your ultra-luxury Scenic Discovery Yacht.

Raise a glass of Champagne as you set sail through the legendary Beagle Channel, tracing the path of Charles Darwin’s historic voyage. From your private verandah or the Observation Deck, take in breathtaking views of the snow-capped Andean peaks and pristine Patagonian wilderness — marking the beginning of an unforgettable Expedition Voyage.

Arrives On: 11 Dec 28

Day 10: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 12: 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: 13 Dec 28

Day 13: 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: 14 Dec 28

Day 14: 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: 15 Dec 28

Day 15: 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: 16 Dec 28

Day 16: 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: 17 Dec 28

Day 17: 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: 18 Dec 28

Day 18: 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: 19 Dec 28

Day 20: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 21: Ushuaia (Argentina)

This morning, bid farewell to your expert crew and fellow travellers as your extraordinary journey comes to an end. After a final indulgent breakfast on board, disembark in Ushuaia and board your flight to Buenos Aires, carrying with your memories of a truly unforgettable Expedition Voyage in the pristine landscapes of Antarctica. Please book your flight to depart out of Buenos Aires after 09:30 PM. #Spa treatments and services at additional cost. Daily activities may be subject to change; please consult your Daily Wonder for updates. +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. ^Experiences on board our two helicopters and submersible are at additional cost, subject to regulatory approval, availability, weight restrictions, medical approval and weather and ice conditions. ~Kayak and stand-up paddleboard not available in all locations. Subject to weather and operational conditions. Sightings cannot be guaranteed. 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. Hotels are indicative and subject to change.

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Day 21: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

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