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Cruise Details

Name:	Highlights of Antarctica, Argentina and Brazil - Cruise & Land Journey
Reference:	SCENICOSA1180127-1
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse
Regions:	South America
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Departs On:	18 Jan 27
Departs From:	Rio de Janeiro
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Arrives On:	07 Feb 27
Arrives At:	Ushuaia
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Cruise Nights:	20
Total Vacation Days:	21

Itinerary

Day 1: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Welcome to colourful Rio De Janeiro. This sprawling city is 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. Check into your luxury hotel for a three-night stay. Start your journey tonight with a warm welcome dinner at a unique local restaurant.

Arrives On: 18 Jan 27

Day 2: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

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, indulge in a mouth-watering Brazilian Churrascaria experience.

Arrives On: 19 Jan 27

Day 3: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Embrace the diversity of Rio de Janeiro with two enticing Scenic Freechoice options for exploration. Learn about the garden's vital role in preserving Brazil's unique flora and fauna. Alternatively, delve into the heart of Rio's downtown on a historical walking tour, exploring iconic landmarks. Immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere of bustling marketplaces and witness the dynamic rhythm of daily life in this captivating city.

Scenic Freechoice:

Botanical Garden: Walk through the World Heritage-listed biosphere reserve Jardim Botânico while learning about its unique history, admiring thousands of species of plants and looking for 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.

Scenic Sunset Drinks: Enjoy Scenic Sundowners at the Sugarloaf Mountain, sipping drinks and savouring a local tapas dinner while taking in the breathtaking views of Rio at sunset.

Arrives On: 20 Jan 27

Day 4: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Fly southwest across Brazil today to the magnificent Iguazú Falls, the world's largest waterfall by volume, straddling the border of Brazil and Argentina. Enjoy an exclusive three-night Special Stay.

Arrives On: 21 Jan 27

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 of the falls and be awed by this vast spectacle with 275 individual cascades spread over a four-kilometre crescent shaped cliff. Enjoy a lunch with a beautiful view inside the National Park.

After lunch, take an exhilarating jet boat ride towards the base of the falls and feel its spray on your face.

Optional helicopter flight - Soar over Iguazú Falls on an optional helicopter flight (additional cost, please book on tour).

Arrives On: 22 Jan 27

Day 6: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

This morning, visit the Argentinian side of the falls. 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: 23 Jan 27

Day 7: Iguazú Falls (Brazil)

After one final glorious sunrise, farewell Iguazú Falls. This morning you will fly south into Argentina and the vibrant capital, Buenos Aires, and transfer to your elegant hotel for a three-night stay.

Arrives On: 24 Jan 27

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. Discover La Boca's colourful Caminito, with its multicoloured houses, street stalls and festive atmosphere.

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

Arrives On: 25 Jan 27

Day 9: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Indulge in another delicious breakfast at your hotel before delving deeper into Buenos Aires with a choice of Scenic Freechoice experiences. Select between a tour with a local artist to uncover the city's vibrant urban art scene, or embark on a culinary adventure to discover the secrets of authentic Argentinian cuisine on a food walking tour.

Scenic Freechoice:

Buenos Aires Street Art: Take a tour with a local artist to discover the vibrant urban art scene. Go off the beaten path to visit hidden art spots and open-air

galleries.

Buenos Aires Culinary Delight: Learn about Argentinian cuisine and authentic flavours on a culinary tour of the city. Enjoy local restaurants, traditional parillas (steakhouses) and Argentinian wine.</p>

Arrives On: 26 Jan 27

Day 10: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

<p>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. </p><p>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.</p>

Arrives On: 27 Jan 27

Day 10: Ushuaia (Argentina)

Arrives On: 27 Jan 27

Day 13: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

<p>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.</p><p>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.</p><p>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.</p>

Arrives On: 30 Jan 27

Day 14: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

<p>Portal Point^{^^} – a former British refuge hut – may be a potential landing site during your voyage.</p><p>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: 31 Jan 27

Day 15: 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: 01 Feb 27

Day 16: 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: 02 Feb 27

Day 17: 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: 03 Feb 27

Day 18: 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: 04 Feb 27

Day 20: Ushuaia (Argentina)

Arrives On: 06 Feb 27

Day 21: Ushuaia (Argentina)

Your voyage ends this morning as you farewell the crew and fellow guests. Disembark after breakfast to fly to Buenos Aires, taking away memories of a truly unforgettable experience.

Please book your flight to depart out of Buenos Aires after 09:30 PM.

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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.</p>

Arrives On: 07 Feb 27

Day 21: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

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