Cruise Details

Name:	Southern Expedition: Antarctica, & Machu Picchu
Reference:	SCENICOSL2080127-1
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse
Regions:	Antarctica
Departs On:	08 Jan 27
Departs From:	Buenos Aires
Arrives On:	05 Feb 27
Arrives At:	Cuzco
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, known as 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 an art walk, and San Telmo, a former aristocratic neighbourhood 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)

Board a scenic flight from Buenos Aires 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 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. Due to the extraordinary nature of this region, Discovery excursions throughout your Expedition Voyage are dependent on the weather conditions. Your experienced Captain and specialist polar Discovery Team, who have made countless journeys to Antarctica, Falkland Islands & South Georgia will use their expertise to design your voyage from day to day, making the most of your time in this spectacular destination.

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Day 2: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 4: Falkland Islands (Falkland Islands (Malvinas))

Remote and unspoiled, the Falkland Islands offer a breathtaking sanctuary for wildlife enthusiasts. Home to the world’s largest Gentoo penguin population, watch as they waddle along the shores, nesting and interacting in their natural environment. Spot black-browed albatross soaring above and keep an eye out for Cobb’s wren and the Falkland flightless steamer duck, two rare species only found here. For a deeper appreciation of this remarkable ecosystem, engage with the specialist polar Discovery Team—a dedicated group of geologists, historians, ornithologists, marine biologists, and glaciologists who bring the magic of the Falklands to life through their unparalleled knowledge and passion. Scenic Discovery: Daily experiences during your expedition voyage may include cruising on Zodiacs, landing ashore to view vast penguin rookeries, kayaking, stand-up paddleboarding, soar above in the helicopter^ and dive below in the submersible^.

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Day 5: Falkland Islands (Falkland Islands (Malvinas))

While in the Falkland Islands, you will visit capital Stanley (subject to weather and operational conditions). This town offers a unique British outpost feel. Visit local shops, see the Christ Church Cathedral with its whalebone arch, or share a pint at an English pub. It could be a good night to share stories with new friends over dinner at Sushi @ Koko’s (available by reservation). Enjoy entertainment in the state-of-the-art theatre and

unwind with a nightcap at the Scenic Lounge Bar. Scenic Freechoice:
Walk Stanley: Enjoy a walking tour of the small capital with an expert local guide for a closer look at life in this rugged location.

Battlefields, a Mountain Perspective: Visit Falklands War battlegrounds on a Battlefields Tour while admiring the views of the Island.

Stanley Highlights: This tour by coach offers a thorough introduction to the town's key sights and historical landmarks.

Fitz Roy Farm: Start at the Jetty Visitor Center with a brief history of the Falklands, then continue to the shearing shed for a live shearing demonstration, followed by a visit to the Farm Manager's House.

Arrives On: 12 Jan 27

Day 8: South Georgia Island (South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands)

Today, venture into one of the most breathtaking wildlife sanctuaries in the Southern Ocean. If weather allows, explore the rugged coves and sweeping shores, where extraordinary wildlife abounds. With its untouched beauty and remarkable biodiversity, South Georgia offers an awe-inspiring experience for those seeking true wilderness. Scenic Discovery: You may have the chance to explore this fascinating landscape on Zodiacs, kayaks, stand-up paddleboards, self-paced hikes, and submersible excursions. Your expert Discovery Team will guide you on enlightening excursions, bringing you close to South Georgia's stunning wildlife and nature.

Arrives On: 15 Jan 27

Day 9: South Georgia Island (South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands)

Step back in time at Grytviken, a historic settlement that tells the story of early Antarctic exploration and industry. Pay tribute to legendary explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton at his final resting place and explore the remnants of the island's past, where weathered whaling stations and rusting ships stand as enduring symbols of a bygone era. Scenic Discovery: Explore by Zodiac, kayak, or stand-up paddleboard with possible shore landings (weather and ice permitting).

Arrives On: 16 Jan 27

Day 10: South Georgia Island (South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands)

A paradise for photographers and nature enthusiasts alike, South Georgia offers breathtaking landscapes and unparalleled wildlife encounters. If conditions allow, explore its dramatic shores, where untouched wilderness and striking scenery create the perfect backdrop for unforgettable moments. Be sure to have your camera ready to capture this awe-inspiring destination. Scenic Discovery: Explore by Zodiac, kayak, or stand-up paddleboard, with potential shore landings, beach walks, and hikes to historical sites

(weather and ice permitting). To further discover South Georgia book a submersible^ experience.

Arrives On: 17 Jan 27

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 thousands of metres from the ocean. True magic awaits as you witness the incredible wildlife spectacle: from the graceful seals to majestic whales and delightful colonies of penguins that dot the landscape. 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, excursions throughout your Expedition Voyage are dependent on the ice and weather conditions. Your experienced Captain and Discovery Leader, 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: Explore by Zodiac, kayak, or stand-up paddleboard with possible shore landings (weather and ice permitting). To see Antarctica from above or below the horizon book a helicopter^ or a submersible^ experience.

Arrives On: 20 Jan 27

Day 14: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Every day, set out on unforgettable Zodiac excursions to explore breathtaking glaciated bays, tranquil channels, and pristine landing sites. Your dedicated Discovery Team will guide you as you trek across the awe-inspiring Antarctic wilderness, and meet the adorable chinstrap, Adélie, and gentoo penguins that inhabit this magical region. Tonight could be the night you enjoy Sushi^ @ Koko’s (available by reservation) with your new friends. Stay up late in the bar or retire to the Observation Lounge for a moment of blissful solitude before bed. Scenic Discovery: Enjoy daily Discovery excursions. Cruise on the Zodiacs around ice formations, step onto islands to view vast penguin rookeries and seals. Kayak or stand-up paddleboard past icebergs and hear the ice cracking and whales feeding below. Soar above the horizon in one of two the two helicopters^ or dive below in the submersible^ for further discovery.

Arrives On: 21 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 living on the Peninsula, including Adélie, Chinstrap, Gentoo, and the rare Emperor.

Guided by the expert Polar Discovery Team, you'll witness colonies up close. 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 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 enjoy these incredible moments while cruising on the Zodiacs, kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding around impressive ice formations.

Explore by Zodiac, kayak, or stand-up paddleboard with possible shore landings (weather and ice permitting). To see Antarctica from above or below the horizon book a helicopter^ or a submersible^ experience.

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Day 16: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

From the moment it was discovered, Antarctica has held an irresistible allure for intrepid adventurers. The bold exploits of legendary explorers like Scott, Shackleton, and Amundsen have fueled 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 true polar wilderness. In between discovery excursions, enjoy a specialty tea or coffee in the Observation Lounge and watch the world float by through Swarovski telescopes.

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Day 17: Antarctic Peninsula (Antarctica)

Aboard our ultra-luxury yacht, every moment is designed for comfort and camaraderie, with our inviting lounge offering the perfect space to relax and share unforgettable experiences with like-minded travellers. For those seeking an exhilarating experience, the legendary Polar Plunge awaits—an unforgettable moment of pure adrenaline in the icy waters, carefully planned by the Expedition 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: Explore by Zodiac, kayak, or stand-up paddleboard with possible shore landings (weather and ice permitting). To see Antarctica from above or below the horizon book a helicopter^ or a submersible^ experience.

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Day 19: Ushuaia (Argentina)

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Day 20: Ushuaia (Argentina)

Your Scenic Eclipse voyage ends this morning as you farewell the crew. Disembark after one final luxurious breakfast to fly to Buenos Aires, where your handcrafted land journey begins. You'll immerse yourself in the vibrant energy of this captivating destination. The colourful Argentine capital is known as the 'Paris of the Americas', an elegant city with pockets of unique character.

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Day 20: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

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Day 21: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Depart Buenos Aires and fly to Lima, the vibrant capital of Peru. This cosmopolitan city is home to an incredible food scene, some of the world's finest restaurants, compelling museums and contemporary galleries.

Check in for a two-night stay at the exquisite AC Hotel by Marriott Lima Miraflores, a stylish, contemporary hotel set beside the beach.

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Day 21: Lima (Peru)

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Day 22: Lima (Peru)

Embark on a captivating exploration of Lima, a city that seamlessly blends history and modernity. From the meticulously restored colonial architecture to the hidden gems tucked away in its bustling streets, your expert local guide will reveal the city's rich tapestry of culture and heritage. Beyond Baroque balconies lie secret treasures from the age-old library to the patchwork of bones that line the ossuary of the city's grand Franciscan monastery.

Enjoy a city tour with a welcome lunch, exploring the charms of colonial and modern Lima. Admire cathedrals and convents, visit San Isidro financial district and tour the famed Larco Museum.

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Day 23: Lima (Peru)

This morning fly to Cuzco, the gateway to the Sacred Valley. Travel through breathtaking landscapes to the Tambo Del Inka Resort & Spa, a luxurious sanctuary set beside the Urubamba River amidst the majestic Andes. Your relaxing stay in the Sacred Valley allows you to experience the history, unique lifestyle, culture and majestic scenery of this heartland of the former Inca empire.

Tonight, delight in an unforgettable culinary experience at a Tapas Dinner with local performances.

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Join your expert local guide for a walking tour of Ollantaytambo, the site where Manco Inca defeated the Spanish conquistadors. Indulge in an authentic Andean feast at Hacienda Huayoccari, where tradition comes to life through vibrant weaving demonstrations and stories of local customs and life. The afternoon invites you to wander the charming village of Urubamba at your leisure.

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With another full day in the Sacred Valley, discover more of its distinctive heritage and culture. Scenic Freechoice:
Pisac Ruins and Markets: Explore the ruins of Pisac, built by the Incas in the 15th century, and its vibrant markets. Peruvians from surrounding villages come to purchase their fruit, vegetables and meat, and you can find authentic crafts and clothing.

Maras and Moray: Discover the agricultural and engineering wonders of the mountains. Explore the mysterious circular terraces of Moray and the mesmerising Incan salt pans of Maras, where thousands of pools are dug into the mountainside. Indulge in a culinary extravaganza featuring five tantalising meats, each prepared in a unique style using ingredients sourced from Tambo's own organic garden.

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This morning, embark on one of the world's most spectacular train rides, a Vistadome rail journey that climbs through breathtaking landscapes to the legendary Machu Picchu. The most famous archaeological site in South America, this mountaintop citadel was built by the Incas in the

15th century but remained lost to history until it was rediscovered in the early 1900s. Explore the enigmatic ruins with expert guides, delving into the mysteries of this ancient site.

As night falls, retreat to the charming Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel.

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Day 26: Machu Picchu (Peru)

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Day 27: Machu Picchu (Peru)

Continue your journey by train to the charming city of Cuzco, the imperial capital of the Incas. The oldest continually occupied city on the continent, it sits at a soaring 3,399 metres above sea level, making it one of the highest settlements in the world.

You'll be welcomed to the luxurious Palacio del Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel. Set inside a 500-year-old mansion, you'll spend two nights ensconced in the heart of this storied city, surrounded by opulence and history.

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Day 27: Cuzco (Peru)

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Day 28: Cuzco (Peru)

Unravel the secrets of Cuzco as you wander through its cobblestone streets and past awe-inspiring architecture. On your walking tour, you will uncover the history of this World Heritage-listed site where ancient Incan ruins sit alongside colonial whitewashed houses and grand Baroque palaces. Your final stop will be the imposing ruins of Sacsayhuamán fortress, where the carved stone blocks form the shape of a puma's head.

Immerse yourself in the local community as you visit a school supported by Scenic, forging connections that transcend borders.

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Day 29: Cuzco (Peru)

Bid farewell to your Tour Director and fellow travellers as you transfer to the airport, taking with you a lifetime of wonderful memories. The itinerary on this page is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Scenic cannot guarantee the land journey or the cruise will operate unaltered from the itinerary stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

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