

## EMBLEMATIC ANTARCTICA

09/12/2017 | 11 Days - 10 Nights | from Ushuaia to Ushuaia | LE SOLEAL



### STOPOVER ITINERARY

- 1 Ushuaia (Argentina)  
Embarkation 09/12/2017 from 16h00 to 17h00  
Departure 09/12/2017 at 18h00
- 2 Crossing the Drake Passage  
10/12/2017
- 3 Crossing the Drake Passage  
11/12/2017
- 4 Neko Harbour (Antarctica)  
12/12/2017
- 5 Paradise Bay (Antarctica)  
12/12/2017
- 6 Pléneau Island (Antarctica)  
13/12/2017
- 7 Port Charcot, Booth Island (Antarctica)  
13/12/2017
- 8 Port Lockroy, Goudier Island (Antarctica)  
14/12/2017
- 9 Deception Island, South Shetland Islands (Antarctica)  
15/12/2017
- 10 Sailing on the Weddell Sea (Antarctica)  
16/12/2017
- 11 Crossing the Drake Passage  
17/12/2017
- 12 Crossing the Drake Passage  
18/12/2017
- 13 Ushuaia (Argentina)  
Disembarkation 19/12/2017 at 07h00

## YOUR CRUISE

PONANT proposes an exceptional expedition cruise into the heart of the Antarctic Peninsula's ice floes. Set sail on an unforgettable 11-day journey aboard *Le Soléal* and fall for the charms of the dreamlike landscapes, inhabited by rich and uncommon wildlife.

In Neko Harbour, a magnificent bay surrounded by mountains and ice, you will perhaps be lucky enough to see seals, whales, leopard seals and gentoo penguins.

On Pléneau Island, you'll be amused by the original gait of the gentoo penguins going about their daily lives with a backdrop of magnificent icebergs. Don't miss out on the visit to nearby Port Charcot. Jean-Baptiste Charcot, the famous French explorer who led many polar expeditions at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, gave this name to the island as a tribute to his father.

Your ship will then head north before arriving on the volcanic Deception Island, which was long an emblematic whaling site. Its sheltered bay also served as a refuge for sailors during heavy storms.

Before you return to Ushuaia, *Le Soléal* will clear a path through the impressive tabletop icebergs of the Weddell Sea, leaving you with an unforgettable memory of your Antarctic crossing.

*Subject to ice and weather conditions. The expedition highlights and itineraries described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.*



### FOCUS ON... POLAR EXPEDITION

Discover the unique concept of PONANT polar expedition cruises: explore the world's extreme regions while enjoying luxurious comfort and service.

A luxury expedition voyage

Choosing a PONANT expedition cruise means choosing a state of mind: the alliance of elegance and authenticity, of exploration and comfort, of adventure and refinement... The comfort of your ship and your stateroom, personalised and attentive service, refined gastronomy: a very special atmosphere that we take great care to maintain. In the heart of the ice floes of the Arctic and the Antarctic, our luxurious services will ensure that your expedition cruise is an unforgettable experience.