

DARWIN 200

2023-25 Global Voyage

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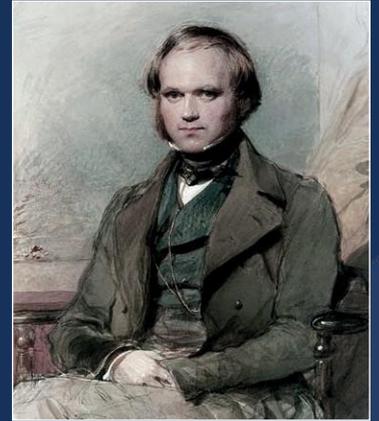
Follow Charles Darwin's Footsteps

Become part of DARWIN200, a planetary conservation initiative that will empower the next generation's elite environmental leaders and engage millions of students worldwide in conservation projects.

Over 2023-2025, the beautiful tall ship Oosterschelde will re-sail the route of Charles Darwin's voyage aboard HMS Beagle.

During this global voyage, the DARWIN200 team will:

- Train elite young conservationists, one from each of two hundred countries and states around the world. These 'DARWIN LEADERS' will become tomorrow's top environmental leaders.
- Create the World's Most Exciting Classroom by beaming activities, research projects, experiments, lectures, essay competitions and weekly 'nature hour' events to schools across the globe to engage millions of students, teachers and member of the general public.
- Undertake citizen science research projects by partnering with key conservation organisations to engage global audiences in tackling many of the world's most critical environmental problems.

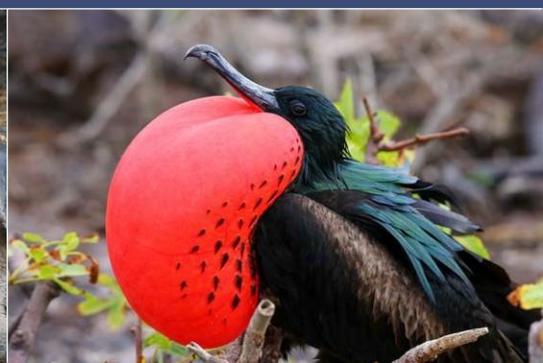


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After a decade of intense planning, and two successful test voyages in 2020 and 2021, the DARWIN200 Global Voyage will commence in 2023.

We will make landfall at key locations where Charles Darwin stepped ashore during the voyage of HMS Beagle. During each of these stops, our ship will host groups of DARWIN LEADERS to undertake research projects in exactly the same locations visited by Charles Darwin two centuries ago.

DARWIN200 is searching for enthusiastic individuals to join our professional crew to sail the spectacular tall ship Oosterschelde along 32 legs that make up the 2023-2025 Global Voyage.



More than an Adventure!

By taking part in the Global Voyage, you will be helping to make the DARWIN200 project a reality.

During your time aboard Oosterschelde, you will be welcome to take part in DARWIN200 research activities, and you will be invited to key DARWIN200 public events in ports. As part of your adventure on Oosterschelde, you will receive the following exclusive benefits:

1. A full colour, 300-page, hardback book with text and photos of each voyage leg as a memento of your adventure on board (printed after completion of the voyage).
2. A short video which will be filmed during each [voyage](#) leg, which you can keep as a memento of your adventure!
3. An invitation to the Start of Voyage Party in Plymouth on 13/08/2023.
4. An invitation to the End of Voyage Party in Falmouth on 20/07/2025.
5. An invitation to the DARWIN200 Concluding Award Ceremony in London in summer, 2025. Meet environmental celebrities, the young conservationists ('DARWIN LEADERS') and take part in a prize-giving ceremony.
6. Acknowledgement and thanks by name on all DARWIN200 output films throughout the global voyage (although anonymity will be respected, if requested).
7. Free DARWIN200 Global Voyage branded T-shirt!

Which Voyage Leg will you Choose?

Start your application process today!



The Oosterschelde

The Global Voyage will be undertaken aboard the historic 50 metre long tall ship Oosterschelde. Built in 1918, this uniquely restored, three-masted schooner is one of the most beautiful historic vessels afloat.

She can carry 24 voyage crew (members of the public joining as sailors) plus professional crew. She has a bar, a piano and a wood-fired stove.

You will be accommodated in comfortable, single-sex cabins that consist of 2 or 4 bunks.

Oosterschelde has already successfully completed two past global voyages (in 1996-98 and 2012-14). During these voyages, the ship journeyed to Antarctica, the Falklands and South Georgia.

Explore Oosterschelde via a photo gallery and a virtual 3D tour.



SAILING AT SEA

Sailing aboard Oosterschelde is a very special experience.

The crew will be happy to explain the function of all the ropes, halyards and sheets to you. You will be assigned watches with the crew to sail, steer and navigate the ship.

TRIPS ASHORE

While the Oosterschelde is anchored, a sloop and a dinghy are available for making trips ashore. One of the crew members will take you to shore and pick you up again safely.

EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY

Oosterschelde is equipped to sail worldwide. For this purpose the vessel holds all the safety certificates required by Dutch law (as the vessel is registered in the Netherlands).

The qualified and experienced crew of at least 7 persons also contributes to ensuring safe passage. Each sailing area requires special preparations because there are no facilities along the way to repair something or to procure parts.

We are able to produce drinking water from seawater using a filter system. Food is stored aboard immediately prior to departure.

There are two rubber dinghies onboard with outboard motor and a wooden sloop for transport to the shore. In the interests of safety there are safety vests and life rafts, fire detection and fire extinction installations, a very extensive medicine cabinet, Epirb, radar transponder, etc.

For navigation and communications purposes the 'Oosterschelde' is equipped with a radar set, two compasses, satellite navigation system, an echo sounder, a sextant, an SSB radio, an Inmarsat-C-fax terminal, 4 marine telephones, etc.



Voyage Itinerary

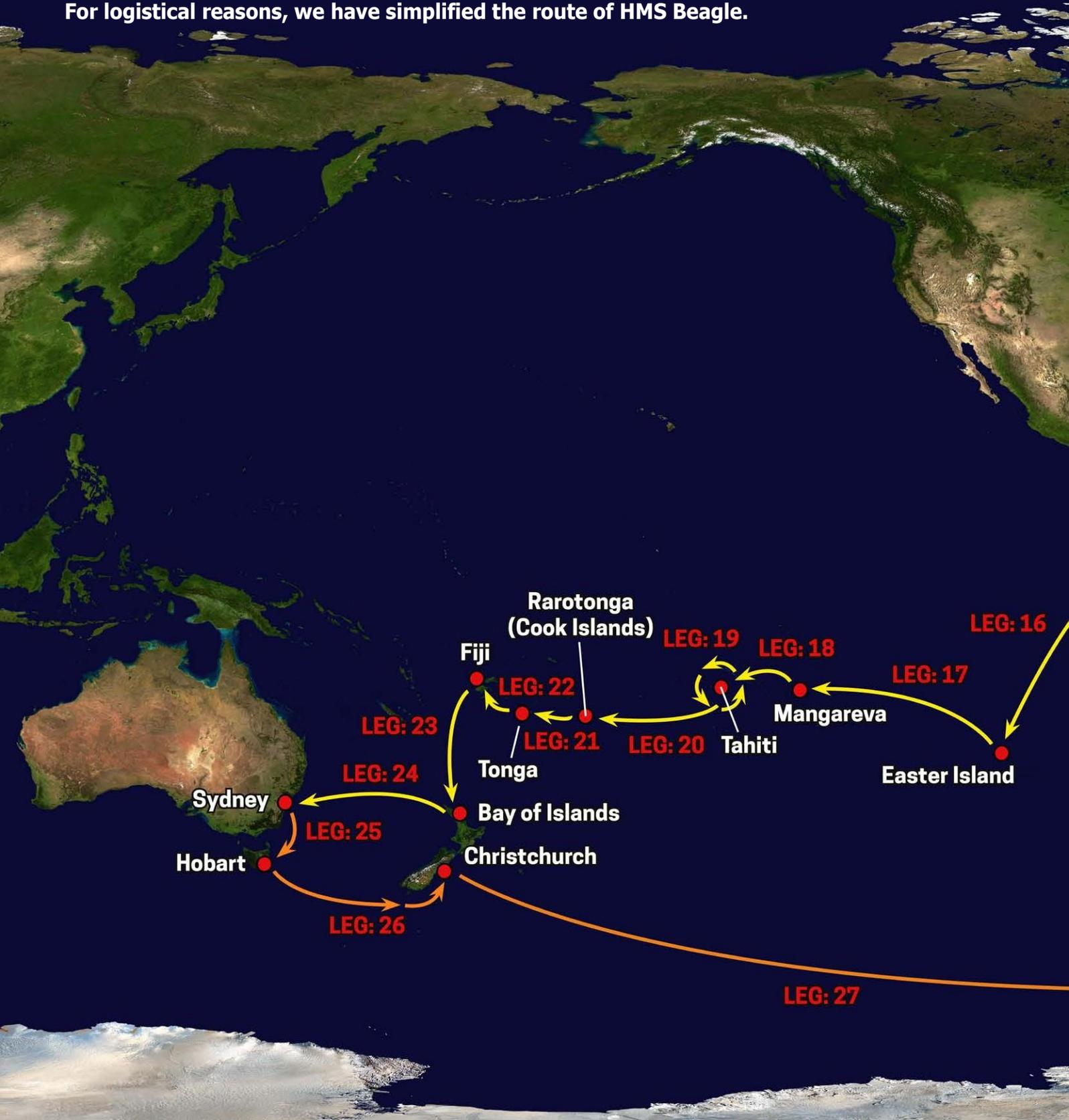
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The Global Voyage consists of 32 Voyage Legs which follow Charles Darwin's route on HMS Beagle.

We will make landfall at key locations where Darwin stepped ashore.

During each of these landfall stops, our ship will host groups of DARWIN LEADERS to undertake research projects in exactly the same locations visited by Charles Darwin two centuries ago.

For logistical reasons, we have simplified the route of HMS Beagle.



For example, HMS Beagle back-tracked north and south several times along the east coast of South America. We will sail this route only once.

We have also added a few locations that Charles Darwin did not visit. These enhance the global voyage and enable sailing during periods of optimal weather. These additional stops also allow essential repair and maintenance, refueling, reprovisioning and planned publicity events.

Crucially, unlike HMS Beagle (which sailed across the Indian Ocean), we are returning from Australia via Cape Horn to enable visits to South Georgia and Tristan da Cunha!

With the exception of Cocos (Keeling) and Mauritius, we will make landfall at every major location Charles Darwin visited during his voyage aboard HMS Beagle!



VOYAGE LEG 1: Plymouth to Tenerife

Start Point: Plymouth

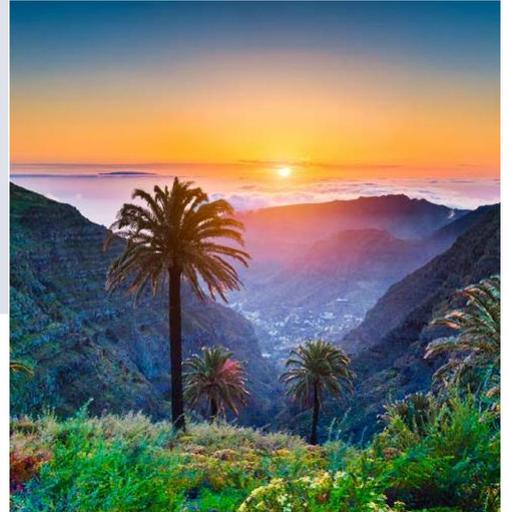
Departure Date: 14/08/2023

End Point: Tenerife

Arrival Date: 26/08/2023

Price: €3,250

Sail from Plymouth (England), where Charles Darwin stepped aboard HMS Beagle, to the Tenerife (Canary Islands). Explore the breath-taking beaches and spectacular volcanic landscapes of the Canary Archipelago, and discover the historic villages and unique wildlife of the islands, including unique 'dragons blood' trees! Participants of all voyage legs are invited to a party in Plymouth on the evening of 13/08/2023 to mark the start of the DARWIN200 Global Voyage!



VOYAGE LEG 2: Tenerife to Cape Verde

Start Point: Tenerife (Canary Islands)

Departure Date: 03/09/2023

End Point: Cape Verde

Arrival Date: 11/09/2023

Price: €2,340

Voyage from Tenerife (Canary Islands) to the Cape Verde Islands to discover the tropical landscapes, sapphire waters and diverse wildlife that enthralled Charles Darwin during his first forays ashore. Cape Verde is famed for its dramatic hill walking, the Viana sand desert and extensive coral reefs home to green sea turtles. The islands also boast unspoilt beaches! Get the best of both worlds - explore the Canary Islands before this voyage leg, and relax in Cape Verde afterward!



VOYAGE LEG 3: Cape Verde to Fernando de Noronha

Start Point: Cape Verde

Departure Date: 20/09/2023

End Point: Fernando de Noronha (Brazil)

Arrival Date: 01/10/2023

Price: €2,760

Sail from Cape Verde to the spectacular, volcanic islands of Fernando de Noronha, off the coast of Brazil. Home to historic ruins, beautiful beaches and unique wildlife. These islands abound with tropical seabirds and rich marine life, including spinner dolphins and pilot whales. Although little known by the outside world, the Fernando de Noronha islands are one of South America's best kept secrets. Flights connect to several cities in mainland Brazil for easy onward travel.



VOYAGE LEG 4: Fernando de Noronha to Salvador de Bahía

Start Point: Fernando de Noronha (Brazil)

Departure Date: 09/10/2023

End Point: Salvador de Bahía (Brazil)

Arrival Date: 17/10/2023

Price: € 2,250

Sail from Fernando de Noronha (Brazil) to the spectacular Brazilian coast to reach the city of Salvador, a UNESCO World Heritage Site filled with historic colonial heritage little changed since the time of Charles Darwin's visit. The city is noted for its cuisine, vibrant music and energetic dance, as well as beautiful nearby beaches. At the start of this voyage leg, reach Fernando de Noronha via convenient flights from several cities in mainland Brazil.



VOYAGE LEG 5: Salvador de Bahía to Rio de Janeiro

Start Point: Salvador de Bahia (Brazil)

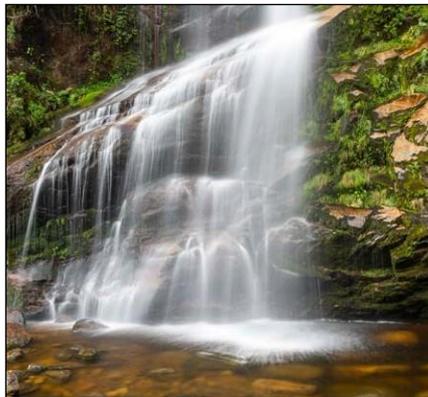
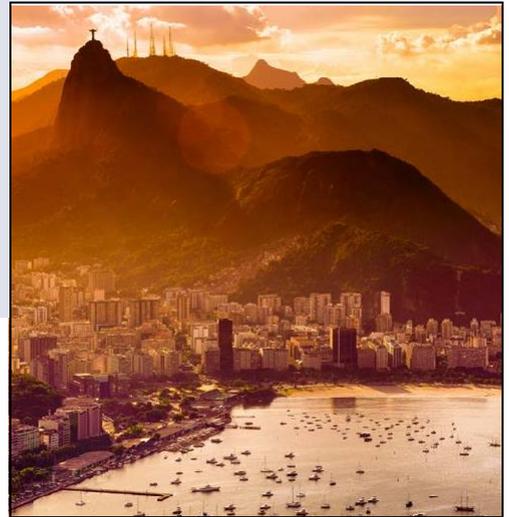
Departure Date: 27/10/2023

EndPoint: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Arrival Date: 04/11/2023

Price: €2,250

Sail south along the breath-taking coast of Brazil, past Sugarloaf Mountain into one of the most beautiful harbours of the world. Explore the UNESCO World Heritage history of Rio and visit the sites of this world class city, from the mountains of Corcovado to Copacabana Beach. Discover the countless wonders of the tropical countryside nearby Rio, from beautiful waterfalls to diverse wildlife. While sailing during this voyage leg, the coast from Salvador to Rio boasts dramatic views!



VOYAGE LEG 6:

Start Point: Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Departure Date: 14/11/2023

EndPoint: Montevideo (Uruguay)

Arrival Date: 25/11/2023

Price: €2,880

Sail from Rio de Janeiro to Montevideo, the colourful and historic capital city of Uruguay, located on the northeastern bank of the Río de la Plata. Explore the city's picturesque old town and vibrant traditional markets. Savour local dishes and discover nearby seaside resorts with sandy streets and pine forests. Montevideo is a perfect point for you to explore Uruguay after this voyage leg, and flights connect this charming city to destinations worldwide for easy onward travel.



VOYAGE LEG 7: Montevideo to Buenos Aires

Start Point: Montevideo (Uruguay)

Departure Date: 03/12/2023

End Point: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Arrival Date: 04/12/2023

Price: €400

Sail across the Río de la Plata from Montevideo to Buenos Aires to discover Argentina's most energetic city. From wine-tasting in the best Argentine bodegas to tangoing through the night. Visit a traditional estancia (horse ranch) in the pampa outside the city, and savour some of the best beef steaks in the world. Arrive in style, then explore Argentina's capital! This voyage leg is perfect for those wanting to visit one of South America's most exciting countries.



VOYAGE LEG 8: Buenos Aires to Puerto Santa Cruz

Start Point: Buenos Aires (Argentina)

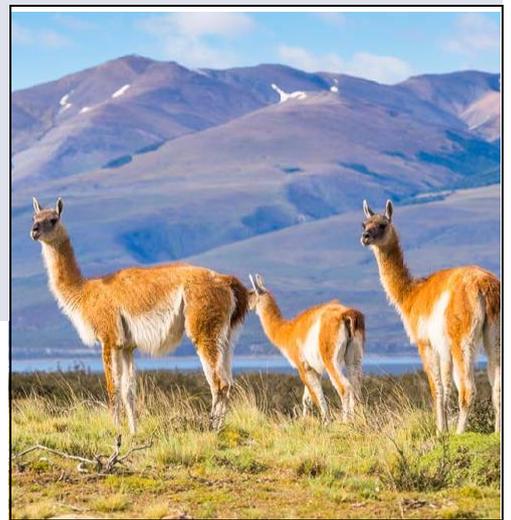
Departure Date: 06/12/2023

End Point: Puerto Santa Cruz (Argentina)

Arrival Date: 19/12/2023

Price: €2,520

Voyage along the Argentine coast, past kilometres of pristine beaches and bays. Follow Charles Darwin's footsteps and journey deep into Patagonia to explore the dramatic frontier landscape of the pampa. Spot wild rhea and guanacos (a species of Lama), as well as caracaras and steamer ducks. The Patagonian coast is seldom visited by most tourists, but home to breath-taking landscapes and wildlife. We will make landfall along the coast as weather and circumstances allow.



VOYAGE LEG 9: Puerto Santa Cruz to Stanley

Start Point: Puerto Santa Cruz (Argentina)

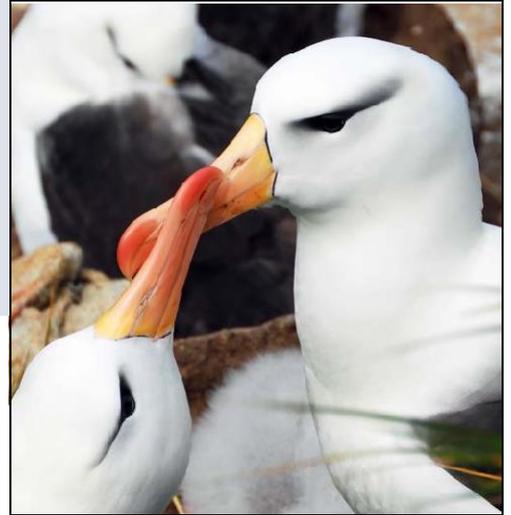
Departure Date: 28/12/2023

End Point: Stanley (Falkland Islands)

Arrival Date: 05/01/2024

Price: €2,250

Sail to the Falkland Islands, home to an astounding range of wildlife, including five species of penguins, the world's largest albatross colonies, elephant seals and fur seals. Several days are planned to visit key islands as circumstances allow. The Falklands are one of the world's best kept wildlife secrets! We will visit spectacular wildlife hotspots and historic sites, where weather and circumstances allow. Highlights include vast shag, penguin and albatross colonies, and seal beaches.



VOYAGE LEG 10: Stanley to Punta Arenas

Start Point: Stanley (Falkland Islands)

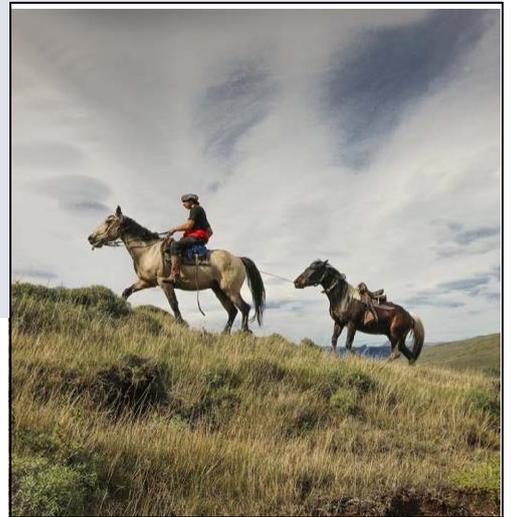
Departure Date: 13/01/2024

End Point: Punta Arenas (Chile)

Arrival Date: 21/01/2024

Price: €2,250

Explore the Strait of Magellan and spot penguins, seals and whales from the deck of our ship! In the heart of this frontier land at the end of the world, we reach Punta Arenas, a fascinating gold rush boomtown beset with elaborate wool-boom mansions, lying close to the terminus of the Andes. If weather and circumstances allow, we may be able to visit Steeple Jason Island en route from Stanley, home to the world's largest albatross colony!



VOYAGE LEG 11: Punta Arenas to Concepción

Start Point: Punta Arenas (Chile)

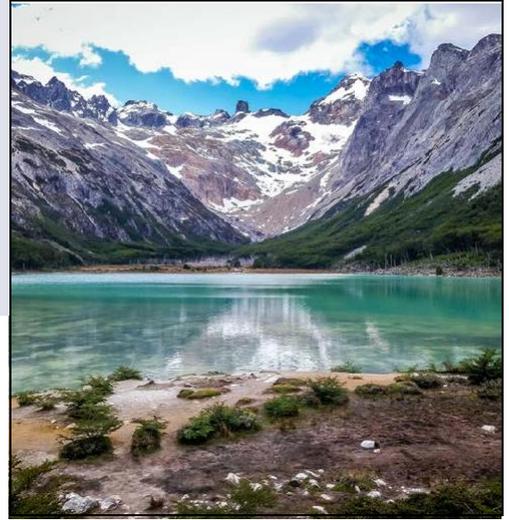
Departure Date: 09/02/2024

End Point: Concepción (Chile)

Arrival Date: 21/02/2024

Price: €3,250

Sail through the breath-taking Chilean fjords in Charles Darwin's wake through some of South America's most beautiful scenery. Spot glaciers, dramatic peaks and wildlife along the shoreline. We'll land, where possible to explore the mysterious forests of stunted, mossy trees, before venturing north along the dramatic Chilean coast. We will make landfall as weather and circumstances allow. Keep watch for seals, penguins and whales! The Chilean fjords are a nature lover's dream!



VOYAGE LEG 12: Concepción to Valparaíso

Start Point: Concepción (Chile)

Departure Date: 29/02/2024

End Point: Valparaíso (Chile)

Arrival Date: 03/03/2024

Price: €800

Sail from Concepción to the history city of Valparaíso, home to UNESCO world heritage Spanish colonial architecture. The city is known as "Little San Francisco" and "The Jewel of the Pacific". Explore the craggy back streets of the colourful old town and savour exotic local fruit and vegetables in traditional markets. This little visited part of South America is home to some of the continents most dramatic coastline and beautiful beaches rich with seals and seabirds.



VOYAGE LEG 13: Valparaíso to Callao

Start Point: Valparaiso (Chile)

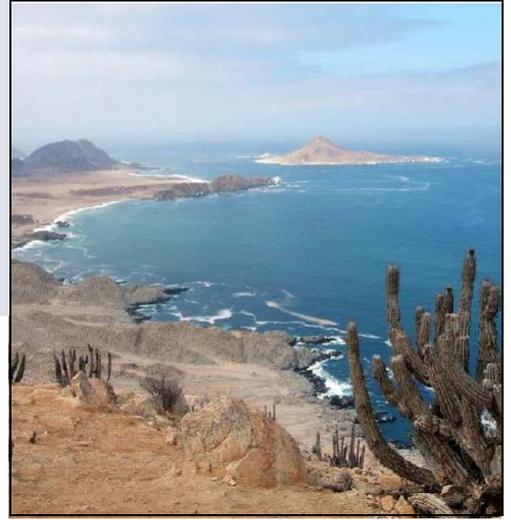
Departure Date: 12/03/2024

End Point: Callao (Peru)

Arrival Date: 23/03/2024

Price: €2,000

Sail north with views across the Atacama Desert, famed for some of the most unearthly scenery in South America. Land at remote fishing villages, spot sea birds and sea lions in a virtually untouched ecosystem and reach the historic seaport to Callao and adjacent Lima, both troves of history from Spanish colonial times. This voyage leg allows you to really get off the beaten track and see parts of Chile few visitors ever get to experience!



VOYAGE LEG 14: Callao to Puerto Lucía

Start Point: Callao (Peru)

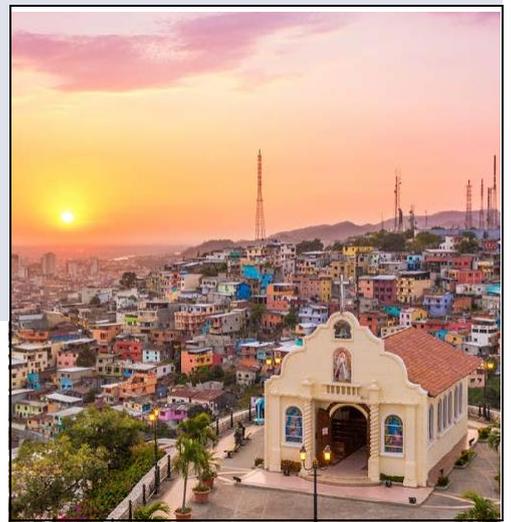
Departure Date: 31/03/2024

End Point: Puerto Lucía (Ecuador)

Arrival Date: 07/04/2024

Price: €1,500

Start sailing along the coast of the Attacama and end at jungle-clad shores near Guyayauil. This adventurous journey passes quaint fishing villages, stunning beaches spanning kilometres and vast seabird colonies. Seldom explored, this remote coastline is one of South America's best kept secrets. We will make landfall as weather and circumstances allow. From deck, beawed by the breath-taking coastal scenery and keep watch for migratory whales!



VOYAGE LEG 15: Puerto Lucía to Galápagos Islands

Start Point: Puerto Lucía (Ecuador)

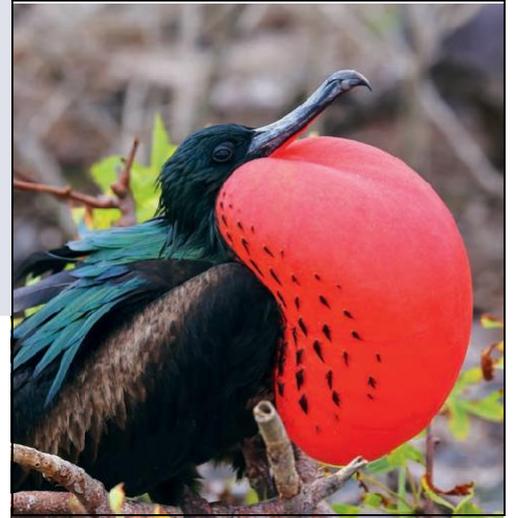
Departure Date: 14/04/2024

End Point: Galápagos Islands

Arrival Date: 25/04/2024

Price: €3,950

Join the iconic voyage leg sailing to the Galapagos. Scan the horizon for the dramatic islands to appear in the sea mists, then explore the dramatic volcanic isles that captivated Charles Darwin. Several days are planned to include sailing trips around the islands and land visits to key wildlife sites as weather and circumstances allow. Ashore, you may spot giant tortoises, marine iguanas, frigatebirds, unique finches and the spectacular landscapes that make the Galapagos famous!



VOYAGE LEG 16: Galápagos Islands to Easter Island (Rapa Nui)

Start Point: Galápagos Islands

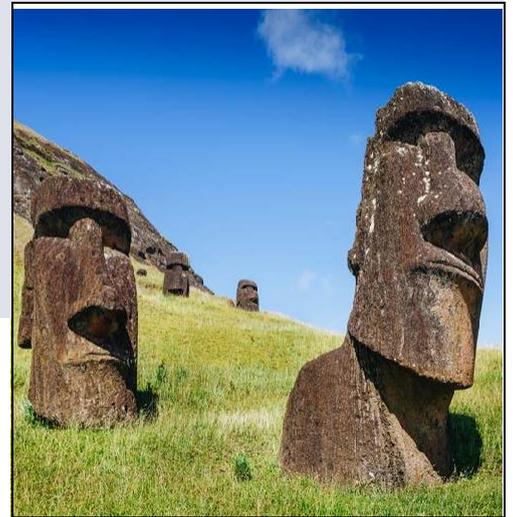
Departure Date: 19/05/2024

End Point: Easter Island (Rapa Nui)

Arrival Date: 04/06/2024

Price: €4,250

Sail between two of the world's most fascinating island groups. Explore the incredible Galapagos Islands before boarding for this leg and discover the wildlife that captivated Charles Darwin. At Easter Island marvel at the approx. 1,000 monumental statues, called moai, created by the early Rapa Nui people. In the waters around Easter Island, spot humpback whales, dolphins and (if you are lucky) giant blue whales. Flights connect with mainland Chile for easy onward travel.



VOYAGE LEG 17: Easter Island (Rapa Nui) to Pitcairn to Mangareva (French Polynesia)

Start Point: Easter Island (Rapa Nui)

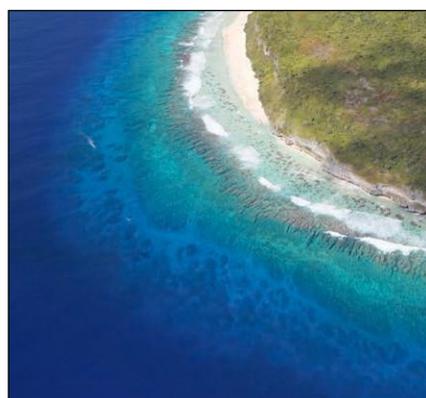
Departure Date: 13/06/2024

End Point: Mangareva (French Polynesia)

Arrival Date: 29/06/2024

Price: €4,250

Sail across the Pacific Ocean to land at fascinating Pitcairn Island, home to the descendants of the mutiny on the Bounty. The island is rich with history, including ancient Polynesian rock carvings and unique birdlife. Taste local breadfruit and unique honey! After Pitcairn, sail through the coral-rich waters of French Polynesia, arriving at Mangareva, in the Gambier Islands. Flights connect Mangareva to Tahiti and beyond, allowing for easy onward travel.



VOYAGE LEG 18: Mangareva (French Polynesia) to Papeete (Tahiti)

Start Point: Mangareva (French Polynesia)

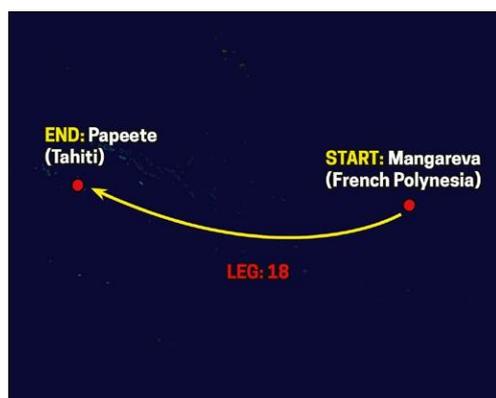
Departure Date: 08/07/2024

End Point: Papeete (Tahiti)

Arrival Date: 22/07/2024

Price: €4,250

During this voyage leg, we explore the islands of western French Polynesia, stopping in locations where few tourists are able to visit (as weather and circumstances allow). Visit remote villages, snorkel over pristine coral reefs and land on coconut palm fringed beaches. We aim to sail to remote atolls and coral islands. We arrive at Papeete, on the island of Tahiti in French Polynesia. Flights from Tahiti connect to Mangareva, allowing easy transit to the start point of this voyage leg.



VOYAGE LEG 19: Papeete (Tahiti) to Papeete (Tahiti)

Start Point: Papeete (Tahiti)

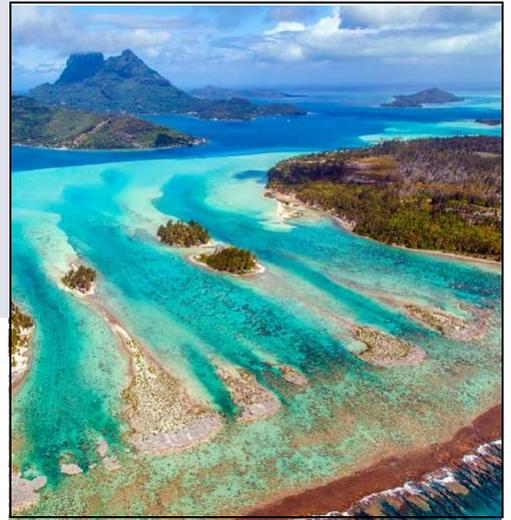
Departure Date: 23/07/2024

End Point: Papeete (Tahiti)

Arrival Date: 02/08/2024

Price: €2,750

This leg is all about atolls and islands! Explore one of the most beautiful part of our world - the scattered moss-green islands of Polynesia that rise out of sapphire blue waters. Discover local cultures, traditional dancing, outrigger canoes, fringing reefs and visit turquoise lagoons! We will land on as many islands as weather and circumstances allow. Explore beautiful Tahiti before and after this leg, perfect for a pre- or post-voyage holiday!



VOYAGE LEG 20: Papeete (Tahiti) to Rarotonga (Cook Islands)

Start Point: Papeete (Tahiti)

Departure Date: 11/08/2024

End Point: Rarotonga (Cook Islands)

Arrival Date: 23/08/2024

Price: €3,120

Sail to one of the Pacific's best kept secrets: the Cook Islands. Witness a traditional fire dance ceremony, savour delicious tropical fish cooked on a Polynesia hot stone oven and discover some of the most beautiful coral reefs and beaches in the Pacific. Snorkel the waters of the Cook Islands, famed for their pearls and beautiful tropical forests. This voyage leg is perfect for those that want to relax after an intrepid sailing adventure! Regular flights provide easy onward travel.



VOYAGE LEG 21: Rarotonga (Cook Islands) to Tonga

Start Point: Rarotonga (Cook Islands)

Departure Date: 26/08/2024

End Point: Tonga

Arrival Date: 08/09/2024

Price: €3,500

Sail to the islands of the Kingdom of Tonga, home to authentic, centuries-old culture, history and traditions. For 1,000 years, Tongan monarchs have ruled over isles rich with beaches, coral reefs and waters frequented by migrating humpback whales. Today, Tonga is known as the 'True South Pacific' for its unspoilt beauty. On arrival, explore the island's unique cultures and explore beautiful tropical forests, rich with birdlife. Regular flights service Tonga's airport for onward travel.



VOYAGE LEG 22: Tonga to Fiji

Start Point: Tonga

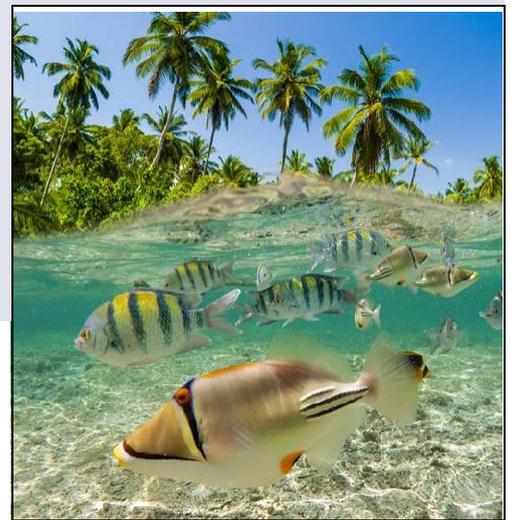
Departure Date: 09/09/2024

End Point: Fiji

Arrival Date: 18/09/2024

Price: €2,500

Journey to the heart of the South Pacific to land on tropical islands and experience some of the most breath-taking underwater vistas in the world. Known as the 'soft coral capital of the world', the Fijian islands are home to 'rainbow reefs' as well as remote villages, palm fringed beaches of powdery sand and azure waters. This voyage leg is ideal for those that wish to experience two of the most varied islands in the Pacific! After arrival, relax at one of Fijis opulent resorts!



VOYAGE LEG 23: Fiji to Bay of Islands (New Zealand)

Start Point: Fiji

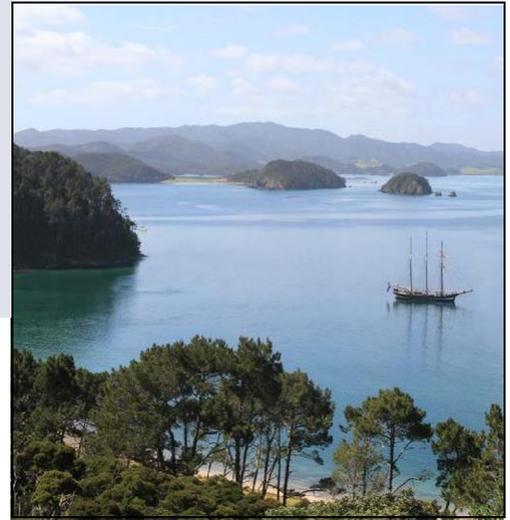
Departure Date: 21/09/2024

End Point: Bay of Islands (New Zealand)

Arrival Date: 01/10/2024

Price: €2,750

Sail to New Zealand's Bay of Islands. Onshore, explore rich Maori culture, historic colonial ruins and New Zealand's unique wildlife. Explore the backdrop of ancient kauri forests and as we glide amongst emerald isles and crystal clear waters, looking for whales, dolphins, seals and seabirds! The Bay of Isles is regarded as one of New Zealand's most beautiful locations. At the end of this voyage leg, you will be perfectly placed to explore New Zealand's North Island!



VOYAGE LEG 24: Auckland to Sydney

Start Point: Auckland (New Zealand)

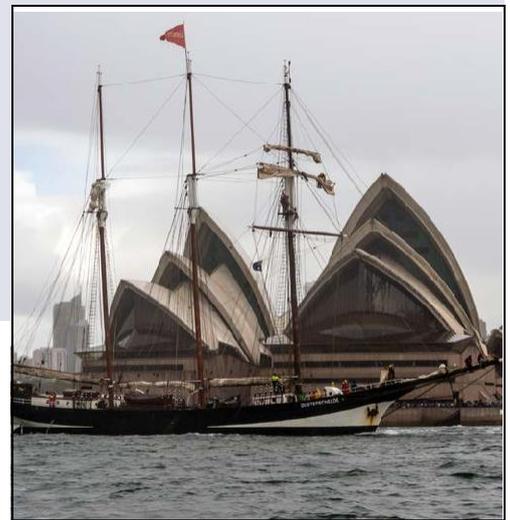
Departure Date: 31/10/2024

End Point: Sydney (Australia)

Arrival Date: 14/11/2024

Price: €3,750

After scheduled maintenance in Auckland, Oosterschelde will sail across the Tasman Sea and into spectacular Sydney Harbour for a unique view of the world famous Opera House and Harbour Bridge. Walk in Charles Darwin's footsteps exploring the Blue Mountains and the historic Rocks waterfront. During the crossing of the Tasman Sea, look for migrating whales and scan the horizon for 'the Heads' as you approach the dramatic coast that marks the entrance of Sydney Harbour.



VOYAGE LEG 25: Sydney to Hobart

Start Point: Sydney (Australia)

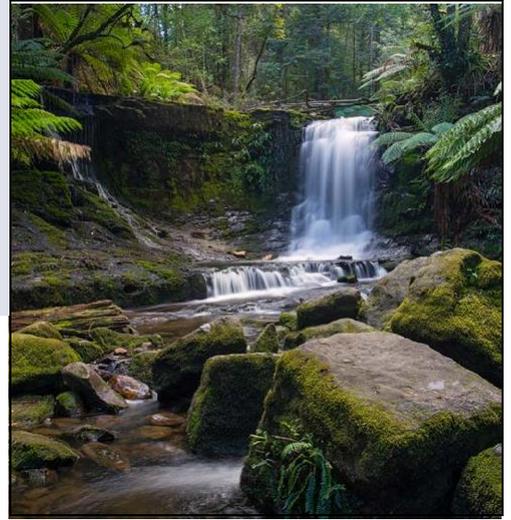
Departure Date: 26/11/2024

End Point: Hobart (Australia)

Arrival Date: 03/12/2024

Price: €2,080

Sail from Sydney south along New South Wales' dramatic coastline. Pass breath-taking beaches, remote coastal town and rocky headlands before crossing the Bass Strait to reach Tasmania and the historic port city of Hobart. Ashore, wander the city's historic streets, colonial history and traditional pubs. Tasmania is a nature lover's paradise, as well as being home to some of Australia's finest vineyards and top restaurants. After the voyage, treat yourself to a gourmet tour of the island!



VOYAGE LEG 26: Hobart to Christchurch

Start Point: Hobart (Australia)

Departure Date: 12/12/2024

End Point: Christchurch (New Zealand)

Arrival Date: 27/12/2024

Price: €4,000

Cross the Tasman Sea! Sail from Hobart to Christchurch to achieve one of the world's great sailing adventures. During the transit, look out for whales and albatrosses. As New Zealand rises on the horizon, marvel at the beautiful coast line and land in one of the country's most vibrant cities. Ashore, enjoy wine tasting trip and world-famous cuisine in boutique restaurants. After visiting Tasmania, Charles Darwin did not return back to New Zealand, but you can on this exciting voyage leg!



VOYAGE LEG 27: Christchurch to Cape Horn to Stanley

Start Point: Christchurch (New Zealand)

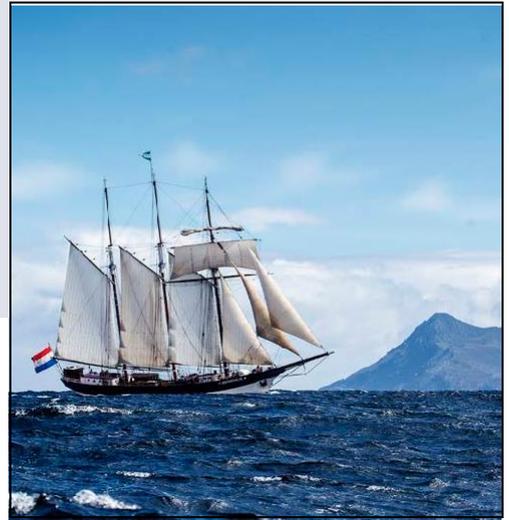
Departure Date: 02/01/2025

End Point: Stanley (Falkland Islands)

Arrival Date: 19/02/2025

Price: €7,200

Sail legendary Cape Horn! In past centuries, sailors that accomplished this feat earned the right the title of "Cape Horner" to boast of their seafaring victory. They were held in such reverence that they were granted the right to wear a gold loop earring and the right to dine with one foot on the dinner table! Become a Horner! Along the way, spot whales, dolphins, penguins and albatrosses! This voyage leg is not for novice sailors, but those seeking a genuine sailing adventure!



VOYAGE LEG 28: Stanley to South Georgia to Tristan da Cunha to Cape Town

Start Point: Stanley (Falkland Islands)

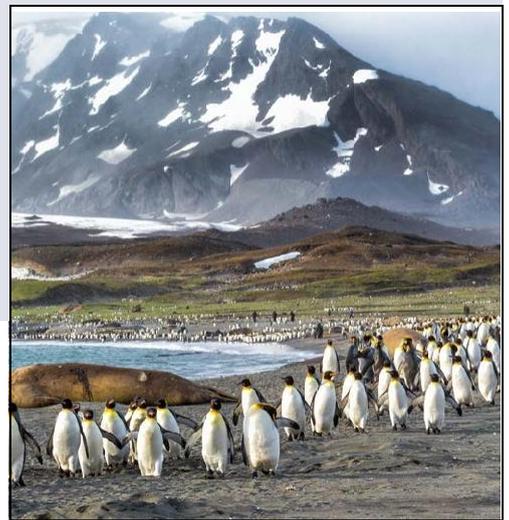
Departure Date: 25/02/2025

End Point: Cape Town (South Africa)

Arrival Date: 06/04/2025

Price: €8,200

Sail to South Georgia, home to one of the world's greatest concentrations of wildlife: tens of millions of seabirds, penguins, fur seals, elephant seals and whales. Six days are scheduled for exploring ashore along South Georgia's northern coast. We will visit key whaling stations and wildlife hotspots, such as Grytviken, Salisbury Plain and St Andrew's Bay. We then sail to Tristan, the most remote inhabited island on Earth, to discover a vibrant community in the heart of the South Atlantic!



VOYAGE LEG 29: Cape Town to Saint Helena Island

Start Point: Cape Town (South Africa)

Departure Date: 28/04/2025

End Point: Saint Helena Island

Arrival Date: 10/05/2025

Price: €1,950

Saint Helena has been described as a 'living museum' for its rich history. Home to hundreds of unique animals and plants, as well as Longwood House, where Napoleon Bonaparte was exiled. Regular flights depart Saint Helena for onward travel. A land based guided tour of the fascinating historic sites and wildlife hotspots of Saint Helena is planned for 11/05/2025 - 17/05/2025. Stay on Saint Helena after this voyage leg to join this tour.



VOYAGE LEG 30: Saint Helena Island to Ascension Island

Start Point: Saint Helena Island

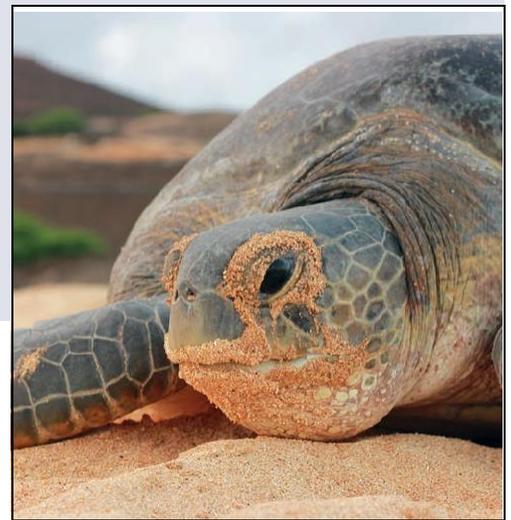
Departure Date: 18/05/2025

End Point: Ascension Island

Arrival Date: 25/05/2025

Price: €1,680

Ascension is one of the most interesting volcanic islands in the world, home to vast nesting turtle populations, migrating land crabs, large seabird colonies, colonial forts and an artificial rainforest instigated by Darwin. Flights service Saint Helena and Ascension allowing easy travel before/after this leg. Stay on Ascension Island after arrival for a guided tour to explore the wildlife and history of the island (tour planned for 25/05/2025 to 30/05/2025).



VOYAGE LEG 31: Ascension Island to Azores

Start Point: Ascension Island

Departure Date: 02/06/2025

End Point: Azores

Arrival Date: 30/06/2025

Price: €4,350

Crosstheequatorandexplorethisemeraldarchipelago, filled with extinct volcanic peaks and craters now covered with lush subtropical jungle and diverse wildlife! Explore remote fishing villages and historic towns, savour local cuisine and spot dolphinsandwhalesintheblueAtlanticwaters. Ascension Island is serviced by regular flights, allowing participants to travel by air to Ascension to join this voyage leg. Regular flights connect the Azores to Europe for easy onward travel.



VOYAGE LEG 32: Azores to Falmouth

Start Point: Ponta Delgada (Azores)

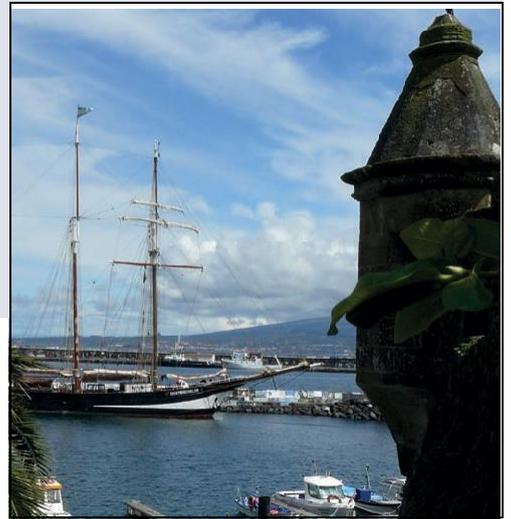
Departure Date: 08/07/2025

End Point: Falmouth (England)

Arrival Date: 20/07/2025

Price: €3,250

Join the final leg of Charles Darwin's journey, and sail to Falmouth, England. Step ashore on the very docks where Darwin's voyage on HMS Beagle ended. During our journey spotsunfish, dolphins, whales, bluesharksand (ifyouare lucky), giant basking sharks! Discover the quaint streets of historicFalmouth. Participants ofallvoyagelegsareinvited to a party on the evening of 20/07/2025 to mark the successful conclusion of the DARWIN200 Global Voyage!



Land Based Tours

In partnership with companies and guides, we have organised the following land based tours.

Included: all accommodation, ground transportation, food and activities, as well as a donation to local conservation projects.

Guided Tour of Saint Helena

Start Date: 11/05/2025

End Date: 17/05/2025

This tour is intended for those arriving at Saint Helena on Voyage Leg 29 and those starting Voyage Leg 30. Join local naturalists and historians to meet giant tortoises, explore flax mills and the ruins of forts. Spot tropic birds, boobies and the unique wirebird. Visit Napoleon's last residence, a local museum and treks along the island's dramatic coasts.



Guided Tour of Ascension Island

Start Date: 25/05/2025

End Date: 30/05/2025

This tour is designed for those arriving at Ascension Island on Voyage Leg 30 and those starting Voyage Leg 31. Explore Ascension's Victorian forts, dramatic volcanic cinder cones, and a man-made rainforest. Our visit coincides with peak turtle-hatchling season. Observe hatchlings emerge at night, visit vast seabird colonies, spot land crabs and more!



Frequently Asked Questions

Is experienced needed?: you do not need previous sailing experience to take part in the DARWIN200 Global Voyage. The professional crew aboard Oosterschelde have led sail training voyages for more than a decade and will offer participants training and guidance.

Is this voyage right for you? The DARWIN200 2023-25 Global Voyage is intended to be a life-changing adventure for those who take part. That said, global voyages are intense experiences. Please consider this voyage carefully and make sure this adventure is right for you.

How do I book a place?

Find the Voyage Leg you want in voyages and select the Book Now button

What is the Payment Schedule?: As per steps 3, 6 and 7 of the Sign Up Process page of this document, once approved, we will invoice you for a deposit of 500 Euros to reserve your place. 50% of the balance will be due by December 31st, 2022 and the remaining 50% of the balance will be due 60 days prior to your joining Oosterschelde.

What is the refund policy? Your deposit is fully refundable until December 31st, 2022 (so if you change your mind, you are entitled to a full refund). After December 31st, 2022, all payments are subject to our Terms and Conditions.

Before and After your Voyage Leg: We strongly recommend you book a few days accommodation in the port of your embarkation (prior to your joining Oosterschelde), and a few days in the port you disembark (after your place on the voyage ends). This will allow you to recover before and after your adventure, and will give you the opportunity to explore locations at your start and end points.

Important

The dates presented in our Voyage Itinerary are our firm intention but may be subject to change.

Sailing a tall ship around the world and planning logistics multiple years in advance inevitably involved unknown variables.

Significant buffer time is built into the following itinerary, so even if delay arises during one or more voyage legs, the overall schedule should remain. However, all participants joining the DARWIN200 Global Voyage must understand the highly complex nature of organising this global adventure.

All dates will be re-confirmed during January, 2023

All participants will be kept closely informed of any date adjustments.

