

# Explore *Endlessly*



Antarctica,  
the Arctic  
& Beyond





# We live for those incredible moments of *Discovery*

Aurora Expeditions is an award-winning, Australian-owned expedition company celebrating its 30th anniversary year in 2021. A pioneer in polar expeditions, Aurora is truly committed to environmentally responsible travel. We are also committed to preserving the beauty and majesty that mother nature possesses, and we take real actions for the care of the planet.

Founded on the guiding principles of adventure and endless exploration, the small-ship experience is intimate and friendly, and Aurora Expeditions takes guests on perspective-altering voyages to some of the most remote and incredible places on earth.

We invite you to take a step beyond and explore the wild and unexpected. Ignite your curiosity, passion and care for the natural world, and play out your wildest dreams on a trip of a lifetime to Antarctica, the Arctic, and beyond on an expedition with us.

*"The trip was unbelievable. I personally achieved more than I thought possible and it was totally down to the encouragement and support of your staff.  
I am now going to book my next trip."*

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E. PHIPPS

*"The expedition experience provided by Aurora was nothing short of brilliant. The 'flexible' itinerary changing as weather and ice dictated, and the way our leader gave briefings outlining what would be happening, added to the daily sense of adventure. Thanks for the trip of a lifetime!"*

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# Curiosity. Passion. *Care*

Here at Aurora Expeditions, we have a passion for adventure, exploration, conservation, and perspective-altering experiences that curious travellers will embrace with us.

## Our Expedition Team

When you travel with Aurora Expeditions, you travel with the most experienced, professional and passionate expedition team in the industry, who push the boundaries to get you to the heart of nature and ensure you make the most of your time in the most beautiful places on earth. We're about small groups for big adventures and we have the highest ratio of expedition team to guests on our voyages compared to any other operator.

### Your chance to be a *Citizen Scientist*

We are truly committed to responsible travel. We host experts, scientists and researchers on our expeditions, who will share their expertise and passion for the environment with you. By traveling with these experts, you will have the unique opportunity to participate in our onboard Citizen Science Program, to open your mind and discover how you too can help preserve the majesty of our planet.



## Unforgettable *Destinations*

For 30 years we have been exploring endlessly. Here are some of the incredible destinations that we can take you to explore and engage with whatever captures your curiosity.

### Antarctica & Subantarctic Islands



**Antarctic Peninsula | Antarctic Circle | Falklands~Malvinas | South Georgia | South Sandwich Islands**

Nothing can quite prepare you for the feeling of stepping onto Antarctic ice for the first time. Gaze into the iridescent blue heart of an iceberg, feel the thrill of watching a leopard seal on the hunt, or sit quietly on a beach and be entranced by a chorus of penguin calls. An expedition to Antarctica is a vibrant experience you'll treasure forever.

### The Arctic & Russian Far East



**Iceland | Jan Mayen | Svalbard | Greenland | Canadian Arctic | Russian Arctic | Russian Far East**

Our purpose-built expedition ships take you into the Arctic's heart, where wildlife thrives in nutrient-rich waters, across vast tundra and along migratory flight paths. Zodiac-cruise beneath immense cliffs that echo with a cacophony of bird calls, and drift silently amidst pack ice while watching for seals, whales, and walrus. Or trek across colorful tundra while reindeer, musk ox, and arctic fox roam nearby.

### Alaska & the Inside Passage



**Prince William Sound | Aleutian Islands | British Columbia**

A magical region of towering mountains and long fjords flanked by old-growth spruce forests, and wildlife-rich waterways where tidewater glaciers push down to the sea that is teeming with whales, sea lions, and sea otters. Our small ships make exploring small coves, bays, and inlets possible, taking you to locations inaccessible to larger ships.

### British Isles



**Ireland | Scotland | Orkney Islands**

Scattered across the North Atlantic are 5,000 small islands and the two large islands of Great Britain and Ireland – collectively known as the British Isles. Remote and wild, marvel at the rugged and surreal natural beauty of the islands that can only be experienced by sea. Encounter Viking history, intriguing archaeological ruins, and ancient cultures and customs being kept alive by charming locals.

### Latin America



**Baja California | Panama | Costa Rica**

South America and Central America offer unparalleled natural beauty of immense diversity. Discover remarkable white-sand beaches and tropical rainforests in Costa Rica and Panama, home to an incredible diversity of wildlife. Or explore Mexico's Baja California Sur, a peninsula of dry coastal desert surrounded by some of earth's most biodiverse marine ecosystems.

### Oceania & Asia



**Raja Ampat & West Papua**

Raja Ampat is a marine biodiversity hotspot. With 75 percent of the world's coral species and over 1,500 species of tropical fish found here - it is a paradise for divers and snorkellers. On our maiden voyage to West Papua in 2022, we sail through this remarkable region, exploring the wonders of the Coral Triangle and Misool Marine Reserve.



Kayaking at Spitsbergen, Svalbard © M. Baynes





Diving with turtles, Raja Ampat



Camping in Antarctica © A. Halsall

# Ready For Adventure

Your expedition can be as active as you want. We have the most comprehensive activity program and offer an unrivalled array of activities so you can reach new limits and play out your wildest dreams. Some of our activities include:

- Photography
- Scuba Diving
- Sea Kayaking
- Snorkelling
- Shackleton’s Crossing (on skis or on foot)
- Ski & Snowboard Touring
- Alpine Trekking & Snowshoeing
- Rock Climbing
- Camping in Antarctica
- Polar Plunge



Skiing in Antarctica © T. Pilkington

# The Most Comprehensive Activity Program



Kayaking, Antarctica © G. McAnalen

# Designed for Discovery

Our purpose-built expedition ships, the *Greg Mortimer* and the *Sylvia Earle*, utilize the latest advancements in naval design and technology that truly revolutionise the small-ship expedition experience. The Ulstein X-BOW® hull makes sailing smoother and faster, and onshore exploration is made easier with four sea-level Zodiac-loading platforms, a mud room, and an activity preparation area. We are fully equipped for adventure and comfortable living, and we carry just 120–130 guests. Our small ships give us the flexibility to take you wherever the adventure awaits.



## Designed for Active Expeditions

Whether you’re diving, climbing, snowshoeing, or paddling, our uniquely designed activity preparation area and sea kayak launch platform make it easier to be adventure ready.



## Designed for Remote Areas

Our ships are designed to take you to some of the most remote and spectacular places on the planet. With cutting-edge nautical technology, our vessels are robust, powerful, and offer world-class safety.



## Designed for Comfort

Our cabins and suites are beautifully appointed, with simple, neutral colours taking inspiration from nature. Choose from a range of configurations and features, including twin and double-bed options, private balconies, and interconnecting staterooms.



Port Lockroy, Antarctica © M. Horspool

# Sail with Confidence

As part of our commitment to ensure that we are doing small-ship expedition travel in the safest and most enjoyable way possible, every aspect of the Aurora Expeditions’ Health and Safety Program has been strengthened and will be precisely followed.

We want you to know that your health and safety is in qualified hands and that a small-ship expedition experience will be enjoyed to the fullest with us.







Minke whale and the Greg Mortimer, Antarctic Peninsula © S. Portelli

*"A wonder-filled experience of a lifetime. Words can't describe it to others, and photos only go so far, but it will stay in my mind forever."*

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J. RETALLACK

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