

# SOUTH POLE FLIGHT

*Fly to the end of the Earth and walk around the world*

One of the greatest stories in Antarctic exploration is the race to reach the Geographic South Pole. The heroic journeys of Amundsen and Scott still fascinate us and inspire us to travel to the end of the Earth.

We will fly to the pole, covering in several hours the distance that took those explorers years of planning and months of hardship to achieve.

History comes alive as we stand at 90 South and contemplate how it must have felt to walk across the frozen continent 100 years ago.



- Fly to the South Pole where all 360 lines of longitude meet and in a few steps you can walk around the world
- Visit Amundsen-Scott scientific station at the South Pole
- Experience the silence and solitude of Antarctica



# SOUTH POLE FLIGHTS OVERVIEW

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 Fly to Antarctica

Fly from Chile to Antarctica by private transport jet. Land on ice runway. Overnight at Union Glacier Camp.

### Day 2 Acclimatize to Antarctica

Orientation to base camp and life in Antarctica. Optional, light activities to acclimatize to Antarctic conditions.

### Day 3 The Geographic South Pole

A 4-5 hr flight brings us to the most southerly point on Earth! We are immediately struck by the significance of this place and our journey.

We'll take plenty of time for photographs and reflection at the Geographic South Pole—the Holy Grail of polar explorers, and at the colorful Ceremonial Pole which commemorates and the signing of the Antarctic Treaty. Inside Amundsen-Scott station we'll learn what makes the South Pole a unique scientific laboratory and we'll visit the store to buy souvenirs.

The culmination of our journey is the return flight to Union Glacier camp, where we'll toast our achievement and enjoy a celebration meal prepared by our chefs.

### Days 4-7 The Heart of Antarctica

Experience the heart of Antarctica from the comfort of camp. Daily program of activities such as skiing, hikes, walks, Antarctic skills sessions and talks. Delicious, hearty meals and delectable desserts are prepared by our chefs and served in our comfortable dining tent.

### Day 8\* Return to Punta Arenas, Chile

Return flight to Punta Arenas. Transfer to hotel.

## ACTIVITY LEVEL

Moderate. Remote Base Camp. Possible severe storms Temperatures to  $-40^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

Light activity at physiological altitude of 11,000 ft (3350m). Walking up to several miles/kilometers on uneven snow and ice.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Transfers to and from Punta Arenas airport
- Briefing with refreshments in Punta Arenas, Chile, one day before departure
- Round trip flight from Punta Arenas to Antarctica
- All programmed flights within Antarctica
- Meals and accommodation while in Antarctica
- Personalized ANI South Pole Certificate
- Expedition Guide
- Baggage allowance of up to 55lb (25kg) on flight to Antarctica

## Not included in cost:

- Commercial flights to and from Punta Arenas
- Flights within Antarctica, other than those shown in itinerary
- Meals and accommodation in Punta Arenas
- Airport transfers other than in Punta Arenas
- Personal equipment and clothing
- Expenses incurred in Punta Arenas due to delays
- Excess baggage charges
- Use of satellite phone while in Antarctica
- Insurance coverage – personal, medical, evacuation or otherwise.

## \*SCHEDULE

No two Antarctic adventures are the same and details may not be exactly as described. Trip length may vary by departure.

Please anticipate delays and do not plan anything for at least a week after your scheduled return. Allow yourself to enjoy this unique experience without the stress of pending commitments.



Top: Antarctic arrival, by Ilyushin aircraft

Middle: Inside Amundsen-Scott Scientific Station, South Pole Antarctica

Bottom: Flags of the Treaty nations, South Pole Antarctica