





What you need to know about flights to Antarctica



Sailing or Flying?

To visit the Antarctic Peninsula, one must travel from South America across the Drake Passage. You can sail across the stormy passage, or you can fly over it. Each option involves a certain degree of uncertainty. But for sure, one option is more comfortable than the other.

Sailing across the Drake

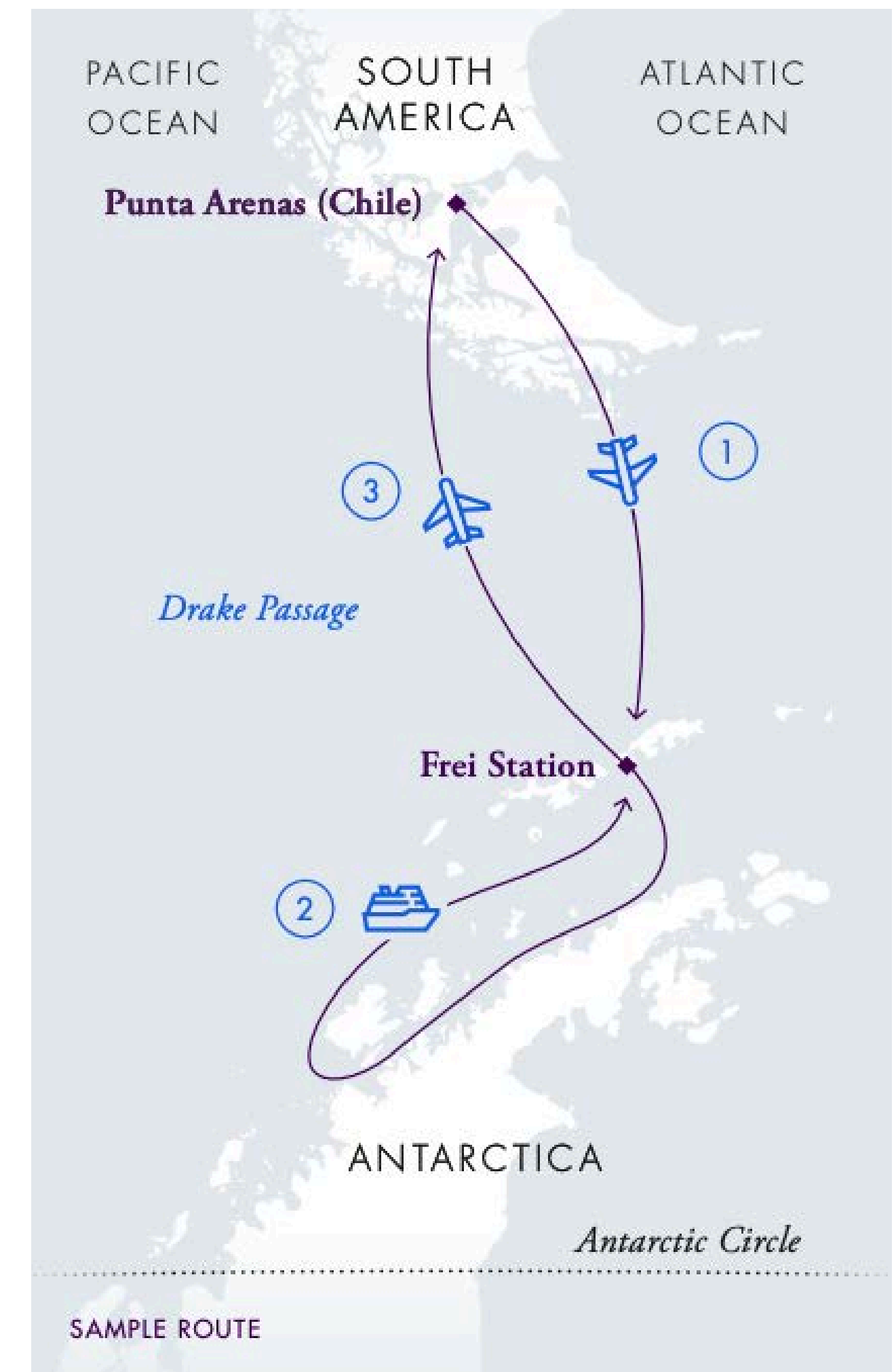
Possible heady storms

- 👎 Possible delayed arrival / early departure
- 👎 Possible sea-sickness
- 👎 Possible discomfort and distress
- 👎 Possible injury

Flying over the Drake

Possible flight delays

- 👎 Possible delayed arrival / early departure
- 👍 Meals in restaurants
- 👍 Comfortable night's sleep
- 👍 Time to explore Antarctica and Patagonia



Flight Delay: What are the odds?

Just like sailing across the Drake Passage is weather dependent, air-cruise operation is also weather dependent. Flight delays can be caused by low clouds, fog, and heavy wind conditions at King George island.

As of March 27, 2023, Antarctica21 has operated 274 flights, among which:

- 213 operated on the scheduled day
- 16 operated the day before the schedule day
- 32 operated with a one-day delay
- 10 operated with a two-day delay
- 2 operated with a three-day delay
- 1 operated with a four-day delay

Important:

Even though the odds of experiencing a delay are low, travellers must be prepared for the possibility.



Contingency plan for possible flight delays

A Contingency Plan is in place for those cases when weather conditions require that the day of operation of the flight between Punta Arenas and Antarctica is modified from the itinerary. The purpose of the Contingency Plan is to provide travelers with a flexible travel experience that adapts to the weather conditions, and to provide a refund of the cruise fare in case weather conditions prevent clients from reaching Antarctica.

For more information, please refer to the Contingency Plan section of our Terms and Conditions at www.antarctica21.com/termsconditions.





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