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Few places seem to capture the image of an unspoiled wilderness like Antarctica. Yet our increasing awareness of climate change and global warming shows us that even this pristine environment is experiencing the growing impact of these phenomena. This is clearly one compelling reason why explorers, researchers and travelers are urgently making the journey to this seventh continent to experience firsthand the wild terrain and vast numbers of seabirds and mammals that make their home on the ice. Learn from faculty leader David Kennedy, as well as world-class naturalists, as they share with us their wealth of knowledge about this extraordinary region of icebergs, seals, penguins and seabirds. We hope that you’ll join us!

BRETT S. THOMPSON, ’83, DIRECTOR, STANFORD TRAVEL/STUDY

**Highlights**

**VIEW** vast colonies of rockhopper penguin and king cormorant as we call upon the Falkland Islands.

**EXPLORE** the islands, bays and coves of South Georgia, replete with spectacular wildlife.

**ENJOY** a full five days investigating the waters and islands of the Antarctic Peninsula.

**NAVIGATE** through the historic Drake Passage, named for the infamous 16th-century English seaman.
Itinerary

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 & 3
U.S. / BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA
Depart from home on independent overnight flights to Buenos Aires, and upon arrival on Thursday, transfer to our centrally located hotel. Spend the rest of the day relaxing or enjoy a sightseeing tour. INTERCONTINENTAL BUENOS AIRES (B,D—THURSDAY)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4
BUENOS AIRES / USHUAIA / EMBARK CLIPPER ADVENTURER
Transfer early this morning to the airport for our flight (airfare not included in program cost) to Ushuaia where we have lunch and a tour before boarding the Clipper Adventurer. Set sail for the Falkland Islands this afternoon. This evening gather with fellow travelers for a welcome cocktail reception. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5
AT SEA
Enjoy a day at sea with lectures that introduce us to the natural and historical highlights ahead. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6
CARCASS ISLAND AND SAUNDERS ISLAND, FALKLAND ISLANDS
On Carcass Island explore gentoo and Magellanic penguin rookeries and walk the beautiful beaches teeming with seabirds. On Saunders Island look for gentoo, rockhopper, Magellanic and king penguins, as well as black-browed albatrosses. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D)

MONDAY & TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 & 8
CRUISING THE SOUTH SCOTIA SEA
Our lecturers recap our experiences and prepare us for our visit to South Georgia. On deck, join naturalists in search of the seabirds and marine mammals that flourish in these nutrient-rich waters. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D—BOTH DAYS)

WEDNESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, JANUARY 9–11
SOUTH GEORGIA
During our three-day stay here, we call at some of the many islands, bays and coves where we can see outstanding birdlife and elephant and fur seals close at hand. Following is a list of places we plan to visit. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D—ALL 3 DAYS)

Elsehul Bay—This beautiful bay is home to thousands of fur seals as well as macaroni penguins, the most numerous of all penguin species.

Salisbury Plain—Two glaciers flank Salisbury Plain on South Georgia’s north coast. Here, more than 200,000 king penguins congregate and breed.

Stromness Bay—Site of Sir Ernest Shackleton and his party’s arrival after their harrowing crossing of the island’s glaciers on foot, Stromness Bay offers views of cliffs and a glacier from which the famous adventurer and his companions descended.

Grytviken—We go ashore and explore here, discovering the old ruins of this once-active whaling station. The cemetery holds a special fascination, as it is here that Shackleton is buried.

Gold Harbour—At the foot of the Bertrab Glacier, Gold Harbour is often referred to as the “jewel in the island’s crown.” In addition to a large king penguin colony, we are likely to see elephant and fur seals, gentoo penguins and giant petrels.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12
SOUTH SCOTIA SEA
As our lecture series continues, naturalists introduce us to the history, geology and wildlife of the Antarctic Peninsula and its surrounding islands. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13
SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS
These mountainous islands were once known as “The Inaccessible Islands.” A scene of unparalleled beauty awaits, with penguins everywhere. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D)

MONDAY, JANUARY 14
ELEPHANT ISLAND
This morning we arrive at Elephant Island, made famous by the Shackleton expedition. Awesome glaciers, speckled with pink algae, create a dramatic backdrop. Weather permitting, we enjoy a Zodiac cruise around the island and have an opportunity to view a thriving chinstrap penguin colony. CLIPPER ADVENTURER (B,L,D)

TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, JANUARY 15–19
ANTARCTIC PENINSULA
As we cruise the waters of the Antarctic Peninsula and its
adjacent islands for the next five days, our daily schedule of landings is dependent upon weather and ice conditions. There is the possibility that we may visit a research station and witness the scientific activities conducted by the multinational community of scientists working there. The expeditionary nature of our voyage precludes guaranteeing specific stops. The list below provides a glimpse of the places we may experience.

**ClIpper Adventurer**  
*(B,L,D—ALL 5 DAYS)*

**Brown Bluff**—Located on the Antarctic continent, the volcanic promontory of Brown Bluff rises 2,450 feet above an ash beach littered with huge and bizarrely shaped boulders. Some 20,000 pairs of Adelie penguins and hundreds of gentoo penguins make their home here.

**Deception Island**—As we approach Deception through Neptune’s Bellows, a channel just wide enough for our ship to navigate, southern fulmars and pintado petrels soar overhead. Our anchorage is inside a volcano whose collapsed cone has been filled by seawater.

**Lemaire Channel and Pleneau Island**—Cruising the beautiful Lemaire Channel, we keep watch for the humpback and minke whales frequently spotted here. This narrow channel is one of the most visually impressive areas of the Antarctic Peninsula. Steep mountain peaks jut out of the sea on both sides, and the waters are often choked with icebergs and frequented by crabeater seals. A stunning labyrinth of grounded icebergs lies in the shallow waters west of Pleneau Island, presenting a superb Zodiac cruising experience.

**Petermann Island**—Discovered by a German expedition in 1873–74 and named after geographer August Petermann, the island is home to the world’s southernmost colony of gentoo penguins.

**Drake Passage**—During our Drake crossing, we have opportunities to see and photograph wandering and black-browed albatrosses, sooty shearwaters and white-chinned petrels. We also keep a lookout for the whales often seen in these waters. On our last evening at sea, celebrate our adventure at a farewell cocktail reception.  
**CLIPPER ADVENTURER** *(B,L,D—BOTH DAYS)*

**Ushuaia, Argentina / Disembark / Buenos Aires**

Disembark in Ushuaia and transfer to the airport for our flight to Buenos Aires, connecting with independent overnight flights back to the U.S. *(B)*

**Tuesday, January 22**

**Drake Passage**

Encompassing 615,000 acres of expansive grasslands and the fantastic pinnacles of the Andean mountains, Torres del Paine National Park is a stunning UNESCO Biosphere Reserve and Chile’s premier Patagonian destination. Here peaks of twisted, snow-dusted granite—endowed with waterfalls, emerald lakes and verdant valleys—tower above the plains of Patagonia. During our three days in the park, we take every opportunity to observe the unique flora and fauna of the region. Nearly 150 native animal species reside in the steppe and forested areas, including Patagonian foxes, vicuñas and guanacos. Among the 100 species of local birds are the high-stepping lesser rheas and the elegant Andean condors. In addition to our time in Torres del Paine, we enjoy a stay in the colorful village of El Calafate, our base for exploring Argentina’s Glacier National Park.

**Extension Cost**

$3,480 per person, double occupancy; $4,460 per person, single occupancy
Clipper Adventurer

The 110-passenger Clipper Adventurer is a superb oceangoing vessel equipped with stabilizers and an ice-hardened hull that allow her to navigate easily in the most rugged natural environments. The vessel is outfitted with state-of-the-art satellite navigation and communication equipment. A fleet of Zodiac landing craft permits us to land anywhere nature or curiosity dictates. Each cabin has an ocean view, individually controlled heat/air conditioning, an in-room music system, and en suite bathroom. Facilities onboard the Clipper Adventurer include a dining room, lounge, library, massage room, gift shop, infirmary staffed by a registered physician, laundry and small gym. The Clipper Adventurer is classified A-1 ice class for unrestricted passenger service by the Lloyd’s Register.

Program Costs*

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**D A T E S**
January 2 to 23, 2013  (22 days)

**S I Z E**
Limited to a total of 110 participants, including travelers from Stanford and Zegrahm Expeditions

**I N C L U D E D**
- 1 night of deluxe hotel accommodations
- 18-night cruise aboard the Clipper Adventurer
- 19 breakfasts, 18 lunches and 19 dinners
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions
- Bottled water on excursions
- Gratuities to porters, guides, drivers and ship crew for all group activities
- All tours and shore excursions as described in the itinerary
- Transfers and baggage handling on program arrival and departure days
- Port fees
- Minimal medical, accident and evacuation insurance
- Educational program with lecture series and pre-departure materials, including recommended reading list, a selected book, map and travel information
- Services of our professional tour manager to assist you throughout the program

**N O T I N C L U D E D**
- All air transportation
- Reciprocity, entrance and departure taxes
- Passport and visa fees
- Immunization costs
- Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- Independent and private transfers
- Trip-cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance
- Excess baggage charges
- Personal items such as email, telephone and fax calls, laundry and gratuities for nongroup services

**A I R A R R A N G E M E N T S**
Airfare is not included in the program cost. A tentative flight schedule is available upon request. Zegrahm Expeditions will contact you approximately 180 days prior to the departure of this program to finalize your flight plans. Round-trip, economy-class airfare for San Francisco/Buenos Aires/Ushuaia is approximately $1,850 as of February 2012 and is subject to change without notice. Quotes on additional fares from other cities can be provided upon request.

**F U E L C O S T S**
In the uncertain, often volatile oil market of late, it is difficult to predict fuel costs over the long term and, more specifically, at the time of operation of this voyage. Our prices are based upon the prevailing fuel rates at the time of brochure printing. While we will do everything possible to maintain our prices, if the fuel rates increase significantly, it may be necessary to institute a fuel surcharge.

**W H A T T O E X P E C T**
For most activities, a relatively moderate level of exertion is required. You will need to climb into and out of Zodiacs for excursions ashore. Ashore, you must be able to walk moderate distances, unsanded, over rough terrain (e.g. rocky, uneven beaches in the sub-Antarctic islands, and occasional ice and snow on the Antarctic Peninsula). Daytime temperatures range from 45 to 55 degrees Fahrenheit in the sub-Antarctic region, and may drop to the 30s on the Antarctic Peninsula itself, although sunshine and low humidity create a very temperate atmosphere. Participants must be physically fit, active and in good health. We welcome travelers 15 years of age and older on this program.

**Deposit & Final Payment**
A $1,000 deposit is required to hold space for this program. An additional $200-per-person deposit is required to hold space for the optional pre-trip extension. Complete and return the attached reservation form or sign up online. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. As a condition of participation, all confirmed participants are required to sign a Release of Liability.

**Cancellations & Refunds**
Deposits and any payments are fully refundable, less a $500-per-person cancellation fee, until 120 days prior to departure. After that date, refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and your place(s) can be resold, in which case a $1,000-per-person cancellation fee will apply. We recommend trip-cancellation insurance; applications will be sent to you.

**Insurance**
Stanford Travel/Study provides all travelers who are U.S. or Canadian citizens with minimal medical, accident and evacuation coverage under our group-travel insurance policy. Our group policy is intended to provide minimal levels of protection while you are traveling on this program. We strongly recommend that you subscribe to optional baggage and trip-cancellation insurance. A brochure offering such insurance will be mailed with your confirmation about one week after we receive your deposit. The product offered in this brochure includes a special Waiver of Pre-Existing Conditions and coverage for Financial Insolvency and Terrorist Acts if you postmark your insurance payment within 15 days of the date listed on the confirmation letter.

**Eligibility**
We encourage membership in the Alumni Association as the program cost for nonmembers is $200 more than the members' price. Parents and their children under 21 may travel on one membership. For more information or to purchase a membership, visit alumni.stanford.edu/goto/member-ship or call (650) 725-0692.

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I/We have read the Terms and Conditions for the program and agree to them. Signature _________________________________________________

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