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Skiing the stunning peaks above Cierva Cove . Photo: Phil Wickens

Duration: 28 days

Start: Ushuaia

Finish: Punta Arenas

Aimed at competent ski mountaineers who would like a unique ski adventure, our focus will be the ski mountaineering classics of the Antarctic Peninsula.

Using the yacht "Ocean Tramp" as a mobile base-camp for single-day ski ascents, we also aim to undertake at least one multi-day trip, establishing a high glacier camp from where we can attempt a number of ski summits away from the coast, and to access the higher quality snow that is found inland.

Day Itinerary*

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| 1 | Arrive in Ushuaia. Arrive in Ushuaia. Meet team and spend night in cabana/hotel. | 16-19 | 4-days ski mountaineering from a tented Base Camp above Andvord Bay / Paradise Harbour. |
| 2 | Kit check & Field Safety briefings (Companion Rescue, Glacier Travel & Crevasse Rescue training). Night in cabana/hotel. | 20 | Sail through Lemaire Channel. Afternoon ski on Hovgaard Island. |
| 3 | Ski Tour in the Fuegian Andes | 21 | Ascent of Mt Scott. |
| 4 | Expedition preparation (camp setup, use of expedition gear, meal prep, etc.). Afternoon hike. | 22 | Visit Vernadskiy base then sail to Port Lockroy. |
| 5 | Pack yacht, clear immigration, afternoon hike, evening dinner. | 23 | Sail to Port Lockroy. |
| 6-8 | Crossing the Drake Passage. | 24 | Ascent of Jabet Peak. |
| 9 | Arrival in Antarctica. | 25 | Sail to Two Hummock Island. |
| 10 | Ski tour on Deception Island | 26 | Ski tour on Two Hummock Island. |
| 11 | Sail to Enterprise Island. Afternoon ski on nearby slopes | 27 | Sail to King George Island |
| 12 | Ski ascent of Harris Peak, above Portal Point. | 28 | Flight to Punta Arenas. |
| 13 | Sail to the Errera Channel. | | |
| 14 | Ascent of Mt Tennant. | | |
| 15 | Sail to Waterboat Point; ascent of Rojas Peak. | | |





About Ski Antarctica

Ski Antarctica was borne from a passion for exploration and adventure in remote and wild places

An expedition is more than just a holiday. It is part of a much larger journey of self-development and learning.

Utilising our wealth of polar expedition experience, our aim is to create strong teams from the individuals and groups who join us, to embark together on an adventure of a lifetime, and to come away with a greater level of competence and self-responsibility on the oceans and in the mountains.



Phil Wickens (Expedition Leader)

Phil organises and leads our ski mountaineering trips, sea kayaking and backcountry operations. With over 2 decades of leading skiing and mountaineering expeditions in Antarctica, including 3 years as a field guide for the British Antarctic Survey, his Antarctic experience is unrivalled.

To date, Phil has made more than 20 yacht-based expeditions to Antarctica, reaching the summits of over 140 different Antarctic mountains, including over 50 first ascents, and totalled more than 800 days of skiing in Antarctica.



Tom Wolfe (Mountain Guide)

Tom is the owner and founder of Sawback Alpine Adventures. He is a trained and internationally certified Mountain Guide and a professional member of the Association of Canadian Mountain Guides (ACMG), the International Federation of Mountain Guides (IFMGA) and the Canadian Avalanche Association, holds two university degrees and is Paddle Canada certified as Moving Water Instructor Trainer. Tom has completed many ski and sail expeditions, throughout Svalbard, Norway and Antarctica. Tom and Phil have worked together numerous times on small and medium sized polar expeditions.



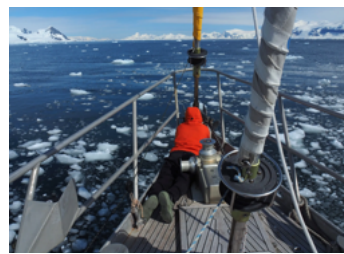
Oly Grant (Skipper / First Mate)

Expedition sailor, sailing instructor, experienced kayaker, and a climber and mountain rescue team member with a degree in Sports Science, Oly brings a vast amount of experience, knowledge and skills to the Ski Antarctica team.



"OCEAN TRAMP" our expedition yacht

Ocean Tramp was built in 1997 by Alu Yachtbau GMB in Germany and designed by Horst Glacier and Kurt Reinke. Formerly owned by the legendary Yosemite and Alaska climber Charlie Porter, she has been operated since 2014 by Laura Smith and Federico Guerrero of Quixote Expeditions. Ocean Tramp is well known for her speed, safety, and comfort, and is ideal for expeditions to Antarctica.



With her spacious living/dining area and double cabins, Ocean Tramp has a very homely and comfortable atmosphere.

- **Dimensions:** Length: 19.55 m, beam: 5.35 m, draft: 2.20 m
- **Construction:** Aluminum hull
- **Engine:** Perkins Sabre 215 HP
- **Generators:** Kohler 5 KW and portable 2 KW Honda
- **Capacity:** 5,000 liters of diesel and 2,500 liters of fresh water
- **Accommodations:** Four double guest cabins (1 deluxe with private bathroom + 2 deluxe cabins with shared bathroom, 1 compact cabin with shared bathroom), plus crew quarters for five crew
- **Speed:** Maximum speed of 8 knots and a cruising speed of 7 knots
- **Endurance:** 5,000 nautical miles with the engine

How to Book

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To book a place on one of our expeditions please contact us by email at phil@ski-antarctica.com or via www.ski-antarctica.com

To ensure that we assemble our teams with expedition members who will get along and have similar levels of skiing ability, we like to get to know you a bit first. If you wish to join one of our expeditions please email us at phil@ski-antarctica.com, or use the contact form at www.ski-antarctica.com so that we can discuss the expedition in more detail, answer any questions that you may have, and send you an application form.

We look forward to hearing from you!