

A new season of cultural exploration

Welcome to a new season of expedition cruising at its finest, where you'll get to choose from the world's most incredible itineraries and explore some of the wildest corners of the planet.

Swan Hellenic has more than seven decades of expertise in undiscovered destinations. And we will provide you with an in-depth look at wildlife, history, anthropology and landscapes – all on board a sophisticated, state-of-the-art expedition ship.

This season, our sailings traverse the globe, from the vast polar regions, to the rich history of the Mediterranean, and the incredible landscapes and wildlife of Africa. It's time to make life-changing discoveries, create unforgettable memories and see what others don't.

We look forward to welcoming you on board.

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Our Focus Areas

Swan Hellenic's sustainability policies are fully compliant with and exceed the cruise industry global standards governing its safety, environmental and labour aspects.

Our sustainability policies, actions and alliances address the complex interlinked challenges our planet faces today and in line with the UN sustainable development goals we decided to focus on the following 6 key areas.

Responsible Cruising

We are committed to preserving the beauty of the world we explore for future generations, taking urgent and innovative concrete action to reduce our environmental footprint.

Climate Action

Exploring the globe, we constantly encounter dramatic evidence of global warming and climate change, spurring us on in our resolve to take urgent action that combats their causes and mitigates the effects both in our own operations and worldwide.

Life in the Water

With our strong seafaring heritage, we are committed to the responsible use of marine resources for sustainable development. This is vital in promoting and conserving the health and biodiversity of the Earth's waters.

Legacies of the Land

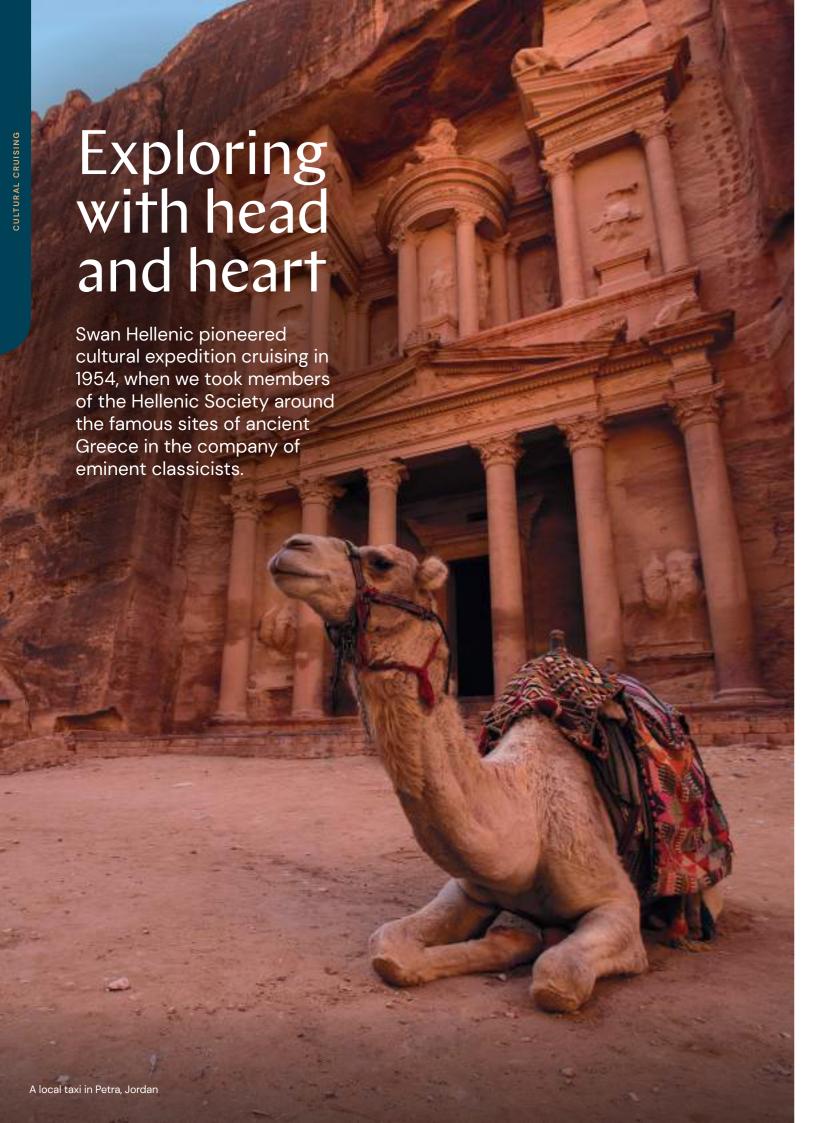
We strive to preserve the natural and cultural landmarks that our expedition cruises explore, promoting and advancing the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems and historic sites for future generations.

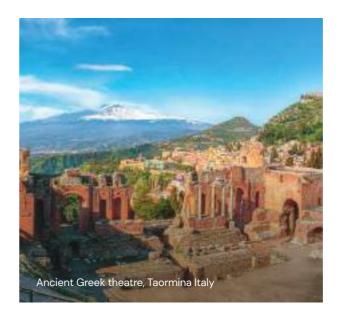
Thriving Communities

We build strong connections with the communities that host our cultural expedition cruises, respecting their cultural and environmental integrity while partnering with them to generate positive impacts.

Quality Education

Education and research empower human potential. Proud of our roots in British academia, we work to support regional research initiatives, ensuring access to inclusive and equitable education and providing lifelong learning opportunities for all.



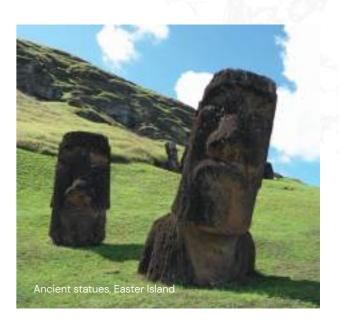


Explore

Every Swan Hellenic cruise is the same today, combining geographical exploration with cultural and scientific discovery. We don't just take you to explore the most extraordinary places on earth. We bring you the company of like-minded people and renowned experts, who offer eye-opening lectures and are on hand for informal questions and discussion throughout your cruise.

Experience

So when you choose Swan Hellenic to see what others don't – you can be sure you'll do so with a full perspective and real insight into the history, cultures, wildlife, flora, geology and geography of the place. Briefings before each disembarkation and recaps afterwards supplement our lectures and talks, stimulating a relaxed social environment that encourages the sharing of experiences.



Swan Hellenic wildlife photography lesson

Learn

At the same time, every Swan Hellenic cruise is also full of opportunities for you to develop your creative passions, with professionals on board to support you in photography and more. A library completes the picture, with a multitude of books on every subject, for you to take your interests to another level.

It's the depth of these other dimensions that's unique to Swan Hellenic, making us the first choice of adventurous minds worldwide.

Exclusive interview with Sue Walsh

Lecturer and accredited bird ringer Sue talks to us about wildlife watching and what to expect on board our ships.



What are some of the most extreme locations you've

Experience: 40 years

Specialism: Naturalist

been to watch wildlife?

I have travelled to over 90

countries on all continents. There

Antarctica, Kamchatka, the Arctic,

Kazakhstan, the desert of Sudan

China. Climate extremes include

the cold of Japan and Canada in

Winter, the heat of Ghana, Arizona

Extremes of cultural development include Central Park in New

York or the parks of Hong Kong

in various parts of, for example,

Rwanda, Colombia, Nepal

or Cambodia.

compared to remote settlements

and the villages of Wuyuan in

and United Arab Emirates.

are so many types of extremes.

Geographical extremes would

include the remoteness of

the Tien Shan mountains of

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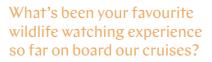
Gentoo penguin, Antarctica

Where did your love for wildlife watching come from?

My love for wildlife started with seeing a bird in Scotland over 40 years ago and wondering what it was. It turned out to be a Chaffinch. I went to buy a bird book and a pair of binoculars and have not looked back. Over 5000 species of birds later I still travel the world looking for species which are new to me. Working on the ships has widened my interest to cetaceans and other aspects of the natural world.



Bird ringing (UK) or bird banding (US) is the attachment of a small, individually numbered metal or plastic tag to the leg or wing of a wild bird to enable individual identification. Data is recorded on species, size and condition which generates information on the survival, productivity and movements of birds and contributes to their conservation.



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A Snow Petrel spent a long time flying round and landing on the ship giving us exceptional views of this beautiful bird. It is one of only three birds that has been seen at the Geographic South Pole and which have the most southerly breeding sites of any bird, inland in Antarctica.

What's a common misconception about wildlife watching?

People often ask me how seabirds sleep. A common comment about seabirds is 'they are a long way from home'. The sea is their home and they only come to land to breed. Most seabirds sleep on the wing shutting down half their brain at a time or by taking very short naps a few seconds at a time.



What's a typical lecture like on board our ships?

A typical lecture is about 45 minutes long and is intended to inform and entertain. They are usually held in the lounge on comfortable seats where you can enjoy a drink or snack if you wish. You will learn about the places you will be visiting and what you are likely to see as well as exploring wider topics. You will also get to know more about the expert team on board and have an opportunity to ask them questions.

Do you have any wildlife watching tips for our guests?

The more time you spend looking the luckier you get!







Expedition Leaders

In charge of your excursions, these leaders will make sure you get the best opportunities to experience amazing wildlife and landscapes.



Polar Meteorologists

Learn more about the atmosphere and weather of the polar regions, and how they affect the global climate system.



Activity leaders

From kayaking excursions to hiking trips, you can count on our experienced activity leaders to guide you to remote, inaccessible destinations.



Geologists

Everyone loves a beautiful landscape. But understanding its geology and how it was formed will change your perspective forever.



Historians

Our historians will enrich your expedition experience with incredible stories and unmatched knowledge of the places we visit.



Marine Biologists

As you encounter whales, dolphins and other marine species, you can consult our marine biologists for fascinating anecdotes.



Photographers

Chat to our expert photographers and learn how to best capture movement and light in the extraordinary destinations we visit.



Ornithologists

Will you be lucky enough to spot a Snow Petrel? Learn from our ornithologists and be inspired to identify the incredible birds you'll see.



Naturalists

Charles Darwin may not be on board, but our experts will give you a new understanding of organisms, habitats and the natural world.

Expedition activities

Our expedition activities are once-in-alifetime experiences that bring you closer than ever to untouched landscapes and incredible wildlife. Whether by sea or by land, you'll get to go to places unreachable by most, tap into the knowledge of our expert guides, see what others don't and leave with a new perspective of the world.





Kayaking in the world's most remote destinations will be an adventure to remember. Glide through stunning landscapes and keep an eye out for curious local wildlife as you get rare access to nature's most untouched places.

Do note that kayaking excursions are not included in the price of your Swan Hellenic cruise, so you will need to reserve in advance through your Tour Operator, Travel Agency or Swan Hellenic office.

- Previous kayaking experience is essential
- All equipment will be provided
- Prepare for a 1.5 to 3 hour excursion



Zodiac 😂

All Swan Hellenic ships carry a fleet of Zodiacs – safe and sturdy inflatable rib boats that can withstand harsh conditions. Operated by a highly trained driver, Zodiacs allow you to explore places that are inaccessible by larger vessels or by land. When you're on an excursion, you'll be fully immersed in spectacular landscapes with the opportunity to see wildlife up close in their natural habitat - an exhilarating experience you won't forget.

- · Waterproof clothing is essential for Polar regions
- Sun protection is recommended
- Prepare to ride on a Zodiac for up to 2 hours

Snorkeling

Snorkeling along the world's most pristine coral reef areas will for sure be an experience to remember. Don your mask and fins and glide in the lukewarm waters of remote island groups and atolls in the Indian and Pacific Oceans. Led by our experienced and knowledgeable onboard Marine biologists you will witness some of the richest and best preserved marine environments on our planet.

- Don't forget to put sunblock on the back of your legs
- Wear a T-shirt to protect you from the sun
- · Masks and fins are provided on board

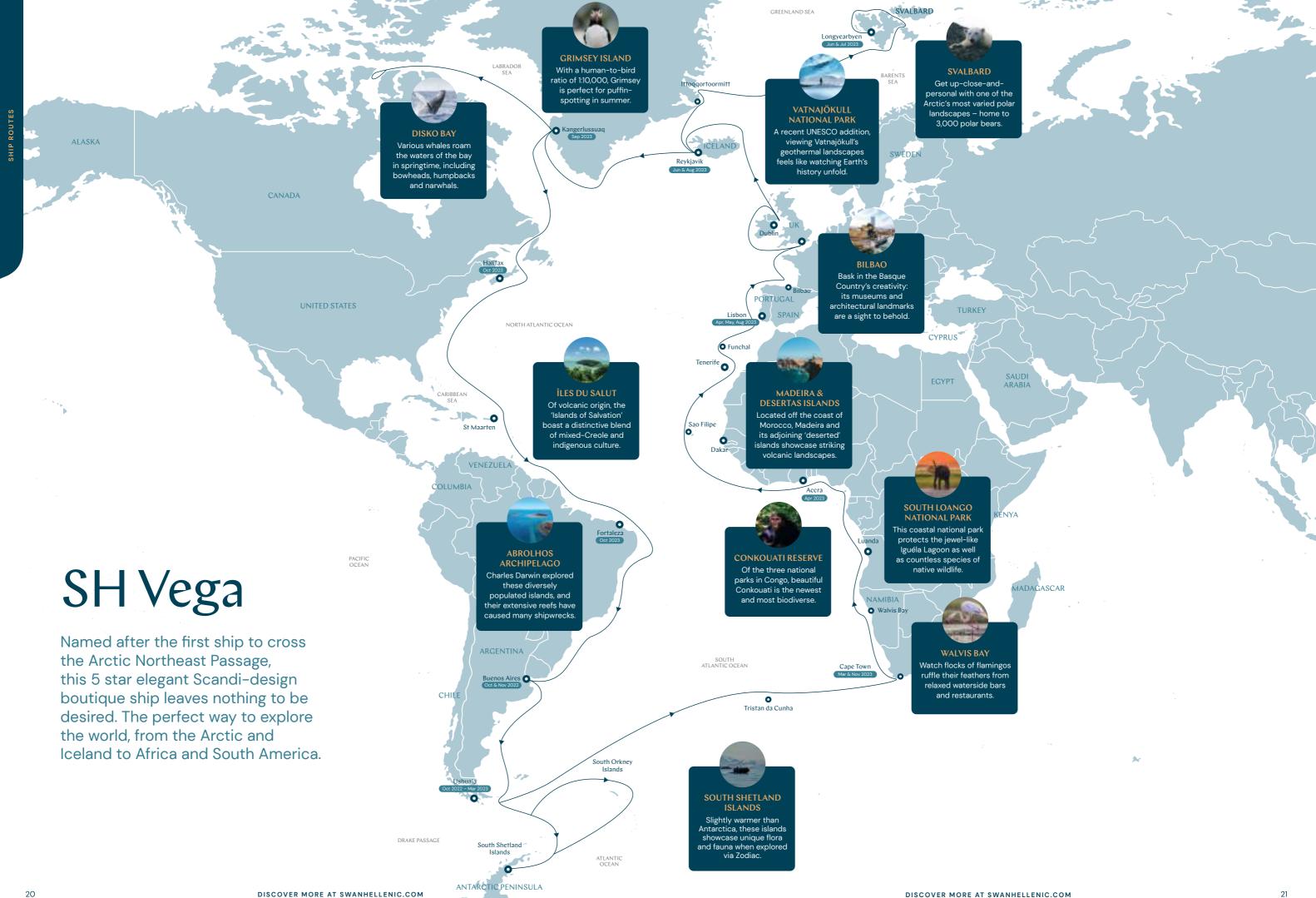
Snowshoeing

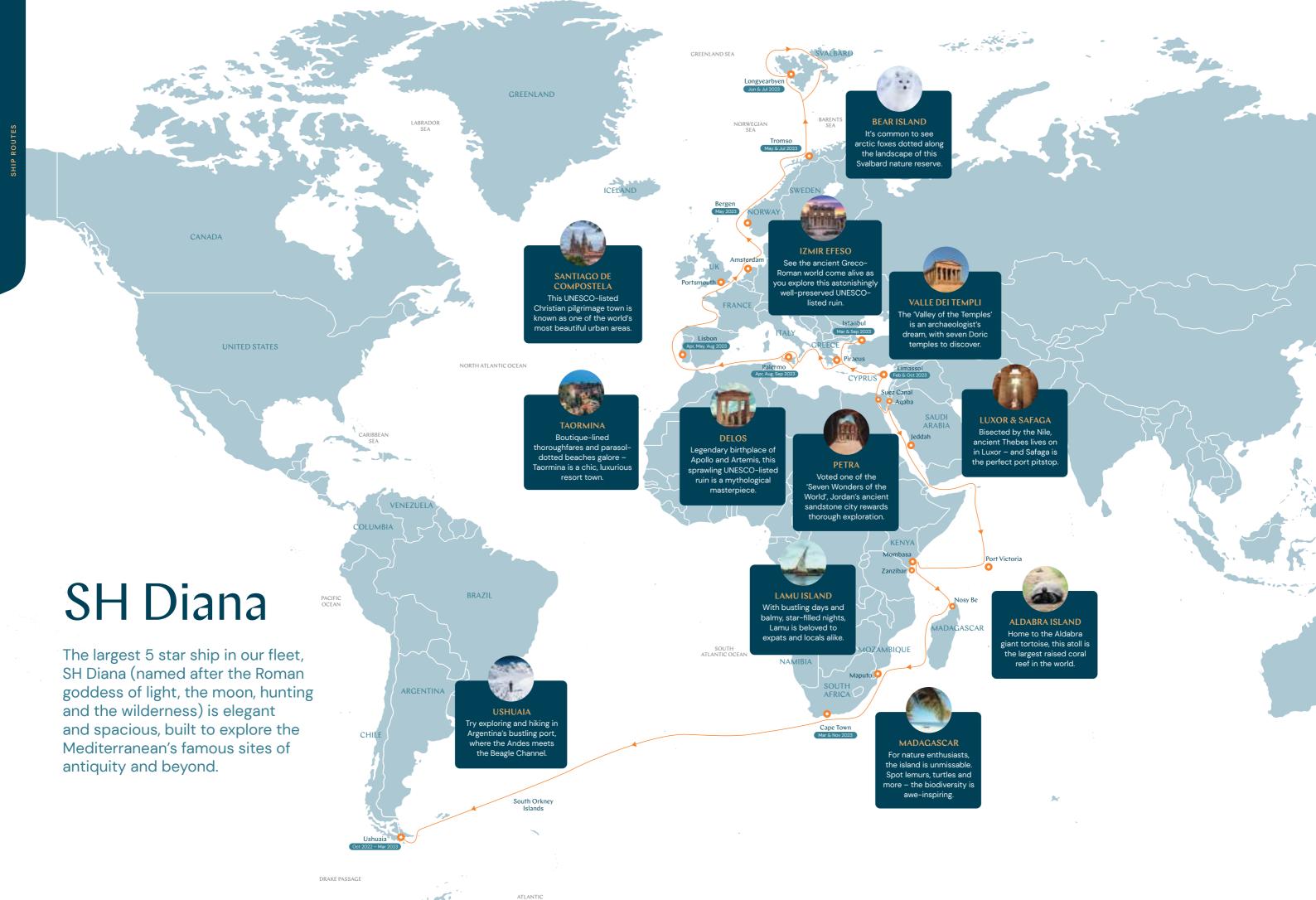


Snowshoeing is one of the most thrilling ways to explore places that are hard to reach. You'll get to scale icy landscapes, enjoy stunning views and get a great workout - all in the company of an expert team.

Hiking 🔼

A hiking excursion is the perfect opportunity to step off the ship and explore. You'll be accompanied by an experienced team who will share their knowledge of the landscape and wildlife in front of you.







in expedition technology with stylish, sophisticated

dedicated expedition facilities for a remarkable travel

experience. Explore off-the-beaten-path destinations

in style and comfort as you take in the scenery from a

panoramic sauna, warm up in an outdoor hot tub, dine

in a world-class restaurant, and unwind in an elegant

stateroom. This is boutique cruising at its finest.

SH Minerva anchored, Antarctica

design. Featuring un-intrusive elegant interiors, wide unobstructed views throughout the ship and

SH Minerva

SH Minerva is an elegant, sophisticated expedition ship built to journey through remote polar regions. After another incredible year navigating the icy wilderness of Antarctica, she will explore the Pacific Ocean, Papua New Guinea and Japan.

SH Vega

SH Vega has the same state-of-theart ship design as SH Minerva. From crossing the notorious Drake Passage to circumnavigating icebergs, this expedition ship is built to live out your Antarctica dream. SH Vega will then explore the wonders of the west coast of Africa, Europe and Canada en route to the Arctic.



SH Diana

Arriving in early 2023, SH Diana will be the largest ship in our fleet, with even more spacious accommodation. Going back to our roots, Diana will be sailing to inspiring and inaccessible destinations across the Mediterranean, on to the east coast of Africa towards Cape Town, finishing the season in Ushuaia.

The interiors are spacious and tasteful, with plush furnishing and dramatic windows that give you unobstructed views of some of the most incredible landscapes in the world. On board, guests can indulge in international cuisine imagined by renowned chefs, unwind in a sophisticated stateroom and make full use of state-of-the-art spa, fitness and expedition facilities.





As the main venue for breakfast, lunch and dinner, our 152-seat restaurant serves international and local cuisine focussed on quality regional ingredients from the unique destinations we visit.



Club Lounge

Vibrant and welcoming, The Club Lounge acts as a hub, combining 24 hour tapas inspired dining with panoramic views of the ocean glittering below.



Observation Lounge

After a day of exploration, where better to relax than in the Observation Lounge. Sit back, savour your favourite tipple whilst getting to know your fellow guests.

along the way.



Alfresco Dining & Heated Outdoor Pool

On Deck 7, you'll find a heated outside pool along with pool side seating from where you can enjoy stunning scenery.

Retreat into sophisticated elegance

Relax in the understated elegance of your stateroom or suite; a modern medley of pastel colours, natural textures, hi-tech entertainment and multiple lighting options for every mood, set off by a holographic fireplace to warm the atmosphere. Large windows or floor-to-ceiling balcony doors showcase every incredible landscape as you sail serenely by.

Your perfect space

Each of our beautifully designed staterooms has everything you need for a pampered stay. Fluffy dressing gowns, a spacious dressing area and ample seating, as well as a well–stocked minibar and a personal safe. The desk in your room is the perfect place to plan the next day's adventures, and glass–enclosed rain showers transform your ensuite into a personal spa.



Premium Suite

49m² (528 ft²) | Sleeps 4

Premium suites feature a superking bed and separate living room with a soothing flame-effect fireplace a luxurious ensuite bathroom with separate bath tub and walk in shower, spacious walk in wardrobe and a 12m² (129ft²) private balcony.



Suite

44m² (474 ft²) | Sleeps 4

Suites feature a superking bed and separate living room with a soothing flame-effect fireplace, a luxurious ensuite bathroom with separate bath tub and walk in shower and a $12m^2$ ($129ft^2$) private balcony.



Balcony

28m² (302 ft²) | Sleeps 2/3

Balcony staterooms feature 2 single beds or a double bed bedroom with living room area, a luxurious bathroom and your own private 6m² (65ft²) balcony.



Oceanview

19m² (205 ft²) | Sleeps 2

Oceanview staterooms feature 2 single beds or a double bed with living room area and a luxurious bathroom.

Delicious food that caters for al

At the Swan Restaurant, you can dine at your leisure from breakfast through to dinner and sample some incredible international fusion dishes. For a more casual atmosphere, enjoy a family-style platter in the Club Lounge, or a few late night drinks in the Observation Lounge. Or take full advantage of our 24-hour room service and indulge in a tempting menu in your elegant stateroom.

Every taste adds to the story

No matter the time or day, you'll find unique culinary experiences, excellently designed and prepared by top chefs with personal service to match at our various dining venues onboard.





Swan Restaurant

Every evening, this stunning restaurant transforms into a gourmet venue serving the sublime creations of our award-winning consultant chefs, taking guests on a parallel voyage of extraordinary flavours and contrasts. Discover creative Asian and Italian fusion cuisine, or enjoy inventive French and International classics.

Club Lounge

Vibrant and welcoming, the Club Lounge acts as a hub for relaxed get-togethers onboard, 24 hours a day. Freshly baked pastries and coffee, tapas-style dining and freshly made pizza are the perfect accompaniment to a panoramic view of the ocean glittering below from the adjoining Pool Bar & Grill.



Afternoon Tea

Enjoy a British tradition onboard. Our afternoon tea is a glamorous and contemporary progression of savoury bites, finger sandwiches and scones followed by colourful tarts and desserts – all paired with a selection of international teas or a cold glass of champagne.

Room Service

No matter what time of day, our carefully curated in-room menu gives you a relaxing yet tasty experience in the comfort of your own stateroom. From healthy breakfasts, luscious lunches and divine dinners to late-night snacks, there's always something ready to tempt you.

Our Culinary Team

Our trio of top chefs have come together to create a unique gastronomic experience, with creative Italian and Asian fusion dishes and varied menus of exceptional quality and diversity.



Avhier Singh Executive Chef

Avhier has extensive experience as an executive chef. He spent more than ten years working in prestigious cruise ships, rising through the ranks and mastering unique cuisines and cooking techniques from around the world.



Andrea Ribaldone Consultant Chef

Andrea is an influential Italian chef with many achievements including earning 3 Michelin Stars for 3 different restaurants, and launching a series of highly successful and innovative dining concepts and venues.



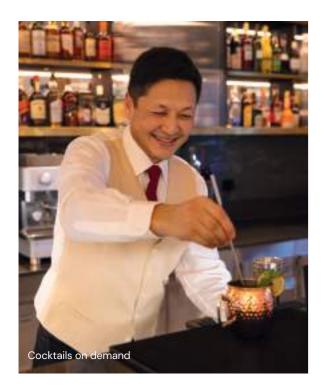
Sang Keun Oh Consultant Chef

With unrivalled experience of Japanese and French cuisine, Chef Sang Keun Oh brings a fresh perspective to the table. He has two AA Rosettes, and was Executive chef at many acclaimed restaurants including his own, Hibiki.

It's all in the details

Swan Hellenic is all about personal service and genuine hospitality. Our warm and welcoming crew aim to please and want nothing more than to give you the best experience possible.

No task is too big or too small: need a double espresso to get you going in the morning? Noted. Prefer your bed made up a certain way? We'll look after it. Absorbed by the views or the conversation at dinner? We'll take care of everything else. We've been in the business a long time and take pride in our caring, thoughtful approach. If there's anything we can do to improve your time on board, let us know.







Endless ways to spend your day

There's no such thing as a typical day with Swan Hellenic. We bring you endless possibilities to tailor every moment to your interests and mood, so you'll always have your dream day onboard.

6am

Waking comfortably refreshed to the panoramic views from your stateroom, early risers can join the expedition team on deck to observe marine wildlife and spectacular scenery with a tea or coffee and selection of pastries and fresh fruit.



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Early risers have the time to take a fitness class or workout in our gym followed by a light continental or substantial cooked breakfast as fuel for the action packed day ahead.

8am

Make your way down to Basecamp – our concierge-managed changing room, where you kit up for your expeditions. You'll be briefed before you head out in small groups, each with an expert guide. Enjoy a morning of bird- or wildlifewatching, hiking or a photography workshop.



7am

AT AT

12pm

Back onboard, you'll have the time to share experiences over lunch, whether snacking in the Club Lounge or savouring something a little more substantial in the Swan Restaurant or Pool Bar & Grill.



a zodiac tour to get up close with penguins, seals and incredible glaciers or join one of our workshops on cloud observations or analyse water samples in our citizen science laboratory.

After lunch, take another expedition, boarding

4pm

Delight in our High Seas High Tea, or retreat to the comfort of your stateroom for a movie on your flatscreen TV. Sweat it out in our stunning panoramic sauna, take a dip in the pool, take a mindfulness class, or pop to the salon for a relaxing treatment.



6.30pm

2pm

Every evening our expedition team or guest lecturer chat through the highlights of the day. Our expedition team will then chat you through tomorrow's planned expeditions.



7pm

Time to enjoy the pleasures of elegant dining where our chefs have prepared international delights along with wines chosen by our sommelier.



9.30pm

Round off your day with your favourite drink whilst enjoying a piano performance or on deck, stargazing under crystal clear skies.



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Making travel effortless

When the details are taken care of, you can focus on making the most of your expedition. So we've included all the little details in the price of your cruise fare. No hidden extras or surprise gratuity bills at the end of your holiday — you can be comfortable we've thought of the little things, so you don't have to.

Gentoo penguin shore excursion, Antarctica

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	WHATS INCLUDED	ANTARCTICA	REST OF THE WORLD
	Return regional flights from Buenos Aires to Ushuaia (except those cruises starting in Buenos Aires or ending in Dunedin and Cape Town)	✓	
	Return regional flights to the port of embarkation and/or disembarkation (*where specified)		√ *
	Group return transfers from the airport to the cruise port (via our included accommodation where applicable)	✓	✓
	One night pre-cruise accommodation with breakfast in a 4/5-star hotel or onboard (*unless otherwise stated)	✓	√ *
	All meals on board	✓	✓
	Onboard accommodation in a stateroom selected category	✓	✓
	Coffee, tea, soft drinks and selected alcoholic beverages available 24-hours per day	✓	✓
	Lecture programmes by our experienced expedition team and guest speakers	✓	✓
	Selected expedition activities led by our expedition team	✓	✓
	One selected shore excursion per port of call		✓
	Branded Swan Hellenic expedition parka and use of rubber boots in Polar Regions	✓	✓
	Standard WiFi	✓	✓
6	Onboard gratuities & port taxes	✓	✓

Enhance your experience

We also offer some optional extras that are not included in the price of your holiday:

- Air fares (unless otherwise stated)
- Travel insurance
- Optional land programs and hotel accomodation pre or post cruise
- Kayak and private zodiac tours in the expedition areas

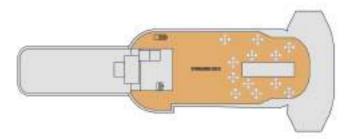
• Premium and private shore excursions

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- Premium alcoholic beverages
- Spa & beauty treatments
- Laundry services
- Retail shop purchases







Deck 9

Stargazing Deck

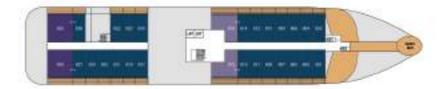
Deck 8

Gym Sauna Jacuzzi Spa Bridge

Practicals

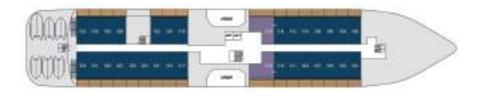
Deck 7

Shop Swimming Pool Pool Bar & Grill Club Lounge Observation Lounge



Deck 6

Premium Suites Suites Balcony Staterooms Swan's Nest



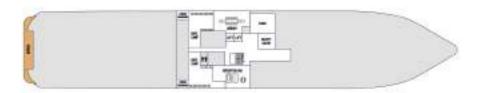
Deck 5

Balcony Staterooms Suites



Deck 4

Reception Laundrette Swan Restaurant Oceanview Staterooms



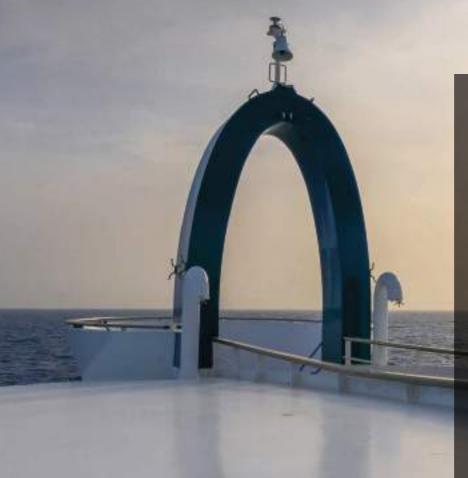
Deck 3

Clinic Library Basecamp Beauty Salon Expedition Lab

SH Diana

SH Diana been specially designed for worldwide cruising to explore the most inspiring and inaccessible places on earth.

Building on the outstanding amenities of her sister ships, she adds a dedicated Events Room next to the Observation Lounge, a Private Dining Room for special occasions, and two tenders which bring guests a comfortable alternative to Zodiacs for expedition landings. A Polar Class 6 ice-strengthened hull combines with extralarge stabilisers to make your journey as comfortable as possible.



Stateroom Category

Oceanview: 20 (20 m²)
Balcony: 66 (28 m²)
Junior Suite: 4 (35 m²)
Suite: 4 (44 m²)
Premium Suite: 2 (47 m²)

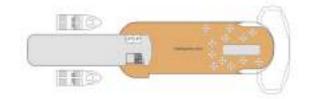
Ship Specification:

Guest Capacity: 192

Staff: 141
No. of Decks: 9
Staterooms: 96
Length: 410 ft (125 m)
Breadth: 75 ft (23 m)
Tonnage: 12,100 GRT
Cruising Speed: 14.5 knots
Propulsion: Hybrid Diesel Electric,
Polar Class PC6
Registered: Malta

Lifeboats: 2
Tender: 2
Zodiacs: 13 MK V
2 MK VI

Accessible Staterooms: 419 (Deck 4), 635 (Deck 6)



Deck 9

Stargazing Deck

Deck 8

Gym Sauna Jacuzzi Spa Beauty Salon Bridge

Deck 7

Swimming Pool Pool Bar & Grill Club Lounge Events Room Observation Lounge

Deck 6

Premium Suites
Suites
Junior Suites
Balcony Staterooms
Swan's Nest

Deck 5

Balcony Staterooms Junior Suites Suites



Deck 4

Swan Restaurant Reception Oceanview Staterooms Launderette

Deck 3

Marina Deck
Zodiac Boarding
Basecamp
Library
Expedition Lab
Clinic
Laundry



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