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VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

PATAGONIAN FRONTIERS

ARGENTINA AND CHILE BY LAND & SEA

January 3-18, 2020

16 days for \$9,182 total price from Washington, DC
(\$8,395 air, land & cruise inclusive plus \$787 airline taxes and fees)



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**An Exclusive Small Group Tour for
Members of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts**

With Maya Erhardt, Senior Manager of Donor Relations at VMFA

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Dear VMFA Members,

Join VMFA on an exclusive 16-day journey through Patagonia to discover the remarkable diversity of southernmost South America. On this special small group tour, you will visit vibrant cities, explore stunning national parks, and cruise through Southern Patagonia's spectacular waterways. Traveling with you will be **Maya Erhardt, Senior Manager of Donor Relations at VMFA.**

Begin in Buenos Aires with a city tour to explore Palermo's parks, mansions, and museums, and the colorful bohemian district of La Boca. Attend a tango performance, and also have free time to explore one of the most beautiful and sophisticated cities in the world. Then fly south to Ushuaia, the world's southernmost urban center, and board the *M/V Stella Australis* for a four-night nautical exploration of Southern Chile's channels and glaciers, ending in Punta Arenas. Experience the jagged peaks, ice-blue glaciers, and turquoise lakes of breathtaking Torres del Paine National Park during a three-night stay. Conclude your journey with two days in another urban treasure: the Chilean capital of Santiago, with visits to museums, a local winery, and the historic and colorful seaside port of Valparaiso.

Space on this exciting program is limited and will fill quickly. Your early reservations are encouraged.

Sincerely,



Adele "Hutch" Livingston
Coordinator of Member Travel

VMFA RESERVATION FORM – PATAGONIAN FRONTIERS

Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$_____ (\$500 per person) for ____ person(s) on **Patagonian Frontiers** departing **January 3, 2020**. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. **Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, with completed reservation form, to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., Attn: Special Interest Groups, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. You may also call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765, or you may fax your reservation to 617-454-9199.**

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

E-mail(s) _____ Badge Name(s) _____

Please book my/our air from _____ I/We request a Business Class upgrade

I will share a room with _____ I request a single room (limited availability)

I/We request an upgrade to cabin category _____ (based on availability)

Pre-Tour "Iguazu Falls" Option: Please sign me/us up

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for **Patagonian Frontiers, January 3-18, 2020**, and agrees that their signature below represents acceptance of the General Terms & Conditions.

Signature(s) _____ Date _____

Method of Payment Check American Express Discover MasterCard VISA

Account # _____ Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Name of Cardholder _____

Signature _____

Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure, and is payable by check or credit card.

PATAGONIAN FRONTIERS

Argentina and Chile by Land & Sea

16 days for \$9,182 total price from Washington, DC

(\$8,395 air, land & cruise inclusive plus \$787 airline taxes and fees)

Enjoy the rare privilege of face-to-face encounters with two of the world's last great frontiers: the majestic fjords and glaciers of Southern Patagonia, on a small-ship cruise; and the stunningly dramatic scenery of Torres del Paine on a three-night stay at the park. Along with visits to Buenos Aires and Santiago, we discover the remarkable diversity of South America.



Day 1: Depart U.S. for Buenos Aires, Argentina

Day 2: Arrive Buenos Aires After arriving in this lively city this morning, we transfer to our hotel to rest (rooms are ready for our early arrival). After time to relax, we meet our fellow travelers and tour director at a briefing about the journey followed by a welcome dinner. *B,D*

Day 3: Buenos Aires Highlights of today's city tour include the lovely mansions and parks of Palermo and the colorful bohemian district of La Boca. Tonight we visit one of the city's top tango houses for dinner and a performance. *B,D*

Day 4: Buenos Aires Today is at leisure. *B*

Day 5: Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Embark Ship We fly today to Ushuaia, Argentina, the world's southernmost urban center. After lunch on our own and time at leisure in this windswept city, late this afternoon we embark our ship. Early evening we set sail through the Beagle Channel. *B,D*

Day 6: Cruising – Cape Horn/Wulaia Bay Today we see up close one of the world's last unspoiled frontiers as we sail through Murray Channel and Nassau Bay to Cape Horn National Park, perhaps glimpsing sea lions and Antarctic fur seals along the way. At the spot where the Atlantic and Pacific merge, the sheer promontory of Cape Horn rises some 1,400 feet from the roiling waters below. This afternoon we take a guided walk along sheltered Wulaia Bay. *B,L,D*

Day 7: Cruising – Pia Glacier/Garibaldi Glacier We awaken this morning in Pia Fjord, home of the stunning Pia Glacier. Later we board inflatable Zodiacs and go ashore for an up-close look at the glacier, a tumbling wall of ice that extends from the mountains down to sea level. After lunch on board, we drop anchor for a shore excursion to Garibaldi Glacier, one of only three glaciers in Patagonia gaining mass. Here we have the opportunity to hike through the Magellanic forest, passing glacial waterfalls and viewpoints overlooking the glacier and fjord. *B,L,D*

Avg. High (°F)	Jan	Feb
Buenos Aires	85	83
Torres del Paine	58	55
Santiago	85	84

Small Group Tour Highlights

Buenos Aires sightseeing • Argentine dinner and tango show • Four-night Southern Patagonia cruise • Beagle Channel, Cape Horn, Strait of Magellan • Three-night stay in Torres del Paine with excursions • Santiago touring • Home-hosted dinner with Santiago families

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Buenos Aires		
2-4	Buenos Aires	Emperador Hotel Buenos Aires	Deluxe
5-8	Patagonia cruise	M/V <i>Stella Australis</i> ship	Sup. First Class
9-11	Torres del Paine	Hotel Rio Serrano	First Class
12	Punta Arenas	Hotel Cabo de Hornos	First Class
13-14	Santiago	Hotel Atton Vitacura	Sup. First Class
15	Santiago/Depart for U.S. (overnight flight)		
16	Arrive U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.

Cover photo: We spend two full days exploring unspoiled Torres del Paine National Park.



We see snowcapped mountain peaks, cascading rivers and waterfalls, glaciers, and mirrored lakes.

Day 8: Cruising – Agostini Sound/Águila Glacier

This morning we cruise through several channels to enter spectacular Agostini Sound, where we see massive glaciers flowing down the mountainside. Later we take inflatable Zodiacs to Águila Glacier, which we approach via the shore of a lagoon. *B,L,D*

Day 9: Cruising – Magdalena Island/Punta Arenas/Torres del Paine

Early this morning we visit Magdalena Island, home to an immense colony of more than 120,000 Magellanic penguins. We take some time to observe the penguins and also to visit the lighthouse that to this day guides ships navigating through the Strait of Magellan. Then we return to Punta Arenas, where we board our motorcoach for the six-hour journey to Torres del Paine. We reach our lodging early this evening and dine there tonight. *B,L,D*

Day 10: Torres del Paine National Park

Today we encounter breathtaking Torres del Paine, a 700-square-mile World Biosphere Reserve and one of the most unspoiled and beautiful nature preserves on Earth. We spend the day exploring this unparalleled landscape of jagged peaks, ice-blue glaciers, turquoise lakes, rushing rivers, and thunderous waterfalls. A highlight: our visit to magnificent Lago Grey, site of massive Grey Glacier and of the hotel where we stop for lunch. *B,L,D*

Day 11: Torres del Paine National Park

We see more of Torres del Paine’s pristine wilderness today, enjoying a box lunch amidst the dramatic scenery. Highlights include visits to the crystalline Amarga and Azul lagoons, and the glacial waterfall Cascada del Río Paine. Clear days at Laguna Azul present panoramic vistas of the park’s namesake, the three massive granite Paine Towers. Throughout the day we’re sure to see some of the park’s only permanent residents: 106 species of birds and 26 species of

mammals, including the beloved guanaco. We dine together tonight at our hotel. *B,L,D*

Day 12: Torres del Paine/Punta Arenas

We travel by motorcoach today to Punta Arenas. Upon arrival we transfer to our hotel in the city center. *B,L,D*

Day 13: Punta Arenas/Santiago

We fly today to the Chilean capital, where we enjoy a city tour.

Pre-Tour Option

January 1-4, 2020

IGUAZU FALLS

**2 days/2 nights
for \$1,195 total price**

Single Supplement: \$295

*Discover the magnificence of
one of the world’s iconic landmarks
and great natural wonders.*

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation Buenos Aires/Iguazu Falls, inclusive of airline taxes and fees
- 2 nights’ accommodations at Loi Suites Iguazu Hotel (Superior First Class)
- 3 meals: 2 breakfasts, 1 dinner
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited representative
- Private motorcoach/van transportation
- Included sightseeing: Iguazu Falls National Park (Argentine side of the falls) with viewing opportunities
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Land only guests: \$1,295 total price

“MAN’S REAL HOME IS NOT
A HOUSE, BUT THE ROAD ...”

– BRUCE CHATWIN

Tonight we are dinner guests in the homes of gracious Santiago families. *B,D*

Day 14: Valparaiso Today we encounter the old port of Valparaiso, a one-time fishing village now Chile’s third largest city and cultural heart. En route we visit a local winery for a private tour and tasting. Tonight we celebrate our adventure at a farewell dinner at a local Santiago restaurant. *B,D*

Day 15: Santiago/Depart for U.S. After a morning at leisure, we enjoy an afternoon visit to the Museum of Pre-Columbian Art, known for its art and artifacts from Chile and across the Americas. Then we have time to explore on our own. From here we transfer to the airport for our overnight flights to the U.S. *B*

Day 16: Arrive U.S. We arrive in the U.S. this morning and connect with our return flights home.

M/V *Stella Australis*



Built: 2010 **Length:** 292 ft
Decks: 5 **Width:** 48 ft
Cabins: 100
(all outside)

Your tour includes a four-night cruise aboard M/V Stella Australis. Amenities include a restaurant, lounges, Zodiac expedition boats, boutique, on-board lectures, open bridge, and panoramic open deck.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within Argentina and Chile
- 13 nights’ accommodations: 4 nights aboard M/V *Stella Australis* (Superior First Class); 9 nights in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and First Class hotels
- 33 meals: 14 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 12 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Open bar service (wine and select liquors) on board ship
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout the trip
- All port taxes and national park fees
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Museum Host



Maya Erhardt is the Senior Manager of Donor Relations for the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond, Virginia, where she provides guidance for the museum’s cultivation and stewardship activities. She has held communications and member/donor relations roles in the travel and healthcare industries. Maya is a member of the Educational Travel Consortium, the Association of Donor Relations Professionals, and is a past board member of the Richmond Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. She enjoys travel, gardening, time with family, and is a graduate of Old Dominion University.

Tour Departs: January 3, 2020

Prices include int’l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

Miami	\$8,782
Orlando, Tampa	\$9,082
Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Washington, DC	\$9,182
Denver, Detroit, Phoenix, Portland (OR), Seattle	\$9,282
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$7,795

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in a Category B outside cabin on Deck 2 (Magellan) forward, and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$787, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$3,295. All prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Upgrade to Category A outside cabin on Deck 2 (Magellan): \$695; Category AA outside cabin on Deck 3 (Tierra del Fuego): \$895; Category AAA outside cabin on Deck 4 (Cape Horn): \$995

Business Class upgrade on round-trip international flight in addition to the costs above: \$3,195 per person. Upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven terrain in a natural environment. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest.

For reservations and information, please call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765

Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–7:00 PM, Eastern Time

For further information, contact VMFA Member Travel at

804-340-1519



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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not Included in Tour Price

Airfare when purchasing a land only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a land only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing or shore excursions; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes

If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: **cancel 95 days or more before departure: \$200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 64-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund.** If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.**

Responsibility

The liability of VMFA, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. VMFA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues

We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and **you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and ships on your own.** We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and VMFA assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.** Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. **Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.**



JOIN US FOR AN EXCLUSIVE
VMFA TOUR TO PATAGONIA!

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