

MEDIA RELEASE



Aurora Expeditions celebrates successful Antarctica return



SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (12/04/2022) – The award-winning Australian adventure travel company, Aurora Expeditions, has recently completed its return season to Antarctica and is celebrating a 100% success rate for its first season in almost two years*.

Hundreds of adventurous expeditioners from around the globe joined Aurora Expeditions on the *Greg Mortimer* across eight voyages, ranging between 10 and 23 days from January to April. The mix of passengers included passengers from Australia, USA, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Singapore and more.

“Aurora Expeditions is thrilled with the success of our return season to Antarctica, getting back to what we do best in our 30th year of operation,” commented Aurora Expeditions’ VP of Operations, Tomas Holik.

“Our exceptional safety record and lack of interruptions during this season is a testament to our team’s commitment, planning, and expertise in ensuring that our expeditions were as safe and enjoyable as possible for our passengers. It was undoubtedly a combination of our strengthened health and safety measures, and the fantastic cooperation of our passengers that ensured our incredibly successful return to operations.”

“We are honoured to have received so much remarkable feedback from our expeditioners who joined us this season. No one comes back from Antarctica the same, it

changes them,” commented Hayley Peacock-Gower, Chief Marketing Officer for Aurora Expeditions.

“We know that travellers are increasingly returning to their ultimate travel wishlists and looking to make up for lost time, explore and push their own personal boundaries. Expedition travel is a type of travel like no other, taking passengers on true adventures to some of the wildest and most remote reaches of our planet. Aurora Expeditions has been leading perspective-altering expeditions for thirty years, and with our successful return to operations and imminent launch of our second ship, we are incredibly well placed to meet the increasing desire for people to take that once in a lifetime trip.”

Aurora Expeditions’ 22-23 Antarctica season commences in October 2022, and forward bookings are in high demand, with many voyages close to sold out. Still upcoming for this season include voyages to Costa Rica & the Panama Canal, Scotland, Ireland, Norway, Greenland, and Canada’s Northwest Passage. The company also recently released its 2023 Arctic season with new itineraries including the Jewels of Coastal UK, Across the Arctic Circle and Canary Islands, Cape Verde and the Azores, all of which have so far seen an overwhelmingly positive response.

Aurora Expeditions’ second purpose-built expedition ship, the *Sylvia Earle*, is due to debut in late 2022.

For more information, visit <https://www.auroraexpeditions.com.au>

*Aurora Expeditions ran 8/8 planned voyages with no interruptions, from January-April 2022.

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About Aurora Expeditions

Aurora Expeditions is an award-winning, Australian owned expedition company celebrating its 30th anniversary year. A pioneer in Polar Expeditions, Aurora is truly committed to environmentally responsible travel, we are committed to preserving the beauty and majesty that mother nature possesses, and we take real actions for the care of the planet.

Founded on the guiding principles of adventure and endless exploration, the small ship experience is intimate and friendly, and Aurora Expeditions takes passengers on perspective-altering experiences to some of the most remote and incredible places on earth.

Aurora's two purpose-built ships, the *Greg Mortimer* and our brand-new small expedition ship the *Sylvia Earle*, are both designed for global discovery. The new ship is named after acclaimed marine biologist, oceanographer, explorer and conservationist Dr. Sylvia Earle.

As part of Aurora's ongoing commitment to ensure that we are doing small ship expedition travel in the safest and most enjoyable way possible, every aspect of Aurora Expeditions' Health and Safety program has been reviewed. Further information can be found here: <https://www.auroraexpeditions.com.au/why-travel-with-us/health-safety/>

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