

EARLY EMPERORS

A wildlife photographer's dream. This 5-day trip offers unique access to a magnificent penguin colony when the chicks are taking their first steps off their parent's feet.

PRICE : US\$ 58,000

33° 56' 29" S 18° 27' 40" E

START POINT

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

Cape Town is home to award-winning vineyards and stunning ocean vistas. It is often tipped as one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

We will host a safety briefing the day before the flight where our staff will explain all kit requirements, assist with any last minute preparations and update you as to the latest weather forecasts in Antarctica.





CAPE TOWN
SOUTH AFRICA

ATKA BAY EMPEROR COLONY

WHICHAWAY CAMP

WOLF'S FANG RUNWAY

GEOGRAPHIC SOUTH POLE

FLIGHTS

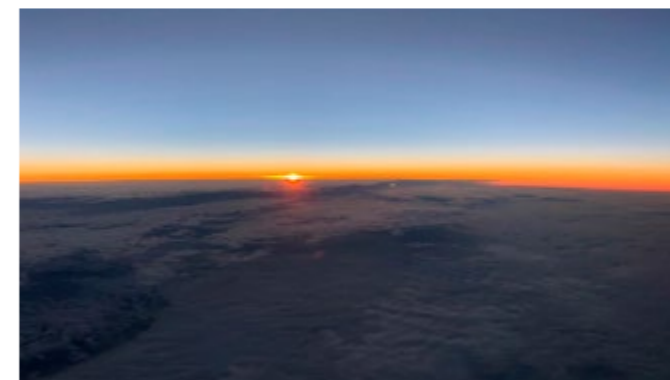
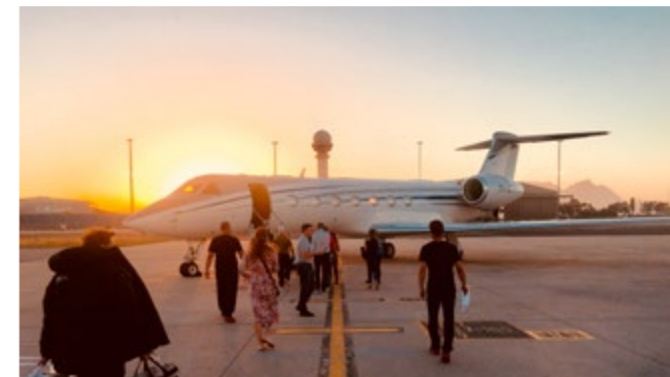
Flight to Wolf's Fang, Antarctica:
5hrs

Flight to Emperor Penguins:
2.5hrs



TRAVEL SOUTH AFRICA TO ANTARCTICA

We travel in uncompromised comfort across the mighty southern ocean in a Gulfstream private jet. During the 5hr flight, the African night turns to day as we soar over thousands of icebergs and pass into 24hrs of continuous sunshine. Destination: Wolf's Fang runway.



An aerial photograph of a vast, flat, snow-covered landscape, likely a tundra or a frozen body of water. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright, shimmering reflection on the surface. The sky is a mix of blue and orange, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. In the distance, there are low, dark mountains or hills. The foreground shows some subtle textures and patterns in the snow, possibly from wind or ice movement.

EXPERIENCE A PLACE AS BIG AS YOUR IMAGINATION

The Gulfstream G550 jet parked at Wolf's Fang Runway.



[CLICK TO VIEW LANDING ON WOLF'S FANG BLUE ICE RUNWAY](#)



After touching down in Antarctica, you will be transferred by our DC3 Basler, to our luxury camp. Flight time 30mins.

As part of our commitment to preserving Antarctica, all emissions from flights to, from and whilst on the continent, are offset by fully accredited carbon-neutral schemes.



View of Whichaway Camp from the DC3 Basler.

70° 45' 49" S 11° 36' 59" E

WHICHAWAY CAMP

“A home away from home. It isn’t complete without mentioning the hospitality and dedication of the White Desert team.”

Fitria Yusuf

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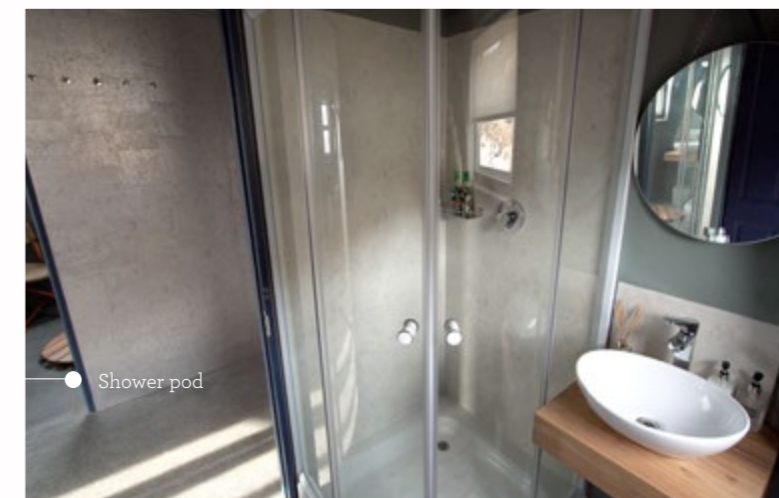
WHICHAWAY CAMP

CLICK TO VIEW VIDEO OF CAMP



*“The perfect balance between polar
functionality and luxury camp comfort.”*

Rick Garratt



Whichaway camp is totally unique and the perfect base from which to start your adventure.

There are six state-of-the-art sleeping pods that are heated and designed for two people in each. At just over 6m (20ft) in diameter, they are also spacious, with a writing desk, wash area and toilet.

For guests travelling separately, the room can be partitioned for privacy.



The rest of the camp comprises a shower pod, kitchen and three centralised pods that make up the reception, lounge and dining room. While the exterior is made from cutting edge materials, the interior has an old-world feel with rich textures. Here you can relax, enjoy the fantastic food from our award-winning chef and take things easy.



The dining table accommodates 14 people and is the ideal space for sharing adventures and enjoying great food. Busy days exploring Antarctica are sure to work up an appetite and hearty breakfasts, elegant lunches and three course dinners will mean you are well-fed whilst staying at the bottom of the world.





70° 38' 16" S 8° 15' 45" W

EMPEROR PENGUIN COLONY



After the long huddle of winter, the fathers finally get to go to the water and feed. The chicks have to sit on their parents feet to stay warm and off the ice.



CLICK TO VIEW VIDEO OF EMPERORS



We fly 2hrs along the coast to an emperor penguin colony of over 3,000 breeding pairs and their newly hatched chicks. Tourists only rarely visit this colony and, as a consequence, the chicks are entirely unafraid of humans and often waddle right up to you. It is one of the greatest thrills on earth to witness such a rare and secluded wildlife spectacle.



DAILY ACTIVITIES



*Our philosophy is simple –
do as much or as little as you like.
After all, it's your adventure.*

With only 12 clients on each adventure and professional polar explorers as your guides, the day's itineraries are tailored to each individual. From gentle treks and picnics overlooking the ice waves, to more adrenalin-fueled activities, such as kite-skiing and ice climbing.



CLICK TO VIEW VIDEO OF ICE CAVES





“Blue ice caves, mountains to climb, ice waves etc, throw in penguins and a monumental trip to the South Pole - any other place in the world will be underwhelming.”

Jane Loginova

PRICE : US\$ 58,000
CLIENTS : 12 MAXIMUM
FITNESS : NO SPECIFIC LEVEL REQUIRED
FLIGHT TO ANTARCTICA : 5HRS
FLIGHT TO PENGUINS : 2.5HRS EACH WAY

INCLUDED

1. Safety briefing in Cape Town.
2. Return transfers for Antarctica flights.
3. Return flight to Antarctica (inc. a 30kg baggage allowance).
4. All accommodation, food and drink (including all alcohol) in Antarctica.
5. All guiding fees, support of field guides and logistics staff.
6. The use of certain items of polar clothing, as denoted on equipment list.
7. Payment by White Desert Ltd of a ‘Carbon Tax’ for offsetting emissions created by all logistics associated with Antarctic travel.

EXCLUDED

1. Commercial flights to and from Cape Town, South Africa
2. Accommodation and meals whilst in Cape Town (please note, these can be organised through our Cape Town office).
3. Polar clothing (please note, these items can be purchased on your behalf by a member of White Desert team).
4. Comprehensive insurance cover. (White Desert staff can advise you as to the appropriate cover required.)
5. Additional expenses incurred in Cape Town due to any delay.
6. Additional baggage costs over the agreed amount.
7. Cost of the use of a satellite phone whilst in Antarctica.

○ Images courtesy of White Desert team, Terry Virts & Marko Prezelj

FULL ITINERARY

DAY BEFORE DEPARTURE

White Desert will host a safety briefing in Cape Town. This is where we will check all your polar clothing and prepare for your flight south.

DAY ONE

We fly to Antarctica (5hrs) and cross thousands of icebergs as we pass over the Southern Ocean. During the flight, we cross into the polar circle and into 24hrs continuous daylight. Landing on the specialist ice runway, you will transfer to our camp and go for a gentle trek around the Oasis.

DAY TWO

Settle into White Desert's 'Whichaway Camp' and do as much or as little as you like each day. Activities range from gentle treks to the incredible ice waves, ice climbing and even abseiling!

After the day's activities you will hear a talk about the incredible life cycle of the Emperor Penguin in preparation for your visit the following day.

DAY THREE

We fly 2hrs across Antarctica, providing immense views of the high polar plateau, before landing at the Emperor Penguin colony. You will be among the very few who have ever witnessed such a spectacle and be able to see the real life stars of "March of the Penguins".

DAY FOUR

We explore the ice waves beneath our camp, delving into the series of ice tunnels that are as surreal as they are beautiful. The day ends with a visit to the nearby science base to learn more about their work.

DAY FIVE

The flight out of Antarctica will be the last of your unforgettable Antarctic memories before you delve back into the noise and heat of Africa. You will be transferred to your hotel where you will have a chance to relax in a hot bath and reflect on your Antarctic adventure!

This itinerary is entirely subject to weather conditions in Antarctica and is meant as a day-by-day guide of what clients can expect. Exact dates and types of plane may vary.



A wide-angle photograph of a group of people hiking across a vast, undulating landscape covered in deep snow or ice. The scene is bathed in a cool, blue light, suggesting a high-altitude or polar environment. In the foreground, two hikers are seen from behind, moving towards the left. Further back, another hiker is visible, and on the right side, a person in a bright blue jacket stands looking out over the terrain. The sky is a pale, hazy blue, blending into the horizon.

COME WITH US ON AN UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY. COME EXPLORE...

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