ANTARCTICA
SOUTH GEORGIA
& THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

ABOARD LE DIAMANT
NOVEMBER 20 – DECEMBER 11, 2009

PRESENTED BY CATALINA ISLAND CONSERVANCY
In November 2009, the Catalina Island Conservancy will offer a 22-day expedition to Antarctica, South Georgia, and the Falkland Islands aboard *Le Diamant*, a top of the line expedition cruise ship. Partnering with Zegrahm Expeditions, a world leader in wilderness travel, the Conservancy will be able to offer its supporters a once in a lifetime opportunity to visit and explore these awe-inspiring lands. Through specially planned pre-trip briefings and our onboard experiences, we will create lifelong memories as we take home valuable insights into the management of our own Catalina Island and California Channel Islands. It will be an experience that will enrich you and your family members on many levels.

I have selected this itinerary especially for you and it includes the must see island of South Georgia, home not only to the largest concentration of wildlife anywhere in the world, but also the incredible history of Sir Ernest Shackleton and the early Southern Ocean whaling industry. Antarctica, at the beginning of its austral summer is a dazzling land of icebergs and undisturbed snowy landscapes. As we travel the Antarctic Peninsula, South Georgia, and the Falkland Islands, we will witness wildlife in transition: huge numbers of raucous penguins building nests or incubating eggs; young albatross, preparing their giant wings for inaugural flights; and, numerous fur seal pups traversing the beaches. Premiere wildlife viewing, combined with excellent interpretation from renowned lecturers will create an experience that you will remember for years to come.

If you determine, as I have, that this is one of life’s mandatory travel experiences, respond today and reserve your space on this life-changing voyage. My husband Jack Baldelli and I are both experienced Antarctica naturalists and will be your group leaders. Between us we have made more than 25 trips to Antarctica, South Georgia, and the Falklands. Whether you are a returning traveler or a first time voyager to the southernmost reaches of the Earth, Antarctica is an unforgettably stunning ecological treasure. I do hope you will join us on our 2009 expedition.

We look forward to having you join us.

Sincerely,

Ann M. Muscat, Ph.D.
President and CEO
Catalina Island Conservancy

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**Dr. Ann Muscat** – Ann is a marine ecologist and has conducted underwater research in Antarctica at both Palmer and McMurdo stations, and lectured on board Antarctic cruise ships. She completed over a 1,000 dives for her field studies in benthic ecology at the Wrigley Marine Science Center on Catalina Island where she also served as Director. As a museum professional she led the program development team that built the new California Science Center, and then led the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County through the early phases of its redevelopment program. As President and CEO of the Catalina Island Conservancy, she is deeply involved in conservation management and environmental education. She developed her love for wild places while sailing throughout the pristine offshore islands of California and Baja California.

**Jack Baldelli** – Jack has over 20 years of experience in Antarctica. As one of the few commercial divers regularly working at the United States bases in Antarctica, he maintains vital seawater intake systems and ship access to piers, and provides support to underwater scientific operations. Jack is also a lecturer, naturalist, and Zodiac driver for cruise ships to the Antarctic Peninsula, South Orkney Islands, Elephant Island, South Georgia Island, and the Falkland Islands. Jack was a commercial diver and supervisor in the North Sea, India, and Africa in the 1970s and 1980s with over 265 days of saturation diving to 500 feet. After getting his degree in marine biology, he was a military and commercial pilot. Jack is an accomplished naturalist, photographer, and sailor.
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**November 20 – December 11, 2009 • 22 Days**

**Aboard Le Diamant**

Nov 20  USA
Nov 21  Buenos Aires, Argentina
Nov 22  Buenos Aires / Ushuaia / Embark Le Diamant
Nov 23  At Sea
Nov 24  Sea Lion Island / Bleaker Island, Falkland Islands
Nov 25 & 26  Cruising the South Scotia Sea
Nov 27 – 29  South Georgia: Elsehul Bay, Salisbury Plain, Stromness Bay, Grytviken, Gold Harbour
Nov 30 & Dec 1  South Scotia Sea
Dec 2  Elephant Island
Dec 8 & 9  Drake Passage
Dec 10  Ushuaia, Argentina / Disembark / Buenos Aires
Dec 11  USA
Friday, November 20, 2009
USA
Depart from home on your independent flight to Buenos Aires.

Saturday, November 21
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA
Upon arrival, transfer to our centrally-located hotel. Spend the rest of the day relaxing or sightseeing independently in this lively cosmopolitan city. Enjoy lunch at the hotel or on your own in one of the many wonderful neighborhood restaurants. Welcome dinner and overnight at the Panamericano Buenos Aires.

Sunday, November 22
BUENOS AIRES / USHUAIA / EMBARK LE DIAMANT
Early morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Ushuaia where we have lunch and a tour before boarding Le Diamant. Set sail for the Falkland Islands in the late afternoon.

Monday, November 23
AT SEA
Enjoy a day at sea as we make our way to the Falkland Islands. Lecturers introduce us to the natural and historical highlights ahead.

Tuesday, November 24
SEA LION ISLAND / BLEAKER ISLAND, FALKLAND ISLANDS
Today we make stops on two islands off the south coast of East Falkland Island. With our naturalists, walk along the coast of Sea Lion Island to a gentoo penguin colony and a large freshwater pond with an excellent variety of Falklands waterfowl. Bleaker Island provides one of the highlights of our Falklands visit—here we see western rockhopper penguins and king cormorant colonies, in addition to viewing gentoo and Magellanic penguins, plus communities of elephant seals and sea lions.

Wednesday & Thursday, November 25 & 26
CRUISING THE SOUTH SCOTIA SEA
Our lecturers recap our experiences in the Falklands and prepare us for our visit to South Georgia. On deck, join naturalists in search of seabirds and marine mammals that flourish in these nutrient-rich waters.

Friday – Sunday, November 27 – 29
SOUTH GEORGIA
Flexibility in this area is a must. All of our expedition leaders have been to South Georgia
numerous times and, if the weather is in our favor, we may want to make a landing before breakfast or even after dinner. We call at some of the many islands, bays, and coves where we can see outstanding birdlife and elephant and fur seals close at hand. The following is a list of places we plan to visit on South Georgia. Some of them are pending final government approval.

**Elsehul Bay** – This beautiful bay on the north end is home to thousands of fur seals as well as macaroni penguins, the most numerous of all penguin species. Listen for the high-pitched trumpeting of king penguins amid the magnificent sounds of marine mammals that echo throughout this bay.

**Salisbury Plain** – Two glaciers flank Salisbury Plain, on South Georgia’s north coast. Here, more than 200,000 king penguins congregate and breed, and we are greeted by one of the more remarkable sights—and sounds—on earth.

**Stromness Bay** – Site of Sir Ernest Shackleton and his party’s arrival after their harrowing crossing of the island’s glaciers on foot, Stromness offers views of cliffs and a glacier from which the adventurer and his companions descended.

**Grytviken** – We go ashore and explore, discovering the old ruins of this once-active whaling station. The cemetery holds a special fascination, as it is here that Shackleton is buried—on the island he loved. Walking along the coast, we spy seabirds, penguins, and marine mammals.

**Gold Harbour** – At the foot of the Bertrab Glacier, Gold Harbour is often referred to as the “jewel in the island’s crown.” In addition to a large king penguin colony, we are likely to see elephant and fur seals, gentoo penguins, giant petrels, and perhaps even some light-mantled albatross.

*Monday & Tuesday, November 30 & December 1 South Scotia Sea*

Our lecture series continues as *Le Diamant* ventures south. Naturalists recap our memorable visit to South Georgia and introduce us
to the history, geology, and wildlife of the Antarctic Peninsula and its surrounding islands.

**Wednesday, December 2**

**ELEPHANT ISLAND**

This morning we arrive at Elephant Island, made famous by the Shackleton expedition. Awesome glaciers, speckled with pink algae, create a dramatic backdrop. Weather permitting, we enjoy a Zodiac cruise around the island and have an opportunity to view a thriving chinstrap penguin colony.

**Thursday – Monday, December 3 – 7**

**ANTARCTIC PENINSULA**

We cruise the waters of the Antarctic Peninsula and its adjacent islands, our daily schedule of landings dependent upon weather and ice conditions. There is the possibility that we may visit a research station and witness the scientific activities conducted by the multinational community of scientists working there. The expeditionary nature of our voyage precludes guaranteeing specific stops; in the past we have visited the following locations. This list is a guideline only of the places you may experience.

**BROWN BLUFF** – Located on the Antarctic continent, the volcanic promontory of Brown Bluff rises 2,450 feet above an ash beach littered with huge and bizarrely shaped boulders. Some 20,000 pairs of Adelie, and hundreds of gentoo penguins, make their home here, often building their nests against the rocks. Skuas and pintado petrels nest near the top of the cliff and kelp gulls fill the air with perpetual sound and motion.

**DECEPTION ISLAND** – As we approach Deception through Neptune’s Bellows, a channel just wide enough for our ship to navigate, southern fulmars and pintado petrels soar overhead. Our anchorage is inside a volcano whose collapsed cone was filled by rushing seawater.

**NEKO HARBOUR AND PARADISE BAY** – At Neko Harbour, Weddell seals haul out on the beach and a gentoo penguin colony overlooks a spectacular glacier that is sometimes quite active calving icebergs. In our Zodiaks we weave our way among these fantastic shapes sculpted by wind and water. Later, *Le Diamant*
navigates the scenic waters of Paradise Bay, where Chile and Argentina both maintain bases.

**LEMAIRE CHANNEL AND PLENÉAU ISLAND** – Cruising the beautiful Lemaire Channel, we keep watch for the humpback and minke whales frequently spotted here. This narrow channel is one of the most visually impressive areas of the Antarctic Peninsula and is often referred to as the “Kodak Gap,” “Canon Channel,” “Fuji Funnel,” or “Nikon Niche” because of the wonderful photo opportunities it offers. Steep mountain peaks jut out of the sea on both sides, and the waters surrounding our vessel are often choked with icebergs and frequented by crabeater seals. A stunning labyrinth of grounded icebergs lies in the shallow waters west of Pleneau Island, presenting a superb Zodiac cruising experience. Crabeater and leopard seals haul out on the ice, and elephant seals and gentoo penguins occupy the island itself.

**PETERMANN ISLAND** – Discovered by a German expedition in 1873-74 and named after geographer August Petermann, the island is home to the world’s southernmost colony of gentoo penguins. Snow-capped and small at just a mile long by half a mile wide, it offers close-up, picture-perfect scenes of penguins—both gentoo and Adelie—as well as skuas and blue-eyed shags that nest nearby.

**Tuesday & Wednesday, December 8 & 9**

**DRAKE PASSAGE**

Named for the 16th-century English seaman, Drake Passage is a deep waterway spanning 600 miles from the southern tip of South America to the South Shetland Islands. Strolling the decks, we have opportunities to see and photograph wandering and black-browed albatross in company with sooty shearwaters and white-chinned petrels. We keep a lookout for the whales often seen in these waters.

**Thursday, December 10**

**USHUAIA, ARGENTINA / DISEMBARK / BUENOS AIRES**

Disembark in Ushuaia and transfer to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires, connecting with your independent overnight flight to the USA.

**Friday, December 11**

**USA**

Early-morning arrival in the USA and connect to flights homeward.
Encompassing 615,000 acres of expansive grasslands and the fantastic pinnacles of the Andean mountains, Torres del Paine National Park is a stunning UNESCO Biosphere Reserve and Chile’s premier Patagonian destination.

Here peaks of twisted, snow-dusted granite—endowed with waterfalls, emerald lakes, and verdant valleys—tower above the plains of Patagonia. During our three days in the park, accompanied by our leader, we take every opportunity to observe the unique flora and fauna of the region. Nearly 150 native animal species reside in the steppe and forested areas, including Patagonian foxes, vicuñas, and guanacos. And among the 100 species of local birds are the high-stepping lesser rheas, the New World’s largest bird, and the elegant Andean condors that soar high above the landscape.

In addition to our time in Torres del Paine, we enjoy a stay in bustling Punta Arenas and two nights in the colorful village of El Calafate, our base for exploring Argentina’s Glacier National Park.

**Itinerary**

**Sunday, November 15, 2009**
USA / SANTIAGO, CHILE
Depart the USA on your independent overnight flight to Santiago, Chile.

**Monday, November 16**
SANTIAGO / PUNTA ARENAS
Arrive Santiago and transfer to your flight to Punta Arenas. The afternoon is at leisure with dinner and overnight at our hotel.

**Tuesday, November 17**
PUNTA ARENAS / TORRES DEL PAINE NATIONAL PARK
Full-day drive to the park with lunch at Puerto Natales. Overnight at our hotel located in the park and our base for discovering the wonders of Patagonia.

**Wednesday & Thursday, November 18 & 19**
TORRES DEL PAINE
Exploration of Torres del Paine National Park with dinners and overnights at our hotel.

**Friday, November 20**
TORRES DEL PAINE / EL CALAFATE, ARGENTINA
Travel through scenic Patagonia steppe landscapes and cross the Argentinian border to the charming town of El Calafate. Spend two nights here with dinners and overnights at our hotel.

**Saturday, November 21**
EL CALAFATE
Full day visit to Perito Moreno Glacier.

**Sunday, November 22**
EL CALAFATE / USHUAIA / EMBARK LE DIAMANT
After breakfast and time at leisure we transfer to the airport for our flight to Ushuaia and embark Le Diamant.

**Extension Price:** $3,380 per person, double occupancy; $880 single supplement.

*Note: For terms and conditions, baggage restrictions, cancellation policies, and air fare, please refer to the main voyage.*
Terms & Conditions

Carolina Island Conservancy (CIC) has contracted with Zegrahm Holdings LLC, dba Zegrahm Expeditions to organize this tour.

1. RESERVATIONS: 25% of the expedition fare, along with a completed and signed Reservation Form, will reserve a place for CIC participants on this program. The balance of the expedition fare is due 120 days prior to departure. Air fare is also due at this time. All prices are quoted in U.S. dollars and must be paid in U.S. dollars. Credit cards accepted for deposit only.

2. CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY: Notification of cancellation must be received in writing by CIC. At the time we receive your written cancellation, the following penalties will apply:
   - 120 days or more prior to departure: $300 per person
   - 60 through 119 days prior to departure: 50% of expedition fare
   - 1 through 59 days prior to departure: 100% of expedition fare

Some air fare may be nonrefundable. Once an expedition has departed, there will be no refunds from CIC/ZE for any unused portions of the trip. The above policy also applies to all extensions and independent travel arrangements made in conjunction with this program.

3. TRIP CANCELLATION AND INTERRUPTION INSURANCE: We strongly advise that all travelers purchase trip cancellation and interruption insurance as protection against an emergency that may force you to cancel or leave an expedition while it is in progress. A brochure describing coverage will be sent to you upon receipt of your reservation.

4. SHARE POLICY: Accommodations on all CIC/ZE programs are based on double occupancy. If you are traveling alone and wish to share accommodations, a roommate will be assigned to you whenever possible. When pairing roommates, we will always pair participants of the same sex. All shared accommodations are nonsmoking. If it is not possible to pair you with a roommate, you may be asked to pay a single supplement for the land portion of the program.

5. MEDICAL INFORMATION: Participation in a CIC/ZE program requires that you be in generally good health. It is essential that persons with any medical problems and related dietary restrictions make them known to us well before departure. We can counsel you on whether the expedition you have selected is appropriate for you.

   The tour leader has the right to disqualify any participant at any time during the tour if he or she feels the participant is physically incapable and/or if a participant’s continued participation will jeopardize either the individual involved or the group. There will be no refund given under these circumstances.

6. LUGGAGE RESTRICTIONS: Luggage size and weight limitations for both checked and carry-on luggage, imposed by the airlines or as an operational requirement due to type of aircraft, will apply for flights to/from/within this program. Specifications will be provided with pre-departure materials.

7. FUEL COST INCREASES AND CURRENCY FLUCTUATION: In order to keep rates as low as possible, we do not build into the trip fare an allowance to cover possible increases from fuel costs or currency fluctuations. Therefore, as fuel-cost increases may occur and currencies do fluctuate around the world, it may be necessary for us to initiate a rate surcharge at any time before departure if there are exceptional cost increases beyond our control.

8. ITINERARY CHANGES & TRIP DELAY: Itineraries are based on information available at the time of printing and are subject to change. CIC/ZE reserve the right to change a program’s dates, staff, itineraries, or accommodations as conditions warrant. If a trip must be delayed or the itinerary changed due to bad weather, road conditions, transportation delays, government intervention, airline schedules, sickness, or other contingency for which CIC/ZE or its agents cannot make provision, the cost of delays or changes is not included.

9. ITINERARY CANCELLATION: CIC/ZE reserves the right to cancel an itinerary before departure for any reason whatsoever, including too few participants or logistical problems such as strikes, wars, acts of God, or any other circumstances that may make operation of the trip advisable. All trip payments received will be promptly refunded, and this refund will be the limit of CIC/ZE’s liability. CIC/ZE is not responsible for any expenses incurred by trip members in preparing for the trip, including nonrefundable or penalty-carrying airline tickets, special clothing, visa or passport fees, or other trip-related expenses.

10. PARTICIPATION: CIC/ZE reserves the right to decline to accept any individual as a trip member for any reason whatsoever.

11. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY: This section defines ZE’s responsibility with respect to all of their trips, including extensions and independent arrangements. Please read it carefully.

   ZE, its Owners, Agents, and Employees give notice that they act only as the agent for the owners, contractors, and suppliers providing means of transportation and/or all other related travel services and assume no responsibility however caused for injury, loss, or damage to person or property in connection with any service resulting directly from: acts of God, detention, annoyance, delays, expenses arising from quarantine, strikes, thefts, pilferage, force majeure, failure of any means of conveyance to arrive or depart as scheduled, civil disturbances, terrorism, government restrictions or regulations, and discrepancies or changes in transit or hotel services over which it has no control. Reasonable changes in the itinerary may be made where deemed advisable for the comfort and well-being of the passengers.

   As described in item 7 above, all prices are subject to change. As described in item 9 above, in the event that an expedition must be cancelled, CIC/ZE is not responsible for any personal expenses incurred by trip members in preparing for the program.

   Certain ship owners require use of preprinted ticket forms that limit the ship owner’s and operator’s liability. When such tickets are used, you are generally bound by the terms of these tickets with respect to your legal relationship to the owner and operators of the ship, their agent (ZE), and the ship’s crew.

   On advancement of deposit to CIC/ZE, the depositor acknowledges that he/she has read and understands the above recited terms and conditions, and agrees to be bound by them.

What To Expect

For most activities, a moderate level of exertion is required. You will need to climb into and out of Zodiacs for excursions ashore. Ashore, you must be able to walk moderate distances, unaided, over rough terrain (rocky, uneven beaches in the sub-Antarctic islands, and occasional ice and snow on the Antarctic Peninsula). Temperatures will range from 45° – 55° F in the sub-Antarctic region, and may get as cold as 30° – 40° F on the Antarctic Peninsula itself, although sunshine and low humidity will create a very temperate atmosphere. Accommodations aboard Le Diamant will be very comfortable and spacious. We will mail a complete list of recommended clothing and a suggested reading list to you approximately five months prior to departure. Participants will most enjoy the remarkable opportunities this expedition offers if they travel with a spirit of adventure.
Especially chosen for this voyage, our team of expert leaders and lecturers serves to bring a comprehensive educational component to your adventure through lectures, guided excursions, and daily recaps.

**Geraldine “JD” Massyn (Expedition Leader)** – JD comes from Pretoria, South Africa. While studying law at the University of Pretoria, she accepted the first of many short-term contracts in public relations aboard cruise ships. In 1991, she boarded her first expedition cruise ship bound for Antarctica. Now a veteran in the travel business, JD works as an expedition leader, cruise director, naturalist, and Zodiac driver.

**Kevin Clement** – Although his specialty is subarctic ecology, Kevin’s work as a naturalist and adventure travel guide has taken him from his home in Alaska to all seven continents. He has worked in several national parks and has guided groups in whitewater rafts, sea kayaks, and on foot. Kevin is a director of Zegrahm Expeditions and holds certifications in scuba diving, swiftwater rescue, and wilderness medicine, as well as a Coast Guard Master’s license. He is also a talented artist.

**Jonathan Rossouw** – Jonathan is a medical doctor by profession; however, his lifelong interest in wildlife has resulted in extensive travels throughout the world. He is the author of the acclaimed *Where to Watch Birds in Uganda* and birding site guides to Southern Africa and Madagascar. He is equally enthusiastic about mammals and coral reef fishes as he is with his specialties, birds and reptiles. Jonathan is a director of Zegrahm Expeditions; he leads travelers on expeditions to all seven continents.

**T. H. Baughman** – Dr. T.H. Baughman is a professor of history at the University of Central Oklahoma. Tim has taught European history for more than 30 years, and has been leading travelers around the world for 25 years. He is the author of six books, lectures widely on European and polar history, and teaches courses in 20th-century European history. His tales of the history of regions visited bring to life their vibrant story.

**Russell Evans** – Russ is a 6th-generation Falkland Islander who grew up working on farms on Pebble and Saunders Islands. In the mid-1990s, Russ left farming to pursue his interest in the sea and small boats and went to work crewing and skippering commercial boats. His passion for the sea and interests in wildlife, photography, and travel have led him to a career in expedition travel, which has recently taken him to the Arctic and the British Isles.

**Ross MacPhee (American Museum of Natural History Lecturer)** – Ross is a curator in the Department of Vertebrate Zoology at the American Museum of Natural History (AMNH). He is well known for his research of modern and Ice-Age extinctions, and he has conducted extensive field work in Antarctica, Madagascar, Indonesia, China, Cuba, and Siberia. He was co-curator of the 1999 AMNH exhibition, *The Endurance: Shackleton’s Legendary Antarctic Expedition*. Dr. MacPhee’s talks will include the Shackleton expedition and the history of Antarctic exploration.

**Clare Flemming (American Museum of Natural History Lecturer)** – Clare, an associate in the Division of Vertebrate Zoology/Mammalogy at the American Museum of Natural History (AMNH), is a biologist and professional archivist. She has a deep interest in Arctic and Antarctic exploration and has participated in several AMNH expeditions. Clare and her husband Dr. MacPhee can be seen in the recent Discovery Channel productions, *Land of the Mammoth*, and *What Killed the Megabeasts*.

**Rick Price** – Rick began his career as a marine biologist in 1978, working for the British Antarctic Survey. He spent five winters at the BAS base on Signy Island in the South Orkney Islands, and in 1988, he was awarded the Polar Medal by Her Majesty the Queen. Life as a marine biologist sparked an interest in underwater photography that evolved into a career as a freelance wildlife cameraman. Since the early 1990s, Rick has filmed for the BBC Natural History Unit and The Discovery Channel and he has worked on David Attenborough’s documentary series, *Life of Birds* and *Life in the Freezer*.

**Geoff Renner** – Geoff was born in England, and graduated with degrees in both geology and geophysics from the University of Durham. Subsequently, he worked for many seasons in Antarctica, where his research contributed to a greater understanding of the geological evolution of the Southern Hemisphere continents. Outside his academic career, he spent several months living with the Inuit of Greenland, and traveled extensively across the Sahara. More recently he has lectured aboard expedition ships both in the Arctic and Antarctic.

**Julie Christensen (Cruise Director)** – During Julie’s tenure leading travelers around the world she has visited all seven continents. Aboard a variety of expedition vessels such as *Le Levant*, *Le Ponant*, and the *Clipper Odyssey* she has traveled to Antarctica, Russian Far East, and Alaska; the numerous countries rimming the Mediterranean, Black, and Baltic Seas; Central America; Micronesia and Melanesia; the Middle East; and India.
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☑ Patagonia & Torres del Paine (Pre-voyage Extension)  November 15 – 22, 2009

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(preferred name)

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Cabin Category:

☑ 1  ☑ 2  ☑ 3  ☑ 4  ☑ 5  ☑ 6  ☑ Suite  ☑ Balcony Suite

Accommodations:

☑ Twin  ☑ Share  ☑ roommate to be assigned  ☑ Single

I am/We are:

☑ Nonsmokers  ☑ Smokers

Deposit Information:

☑ Enclosed is a deposit check made out to Zegrahm Expeditions for $ (25% per person of the program fare)

☑ Charge 25% deposit per person to:  ☑ VISA  ☑ MasterCard  ☑ American Express

Card Number

Expenses

Authorized Cardholder Signature

Note: Credit cards accepted for deposit only.

I/We have read and understand the enclosed Terms & Conditions for this program, and agree to abide by them.

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

Please complete and return this Reservation Form with your deposit of 25% per person of the program fare to:

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A suggested donation of $250 per person, payable by separate check to the Catalina Island Conservancy, is appreciated. Please mail any donations directly to the Catalina Island Conservancy at 330 Golden Shore, Suite 170, Long Beach, CA 90802. Please note on the check that you are a participant on the 2009 Antarctica expedition.
Limited singles available at the quoted single rate above. Additional singles may be available at 1.7 times the share rate (suites not applicable).

**Included:** Accommodations in our hotels and on board *Le Diamant* as outlined in the itinerary; all onboard meals; all group meals on land; group transfers; services of the expedition staff, including lectures, briefings, slide/film shows; all group activities and excursions; landing and port fees; all gratuities; wine with meals on board *Le Diamant*. Pre-extension includes all of the above.

**Not Included:** All air transportation; excess baggage charges; airport arrival and departure taxes; transfers for independent arrivals and departures; passport and/or visa fees; travel insurance; items of a personal nature such as laundry, bar charges, alcoholic beverages, e-mail/fax/telephone charges.

**Air Fare:** A tentative flight schedule is available upon request. Zegrahm Expeditions will contact you approximately 180 days prior to the departure of this program to finalize your flight plans. As of December 2008, the approximate economy air fare as listed in the itinerary is $1,875 for Miami/Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Buenos Aires/Miami. Air fare including the pre-voyage extension, as listed in the itinerary is $2,025 for Miami/Santiago/Punta Arenas – El Calafate/Ushuaia/Buenos Aires/Miami. Additional fares from other cities will be quoted as needed.

All rates are per person, quoted in U.S. dollars, and must be paid in U.S. dollars. Rates and itineraries are subject to change.
Le Diamant combines unique physical charm with the hearty spirit of an intrepid adventurer. She has an ice-classification of 1D allowing her access to the Arctic and Antarctic. Le Diamant can carry 226 passengers, but Zegrahm will comfortably have 165 passengers on board, and the high staff to passenger ratio will ensure all your needs are met. All spacious queen- or twin-bedded cabins are outside and well-equipped with TV and VCR/DVD player, a small refrigerator and minibar, excellent storage space, and en suite bathroom featuring a hair dryer and bathrobes. Some cabins feature a private balcony. A stunning panoramic observation lounge on the top deck leads the superb list of facilities, including a fitness center, library with e-mail station, spa, salon, and two gourmet restaurants. A dedicated, tiered lecture facility makes certain all passengers can be accommodated for presentations and recaps. Le Diamant travels at 15.5 knots, a higher nautical speed than most expedition vessels, which means more time for exploring ashore. Ship registry: France.