

MEDIA RELEASE

Aurora Expeditions Introduces New Polar Passenger Numbers



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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (July 25, 2024) – Ahead of commencing its 24-25 Antarctic season, [Aurora Expeditions](https://www.aurora-expeditions.com), a pioneer in responsible small-ship expedition travel, has announced a new maximum passenger capacity for its voyages to the polar regions.

Effective immediately, the company will now travel with no more than 130 passengers across its fleet of purpose-built small ships visiting Antarctica and the Arctic, including the *Greg Mortimer*, *Sylvia Earle* and the recently launched *Douglas Mawson*, sailing in December 2025.

“With passenger landing limits in Antarctica and some areas of the Arctic, we wanted to reinforce our commitment to providing the small ship experiences our passengers know us for, with more time off ship and more immersive activities. This change solidifies our position as one of the most intimate small ship offerings in our class for the polar regions,” commented Aurora Expeditions’ CEO, Michael Heath. “We also recognize our responsibility to protect and preserve the remote places we travel to, and we are proud to be one of the few companies visiting Antarctica and the Arctic with under 150 passengers. We remain steadfast in our commitment to responsible travel and our vision to be the global leader in sustainable expedition travel.”

Aurora Expeditions’ 24-25 season commences this October, running until early April 2025. Aurora Expeditions also recently released its Antarctica 25-26 season, featuring a variety of Antarctic voyages across its three purpose-built ships, including new departures to East Antarctica and the Ross Sea from Hobart, Australia and Dunedin, New Zealand.

To learn more about Aurora Expeditions, visit www.aurora-expeditions.com

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About Aurora Expeditions

Aurora Expeditions is an award-winning Australian-owned adventure travel company that has pioneered experiential travel for over 33 years. A Certified B Corporation™ and proudly Carbon Neutral, at the heart of each experience is a commitment to the protection and preservation of our planet.

Founded on the guiding principles of adventure and endless exploration, our carefully curated small-ship voyages offer immersive activities, more time off ship and thoughtful enrichment programs in some of the planet's most remote and incredible places.

Aurora's two purpose-built small ships, *Greg Mortimer* and *Sylvia Earle* are designed for global discovery. The company's third ship, *Douglas Mawson*, will set sail in December 2025.

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