

DAILY PROGRAM



HURTIGRUTEN
MS FRAM

SATURDAY, 24.12.2016 – GRYTVIKEN



OVERVIEW OF RESTAURANT TIMINGS

EARLY BIRD SELF SERVICE
BREAKFAST BUFFET
LUNCH BUFFET
TEA TIME
DINNERBUFFET

06:00 - 07:30
07:00 - 09:30
13:00 - 15:00
15:30 - 17:00
18:00 - 21:00

BISTRO, DECK 4
RESTAURANT, DECK 4
RESTAURANT, DECK 4
PANORAMA LOUNGE, DECK 7
RESTAURANT, DECK 4

Ca.08:00 MV Fram will arrive in Grytviken.

08:00 Framheim Information meeting **Grytviken Nature Cruise (Group A, B and C)** Please check the lists on deck 4. Boat Cruise Group A will go cruising directly after the meeting.

Ca 08:15 Framheim / English: A representative from South Georgia Heritage Trust - working at the museum, will come on board and give a short lecture about the "Eradication of rats in South Georgia" program while the ship is being formally cleared by the Government Officer. Clearance has to complete before the landing can start.

Ca 09:00 We launch the **Grytviken-Maiviken-Grytviken hikers** with the PolarCircle boats. Please listen to the announcements. We will provide a water bottle and an energy bar.

Ca 09:15: We hope for a landing at **Grytviken**. We start landing the cruisers group B & C, then followed by group number 7, 8, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. There is no limit on how many can go ashore. Please do not approach deck 2

until your group is called. **Rubber boots are necessary.**

09:15 Kayakers: Meet in front of the Expedition Desk on Deck 4. After a short briefing you will go directly to deck 2. We will provide a water bottle and an energy bar.

10:30 PolarCircleboat Cruise group B. Please meet on deck 2 to dress in the regatta suits. Please listen to the announcements for exact timings.

Two guided tours are available on shore, no need to book. **You just meet in front of the museum.**

09:30 & 11:00 "Tours of the whaling station". In English, with German summary.

13:00 "Shackleton at Grytviken Tour". In English.

13:00 PolarCircleboat Cruise group C. Please meet on deck 2 to dress in the regatta suits. Please listen to the announcements for exact timings.

12:00 Christmas in the Church Join us for a unique celebration lead by Captain Rune, with Michael playing

music. It's a simple mix of singing and a reading of the Christmas gospel. People of all faiths and no faith are welcome.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

14.30 Last Boat back to ship.

In the **museum** building there is a small, well equipped souvenir shop which sells a good selection of books, clothing and jewellery. Credit cards are welcome, as well as USD, GBP and Euro. If you would like to hand in your "Sponsor a Hectare" form (available after the talk 08:15), you can do so in the museum. To have one hectare "rat-free", costs US 145/Pound 90. Do visit the **Post Office & Exhibition** behind the museum.

Shackleton Grave: It is allowed to have a toast when you stand next to Shackletons grave. You might buy a small bottle of Whiskey on board MV Fram and take it with you.

Vacuuming for backpacks etc. you are able to use the vacuum system on deck 3 and 5.

Evening: MV Fram will enter the beautiful **Drygalski Fjord**.

22:00 Christmas Celebrations continue in the Panorama Lounge. Expect a speech from the Captain, some singing and maybe a special visitor (if you have been good).

Please remember to cover your windows from light for the sake of the birds.

Founded by Norwegian Carl Anton Larsen in 1904, **Grytviken** was the first whaling station in Antarctic waters. Here it is possible to pay your respects to Sir Ernest Shackleton and

others at the graveyard and visit the Whaler's Church. The manager's house became the South Georgia Whaling Museum in 1992 and is maintained by the British Antarctic Survey and the Government of South Georgia. The museum has a rich and fascinating display of whaling, sealing, exploring, and natural histories of the whole island.

Grytviken is home to several derelict ships, including Petrel, an excellent surviving example of a steam-powered whale-catcher. Just across the cove from Grytviken is King Edward Point, site of the former British Garrison and now home to a British Antarctic Survey applied fisheries research

station as well as the Marine Officer, the Government's sole representative. The Marine Officer's duties include those of Harbour Master, Customs and Immigration, Fisheries Officer, and sub-Postmaster. Captain Larsen knew a good thing when he saw it; King Edward Cove is located in a protected corner of Cumberland East bay. The pier at Grytviken is very unstable however and landings usually occur on a beach set out by the Marine Officer.

