



# Superyacht Hanse Explorer announces expeditions to South Pacific and Antarctica after multimillion-dollar redesign



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Following a multimillion-dollar redesign, the superyacht Hanse Explorer has announced new departures (<https://theluxereview.com/category/travel/>) to Antarctica and the South Pacific.

Sleeping twelve across seven luxuriously appointed cabins, the new look Hanse Explorer will spend April through October exploring the remote island groups of the Tuamotus, the Society Islands and the Marquesas, venturing as far afield as the Line and Phoenix and Cook Islands before heading to Antarctica for the 2022/23 season.

Tim Soper, co-founder of superyacht experience specialist EYOS said: “Hanse Explorer is, quite simply, transformed after this refit. Once a strictly polar yacht (<https://theluxereview.com/2021/09/21/monaco-yacht-show-2021-preview/>), she is now equally at home in the tropics or the Poles. With a state-of-the-art dive centre soon to be completed as well that rivals the equipment found on almost any yacht, she will be the perfect choice for any serious divers wanting to explore remote reefs rarely visited.”

Updates include a salt water jacuzzi, a cocktail area with Bose sound system and cabana-style Bali beds. Guests will also have access to kayaks, stand-up paddle boards, diving equipment, and two zodiacs to explore the landscape and make remote beach landings.

The Hanse also offers a Baseport entertainment system with in excess of 190 movies and 700 hours of TV shows.

“All expeditions are guided by a team of experts with decades of experience and in-depth knowledge of these regions,” says Soper.

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Itineraries can be tailored to suit individual requirements (<https://theluxereview.com/2022/01/03/how-to-get-maximum-holiday-from-work-in-2022/>). In Antarctica, guests can discover the spectacular coastline of the Antarctic Peninsula, view icebergs and sail into the volcanic caldera of Deception Island.

They can land at penguin colonies, cruise in tenders among whales, hike peaks and kayak fjords. They can also venture south into the ice, to the Antarctic Circle, or explore the lush high islands of the Societies and Marquesas.

Hanse's owners say the main goal of the refit was to maximize and create the deepest connection with the outside world. New glass-paned sliding doors create a seamless transition from the saloon to the outside decks; a similar entryway has been outfitted in the master stateroom to offer the primary charter guest private deck access.

A pair of zero speed stabilizers have also been installed, allowing the yacht to cross the Pacific with minimal motion.

The steel-hulled exterior may be rugged and ice-ready, but the interior is contemporary, with light woods and a palette of creams, clean whites, and chromed silvers (and just a splash of navy blue).

The top deck has also been opened up. "The top just was not used, but it's such a beautiful part of the ship," explains the owner. "We wanted it to be very calm, and not too brash. I think we've achieved a sense of calm, openness and modernity, and that it's very elegant".

Charter rates for the Pacific leg start from Euro 175,000/week + expenses, with Antarctic expeditions are priced at Euro 200,000/week. Individual cabin departure dates will also be available, TBA. More information can be had at [eyos.com](https://www.eyos.com) (<https://www.eyos-expeditions.com/>).