All Around the World

Fifth Stop: Antarctica





Antarctica

- It is the 5th largest continent in the world.
- It is surrounded by the Southern Ocean.



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- Antarctica contains the south pole.
- It is the coldest, driest and windiest continent.
- The Antarctic gets so little rain that it is considered a desert.
- The Antarctic has no population, the only people there are scientists and tourists.









Antarctic Animals: Penguins



Emperor Penguin

King Penguin



Gentoo Penguin





Chinstrap Penguin

Adelie Penguin

- Penguins are flightless birds.
- They are very good swimmers and can slide across the ice on their stomachs.
- They eat fish that they catch from the sea.

Antarctic Animals: Birds





Wandering Albatross

Antarctic Skua

Blue Eyed Shag

Giant Petrel



Birds feed on a variety of food. Some dive for seafood. Others scavenge from dead animals and some eat Penguin eggs.



Cape Petrel



Snow

Petrel

Antarctic Animals: Seals





Leopard Seal

Crabeater Seal

Southern Fur Seal

Elephant Seal

Weddell Seal

- Seals are semi-aquatic mammals which means they have live babies and spend part of their lives in the water.
- Seals have a layer of blubber beneath their skin to keep them warm in the Antarctic.
- They usually eat fish and krill but some (leopard seal) will even eat birds and penguins.

Antarctic Animals: Whales





Antarctic Blue Whale



Humpback Whale



Killer Whale

- Whales are marine mammals but they need to breathe air regularly through the blow hole on the top of their heads.
- Whales mainly feed on krill, but some will sometimes eat other creatures such as crustaceans and fish.