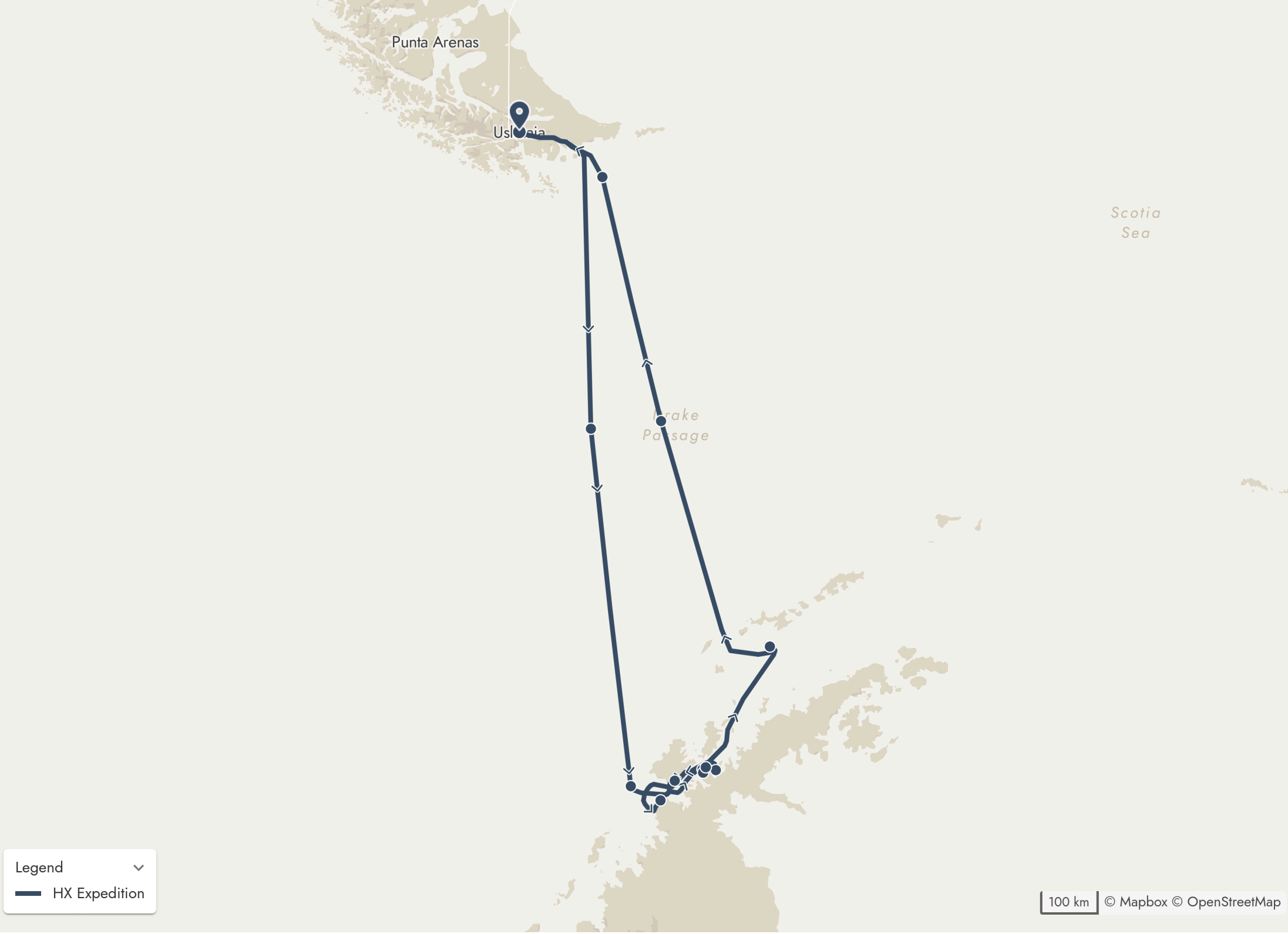




MS Fridtjof Nansen

2025.01.27 - 2025.02.06



## Day 1

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The journey begins as you find your cabins and set sail for the Frozen Continent on this expedition to the Antarctic Peninsula. As we sailed

away from Ushuaia we were treated to a glorious sunset in the Beagle Channel.







Tolhuin

Parque Nacional  
Yendegaia

Ushuaia Ushuaia

Puerto Williams

Hoste Island

Drake Passage

Legend  
HX Expedition

20 km © Mapbox © OpenStreetMap



## Day 2

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Rough weather was forecast and we got rough weather. Thankfully the waves weren't as high as predicted but today was a day of watching

for wildlife from the shelter of deck 6 and introductory lectures in preparation for our expedition.





## Day 3

The sea had calmed and we had our first site of icebergs as we approached the Frozen Continent. An afternoon of fin whale sightings

and our first penguins were highlights of the day as the final briefings were given in preparation for landfall in Antarctica.





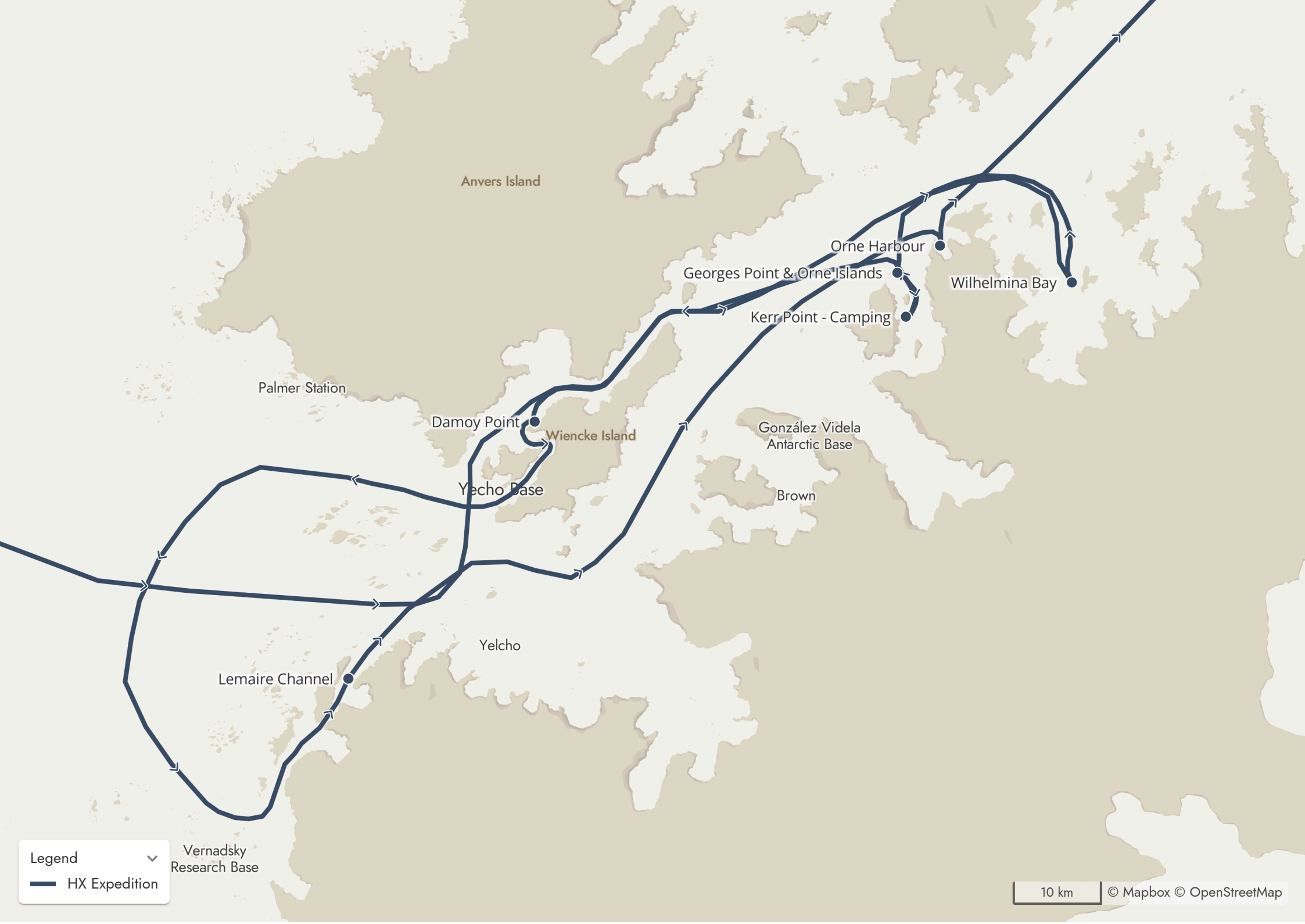
## Day 4

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Rough weather intervened once again and after aborting passage through the Lemaire Channel we headed north to Wilhelmina Bay for our first zodiac cruising. The conditions were perfect as we saw huge

icebergs and navigated through the ice finding crabeater seals and humpback whales.





Legend  
HX Expedition

Vernadsky  
Research Base

10 km

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## Day 5

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Today we had our first landing on the Antarctic Peninsula, at the gentoo penguin colony of George's Point. Alongside this we went small boat cruising around the Orne Islands where we got to see a

chinstrap penguin colony too. The evening saw a select few head out to Kerr Point for camping.







Orne Harbour

Georges Point & Orne Islands

Kerr Point - Camping

Rongé Island

Wilhelmina Bay

Legend



— HX Expedition

2 km

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## Day 6

After picking the campers up we sailed south to Paradise Bay and had a close encounter with 3 humpback whales resting in the bay. Then we landed at Damoy Point on Wiencke Island. Activities included

kayaking, snow shoeing and landing on the small peninsula featuring a historic hut, plenty of penguins and views down to the old research station at Port Lockroy.







Palmer Station

Damoy Point

Wiencke Island

Yecho Base

Kerr Point -

González Videla  
Antarctic Base

Brown

Yelcho

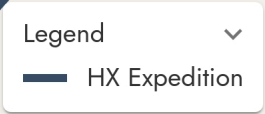
Lemaire Channel

Legend  
HX Expedition

5 km

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## Day 7

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The captain treated us to an unexpected trip through the famous Lemaire Channel as we sailed northward to an afternoon operation at Orne Harbour. This continental landing saw us land on the true

Antarctic mainland. A steep climb to a chinstrap penguin rookery and zodiac cruising with feeding humpback whales.





Legend

— HX Expedition

2 km

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## Day 8

Our final stop of the trip was the active volcano of Deception Island in the South Shetland Islands. We landed at Whalers Bay with the remains of both the abandoned whaling station and research base

complete with an airplane hangar. Plus a hike to the summit of Ronald's Hill with views over the volcano caldera.





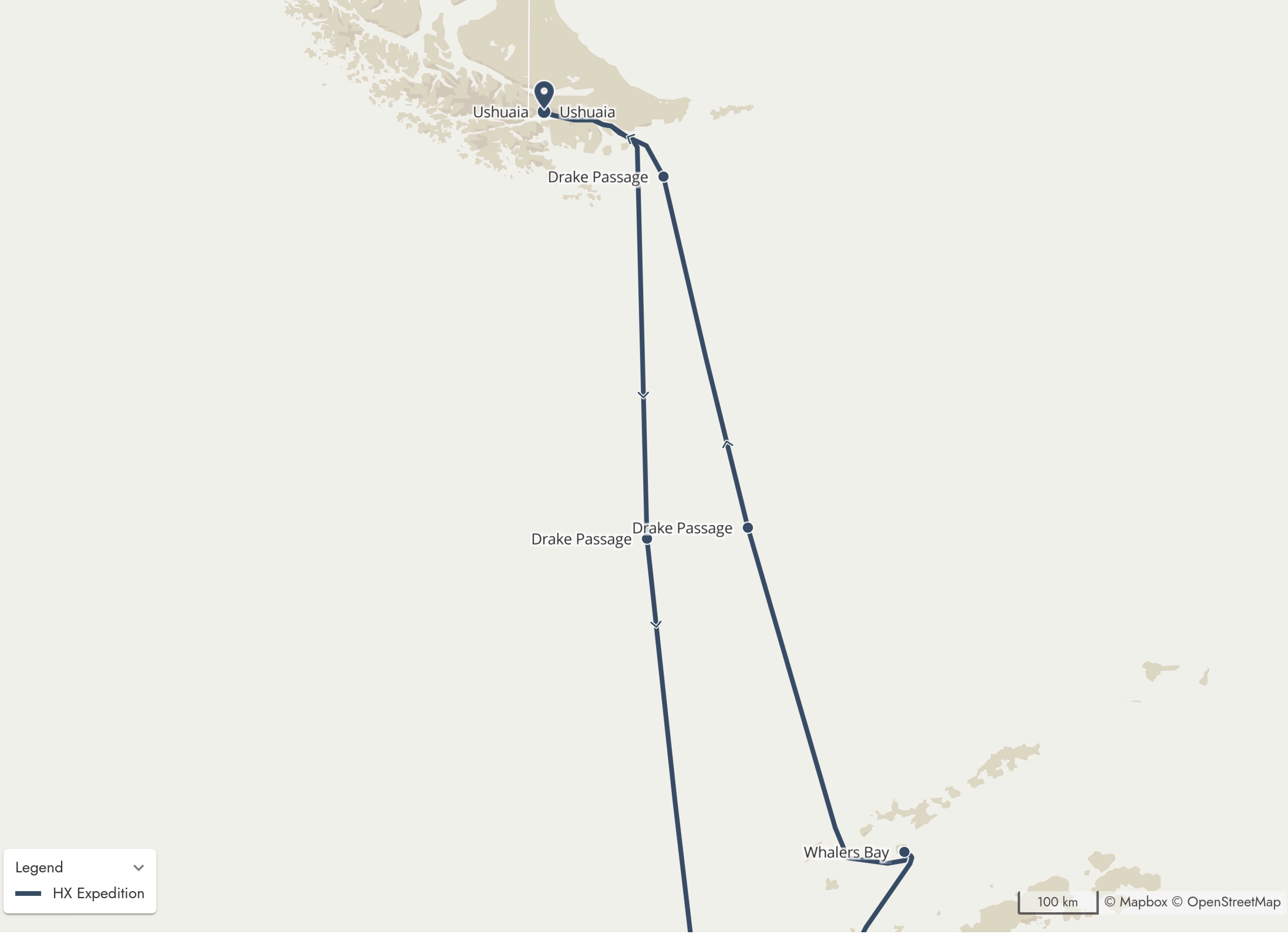
## Day 9

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Homeward bound we enjoyed a few more lectures and wildlife watching with whales and albatrosses to be seen. We said goodbye to

Antarctica as we sailed back north.





## Day 10

The final day and a chance to reflect on the expedition that had been. Recaps of the science projects, the captain's farewell and the

photographer's slideshow brought us to the end of our epic voyage.







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