



MEDIA RELEASE

Aurora Expeditions Achieves IATA Accreditation, Streamlining Air Operations

(Sydney, April 20, 2025) Aurora Expeditions is proud to announce that it has officially been accredited by the International Air Transport Association (IATA), marking a major milestone in the company's growth and operational excellence.

This accreditation enables Aurora to purchase flights directly from airlines, eliminating the need for third-party intermediaries. The move is expected to deliver significant commercial savings, enhance operational efficiency, and provide an even smoother travel experience for Aurora's valued passengers.

"Achieving IATA accreditation is a proud moment for Aurora and a transformative step forward for our business," said Michael Heath, CEO of Aurora Expeditions. *"This new capability allows us to streamline our air sales processes, create direct partnerships with airlines, and ultimately offer our passengers even greater flexibility, value, and service."*

Effective immediately, Aurora will begin signing direct contracts with airlines, phasing out third-party arrangements that previously facilitated flight sales and operations. The change will also empower Aurora to optimize internal systems, ensuring faster, more efficient air bookings aligned with expedition schedules.

"In simple terms, if previously we had to fly from Sydney to Melbourne via Johannesburg, our new IATA certification allows us to take the most direct and efficient route, which means getting us there faster, smarter, and more sustainably," added Elena Prenner, Global Head of Sales & Customer Experience.

For more information, visit <http://auroraexpeditions.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.