

# Antarctica

Wild, remote, nearly inaccessible, with only the faintest traces of human exploration, Antarctica beckons the dedicated adventurer. When one thinks of Antarctica and the South Pole, names like Amundsen, Scott and Shackleton come to mind. These names remind us of the epic demands that face all explorers and they inspire us to seek the challenges and rewards that embrace adventure.



After the memorable experience we had in November 2003 for the first midnight sun total solar eclipse observed by mankind in Antarctica, we wanted to do more: see the 2008 February 7 annular solar eclipse from the top of Mt. Vinson, Antarctica's highest peak, one of the very coveted "Seven Summits".

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A sense of  
**CHALLENGE**

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2003 November 23 in Dronning Maud Land, Antarctica

*“For years I have read about the Polar Explorers:*

*Amundsen, Peary, Henson, Scott, Cook, and so many others.*

*Today I felt, as they did so many years ago, the crisp biting air and the stinging wind. Today I heard the crunch of snow beneath my own feet, and felt the tug of a sled packed tight with my supplies. Today I saw, with my own eyes, the sun arc across the sky without setting.*

A red tracked vehicle, likely a military or expedition vehicle, is shown driving across a vast, flat, snow-covered landscape. The vehicle has "PAC" written on its side. The ground is a mix of white snow and dark, possibly icy patches. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The overall scene conveys a sense of a polar or high-altitude environment.

***WORDS CAN'T DESCRIBE THE SATISFACTION.”***

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to get started making your  
adventure dream come true!

## Antarctica

*Fewer places are more remote and more inhospitable than the North and South Poles.*

*At the ends of the Earth lie landscapes of frozen, windswept ice and snow. Second to none in intensity and beauty, the Poles are a destination rich in history, saturated in color and one of the last remaining frontiers for the discriminating adventurer.*

*If the urge to explore is a part of your character, you'll enjoy looking through this presentation of a unique polar opportunity. We are confident that you will find this awesome adventure sparking your dreams.*

*Please help us turn that dream into reality.*

## Our Mission

*With years of experience guiding us, we strive to create exceptional and unique five star adventures for the discriminating and intrepid traveler with an emphasis on safety, environmental and social stewardship and first class guest services.*

# 2008 February 7 Annular Solar Eclipse at Mt. Vinson

Mt. Vinson, Antarctica's highest peak and one of the very coveted "Seven Summits", has long beckoned mountaineers. Combining the observation of an annular solar eclipse with Mt. Vinson ascent is a great challenge. Doing it during the International Heliophysical and Polar Years is even better.

At first glance, it doesn't seem to be the ideal vacation spot. Temperatures that rarely climb above  $-23^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $-10^{\circ}\text{F}$ ); high and strong winds; long white-outs. Yet to the dedicated adventurer, it is a place of subtle, silent, intense and sheer beauty.

Why join Eclipse-City on that awesome journey? Simply said we offer the only and unique opportunity to combine a solar eclipse with a great last frontier adventure. Our staff members are passionate about what they do, and we have developed a reputation for giving exceptional individual attention, both on and off the ice. From the moment you register until you board your return flight home, you can be confident that the entire Eclipse-City staff will work with you to ensure that you have the best possible experience.

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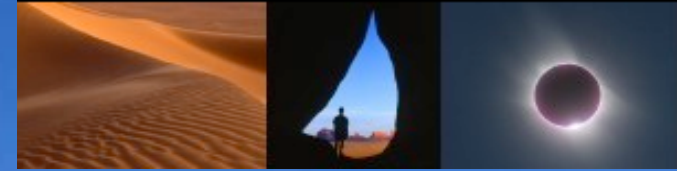
# Vinson Massif

*As the most remote and coldest of the Earth's "Seven Summits", the Mt. Vinson has long beckoned mountaineers. Situated on the southern main ridge of the Sentinel Range, it lies 1,200 kilometers (746 miles) from the South Pole. At its base it measures 21 kilometers (13 miles) long, 13 kilometers (8 miles) wide and rises 4,897 meters (16,067 ft.) above sea level. Everything about this climb is remarkable: from the extremely low temperatures that can occur at any time to the incredible views of Mt. Shinn, Mt. Tyree, and the Antarctic landscape with an annular eclipse from the summit. Though the main route along the Branscomb Glacier is not considered especially technical, the extreme temperatures, high winds and remote location demand high performance and sound judgment. Previous mountaineering experience is a must and we can help you make arrangements to acquire such experience if necessary.*

*Note: weather delays are very common in Antarctica. We therefore advise all participants on this journey to have flexible travel itineraries, a positive attitude, and a good sense of adventure!*



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*The thrill of*  
**SATISFACTION**

## South Pole Amundsen-Scott Station Flights

*If the South Pole beckons, but pulling sleds isn't your style, you'll enjoy the unique opportunity of flying across the Antarctic continent to 90° South latitude - the geographic South Pole. Your journey begins in the Chilean city of Punta Arenas, long considered the "gateway to the South" for Polar adventurers. A charter flight takes you across the Drake Passage to Antarctica, and the famous Patriot Hills base camp. Patriot Hills is the home base for many polar expeditions and there is no telling what activities might be going on during your stay.*

*Tents warmed by the solar radiation and a heated "mess hall" help to ensure your comfort and happiness while you are visiting. From Patriot Hills you'll board a smaller Twin Otter plane for the final dash to the South Pole. The South Pole is home to the Amundsen-Scott Polar Research Station as well as both the ceremonial South Pole, and the geographic South Pole. You'll enjoy a grand celebration, including champagne, numerous photo opportunities to document your arrival and an exciting call home from the bottom of the world. As the party winds down you'll be shuttled back to Patriot Hills where you will board your return flight to Punta Arenas or to the Mt. Vinson base camp where you will observe for the first time in mankind an annular solar eclipse in Antarctica.*

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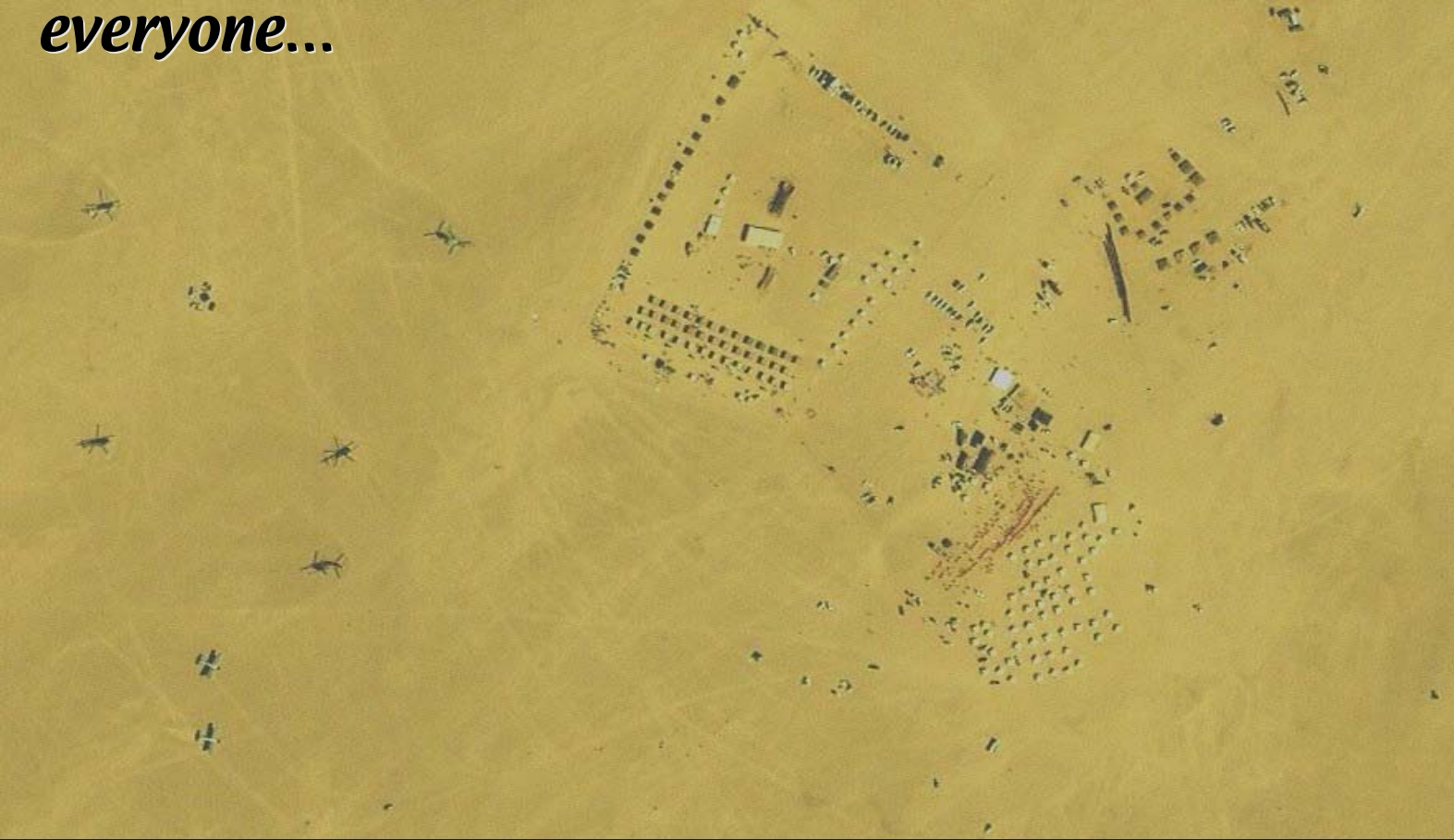
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***Annular Solar Eclipse Journeys:***

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