

Bid to find Shackleton's lost ship

Antarctic explorers are trying to find the wreck of Ernest Shackleton's famous ship *Endurance*, which sank in 1915 during his ill-fated attempt to reach the South Pole

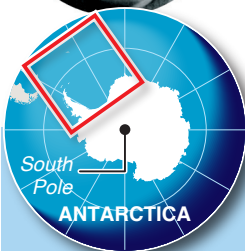


Ernest Shackleton (1874-1922)

Escape across Southern Ocean regarded as epic feat of survival

Endurance

44m-long steam yacht lost
3,000m under Weddell Sea



BRITISH TRANS-ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION (1914-1916)

1 Dec 5, 1914: *Endurance* departs South Georgia in attempt to complete first land crossing of Antarctica

6 Apr-May 1916: Shackleton and five men sail 1,300km to South Georgia to seek help

7 Aug 1916: Rest of crew rescued and taken to Chile

1 South Georgia

5 Nov 1915-Apr 1916: Crew eventually reaches Elephant Island in lifeboats

Elephant Island

4. Nov 21: Endurance, crushed by ice, sinks

3 Feb-Oct: Drifts in pack ice

SOUTHERN OCEAN

WEDDELL SEA

Larsen C ice shelf

Antarctic Peninsula

ANTARCTICA

2 Jan 18, 1915: Ship trapped in ice



SA Agulhas II: 13,700-tonne icebreaker to deploy *Hugin 6000 Autonomous Underwater Vehicle* to scan seafloor for sunken ship



Operating depth:	Length:	Speed:
6,000m	6.2m	6 knots
		11km/h