

Galapagos Islands - Central & Eastern Galapagos Islands | Monserrat

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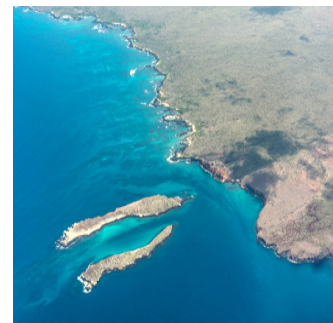
Introduction

Embark on a 5-day cruise through the Galápagos Islands. The journey unfolds with a visit to the Santa Cruz Highlands, where giant tortoises roam freely, and the Charles Darwin Research Station sheds light on conservation efforts. Cruise to the crimson shores of Rabida Island, with vibrant marine life and unique landscapes. Explore the lunar-like Bartolome Island and the diverse South Plazas Island, home to distinct flora and fauna. Continue your adventure to Santa Fe Island, Punta Pitt, and Cerro Brujo on San Cristobal Island, where endemic species and dramatic landscapes create an immersive experience. Conclude your expedition with a visit to Lobos Island, a sanctuary for sea lions, before bidding farewell to the Galápagos Islands.

Itinerary

DAY 1: Arrive Galapagos Island

In the morning, upon your arrival at Baltra Airport from your mainland flight, you will be greeted by your local guide who will assist you for the rest of your voyage. Later in the afternoon, you'll have the opportunity to explore the highlands of Santa Cruz and witness the magnificent Galápagos giant tortoise in its natural habitat. Delve into the area's captivating landscape and discover its remarkable underground lava tunnels - some extending over 1km (.6 mi) in length! While wandering along these volcanic tubes, keep a lookout for the (mostly) nocturnal barn owls that occasionally inhabit this area.



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5 Days Chinese Hat & Sullivan Bay
Locations
Galapagos Islands, Ecuador, South America
~~This morning, explore the stunning~~
landscape of Chinese Hat and its
spectacular beach. Snorkel directly from the
white coral-sand shore to encounter playful
sea lions and large schools of tropical fish.
Be sure to watch for marine iguanas and
penguins as well! In the afternoon, take a
walk through Sullivan Bay, an extraordinary
journey into the volcanic origins of the
Archipelago. This hike leads you across a
perfectly preserved Pahoehoe lava flow,
offering the chance to observe the intricate
textures of this unique volcanic formation.
While the landscape may initially seem
barren and lifeless, a closer look reveals
resilient pioneer plants, scurrying lava
lizards, and small birds. Along the shore,
penguins, pelicans, and oystercatchers
bring vibrancy to the stark environment.
After the excursion, enjoy snorkeling from
the beach, where you may encounter sea
turtles, sea lions, reef sharks, and
Galapagos rays.



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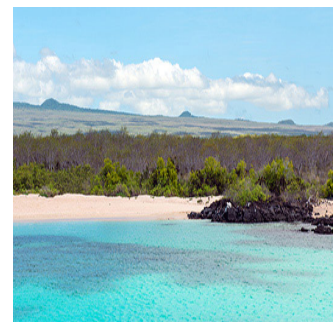
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Departure North Seymour & Santa Fe

Duration

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The morning starts with a visit to North
Seymour Island, a spectacular showcase of
Galapagos Islands, Ecuador, South America
The Galapagos Islands diverse wildlife. This

Fairly flat island is home to a thriving
population of blue-footed boobies and
frigate birds. The trail will walk you through
a forest of low, bushy vegetation, where
you'll have the opportunity to witness the
fascinating courtship dance of the blue-
footed boobies. The island's coastline also
let you observe sea lions and marine
iguanas basking in the sun. The large
frigate bird colonies are a sight, especially
when the males expand their bright red
throat pouches to attract mates. In the
afternoon, you will visit Santa Fe island,
known for its picturesque bay and turquoise
waters. The island hosts a large amount of
land iguanas unique to Santa Fe. Watching
for these magnificent creatures as you walk
through the giant prickly pear cactus forest
will make a unique experience. The island's
calm and clear waters are ideal for spotting
the marine life, including sea turtles, rays,
and colorful schools of fish. Santa Fe also
offers a chance to see the Galapagos hawk
and various endemic finches.



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Day 4: Punta Pitt & Cerro Brujo

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Begin the day with a morning adventure at

Punta Pitt. Set foot on this remote volcanic

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landscape, where rugged cliffs meet the

crashing waves of the Pacific Ocean.

Encounter an array of seabirds, including

the iconic blue-footed boobies, red-footed

boobies, and frigatebirds, as they soar

overhead or nest along the rocky shores.

Hike along winding trails, taking in

panoramic views of the surrounding

seascape and the island's unique geological

formations. In the afternoon, continue your

journey to Cerro Brujo, a pristine beach

located on San Cristobal Island. Sink your

toes into the soft white sands and feel the

gentle ocean breeze against your skin as

you explore this enchanting coastal

paradise. Keep an eye out for playful sea

lions lounging along the shoreline or surfing

the waves.



DAY 5: Tijereta Hill & Departure

Embark on your final adventure in the

Galapagos Islands with a visit to Tijeretas

Hill. Situated on San Cristobal Island, it

offers visitors a spectacular panoramic view

and the opportunity to enjoy the rich marine

life that surrounds the area. The name

"Tijeretas" refers to the frigate birds that

inhabit the region, also known as earwigs. It

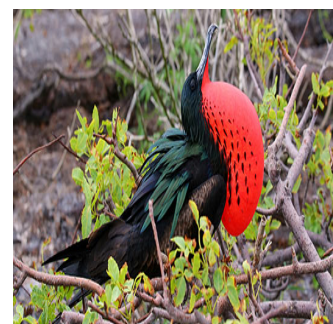
is one of the only places where you can

watch the two species of frigate birds

nesting in the same colony. Following your

visit, you will be transferred to the airport

for your onward travel.



Inclusions & Details

Accommodation Cabin on board a Ship

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Inclusions	<p>INCLUSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cabin accommodation. Fuel Surcharge. All meals on board Activities and excursions as depicted in the itineraries in company of a bilingual naturalist guide. Snorkelling equipment. Kayak Wetsuits Stand up Paddle Board Group transfers to/from the Yacht (please note if you arrive on different flights to the rest of group surcharges may apply for transfers). <p>EXCLUSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Air ticket to and from Galapagos Gratuities to guides and crew Personals expenses Alcoholic and non alcoholic beverages. Travel insurance International Airfare Visas if applicable Wifi onboard Anything not mentioned on the itinerary Galapagos National Park Entrance Fee* (US\$200 from Aug 2024, price subject to change) Galapagos Control Transit \$20* (price subject to change)
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	<p>A single supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information. There may be a limited number of cabins available onboard for sole occupancy.</p> <p>All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice.</p> <p>Please note water activities are subject to weather conditions.</p> <p>Prices are based on per person, twin share* (unless otherwise stated)</p> <p>Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time</p> <p>Snorkelling equipment is available in average sizes onboard complimentary.</p> <p>Wetsuits are available at different sizes complimentary, on a first comes first served basis</p> <p>Kayaks and stand up paddle boards are available complimentary to use</p> <p>Cooking and cocktail lessons are complimentary</p> <p>Passengers can open a tab for their bar and boutique consumption.</p> <p>Tabs must be settled the last night of the cruise in Us dollars and in cash.</p>
Notes	<p>* Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions and government regulations.</p> <p>Price Dependent upon Seasonality, fuel surcharges, currency fluctuations and availability at time of booking.</p>
Sustainability	