

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS B

First day

PM. Santa Cruz Highlands

Take the bus in Puerto Ayora, the upper part of Santa Cruz Island is characterized by green vegetation, which contrasts with the dry vegetation that are typical of the smaller islands. The dominant vegetation is the Scalesia, which are trees that give a lush green appearance.

You can also find lava tunnels, with distances of more than a mile long that are underground, walk through them, you have a unique experience, in this place the giant tortoises that are found in the wild inhabit.

Important aspects: Lava tunnels, wild giant tortoises, endemic vegetation and land birds

Activities: Hike (1.5 miles / 2 ½ km)

Landing Type: Dry Landing

Difficulty: Moderate hike



Second day

AM. Puerto Egas (Santiago Island)

Also known as James Bay, Puerto Egas is home to the curious Galapagos Hawks. The trail leads to a coastline with magnificent natural pools and caves full of fauna. Here sea lions bathe in the sun. This is also a great dive site.

Important aspects:

Galapagos sea lions, pools formed with sea water, the "caves", Galápagos sparrowhawk, oystercatchers, marine iguanas, finches; snorkeling: reef sharks, turtles, rays, beautiful underwater formations.

Activities:

Snorkeling, hike (1.25 mi / 2 km)

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy moderate

PM. Playa Espumilla (Isla Santiago)

Espumilla Beach is a popular spot for marine iguanas and lava crabs. Crabs attract hunting herons by performing the dance of predators and prey. The site has an abundant marine life, such as octopuses, moray eels and sharks, diving is highly recommended.

Attractions: Marine iguanas, lava crab, marine life.

Activities: Snorkeling and swimming

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy



PM. Caleta Bucanero (Isla Santiago)

Bucanero is a testament to the fact that Santiago Island was once a refuge for British buccaneers. These pirates anchored in the protected bay to make repairs to the boats and to stock up on turtle meat among other things. On the cliffs, there are hundreds of birds that perch in front of the dark red sand beach.

Attractions: Sea birds, historical site, snorkeling, rock formations

Activities: Walk along the beach (less than 0.6 mi / 1 km)

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy



Third day

AM. Cerro Dragón (Santa Cruz)

Cerro Dragon is located in the northwest of the island of Santa Cruz, it was one of the only places on Santa Cruz Island, where there were land iguanas (*Conolophus subcristatus*) in good condition, some specimens were transferred to Darwin Station for the purpose to breed in captivity. The entire population of iguanas from Cerro Dragón was transported to the Islet of Venice to keep away from wild dogs, after several iguanas reproduced in Venice, these were returned to Cerro Dragon in 1990. In this site there are some lagoons that at certain times of the year have abundant flamingos.

Attractions: Snorkeling, lagoon with flamingos, walk to see land iguanas and landscape.

Activities: Snorkel, hike (1.6 km)

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy / moderate





A.M. Bahía Ballena (Santa Cruz)

This place has a green sand beach located on the west coast of Santa Cruz Island. The beach contains olivine crystals. According to the writings of the French captain Genie, there is a path that originates from this site and ascends to the top of the island, this path was used to collect fresh water. Also here were a group of people who were dedicated to the collection of lichens (Rocellatinctoria), which was used to dye clothes.

Important aspects: Snorkeling, Olivine Beach, Lichen Collection Historic Site (Rocellatinctoria), Small Pinzón Island Turtle Population.

Activities: swimming, diving, hiking, plus a difficult hike.

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy

PM. Eden Island

It is located to the northeast and near the island of Santa Cruz, it is a small island with an area of 23 hectares, there is a mountain 71 meters above sea level, it is possible to take a walk around the island to see seabirds, which has a diameter of 600 meters.

Attractions: landscape characterized by the vegetation of arid areas, cliffs.

Activities: Snorkeling, boat tour.

Type of landing: No landing

Difficulty: Easy

Fourth day

AM. Isla Seymour Norte

Sea lions, blue footed boobies and magnificent frigate birds are abundant on North Seymour Island. The island was formed by a series of submarine lavas containing sediment layers, the same as were lifted by tectonic activity. The island is defined by arid vegetation

Attractive:

Marine iguanas, frigate land iguanas, blue-footed boobies, sea lions; snorkeling: stingrays, reef sharks, fish, eels. Iguanas marinas, iguanas terrestres.

Activities:

Snorkel, boat tour and excursions (1.5 miles / 2.5 km)

Landing Type:

Dry landing

Difficulty:

Moderate / difficult



AM. Baltra

INCLUDES:

- Accommodation on board based on a shared double cabin
- Detailed food: Breakfast, lunch and dinner (based on menu)
- Bilingual naturalist guide (English-Spanish) certified by the Galapagos National Park
- Detailed visits
- Maritime and land transportation for necessary visits

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NOT INCLUDED:

- Air ticket (check our prices and advantages of buying with us)
- Migration control card Galápagos Government Council \$ 20
- Tax to the Galapagos National Park:

NATIONALITY	THIRD-AGE ADULTS	UNDER 12 YEARS
Foreigners	\$100	\$50
Pacto-Andino Mercosur	\$50	\$100
Ecuadorianos	\$6	\$3

- Bus Airport Dock and / or Canal de Itabaca Airport \$ 5 per way per passenger.
- Snorkeling equipment, it is possible to rent on board, for this we require your confirmation.
- Alcoholic beverages
- Travel insurance on land