

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS ITINERARY A

First day

AM. Baltra (AIRPORT)

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 yield lush green appearance.

You can also find the lava tunnels, with distances of more than a mile long that are underground, walking through them will give you a unique experience, this place is inhabited by giant turtles found in the wild.

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

Activities: Hike (1.5 miles / 2 ½ km)

Tipo de Desembarco: Desembarco seco

Difficulty: Moderate hike



Second day

AM. Rabida (Jervis).

The Rabida Island is one of the most colorful and varied volcanic island in the archipelago, it has a great dive site. Its famous brown sand beach and spectacular viewpoints offer wonderful landscapes. The island is a delight for bird watchers. Some of the rarer species are found here as nine varieties of finches, long-beaked, Galapagos hawk, and brown pelicans.

Attractions: Snorkel: reddish-white cheek ducks, goldfish, sea lions, brackish water lagoon, penguins, Galapagos Hawk

Activities: Snorkeling, boat tour and short hike (0.6 miles / 1 km)

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy / moderate



PM. Sombrero Chino

It is a small islet located on the south-east coast of Santiago Island, its shape is like a Chinese hat, geologically it was formed by the expulsion of lava in the form of drops, it is known as a cone type "Splash".

Towards the west side the lavas are pillow-like which is an indicator that the flows formed under the sea and were later lifted outwards here you can find corals on the lava.

Important aspects:

Snorkeling, Galapagos geology, lava tubes and lava flows, marine iguanas, Galapagos penguin, sea lions.

Activities: 700 m trail hike, snorkeling, swimming.

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy



Third day

AM. Bartolomé Island

The main attraction is the geological interpretation that can be given to this site, here is the famous pinnacle, the top of the hill from where the landscape is observed, it is located at an altitude of 115 meters above sea level. To the east of the summit are splatters of cones that are parasitic because they did not form from the main explosion.

The tuff cones are to the west and their remains eroded. The tower or Pinnacle is part of a volcanic tuff cone. There are two beaches that are visitor areas and are connected by a path.

Attractions:

Landscape geology, splash cones, lava glass bubbles (Hornitos), pioneer plants, also diving, observation of rays, sharks and penguins.

Activities: swimming, diving and walking along the 795-meter route and 375 wooden stairs.

Type of Landing: Wet and dry landing

Difficulty: easy and moderate.



PM. Sullivan Bay (Santiago Island)

It is located to the southeast of Santiago Island, it is covered by pahoehoe lava flows that were active in the last 25 years of the 19th century. The lava at Sullivan formed in 1897. This flow is geologically very young. The magma that formed is flat, but the movement of underground lava causes it to be corrugated, the rapid cooling and other eruptions led to the rupture in many places of the lava. Here islands of vegetation have been formed, surrounded by more recent lava tides, there are cone-shaped formations of tuff, which are small volcanoes, similar to Hornitos

Fourth day

AM. Black Turtle Cove

It is located north of Santa Cruz Island, it is a bay surrounded by a mangrove forest, it is a resting place, mainly for sea turtles, on the mangrove forest colonies of seabirds rest.

Attractions: Nesting site for sea turtles, lagoons with flamingos, marine iguanas and migratory and aquatic birds.

Activities: Swimming, diving and walking on the 1 km trail.

Landing Type: Wet Landing

Difficulty: Easy.

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

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	\$100	\$50
Pacto-Andino Mercosur	\$50	\$50	\$100
Ecuadorianos	\$6	\$3	\$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