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Galapagos Cruise Extensions Weekly Departures

Join us as we cruise to the Galapagos to view the islands' unique and fearless wildlife. Our naturalist guided trips aboard small-chartered sail boats and motor yachts provide intimate, insightful and luxurious week long to ten day voyages. Retracing the steps of Darwin's famous voyage we will explore the Galapagos' fascinating islands and view an extraordinary variety of species of birds, plants and animals found nowhere else in the world. Combining coastal walks, snorkeling, sea kayaking and exploring by pango (dinghy) we will have close-up encounters with the Galapagos' incredible wildlife; from bays of swimming sea lions, to mountain sides inhabited by giant tortoises and beaches covered with sun bathing Iguanas. Each one of our vessels features air-conditioned cabins with private bathrooms, exquisitely prepared gourmet meals and an incredibly attentive staff. The most important member of the staff our expert naturalist guides who will allow you to truly discover the natural wonders of the Galapagos, a paradise for naturalists, photographers and adventurers. Add a week trip to make your haciendas trip the complete Ecuadorian experience

Day 1 Quito-Plaza

In the morning you will transfer from your hotel to the airport for your flight to the Galapagos. The Galapagos are situated 600 off the shore of Ecuador. Your flight lands on the island of Baltra where you transfer to your motor or sailing yacht. After lunch on board we will our week-long trip through the Galapagos. Aboard small vessels you will be able to travel to places that the larger boats can not access. Allowing you superb animal viewing experiences. Today we cruise to the island of Plaza. Plaza is a small island with steep cliffs and fascinating wildlife. Plaza's home to sea lion colonies as well as land and marine iguanas, swallow tailed gulls and red-billed tropic birds. *B,L,D*

Day 2 South Plaza-Santa Cruz-Santa Fe

Today we visit the Islands and Santa Cruz and Santa Fe. Santa Cruz is one of the largest islands in the Galapagos. As well it is home to the Darwin Research Station in Puerto Ayora. The lush highlands of Santa Cruz where we will see giant tortoises and visit extinct volcano cones. The highlands are home to a wide variety of birds. We should see brightly colored vermilion flycatchers, yellow flycatchers, egrets, and several of Darwin's Galapagos finches. Returning to our boat we will visit Black Turtle Cove where we have a chance to see sharks, rays and in season green sea turtles. Our final stop for the day will be the island of Santa Fe with its frolicking sea lion populations and dramatic Opuntia Cactus. *B,L,D*

Day 3 Santa Fe- Espanola

The island of Espanola is a true highlight, nearly all of the species found on this island are visible from Puenta Suarez, including: Albatross colonies, mocking birds, unusual red and green trimmed marine iguanas, and both blue footed and masked boobies. In the evening we will set anchor along one of Gardner Bay's beautiful beaches. *B,L,D*

Day 4 Espanola-Florena

From the Punta Commerant we walk to a Flamingo lagoon, where the species nest showing off their bright pink colors. The lagoon also hosts species of Galapagos Ducks and many other varieties of shore birds. In the afternoon we will snorkel at nearby Devils' Crown, an almost completely submerged volcano known

for its brightly colored coral and tropical fish. Our day ends dropping a letter off at Post Office Bay, where in the 18th century whalers opened an unofficial post office in a barrel, for other visitors to take home and deliver. *B,L,D*

Day 5 Florena-Isabella

The largest island in the Galapagos, Isabella also has the highest peak, Volcano Wolf which rises more than 5,000 feet above sea level. This island has some of the most remote visitor sites including Punta Morena with its flamingos in an oasis among barren lava fields and flightless cormorants on the rocky shores. In the afternoon we will travel by panga through lush mangroves and small islets to view turtles and penguins. *B,L,D*

Day 6 Isabella-Fernandina

Before leaving the waters of Isabella we will visit Urbina Bay with its Land Iguanas and Giant tortoises. Fernandina may be the Galapagos's most virgin island. Here the impressive black volcanic rock formations are covered with marine iguanas sunning themselves. Sea lions dash in and out of the inlets and cormorants walk tipsily along the beaches, between pelicans and penguins. *B,L,D*

Day 7 Fernandina-Santiago

Off the coast of Santiago we will visit two smaller islands, Rabida and Bartalome. Radida with its volcanic red sand beaches and bachelor sea lions is our first stop before visiting Bartalome off the Eastern shore of Santiago. Jutting out of Sullivan Bay, Pinnacle Rock with its spectacular view of the Galapagos is the archipelagos most frequented island. In the afternoon we will have a chance to snorkel with penguins. Climb the volcano. *B,L,D*

Day 8 Santiago-Quito

our week long exploration of the Galapagos ends at Baltra where we will catch a flight to Quito. In the afternoon transfer to your hotel.

Trip Cost: \$2500

Internal Flights: \$400

The cost of the trip will include everything while you are on the island tour.