

**GALAPAGOS ADVENTURE CRUISE
ON THE M/S BEAGLE
SOUTH-CENTRAL ISLANDS**



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Itinerary Overview

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4	Wed	FLOREANA	Beagle	BLD	Puerto Velasco Ibarra, Punta Cormorant
5	Thu	ESPANOLA	Beagle	BLD	Punta Suarez, Gardner Bay
6	Fri	SAN CRISTOBAL	Beagle	BLD	Punta Pitt, Isla Lobos
7	Sat	SANTA FE / SOUTH PLAZA	Beagle	BLD	Giant cactus forests
8	Sun	NORTH SEYMOUR / BARTOLOME	Beagle	BLD	Pinnacle Rock
9	Mon	SOMBRERO CHINO / SANTA CRUZ	Beagle	BLD	Sombrero Chino, Cerro Dragon
10	Tue	DEPARTURE		B	Tortuga Negro; return flight to Quito; international departure

Itinerary in Detail

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN QUITO

Arrive in Quito and transfer to Casa Aliso, an elegantly decorated mansion in the stylish heart of “La Florestas,” a residential neighborhood close to galleries, cafes, and shops. Overnight at **Casa Aliso**.

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Begin your Ecuador vacation with a half-day city tour of colonial Quito, including the bustling Independence Plaza, the dazzling gold-leafed altars of La Compania Church, and the impressive San Francisco Church. Visit the Mitad del Mundo Equatorial marker and ethnographic village and museum. Afternoon and evening are free to explore this beautifully restored city with its busy pedestrian plazas, shops, coffee bars, pubs, and many excellent restaurants. Overnight at **Casa Aliso**. [BL]

DAY 3: GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

Private transfer in the morning to the domestic airport for the flight to the Galapagos [**LAN1553 UIO/GPS 09H35-12H15**]. Upon arrival, locate the Galapagos National Park’s kiosk where you can pay the \$110 per person park fees, then meet your naturalist guide and transfer overland to the town of Puerto Ayora and the Charles Darwin Research Station. Here you observe the tortoise corals and the breeding center with new hatchlings and miniature tortoises not yet ready to be repatriated to the wild. Scientists from all over the globe work at the station and conduct biological research from anatomy to zoology.

You also visit the Van Straelen Hall with exhibits and a short video presentation. Visitors can see the pen of famous Lonesome George, the last surviving member of the Pinta Island subspecies. From here you continue to the Beagle. The ship’s crew will greet you on board, take care of your luggage, and run through safety drills. Enjoy fresh fruit drinks as the sun sets, followed by dinner, the nightly briefing, and a formal presentation of the captain and crew. During the rest of this week, you will leisurely voyage through the stunning Galapagos Islands, among a varied landscape of diverse flora and fauna. Overnight onboard the **Beagle**. [BLD]

DAY 4: FLOREANA

Floreana presents the most striking and intriguing glimpses into the human history of the Galapagos Islands, beginning with the morning visit to Puerto Velasco Ibarra, where the trail leads to the highlands and spectacular views. This also presents you with the opportunity to explore caves and tunnels once used by buccaneers in the 17th century.

Following lunch and repositioning, you step ashore at Punta Cormorant, a green-sand beach alive with the sounds of sea lions. Follow a trail to a brackish lagoon, home of the pintail ducks, common stilts, and the pinkest Flamingos in the world. Your guide will help identify a rich variety of plants including morning glories, cutleaf daisies, palo verdes and scalesia, all while approaching a beach with powder soft sand. Sea turtles lay their eggs in the sand dunes and brilliantly-colored rays swim in the shallow water. After the walk, you have an opportunity to snorkel at Devil’s Crown, a sunken volcanic cone. Overnight onboard the **Beagle**. [BLD]

DAY 5: ESPANOLA

Following breakfast you have a dry landing at Punta Suarez, where you witness the highest rate of endemic species in Galapagos. Sea lions noisily greet us as you land on “their” beach. Curious Hood mockingbirds peck at your shoelaces. From April to November, the waved albatross, found only on Espanola, perform their wild mating ritual. Colonies of blue-footed boobies engage in “sky-pointing” to show off for potential mates. Nazca (formerly masked) boobies busily care for their young. Stunning swallow-tailed gulls are the only nocturnal gulls in the world. Red-billed tropicbirds take shelter under the cliffs. You also find Darwin’s Finches, Galapagos Doves, and Galapagos Hawks. Here you may observe a unique species of marine iguana identified with traces of red and green colorings. Colorful sally light-foot crabs crawl along the shoreline near the dramatic “blow hole”. This is the scene most people envision when they decide to visit Galapagos. During lunch, you motor to the other side of the Island. This afternoon, you have a wet landing at Gardner Bay. Walk along seemingly endless stretches of this white sandy beach where you’ll find large colonies of sea lions. There is no trail to follow so this is a chance to explore and discover Galapagos Hawks, Darwin’s Finches, or a Hood Mockingbird. Swim with sea lions from the beach. Your expert naturalist guides can point you to an excellent snorkeling site off Gardner Islet with colorful diversity of sea life near Tortuga Rock or caves covered with invertebrates. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 6: SAN CRISTOBAL

This morning you visit the northeast tip of San Cristobal, Punta Pitt. This is a tuff formation that serves as a nesting site for many sea birds including blue footed, Nazca and red-footed boobies, frigatebirds, swallow-tailed gulls and storm petrels. Punta Pitt is considered to be a first-class site for birders, so don’t forget your binoculars! Following lunch, you cruise around Kicker Rock (Leon Dormido), a vertical tuff cone formation abruptly jutting almost 500 feet out of the ocean. Blue-footed boobies, masked boobies, and magnificent frigate birds may be spotted on the sheer cliff face and surfaces. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 7: SANTA FE / SOUTH PLAZA

This morning’s visit is to Santa Fe, a volcanic uplift, starting with a wet landing on a beach populated by lazing sea lions. Here, you can observe one of the few remaining land iguanas of the species (*Conolophus pallidus*) endemic to Santa Fe Island. Some of these iguanas can be 5 feet long and have very pronounced spines along the back, suggesting miniature dinosaurs. You also walk through a forest of giant prickly pear cactus. Following lunch and repositioning, you land on South Plaza, a small geological uplift with tall cliffs offering spectacular views. After a dry landing, the trails lead you through Prickly Pear cactus or *Opuntia* and *Sesuvium*. Here you find the Galapagos land iguana feeding on the cactus leaves. Toward the end of the hill, you encounter a colony of bachelor sea lions. The dominant bulls will likely be in various stages of recovery from battles lost over prime beach territory. You can also find swallow tailed gulls, shearwaters, and red-billed tropicbirds who build their nests along the cliffs. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 8: NORTH SEYMOUR / BARTOLOME

Following breakfast, board the Zodiacs for a dry landing at North Seymour, a small geological uplift. You follow a trail that leads you to swallow-tailed gulls, blue-footed boobies and the endemic land iguanas. Your guide will also lead you to the largest colony of magnificent frigate birds found in Galapagos. As you stroll along the beach, you find marine iguanas and sea lions body surfing the northern swells. After the walk, grab your snorkel and fins to explore the deep water here. One of the most iconic images of the Galapagos is that of Bartolome, or Pinnacle Rock. Walking on this island is reminiscent of walking on the moon. While inhospitable to most plants and animals, this young island is breathtaking in its stark beauty. After a dry landing, climb 30 minutes up stairs leading to the summit of a once active volcano. Along the way, pause to marvel at lava bombs, spatter cones and cinder cones. From the top of the wooden stairs, gaze out across the island for a panoramic view of the island and iconic “Pinnacle Rock”, an eroded tuff cone. Down below, crystal clear water is an invitation to snorkel from the beach or Zodiac with schools of tropical fish and Galapagos Penguins. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 9: SOMBRERO CHINO / SANTA CRUZ

Sombrero Chino is a tiny island just off the southeast tip of Santiago. Its name (Chinese Hat) describes the island's shape. Though centrally located it is one of the least visited sites in the area. The landing is on a beautiful crescent-shaped white sand beach, home to sea lions and sally lightfoot crabs. The trail on Sombrero Chino's explores its volcanic origin, one of the most evident in the islands. The lava rock is very fragile and tends to easily break. The sharp outcroppings caused from these breaks make it necessary to bring good shoes. Patches of pahoehoe lava, cracked lava and lava tubes can be found on the island. The path leads partially up the striking red rust sides of the Sombrero to the caldera, high enough on the island to offer spectacular views of the waves crashing below. Snorkeling in the waters near Sombrero Chino is particularly exhilarating; white-tipped sharks frequent the area, as do the playful sea lions and "flying torpedo" Galapagos penguins. Following lunch and repositioning, you explore Cerro Dragon on the north end of Santa Cruz Island. Follow your guide on a footpath to endemic land iguanas. Once part of the Darwin Station's breeding program, these repatriated iguanas display orange-yellowish skin with large spines along their backs. Walk quietly to keep from startling the pink flamingos that feed in the salt water lagoon. Along the trail, keep your eyes open for Darwin's Finches and Yellow Warblers. Return to the yacht at sunset for your briefing followed by dinner. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 10: RETURN TO QUITO

Disembark in the morning for a brief Zodiac visit to Black Turtle Cove. As you quietly navigate through the maze of mangroves and inlets, you may spot marine turtles, small reef sharks and rays. Your guide will then accompany you to the Galapagos airport for your flight to the mainland [**LAN1552 GPS/UIO 12H55-17H30**], where you will remain until international departures this evening [**B**]

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7	Saturday	ISABELA	Beagle	BLD	Tagus Cove; Urbina Bay
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As the sun sets, enjoy a typical Ecuadorian meal, the nightly briefing, and a formal presentation of the captain and crew. During the rest of this week, you will leisurely voyage through the stunning Galapagos Islands, among a varied landscape of diverse flora and fauna. Overnight onboard the **Beagle**. [BLD]

DAY 4: GENOVESE

Spend the entire day on Genovesa (Tower), considered to be one of the most spectacular Islands in Galapagos for bird species. This morning, you have a dry landing at Prince Philip's Steps. Red-footed boobies nest here in Palo Santo trees and Nazca (formerly masked) boobies nest near the trail. In an open lava field, observe large numbers of storm petrels, and if you are lucky, you will see the elusive short-eared owl. Following the walk, kayaks are available for paddling along the shoreline. Look for the beautiful red-billed tropic bird usually found in the crevices. After lunch, take a *siesta* or borrow a book from the library and lounge on deck.

This afternoon, you have a wet-landing on Darwin Bay, a coral sand beach where swallow-tailed and lava gulls gather near the tide pools. Enter a forest of *Optuntia* cactus and mangroves where colonies of great frigate birds nest. In a dramatic display, the earthbound males inflate their red-throated pouches to attract females as they fly overhead. The trail leads through a rich inter tidal zone where your naturalist guide helps you identify a wide diversity of wildlife. After the walk, you can swim and snorkel from the beach with sea lions in these warmer northern waters. Returning to the yacht, you set sail early to motor to the western islands. Enjoy your naturalists' briefing followed by dinner. Overnight onboard the **Beagle**. [BLD]

DAY 5: SANTIAGO

This morning, you have a wet landing at Puerto Egas, Santiago. Stroll with your naturalist guide along the shoreline looking for octopus, starfish, and other sea life caught in the tide pools. At low tide, catch a glimpse of marine iguanas as they feed on exposed green algae. Watch for great blue herons, lava herons, American oystercatchers and yellow-crowned night herons. Your walk ends at the grottos, deep pools of clear water where you encounter fur sea lions once on the verge of extinction. Before returning to the yacht, there is a snorkeling opportunity with possibilities to view massive numbers of brilliant tropical fish.

While you enjoy lunch onboard, the Beagle begins its navigation northwest, tracing the northeastern edge of Isabela Island. Look for the distinctive symmetrical cone of Volcan Darwin, rising 4350' into the clear skies, followed by the even higher (5600') Volcan Wolf on the northern end of the island. Volcan Wolf is one of the most active volcanoes in the Galapagos. Rounding the northernmost reach at Punta Albemarle, begin the southern transit of Isabela's western shore, entering seas rich with cetacean populations. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 6: ISABELA / FERNANDINA

Following breakfast, a panga navigation to Punta Vicente Roca is an excellent opportunity to observe the rich marine life sustained by the upwelling of the cold Cromwell Current. The remnants of an ancient volcano create twin turquoise coves, protected from the ocean and a snorkeling paradise. A partially submerged cave is a perfect perching site for masked and blue-footed boobies, as well as unique flightless cormorants. The caving of Volcan Ecuador, the Islands' 6th largest volcano, allows a cutaway view of the inner caldera. Following lunch onboard, you have a semi-wet landing at Punta Espinoza, Fernandina; the youngest and most pristine Island in Galapagos. Recent lava flows formed by an active volcano stretch their way around the coast. Hundreds of marine iguanas, the largest colony in Galapagos, bask in the sun along the rugged shoreline. Observe sea lion harems with resident bulls carefully guarding their territory. Flightless Cormorants build their nests on the point and Galapagos Hawks soar overhead. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 7: ISABELA

This morning, a dry landing at Tagus Cove places you on the adjacent island of Isabela. Six volcanoes flowing together formed the largest Island in Galapagos. During the walk, you discover a salt-water lagoon, a scenic overlook with a spectacular view of the surrounding ocean and neighboring islands, lava fields and volcanic formations. Graffiti dating back to the 1800's is scrawled on the rocky cliffs. Explore the Coves by Zodiac to find Galapagos penguins, boobies, pelicans, and other seabirds. An excellent snorkeling opportunity is offered here after the walk. At the base of Alcedo Volcano, you disembark this afternoon at Urbina Bay. Here you find 4 miles of exposed coastal seabed and remnants of marine life, brought to the surface during a dramatic uplift in 1954, following a volcanic eruption. The marine remains of coral skeletons, some of them waist-high, are visited after a wet landing on the beach. You may observe nesting brown pelicans and flightless cormorants here, as well as giant marine iguanas which also inhabit this area. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 8: ISABELA

Your morning excursion is a zodiac ride to Elizabeth Bay. You begin with a visit to a secluded cove lined with large red mangrove trees sheltering turtles, rays, and shore birds. You motor to the rocky islets known as "Las Marielas," where a colony of nesting penguins, flightless cormorants, and giant marine iguanas may be found. Following lunch onboard, you explore the southwestern portion of Isabela via a panga ride to Punta Moreno. From here, you observe penguins and shore birds, including great blue herons, along the beautiful rocky shores. Enter an area of mangroves, where your guides point out oysters nesting at the base of trees. Later, a land excursion takes us where the terrain is rough, and the lava fields are stark. This almost prehistoric landscape is interspersed with lagoons containing abundant wildlife, including pintail ducks and flamingos. There are several lava cactus and other pioneering plants here, including a species of Scalesia. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 9: ISABELA

Located in the Southwest portion of Isabela is Sierra Negra Volcano, considered the oldest and largest volcano on Isabela. From Puerto Villamil, you travel by motorized vehicle to Santo Tomas, and then continue hiking to the rim of the caldera. En route, you traverse a lava field through a series of craters and fumaroles until you reach Volcan Chico. Keep an eye peeled for the vermilion flycatcher, Galapagos martins, whimbrels, egrets, Galapagos Hawks and possibly the dark-billed cuckoo. A short stop is made at El Muro de las Lagrimas (Wall of Tears), a large wall of lava rock built by prisoners of a former penal colony on Isabela. Following lunch, you will visit a breeding center for giant land tortoises. Overnight onboard the **Beagle. [BLD]**

DAY 10: RETURN TO QUITO

Disembark in the morning for a brief visit to Los Gemelos, ancient craters in the highlands of Santa Cruz. Your guide will then accompany you to the Galapagos airport for your flight to the mainland [**LAN1552 GPS/UIO 12H55-17H30**], where you will remain for international departures later this evening. [**B**]

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INCLUDED SERVICES

- All guided tours and excursions
- English-speaking certified naturalist guides
- Airport-hotel transfers, land and sea transportation
- 6 nights accommodation as indicated
- Meals as indicated [B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner]
- Wildland Adventures travel consultation and pre-departure services

NOT INCLUDED SERVICES

- International airfare
- Tips and gratuities
- Wetsuit rental / Kayak rental / Internet
- Airport departure taxes
- Drinks, alcoholic beverages, and meals other than listed above
- Personal expenses for extra services, optional activities, or changes in your itinerary for reasons beyond our control
- Travel insurance for trip cancellation, medical services, or evacuation
- Any other items not mentioned above

You will need to carry about \$300-\$500 extra cash (must be in local currency or US dollars cash, not travelers checks nor credit cards) to cover the fees, taxes, tips and meals not included in your itinerary.

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Accommodations



CASA ALISO, QUITO

Casa Aliso is a charming boutique hotel in the style and comfort of a small, luxurious home. This luxury Ecuador vacation accommodation is located in the fashionable residential neighborhood of "La Floresta", a quiet, forested area in the northern sector of the city a close to restaurants, shops and plazas of downtown Quito. Each room is individually designed featuring classic décor with modern style. They are well appointed with a sitting chair, desk, and comfortable beds, with telephones and cable TV. The bathrooms have a bathtub and shower, bathrobes, hairdryers and are equipped with 220v and 110v sockets. Your Ecuador adventure will be enhanced by the fine cuisine and the exceptionally professional and personal service of the staff at Casa Aliso.



BEAGLE

Named after HMS Beagle in which Charles Darwin made his famous voyage to the Galapagos Islands, today's Galapagos yacht M/S Beagle is a magnificent, 105-foot steel-hulled brigantine schooner with wide teak decks and polished wood interiors. Her relatively small size and comfortable ambiance make her a good choice for adults who want to experience the intimacy of classic, small-boat cruising. Take in the Galapagos Island views from the observation decks or relax in the lounge while traveling on your Galapagos adventure. Enjoy the delicious Ecuadorian and international cuisine either in the salon or al fresco.

This Galapagos boat accommodates 12 people in six air-conditioned, double or triple cabins, each with their own private bath, hot shower, and ocean view portholes. Berth configuration includes a lower double and upper single that easily accommodates couples, independent traveling companions, and families with small children. This Galapagos expedition is operated by the capable hands of an experienced captain, gourmet cook, two crew, and a multilingual, naturalist guide licensed by Galapagos Islands National Park and the Charles Darwin Research Station. Snorkeling equipment and wetsuits are available.

Booking your Wildland Adventure

HOW TO RESERVE A TRIP

You can book online using our [Reserve a Trip form](#) or by calling 1-800-345-4453. Your space on a trip is confirmed once we receive your reservation form and initial trip deposit. All travelers must sign and submit a [Release of Liability](#).

Deposit requirements are as follows:*

- \$1000 per person for all trips the Galapagos. This deposit is non-refundable.

*Some trips require additional non-refundable deposits, especially when yachts have been chartered, or if permits to visit archaeological or wildlife sites have been purchased in advance. Holiday departures will carry an additional \$225 supplement

CUSTOM TRAVEL

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PAYMENTS, CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

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<u>Days Prior to Departure</u>	<u>Fee</u>
61 or more	Initial deposit amount
31-60 days	50% of costs
30 or less	100% of costs

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REFERENCES AND QUESTIONS

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