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GALAPAGOS ISLANDS / ENDEMIC ENTRY LUXURY YACHT

Brief itinerary and visitor sites

7-Night Cruise / Sunday-Sunday

				Walking	Snorkeling	Kayaking / Stand-up paddleboarding	Dinghy ride
DAY 1 SUNDAY	1		Arrival to Baltra Island Airport				
	2	PM	Bachas Beach, Santa Cruz Island	◆	◆		
DAY 2 MONDAY	3	AM	Darwin Bay, Genovesa Island	◆	◆	◆	◆
	4	PM	El Barranco, Genovesa Island	◆	◆	◆	◆
DAY 3 TUESDAY	5	AM	Highlands, Santa Cruz Island	◆			
	6	PM	Sullivan Bay, Santiago Island	◆	◆		◆
DAY 4 WEDNESDAY	7	AM	Tintoreras / Sierra Negra Volcano, Isabela Island	◆			◆
	8	PM	Arnaldo Tupiza Breeding Center, Isabela Island	◆			
DAY 5 THURSDAY	9	AM	Elizabeth Bay, Isabela Island			◆	◆
	10	PM	Urbina Bay, Isabela Island	◆	◆		
DAY 6 FRIDAY	11	AM	Tagus Cove, Isabela Island	◆	◆	◆	◆
	12	PM	Espinoza Point, Fernandina Island	◆	◆		◆
DAY 7 SATURDAY	13 14	AM	Buccaneer Cove / Espumilla Beach, Santiago Island	◆	◆	◆	◆
	15	PM	Rabida Island	◆	◆	◆	◆
DAY 8 SUNDAY	16	AM	Mosquera Islet	◆	◆		
	17		Transfer to Baltra Island Airport				

● Circumnavigation

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SUNDAY - SUNDAY



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DAY BY DAY ITINERARY DESCRIPTION

(**B:** breakfast/ **L:** lunch/ **D:** dinner)

SUNDAY
BALTRA AIRPORT – SANTA CRUZ ISLAND: Bachas Beach

Upon arrival, reception and assistance at the airport, transfer from Baltra Airport to the M/C Endemic.

In the afternoon, visit to Las Bachas, which is a beautiful white-sand beach, located on the northern coast of Santa Cruz Island. There you can go for a stroll or do some easy snorkeling in Sithe gentle surf. Sea turtles lay their eggs at the edge of the vegetation. You can also look for a rusted pontoon, a relic of the Second World War. In fact, “bachas” is a poor pronunciation of “barges,” two of which were wrecked offshore at that time: the locals mispronounced the name and it stuck.

Activities: Snorkeling, walking

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Easy

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MONDAY
GENOVESA ISLAND: Darwin Bay - El Barranco (Prince Philip’s Steps)

In the morning, visit to Darwin Bay, which is the only sandy beach found in the caldera on Genovesa. Colonies of the Great Frigates are found along the beach. Male exhibit their red balloon pouch to females for hope of a match.
Red-footed boobies nest in the trees in contrast to the other two booby species which do so on the ground.

In the afternoon, you will go to El Barranco (Prince Philip's Steps), a carved out of stone stair. This will lead you to a wide plateau, where you can observe large colonies of masked boobies, frigate birds, storm petrels and ducks. During this easy stroll you will cross a small Scalesia forest, habitat of the short-eared owl. The same path will lead you back to your boat.

Activities: Walking (0.9miles / 2km)

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Moderate

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TUESDAY
SANTA CRUZ ISLAND: Highlands - SANTIAGO ISLAND: Sullivan Bay

On the highlands of Santa Cruz, you'll have the opportunity to see the famous giant tortoises in the wild. So renowned are these endemic animals that they gave the archipelago its name. Birdwatching is also one of the activities do to in the Santa Cruz highlands, since this area is home of finches and other Galapagos birds.

Activities: Short walk

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Moderate

In the afternoon, you will visit Sullivan Bay, located on the east coast of Santiago Island. We land on a white coral sand beach and begin our walk over lava that flowed less than 100 years ago. This is the perfect place to see and feel the volcanic origin of Galapagos. Also in this area you will admire flora that grows in lava fields.

Activities: Walking of 1-1.5 hours

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

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WEDNESDAY
ISABELA ISLAND: Tintoreras / Sierra Negra volcan – Breeding Center

Isabela Island is the largest of the archipelago with a surface of 4,588 square kilometers. It encompasses more than the half of the total land area of Galapagos.

Las Tintoreras is a group of small islets off the coast of Isabela Island, known for their striking dark lava formations that create a distinctive habitat for diverse wildlife. This makes it an excellent spot for water activities such as dinghy rides and walking. Visitors often get the chance to see turtles, sharks, penguins, and sea lions up close.

Sierra Negra is among the most active volcanoes in the Galapagos and boasts the world's second-largest caldera. Hiking to the top takes you through guava tree forests, and on a clear day, you'll be rewarded with breathtaking views of the island's five other volcanoes.

Activities: Walking, Dinghy ride

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Moderate

After lunch visit the Arnaldo Tupiza Breeding Center of Isabela, infant and juvenile giant tortoises can be seen until they are ready to be released and survive in the wild.

On the way back to the yacht, be ready to spot flamingos and other water birds.

Activities: Walking

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

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THURSDAY
ISABELA ISLAND: Elizabeth Bay – Urbina Bay

In the morning, you will discover Elizabeth Bay, which is a marine visitor site. The excursion is carried out in a zodiac and so there is no landing point. Your zodiac ride starts with a visit to the Marielas islets where there is the largest and most important penguin colony in the Galapagos Islands. The excursion continues into the cove that is surrounded by red mangroves where you can spot sea turtles, flightless cormorants, spotted eagle rays, golden rays, brown pelicans and sea lions.

Activities: 2-hour dinghy ride

Type of landing: No landing

In the afternoon, Urbina Bay will be visited. Here you can see coral formations, large colored land iguanas. The possibility of seeing giant turtles, flightless cormorants, blue-footed boobies, penguins and marine iguanas is excellent.

Activities: Snorkeling, dinghy ride & walking, 2 trails: short (0.6mi/1km), long (1.9mi/3 km)

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy / moderate

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FRIDAY
ISABELA ISLAND: Tagus Cove – FERNANDINA ISLAND: Espinoza Point

After breakfast, Tagus Cove will be the first attraction to see. A ride along the cliffs in a zodiac will give visitors a good chance to see the Galapagos penguin, the flightless cormorant and other sea birds. From the landing dock it is about a 30-minute hike along the trail up to the top of the cliff from where you can view Darwin Lake, a saline lake saltier than the sea. You can also see several volcanoes from this location.

Activities: Walking

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

After lunch, Espinoza point will be visited, which is one of Fernandina's visit points. Located within a fascinating lava scenery with Lava-Cactuses. On the surface of the lava, mangroves thrive. The highlights are sea lions, penguins, the flightless cormorant (especially in spring and summer), and one of the biggest iguana colonies of Galapagos.

Activities: Walking (1.2mi/ 2km)

Type of landing: Dry and slippery

Difficulty: Moderate

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SATURDAY

SANTIAGO ISLAND: Buccaneer Cove/ Espumilla Beach – RABIDA ISLAND

In the morning, you will have the opportunity to discover the Buccaneer Cove that is located just north of James Bay. It was known as a safe haven in the 17th and 18th century for pirates to

stash their loot, take on fresh water and capture tortoises for food. It is a nice place for a zodiac ride, snorkeling and kayaking. Blue-footed, Nazca boobies, fur seals, and Galapagos hawks can be seen flying overhead.

Or visit to Espumilla Beach will take place. It is a pristine sandy beach and a popular place for marine iguanas and Sally Lightfoot Crabs. The crabs attract the hunting herons, performing the dance of predator and prey. With an abundance of marine life including octopi, moray eel, and shark, snorkeling is recommended and available.

Activities: Dinghy ride, snorkeling and kayak

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Easy

In the afternoon, you will be taken to Rabida Island. Its main attraction is the red sand beach, famous for its cactus groves and rock formation scenery, aside from the vegetation of the arid zone and the presence of native and endemic species. During the walk on the red sand beach you will see brown pelicans' nests, and a lagoon where flamingos are seen from time to time.

Activities: Walking, swimming.

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Moderate

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SUNDAY

Mosquera Islet – BALTRA AIRPORT

In the morning, visit to Mosquera, a small islet found between Baltra & North Seymour Islands. Lava gulls, sea lions, Sally light foot crabs inhabit this sand bank with an extension of over 600 meters. It also hosts the largest populations of sea lions and orca whales that can be seen occasionally depending on the season you visit the islet.

Activities: Soft walk

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

After this last visit, transfer to Baltra airport for your return flight to mainland Ecuador. Assistance and farewell at the airport.
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End of cruise

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