

ECUADOR - GALAPAGOS ISLAND HOPPING



INTRODUCTION

Discover the natural wonders of Santa Cruz Island on this 4 day Galapagos adventure, featuring visits to the highlands, Tortuga Bay, and the renowned Charles Darwin Station. Spend two full days exploring nearby islands like Bartolome, North Seymour, Plazas, or Santa FÃ© on guided sailing excursions, with opportunities for hiking, wildlife encounters, and snorkeling. Ideal for travellers seeking a land-based experience with rich biodiversity and iconic Galapagos landscapes.

ITINERARY

TRIP CODE

ECTSGIH4

DEPARTURE

Daily

DURATION

4 Days

LOCATIONS

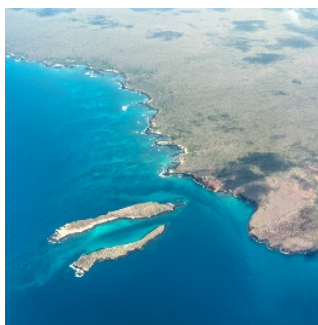
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DAY 1: Arrival in Baltra, Puerto Ayora

Flight from Quito or Guayaquil to Baltra's airport where a naturalist guide will transfer you to the Puerto Ayora. On the way, the guide will make a stop in order to visit the highlands and the giant land turtoises. Here, you would have time for lunch, and enjoy the view. Afterwards, you will continue with the transfer Puerto Ayora. In the afternoon, the guide will take you to enjoy the beach of Tortuga Bay. Here, you walk for 45 minutes approximately, through a cactus trail on to the first beach, which is called Playa Brava due to its strong currents. On this beach you would see a lot of marine iguanas, marine birds and pelicans. After visiting Playa Brava, we continue with an additional 15 minute walk to reach Playa Mansa. This second beach is a natural lagoon visited by blue footed boobies and pelicans. It is also a beautiful place for swimming and taking sun. You will be walking the same distance to return. Dinner at a local restaurant. Note: To execute this itinerary, it is important to choose an early flight that arrives maximum at 10am to Baltra.



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DAY 2: Island Excursions

After breakfast, an assistance person will pick you up at the hotel and bring you to the meeting point and start the tour (please note that you will visit 1 island per day depending on its availability). Lunch will be included onboard the small yacht. In the afternoon, you would return to the port. North Seymour Island is a spectacular place to hike, swim, and enjoy snorkelling. The main attractions are: the frigates, boobies, gulls, hawks, green sea turtles and the famous Galapagos Sharks. Bartolome Island is the most attractive landscape of the archipelago. This island is undoubtedly the most photographed in all the Galapagos Islands. You can appreciate a spectacular view of two beautiful bays and observe the fascinating formations of lava and volcanic cones. Two islands form Plazas. The turquoise waters of the channel contrast brilliantly with the white sand and black lava coast. It is a wonderful spot to observe marine life, including manta rays. Coasts are a perfect spot for snorkelling activity. Santa Fé is a small island in the south-east of Santa Cruz and the home for a lot of sea lions. You will also find the endemic land iguanas, which colour is a bit brighter than the iguana on Plazas. After a walking tour you will finally get to the beach. After lunch you can do snorkelling and perhaps observe sharks and turtles. Dinner at a local restaurant.

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DAY 4: Departure Day

Early in the morning you will visit the Charles Darwin Station. Here you will see a variety of species of Giant Tortoises. You will also listen about the ongoing conservation efforts directed at preserving the Giant Tortoises, as well as the environment of the archipelago as a whole.

Afterwards, you and the guide would take the route to the airport, which lasts approximately 1 hour. At the airport, you will take your flight back to Quito or Guayaquil. Note: To execute this itinerary, it is important to choose a late flight that departs not before 12pm from Baltra.



INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

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Accommodation	Hotel
Inclusions	INCLUSIONS Accommodation in double rooms Meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) as per the itinerary Transportation and Maritime timed views Bilingual naturalist guide (English/Spanish) Scheduled visits Snorkelling equipment Transfers in the Galapagos Shared sailing tours
	EXCLUSIONS Domestic flights Galapagos National Park entrance fee (USD\$200, subject to change) INGALA Migration Control Card (USD\$20, subject to change) Wetsuits for snorkelling Soft drinks and alcoholic beverages Tips
Difficulty Rating	2 (Light Adventure)
Single Surcharge	A single supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information.
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share. Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time. All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice.
Price Dependent upon	Currency fluctuation, seasonality and availability at time of booking.

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