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Travel period: 10/02/2024 - 19/02/2024



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General Information

Galapagos Islands

Located 600 miles (965 km) off of mainland Ecuador, the Galapagos Islands lay in the Pacific Ocean, consisting of 13 main islands, of which 4 are inhabited while there are hundreds of islets and smaller islands of various rock formations. The islands have approximately 25,000 inhabitants together. In the Galapagos and the surrounding marine reserve, you can find endemic animal species. Species like the Giant tortoise, Flightless Cormorant, Fur seals, and Galapagos penguins are not found anywhere else in the world, just one of the many reasons that make the Galapagos Islands so special. Due to the unique natural processes, such as the ongoing seismic and volcanic activity and the extremely isolated location of the islands, these species have learned to survive via evolution. This has resulted in the development of extraordinary animal life in the Galapagos. For this same reason, the marine reserve has been called a "living museum and a showcase of evolution". In 1835, Charles Darwin first visited the Galapagos, which contributed to the development of his theory of evolution which has immortalized his name and connection to the Galapagos for the rest of all time.

Weather in Galapagos

The climate of the Galápagos Islands is not tropical, even though it is positioned on the equator. There is no best or worst time to go. It is important to mention the differences in seasons, which is a warm season from December through June and a cool season from July through November. The warm season is characterized by a mixture of warmth, rain, and sun. The cooler season is a mixture of cloudy, cool, and dry weather. This variation is caused by ocean currents. The temperatures vary from 70°F (21°C) to 85°F (30°C).

Flying to the Galapagos

If you plan to book a flight to the Galapagos Islands, please note the different rates for international visitors and residents. If you purchased a resident flight, you may be subject to paying an additional cost upon check-in.

When flying to the Galapagos Islands, keep in mind the following procedures.

1. Check your bags through SICGAL before checking in to your flight.
2. After checking your bags with SICGAL, purchase the Transit Control Card TCT or "Ingala" Card. \$20 USD per person and can only be paid in cash.
3. Upon arriving in Galapagos, pay the \$100 USD per person and \$50 per child under 12 years of age. This can only be paid in cash.

Connectivity in the Galapagos Islands

Connectivity to WiFi and cell phone use in the Galapagos Islands is limited due to the remote location and conservation efforts. While some places provide WiFi (sometimes at an additional cost such as on cruises), it is often slow and unreliable, and cell phone signal coverage can be patchy in secluded areas. Visitors are encouraged to disconnect from their devices



and fully experience the natural wonders of the archipelago, respecting its delicate balance as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Local Inter-Island Galapagos Flights

If you are easily seasick and or you are not fond of speedboats for an extended period of time, it is recommended to take a local inter-island flight. The Galapagos planes have the capacity for up to 12 passengers. The experience of inter-island flights is also a unique way to experience the Galapagos Islands with an aerial view from above.

NOTE:

Baggage policy for Inter-Island air flights: 25 lbs per passenger

This includes checked luggage and carry-on.

Extra baggage allowance may be purchased online or at the counter. (\$2 USD per extra pound) to increase the twenty-five-pound allowance per person. (Included)

Ecuador

Ecuador, a South American gem, unveils diverse wonders within its compact borders. Four distinct regions offer captivating attractions, cultures, landscapes, and abundant biodiversity. From majestic volcanoes to lush rainforests, and sun-kissed Pacific shores to the enchanting Galapagos Islands, Ecuador caters to all tastes. Seamless travel between regions adds to its allure.

Around 25% of Ecuador's population maintains ancestral traditions, enriching the cultural tapestry. The use of the US dollar simplifies transactions, while Spanish is the predominant language. Quito reigns as the vibrant capital. Ecuador's equatorial location ensures year-round, delightful weather, making it a perennially enticing destination.



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Travel Summary

Day 1

10-02-2024

Transfer in San Cristobal airport - hotel

Interpretation Center + Tijeretas + Punta Carola

 Casa Opuntia or similar

Day 2

11-02-2024

San Cristobal Highlands Half Day (El Junco, La Galapaguera & Puerto Chino)

La Loberia Self-guide Visit

 Breakfast - Lunch

 Casa Opuntia or similar

Day 3

12-02-2024

San Cristobal Airport Transfer

Out Flight San Cristobal - Isabela

 San Cristobal - Isabela

Transfer Isabela airport -

hotel Tintoreras Islet

 Breakfast

 Hotel Mi Playa or similar

Day 4

13-02-2024

Los Tuneles Snorkeling Tour

 Breakfast - Snack

 Hotel Mi Playa or similar

Day 5

14-02-2024

Isabela Wetlands Self Guided

Biking Kayaking at Puerto Villamil

 Breakfast



 Hotel Mi Playa or similar

Day 6

15-02-2024

Sierra Negra Volcano hike

 Breakfast - Box Lunch

 Hotel Mi Playa or similar

Day 7

16-02-2024

Transfer out Isabela Hotel -

Airport Flight Isabela - Baltra

 Isabela - Baltra

Transfer in Baltra to Puerto

Ayora Tortuga Bay Self Guided

Hotel Galapagos Cottages

 Breakfast

 Hotel Galapagos Cottage or similar

Day 8

17-02-2024

North Seymour

 Breakfast - Box Lunch

 Hotel Galapagos Cottage or similar

Day 9

18-02-2024

Biking Santa Cruz Highlands - Playa Garrapatero

 Breakfast - Lunch

 Hotel Galapagos Cottage or similar

Day 10

19-02-2024

Transfer out Puerto Ayora to Baltra

 Breakfast



Day by Day Travel Plan

Day 1

10-02-2024

Transfer in San Cristobal airport - hotel

At the arrivals area of San Cristobal Airport, your driver will be waiting to pick you up and will bring you to your selected hotel in the village of Puerto Baquerizo Moreno. The drive takes about 5 minutes.

Interpretation Center + Tijeretas + Punta Carola

You will be picked up at your hotel and brought to the Interpretation Center, the facilities that offer the IC take us through the history of the islands, the natural and human context of the island, and the conservation.

The Natural History Room explains the natural circumstances of the volcanic origination of the islands, the distance from the continent, the sea currents, the unique weather, the arrival of different species, their establishment, and others.

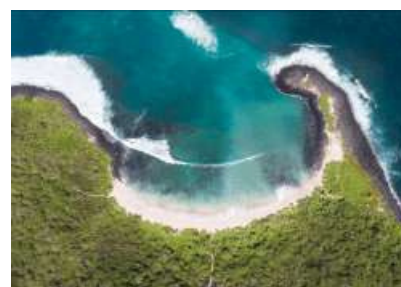
The Natural Human History Room shows the chronological and most significant events related to the discovery and colonization of the Galápagos.

The second stage exposes today's reality of Galápagos: the problem and the battle that matter to some institutions and people to conserve Galápagos.

Once the Interpretation Center visit has come to an end, the trail continues to Tijeretas. The name Tijeretas is how the frigates are commonly known. Is located near Puerto Baquerizo Moreno. Close to this place used to work La Predial, it was a fishing society that existed on the island between 1952 and 1960.

There are some nooks where you can appreciate beautiful landscapes, there is also a creek where you can do snorkeling and observe sea lions, sea turtles, rays, and a great variety of fish. Is one of the unique places where you can observe the frigates nesting.

After a relaxing snorkeling, you will visit Punta Carola whose main attraction is its wildlife. Sea lions can be observed lounging on the beaches and swimming in the surrounding waters. Visitors can often spot these playful creatures up close and even snorkel alongside them. The area is also home to various marine birds, including blue-footed boobies and frigatebirds, which can be seen nesting and fishing in the vicinity.





Apart from its wildlife, Punta Carola offers breathtaking views of the ocean and the neighboring islands. The jagged cliffs and rocky outcrops create a picturesque backdrop against the deep blue sea. Many visitors enjoy taking leisurely walks along the shoreline, exploring tide pools, and enjoying the peaceful atmosphere.

The beach is relatively secluded, providing a tranquil escape for those seeking relaxation and natural beauty.



Casa Opuntia or similar

Day 2

11-02-2024

San Cristobal Highlands Half Day (El Junco, La Galapaguera & Puerto Chino)

Today you will visit the highlands of San Cristobal island. After about 30 minutes driving you arrive to the El Junco, a big sweet water lagoon of 270 m diameter. This is the only sweet water lagoon of the Galapagos Islands. After a little walk at the lagoon you continue for about 20 minutes by car and you get to La Galapaguera. Here you find different native Galapagos plants and tortoises. You finish the highlands tour at the beach of Puerto Chino where you can snorkel.



La Loberia Self-guide Visit

La Loberia is about a 2 km hike from town. The beach itself is very beautiful but it is recommended to wear water shoes or sandals for in and out of the water as it is a rocky entrance with a white sandy beach. There are many sea lions, hence the name "La Loberia". There is great snorkeling and it is a perfect swimming area and there is a shady spot on the beach as well to relax in. Sunsets are also gorgeous at this location. Beyond the beach, there is another trail across lava rocks that lead to Las Negritas. It is a moderate hike and there is known to be blue-footed boobies and frigatebirds in the area.



Breakfast - Lunch



Casa Opuntia or similar



Day 3

12-02-2024

San Cristobal Airport Transfer Out

You will be picked up at your hotel and brought to San Cristobal Airport for your departing flight. The drive will take about 5 minutes.

FLight departing time 08:00 AM
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Flight San Cristobal - Isabela

This short flight of about 45 minutes gives you the chance to experience Galapagos Islands from the air. These planes are small and hold up to 9 passengers.

NOTE:

Baggage Policy for Inter-Island air flight: 25 lbs per passenger
This includes checked luggage and carry-on.

Extra baggage allowance may be purchased online or at the counter (USD 2 per extra pound) to increase the twenty-five-pound allowance per person.

Transfer Isabela airport - hotel

You will be picked up at Isabela airport and brought to your hotel in Puerto Villamil. This drive takes about 7 minutes.

Tintoreras Islet

Today you will visit Tintoreras Islet. White-tipped sharks known as Tintoreras come daily to rest at the bottom of the ocean floor in the warm water.

To arrive, you will go to the pier of Puerto Villamil and board a speedboat to cross over to the islet which is located across the bay. It will be necessary to use walking shoes or sneakers (or closed-toed sandals) to cross the volcanic rocks for a short walk. You also have the opportunity to do some snorkeling with sea lions and with some fortune, there may be some penguins.



Breakfast



Hotel Mi Playa or similar



Day 4

13-02-2024

Los Tuneles Snorkeling Tour

You will be brought to the passenger pier to be taken to what is known as one of the best snorkeling locations in the world, Los Tuneles or "The Tunnels". It will be about 45 minutes to arrive via speedboat. The water is shallow, calm, and very clear, allowing you to view the sea sanctuary below you. There is a series of lava flows that have produced unique geological formations like arcs and tunnels underneath and above the water. This has created a habitat for many local Galapagos species.



The entrance to the site is shallow and the waves can be strong, enter with care and follow the instructions of the guide. You will have a snack during the tour. After the tour, you will return to Puerto Villamil and be dropped off at your hotel.



Breakfast - Snack



Hotel Mi Playa or similar

Day 5

14-02-2024

Isabela Wetlands Self Guided Biking

You can pick up your rented bikes in the village of Isabela and from there you can bike to the Giant Tortoise Breeding Center. You will be able to spot young and old Giant tortoises in their natural habitat. From here you can continue biking to the Wall of Tears. Along the way, you even have a great chance to see the Giant tortoises near the road and you can enjoy incredible views across the island.



Kayaking at Puerto Villamil

After breakfast, your guide will meet you at your hotel and accompany you for a kayak excursion in the bay of Puerto Villamil, Isabela.



Breakfast



Hotel Mi Playa or similar



Day 6

15-02-2024

Sierra Negra Volcano hike

Today you will be picked up at approximately 7:30 a.m. for an excursion to the Sierra Negra Volcano a shared excursion to the top of the volcano. The Sierra Negra Volcano is located 13 miles from Puerto Villamil and has the second largest volcanic crater in the world, 6 miles wide and 300 feet deep. You will travel in a shared bus for 45 minutes until you reach the starting point to begin the hike to the rim of the Sierra Negra Volcano. This hike takes approximately 4 hours. It can be very hot and dry, so it is very important to bring water, wear a hat, and lightweight clothing. The hike begins at 870 meters asl and at the top of the crater, you will have reached 1040 meters. You will be given boxed lunch options at the beginning of the tour so that you can enjoy it whenever you would like during the tour.



Breakfast - Box Lunch



Hotel Mi Playa or similar

Day 7

16-02-2024

Transfer out Isabela Hotel - Airport

You will be picked up at your hotel in Puerto Villamil and dropped off at Isabela airport. This drive takes about 10 minutes.

Flight Isabela - Baltra

This short flight of about 40 minutes gives you the chance to experience Galapagos Islands from the air. These planes are small and hold up to 9 passengers.

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Transfer in Baltra to Puerto Ayora

Upon arrival at Baltra Airport (GPS), you will take a bus to the Itabaca channel. This bus takes about 10 minutes.



Once you arrive at the Itabaca channel you will take a ferry to cross the channel to Santa Cruz Island. The ferry ride costs \$1 USD per person.

Upon arrival to Santa Cruz, you will be provided private transportation to the small town of Puerto Ayora, this ride takes about 45 minutes passing through the highlands.

Tortuga Bay Self Guided

If you have time you can do this self guided activity while in Puerto Ayora. You can visit one of the most beautiful beaches of the Galapagos Islands. The walk from Puerto Ayora village to takes about 25 minutes. This white sand and turquoise water pristine beach is ideal to have a quiet beach day, rent some kayaks and see groups of marine iguanas that are regulating their temperature on the rocks and sand. Take enough water and some snacks with you, since there is no place to buy food or water.



Usually the National Park only let you start the walk to Tortuga Bay untill 3PM.

Hotel Galapagos Cottages

Located in Puerto Ayora, two minutes away from the entrance to the famous pristine beach Tortuga Bay on Santa Cruz Island, our complex offers three two-story rental cottages and one three-story rental townhome.



In a central yet quiet and peaceful location, all rooms feature a pool-view balcony. Public areas feature a variable depth pool suitable for children and a multipurpose poolside outdoor deck with a bar, rest areas, and lounge.

The facilities are for the exclusive use of the guests.



Breakfast



Hotel Galapagos Cottage or similar



Day 8

17-02-2024

North Seymour

After breakfast, you go by car to the Itabaca channel (about 40 minutes). From there you go by boat to North Seymour (about 30 minutes). You will do a short hike and you can go snorkeling. You will have a box lunch on board. On your return, you will drop off at Pto. Ayora public dock, you can walk to your hotel and enjoy the town lifestyle.



Breakfast - Box Lunch



Hotel Galapagos Cottage or similar

Day 9

18-02-2024

Biking Santa Cruz Highlands - Playa Garrapatero

Today you will have a mountain biking expedition with an English-speaking guide. You will start in Puerto Ayora and you will go to the highlands of Santa Cruz to see the giant tortoises in their natural habitat.

You will also have the opportunity to explore the Santa Cruz lava tunnels!

After a short visit to one of the ranches where you can come very close to the Giant tortoises, you will bike to Garrapatero Beach. Here you can enjoy a refreshing dive into the sea. From here you will bike back to Puerto Ayora.



Breakfast - Lunch



Hotel Galapagos Cottage or similar

Day 10

19-02-2024

Transfer out Puerto Ayora to Baltra

You will have a transfer from Puerto Ayora to the Baltra Airport about 3 hours before the departure of your flight. This time will be coordinated before you travel.

The transfer will take about 45 minutes until you reach the Itabacca Channel. The ferry will then take you to the other side of the channel, about ten minutes. Once you arrive, you will continue by bus to the airport.



Breakfast

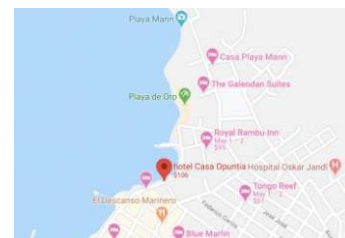


Hotels

Casa Opuntia

Casa Opuntia is a very nice and comfortable hotel located on San Cristobal Island. It is ideally situated on the oceanfront boardwalk, just a few meters from the Golden Beach (Playa de Oro).

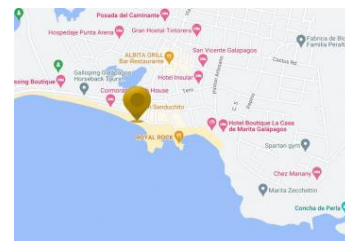
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Hotel Mi Playa

Hotel Mi Playa in Galapagos offers a tranquil escape amidst the stunning natural beauty of the archipelago. Nestled by the beach, the hotel provides comfortable accommodations with ocean views, blending modern amenities with a touch of local charm. Immerse yourself in Galapagos' unique ecosystem while enjoying personalized service at Hotel Mi Playa.

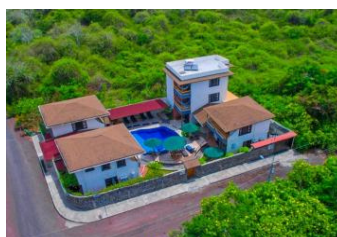
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Additional

Included

- All activities as described in the itinerary.
- Meals as described in the itinerary.
- Accommodation as described in the itinerary.
- Airport pickup and drop off according to your arrival and departure times.
- Extra baggage in Local Inter-Island Galapagos Flights
- Transportation on and between the islands as described in the itinerary.
- Local naturalist guide (English & Spanish speaking).
- Snorkeling equipment: snorkel, mask, fins, and life vest.
- 24/7 assistance in English, Dutch, and Spanish.

Not Included

- Galapagos flights leaving and returning to mainland Ecuador.
- Food and drinks that are not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Entrance fee for the Galapagos National Park: \$100 per adult and \$50 per child (cash only)
- Transit Control Card (Ingala): \$20 per person (cash only)
- Isabela Entrance Fee: \$10 per person (cash only)
- Water Taxi (Small boat that takes you to and from the main pier to the speedboats.)
- Wetsuits Available for Rent: \$5 per person for short wet suits and \$10 for long wet suits. Cost is per day (cash only.)
- Personal travel insurance and health insurance.
- Optional tips for the guide.
- Personal expenses and souvenirs.

*Each of the additional costs above are subject to change.



Prices

10 Day Galapagos Multisport Adventure

\$ 7,850.00

Amount per participant in US Dollars (\$):

\$ 3,925.00

Total amount in US Dollars (\$):

~~\$ 7,850.00~~

FINAL PRICE!

\$ 7,065.00

- Please arrange your own travel and health insurance. Have in mind that this is mandatory.
- When agreed on the proposed trip you also agree to the [terms and conditions of Rebecca Adventure Travel](#).
- This price includes the taxes yet known, this might change. Rebecca Adventure Travel is not responsible for new taxes. - The operator reserves the right to change the program in case of unforeseen circumstances.
- Please see our [FAQ](#) for more information regarding bookings, payments & price, health & travel insurance, travel tips, tours and other useful general information.
- This Travel Plan is valid until 23-01-2024



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