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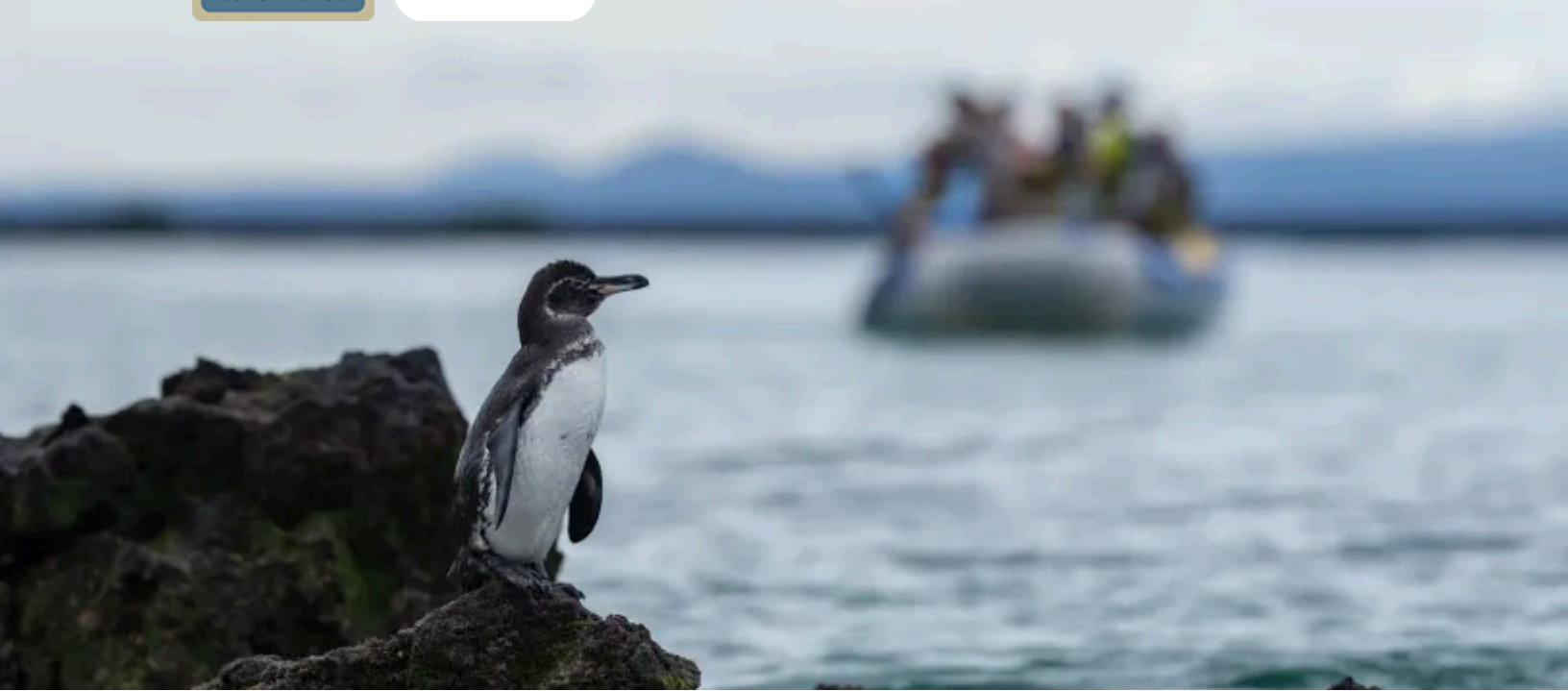


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Trip Details:

Days
10 Days / Year-Round

Price
From \$7952

Physical Requirements
Easy to Moderate

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Experience the Galapagos aboard the *National Geographic Delfina*, Lindblad Expeditions' newest and most intimate vessel in its island fleet, a luxury motorsailing catamaran for just 16 guests. Designed exclusively for a more personal experience while cruising the archipelago in style and comfort, this elegant small ship is home base for an exhilarating adventure that gets you face to face with the menagerie of creatures that make these islands so unique. Daily snorkeling excursions reveal sea turtles, swimming penguins and schools of tropical fish. Hikes on land and coastline exploration by Zodiac foster a deeper appreciation for the abundance of wildlife and native vegetation unique to the Galapagos. And with an attentive crew, veteran Expedition Leader and National Geographic-certified photo instructor—both licensed naturalists—your time at sea is as educational and engaging as it is relaxing.

Trip Highlights

Accommodating only 16 passengers, the *National Geographic Delfina* allows guests to experience the Galapagos aboard the stylish and stable catamaran

This action-packed voyage features varied modes of exploration on land and sea—hiking, kayaking, Zodiac excursions, undersea cameras and more

Snorkel with sea lions, turtles and abundant fish in the protected waters of the Galápagos Marine Reserve



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Itinerary At A Glance

Day 1
Quito or Guayaquil, Ecuador

Day 2
Quito or Guayaquil / Baltra,
Galapagos / Embark Ship

Days 3 - 8
Cruising the Galapagos Islands

Day 9
Galapagos Islands—Disembark /
Guayaquil or Quito

Day 10
Guayaquil or Quito / Depart

Galapagos by Catamaran: An Intimate Voyage Itinerary

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Day 1: Quito or Guayaquil, Ecuador

Guests may choose to arrive in either Quito, Ecuador’s capital city, or coastal Guayaquil, a vibrant tropical metropolis with a waterfront promenade along the Rio Guayas. Guests in Quito will have the choice of several hotels, while those who arrive in Guayaquil will spend the night at the Hotel Oro Verde, a recently renovated luxury hotel with a full-service spa.





Day 2: Quito or Guayaquil / Baltra, Galapagos / Embark Ship

Fly this morning to the Galapagos, landing on the island of Baltra, and transfer to the pier where the *National Geographic Delfina* awaits. The newest and most intimate addition to Lindblad Expeditions' Galapagos fleet, this 16-passenger luxury motorsailing catamaran is your home base for an extraordinary week of exploration. As you settle in on board, the *Delfina* sets off, its sleek design and stable features ensuring smooth transit between islands.



Days 3 - 8: Cruising the Galapagos Islands

Each day unveils a new island to explore, and Lindblad's flexible expedition style offers diverse opportunities for discovery. Below is a selection of islands we may visit. In each location, you'll have close encounters with the unique wildlife of the Galapagos, known for its comfort around humans. Daily activities cater to various interests and energy levels. Join expert naturalists on guided hikes, snorkel with tropical fish and sea turtles, kayak along scenic coastlines, or try stand-up paddleboarding in tranquil bays. For a different perspective, hop aboard a Zodiac to cruise rocky shores where you'll likely find blue-footed boobies, marine iguanas and Sally lightfoot crabs. Myriad daily options allow you to tailor the experience to your preferences.

Your itinerary will include a selection of these islands:

North Seymour

Encounter abundant sea lions, nesting frigatebirds, plus land and marine iguanas, and enjoy striking views on a coastal walk.

Bartolome

Ascend to the summit of this 300-foot-high volcanic summit, then look for marine life as we swim and snorkel from the beach, keeping an eye out for rare and endangered Galapagos penguins.

Santiago

Once a source of fresh water, wood and tortoises for buccaneers and whalers, Santiago was also previously home to a thriving salt mine, active in the 1920s and 1960s. Today, the island is home only to wildlife—particularly the Galapagos fur seal—and stands as a showcase to successful conservation efforts that have recovered much of Santiago's vegetation and native species. Explore tide pools; swim, snorkel, kayak and paddleboard along the coast; or stroll through a revitalized coastal forest.

Isabela

Isabela, largest of the Galapagos islands, was created when six volcanoes flowed together (five of which are still active). Today, its shape resembles a seahorse. In addition to kayaking and deep-water snorkeling, there's excellent swimming from a small black sand beach. Varied choices for walks and hikes ashore reveal Isabela's intriguing features, including an iguana colony and a chance to cross the equator at Ecuador Volcano, the northernmost of Isabela's six great shield volcanoes. Keep an eye out for whales and dolphins as we ply waters rich in marine life, which were once the haunt of whalers and pirates.

Fernandina

The youngest and most active volcano in the Galapagos, Fernandina is one of the most pristine tropical islands on Earth. Hike over relatively recent lava flows among placid marine iguanas (the largest population in the Galapagos), flightless cormorants, and bright orange Sally Lightfoot crabs that speckle the black lava rocks. Galapagos hawks soar overhead while sea lions loll on the sunbaked lava.



Española

Española is one of the most prolific wildlife sites in the Galapagos. Hike to Punta Suarez, the seasonal home of the world's only population of waved albatross. The island's endemic red-and-green marine iguanas are also found only here. Española is also home to Darwin's finches, Galapagos mockingbirds, Galapagos hawks, Galapagos doves, Nazca boobies, and the famous blue-footed boobies. A huge colony of sea lions lazes on the beach at Gardner Bay, covering the long stretch of fine, powdery white sand. Snorkeling in the bay is generally excellent, too.

Floreana

One of the few Galapagos islands inhabited by humans, Floreana has a rich cultural history filled with intrigue, including tales of pirates who once hid out here. A post office established by British whalers in 1793 is still used by travelers today to leave mail for personal delivery by passing visitors. Snorkel among sea lions and schools of tropical fish in the clear waters off Champion Islet, where flamingos, pintail ducks and various shorebirds can also be found. Hike to a pristine white sand beach, a favorite nesting site for sea turtles.

Santa Cruz

Call at Puerto Ayora, the largest town and headquarters of both Galapagos National Park and Charles Darwin Research Station, which operate in partnership. At Darwin Station, learn about collaborative efforts between scientists, guides, rangers and park managers to preserve the unique features of the UNESCO World Heritage Site that is the Galapagos Islands. Visit the tortoise-rearing facility to see tiny babies bred to help increase the depleted tortoise population, a central part of the station's conservation mission. To date, more than 5,000 tortoises have been returned to the wild in the Galapagos through the program. Santa Cruz is also home to wild Galapagos tortoises, the islands' namesake, which dwell in the misty Scalesia forests of the highlands.

Genovesa

Sail across the Equator to the remote northern realm of the Galapagos into this flooded caldera, the remnants of an ancient volcano that collapsed into the sea. Horseshoe-shaped Genovesa is renowned for its abundant birdlife, hosting more than one million seabirds. A climb up Prince Philip's Steps, a steep stairway carved into the rock face, leads to the island's summit. Native wildlife abounds, from Nazca, red-and blue-footed boobies and frigates to gulls and owls. The island's cliffs and waters are also home to an array of marine life, including fur seals, hammerhead sharks, turtles and manta rays.

San Cristobal

Search for red-footed boobies and the endemic mockingbird and lava lizard—found only on this easternmost island. Explore Baquerizo Moreno, where sea lions thrive in the middle of town.

Day 9: Galapagos Islands—Disembark / Guayaquil or Quito

Our ship has returned to our disembarkation port overnight, and we depart after breakfast this morning, heading to the airport for our flight back to the mainland. You may choose to overnight in Guayaquil, where a transfer is included to the Hotel Oro Verde, or in Quito, where a choice of hotels is available. The afternoon and evening are at your leisure. Depending on flight schedules, you may be able to take advantage of an overnight flight home.



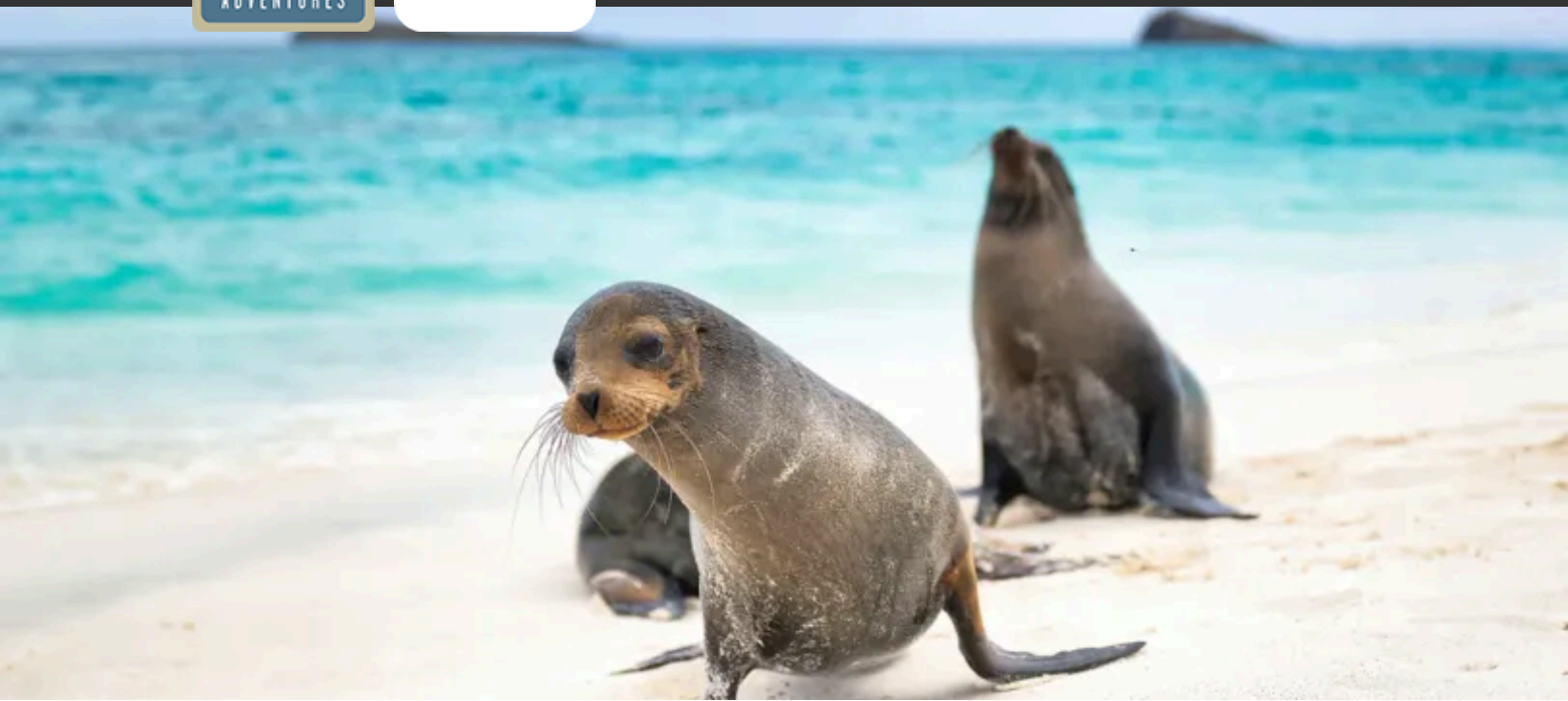
Day 10: Guayaquil or Quito / Depart

You are free to depart at any time today. A transfer to the airport is included. Fly homeward or stay on for an optional extension to Machu Picchu in Peru.

*Learn more about the seasonal variations of **Galapagos weather and wildlife viewing** .*



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Accommodation Details:

National Geographic Delfina

Hotel Oro Verde

Swissotel Quito

Wyndham Quito Airport

Casa Gangotena

For detailed descriptions, visit nathab.com/adventure-cruises/galapagos-by-catamaran-intimate-voyage/accommodations

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National Geographic Delfina

Explore the Galapagos with no more than 16 guests aboard this 98-foot motorsailing catamaran, with 360-degree views, gourmet dining and better access to more remote locations in the archipelago.



Hotel Oro Verde

Offering luxury in the heart of Guayaquil, just 20 minutes from the airport, the hotel's prime location serves as a gateway to the Galapagos, while sophisticated amenities ensure tranquility.



Swissotel Quito

A luxury hotel that blends modern design with local artwork and textiles, the property features spacious guest rooms with premium bedding, an elegant lobby, spa and indoor/outdoor pools.



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Wyndham Quito Airport

Just minutes from Quito's international airport, this ultra-modern new hotel offers a tranquil layover retreat, with striking design elements, a gym and spa, and guest rooms with every convenience.



Casa Gangotena

Capturing the elegance and luxury of a bygone era, this historic mansion in the heart of Quito's Old Town houses the city's finest boutique hotel, on the edge of San Francisco Plaza.



Why Travel with Nat Hab?

We're proud to offer a worldwide slate of Adventure Cruises through our partner Lindblad Expeditions. Nat Hab joined forces with Lindblad in 2016 to expand our mutual collection of nature adventures. Founded in 1958 by Lars-Eric Lindblad, the company pioneered eco-conscious expeditions for "citizen explorers" and today is the world leader in conservation-focused small-ship cruises. Our Adventure Specialists are intimately familiar with the ships and itineraries and are on call to answer any questions you might have. When you choose Lindblad in the Galapagos, you'll get all these advantages:

1 Lindblad Leads in Experience and Knowledge

Lindblad has led expeditions to the Galapagos for more than 50 years, operating its own ships year-round, each with a core team of naturalists who work exclusively for Lindblad-National Geographic. Every departure sails with a veteran Expedition Leader and team of passionate experts with specialties like marine biology, evolutionary biology and ornithology, plus an undersea specialist and certified photo instructor trained by National Geographic. During the summer months, when families travel most, an additional naturalist leads kids-only activities such as scavenger hunts, journaling and smartphone photography.

2 A Range of Tools for Optimum Exploration

Activities are plentiful: Choose to swim, snorkel, kayak, walk leisurely, hike vigorously, cruise in a Zodiac with a naturalist or relax aboard ship. The *National Geographic Delfina* is outfitted with snorkel gear including wetsuits, tandem and single kayaks, and stand-up paddleboards.

3 Go Home with Photos as Thrilling as the Wildlife

Legendary wildlife in the Galapagos and its lack of fear create a dream setting for nature photographers. Whether you're angling for a magical shot of giant tortoises, blue-footed boobies or marine iguanas, our onboard photo instructors have been trained at National Geographic headquarters to help you make the most of each wildlife encounter—making sure you go home with your best photos ever!

4 Locally Sourced, Sustainable Dining

Our chefs cook with fresh, local ingredients whenever possible, including locally grown produce, sustainably caught fish and other local and indigenous products. Ecuadorian ingredients and flavors embellish the menu and offer a more genuine sense of the region's cuisine and culture. Reusable water bottles are found in every cabin, with chilled fresh water stations around the ship to make staying hydrated convenient and refreshing—and helping to keep plastic bottles out of the islands.



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Lindblad Supports Galapagos Conservation

Lindblad has played an active role in Galapagos conservation since 1967, working in conjunction with Galapagos National Park, Charles Darwin Research Station, local nonprofits and community groups. Since 1997, together with its guests, Lindblad has helped raise nearly \$7 million to support conservation, education, research and community development priorities, and established the LEX-NG Fund to manage grants made in the region.

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We're Committed to the Planet

Natural Habitat Adventures is a standard-setter in eco-conscious travel. We have been the world's first carbon-neutral travel company since 2007. And we continue to break innovative ground in adopting practices that help to protect our global environment. Because of our concern for the environment, we only choose cruise travel partners who share our commitment—and Lindblad certainly does.

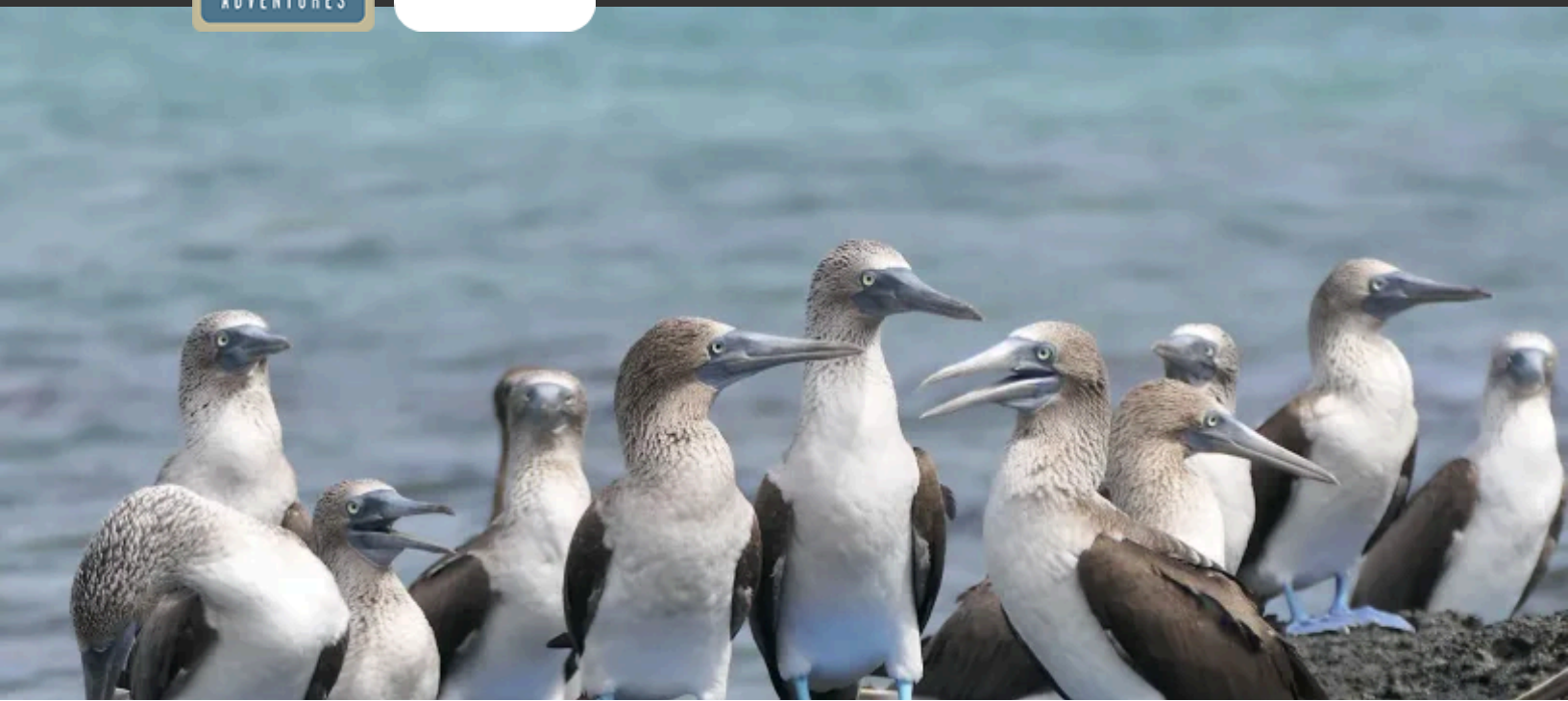
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Natural Habitat Adventures is WWF's Travel Partner

Because of our environmental commitment and the outstanding quality of our adventures, World Wildlife Fund has chosen Natural Habitat Adventures as its worldwide travel partner, a designation we're very proud of! When you book your Lindblad Expeditions cruise with us, a portion of your trip fee supports WWF.



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Dates & Pricing Summary:

Prices:
From \$7952

Group Size:
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Galapagos by Catamaran: An Intimate Voyage Dates, Pricing & Info

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2025 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes
Apr 25, 2025	May 4, 2025	
May 2, 2025	May 11, 2025	
May 9, 2025	May 18, 2025	
May 16, 2025	May 25, 2025	
May 23, 2025	Jun 1, 2025	
May 30, 2025	Jun 8, 2025	
Jun 6, 2025	Jun 15, 2025	
Jun 13, 2025	Jun 22, 2025	
Jun 20, 2025	Jun 29, 2025	



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Jun 27, 2025	Jul 6, 2025	
Jul 4, 2025	Jul 13, 2025	
Jul 11, 2025	Jul 20, 2025	
Jul 18, 2025	Jul 27, 2025	
Jul 25, 2025	Aug 3, 2025	
Aug 1, 2025	Aug 10, 2025	
Aug 15, 2025	Aug 24, 2025	
Aug 22, 2025	Aug 31, 2025	
Aug 29, 2025	Sep 7, 2025	
Sep 5, 2025	Sep 14, 2025	
Sep 12, 2025	Sep 21, 2025	
Sep 19, 2025	Sep 28, 2025	
Sep 26, 2025	Oct 5, 2025	
Oct 10, 2025	Oct 19, 2025	
Oct 17, 2025	Oct 26, 2025	
Oct 24, 2025	Nov 2, 2025	
Oct 31, 2025	Nov 9, 2025	
Nov 7, 2025	Nov 16, 2025	
Nov 14, 2025	Nov 23, 2025	
Nov 21, 2025	Nov 30, 2025	
Nov 28, 2025	Dec 7, 2025	
Dec 5, 2025	Dec 14, 2025	
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2026 Departures

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Jan 2, 2026	Jan 11, 2026	
Jan 9, 2026	Jan 18, 2026	
Jan 16, 2026	Jan 25, 2026	
Jan 23, 2026	Feb 1, 2026	
Jan 30, 2026	Feb 8, 2026	
Feb 6, 2026	Feb 15, 2026	
Feb 13, 2026	Feb 22, 2026	
Feb 20, 2026	Mar 1, 2026	
Feb 27, 2026	Mar 8, 2026	
Mar 6, 2026	Mar 15, 2026	
Mar 13, 2026	Mar 22, 2026	
Mar 20, 2026	Mar 29, 2026	
Mar 27, 2026	Apr 5, 2026	
Apr 3, 2026	Apr 12, 2026	
Apr 10, 2026	Apr 19, 2026	
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Jun 5, 2026	Jun 14, 2026	
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Jul 17, 2026	Jul 26, 2026	
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Jul 31, 2026	Aug 9, 2026	
Aug 7, 2026	Aug 16, 2026	
Aug 14, 2026	Aug 23, 2026	
Aug 21, 2026	Aug 30, 2026	
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Dec 4, 2026	Dec 13, 2026	
Dec 11, 2026	Dec 20, 2026	
Dec 18, 2026	Dec 27, 2026	
Dec 25, 2026	Jan 3, 2027	

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Departure	Return	Notes
Jan 1, 2027	Jan 10, 2027	



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Departure	Return	Notes
Jan 8, 2027	Jan 17, 2027	
Jan 15, 2027	Jan 24, 2027	
Jan 22, 2027	Jan 31, 2027	
Jan 29, 2027	Feb 7, 2027	
Feb 5, 2027	Feb 14, 2027	
Feb 12, 2027	Feb 21, 2027	
Feb 19, 2027	Feb 28, 2027	
Feb 26, 2027	Mar 7, 2027	
Mar 5, 2027	Mar 14, 2027	
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Mar 19, 2027	Mar 28, 2027	
Mar 26, 2027	Apr 4, 2027	



Pricing

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Trip prices are per person based on double occupancy and are given in U.S. dollars. Single cabins may be available on ships without dedicated single cabins at higher rates. Internal airfare is an additional \$520 per person for adults or \$350 per person for children 11 years old and younger. A deposit of **15%** of the cabin fare is required to reserve your space.

Please read Lindblad's Payment & Refund Policy here.

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Included

All accommodations aboard ship or in hotels per itinerary; all meals as indicated in the itinerary, both aboard and onshore; beer, wine, cocktails, and spirits aboard the ship (except certain super premium brands which are available for purchase); hors d'oeuvres, 24-hour access to snacks, premium coffees and teas, non-alcoholic beverages, and filtered water; excursions and airport transfers to and from recommended flights, as indicated in the itinerary; gratuities in Guayaquil and Quito to local guides, drivers and tour escort; exploration tools curated to destination, such as Zodiacs, stand-up paddleboards, kayaks, snorkeling equipment (including wetsuits, masks, and fins); guidance and company of our leading expedition staff; presentations by expedition staff and expert guest speakers; basic Wi-Fi; complimentary reusable water bottle; services of a physician; morning stretch classes; 24-hour access to lounge, observation decks, library, and other shared spaces; park and site entrance fees, special access permits, and port taxes. Unused services or items included in our programs are non-refundable.

Not Included

Airfare; pre- and post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights (except when indicated as included); crew gratuities; private transfers; laundry, spa treatments, and phone services; travel protection plans; and passport, visa, and immigration fees.



Physical Requirements

Easy to Moderate

This Galapagos voyage features a packed itinerary, with early mornings and long days filled with varied activities including island walks, swimming, snorkeling, kayaking and paddleboarding. Trails are often rough and uneven, traversing sharp lava fields and loose rocks and gravel. It is sometimes necessary to walk over slippery rocks when making a Zodiac landing to come ashore. Guests must be able to walk a minimum of two miles to participate in this trip, as well as walk up and down stairs and be able to get in and out of the motorized pangas (rigid inflatable rafts), which can be very unsteady in rough water. A few wet landings, where we disembark from the panga directly into shallow water and walk up onto the beach, are required. Snorkeling is a big component of this trip, with excursions offered nearly every day, sometimes twice a day. While no snorkeling experience is required, prior practice is recommended, and travelers should be comfortable swimming in moderate currents, near shore and in deep water. Our Expedition Leaders will also offer guidance for those in need of additional snorkeling instruction. Travelers are not required to participate in every activity.

Mandatory Insurance

Since the areas we travel to are remote and wild (that's why we go there!), we require that all guests have, at minimum, medical evacuation insurance for this program. This is for the safety of all guests. We require that your chosen independent insurance plan includes at least \$250,000 in medical evacuation coverage.

To protect your investment and to provide peace of mind while you travel, we also strongly recommend purchasing comprehensive travel insurance. Plans may cover everything from medical treatment to trip cancellations and delays and lost luggage. Please contact our office if you would like more information about the medical evacuation and comprehensive travel insurance policies we offer by calling 800-543-8917.



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Extension Details:

See Quito Pre-Voyage Extension
From \$449

Tropical Andes & Colonial Quito Pre-Voyage Extension
From \$2690

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See Quito Pre-Voyage Extension

Arrive a day early and explore Ecuador's colonial capital. Tour the plazas, Baroque churches, and cobbled streets of Quito's 16th-century historical center.

From \$449



Tropical Andes & Colonial Quito Pre-Voyage Extension

Explore lesser-known Ecuador on a six-day Andean adventure through Quito, a UNESCO World Heritage site, then on to Mashpi Lodge within the Choco rainforest.

From \$2690



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