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LatinAmerica

FAMTRIP

7 Days • 6 Nights

Quito City & Galapagos Islands

DAY BY DAY

Description:



Day 1:

September 11th
Arrival in Quito

Arrival in Quito International Airport (UIO). Private transfer to Ikala Quito Hotel. Additional activities available upon request.

Included: Private transportation, Spanish speaking driver, and hotel accommodation. (www.ikalaquitohotel.com)

Day 2:

September 12th
Quito (Historic District & Middle of the World)

After a hearty breakfast your walking tour will start in Quito's historic district. You will drive to El Panecillo hill to enjoy a beautiful view of the city and learn about this historic monument. After a short visit we continue our walk to San Francisco Plaza where the Church and Monastery of San Francisco (1535) is located. We continue our walking tour to the Compañía Church that with its amazing gilt altars is considered as one of the finest examples of baroque art in America. After visiting la Compañía Church we will walk to Independence Square where the Presidential Palace, the Metropolitan Cathedral, and the Municipality are located. Here you will enjoy a local lunch.

In the afternoon, we drive north of Quito. Our first stop will be Casa Agave Museum where you will learn about Miske, a traditional distilled beverage made from agave. We will continue driving to the Equator and Middle of the World monument where will learn about the history and geography of Quito and Ecuador and finish our day visiting the interactive museum of Inti Ñan.

Included: Private transportation, entry fees (La Compañía Church, Casa Agave Museum, Equator and Middle of the World Monument), national certified tour guide (English-Spanish speaking), lunch, and hotel accommodation. (www.ikalaquitohotel.com)



Day 3:

September 13th

Quito - Galapagos Islands (Bachas Beach)

Early in the morning we will have our transfer to the Quito International Airport (UIO) airport for our flight to the Galapagos Islands. Our flight will arrive at Baltra Island where we will be greeted by our guide who will take us aboard.

After lunch, we visit Bachas beach, a white sand beach which is made of decomposed coral. One of the favorite nesting places of sea turtles. In the afternoon we return aboard for an official welcome cocktail followed by a delicious dinner after which your guide will brief you about the next day's activities.

Included: Breakfast, private transportation, lunch, naturalist guide certified by the Galapagos National Guide (English-Spanish speaking), dinner, and yacht accommodation (standard double cabin). (www.yachtanahi.com)

Day 4:

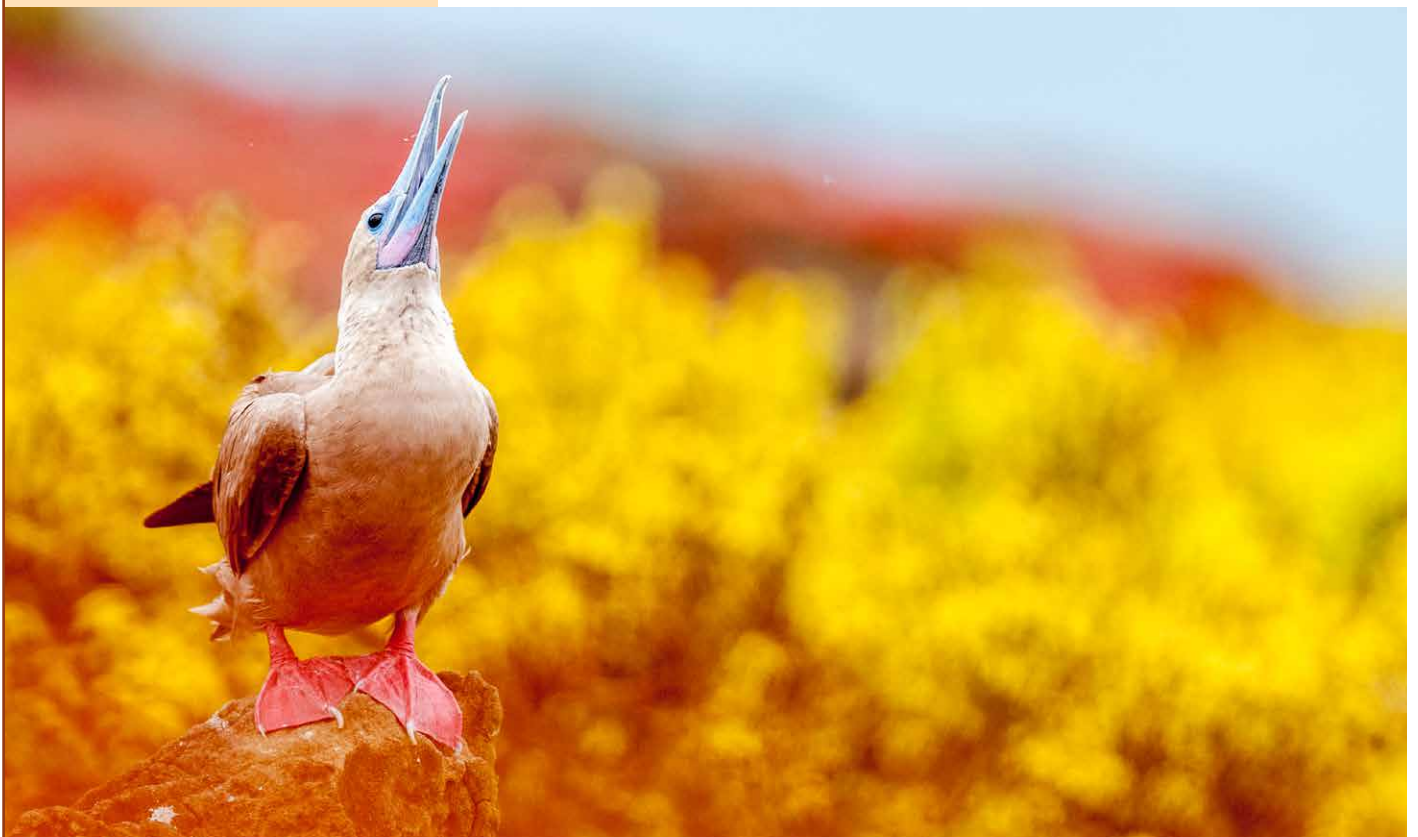
September 14th

Galapagos Islands (Genovesa Island - Darwin Bay & Prince Philip's Steps)

Good morning from Genovesa Islands! In the morning after a hearty breakfast, we start our day by visiting Darwin Bay, a beautiful bay where a great diversity of sea-birds nest in the mangroves that dominate the area.

After enjoying a delicious lunch aboard, we have our second activity of the day: Prince Philip's Steps. We will walk 25 meters of stairs to arrive at one of the best bird nesting sites on the islands. Upon returning from our walk alongside birds 'nests we will have the opportunity to snorkel, kayak, and take a ride in a panga along the coast.

Included: Breakfast, lunch, naturalist guide certified by the Galapagos National Guide (English-Spanish speaking), dinner, and yacht accommodation (standard double cabin). (www.yachtanahi.com)



Day 5:

September 15th

**Galapagos Islands
(Plaza Island & Santa
Fe Island)**

We will wake up with new views from our cabin windows as we arrive at Plaza Islands. These islands have unusual vegetation that creates an interesting landscape enhancing the fauna and flora of the Galápagos. Here you can observe land iguanas under the shade of cacti. The main attractions of the Plaza Islands include land iguanas, sea lions, and swallow-tailed gulls, as well as lizards, island insects, red-beaked sparrows, frigate birds, and pelicans that glide down the cliffs.

Then we will return to the yacht for lunch and a deserved rest. In the afternoon we will visit Santa Fe Island. An extremely scenic island, where we can visit two different trails: one of them leading to a beautiful viewpoint on the top of a cliff, where you can find endemic land iguanas. The other trail is a small circular path close to the beach, where we will be able to observe another colony of land iguana. After a day full of activities, we return aboard for dinner.

Included: Breakfast, lunch, naturalist guide certified by the Galapagos National Guide (English-Spanish speaking), dinner, and yacht accommodation (standard double cabin). (www.yachtanahi.com)

Day 6:

September 16th

**Galapagos Islands
(San Cristobal Island
- Punta Pitt, Kicker
Rock & Isla Lobos)**

In the morning and after a hearty breakfast we will disembark in San Cristobal Island to visit Punta Pitt considered as one of the most beautiful and impressive sites in the Galapagos Islands.

We return aboard to enjoy lunch, and, in the afternoon, we visit Kicker Rock: A gigantic and impressive rock formation known locally as Leon Dormido or Kicker Rock. Later we head towards Isla Lobos, an islet separated from San Cristobal Island by a narrow stretch of calm waters. On the islet we will take a walk that will allow us to observe frigates, blue-footed boobies, masked boobies, a colony of sea lions and we will also be able to snorkel with sea lions and different kinds of colorful fish.

Included: Breakfast, lunch, naturalist guide certified by the Galapagos National Guide (English-Spanish speaking), dinner, and yacht accommodation (standard double cabin). (www.yachtanahi.com)



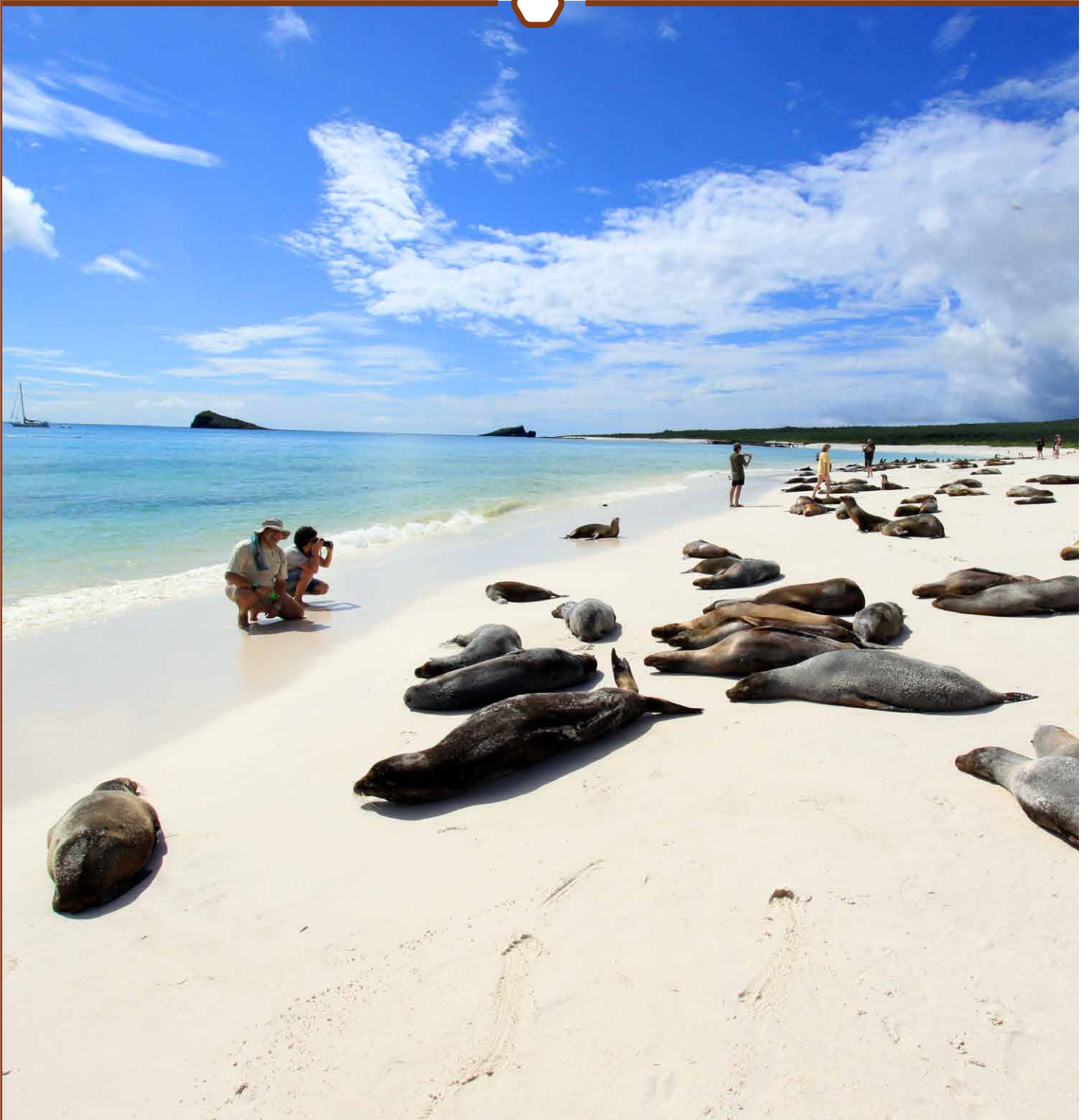
Day 7:

September 17th

**Galapagos Islands
(San Cristobal Island -
Junco Lagoon) -
Quito.**

In the morning, our guide will take us to the highlands of San Cristobal Island. On this day, we will have two tour options. The first tour starts in Puerto Baquerizo Moreno and visits El Junco Lagoon located in the caldera of an extinct volcano, creating a paradise for frigate birds and turtles. Alternatively, we will visit the Cerro Colorado turtle breeding center. Here we will have a pleasant walk along a path that allows us to be in close contact with land tortoises. After our visit, we will depart for the airport for our return flight to Quito. Upon arrival in the Quito International Airport we will have our private transfer to our hotel.

Included: Breakfast, naturalist guide certified by the Galapagos National Guide (English-Spanish speaking), private transportation, and Spanish speaking driver.



● Special rates for any TMLA-registered buyer (USD\$1300)

Fam Trip Included:

Private transport, single room accommodation in Quito, national certified tour guide (English-Spanish speaking), naturalist guide certified by the Galapagos National Guide (English-Spanish speaking), meals as indicated, attraction entrance fees, double cabin accommodation in first-class Yacht Anahi Galapagos Cruise.

Fam Trip does not Include:

Personal expenses, international/internal flights (Galapagos Islands - Quito roundtrip: \$490.00 p.p), travel insurance, tips, beverages, extras, Galapagos Transit Card (\$20.00 p.p), Galapagos National Park Entrance Fee (\$200.00 p.p), optional excursions.

● Accommodation:

Quito: Ikala Quito Hotel (www.ikalaquitohotel.com)

First-Class Yacht: Yacht Catamaran Anahi (www.yachtanahi.com)

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