



GALÁPAGOS YACHT SERVICES

GALAPAGOS & ECUADOR LUXURY DMC ON SITE

Tour Offered by
Galapagos Yacht Services
Land-Based Galápagos Experience

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

DATES: SEPTEMBER 19–22, 2026 (POST TOUR)

SANTA CRUZ ISLAND · GALÁPAGOS · ECUADOR

Price: USD \$875.00 per person (Single occupancy)

Special TMLA fam rate · based on a minimum of 10 participants

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Experience the Galápagos the way locals do: sleeping on land in a peaceful boutique hotel and sailing out each day to encounter the archipelago's most iconic wildlife. This is authentic, small-group, land-based Galápagos — designed and operated by a specialist who was born and works in the islands, and who hand-picks every hotel, yacht, guide and restaurant so you feel the destination exactly as your future clients will.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Snorkel in the crystal-clear waters of Pinzón's Penguin Bay among sea lions, sea turtles, rays and white-tip reef sharks.
- Walk among nesting blue-footed boobies and one of Galápagos' largest magnificent-frigatebird colonies at North Seymour.
- Meet giant tortoises in the wild and walk through a lava tunnel in the lush Santa Cruz highlands.
- Stay 3 nights at a boutique hotel in the tranquil Punta Estrada area, away from the crowds.
- Special farewell dinner at Eloise, one of Puerto Ayora's finest restaurants.
- A true land-based product you can experience, trust and resell — operated end to end by a local Galápagos specialist.

Level of difficulty: Easy to moderate.

DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1 · Saturday, Sep 19 — Arrival & Santa Cruz Highlands (–/–/–)

Arrival at Baltra Airport, where our naturalist guide welcomes you and assists with your luggage. We cross the Itabaca Channel and ascend into the green highlands of Santa Cruz. Here we visit Los Gemelos, a pair of dramatic sinkhole craters set in Scalesia cloud forest, and a private reserve where giant tortoises roam freely in their natural habitat, followed by a walk through an underground lava tunnel — living evidence of the islands' volcanic origin. Continuation to Hotel Palo Santo in Punta Estrada, check-in, and evening at leisure.

Day 2 · Sunday, Sep 20 — Full-Day Yacht Tour to Pinzón Island (B/L/–)

After breakfast, we sail toward Pinzón Island and its Penguin Bay (Bahía Pingüino), renowned for crystal-clear waters and outstanding snorkeling. Here you can encounter an abundance of marine life — playful sea lions, sea turtles, rays, white-tip reef sharks and schools of colorful reef fish such as parrotfish — and, in season, even Galápagos penguins. After a second snorkeling stop along the Pinzón coast, we continue to La Fe, a white-sand beach on the southeast coast of Santa Cruz, where you can keep snorkeling or simply relax before returning to Puerto Ayora. Lunch is served on board.

Day 3 · Monday, Sep 21 — Full-Day Yacht Tour to North Seymour + Dinner (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we sail to North Seymour, one of the richest wildlife sites in Galápagos. Along the trail, blue-footed boobies perform their famous courtship dance while the island's celebrated magnificent-frigatebird colony displays inflated scarlet throat pouches. The rocky shore teems with sea lions and marine iguanas, and flocks of pelicans dive for fish offshore. In the afternoon we visit Las Bachas beach. Lunch is served on board. In the evening, a dinner awaits at Eloise restaurant in Punta Estrada — the perfect close to your Galápagos experience.

Day 4 · Tuesday, Sep 22 — Departure (B/–/–)

Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, transfer to Baltra Airport with assistance, coordinated according to your flight schedule. End of our services.

Recommended flights: Arrive Baltra (GPS) on the morning of Sep 19 from Quito or Guayaquil; depart Baltra around midday on Sep 22.

NOTE: *The itinerary may be modified due to weather or sea conditions and Galápagos National Park regulations. Day excursions to uninhabited islands are confirmed subject to yacht availability, and equivalent alternatives (e.g. Bartolomé or South Plaza) may be offered.*

INCLUDED

- 3 nights at Hotel Palo Santo (Punta Estrada, Santa Cruz) with daily breakfast.
- Single-room supplement.
- Airport transfers Baltra–hotel–Baltra with assistance and flight coordination.
- Shared transport at Baltra and the Itabaca Channel (Lobito bus + Ferry).
- Private land transport in Santa Cruz where applicable per the itinerary.
- Bilingual (Spanish–English) naturalist guide during excursions.
- Full-day yacht tour to Santa Fe Island, with lunch on board.
- Full-day yacht tour to North Seymour Island, with lunch on board.
- Santa Cruz highlands tour: Los Gemelos, giant-tortoise reserve and lava tunnel.
- Dinner at Eloise restaurant.
- Entrance fees to all sites listed in the program.
- 24/7 local emergency contact throughout the tour.

NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare — international and Quito/Guayaquil–Galápagos (please coordinate flights with us before purchasing).
- Galápagos National Park entrance fee: USD \$200 per adult (paid in cash on arrival at Baltra).
- INGALA Transit Control Card (TCC): USD \$20 per person.
- Meals not specified in the itinerary (Day 1 lunch & dinner; Day 2 dinner).
- Travel and/or medical evacuation insurance.
- Alcoholic beverages, tips, and personal expenses.
- Optional activities and equipment rentals (e.g., kayaks or snorkel gear at public beaches).

Important: This tour does not include air tickets.

Services are operated on a shared (seat-in-coach) basis. All rates are net and valid exclusively for the TMLA 2026 post-tour dates.

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