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Galápagos Islands Cruise

April 23 - May 1, 2027

Cost based on dates, cabin selection, airfare + options.

\$8,995/double • \$12,862.96/single (airfare included)

Our time near the equator in Quito and your spectacular cruise to the Galápagos Islands will be the experience of a lifetime! The *Yacht Isabela II* offers an elegant way to explore the Galápagos Islands, combining comfort, personalized service, and a deep connection with nature. Designed for small expedition groups, this 40-passenger vessel boasts an exceptional guest-to-guide ratio with fewer than 14 guests per certified naturalist guide. Enjoy a complimentary stay at the five-star Casa Gangotena Hotel in Quito and enjoy our private guided tours of Ecuador's capital city.

TOUR INCLUDES

- Local home pick-up service and luggage handling
- All onboard meals
- Pre-night hotel in Quito
- Enjoy the elegant *Yacht Isabela II*
- Fly from Quito to the Galápagos and see giant tortoises in the Santa Cruz Highlands
- Wet landing at Puerto Egas (Santiago Island) to observe land iguanas and fur seals.
- Visit Chinese Hat Islet for swimming and snorkeling with Galápagos penguins.
- Santa Fe Island with sea lion colonies and land iguanas
- Snorkeling or a glass-bottom boat ride
- Genovesa Island, South Plaza Island, Baltra Island and more!

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Galápagos Islands Cruise Day by Day

Day 1: Overnight Flight to Quito

Day 2: Pre-night hotel in Quito

Day 3: To the Galápagos & Boarding the *Yacht Isabela II*

A morning flight takes you to Baltra Island, gateway to the Galápagos. After a short ferry to Santa Cruz Island, ascend through lush highlands to observe giant tortoises in their natural habitat and walk through lava tunnels formed by ancient eruptions. Following lunch, travel to Puerto Ayora to board the elegant Yacht Isabela II, your home for four nights. Enjoy a welcome dinner as your ship sets sail into the sunset, the islands glowing in evening light.

Life Aboard the Yacht Isabela II

Sleek, intimate, and purpose-built for exploration, the Yacht Isabela II carries just 40 guests in comfort and style. Her teak decks, panoramic lounge, and open-air observation platform provide front-row views of the islands' ever-changing drama — from volcanic peaks to turquoise coves alive with sea turtles and rays.

Cabins feature ocean-view windows and modern amenities, while the dining room serves Ecuadorian and international cuisine crafted from fresh local ingredients. Each day brings guided Zodiac landings, snorkeling in crystal waters, and close encounters with Galápagos wildlife. Evenings are tranquil, filled with conversation, fine wine, and the hum of the Pacific. On Isabela II, adventure and elegance sail side by side.

Day 4: Santiago Island & Chinese Hat

This morning's wet landing on Santiago Island reveals black-sand beaches and lava grottoes alive with marine iguanas, fur seals, and blue herons. In the afternoon, explore Chinese Hat Islet, where volcanic cones rise from the sea. Snorkel with colorful fish and perhaps spot white-tipped reef sharks or playful Galápagos penguins in the cove.

Day 5: Genovesa Island

Arrive at Genovesa Island, a remote haven for seabirds. A panga ride along the cliffs precedes the climb up Prince Philip's Steps, leading to a plateau alive with Nazca boobies, frigatebirds, and storm petrels. After lunch, visit Darwin Bay, where red-footed boobies and gulls nest among mangroves and lava rocks. Snorkel or kayak along the bay, surrounded by curious sea lions and tropical fish.

Day 6: Santa Fe & South Plaza Islands

Make a dry landing on Santa Fe Island, home to sea lion colonies and the endemic Santa Fe land iguana. Hike through cactus forests with panoramic ocean views, then snorkel in clear waters or take a glass-bottom boat excursion.

After lunch, continue to South Plaza Island, where red succulents, golden iguanas, and bright blue skies create a painter's palette of color. Watch frigatebirds soar overhead and sea lions lounge along the rocky shore.

Day 7: Baltra / Return to Quito

After breakfast aboard the Isabela II, disembark on Baltra Island and transfer to the airport for your return flight to Quito. Connect with your international flight back to western North Carolina, filled with memories of ancient empires, timeless wildlife, and the enduring spirit of South America.



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