# **Galapagos Natural Life**

# **Luxury Class - Yachts Galapagos**

### **ENDEMIC YACHT**



### **ITINERARY DAY BY DAY**

# Itinerary 'E' 6 days / 5 Nights

## DAY 1 - THURSDAY

### **BALTRA AIRPORT - BARTHOLOMEW ISLAND**

Upon arrival, reception and assistance at the airport, transfer from Baltra Airport to the M/C Endemic.

After lunch, you will discover Bartholomew Island. Once here, you will ascend to admire the spectacular panorama of the Sullivan Bay and the famous Pinnacle Rock. The beaches at the foot of the Pinnacle Rock are excellent for snorkeling from which you can discover the marvelous underwater world.

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# **DAY 2- FRIDAY**

### FLOREANA ISLAND: Cormorant Point - Devil's Crown - Post Office Bay - Baroness' Lookout

In the morning, after breakfast, the first spot to be visited is Cormorant Point. You will land on a green olivine sand beach. Following a 100 meters long path you will soon reach a lagoon with flamingoes.

Later, the next visit will take place to Devil's Crown that is an underwater volcanic crater, almost covered completely by Galapagos waters. Just a small portion of the rock formation can be seen from above and it looks like a crown. The underwater world is very rich in coral reefs, abundant marine species. Birds are also part of this visitor point due to its location in open waters.

In the afternoon you will visit the Post Office Bay, which keeps the legendary post barrel that whalers historically used to post their mail in.

Then, you will go to the Baroness' Lookout (Mirador de la Baronesa). This viewpoint is located on the north of the Floreana Island. The way up and trail is very easy, steps are placed in this area for security. Your naturalist guide will tell the murder and mystery legend of the Baroness.

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# **DAY 3-SATURDAY**

#### SANTIAGO ISLAND: Chinese Hat- NORTH SEYMOUR ISLAND

In the morning, after breakfast you will visit Chinese Hat, which is a small islet off the south coast of Santiago, with a maximum elevation of 160 feet (52 meters). Though within easy reach of Santa Cruz, Sombrero Chino is typically only

visited by those aboard a Galapagos Cruise.

In the afternoon, North Seymour island will be discovered. It is located slightly to the north of Baltra. It is a low, flat island, formed by submarine lava formation uplift. Covered with low, bushy vegetation, it contains the largest colony of magnificent frigate birds in the Galapagos. There is also a large population of blue-footed boobies that perform an amusing courtship dance when nesting conditions are right.

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# **DAY 4-SUNDAY**

### **MOSQUERA ISLET - SANTA CRUZ ISLAND: Dragon Hill**

In the morning, you will visit Mosquera, a small islet found between Baltra & North Seymour Islands. Lava gulls, sea lions, Sally light foot crabs inhabit this sand bank with an extension of over 600 meters. It also hots the largest populations of sea lions and orca whales can be seen occasionally depending on the season you visit the islet.

In the afternoon, the visit to Dragon Hill will take place, which is located in the north-western part of Santa Cruz island. Here you will have the opportunity to walk into the island and view the land iguana. Be among these magnificent reptiles, that just a few decades ago were on the brink of extinction.

Moreover, at Dragon Hill you will see a flamingos' lagoon, pintail ducks and other endemic birds including flycatchers and warblers. After a short trek, amazing view awaits us up the hill. Offshore snorkeling before returning to the yacht.

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# **DAY 5-MONDAY**

#### GENOVESA ISLAND: Darwin Bay - El Barranco (Prince Philip's Steps)

In the morning, visit to Darwin Bay, which is the only sandy beach found in the caldera on Genovesa. Colonies of the Great Frigates are found along the beach. Male exhibit their red balloon pouch to females for hope of a match.

Red-footed boobies nest in the trees in contrast to the other two booby species which do so on the ground.

In the afternoon, we will go to El Barranco (Prince Philip's Steps), a carved out of stone stair. This will lead you to a wide plateau, where you can observe large colonies of masked boobies, frigate birds, storm petrels and ducks. During this easy stroll you will cross a little Scalesia wood, in which you can observe the short-eared owl. The same path will lead you back to your boat.

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## **DAY 6-TUFSDAY**

#### SANTA CRUZ ISLAND: Twin Craters - BALTRA AIRPORT

In the morning, after breakfast, the Twin Craters will be visited. Located in the highlands of Santa Cruz on the road to Baltra airport from Puerto Ayora, the Scenic Twin Craters are approximately 30 meters deep. These two huge land depressions are surrounded by a Scalesia Forest with abundant birds such as yellow warbler and the Vermilion Flycatcher. Gorgeous views of the leafy green highlands forest are also part of the visit. Then we will continue our journey to board the M/C Endemic.

After this last visit, transfer to Baltra airport for your return flight to mainland Ecuador.

Assistance and farewell at the airport.

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\*\*\*End of cruise\*\*\*

The operator reserves the right to change the itinerary without previous notice due to weather, National Park regulations or notifications and unforeseeable circumstances.

#### Rate includes:

- All meals, Buffet (breakfast lunch dinner) water with meals.
- Accommodation in double cabins.
- Transfers from the airport to the yacht and vice versa in Galapagos.
- Excursions in the islands with English Speaking Naturalist Guide.
- Air ticket.

### Rate does not include:

- Galapagos National Park Entrance Fee: USD 100.00 per person.
- Migratory Control Card: USD 20.00 per person.
- Soft drinks and alcoholics beverages.
- Snorkelling equipment for rent on board.
- Tips.

### Note:

- Rates per person in U.S. Dollars.
- Single occupancy supplement 80% or 100%.
- The route of the ship and the itinerary are subject to change and can vary depending on the regulations and policies of the Galapagos National Park, weather, seasonal changes, safety, etc.

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