

M/C ELITE
Itinerary C
3-Night Cruise
Saturday – Tuesday

DAY BY DAY ITINERARY DESCRIPTION

(B: breakfast/ L: lunch/ D: dinner)

Saturday

AM: Arrive at San Cristobal airport where you will be transferred to the vessel.

PM: David Rodriguez Breeding Center

A visit to the David Rodriguez Breeding Center provides information about the origin and evolution of the giant tortoise and explains why the center is so vital in safeguarding the future of these incredible creatures.

Walking through the trails of the reserve, you can see baby tortoises being reared in semi-natural conditions - a brilliant demonstration of the commitment the local people have to preserving the wildlife that makes the Galapagos so special.

Activities and Excursions: Walking

Difficulty: Soft

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Sunday

AM: Española - Suarez Point

Suarez Point is packed with wildlife and is best explored by following the circular walking trail. This memorable walk will take you past nesting sites of large colonies of nazca and blue-footed boobies and mockingbirds.

Unique to Española island are also the beautiful waved albatross, that can be seen majestically launching themselves out across the ocean from the cliffs and the red and green marine iguanas.

A geological highlight are several blow holes, capable of shooting water 25m into the air, that make for a spectacular photo.

Activities and Excursions: Walking

Difficulty: Moderate

PM: Gardner Bay, Gardner and Osborn Islets

The pristine white sandy beach of Gardner Bay dotted with sea lions provides a perfect spot to relax and kayaking or paddle boarding is a fantastic way to observe the large number of waved albatross who use this beach as a breeding site.

A short dinghy ride will take you to the Gardner and Osborn Islets, which are superb locations for snorkeling with young sea lions and a variety of colorful tropical fish and corals.

Activities and Excursions: Walking, snorkeling, dinghy ride, kayak

Difficulty: Moderate

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Monday

AM: Floreana - Cormorant Point / Devil's Crown

Cormorant Point features two contrasting beaches: one with olive-green sand due to the high content of olivine crystals, and another with pure white sand (commonly known as 'Flour Beach') derived from pulverized coral.

The saltwater pond is a must-see as it is frequented by one of the archipelago's largest populations of Galapagos flamingos as well as other shorebirds such as stilts, white-cheeked pintails and large-billed flycatchers.

Afterwards, guests will take a dinghy ride to Devil's Crown, an underwater volcanic crater that is almost completely submerged – in fact, just a small portion of the rock formation can be seen from above, and it looks like a crown. Snorkelers will discover a vast underwater world full of coral reefs and a myriad of marine species. Birds are also part of this visitor point due to its location in open waters.

Activities and Excursions: Walking, snorkeling, dinghy ride

Difficulty: Moderate

PM: Post Office Bay / The Baroness' Lookout

Post Office Bay is a man-made site that offers an insight into a remarkable mailing tradition developed by British whalers in the 18th century, that visitors can still take part in today. The beach here provides for good snorkeling and kayaking and it is also possible to descend into and walk through a lava tube.

Next, take a dinghy ride to the Baroness' Lookout, a volcanic rock formation named after an Australian baroness, who visited the island in the 1930's and is believed to have mysteriously disappeared.

A short trail leads to a brilliant vantage point with panoramic views of the surrounding mangroves and coastline.

Activities and Excursions: Walk, snorkeling, dinghy ride, kayak

Difficulty: Easy

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Tuesday

AM: Mosquera Islet

Mosquera islet is a small, flat, sandy islet located between Baltra and North Seymour islands. With no fixed trail, you are free to explore the beautiful surroundings on foot, where you will encounter a large population of sea lions, shorebirds and the striking Sally Lightfoot crabs that cling to the dark rocks.

The numerous coral reefs also make it a fantastic site for snorkeling and catching sight of a range of marine life including sharks, turtles and rays.

Activities and Excursions: Walking, snorkeling

Difficulty: Moderate

Baltra Airport

Transfer from the yacht to the airport.

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End of cruise

* Itineraries are subject to change without prior notice due to weather conditions, National Park regulations, emergencies on board or any unforeseen situation.