



Galápagos Islands Expedition Cruise

CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA | Quito, Galápagos Islands

Season: 2023 East-South

 **9** DAYS

 **23** MEALS

 **15** SITES

Unleash your adventurous spirit as you travel on a unique expedition cruise, where you'll explore the diverse islands and ecosystems of the Galápagos Archipelago. Experience the pristine beauty of this equatorial region where you may get up close with the many endemic species, including marine iguanas, Giant Land Tortoises, sea lions, blue-footed boobies and many more. Choose from 3 different routes, each offers amazing adventure as only *Adventures by Disney* can provide.



Trip Overview

 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

 ACCOMMODATIONS

 8 LOCATIONS

Wyndham Quito Airport
 Galápagos *Legend* Ship

Quito, Galápagos Islands

 AGES

Minimum Age: 7
 Suggested Age: 8+

 FLIGHT INFORMATION

Arrive: Mariscal Sucre
 International Airport (UIO)
Return: Mariscal Sucre
 International Airport (UIO)

 23 MEALS

8 Breakfasts, 8 Lunches, 7
 Dinners

DAY
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QUITO

Activities Highlights:

Arrive in Quito, Ecuador

 No Meals Included

 [Wyndham Quito Airport](#)



Arrive in Quito

¡Bienvenidos a Ecuador! Upon arrival at the Mariscal Sucre International Airport (UIO), follow the signs to Customs. After you pass through Customs, head to Baggage Claim where a representative holding an orange Adventures by Disney sign will greet you and escort you to the transfer vehicle for the short drive to the Wyndham.



Check-In at the Hotel

Arrive at the Wyndham Quito Airport, conveniently located at Mariscal Sucre Airport, and get to know this comfortable hotel that embraces the spirit of the Ecuadorian capital while your Adventure Guides check you in. Adventurers will have the evening to explore Quito. Ask your Adventure Guide for sightseeing and dining recommendations.

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QUITO, BALTRA ISLAND and BARTOLOME ISLAND

Activities Highlights:

Fly to Baltra, Embark on the Galápagos Legend, Bartolome Island with Local Naturalist, Shipboard Welcome Reception & Dinner



Breakfast, Lunch and
Dinner Included



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Breakfast at Leisure in Hotel

¡Buenos Días! Enjoy a delicious breakfast at your leisure before your flight to Baltra.



Fly to Baltra

Transfer via coach to Mariscal Sucre Airport (UIO) for your internal flight to Seymour Airport (GPS) in Baltra. Upon your arrival in Baltra, you and your baggage will be transferred to the ship.



Panga Ride to Ship & Embarkation

Transfer to the ship via a panga boat, an outboard-powered boat that is common throughout this region. Once aboard the ship, you'll check-in and then embark on your adventure of a lifetime.



Shipboard Welcome Orientation

Familiarize yourself with the *Galápagos Legend*—your home for the next 6 days—at this orientation where you'll learn about the amenities and features of the ship as well as receive some important safety information.



Lunch Onboard the Ship

Follow your adventure-filled morning with a delicious lunch onboard the ship before continuing your day on the islands.



Mosquera Islet Snorkeling & Hike

Join a naturalist for an adventure-filled snorkel in the waters of Mosquera Islet, home to rays, barracudas and sharks. You'll also take a delightful hike around the area where you may observe some of the local wildlife that includes shorebirds, herons, lava gulls and boobies. Plus, you may encounter a group of sea lions that call the soft, white sandy beach home.



Welcome Reception & Dinner

Gather together with your fellow Adventurers and Adventure Guides for a private welcome reception followed by a delicious meal onboard the ship.

Please note: Activities may vary and are subject to change pending the weather conditions and Galápagos National Park regulations.

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SOUTH PLAZA ISLAND AND NORTH SEYMOUR ISLAND

Activities Highlights:

South Plaza Island: Morning Wildlife Walk with Naturalist, North Seymour Island: Hike Amongst Nesting Grounds with Naturalist, Snorkeling with Local Expert



Breakfast, Lunch and
Dinner Included



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Breakfast Onboard the Ship

Wake up to a delicious breakfast and get ready for a day of adventures in the Galápagos Islands.



Santiago Island: Egas Port Walk & Swim with Naturalist

Trek across the black volcanic sand that sets this landing apart from most others. You may observe a fur seal colony, American oystercatchers, sea lions, waders, herons, lava lizards and Galápagos hawks on this amazing excursion. Cool down after your walk with a refreshing swim in the azure waters of the sea.



Lunch Onboard the Ship

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Rábida Island Walk & Snorkel with Naturalist

Discover the beauty of Rábida Island's distinctive red-sand beach as your naturalist points out some local wildlife that may include sea lions, mockingbirds, finches, endemic

Galápagos doves and vermilion flycatchers. You'll also walk through a forest of palo santo and cacti to a bay overlook that offers breathtaking panoramic views. Dive into the bay for some snorkeling where you may swim alongside of black-striped salemas, sea lions and turtles.



Dinner Onboard the Ship

Join your fellow Adventurers for a fantastic family meal in the ship's dining room.



Evening Onboard Activities

Get together with family and friends for some fun activities that may include: a Disney movie, stargazing on the equator, the *Galápagos Legend* Olympics, a dance party and more.

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SAN CRISTÓBAL ISLAND

Activities Highlights:

Pitt Point with Panga Tour of Coastline with Booby Species Hike,
Kayaking & Snorkeling with Naturalist, Cerro Brujo Beach



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Breakfast Onboard the Ship

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Urbina Bay Excursion with Naturalist

Hike your way to the dramatic view of a completely exposed block of coral caused by a massive geological uplift. You'll also hike to the base of Alcedo Volcano where you may spot land iguanas and Galápagos giant tortoises during the wet season. Follow your hike with a refreshing snorkel in the lovely turquoise waters off the shore.



Lunch Onboard the Ship

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Tagus Cove Excursion with Naturalist

This location is one of the few sites visited by Charles Darwin during his time in the Galápagos Islands. You'll make your way to Darwin Lake where a stunning volcanic landscape awaits you. Dive into stunning Tagus Cove where you may snorkel amongst

turtles, fish, penguins and potentially flightless cormorants.



Dinner on Board the Ship

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SAN CRISTÓBAL ISLAND

Activities Highlights:

Cerro Colorado Tortoise Breeding Center, Interpretation Center & Tijeretas Hill, Voluntad de Dios Organic Farms



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Breakfast Onboard the Ship

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Morning Activity – Guests will be split into 2 groups for the morning activity, then switch activities in the afternoon)

GROUP A:

Galapaguera de Cerro Colorado

Accompanied by naturalists, visit this amazing nature reserve and breeding center that was built to improve the island's tortoise population. During your visit, you'll get a fascinating view of tortoises at various life stages.

GROUP B:

Interpretation Center & Tijeretas Hill

Accompanied by naturalists, experience the Interpretation Center where you'll discover all sorts of interesting information on the formation of the Galápagos Islands, as well as its significance to the world, threats and conservation efforts. Afterwards, take a hike to *Cerro Tijeretas* (Frigate Bird Hill), where you'll have great looks at both species of

frigatebird, along with a stunning view of the beautiful bay below.



Barbecue Lunch at Voluntad de Dios Organic Farms

Enjoy a delicious barbecue lunch in your honor at the restaurant of this wonderful family-run organic farm. In this exclusive experience, you'll also have the opportunity to make sugar cane juice, feed goats and play basketball, volleyball or soccer.



Afternoon Activity

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On Your Own Shopping in Puerto Baquerizo Moreno

Take in the sights of the capital of Galápagos Province as you shop in the quaint stores where you're sure to find the perfect gifts for friends and family, or an ideal keepsake to remind you of your adventures.



Dinner on Board the Ship

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Evening Onboard Activities

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ESPAÑOLA ISLAND

Activities Highlights:

Gardner Bay, Gardner & Osborn Islets: Hiking, Swimming & Snorkeling with Naturalist, Suarez Point Hike with Naturalist



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Dinner Included



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Breakfast Onboard the Ship

Wake up to a delicious breakfast and get ready for a day of adventures in the Galápagos Islands.



Guided Tour of Gardner Bay, Gardner & Osborn Islets with Naturalist

Join a knowledgeable naturalist for a tour the southernmost, and at an estimated 4 million years old, one of the oldest of the Galápagos Islands. The area, known as Española, is home to Gardner Bay, whose white sand beach and turquoise waters make it one of the most beautiful beaches in the Galápagos. Española mockingbirds are fearless, and often land on the heads and shoulders of visitors to the island. Green Sea Turtles and sea lions are also a common site in the area, often coming onto the beach for a rest.



Lunch Onboard the Ship

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Naturalist-Led Guided Tour of Suarez Point

Encounter the varied denizens of the oldest extant island in the archipelago as you walk

through this beautiful area. Some of the island's residents you may encounter include, marine iguanas, sea lions, boobies, endemic lizards and the waved albatross.



Dinner on Board the Ship

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FLOREANA ISLAND

Activities Highlights:

Morning Walk, Swim & Snorkel with Naturalist, Visit Oldest Post Office in the Pacific, Soccer with the *Legend* Crew, Cormorant Point, Devil's Crown & Champion Islet with Naturalist

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Breakfast Onboard the Ship

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Floreana Island Excursion & Post Office Visit

Enjoy a morning of swimming, hiking, kayaking and snorkeling in this gorgeous setting. Then, after a short walk from the beach, you'll reach the famous Post Office Barrel. Claimed to have been set up in 1793 by Captain James Colnett, it remains the oldest functioning "post office" in the Pacific. In the spirit of tradition, visitors today will often take letters and hand-deliver them in their home countries.



Soccer with the *Legend* Crew

Get your kicks while surrounded by the beauty that is the Galápagos Islands. Players of all levels and ages are welcome to join their fellow Adventurers for a soccer match against the crew of the *Legend*. Show off your fancy footwork! Exalt in the cheers of your fellow passengers! Everyone is a winner when playing the "beautiful game" in one of the most

beautiful places in the world.



Lunch on Board the Ship

Follow your adventure-filled morning with a delicious lunch on board the ship before continuing your day on the islands.



North Seymour Island Excursion & Snorkeling with Naturalist

Enjoy an afternoon hike with a naturalist who will take you amongst the open nesting ground of blue-footed boobies and the largest colonies of Frigate birds.

Follow your hike with a refreshing dip in the turquoise waters where you'll snorkel and get a good look at the area's marine life—you may even have a shark sighting!



Dinner on Board the Ship

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SANTA CRUZ ISLAND

Activities Highlights:

Charles Darwin Research Station & Fausto Llerena Breeding Center, Centro de Educación Visit and Bazaar, Coffee Farm, Ballena Bay & Eden Islet with Naturalist

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Breakfast Onboard the Ship

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Naturalist-Led Tour of Charles Darwin Research Station & Fausto Llerena Breeding Center

Visit the one-time home of the famous Lonesome George, the last tortoise of the Pinta race. The center, which is set in the Galapagos National Park Service, contains various interpretive buildings dedicated to providing knowledge and assistance through scientific research to ensure the conservation of the environment and biodiversity in the Galapagos Archipelago.



Centro de Educación Visit and Bazaar

Tour this center which provides an inclusive environment for special needs students from the Islands to pursue their creative interests. There will be an exclusive bazaar where you will be able to view and purchase crafts to support their school.



Coffee Farm Tour/Tasting

Join a local expert for a tour of an authentic coffee plantation, where you'll learn about the life cycle of the coffee bean that's grown in volcanic rock and is responsible for the famous flavor of the region's amazing coffee. And if you're not already awake, follow your tour with a tasting that is guaranteed to kick-start your day!



Rancho El Manzanillo in the Santa Cruz Highlands

Discover the pride of the Galápagos Islands! See famed giant tortoises in their natural habitat, moving at their usual unhurried pace. Take a privately guided tour of the Galápagos Tortoise Reserve and learn about these elegant behemoths as you walk among them. You may also see many of the islands' bird species, including Darwin's finches, cattle egrets and short-eared owls.



Lunch on Board the Ship

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Naturalist-Led Tour of Ballena Bay and Eden Islet

Enjoy myriad water activities, including snorkeling, kayaking and a glass-bottom boat ride, in this idyllic location where you may spot fish species like king angelfish, surgeonfish, parrot fish, damsels, rays and sharks. While on the land, you can expect to see sea lions and basking marine iguanas with herons and turtles in the nearby mangrove areas. You may also even discover some antique ceramic relics left behind by previous settlements.

You'll also visit Eden Islet, which is off Santa Cruz' western coast. The islet offers opportunities to spot marine life that includes blue-footed boobies, reef sharks and bream fish.



Farewell Dinner & Slide Show

Head to the Top Deck for an *al fresco* final feast onboard the *Galápagos Legend*. Toast the adventure of a lifetime you've shared with your family and newfound friends!

Following your meal, enjoy the Guest-favorite slideshow and relive the amazing memories you made with your family and fellow Adventurers.

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BALTRA ISLAND AND QUITO

Activities Highlights:

Disembark *Galápagos Legend*, Carlton Point with Naturalist, Fly to Quito

 Breakfast and Lunch

 Included

 None



Breakfast Onboard the Ship

Wake up and enjoy a final breakfast onboard the ship before disembarking and continuing your adventure.



Carrion Point with Naturalist

Dive into the crystal-clear waters of this sheltered cove on the eastern coast of Santa Cruz for a superb morning of snorkeling amid a wide range of marine life that includes Galápagos rays, sharks and an innumerable array of tropical fish.



Transfer to Seymour Airport & Lunch

Following your morning at the beach, you will be transferred to Seymour Airport (GPS) on Baltra Island for your flight to Quito. You will enjoy a specially prepared boxed lunch prior to your flight.



Fly to Quito for Journey Home

Enjoy a box lunch as you transfer to the San Cristóbal Airport (SCY) for your flight to Quito where you'll arrive at Mariscal Sucre International Airport (UIO) to begin your journey home.

Guests can stay at the airport for later flights, or transfer to Wyndham for a post night stay

in Quito. Guests may also use a room at the Wyndham for the day for an additional charge.



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