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Mainland Ecuador &
Galápagos Islands

TREASURE OF GALAPAGOS

ITINERARY A - 5 DAYS

FRIDAY - TUESDAY

DAY BY DAY

DAY 1 MORNING FLIGHT TO BALTRA PUERTO AYORA

Lunch at noon. Dry landing, hiking educational visit to the Charles Darwin Station (giant tortoises, Opuntia cactus, etc.).

Difficulty: Easy
Duration: 2 hours
Dinner at night

DAY 2 SULLIVAN BAY & BARTOLOME

Sullivan Bay:

Breakfast in the morning. This site is of great geological interest is located south-east of Santiago Island, landing it can be done both on the rocky shore (dry landing) or the white sandy beach (wet landing). The length of the trail is 1.5 km approximately. The area is covered by lava flows Pahohoe type (solidified lava in a wavy or accordion). It was very active in the past 25 years of the nineteenth century. The Sullivan lava was formed in 1897. Flow is very young geologically. The magma formed is flat, but the underground lava movement, rapid cooling and other eruptions led to the break in many places.

Bartolome:

Wet Landing, After lunch visit to the Pinnacle Rock beach for swimming and snorkeling. In the afternoon dry landing to reach the viewpoint of Bartolome. On this island, you can see interesting formations of lava and cinder cones. After a 30 to 40 minutes climbing, a wooden staircase leads to the top of the island where there are beautiful views of the ne

SUMMARY

Immerse yourself in the wildlife and volcanic landscapes of the Central Galapagos Islands on this introductory 5-day cruise itinerary ON BOARD The treasure of Galapagos. Visit the Charles Darwin Research Station to learn about ongoing conservation work in the archipelago, hike through spectacular volcanic landscapes to the summit of Bartolome Island and go snorkeling in the waters surrounding iconic Pinnacle Rock. Witness blue-footed boobies, frigate birds and land iguanas on North Seymour and Cerro Brujo, and get up close to sea lions on Mosquera Islet.

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NORTH SEYMOUR

BIRDWATCHING TEMPLE

DAY 3 NORTH SEYMOUR - MOSQUERA

North Seymour:

Breakfast in the morning. Dry landing. On this island you can see blue-footed boobies, colonies of frigates, fork-tailed gulls, terns, sea lions, lava lizards and land iguanas. Palo Santo trees can also be observed.

Mosquera:

Wet Landing. The Islet is Located between the islands of Baltra and North Seymour. It is a reef of rocks and coral (the result of an uprising) and a great white sand beach. In most of its perimeter there is basis of lava rocks, as evidence of the wash uprising, except in the southwest side where the landing occurs. This island has one of the largest Populations of sea lions. You can also observe several species of shorebirds. There have been occasional reports at this site of Orcas (*Orcinus orca*). Degree of difficulty: easy, Duration approximately 1 hour, Dinner in the evening.

DAY 4 SOUTH PLAZAS – CERRO BRUJO (WITCH HILL)

South Plazas:

Breakfast in the morning. Dry landing. This island is full of life. There are colonies of sea lions and land iguanas. While you walk on the banks it is possible to see a great number of birds such as nesting tropic birds and fork-tailed seagulls, but most of all enjoying the beautiful view from the top the steep banks or strolling along the base of the cliff is an extremely pleasurable experience. The *Opuntia* cactus grows here too and the vegetation changes color according to the season of the year.

Cerro Brujo:

Wet Landing is a beautiful beach of white coral where you can swim and watch birds and sea lions, plus you can snorkel. Located on the north coast of the San Cristobal Island. In the vicinity of the beach you can see seabirds like blue-footed boobies, Nazca boobies, herons, frigate birds and shore birds.

DAY 6 SAN CRISTOBAL – INTERPRETATION CENTER

Interpretation center: Morning breakfast. Dry Landing.
This site is educational information about the evolution of the Galapagos Islands and animal life in the islands.

Difficulty: Easy

Duration: 1 hour 30 Minutes

Transfer out to San Cristobal's Airport

