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Itinerary "C"

Friday	Baltra – Bachas Beach
Saturday	El Barranco – Darwin Bay
Sunday	Bartolome – Sullivan Bay (Santiago Island)
Monday	Plazas Island – Santa Fe
Tuesday	Leon Dormido – Cerro Brujo - Lobos Island
Wednesday	Suarez Point - Gardner Bay - Gardner Islet - Osborn Islet
Thursday	Cormorant Point - Devil's Crown - Charles Darwin Station (Santa Cruz Island)
Friday	North Seymour Island

NOTE:

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

Itinerary "C" DAY BY DAY

FRIDAY

BALTRA – BACHAS BEACH

Baltra Island: This island was a strategic point during the Second World War. It is the main airport for the Galapagos Islands where tourists and colonists arrive and depart. At the Arrival at Baltra Airport, our naturalist English speaking guide will assist you. Transfer by bus to the dock (5 mins.) to board the yacht. Welcome and briefing.

Bachas Beach: After lunch, disembark (wet landing) in the Bachas Beach, located in the north shore of Santa Cruz, this is one of the main nesting sites of Sea Turtles and the crystal waters invite you to relax and swim. Return to the yacht. Dinner and briefing for next day.

SATURDAY

GENOVESA ISLAND

El Barranco: Also known as Prince Phillip's Steps, El Barranco's steep, rocky paths lead up to a high cliff-face. A marvelous view can be appreciated from here. This site is also home to Palo Santo vegetation as well as Red-footed Boobies, Short-eared Lava Owls, Galapagos Swallows, storm-petrels and Galapagos Doves. Hiking: 2km., dry landing. Lunch on board.

Darwin Bay: This enormous bay dominates the island and like the Prince Philip's Steps, this site is the home of large colonies of Frigate Birds and a wide variety of Seabirds. Briefing and dinner on board.

SUNDAY

BARTOLOME – SANTIAGO

Bartolome: Lava formations and ash cones can be seen on this Island. A beautiful view of the nearest bays is waiting at the high part, after climbing a wood staircase for 30 to 40 minutes to the top (Walk up to the top of volcano 114 meters, 375 wooden steps). This is one of the most visited Islands because of its unique and famous Pinnacle Rock that consists of an extinct volcano with a variety of red, orange, black and even green volcanic formations. Time for snorkeling and possible sightings of the Galapagos Penguin. Hiking: 2kms. Dry and wet landings.

Sullivan Bay (Santiago Island): You can swim and snorkel here with Seals and Penguins. The landing is on a beautiful white sand beach where you will see lava formations. Wet landing. Briefing and dinner on board.



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MONDAY

SOUTH PLAZAS ISLAND – SANTA FE ISLAND

Plazas Island: This small island with steep cliffs was formed by rising lava and is now covered by Opuntia cacti. This Island is home to one of the largest Sea Lion colonies as well as colorful yellow and red land Iguanas. Many birds like the Tropicbirds and Fork-Tailed Seagulls rest on the cliffs. The most characteristic plant is the Sesuvium, during the rainy season its color is a greenish to yellowish tone and in the dry season (end of June through January) a bright red. Hike: 2 ½ km. Dry landing. Lunch on board.

Santa Fe: Colonies of Sea Lions, land Iguanas, Fork-Tailed Seagulls, Terns and Petrels are observed. A trail leading into the heart of the island takes you to a forest of giant cactus and palo santo trees. After this visit on land, you can swim and snorkel. Wet landing. Briefing and dinner on board.

TUESDAY

SAN CRISTOBAL ISLAND – LOBOS ISLAND

Leon Dormido: After breakfast we visit Kicker Rock a giant rock was formed by a volcanic eruption. A narrow canal cuts through it and allows the passage of small boats. This rock is the home of many sea birds and is considered a great snorkeling and diving site. No landing.

Cerro Brujo: This site is located on the north shore of San Cristobal Island. This eroded hill and its surroundings present one of the most picturesque beaches in the Galapagos with its main attraction that is the coral sand beach and its wildlife includes Sea Turtles, Rays, and various types of Booby Birds. Lunch on board.

Lobos Island: The most important colony of Sea Lions and Blue-Footed Boobies is on this Island. The scenery is beautiful and it is the perfect spot to snorkel. Briefing and dinner on board. Return to the yacht. Dinner and briefing for next day.

WEDNESDAY

ESPAÑOLA ISLAND

Suarez Point: Breakfast. This natural is home for see Blue-Footed Boobies, Masked Boobies, colonies of Marine Iguanas, fascinating Albatross from April to June, Sea Lions, Galapagos doves and Darwin Finches. There is another natural attraction: the lava blowhole, spurting water high into the air. Hike: 3km. Dry landing. Lunch on board.

Gardner Bay: On the eastern side of the island, is the breeding site of nearly all of the world's 12,000 pairs of Waved Albatrosses. It takes 45 minutes by boat to reach this site. The white sand beach is home to a group of Sea Lions. Swimming and snorkeling are excellent possibilities here. Wet landing.

Gardner Islet: Sea Lions, Marine Turtles and Finches can be seen here.

Osborn Islet: This small island to the southeast of Española is a marine visit for snorkeling and swimming. Dinner and briefing for next day.

THURSDAY

FLOREANA ISLAND – SANTA CRUZ ISLAND

Cormorant Point: Breakfast. This site hosts a large Flamingo lagoon where other birds such as common Stilts, White-cheeked Pintails can also be seen. Olivine crystals in the beach make to name as the Green Beach. To the other side of the island, there is very fine white sand beach where marine turtles nest from December to May. Hike: 2km. Wet landing.

Devil's Crown: This volcanic crater has been eroded by the waves leaving the northern and southern sides poking out of the water. The coral formations make the underwater scenery impressive for snorkelers where there are schools of multi-colored fish, Sharks and Sea Turtles. No Landing.

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Charles Darwin Station (Santa Cruz Island): The Darwin Station is part of the Charles Darwin Foundation for the Galápagos Islands, an international non-profit organization dedicated to scientific research in the Galápagos Islands since 1959. This visit offers an excellent introduction to the Islands, their origin and their formation. Learn about the Galapagos Giant Turtles breeding. Dinner and briefing for next day.

FRIDAY

SEYMOUR ISLAND – BALTRA AIRPORT

North Seymour Island: This Island is known for its large number of Blue-Footed Boobies, colonies of magnificent Frigate Birds, Fork-Tailed Seagulls, Marine Iguanas and Sea Lions. The island is characterized by its arid vegetation zone, been palo santo (holy wood) the most remarkable tree in this island. Wet landing.

This is the end of the trip.

Services included:

- Accommodation on board and/or hotel of Puerto Ayora
- All meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner)
- Snacks after visits
- Naturalist bilingual guide (English-Spanish)
- Fresh water to drink, tea, coffee

Services not included:

- * Air flight rate to/from Galápagos
- * INGALA transit card: USD 20
- Snorkeling gear (mask, tube, fins). For renting 5 days: USD 15 8 days: USD 20
- Extra drinks
- Tips
- Personal expenses
- Special Conditions: Single cabin has an 80% supplement on top of the normal the rate
- Special Itinerary Supplement: 10% over the rate
- Galapagos National Park fee (US\$100 per person)

**Rates subject to change with no previous notice*