

Galapagos Safari Camp SET DEPARTURES

in their own words

Our set group options are a combination of land activities with boat excursions to neighboring islands. These are fixed departure dates, it is a shared group trip, and there is no room for changes.

Group Itinerary Option #2: 4 Nights Sunday - Thursday

DAY 1, Sunday: Arrival & Highlands

Welcome to the Galapagos! An English-speaking naturalist guide meets you at the VIP lounge at Baltra Airport to escort you on your excursion of the highlands of Santa Cruz Island.

Enjoy a delicious, locally-sourced lunch at a farm in the western hills. Take in the area's natural beauty, pit craters, lava tunnels, and learn more about the Scalesia and Guayabillo forests.

At the Tortoise Reserve, share some time in the giant tortoises' natural habitat, surrounded by the abundant bird life of the area.

End this day at Galapagos Safari Camp with a sunset cocktail followed by dinner.



Travel with your group to the Itabaca Channel for the 1-hour boat trip to North Seymour, a low island consisting of submarine lava. The dry landing is rich in wildlife: sea lions, swallow-tailed gulls, lava gulls, tropicbirds, brown noddy terns, and pelicans.

Along the shore, you will traverse a wide expanse of sand, which is a nesting area for marine iguanas. Just off the trail, frigate birds guard their nests in the saltbush clumps, and another trail leads to a flat area—a nesting site for blue-footed boobies. The lovely Palo Santo forest, which is very arid during the dry season, turns green almost overnight once the rains begin.



Other endemic plants include the Opuntia cactus, Croton, Castela, and Sesuvium. In the afternoon you may visit Las Bachas Beach, ideal for swimming and snorkeling. Its soft, white sand is derived from decomposed coral, a favorite nesting site for sea turtles.

DAY 3, Tuesday: Tortuga Bay

Tour the Charles Darwin Research Station in the morning, followed by lunch in one of Puerto Ayora's vibrant restaurants. Spend the rest of the day relaxing at Tortuga Bay with its long white sandy beach. There is a good trail to get there, with some very impressive cacti along the way. At the far end of the bay is a large, mangrove lagoon, rich in wildlife and ideal for







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DAY 4, Wednesday: Boat trip to Santa Fe Island

Drive with your group to Puerto Ayora for the 2-hour boat trip to Santa Fe. Anchor at a beautiful, sheltered bay and snorkel with sea lions, surgeonfish, damsels, parrotfish, stingrays, and white tip reef sharks.

This rugged island is composed of uplifted basaltic lava, and much of it is a faulted-plateau covered with Opuntia cacti. The trail, where Santa Fe land iguanas and Galapagos hawks are seen, takes you around to a beach inhabited by sea lions and blue-footed boobies.



DAY 5, Thursday: Departure

On your last day, tour Galapagos Safari Camp at leisure or enjoy the sunrise from our viewpoint before your airport transfer.

Included:

- Accommodation
- All meals
- Transfers & ground transportation on a shared basis
- Boat excursions with snorkeling on a shared basis
- · Wetsuits and snorkeling equipment
- Shared English-speaking naturalist guide
- Activities and visits detailed in the itinerary

Not Included:

- Flights (Please note that set departures are operated with designated flights, please check with us should you prefer to buy your own flight)
- Galapagos National Park entrance fee (US \$100 per adult/\$50 per child under 12)
- Tourist transit card (US \$20 per person)
- Beverages
- Laundry service
- Insurance (prior to your journey please ensure your travel insurance is valid in your country of origin)
- Gratuities