

SOUTH EXPEDITION

GALAPAGOS LEGEND

South Expedition (D) 5 days - 4 nights

Thursday - Monday

Experience unforgettable Galapagos adventures with our weekly departures. Our itineraries include full board, two daily guided excursions, and optional activities like snorkeling, kayaking, and dinghy rides. You can also extend your trip with diving programs and extra nights in Galapagos upon requests.



Thursday:

am. ✈️ San Cristobal Airport
 pm. Interpretation Center & Frigatebird Hill (San Cristobal Island)

Friday:

am. Gardner Bay (Española Island)
 pm. Punta Suarez (Española Island)

Saturday:

am. Post Office (Floreana Island)
 pm. Punta Cormoran / Devil's Crown (Floreana Island)

Sunday:

am. Dragon Hill (Santa Cruz Island)
 ✈️ pm. Punta Bowditch (Santa Cruz Island)

Monday:

am. Highlands (Santa Cruz Island)
 ✈️ Baltra Airport



DAY 1

THURSDAY



 Morning

Departure from either Quito or Guayaquil to Baltra Island is a 2 ½ hour flight. Upon arrival in the Galapagos, passengers are greeted at the airport by our knowledgeable guides who will accompany them on a short ten-minute bus ride to the pier where they will board the Galapagos Legend.

 Afternoon



 Interpretation Center & Frigatebird Hill (San Cristobal Island)

The interpretation center is full of interesting information and offers the perfect overview of the formation of the Galapagos. Following a hike to Frigatebird Hill (Cerro Tijeretas) we will have a great look at both species of frigatebirds, with the bonus of a beautiful view of the bay below.



Difficulty level
Low / High ● ●



Type of terrain
Flat path / Rocky



Duration
1 hour hike
1 hour walk



DAY 2

FRIDAY

 Morning

One of the most stunning beaches in all of the Galapagos. The long, white, sandy beach, lapped by turquoise waters, home to a colony of Galapagos sea lions. Hooded Mockingbirds, endemic to this particular island. We can also snorkel here from the beach, in the shallows of the bay.



Difficulty level

Low ●



Type of terrain

Sandy



Duration

1 hour hike
30 min kayaking
30 min Glass-bottom boat
1 hour 45 min beach or deep snorkeling

 Afternoon



Punta Suarez is a naturalist's paradise. The oldest extant island in the archipelago is our only opportunity to commune with the endemic wave albatross during their breeding season between April and December. With luck, we can watch their complex courtship display.



Difficulty level

High ●



Type of terrain

Rocky



Duration

2 hours 15min hike



DAY 3

SATURDAY

Morning



Post Office (Floreana Island)

The famous Post Office Barrel. Claimed to have been first set up in 1793 by Captain James Colnett. The system involved whalers and fur sealers would leave addressed letters in the barrel to be picked up by homeward-bound colleagues. Actually visitors often take letters and hand-deliver them to their home countries.



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Rocky



Duration
1 hour 15 min hike
1 hour beach snorkeling

Afternoon

Our walk takes us to a large, shallow lagoon, often inhabited by a variable number of shockingly pink greater flamingos. We arrive at a powdery white beach, a nesting area for green turtles. Devil's Crown is one of the favorite snorkeling sites on the islands.



Cormoran & Devil's Crown (Floreana Island)



Difficulty level
Low ●



Type of terrain
Sandy & flat



Duration
1 hour 45 min hike
45 min glass-bottom or
45 min deep or beach snorkeling



DAY 4

SUNDAY

 Morning

Arriving at a small lava dock, our first encounter is with marine iguanas that blend-in perfectly with the dark rock. As we walk past a large prickly pear cacti, we arrive at one end of a long, sickle-shaped beach with Dragon Hill standing in the distance. Our walk takes us on a circular path, past a shallow lake where flamingoes frequently come to feed.



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Rocky



Duration
45 min walk
1 hour 15 min snorkeling

 Afternoon



Feel the indescribable feeling of being where no one else has. Relax on a powdery beach. Snorkel around turquoise water islets and hike beside salt pools and dried white corals. Be one of the first humans -to visit Punta Bowditch at Galapagos Legend.



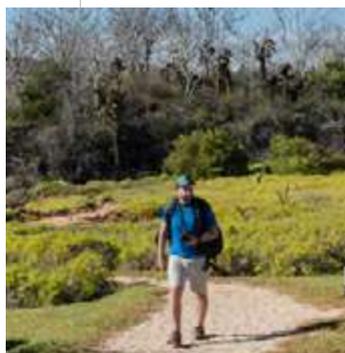
Difficulty level
Low ●



Type of terrain
Sandy



Duration
30 min walk
30 min kayaking
1 hour snorkeling



DAYS 5

MONDAY

 Morning



 Highlands Tortoise

Dry landing. In the Galapagos mountains, admire diverse bird species like finches, flycatchers, crakes, warblers, and egrets (often perched on tortoises' shells). The journey to the reserve showcases the island's contrasting ecosystems, from coastal areas to dense humid forests. Look out for Galapagos Giant tortoises wandering through pastures. This spot is a haven for birdwatchers, as it hosts a wide range of land birds that reside or migrate here.



Difficulty level
Low ●



Type of terrain
flat & muddy
depending on the season



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
45 minute drive

 Afternoon



 Baltra Island Airport

After the visit, passengers will be transferred to the airport for their return flight to Guayaquil or Quito.