

WEST EXPEDITION

GALAPAGOS LEGEND

West Expedition (B) 5 days - 4 nights

Thursday - Monday

Experience unforgettable Galapagos adventures with our weekly departures. Our itineraries include a 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 request.



Thursday:

am. ✈ Baltra Airport
pm. Mosquera Islet

Friday:

am. Egas Port (Santiago Island)
pm. Rabida Island

Saturday:

am. Urbina Bay (Isabela Island)
pm. Tagus Cove (Isabela Island)

Sunday:

am. Punta Espinosa (Fernandina Island)
pm. Punta Vicente Roca (Isabela Island)

Monday:

am. Highlands Tortoise Reserve (Santa Cruz Island)
pm. ✈ 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



📍 Mosquera Islet

This tiny, low-lying islet, converted into coral sand, is set between the north and south Seymour Islands. It's home to a group of sea lions that come to laze on the soft white sand, it's an excellent spot to observe shorebirds, herons, lava gulls, and boobies. Snorkeling or diving here, one can often see sharks, rays, and barracudas.



Difficulty level
low ●



Type of terrain
Sandy



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
1 hour snorkeling or
1 hour beach time



DAY 2

FRIDAY

 Morning

The black volcanic sand sets this landing apart from most, it's best known for the dramatic shoreline where we meet a host of species that chose to live between land and sea. Among these are the endemic Galapagos fur seals, which maintain a small colony at the end of our walk.



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Flat / Semi-rocky



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
1 hour snorkeling

 Afternoon



Lying at the archipelago's heart, this dramatic island with a distinctive red-sand beach is home to sea lions, mockingbirds, finches, endemic Galapagos doves, and vermilion flycatchers. A walk takes us through a forest of palo santo and cacti to a beautiful overview of the bay.



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Flat / Semi-rocky



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
1 hour snorkeling
1 hour dinghy ride



DAY 3

SATURDAY

 Morning



📍 Urbina Bay (Isabela Island)

At the far end of a long level hike, we arrive at a strange phenomenon where large blocks of coral lie completely exposed after a dramatic geological uplift in 1954. Located at the western base of Alcedo Volcano, we hope to run into a few impressive land iguanas and some volcanoes endemic to Galapagos giant tortoises during the wet season



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Flat / Rocky



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
1 hour snorkeling

 Afternoon

Tagus Cove, a historic pirate hideout and anchorage. Visited by Charles Darwin and the HMS Beagle in 1835. Hike past Darwin Lake and stunning volcanic landscape, revealing Isabela island's dramatic northern volcanoes. Snorkel along a submerged wall with turtles, fish, penguins, and flightless cormorants. Enjoy a panga ride or kayak for added excitement!



📍 Tagus Cove (Isabela Island)



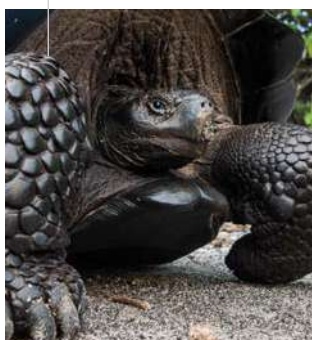
Difficulty level
Medium ●
Difficult ●



Type of terrain
Steep



Duration
2 hour hike
30 min kayaking
1 hour snorkeling
40 minutes dinghy ride



DAY 4

SUNDAY

 Morning

Pristine Fernandina, the marine iguana capital. Its desolate volcanic backdrop hosts a massive concentration of these enigmatic reptiles. Surprisingly, Galapagos penguins share the same shoreline. Snorkeling offers an exciting opportunity to witness marine iguanas feeding underwater, alongside penguins, turtles, and unique flightless cormorants.



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Flat / Semi - rocky



Duration
1 ½ hour hike
1 hour snorkeling
30 min Panga Ride

 Afternoon



Spectacular site, surrounded by immense cliffs of an eroded volcano. Studded with resting seabirds like brown noddies and Nazca boobies. Superb snorkeling with unique fish species. Swim with penguins and green turtles.



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Flat / Semi - rocky



Duration
1 hour snorkeling
30 min Panga Ride



DAY 5

MONDAY

 Morning



📍 Highlands (Santa Cruz Island)

In the central highlands of Santa Cruz Island, we have our best opportunity to interact at close quarters with totally wild, Galapagos giant tortoises. A short walk among these huge, 600lb, reptiles will also offer the chance for more highland species, especially several species of the famed finches.



Difficulty level
Low ●



Type of terrain
flat & muddy
depending on the season



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
45 min Panga ride
45 minute snorkeling



📍 Baltra Island Airport

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