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Galapagos Islands

Isabela Island

05 Days - 04 Nights

Day 01: Santa Cruz Island to Isabela Island (Flamingos Lagoon & Sea Kayaking with Pinguins)

a.m. Upon arrivel Baltra airport, Transfer to The Pier to catch the speed Boat to Isabela Island, It's the largest Island of The Galapagos with an area of 4,640 square kilometers (1,790 sq mi), and length of 100 kilometers (62 mi) almost four times larger than Santa Cruz, the second largest of the archipelago. It was named after Queen Isabela of Spain. It was originally

named *Albemarle* after the Duke of Albemarle. The island strides the Equator. Isabela is also interesting for its flora and fauna. The young island does not follow the vegetation zones of the other islands. The relatively new lava fields and surrounding soils have not developed the sufficient nutrients required to support the varied life zones found on other islands. Another obvious difference occurs on Volcan Wolf and Cerro Azul; these volcanoes loft above the cloud cover and are arid on top. Isabela's rich animal, Bird and Marine life is beyond compare. Isabela is home to more wild Tortoise than all the other islands. Isabela's large size and notable topography created barriers for the slow - moving tortoises; apparently the creatures were unable to cross lava flows and other obstacles, causing several different sub - species of Tortoise to develop. Today, Tortoises roam free in the calderas of Alcedo, Wolf, Cerro Azul, Darwin and Sierra Negra



Arrive in Isabela transfer to the selected hostel or hotel after checking we will walk around to Flamingos Lagoon an expansive coastal lagoon that serves as one of the primary breeding grounds for Flamingos



In the afternoon we take our ocean kayaks and paddle out to the pier of Isabela, a set of small islets

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within Isabela Bay. The islets are filled with wildlife and are home to the Galapagos penguin, the only penguin that lives in equatorial region. We will also see sharks, marine turtles, sea lions, Blue Footed Bobies and much more wildlife as we explore its many small coves and beaches. **Meals: Breakfast - Dinner Welcome**



Day 02: Tunnels & Wall of Tears

After breakfast we will go to the pier for a 45 minute fibra (a small boat) ride to a place where Lava flow impacted with the oceans waves to form the stunning tubes and bridges of Los Tunnels. Los Tunnels is a marine paradise for the White tipped Reef Shark, Manta Rays, Parrot Fish, Yellowtail Surgeon Fish, Galápagos Green Sea Turtle and the Galápagos Sea Lion. This site is one of the most is one of the most spectacular places for snorkeling in Isabela as the water is shallow, clear and calm. This marine sanctuary is characterized by its unique geologic formations. A series of lava flows have produced a number of arches and tunnels both under and above water, where you find a number of animal species that have taken up residence in these magnificent formations. As soon as you get to the intertidal starting point you will be released to snorkel through astoundingly beautiful site.



The Wall of Tears (Spanish: El Muro de las Lágrimas) is a historical site 5 km west of Puerto Villamil on Isabela Island in the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador. It was constructed between the years of 1945 and 1959 by prisoners in the Penal Colony on the island, which had been established by President Jose Maria Velasco Ibarra in 1944, using infrastructure left by the US military after World War II. The wall is about 25 m (**65 ft**) tall and is said to have been the cause of thousands of deaths during its construction. Locals call it the wall of tears because it is said to emanate eerie cries and have a heavy energy surrounding it.

Meals: Breakfast - Snack



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Day 03: Sierra Negra Volcano

Early morning around 07.00 a.m. we will have a tours to Sierra Negra Volcano it's one of the five volcanoes on the island of Isabela, and boasts the second largest volcanic caldera in the world (**Yellowstone National Park in the United States is the largest in case You were wondering**). On the sierra Negra Volcano You hike to the rim of the six miles wide crater and then trek across an alien landscape of lava fields and fumaroles. The Sierra Negra is one of the most active volcanoes in the Galapagos, with the last eruption in 2005 Though You probably won't' see any lava flowing, You will have the opportunity to explore thermal vents and other fascinating geologic features before stopping for a snack near volcano Chico. The vistas from this spot are among the most breathtaking in Isabela and on clear afternoons afford views of the northern volcanoes on Isabela and Fernandina. A savory hot lunch at Campo Duro rounds out this challenging but rewarding day **Meals: Breakfast - Snack**



Day 04: Free day or Fishing tour optional

Isabela Island free day or Fishing tour optional approximately 6:00 am You will be on your way to the eastern side of the Galapagos which is known as one of the best fishing areas in the archipelago, you can expect to catch Striped, Blue, and Black marlin, depending on the season, however since the water temperature in the Galapagos is pretty much constant all year around you can find bill - fish pretty much every month of the year. You will spend the night in one of the nicest hotels in town.

Meals: Breakfast



Day 05: Isabela Island - Baltra Airport - Guayaquil - Home a.m. After Breakfast transfer to Isabela Airport for your fly to Baltra and go on to Guayaquil -Home, we recommend You seat next to The Pilot for nice pictures on air

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Meals: Breakfast



Included:

- 04 Nights accommodation
- All breakfasts and meals as described in the programme
- All transfers and land transportation
- Airfare Guayaquil Baltra (Galápagos Island) Guayaquil
- Speed Local Boat (Inter Yacht) Santa Cruz to Isabela Island
- Airplane Isabela Island to Baltra Airport
- Kayaking Equipment
- Snorkel Gear
- All applicable taxes
- All bilingual guided tours (English Spanish) as described in the itinerary
- Hotel 4* & 5* Room Ocean View but booking it in advance

Not Included:

- International flights
- Alcoholic drinks, soda or bottled mineral water
- Personal expenses
- Tips
- International or National personal telephone calls
- Meals not mentioned
- Galápagos national Park 100USA
- Transit Card 20\$USA
- Isabela Park 10\$USA

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Price per person in hostels 3*: (Backpacker Class)

Double:1660\$USA

Triple:1550\$USA

04 - 06 Persons:1495\$USA

08 - 12 Persons:1410\$USA

+15 Persons:1375\$USA

Single:1995\$USA

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Tintorera o Similar	Isla Isabela	2023	2023	04

Price per person in Hotel 3*:(Tourist Class)

Double:1785\$USA

Triple:1675\$USA

04 - 06 Persons:1620\$USA

08 - 12 Persons:1535\$USA

+15 Persons:1500\$USA

Single:2120\$USA

Hotel	City	Arrive	Departure	Nights
San Vicente	Isla Isabela	2023	2023	04

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Price per person in Hotel 4*: (First Class)

Double:1860\$USA

Triple:1750\$USA

04 - 06 Persons:1695\$USA

08 - 12 Persons:1610\$USA

+15 Persons:1575\$USA

Single:2195\$USA

Hotel	City	Arrive	Departure	Nights
Casa Marita	Isla Isabela	2023	2023	04

Price per person in Hotel 5*: (Luxury Class)

Double:2435\$USA

Triple:2325\$USA

04 - 06 Persons:2270\$USA

08 - 12 Persons:2185\$USA

+15 Persons:2150\$USA

Single:2770\$USA

Hotel	City	Arrive	Departure	Nights
Iguana Crossing	Isla Isabela	2023	2023	04

When is The Best Time to Visit Galapagos ?

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The Galapagos is a place that can be visited at any time. There are two seasons. the warmest is between **December** to **May** when the sky is always clear and the sun shines strongly. If you love to dive, the best time to visit is between **June** and **November** because the temperatures are a bit cooler, and you will have a better chance to observe the Galapagos' famous marine life.

Galapagos Island Weather

- \checkmark Good Weather for visiting all year round.
- \checkmark Galapagos is on the Equator but the weather is not tropical.
- \checkmark Temperatures range from 69°-84°F / 21°-30°C.
- \checkmark Warm season is from January to June.
- \checkmark Dry season is from July to December.