

**GALAPAGOS PRE  
 TOUR EXTENSION**

**Passengers Names:**

<b>Day 1</b>	<b>Sunday, 11 August 2019</b>	<b>Santiago de Chile, Chile</b>	
<b>Flight:</b>	Depart: Melbourne	20:00	LA804
	Arrive: Santiago de Chile	19:00	LATAM - Economy
<b>Accommodation:</b>	Holiday Inn Santiago Airport (First) - Standard Double Holiday Inn Santiago Airport (First) - Standard Single		
<b>Meal Plan:</b>	No Meals		

On arrival in Santiago, please make your own way to the airport hotel we have confirmed for you.

*The Holiday Inn Santiago Airport provides accommodation ideally located directly in front of the Arturo Merino Benítez International Airport Terminal, just a few steps outside of baggage claim area. The hotel offers free access to the internet and to leisure facilities, such as sauna, gym and indoor pool. A restaurant, a bar and room service are also available.*



<b>Day 2</b>	<b>Monday, 12 August 2019</b>	<b>Quito, Ecuador</b>	
<b>Flight:</b>	Depart: Santiago de Chile	11:09	LA640
	Arrive: Lima	13:57	LATAM - Economy
	Depart: Lima	16:09	LA1448
	Arrive: Quito	18:34	LATAM - Economy
<b>Arrangements:</b>	Transfer in Quito (Transfer) - Private		
<b>Accommodation:</b>	Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Double Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Single		
<b>Meal Plan:</b>	Breakfast		

Please make your own way back to the airport for your flight to Guayaquil.

On arrival you will be met by an English-speaking guide from our local representative office and transferred to your hotel.

*Style, comfort and atmosphere, El Patio Andaluz Quito is an elegant boutique hotel located just 150 meters from the Plaza Grande in the colonial centre of Quito, the first city to be declared a World Heritage Site by the UNESCO in 1978. Surrounded by many historical churches and monuments, this remodeled 16th-Century home offers warmly coloured rooms with thick walls, polished wood floors, ornate wooden furniture and interior balconies. Guests can dine in the exclusive El Rincón de Cantuña restaurant, which serves Spanish cuisine and local specialties. The tapas bar Marqués de Jerez is an ideal place for relaxing with a drink. As well as offering a 24-hour front desk, there is free Wi-Fi in public areas of the hotel.*



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**Day 3**                      **Tuesday, 13 August 2019**                      **Quito, Ecuador**

**Arrangements:** Colonial Quito & Middle of the World (Half day tour) - Private

**Accommodation:** Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Double  
Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Single

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast

Depart on a guided tour of the colonial centre of UNESCO Heritage Listed Quito, one of the America's best preserved historic cities. During the tour you'll visit the large green spaces of El Ejido and Alameda Parks, the monument of Simon Bolivar, the impressive Gothic Basilica of the Heart of Jesus and the huge Plaza de la Independencia. The plaza is flanked by some of the city's most imposing buildings including the Presidential and Archbishop's Palace and the Cathedral. We'll stroll out of the plaza along the Street of Seven Crosses to arrive at the Jesuit Temple, La Compañía de Jesús, perhaps the most important example of baroque architecture in Ecuador. From here we continue to the Plaza San Francisco; the temple and convent of the Franciscans here was once the largest of the Spanish colonies.

We will then depart Quito, traveling north out of the city to the Mitad del Mundo (Middle of the World) complex and monument marking 0°0'0" latitude. You'll visit the site and have a chance to take photos with one foot in each hemisphere. Afterwards we continue to the fun Intiñan Solar Museum, where you'll be shown a range of hands-on experiments that demonstrate the effect of gravity at the equator. Your guide will show you how a raw egg can be balanced on the end of a nail with relative ease here- if you can manage the trick you'll receive an 'egg master certificate'. At the end of the tour you'll return to your hotel.




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<b>Day</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Wednesday, 14 August 2019</b>	<b>Galapagos Islands, Ecuador</b>
<b>Flight:</b>	Depart: Quito	00:00	TBC
	Arrive: San Cristobal Isl.	00:00	Avianca - Economy
<b>Arrangements:</b>	Transfer out Quito (Transfer) - Shared Galapagos N.P. entry (Entry - Ticket) - Adult Migration Control Card (INGALA) (Entry - Ticket) Fuel Surcharge (Tax) Corals I & II (D South; Wed to Sun)		
<b>Accommodation:</b>	Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Double Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Single		
<b>Meal Plan:</b>	Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner		

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight.

Your Galapagos Cruise include: Accommodation in selected cabin, all meals, Island sightseeing, Naturalist guides and lecture services in English, Snorkelling gear, shared transfers in the islands and from main hotels in Quito and Guayaquil.

Please remember that the exact route and program may vary according to weather and ocean conditions and the wildlife you will encounter.

There are two types of landings throughout your Galapagos tour:

Dry landing: guests step from the dinghy onto rocks or a dock.

Wet landing: as the dinghy edges onto a sandy beach, guests step into knee-deep water and wade ashore.

On arrival in San Cristobal you will be picked up at the airport by your naturalist guides and taken on a ten-minute bus drive to the pier to board the M/V Corals I & II.

**PM: Interpretation Center & Tijeretas Hill (San Cristobal Island)**

Dry landing in Puerto Baquerizo Moreno, the capital of the Galapagos Islands. Passengers visit the Interpretation Centre, an excellent place to learn about islands' history in The Museum of Natural History which displays information about the volcanic origins of the islands, their remoteness from the continent, ocean currents, climate, the arrival of the different species and their colonisation, among other points of interest. The human history is also showcased, chronologically narrating the most significant events related to the discovery and the island's colonisation.



*Both equally comfortable with thoughtful interior and exterior distributions, the Corals I & II twin yachts are attractively decorated, spacious vessels with cosy, fully equipped cabins. The ships have both open and interior spaces distributed on three decks, allowing you to have an intimate expedition experience. With a capacity for 36 and 20 guests respectively, there is no doubt that the thrill and comfort are guaranteed. Each cabin includes: safe, entertainment system with LCD TVs, hair dryer, and remodelled furniture in each cabin. Diving supplement available on selected departures. Has portholes*




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**Day 5                      Thursday, 15 August 2019                      Galapagos Islands, Ecuador**

**Arrangements:** Corals I & II (D South; Wed to Sun)

**Accommodation:** Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Double  
Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Single

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**AM: Cerro Brujo (San Cristóbal)**

Wet landing. Cerro Brujo is an eroding tuff cone that at several locations is composed of 'AA' lava formations, and a beautiful white sand beach, great for snorkelling and sunbathing. You will visit a lagoon where migratory bird species can be seen: Black-necked Stilts, Ruddy Turnstones, Whimbrels, other sandpiper species and White-cheeked Pintails. Cerro Brujo offers beautiful views of Kicker Rock, the southern part of San Cristobal and the adjacent coast.

**PM: Pitt Point & Pitt Islet (San Cristóbal)**

Wet landing followed by a high intensity hike on rocky terrain. The trail includes an olivine beach of 90 meters long and a path that climbs to the top of a volcanic tuff, through several magnificent viewpoints. This is probably the only site where the three-booby species of the Galapagos can be seen together: Nazca, Blue-footed, and Red-footed; as well as two species of frigatebirds and a sea lion colony; it is also excellent for dinghy rides and snorkelling, where a good range of sea birds can be observed.



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**Day 6**

**Friday, 16 August 2019**

**Galapagos Islands, Ecuador**

**Arrangements:** Corals I & II (D South; Wed to Sun)

**Accommodation:** Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Double  
Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Single

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**AM: Suarez Point (Espanola Island)**

Dry landing. An island of geological interest being one of the oldest in Galapagos, it has a high percentage of endemism because it is also one of the most isolated in the archipelago. This, and the great variety of wildlife found makes this site one of the most attractive in the Galapagos. Explore volcanic formations and a riveting wildlife: large colonies of Sea Lion and seabirds including Española mockingbird, Nazca boobies, and the spectacular Red Billed tropic bird. You will also encounter singular Marine iguanas that have a turquoise colour with red in the breeding season, Lava lizards, and the colourful Sally Light Foot crabs.

A somewhat lengthy hike will bring you among Nazca and Blue-footed boobies, right up to nesting grounds that sometimes overlap the trail. Other birding favourites include Galapagos Dove, Galapagos Hawk, Swallow-tailed gulls and the world's largest colony of Waved Albatross, an unequivocal highlight during mating season (April- December). Admire the island's dramatic backdrop, featuring the famous "Soplador", a seaward blowhole that shoots water at some 23 metres in the air.

**PM: Gardner Bay (Espanola Island)**

Wet landing in Gardner Bay, on a beautiful white coral sand beach guarded by a colony of Sea Lions. There are no trails, so you will stay along the shore where you can spot Galapagos Hawk, American Oystercatcher, Galapagos Dove, Hood Mockingbird, Yellow Warbler, Lava lizards, Marine iguanas, and three species of Darwin Finches: a subspecies of the Large Cactus Finch, which is similar to the large ground finch, the small ground Finch and the Warbler Finch which is another endemic subspecies. Swimming and snorkelling offer a great variety of Galapagos marine wildlife: King Angelfish, Creole fish, Damsel fish and Parrot fish.



**Arrangements:** Corals I & II (D South; Wed to Sun)

**Accommodation:** Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Double  
Corals I & II M/Y (Tourist Superior) - Standard Plus Cabin Single

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**AM: Champion Islet / Devil's Crown / Cormorant Point (Floreana Island)**

Wet landing. Champion is a small Islet located just offshore Floreana Island, offers great dinghy rides or snorkelling along a nice wall filled with a variety of marine wildlife like the endemic Black Striped Salema, the Blue Lobster, Long Nose Hawkfish, Sea Horses, Coral Hawkfish, Sea Lions, and the famous Red lipped batfish. Devil's Crown is considered one of the best sites for snorkelling; here you can watch Galapagos Penguins, Sea Lions, turtles, sharks, dolphins, and fish diversity. Wet landing on an olivine green sand beach. Hike from the black mangrove beds to a brackish lagoon, which usually holds one of the largest flamingo populations in the Galapagos. This island features some endemic plants such as Scalesiavillosa, White and Black Mangrove, and Holy Stick.

The trail continues to a beautiful white-sand beach, one of the most important nesting sites of Green Pacific Sea Turtles. It is important to avoid walking in the water due to the Sting Rays that may be hiding in the sand, which can stab or wound humans in self-defense if accidentally stepped on. From the beach, one can spot Sea Turtles, Blue-footed Boobies plunging into the water, and small Reef Sharks floating and searching for food along the shoreline. This coral sand-beach marks the end of your trail, and you will head back to the olivine beach where you can snorkel amongst sea turtles, reef fish, sea lions and, on a good day, white-tipped reef sharks. A small colony of Galapagos penguins resides on Floreana and can sometimes be observed as well.

**PM: Post Office (Floreana Island)**

A wet landing on the north side of Floreana, leading to the bay of Post Office (named like this because, in 1793, Captain James Colnett installed a wooden barrel which served as an informal post office for sailors passing through, who would take letters with them to their destinations. Today, our visitors continue the tradition by placing unstamped postcards inside the barrel that should reach their destinations for free. It can take weeks, months, even years, not arrive at all, or even arrive before you! You will may also encounter Darwin Finches, Yellow Warbler, and Lava Lizards. Great snorkelling opportunities with Green Pacific Sea Turtles and on the main beach among playful sea lions. Moreover, this island is best known for its endemic vegetation: Scalesiavillosa, Lecocarpuspinnatifidus, and Galapagos milkwort.



**Flight:** Depart: Galapagos Islands 00:00 TBC  
Arrive: Quito 00:00 Avianca - Economy

**Arrangements:** Transfer in Quito (Transfer) - Shared  
Corals I & II (D South; Wed to Sun)

**Accommodation:** Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Double  
Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Single

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast

On arrival you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to your hotel.

**AM: Highlands Tortoise Reserve (Santa Cruz Island)**

Dry landing. In the mountains of Galapagos is possible to admire different kind of birds, such as: tree and ground finches, vermillion flycatchers, paint-billed crakes, yellow warblers, and cattle egrets (usually standing on the tortoises' shell). The journey to the reserve offers great opportunities to see the contrasts that the island offers in reference to the variety of ecosystems. The road goes from the coast through the agricultural zone and straight up to the dense humid forests. Often, Galapagos Giant Tortoises are also seen on the way, wandering through pastures in the paddocks. This spot is a birdwatchers' haven, since almost every land bird present on the island lives or migrates here.

Afterwards you will be transferred to the airport to catch your flight back to the mainland.



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**Day 9 Monday, 19 August 2019 Quito, Ecuador**

**Arrangements:** Free Day

**Accommodation:** Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Double  
Patio Andaluz (Boutique) - Standard Single

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast

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**Day 10 Tuesday, 20 August 2019 Santiago de Chile, Chile**

**Flight:** Depart: Quito 12:50 LA1451  
Arrive: Lima 15:09 LATAM - Economy  
Depart: Lima 18:55 LA643  
Arrive: Santiago de Chile 23:30 LATAM - Economy

**Arrangements:** Transfer out Quito (Transfer) - Private  
Transfer in Santiago (Transfer) - Private

**Accommodation:** -

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Santiago.

On arrival you will be met by an English-speaking guide from our local representative office and transferred to your hotel where you will meet the Main Tour group this evening.

**End of services with Contours Travel**

## How to book

For all bookings you must complete a booking application. Contours Travel reserves the right to accept or reject any booking application it receives. Within 7 days of submitting your booking application, you must pay the specified service fee and deposit. This is necessary to hold your reservation and secure your booking. A booking is accepted by Contours Travel once it receives the specified service fee and deposit and issues you or your travel agent with a confirmation of acceptance of your booking. If the specified service fee and deposit are not paid on time, your booking will automatically lapse and re-booking will involve additional fees. Special booking procedures and conditions apply for certain bookings. If special booking procedures and conditions apply, Contours Travel will notify you accordingly.

## Notes

- This itinerary has been compiled from current schedules but is subject to alteration without notice.
- We have endeavoured to give you complete and up to date information regarding departure taxes from airports, however, these are subject to change without previous notice.
- Unless otherwise stated, quotations are valid for 7 days; after which time they will need to be re-quoted.
- Unless specifically stated, no reservation are being held and all prices quoted are subject to availability at the time of booking.
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