

# **GALAPAGOS BONITA ROUTE C**

Embark on an unforgettable 5-day Galapagos cruise, immersing yourself in the captivating beauty of this unique archipelago. Begin your journey on Wednesday with a visit to the stunning South Plazas, where you can encounter colorful marine iguanas and sea lions. On Thursday, explore the enchanting Black Turtle Cove on Santa Cruz, a serene mangrove ecosystem teeming with marine life. In the afternoon, venture to the picturesque Highlands of Santa Cruz, home to the iconic giant tortoises. Friday brings the opportunity to explore the remarkable birdlife of Genovesa's Darwin Bay, followed by an exploration of the volcanic landscapes and unique wildlife of Barranco. On Saturday, discover the intriguing geological formations of Sullivan Bay on Santiago, and then visit the iconic Bartolome Island, famous for its panoramic views and the iconic Pinnacle Rock. Conclude your Galapagos adventure on Sunday with a visit to North Seymour, where you can witness fascinating bird species, including the famous blue-footed boobies. Reflect on the extraordinary diversity and natural wonders you have encountered during your memorable journey through the Galapagos Islands.



### **ITINERARY**

### DAY 1 AM: BALTRA AIRPORT PM: PLAZAS

Departure to the Galapagos Islands, arrival at Baltra airport, where our naturalist guide of the National Park will be waiting for you. Of the two twin islands, only South Plazas is allowed to be visited, while North plazas is kept exclusively for scientific research. This is a small islet, but it packs an impressive amount of wildlife. Right after you land you will see Galapagos land iguanas waiting under prickly-pear cactus feed on their fruits. A large colony of sea lions will give you the opportunity to see playful pups enjoying the tide pools, but also large grumpy



males defending their territories. The trail will take you to a cliff where you can observe many sea birds, such as frigatebirds, red-billed tropicbirds, boobies, swallow-tailed gulls and pelicans. A reddish succulent vegetation with scattered cactus covers most of the islands like a carpet, giving this island a unique personality. Highlights: Galapagos land iguanas, sea lions, tropicbirds, pelicans, boobies, Galapagos shearwaters, swallow-tailed gulls.

## DAY 2 AM: BLACK TURTLE COVE PM: HIGHLANDS

Black Turtle Cove gets its name from the abundance of green sea turtles, locally known as: "tortugas negras". There is no landing here so you will be doing a boat tour on the dinghies, exploring shallow channels and small coves surrounded by beautiful mangrove forests. Reef sharks, sea turtles and several species of rays inhabit this beautiful area which is considered an important mating area for turtles and a nursery for several species of sharks. Herons, pelicans and boobies are also common here as they pray in schools of anchovies. Highlights: White -tipped and black -tipped reef sharks, green sea turtles, rays, herons, blue -footed boobies, mangroves. Either if you do this visit starting from Baltra or from Puerto Ayora, a bus will take you to the highlands stopping along the way at one of the reserves to visit the lush highland forests where you will look for Galapagos Giant tortoises in their natural environment. This is the best place in the Galapagos to see these gentle giants (reaching over 300 kg / 600 pounds!) casually grazing and resting in freshwater ponds. This is also home for a great diversity of birds rarely found at the lowlands, including finches (tree, woodpecker and vegetarian finches), flycatchers and several species of water birds. You will visit a lava tunnel (depending on the itinerary) and learn how these extraordinary formations were created by ancient volcanic eruptions. Highlights: Giant tortoises, Darwin finches, barn owls, white -cheeked pintails, Galapagos flycatchers, Lava tunnels.

### DAY 3 AM: DARWIN BAY AM: EL BARRANCO

Genovesa is a favorite island for birdwatchers as it is home for very large colonies of seabirds. From the minute you set foot at the beach you will be amazed by the noise of hundreds of boobies, gulls and frigatebirds flying over your heads, perched in the bushes or nesting on the sandy terrain. The trail is an ultimate wildlife experience as there are animals everywhere; sea lions and marine iguanas near the sea; night herons, lava & swallow tailed gulls, Darwin finches, Galapagos doves, mockingbirds and many more species inland. Snorkel: The bay offers several places to snorkel; from deep waters along the cliffs across the bay, to shallow waters by the beach. In either case, there are many fish to see and great chances of seeing sharks, rays and sea lions. Highlights: Nesting great frigatebirds, red footed & Nazca boobies, Galapagos sea lions, lava & swallow \- tailed gulls, yellow -crowned night herons, Genovesa ground finch, Genovesa cactus finch, Galapagos mockingbirds. El Barranco is located in the southern part of Darwin Bay at Genovesa Island. The cliffs facing the sea are made of very fragile fractured lava, making it the ideal place for storm petrels to build their colonies, which attracts an important population of short -eared owls preying on the nesting birds. Red footed and Nazca boobies are abundant along the trail. At the base of the cliffs you can see Galapagos fur seals resting in shaded areas, as well as several species of seabirds. Snorkel: You can snorkel along the cliffs where there are many fish and great chances of seeing sharks, rays and sea lions. Highlights: Nesting great frigatebirds, red footed & Nazca boobies, Galapagos sea lions,



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### DAY 4 AM: SULLIVAN BAY PM: BARTOLOME

This hike is a journey into understanding the birth of these volcanic islands. You will walk in a very well preserved flow of Pahoehoe lava, which will give you endless opportunities to see the delicate textures of these types of lavas which only appear in a few places throughout the world. At first sight the barren landscape looks completely deprived of life, but look carefully for pioneer plants, lava lizards and small birds. By the shore, you can find penguins, pelicans and oystercatchers. Snorkel: You will have the option to swim or snorkel from a coral sand beach or from the dinghies. Getting underwater is like traveling to another world: if the land is almost lifeless, the sea is teaming with life, including large schools of fish, Galapagos penguins, reef sharks, turtles and rays. Highlights: Pahoehoe lava, Galapagos penguins, oystercatchers, Galapagos hawks. Bartolome is one of the most iconic places in the Galapagos and one of the few where you can see penguins without going to the remote areas of western Isabela and Fernandina. You will get great views of Pinnacle Rock, located on the northern side of the island, right next to a beautiful peach -color sand beach. The hike to the top of the island is fantastic and will offer you incredible views of lunar landscapes with scattered volcanic cones. Many islands are visible from this outlook, as well as the bay of Sullivan and the Pinnacle rock. Snorkel: You will have the option to swim or snorkel from the beach. This area holds a well -deserved reputation of being one of the best snorkeling places in the Galapagos, not only because it's clear and calm water, but also because of the presence of penguins, which are

relatively easy to find while snorkeling, along with an incredible diversity of fish, colorful invertebrates, sea lions, turtles, rays and reef sharks. Highlights: Galapagos penguins, volcanic landscapes, Pinnacle rock, blue \- footed boobies, herons, sea lions, sharks.

#### DAY 5 AM: SEYMOUR

This island is home for large colonies of both magnificent and great frigatebirds and you can see them displaying their red balloons to attract a female. Blue-footed boobies nest in the ground and perform their famous dance in the open areas, while swallow-tailed gulls perch on the cliff edges. Land iguanas are common inland while their marine cousins bask in the rocks by the sea, close to sea lions, which often like to body surf in the waves. Hiking: This place is a really great location for a walk, as it has tremendous diversity and amount of Galapagos sea lions, blue footed boobies, magnificent & great frigatebirds, land & marine iguanas, swallow-tailed gulls, shearwaters, Darwin finches.

#### Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.





# YOUR SHIP: BONITA

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VESSEL TYPE: Small Ship

LENGTH: 25 meters

PASSENGER CAPACITY: 16

BUILT/REFURBISHED: 2019

Welcome area: Totally Furnished Social area: Artistic decoration inspired on endemic species of Galapagos. Direct access to the bar. Dining area: Vegan and vegetarian options. Coffee and water station. Cabins: Fully Equipped, 4 Cabins in the upper deck, 2 Cabin in the main deck, 3 Cabins in the lower deck. All cabins offers private facilities such as: private bathrooms, cold/hot water, air conditioning, towel dryer, safe. Sundeck: Equipped with 6 chairs to rest and admire amazing landscapaes. Amenities: Shampoo, conditioner, Exceptional Service: The physical capacity of the cruise is 16 passengers. This means that we have the space to accommodate single passengers and tour leaders, creating a very personalized on board experience.





# **INSIDE YOUR SHIP**

# Cabin





# **PRICING**

22-May-2024 to 26-May-2024		04-Dec-2024 to 08-Dec-2024	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2054 GBP pp
05-Jun-2024 to 09-Jun-2024		18-Dec-2024 to 22-Dec-2024	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2054 GBP pp
19-Jun-2024 to 23-Jun-2024		01-Jan-2025 to 05-Jan-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
03-Jul-2024 to 07-Jul-2024		15-Jan-2025 to 19-Jan-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
17-Jul-2024 to 21-Jul-2024		29-Jan-2025 to 02-Feb-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
31-Jul-2024 to 04-Aug-2024		12-Feb-2025 to 16-Feb-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
14-Aug-2024 to 18-Aug-2024		26-Feb-2025 to 02-Mar-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
09-0ct-2024 to 13-0ct-2024		12-Mar-2025 to 16-Mar-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
23-0ct-2024 to 27-0ct-2024		26-Mar-2025 to 30-Mar-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
06-Nov-2024 to 10-Nov-2024		09-Apr-2025 to 13-Apr-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp
20-Nov-2024 to 24-Nov-2024		23-Apr-2025 to 27-Apr-2025	
Cabin	£2054 GBP pp	Cabin	£2172 GBP pp



07-May-2025 to 11-May-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

21-May-2025 to 25-May-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

04-Jun-2025 to 08-Jun-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

18-Jun-2025 to 22-Jun-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

02-Jul-2025 to 06-Jul-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

16-Jul-2025 to 20-Jul-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

30-Jul-2025 to 03-Aug-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

13-Aug-2025 to 17-Aug-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

27-Aug-2025 to 31-Aug-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

10-Sep-2025 to 14-Sep-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

24-Sep-2025 to 28-Sep-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

08-Oct-2025 to 12-Oct-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

22-0ct-2025 to 26-0ct-2025

Cabin £2172 GBP pp

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 £2172 GBP pp

 03-Dec-2025 to 07-Dec-2025
 £2172 GBP pp

 17-Dec-2025 to 21-Dec-2025
 £2172 GBP pp

 31-Dec-2025 to 04-Jan-2026
 £2172 GBP pp

£3258 GBP pp