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EASTERN GALAPAGOS 4 DAYS (LA PINTA)

Our itinerary together begins on San Cristobal Island, the capital of the Galapagos Province. From here, we venture east along the northern shores of the island, visiting the fascinating sites of Punta Pitt and Cerro Brujo, both full of life, taking us back to Charles Darwin's visit of 1835. We then sail south down to Espanola Island, with its remarkable visitor site (a favourite of many visitors): Punta Suarez. Here, we'll wander along the rugged coastline, home to hundreds of marine iguanas, sealions, marine birds, and even albatross (at certain times of year). In the afternoon, Gardner Bay provides a wonderful setting for a combination of beach-time, swimming snorkelling or exploring aboard the glass-bottom boat. We end on Monday with a visit to the world-famous Charles Darwin Research Station on Santa Cruz Island, the most populous in the archipelago. Wherever we sail, whatever we do, all the crew aboard La Pinta will do our utmost to ensure your Galapagos experience is truly, deeply moving and memorable. Please Note: During Peak Season (Dec 21 - 29 & Dec 29 - Jan 04) a surcharge of US\$250 pp applies.



ITINERARY

Day 1 - Friday - Puerto Baquerizo Moreno and Cerro Colorado Tortoise Centre (San Cristobal Island)

We arrive by plane (additional charge) at San Cristobal Island and transfer to Yacht La Pinta for cabin assignment, introductory briefing and lunch. After lunch, we land back at Puerto Baquerizo Moreno and drive 40 minutes to the island's southern shore. At Cerro Colorado, we visit the breeding centre of the highly-endangered giant tortoises in the midst of a fantastic deciduous forest, home to dozens of bird species and the endemic San Cristobal lava lizard.

Day 2 - Saturday - Punta Pitt and Cerro Brujo (San Cristobal Island)

We land at the eastern tip of San Cristobal Island this morning. The trail that ascends from the beach provides spectacular views of the shoreline; we can see the two frigate species, plus a colony of bachelor sea lions. After the walk, if conditions are favourable, there is a chance to swim from the beach and



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snorkelling by an islet. In the afternoon following lunch on board, a dinghy ride along the shores of tuff-stone layers takes us to Cerro Brujo's expansive, white coralline beach, great for walking, with rewarding birdwatching with good views of seabirds and shore birds. Also, look out for Galapagos sea lions. These are the same shores that Charles Darwin walked upon, back in September 1835. There is a chance to ride in our glass-bottom boat.

Day 3 - Sunday - Punta Suarez and Gardner Bay (Espanola Island)

Our morning outing at Punta Suarez provides an exciting walk on lava/boulder terrain to visit its unique sea bird colonies, including the waved albatrosses (April - December), boobies, swallow-tail gulls, and the famous "blowhole". Also, look for red-green-black marine iguanas. Back on board for lunch. In the afternoon, we set down at this beautiful, white coral beach for a short walk to observe the sea lions, mockingbirds, finches or enjoy the beach. There is great snorkelling in this area, or else there's time to kayak or ride the glass-bottom boat.

Day 4 - Monday - Charles Darwin Research Station (Santa Cruz Island)

Disembarking in the morning, we visit the Charles Darwin Research Station and the 'rearing in captivity' programme for the giant tortoises. Here we witness the efforts and results of all the field work done in the name of science. We transfer by bus across Santa Cruz Island and a short ferry ride to Baltra. Transfer to the airport to take the flight (additional charge) back to the mainland.

Please Note:

Galapagos Itineraries are subject to change due to weather, logistical, Galapagos Park regulations or operational reasons.



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YOUR SHIP: LA PINTA

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VESSEL TYPE:	Small Ship
LENGTH:	63 metres
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	48 (in 24 cabins)
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	1983 / refurbished 2007



After intense days of wildlife exploration, yacht La Pinta provides a haven of relaxation and tranquility with tastefully appointed accommodations and all the facilities for a stylish yet informal ambiance. A full week discovery trip to the Galapagos Islands aboard La Pinta allows encounters with unique fauna, like the famous giant Galapagos tortoises in the wild, land and marine iguanas, flamingos, penguins, blue-footed boobies and the famous Darwin's finches. La Pinta guests will cover all aspects of the Galapagos: discovery, adventure, environmental interpretation, aquatic activities, relaxation, superb service and great dining. Naturalist Guides enhance their interpretative skills with the use of state-of-the-art-expedition equipment. Our staff embraces a spirit of adventure, while at the same time ensures that you always travel in comfort and safety.

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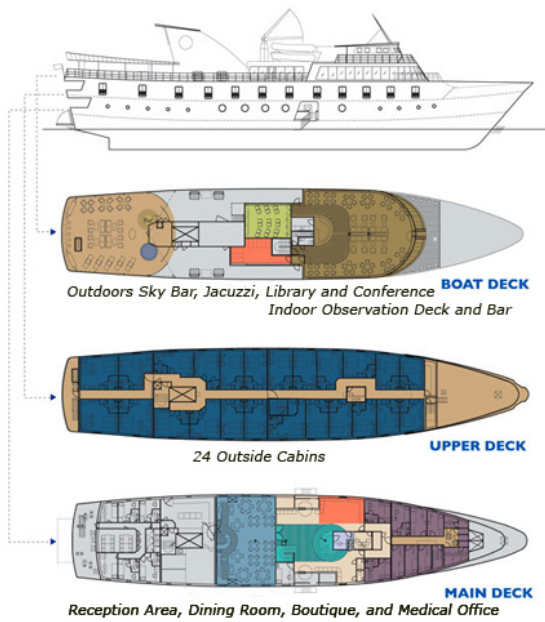
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**Galapagos National Park
admission fee and transit Control
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