



## **Luxury Yacht Ocean Spray**

7 Night Cruise A

The Ultimate Galapagos Experience! The new Mega-Catamaran Ocean Spray offers the best performance and comfort in Galapagos Cruising. The elegant design includes a huge sundeck, jacuzzi and spacious cabins each with a private balcony.

- Roundtrip air & ground transfers
- Cruise accommodations
- **INCLUSIONS**
- Galapagos National Park Entrance Fee • Excursions with naturalist guide
- All Meals



#### SATURDAY: FLIGHT TO GALAPAGOS FROM QUITO/GUAYAQUIL **AIRPORT - SOMBRERO CHINO ISLAND:**

AM: Upon arrival at Baltra Island, guides will meet you, collect your luggage, and escort you to the harbor for a short ferry ride to the ship, where the crew will welcome you aboard. After a welcome cocktail and an orientation and safety briefing the cruise begins.

PM: We have a wet landing on a beautiful crescent-shaped beach, home to sea lions and Sally Lightfoot crabs. Sombrero Chino means "Chinese hat" which is what the shape of the island resembles. Look for marine iguanas as you explore. The water is calm here and makes for excellent snorkeling.

(Lunch, Dinner & Accommodations, Ocean Spray)



### SUNDAY: ISABELA ISLAND - FERNANDINA ISLAND:

AM: Isabela Island - Vicente Roca Point: The largest island in the archipelago, this seahorse-shaped island is also one of the youngest and most volcanically active. This morning visit Vicente Roca Point, a large bay with spectacular sea life. Keep an eye out for seahorses, sea turtles, and the strange yet fascinating Molamola (sunfish).

PM: Fernandina - Espinosa Point: Crossing the Bolivar Channel that divides Isabela and Fernandina Islands, we will land at Espinosa Point. After walking past a colony of marine iguanas and a group of sea lions, we'll reach the island's highlight: the flightless cormorant nesting site. This area also provides a great opportunity to see the Galapagos hawk.

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### **MONDAY: ISABELA ISLAND:**

AM: Tagus Cove: Tagus Cove is located across from Fernandina Island, near the Bolivar Channel dividing the two islands. Ships have frequented this spot since the 1800s, using the area as an anchorage site. Trails wind by Lake Darwin up to a ridge displaying wonderful views. Punta Tortuga, just north of Tagus Cove, is another lovely beach surrounded by mangroves.

PM: Urbina Bay: Urbina Bay is located at the base of Alcedo Volcano on the west coast, between Tagus Cove and Elizabeth Bay. This area experienced a major uplift in 1954, causing the land to rise over 16 feet. The coast expanded half a mile out, leaving marine life stranded on the new shore. The largest iguanas in the islands live here. This area is also a great place for snorkeling.

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## **TUESDAY: ISABELA ISLAND:**

AM: Elizabeth Bay: Elizabeth Bay is located on the east coast of Isabela Island. The bay contains many islets, which can be visited by dinghy. Penguins and bluefooted boobies can be spotted on the rocky islets. With an abundance of marine life and clear water, the area is perfect for snorkeling and viewing schools of colorful fish, sea lions, and perhaps even sharks.

Isabela Island. The plethora of birds seen during a dinghy ride along the striking rocky shores or a hike along path through lava rock leading to tide pools and mangroves create a birdwatcher's delight. In the tide pools green sea turtles or white-tip sharks can be spotted.

PM: Moreno Point Moreno Point is located near Elizabeth Bay on the west coast of

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# **WEDNESDAY: SANTA CRUZ ISLAND:**

that winds through mangroves filled with land birds. Nazca boobies, red-footed boobies, and swallow-tailed gulls can be spotted here. Further down the path are tidal pools where sea lions swim playfully. At the end is a spectacular view off a cliff. PM: Los Gemelos: You'll also visit the highlands, a place you can walk along a

AM: Charles Darwin Station: This white-sand coral beach heads a half-mile trail

path, observing the hills, ferns, volcanoes, and rich wildlife. This area is home to giant tortoises, mockingbirds, Bahama ducklings, white-cheeked pintail ducklings, Darwin finches, and many other species. You will come upon the underground lava tubes, which are more than one kilometer (half a mile) long. Local guides are will provide information and flashlights. Walking through the lava tubes is a unique and surreal experience.

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#### THURSDAY: SOUTH PLAZA ISLAND - SANTA FE ISLAND: AM: South Plaza Island: This small islet off the east coast of Santa Cruz has one

of the largest populations of land iguanas in the Galapagos. PM: Santa Fe Island: Santa Fe is a small island in the center of the Galapagos

Archipelago. It is home to a unique species of land iguanas. From our landing site we can get a good view of the giant prickly pear forest. Groups of sea lions will be found along the beach.

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# AM: Suárez Point: A dry landing at Suárez Point. This rocky land spot sustains one

FRIDAY: ESPAÑOLA ISLAND:

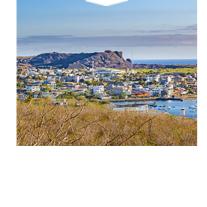
rise up from the sea, permitting spectacular views of soaring birds and an impressive blowhole. PM: Gardner Bay: We will sail to the northeast coast of Espaıola to visit Gardner Bay, home to a large colony of sea lions. There is an excellent beach for relaxing or

of the most impressive and varied colonies of sea birds in the Galapagos. High cliffs

swimming. Then sail on to Osborn Islet, a small island where you can walk across a lovely white sand beach amongst a busy sea lion colony or dive into the water to swim with sea lion pups. This small island is a marine visit where you can enjoy fantastic snorkeling and swimming.

SATURDAY: SAN CRISTÓBAL:

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#### AM: Interpretation Center: The Interpretation Center was opened in 1998 as a phase of the project "Interpretation and Environment Education Project." Visitors

enjoy expositions on natural history, human history, and conservation. The conservation efforts represent the movement to protect the wildlife and natural environment through means of population and tourist control.

La Galapaguera: A visitor site in the southeast part of San Cristóbal Island that can be reached in roughly one hour by road from Puerto Baquerizo Moreno. On the trees and shrubs surrounding the site, you may see land birds like warblers, finches and mockingbirds, and on the trails, giant tortoises.

After this visit, we will head back to the airport for the return flight to the mainland.

(Breakfast Ocean Snrav)