

## GALAPAGOS ISLANDS MY CORAL CRUISES



M/Y Coral I & Coral II Cruises to the Galapagos Islands

### 5 DAYS / 4 NIGHTS

As one of our three Galapagos Coral Cruise itineraries, this 5 days / 4 nights itinerary is perfect for those looking for a nature exploration in the north and central islands of the Galapagos: San Cristobal Island, Espanola Island, Floreana Island, and Santa Cruz Island.

Note: This is a tour extension and must be combined with one of our full package (6 nights minimum) tours. Please contact a travel consultant about adding a custom Ecuador tour to this extension.

<p>FROM <b>\$ 2215</b> per person</p>	<p><b>THIS CRUISE INCLUDES:</b> 4 Nights Accommodation All Transfers All Onboard Meals All-Inclusive Program All Excursions and Activities Professional Naturalist Guides</p>	<p><b>HIGHLIGHTS</b> Tijeretas Hill Pit Craters Volcano Explorations Multiple Island Visits Highlands Tortoise Reserve Snorkeling &amp; Hiking Excursions</p>
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Day 1 - Wednesday

### ARRIVE AT SAN CRISTOBAL AIRPORT

#### Visit the Interpretation Center & Tijeretas Hill

Take a 2 hour and 30-minute flight from Guayaquil or Quito to San Cristobal. Meet your guide at the San Cristobal Airport and head to board the Motor Yacht Coral I or Coral II.

In the afternoon, land in Puerto Baquerizo Moreno, the capital of the Galapagos Islands. Visit the Interpretation Center, where you will learn about the history of the islands. The Museum of Natural History displays a plethora of information about the volcanic background of the islands, their remote location, the abundant life species that thrive here, and more. Then, take a high-intensity walk and spot exotic wildlife, including a frigatebird nesting colony.



Day 2 - Thursday

## CERRO BRUJO & PITT POINT

### Snorkel in the Waters of San Cristobal Islands

See the lava formations and white sandy beaches of Cerro Brujo. Visit a lagoon where you can spot many birds such as the ruddy turnstones, sandpiper, White-cheeked Pintails, whimbrels, and black-necked stilts. Snorkel for an hour, relax on the beach or take a walk to a hidden lagoon.

In the afternoon, walk along the trail to see the olive sandy beach, volcanic rocks, three booby species, and a sea lion colony. Snorkel and kayak in the blue waters of Pitt Point.



Day 3 - Friday

## SUAREZ POINT, GARDNER BAY & OSBORN ISLET

### See the Unique Wildlife & Marine Life of Espanola Island

As one of the oldest islands in the Galapagos, Espanola Island is known for its collection of unique species. It is an attractive part of the Galapagos because of its variety of wildlife. Take a beautiful hike to explore the wildlife and vegetation of the island. You will be able to see the nesting grounds of the Galapagos doves, hawks, gulls, and albatrosses during the mating season from April to December. Then, see the famous blowhole called the 'Soplador'. It can shoot up water up to 75 feet into the air.

In the afternoon, visit Gardner Bay, known for its sea lions lying on the white sandy beaches. There are no trails here, so visitors sit along the shore to spot the variety of birds around the island including the hood mockingbird, yellow warbler, Darwin finches, small ground finch, and cacti finch. Snorkel here to see the parrot fish, creole fish, damselfish, and king angelfish.



Day 4 - Saturday

## **CORMORANT POINT & CHAMPION ISLET**

### **Swim with Sealions & Penguins around Florena Island**

Begin the day visiting Champion Islet, known for its variety of wildlife like blue lobsters, long nose hawkfish, coral hawkfish, seahorses, and red-lipped batfish. Take a dinghy ride or snorkel to discover these amazing animals for a unique experience.

Then, travel to Cormorant Point, known for its green sand beach. Hike to a brackish lagoon to see the largest flamingo population in the Galapagos. Reach a white-sand beach that is one of the main nesting sites for the green Pacific sea turtles. After relaxing on the beach, head back to the green sand beach to snorkel or swim for an hour with the sea turtles, sea lions, penguins, and white-tipped reef sharks.

Later, visit Post Office Bay, named after Captain James Colnett who placed a wooden barrel to serve as a post office. Today, tourists leave unstamped postcards in the barrel. This is also a great place to snorkel with playful sea lions and sea turtles.



Day 5 - Sunday

## **HIGHLANDS TORTOISE RESERVE & BALTRA ISLAND AIRPORT**

### **Interact with wild Galapagos Tortoises & famed finches**

Begin visiting the central highlands of Santa Cruz. Get up close to the wild, Galapagos giant tortoises at the Highlands Tortoise Reserve. Then, take a short walk and spot ground finches, flycatchers, cattle egrets, yellow warblers, and other different types of birds.

Then, stop by the Pit Craters that were formed by the collapse of some surface materials. Here, you will have a great chance of seeing giant tortoises as well.

Finally, head to the Baltra Airport, and board your flight to return to Quito or Guayaquil. Once in mainland Ecuador, catch an international flight home, or continue your tour of Ecuador with one of our other fantastic [Ecuador Tours](#).