

## M/C PETREL CATAMARAN GALAPAGOS CRUISE



### 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

Spend 8-days exploring the turquoise waters and ancient volcanic rock formations of the Galapagos Islands aboard the newly built Petrel Catamaran. The Petrel is a new vessel in the Haugan fleet, designed to combine adventure and luxury. During the day, roam the islands alongside experienced local guides and spot colonies of blue-footed boobies, giant tortoises, frigatebirds, marine iguanas and more. In the evening, relax on the elegant catamaran, where you can soak in the jacuzzi or simply find solitude on your private balcony. This 8-cabin catamaran makes for an intimate Galapagos experience, you'll never forget!

Note: All itineraries can be combined, perfect for travelers looking for a longer Galapagos cruise. There are also 6-day options available.

<p>FROM <b>\$ 6880</b> per person</p>	<p><b>THIS CRUISE INCLUDES:</b> 7-nights accommodations All-inclusive programs All on-board meals Daily excursions Professional naturalist guides</p>	<p><b>HIGHLIGHTS</b> Baltra Island North Seymour Island Isabela Island Fernandina Island Santa Cruz Island Santa Fe Island San Cristobal Island Lobos Island</p>
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## ITINERARY 8-DAY CRUISE "A"



Day 1

### ARRIVE TO BALTRA ISLAND

**Friday**

Arrive in Baltra Airport and climb aboard the newly built Petrel Catamaran. Once on the vessel, head to your cabin and relax before the welcome briefing. The presentation is designed to help better acquaint you with your new surroundings.

In the afternoon, begin your Galapagos adventure with a visit to North Seymour Island. This island is home to a massive colony of land iguanas, along with friendly sea lions, blue-footed boobies and frigatebirds. Choose between snorkeling, hiking or take a short dingy boat ride. At night, get settled in and relax.



## Day 2

### VICENTE ROCA POINT (ISABELA ISLAND) & ESPINOSA POINT (FERNANDINA ISLAND)

#### Saturday

In the morning, visit Isabela Island, the largest of the islands. Explore the sea-horse shaped territory. Isabela Island was formed by six different shield volcanoes that were continuously erupting until eventually joining. While there, check out Vicente Roca Point, admire the geological formations and look for some of the different bird species. You might even spot some sea lions and marine birds diving.

Later, visit Espinosa Point on Fernandina Island. Espinosa's narrow stretch of land is ideal for a scenic walk. Along the peninsula, it is common to see hundreds of marine iguanas gathered on the black lava rocks.



## Day 3

### TAGUS COVE & URBINA BAY (ISABELA ISLAND)

#### Sunday

Get ready to explore Tagus Cove, a popular visitor site located on the upper west side of Isabela Island. Many pirates and sailors previously inscribed their names and their ship names on the island's volcanic rock. Hike along the volcanic rock and look for land iguanas, hawks or Galapagos penguins.

In the afternoon, head south to Urbina Bay. Marvel at the unique uplifting of the island due to volcanic and tectonic activity. Urbina Bay is an excellent area to spot Giant Tortoises, flightless cormorants and exposed coral reef. If you choose to snorkel, you can swim with green sea turtles, colorful fish and the Galapagos Penguin.



Day 4

## ELIZABETH BAY & MORENO POINT (ISABELA ISLAND)

**Monday**

Today, you have the chance to explore Elizabeth Bay. Watch as hawks soar overhead and consider snorkeling as your morning activity. The water is quite clear, and an abundance of colorful fish can be seen swimming beneath the surface.

In the afternoon, walk along the rocky shores of Moreno Point. At first glance, Moreno Point appears to be a lifeless black surface. However, the terrain is full of lagoons and a wide variety of life. Spot penguins, shore birds, blue herons and other wildlife here.



Day 5

## SIERRA NEGRA VOLCANO, WETLANDS & THE WALL OF TEARS (ISABELA ISLAND)

**Tuesday**

In the morning, walk up the Sierra Negra, a massive shield volcano at the Southeastern end of Isabela Island. On the ascent, admire the lush vegetation, and at the summit take in the fantastic views of the lowlands.

In the afternoon, explore the island wetlands, lagoons, swamps, and mangroves. Also, keep your eyes out for a variety of unique bird species. Walk along the Wall of Tears, a historical site built between the years of 1945 and 1959 by prisoners of the island. Please be respectful while you visit this historical site.



Day 6

## CHARLES DARWIN STATION & LOS GEMELOS (SANTA CRUZ ISLAND)

**Wednesday**

Today, get a taste of history as you explore the Charles Darwin Station. Inside, there is a large variety of carefully preserved specimens, including the Giant Tortoise. This organization provides scientific assistance to ensure the proper preservation of the Galapagos Islands and plays a huge role in educating the community and public schools in Galapagos.

Later, head to Santa Cruz to explore Los Gemelos. These are two volcanic depressions on the highest part of Santa Cruz. Notice that the area of Los Gemelos has an entirely different climate from other regions of the island. While here, try and spot the famous vermilion flycatcher, Darwin finches and possibly the short-eared owls.



Day 7

## **SOUTH PLAZA ISLAND & SANTA FE ISLAND**

**Thursday**

In the early morning visit South Plaza Island. While South Plaza Island is one of the smaller islands, it has an abundance of diverse flora and fauna. Walk around and admire the large population of Sesuvium plants, such as the prickly pear cactus tree. This friendly environment will put you face to face with the largest population of land iguanas (in the Galapagos Islands), Sea Lion pups, Sally Lightfoot Crabs and other sea birds.

Later, head to Santa Fe Island, the only place in the Galapagos where you can find Opuntia cactus. Santa Fe Island was once a popular site for the giant tortoises, but after years of pirates visiting the island and taking the tortoises for food, they have become extinct. As you walk around the island look for land iguanas, sea lions and the Galapagos hawk.



Day 8

## **LOBOS ISLAND & DEPARTURE (SAN CRISTOBAL ISLAND)**

**Friday**

On your last day aboard the Petrel Catamaran, head to San Cristobal, the easternmost and oldest island in the Galapagos. Take some time to explore the small island named after the sea lions that rest and play on the shores.

In the afternoon, bid farewell the Galapagos and transport to the airport for your flight home or to your next destination.