

ECUADOR - GALAPAGOS 5 DAY CRUISE | INFINITY



INTRODUCTION

Explore the archipelago that inspired the works of Charles Darwin as you cruise the Galapagos Islands about the luxurious Infinity yacht. Encounter majestic giant tortoises in their natural habitat in the Santa Cruz highlands and discover more about the history of the Galapagos at Bachas Beach and Post Office Bay. Visit Gardener Bay, a major breeding site for the waved albatross and enjoy the antics of the blue-footed and Nazca boobies on Espanola. The wildlife and the scenery will captivate you.

The Infinity Experience

The Infinity yacht is designed to get the most out of your experience. Launched in 2018, this stylish modern motor yacht offers high performance and unrivalled comfort. This is a stunning vessel to cruise the Galapagos and soak in the spectacular scenery and wildlife. The cruise manager and crew of the Infinity are dedicated in offering you the highest quality of service. An outside dining area and bar as well as stylish interior allow you to cruise in style. In addition, you can make use of the outside sun deck and jacuzzi which offers you relaxation with a view, after your days of exploring and sightseeing. All eight cabins and two suites have private balconies. This makes the Infinity a beautifully spacious and luxurious yacht. Plenty of possibilities will come your way when you cruise on the Infinity. The crew and certified bilingual naturalist guide will help you make the most of your time, offering great comfort and service as well as knowledge about the beautiful Galapagos so you don't miss a thing. Now is the time for you to discover all that the archipelago has to offer. The cruise on board the Infinity is the experience of a lifetime and offers 4, 5 and 8 day itineraries.

The Infinity also offers a [4 day cruise](#), [8 day cruise](#) and [8 day cruise](#).

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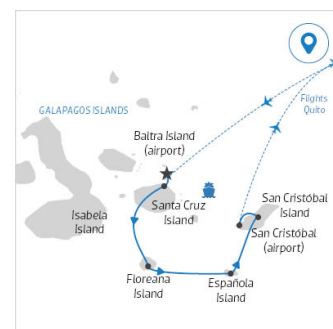
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DURATION

5 Days

LOCATIONS

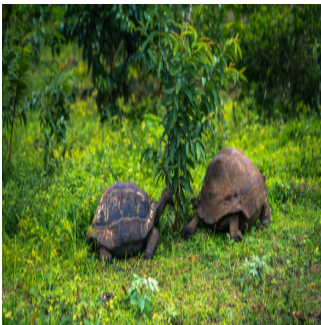
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DAY 1: Baltra - El Chato

Assistance at the airport by our representative for your Galapagos flight. You will arrive at Baltra Island in the morning. After passing through immigration and baggage claim, you will be met by the Infinity staff and transferred to the yacht. You will be shown to your cabin where you will have some time to settle in before lunch and a welcome briefing. Afterwards you will enjoy the El Chato reserve, which is divided into two areas: Caseta and Chato. The trail begins at Santa Rosa (13.7 miles / 22 km) from Puerto Ayora, with the Caseta route being the most challenging. The reserve allows visitors to observe giant tortoises in the wild during the dry season and is also a good place to spot short-eared owls, Darwin’s finches, yellow warblers, Galapagos rails and paint-billed crakes.



DAY 2: Dragon Hill - Bachas Beach

In the morning you will visit Dragon Hill on Santa Cruz. The visitors’ site at Dragon Hill is located in northwestern Santa Cruz Island and consists of a 1,600 m long trail that runs through three different environments. The beach is very rocky. At high tide it’s a nice place for snorkeling. At this visiting site you can find vegetation of the typical intertidal zone and dry zone. The afternoon visit Bachas Beach, located on the north shore of Santa Cruz, Bachas is a swimming beach. One of the few remnants of the U.S. World War II presence in the Galapagos, a floating pier, can be seen here. You may see flamingos, Sally Lightfoot crabs, hermit crabs, black-necked stilts, and whimbrels. Sea turtles also nest on the beach.



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DAY 3: Post Office Bay & Cormorant Point or Devil's Crown

There are two visiting sites on Floreana Island. In the morning you will visit the famous Post Office Bay. You will land on the beach and head to a spot where 18th century whalers placed a wooden barrel for use as an unofficial mail box. The custom continues to this day with Galapagos visitors. So do not forget your postcards, and do not be surprised if the post card arrives to its destination before you even get home! In the afternoon, you will head to Cormorant Point. Here you will enjoy a hike to a salt-water lagoon which is home to flamingos. You will also get to swim in the crystal clear waters of the Devil's Crown. This extinct volcano peaks out of the waters just off of Floreana's coast and offers a magnificent snorkeling experience.



DAY 4: Suarez Point & Gardner Bay

Española Island is the southernmost island of the Galapagos and is the breeding site of nearly all of the waved albatrosses in the entire world. Española is densely populated with mockingbirds, bluefooted and Nazca boobies, Darwin finches, Galapagos doves, hawks, red and green marine iguanas, and colonies of sea lions. The morning trip will start with Suarez Point and a trail where you will have the chance to see bluefooted boobies, albatrosses and Nazca boobies. It is the breeding site of nearly all of the world's 12,000 pairs of Waved Albatrosses. You will also visit a beautiful site on the ocean front where there is a cliff that the large albatrosses use as a launching pad! The landscape is great for photography and you will also have the chance to see the famous blowhole. In the afternoon, you will visit the spectacular Gardner Bay. After landing, 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. You can also see curious mockingbirds on the beach.



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DAY 5: Interpretation Center & Departure

In the morning you will visit The Interpretation Center which opened in 1998 as a phase of the project “Interpretation and Environment Education Project.” Visitors enjoy exhibitions 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. The Interpretation Center has an outdoor stadium, audio-visual equipment, and meeting rooms. After this final visit, you will be transferred to the San Cristobal airport in time for your flight back to the mainland.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Cabin on board ship
Inclusions	<p> All meals and excursions Transfers in the islands Bilingual National Park Guide Use of snorkelling equipment/wetsuit Use of underwater camera Free Airport Assistance* Hotel night in Quito or Guayaquil (the day before the cruise)* 2 Free transfers to Galapagos Flights* *Applies when purchasing airfare from Royal Galapagos </p> <p> Exclusions Roundtrip airfare to/from Galapagos Alcoholic drinks Galapagos National Park Fee (USD\$100 per person subject to change) Galapagos Transit Control Card (USD\$20 per person subject to change) Travel/Medical insurance Gratuities Personal Expenses </p>
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request, contact us for more details.
Notes	Park entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice.
Price Dependent upon	Season and availability

SUSTAINABILITY

Being environmentally accountable is a crucial part of our organisation. Chimu is currently striving towards using less paper, taking several initiatives to do so and tracking our progress along the way. Our goal: A paperless organisation. For this reason, all information given to you will be sent electronically. We encourage those who choose to travel with us to support our aspirations and actions and ask that you reconsider printing out documentation. To view these documents, you can download them to your iPad or portable computer before and during your trip.

Chimu is passionate and dedicated to sustainability measures and understands the crucial part sustainability plays within the tourism industry.

We use local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprint. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting. Our guides are all highly qualified (most with university degrees) or equip with many years of experience and are paid above the standard wage. Whether it be our knowledgeable local guides, locally produced meals or the transport on tour, we do not use imported goods when local products are available. We aim to minimise our impact on the environment and give as much back as possible to the communities we work in.

As a Gold Corporate member of the Galapagos Conservation Trust, Royal Galapagos supports ongoing conservation efforts and projects in the Galapagos Islands.

The Galapagos Conservation Trust (GCT) is a British not-for-profit organization that focus on the sustainability and conservation of the Galapagos Islands. Launched in 1995 at the Royal Society, GCT supports, develops and promotes projects that achieve measurable conservation, sustainable living, and protection of this unique ecosystem.

While visiting the many national parks, heritage sites, museums and landmarks our travellers are encouraged to explore whilst remaining culturally aware and sensitive. We further encourage you to buy appropriate souvenirs and discourage the buying of anything wrongfully made or taken from the environment i.e. shells and endangered species products. Information on how you can be environmentally conscious, and travel responsibly will be made available in our Travellers Guides and provided during your travels by guides and staff.

For more information on our sustainability policies, including how we are striving towards being a paperless organisation, click [HERE](#)

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