

ECUADOR - EASTERN ISLAND CRUISE (C) | EMINENCE



INTRODUCTION

This four-night expedition offers an engaging introduction to the Galapagos, visiting wildlife-rich islands such as Genovesa, South Plaza, Santa Fe and San Cristóbal. Each day combines guided walks, Zodiac outings, snorkelling, kayaking and paddleboarding, with opportunities to see land and marine iguanas, sea lions, giant tortoises and a variety of booby species. Calm bays provide excellent snorkelling conditions, while visits to local conservation centres highlight the ongoing efforts to protect the archipelago's ecosystems.

Eminence serves as your base throughout the voyage, offering a modern and comfortable platform for small-group exploration. The ship features spacious suites with private terraces, generous outdoor areas, inviting social spaces and wellness facilities including a spa, gym and infrared sauna. With easy access to kayaks, paddleboards and snorkelling gear, as well as thoughtful sustainability systems integrated throughout, Eminence provides a smooth and well-equipped setting for discovering the Galapagos.

Combine your Galapagos cruise on the Eminence with a stay at the premium [La Selva Lodge](#) in the Amazon for an exclusive saving. [Contact us](#) for more information and pricing!

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DAY 1: Arrive Galapagos Islands

Upon arrival, reception and assistance at the airport, followed by transfer to M/C Eminence. In the afternoon, visit to Bachas Beach, located on the northern coast of Santa Cruz Island. This wide stretch of white sand offers a relaxed introduction to the Galapagos. Coastal lagoons behind the beach attract flamingos and other shorebirds, while marine iguanas rest along the shoreline. The calm waters allow for swimming and snorkeling, where guests may observe reef fish and rays in a peaceful setting.



DAY 2: Genovesa Island

In the morning, arrival to Genovesa Island, one of the most important bird nesting sites in the archipelago. The visit begins at El Barranco, also known as Prince Philip’s Steps. A natural stairway carved into the rock leads to a plateau where seabirds gather in large numbers. Red footed boobies nest in the trees, while frigatebirds and storm petrels can be seen flying overhead. In the afternoon, visit to Darwin Bay, located inside the caldera of Genovesa. A sandy trail leads through colonies of nesting birds, including frigatebirds and boobies. Sea lions rest along the shore, and the calm waters offer excellent snorkeling opportunities with chances to see rays and reef fish.



DAY 3: Santa Fe & South Plaza

In the morning, exploration of South Plaza Island, known for its high concentration of wildlife. The trail crosses a landscape of volcanic rock and colorful vegetation, where land iguanas can often be seen beneath cactus trees. Along the cliffs, seabirds glide with the ocean breeze while sea lions gather near the shoreline. In the afternoon, visit to Santa Fe Island, home to a calm bay and distinctive vegetation. The island features large cactus trees and an endemic species of land iguana. A walk inland allows for wildlife observation, while the surrounding waters are suitable for snorkeling, kayaking, or stand up paddleboarding.



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DAY 4: Pitt Point & Witch Hill

In the morning, visit to Pitt Point, located on the eastern side of San Cristobal Island. This site is known for being one of the few places where three species of boobies can be seen in the same area. A trail leads from the beach to elevated viewpoints with open views of the coastline. Seabirds and sea lions are frequently observed along the way. In the afternoon, visit to Witch Hill, a scenic white sand beach with views of Kicker Rock in the distance. Sea lions rest along the shore, and nearby lagoons attract coastal birds. The calm waters allow for swimming and snorkeling in a relaxed setting.



DAY 5: Depart Galapagos Islands

In the morning, visit to the San Cristobal Breeding Center, located near Puerto Baquerizo Moreno. This conservation site focuses on the protection and recovery of giant tortoise populations. Guests can observe tortoises at different stages of development and learn about the programs that support their survival in the wild. The visit provides a meaningful closing to the journey, highlighting the importance of conservation across the islands. After this last visit, transfer to San Cristobal Airport for your return flight to mainland Ecuador. Assistance and farewell at the airport.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Cabin On Board a Catamaran
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Inclusions	INCLUSIONS Transfers in the Galapagos Airport reception and assistance Accommodation on board the Catamaran Guided expeditions according to the itinerary Top bilingual National Park guide (English/Spanish) (2 guides if more than 12 passengers) Cruise Service Officer Wifi Onboard Activity daily briefing All meals and snacks Soft drinks and juices Captain’s welcome and farewell cocktail Use of sea kayaks and paddle-boards Expedition gear (wetsuits and fins, water container, snorkel and mask, expedition binoculars) Yoga mats Kettlebells and dumbbells Stargazing laser pointer One free beer or wine per guest per day
	EXCLUSIONS International & internal flights Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable) Travel insurance Personal expenses Tips and gratuities for guide and crew Beverages other than specified Local taxes Galapagos National Park Entrance fee (USD\$200 per person, subject to change) Galapagos Transit Control Card (USD\$20 per person, subject to change) Any items not mentioned as included Micro SD Card 4K
Difficulty Rating	2 (Light Adventure)
Single Surcharge	A single supplement surcharge may apply and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information.
Notes	Prices are based on per person, twin share. Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time. All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice. Kayaking and water based activities are subject to weather conditions.
Price Dependent upon	Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability.

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