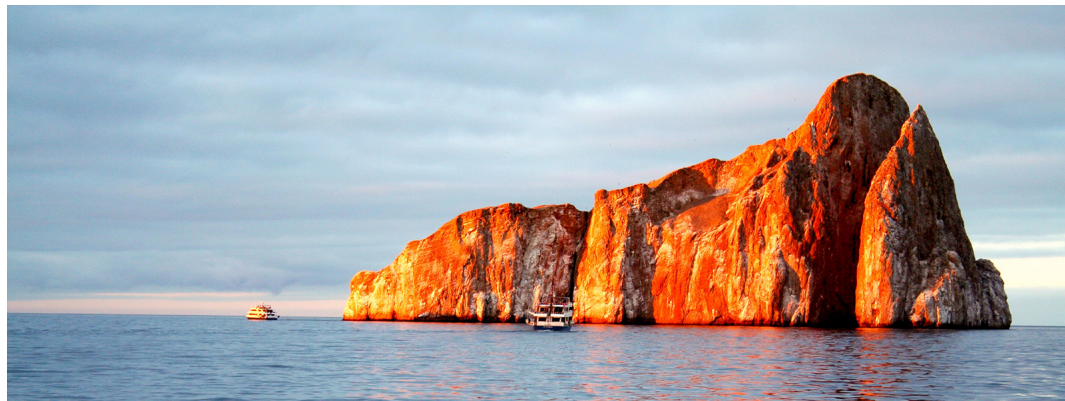


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INTRODUCTION

For those yearning for a quick taste of the Galapagos, this is the perfect journey. On board the mega-catamaran Cormorant II, you will experience the highest degree of comfort and luxury as you cruise through this incredible and pristine archipelago. Stumble upon white sandy beaches home to sun-baking and curious sea lions. Encounter unique wildlife from tortoises and marine iguanas to pink flamingos and flightless cormorants. This is a truly incredible experience perfect for those searching for a quick taste of this beautiful eco-system.

* Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions and government regulations.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrival & Kicker Rock

Morning flight from either Quito or Guayaquil to San Cristobal, Galapagos Island. After passing through immigration and baggage claim, you will be met by our representative 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. In the afternoon you will head to Kicker rock. This striking rock formation is located a couple hours off the western shore of San Cristobal. Jutting out of the water, the rocks stand vertically at hundreds of feet above the ocean divided by a small channel. Although there are no landing areas, kayaking and scuba diving allow visitors to spot a variety of marine life.



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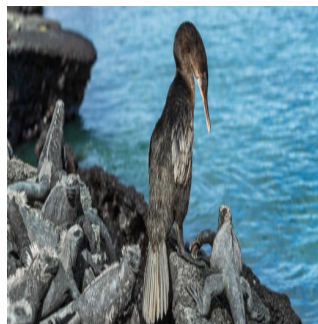
DAY 2: Suarez Point & Gardner Bay


In the morning you will arrive at Suarez Point. This area is great for spotting blue-footed boobies, albatrosses and Nazca boobies. A beautiful site on the ocean front, the large waved albatrosses use the cliff as a launching pad. The famous attraction is the magnificent blowhole, spurting water high into the air. This site presents wonderful photograph opportunities. In the afternoon you will head for Gardner Bay. Gardner Bay, on the eastern side of the island, is the breeding site of nearly all of the world's 12,000 pairs of waved albatrosses. It has an ample white sandy beach with a myriad of sea lions, perfect for relaxing. Its rocky shores make this site a great place for diving and snorkelling.



DAY 3: Post Office Bay & Cormorant Point

In the morning, you will land on a beach and head to a spot where 18th century whalers placed a wooden barrel used as an unofficial mail box. The custom continues to this day with Galapagos visitors. So, don't forget your postcards, and don't be surprised if the post card arrives to its destination before you even get home! Afterward, Baroness Viewing Point is a fantastic place to absorb the environment of the Galapagos. Once inhabited by an indulgent baroness and her three lovers, the history of this island is intriguing. The legends about this baroness are associated with a fascinating murder mystery. There are easy trails in this area for exploring the flora and fauna of Floreana. In the afternoon, Cormorant Point hosts a large flamingo lagoon where other birds such as common stilts and white-cheeked pintails can also be seen. The beaches on this island are distinct: The Green Beach is named so due to its green colour, which comes from a high percentage of olivine crystals in the sand, and the Flour Sand Beach is composed of white coral. Afterwards, Champion Islet, named after the whaler Andrew Champion, is a small island located just offshore Floreana Island in the southern part of the Archipelago. Considered as one of the most beautiful places on Galapagos for all snorkeling and diving fans and an excellent opportunity for dolphin watching.

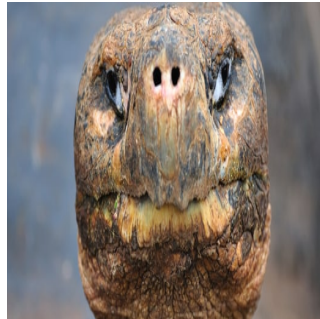



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DAY 4: Tortoise Breeding Centre & Departure

Embark on a captivating morning expedition to Los Gemelos, also known as the Twin Craters, situated on opposite sides of the road that connects Puerto Ayora to Baltra. These formations, while not authentic craters, are a stunning result of the collapse of surface materials within concealed underground fissures and chambers. As you explore, the breathtaking vista before you unveils a testament to the intricate natural processes that have sculpted this awe-inspiring landscape. Afterward you will be transferred to the airport for your departure flight.




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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Cabin on board ship
	<p>INCLUSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cabin Accommodation on board ship All meals whilst on board Guiding and lectures by bilingual national park guide Airport transfers in Galapagos Captain’s welcome and farewell cocktail Soft drinks Use of snorkelling equipment, underwater camera and wetsuit VIP lounge at Galapagos airports for departure flight 2 glasses of house wine per meal
Inclusions	<p>EXCLUSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> International flights Flights to/from Galapagos Galapagos National Park Entrance fee (US\$200 per person from Aug 2024 - Subject to change) Galapagos Transit Control Card (US\$20 per person - Subject to change) Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable) Alcoholic drinks Travel and medical insurance Personal expenses Tips
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)

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Single Surcharge	A single supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information.
Notes	All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice. Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather conditions and government regulations. Please note a complimentary pre-cruise night accommodation in Quito or Guayaquil is only available when purchasing Roundtrip airfare from operator.
Price Dependent upon	Seasonality, fuel surcharges, currency fluctuations and availability at time of booking.

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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.

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](#)