



Galapagos Cruise

Motor Vessel Galapagos Legend - 4 Days Cruise

Characteristics:

The Motor Vessel “Galápagos LEGEND” is a 300 feet Ocean-going cruise ship that provides all the facilities and services to make the cruise around the Galapagos Islands enjoyable and comfortable. Yet the Galapagos Legend is small enough for that intimate experience with nature that brings you to the Galápagos Islands. All the fully carpeted luxurious and ample cabins have ocean views, excepting the interior cabins. Features aboard include among others swimming pool, outside pool bar, an inside bar, library, piano lounge etc. Six naturalist guides aboard lead daily shore excursions and offer briefings to prepare passengers for the islands to be visited the next day.

Technical facts and specifications:

Type	First-Class-Superior-Cruise ship
Length	300 feet / 91.5 m
Beam	47 feet / 14.3 m
Speed	19 knots
Capacity	up to 100 passengers
Crew	About 55 Plus 6 Multilingual naturalist guides
(From 10 passengers from German speaking countries the group will be escorted by a German speaking naturalist guide)	





Itinerary:

Monday: Flight to Galápagos / Baltra Island - North Seymour Island

Morning arrival on Baltra Island where you firstly will pay the National Park Entrance Fee before you will be met by your guide and be transferred to the dock to board the boat. Here you will start your cruise. After a dry landing, you will have a short walk along the coast of the northernmost island of Seymour. Guests will encounter swallow tailed gulls, sea lions and cliff crabs. This site is also known for being a major nesting colony of blue footed boobies, and the largest colony of the magnificent frigate bird, a species different to the great frigate bird.

You can also spot both endemic species of iguanas, the marine iguanas and land iguanas. You will enjoy this relaxing hike around the nesting sites. **-/L/D**

Tuesday: Island Santa Cruz / Cerro Dragon - Floreana Island / Cormorant Point

In the morning you will visit Cerro Dragon. This mountain is an excellent spot for observing land lizards, wading birds and Darwin's finches.

Floreana Island is perceived as one of the most exotic Island of the archipelago. At Cormorant Point you land on a green olivine sand beach. Following a 100 m long path you will soon reach a lagoon with flamingoes, white-checked pintail ducks and other shorebirds. **B/L/D**

Wednesday: Española Island / Suarez Point - Island San Cristóbal / Center of Interpretation or La Galapaguera

Española is the southernmost and oldest island of the Galápagos archipelago. Because of its isolated position you can explore a lot of endemic wildlife. In the morning you will have an excursion to Point Suarez which is one of the most outstanding wildlife areas of the archipelago, with a long list of species found along its cliffs and sand or pebble beaches. In addition to five species of nesting seabirds there are the curious and bold Española Island mockingbirds, Galapagos doves and Galapagos hawks. Several types of reptiles, including the marine iguana and the oversized lava lizard, are unique to this island. When heavy



swells are running, Point Suarez is also the site of a spectacular blowhole, with thundering spray shooting 30 yards into the air. The walkabout on a stony path is about 2km (duration about 3 hours).

After lunch on board you will visit the island of San Cristóbal. Here you will have two possible excursions at choice:

Center of Interpretation:

At the port of Baquerizo Moreno, which is the capital of the province Galápagos, you will visit the Interpretation Center. The Center will give you a good impression of the history of the Galápagos Islands.

La Galapaguera:

Make a dry landing at Puerto Baquerizo Moreno village and go through the highlands of San Cristobal. Here you will visit San Cristobal breeding centre, called “La Galapaguera”, where you will have the possibility to get to know more about the Giant tortoises breeding efforts of the National Park; especially of the endemic species: *Geochelone elephantopus Chatamensis*. **B/L/D**

Thursday: Carrión Point - Baltra / flight back to mainland

In the afternoon you will visit Carrión Point, the top of Santa Cruz Island in the north at the entrance of Channel of Itabaca. Here you can go snorkeling to discover the varied underwater world and with a grain of luck you can observe rays and white tipped sharks.

Afterwards you will be escorted to the airport of Baltra island and from there you will fly back to Ecuador mainland. **B**

B: Breakfast / L: Lunch / D: Dinner



Prices per person 2009:

4 days / 3 nights

Superior Interior USD 1,290.-	Superior Exterior USD 1,590.-	Junior Suite USD 1,900.-	Legend Suite USD 2,090.-	Balcony Suite USD 2,390.-
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Fuel surcharge per person: USD 90.-

Single supplement: 80 %

Discount for children under 12 years: 25 %

Included in the price:

All transfers in Galapagos, cruise on board of the MOTOR VESSEL LEGEND in double accommodation with all facilities, naturalist guide, purified water free to drink.

Not included in the price:

flights mainland to/from Galápagos (e.g. Quito – Galapagos – Quito USD 414.- per person), entrance fee to Galapagos National Park USD 100.- per person, migration card USD 10.- per person, beverages, tips, personal items, insurance.

NB: Itinerary is subject to change without previous notice, due to weather conditions, operational matters, National Park Authorities advice, or Captain´s decision for passengers security.