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# Private Galapagos

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## Why a Galapagos Charter?

Plan a family getaway to the enchanted Galapagos Islands.

Enjoy the exclusive, personal and dedicated service of a private chartered boat to the Galapagos, specially handpicked and enhanced with activities chosen by our Ecuador team of experts. Design your perfect vacation and pamper your taste buds with delicious food and drink aboard the boat. Engage in the wide variety of activities on offer for guests of all ages. As the boat docks walk the island at your own pace and enjoy the stunning scenery of the Galapagos Islands.



## Galapagos on your Bucket List?

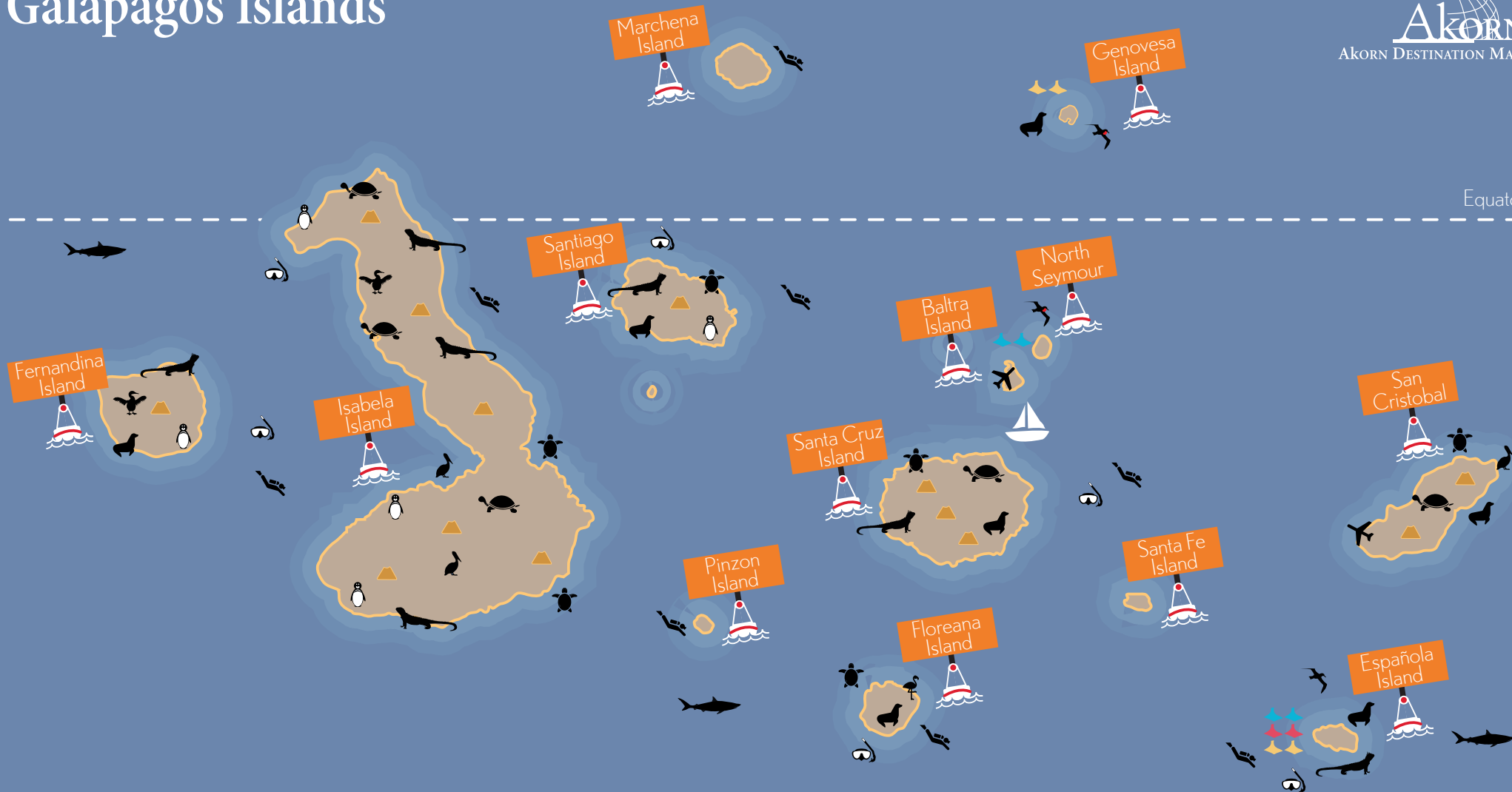
This Archipelago, 1000 kilometers (600 miles) off Ecuador's coast, was created by undersea volcanic activity millions of years ago, and comprises 13 major islands, 6 small ones, protected as one large National Park. In 1835, English Naturalist Charles Darwin visited the islands and this "living laboratory" inspired his writings on the Theory of Evolution. Many endemic animals have developed into endemic species only found here, and because they have never experienced people as predators, they show no fear towards humans.

Here at Akorn Ecuador, we recommend the Galapagos Islands be at the top of your list! Watch sea lion mothers feed their newborns, meet the only penguin species who live north of the equator and admire the peaceful starlit skies.

The Galapagos is also a great location for children as they have the opportunity to disconnect from technology and learn all about nature as they become amateur photographers or snorkel in the sea. From surreal landscapes to exciting adventures and the opportunity to embrace the finest aspects of Mother Nature, you can ensure that a visit to the Galapagos will be a trip of a lifetime.

# Galapagos Islands

Equator 0°0'0"



# Galapagos Calendar



**Jan**

- Marine iguanas mate in Española.
- Turtles arrive at beaches to mate.
- Ideal time for snorkeling & diving.

**Feb**

- Flamingos nest in Floreana.
- Galapagos dove nesting season.
- Water temperature 25°C (77°F).

**Mar**

- It is officially summer- sporadic tropical rains, hot weather and the west is great for snorkeling.

**Apr**

- Great in-water visibility and eggs hatching, make April an ideal month for visiting the islands.

**May**

- North Seymour's blue-footed boobies begin courtship.
- Eggs keep on hatching.

**Jun**

- The colder season begins.
- Humpback whales can be seen.
- Tortoises migrate to the lowlands.

**Jul**

- Whales and dolphins are more likely to be seen on the western coast of Isabela.

**Aug**

- It is sea-lion pupping season.
- Waters are choppy and currents reach their strongest levels.

**Sep**

- Swimmers & snorkelers are likely to find continual penguin activity at Bartolome Island.

**Oct**

- Foggy mornings can be expected, except on the western islands, where mornings are rather misty.

**Nov**

- In general, great weather.
- Sea-lion pups play aqua-aerobics next to snorkelers.

**Dec**

- The islands turn green, indicating the beginning of the rainy season.
- Turtle eggs hatching begins.

## Getting there...

Daily flights to Baltra and San Cristobal.

- Quito - Baltra: 2hours 15minutes.
- Quito - San Cristobal: 3hours 27minutes.
- Guayaquil - Baltra: 2hours.
- Guayaquil - San Cristobal: 2hours.

## For guests interested in...

- Nature.
- Wildlife.
- Diving, snorkelling and/or surfing.
- Hiking.
- Photography.

## For guests in need of...

- Learning about unique nature.
- Disconnecting from technology.
- Active family adventures.
- Avid photographers.
- Water sports enthusiasts.

## What should I know?

- Cruise itineraries may only be repeated every 2 weeks.
- A 5-minute ferry navigation through the Itabaca Channel is needed when flying to/from the Baltra Airport.

## Where else can you travel?

- Mashpi Lodge, in the Cloud Forest
- Avenue of Volcanoes
- Hacienda La Danesa, in the Coast.
- Las Tanusas, in the Coast.

# M/Y Stella Maris



Up to 12 guests



6 accommodations



2 dinghies



2 kayaks



2 paddle boards

## Why do we like it?

- Highest-level accommodation in Galapagos.
- Guide ratio: 1 naturalist for 12 passengers.
- Only boat allowed to change, cut or extend itineraries, depending on guests' wishes.
- Their on-board chef catered for a former President of Ecuador.
- Private diving or fishing activities may be arranged.
- Guests may choose their menus daily.
- Guests may ask for specific drink labels.
- A baby sitter, photographer, historian or any other specialist may be requested to enhance the experience.

The Stella Maris is the only privately-owned charter yacht in the Galapagos Islands. It offers the highest comfort amongst private yachts in the islands. The elegant design, her ample spaces and crew combine to make the Stella Maris a special and unique offering. It offers complete flexibility to create a tailor-made experience for your clients. Her speed, comfort and excellent guides are sure to bring an unforgettable Galapagos experience.

## Facilities

- 1 Master cabin (29m<sup>2</sup> - 312 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 2 VIP cabins (11m<sup>2</sup> - 118 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 3 twin cabins (12m<sup>2</sup> - 129 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- Wi-Fi.
- Private bathrooms.
- A/C throughout the boat.
- Tempered water.
- Sun deck with jacuzzi.
- Shaded outdoor areas.
- Outdoors bar.
- Al-fresco dining.
- 110/220V electrical outlets.
- Lounge DVD player.
- Lounge plasma TV.

## ITINERARIES

### Itinerary 1

7 days

**Islands visited:** San Cristobal, Floreana, Santa Cruz, North Seymour, Genovesa, Santa Fe and Baltra.

**Highlights:** Punta Pitt, Cerro Brujo, Kicker Rock and all the birds.

**Note:** The eastern side of the archipelago makes an excellent opportunity for those looking for a quieter navigation and the chance to spot many of Galapagos' iconic bird species.

### Itinerary 2

7 days

**Islands visited:** San Cristobal, Santa Cruz, Isabela, Santiago, Rabida, Fernandina and Baltra.

**Highlights:** Tintoteras, which makes an excellent place for snorkeling and spotting the sleeping sharks!

**Note:** The western side is excellent for those who wish to see the least explored part of the islands, which means untouched ecosystems.



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# M/C Elite



Up to 16 guests



10 accommodations



2 dinghies



2 kayaks



2 paddle boards

## Why do we like it?

- High-level accommodation.
- Highly personalized service.
- Allows for ample accommodation. One suite can be interconnected with a single cabin.
- Triple accommodation may be configured.
- Ample accommodation on a small boat in Galapagos.
- All categories are top notch.
- Private balconies.
- Always receives good feedback from our guests.
- Ample common areas.

Elegant design that combines the aerodynamics of a yacht with the stability of a catamaran, offering a smooth and pleasant navigation. However, it isn't just the technical details that we like about the Elite, but the elegant and sophisticated design that goes rather well with the top-notch service on board, shaded outdoor areas, see-through walls, individual balconies, thorough itineraries and fun activities.

### Facilities

- 8 Golden Suites (35m<sup>2</sup> - 337 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 2 Single cabins (19m<sup>2</sup> - 204 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- UV-purified water
- Private bathrooms.
- A/C throughout the boat.
- Tempered water.
- Panoramic jacuzzi.
- Eco-friendly amenities
- Main & Upper Deck bars.
- Al-fresco dining.
- 110/220V electrical outlets.
- Complimentary activity gear.

## ITINERARIES

### Itinerary 1

8 days

**Islands visited:** Bartholomew, Fernandina, Isabela, North Seymour, Rabida, San Cristobal and, Santa Cruz.

**Highlights:** Sullivan Bay, Wall of Tears, Tagus Cove and Espinoza.

**Note:** Although this itinerary keeps a nice equilibrium between newer and older islands, it goes all around the archipelago, meaning that some navigations can be considerably long.

### Itinerary 2

8 days

**Islands visited:** Española, Floreana, Genovesa, San Cristobal, Santa Cruz and Santiago.

**Highlights:** Española and Genovesa Islands, home to the endemic flightless cormorant and the marine iguana!

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*\*5 and 4-day default programs, based on itinerary 2, are also available.*





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# M/C Endemic



Up to 16 guests



9 accommodations



2 dinghies



2 kayaks



2 paddle boards

## Why do we like it?

- High-level accommodation.
- All panoramic-view suites.
- Either 1 King or 2 Twin-size beds, depending on guests' needs, when staying in a Golden Suite.
- Highly personalized service.
- Amplest accommodation on a small boat in Galapagos.
- All categories are top notch.
- Private balconies.
- Always receives good feedback from our guests.
- Ample common areas.

Comfortable and elegant interiors, wide variety of on-board and land activities and the tranquility of relying on the experience of the team behind her. However, it is not just her looks that we like, but her capacity for 16 guests in 9 ample cabins, with individual balconies, and the flexibility to arrange them depending on guests' conveniences, for a truly unforgettable Galapagos experience.

## Facilities

- 8 Golden Suites (30m<sup>2</sup> -322 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 1 Single cabin (19m<sup>2</sup> - 204 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- Basic Wi-Fi
- UV-purified water
- Private bathrooms.
- A/C throughout the boat.
- Tempered water.
- Panoramic jacuzzi.
- Eco-friendly amenities
- Main & Upper Deck bars.
- Al-fresco dining.
- 110/220V electrical outlets.
- Complimentary activity gear.
- See-through kayaks.

## ITINERARIES

### Itinerary 1

8 days

**Islands visited:** Fernandina, Genovesa, Isabela, Mosquera, Rabida, Santa Cruz and Santiago.

**Highlights:** Punta Pitt, Cerro Brujo, Kicker Rock and all the birds.

**Note:** Although this itinerary keeps a nice equilibrium between newer and older islands, it goes all around the archipelago, meaning that some navigations can be considerably long.

### Itinerary 2

8 days

**Islands visited:** Española, Floreana, Genovesa, San Cristobal, Santa Cruz and Santiago.

**Highlights:** Española and Genovesa Islands, home to the endemic flightless cormorant and the marine iguana!

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# M/C Ocean Spray



Up to 16 guests



9 cabins



2 dinghies



2 kayaks



2 paddle boards

## Why do we like it?

- Highly personalized service.
- Ample accommodations and bathrooms.
- Accommodation available on the main and upper deck.
- Highly personalized service.
- Private balconies.
- Excellent food.
- Al-fresco BBQ.
- Top-rated guides.

One of our classic-and-reliable suggestions, she offers outstanding performance and comfort amongst catamarans, which is enhanced by the experience, knowledge and indulgence of the guide and staff aboard. Her 9 cabins for 16 guests, private balconies, elegant design and great amenities combine to make it a recommended offering in the islands.

Her speed, comfort and her excellent guides are sure to bring a memorable experience in the "Enchanted Islands".

### Facilities

- 1 Single Cabin (18m<sup>2</sup> - 194 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 4 Cabins (25m<sup>2</sup> - 248 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 4 Cabins (32m<sup>2</sup> - 334 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- Sundeck.
- Outdoor bar.
- A/C throughout the boat.
- Tempered water.
- Jacuzzi.
- Shaded outdoors.
- Al-fresco dining.
- 110/220V electrical outlets.
- Complimentary activity gear.

## ITINERARIES

### Itinerary 1

8 days

**Islands visited:** Isabela, Fernandina, Santa Cruz, Plazas, Santa Fe, Española, San Cristobal, Santiago, Bartholomew & North Seymour.

**Highlights:** The marine iguanas, coral reefs, Devil's Crown.

**Note:** This itinerary keeps the equilibrium between newer and older islands. It goes all around the archipelago, meaning considerably long navigations and lots of local species to spot.

### Itinerary 2

8 days

**Islands visited:** San Cristobal, Floreana, Santa Cruz, Bartholomew, North Seymour, Rabida, Santiago and Genovesa.

**Highlights:** Genovesa Island, Kicker Rock, Pitt Point, Devil's Crown, Witch Hill and Pinnacle Rock

**Note:** The eastern side of the archipelago makes an excellent opportunity for those looking for a quieter navigation and the chance to spot many of Galapagos' iconic bird species.

*\*15, 6, 5 and 4-day default programs, based on itinerary 1 and/or 2, are also available.*



# M/Y Aqua Mare



Up to 16 guests



7 accommodations



3 dinghies



6 double and 2 single kayaks



2 paddle boards

## Why do we like it?

- Highly personalized service.
- Ground-braking South-American cuisine.
- Operated by highly reputable company.
- Accommodation available on the main and upper deck.
- Private balconies.
- Excellent food.
- Al-fresco BBQ.
- Top-rated multilingual guides.

Operated and adapted by experienced regional partners, the Aqua Mare is an addition to the Galapagos fleet that we are very excited about. It isn't just her classy looks, but all the technical details and her comfort, that have made us quickly include her in our portfolio. Without a doubt, this vessel makes an excellent choice for couples, and groups wishing to enjoy a private Galapagos experience, with the benefit of wide spaces, top-notch service and valuable experience at sea and at travel in general.

## Facilities

- 1 Owner's Suite (80m<sup>2</sup> - 861 ft<sup>2</sup>), 172ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 1 Category II Suite (26m<sup>2</sup> -280 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 2 Category III Suites (28m<sup>2</sup> -301 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 2 Category IV Suites (22m<sup>2</sup> -237 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 1 Category V Suite (16m<sup>2</sup>-
- Wi-Fi throughout the yacht.
- Workout zone.
- Jacuzzi
- Swimming platform.
- Beach club and sundeck.
- Shaded outdoors.
- Al-fresco dining.

## ITINERARIES

### Itinerary 1

8 days

**Islands visited:** Santa Cruz, Floreana, Isabela, Fernandina, Santiago, Rabida and North Seymour

**Highlights:** The marine iguanas, coral reefs, Devil's Crown.

**Note:** This itinerary allows to enjoy the newer and lesser explored side of the archipelago, with better opportunities to spot and enjoy unspoiled flora and fauna.

### Itinerary 2

8 days

**Islands visited:** Genovesa, Santiago, Bartolome, Pinzon, Santa Cruz, Santa Fe, Española and North Seymour.

**Highlights:** Genovesa Island, Kicker Rock, Pitt Point, Devil's Crown, Witch Hill and Pinnacle Rock

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*\*15 day programs, combining the above are also available.*



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# M/Y Infinity



Up to 20 guests



10 accommodations



2 dinghies



4 kayaks

## Why do we like it?

- Panoramic-view cabins.
- Suite and standard accommodation.
- Specific suites and standard cabins may be interconnected.
- TV and DVD available.
- Individually controlled A/C.
- 10-member crew, 1 cruise director and 2 bilingual guides.
- Thanks to her size and policies, expedition groups will be of up to 10 guests, with their own guide.

The M/Y Infinity joins the Galapagos fleet backed on the experience of their operators, unrivalled service and the advantage of spacious cabins and suites, elegance and fine taste. With capacity for 20 guests accommodated in 10 cabins, the M/Y Infinity is recommended for families and friends. All the cabins of the yacht have private balconies for a more intimate, yet stylish Galapagos experience.

### Facilities

- 1 Suite (35m<sup>2</sup> - 377 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 1 Suite (32m<sup>2</sup> - 3481 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 2 Cabins (25m<sup>2</sup> - 270 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 1 Cabin (23m<sup>2</sup> - 248 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 3 Cabins (22m<sup>2</sup> - 237 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 2 Cabins (21m<sup>2</sup> - 226 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- Sundeck.
- Outdoor bar.
- Individually controlled A/C.
- In-suite TV and DVD
- Tempered water.
- Jacuzzi.
- Al-fresco dining.
- 110/220V electrical outlets.

## ITINERARIES

### Itinerary 1

8 days

**Islands visited:** Baltra, Genovesa, Santiago, Santa Cruz, Floreana, Española and San Cristobal.

**Highlights:** Sullivan Bay, Dragon Hill, Suarez Point.

**Note:** The eastern and central parts of the archipelago make an excellent opportunity for those looking for a quieter navigation and the chance to spot many of Galapagos' iconic bird species.

### Itinerary 2

8 days

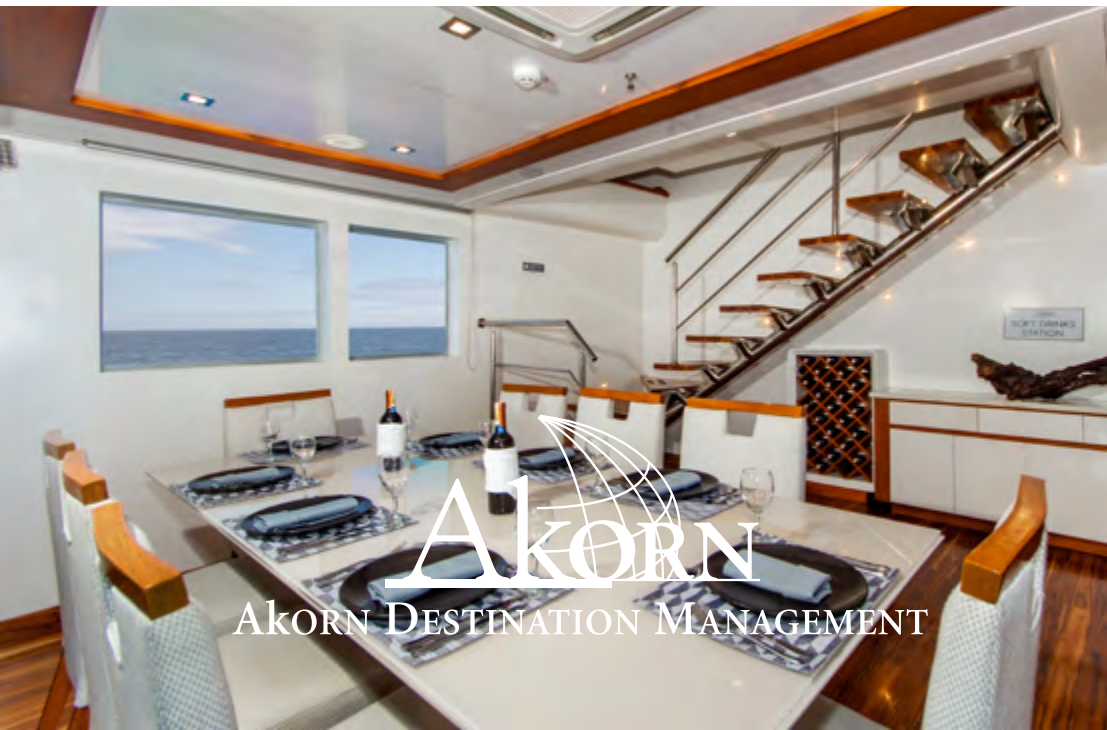
**Islands visited:** San Cristobal, Santa Fe, South Plaza, Isabela, Fernandina, Santiago, Bartholomew and North Seymour.

**Highlights:** Genovesa Island, Kicker Rock, Pitt Point, Devil's Crown, Witch Hill and Pinnacle Rock.

**Note:** This itinerary keeps the equilibrium between newer and older islands. It goes all around the archipelago, meaning considerably long navigations and lots of local species to spot.

*\*5 and 4-day default programs, based on itinerary 1 are also available.*





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# M/Y Integrity



Up to 16 guests



9 accommodations



2 dinghies



8 kayaks

## Why do we like it?

- Accommodations with 3 large picture windows.
- Double staterooms may be configured with either one king-size or two twin-size beds.
- Spa available.
- Laundry facilities.
- State of the art stabilizers.
- Recycled-oil-working engine.
- All metal, paper and plastic items are recycled ashore.
- TV and DVD player available.
- Individually controlled A/C.

An excellent choice for those seeking the exclusivity of a smaller vessel. The Integrity came into service following a total refit in which engines, transmissions, electronics, water filtration and sterilisation were replaced. She offers excellent cabin facilities, excellent food and service. The ample covered sun deck boasts a bar, a barbecue and a spa.

## Facilities

- 1 Owner's Suite (33m<sup>2</sup> -350 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 7 Double Staterooms (14m<sup>2</sup>-150 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- 1 Single Stateroom (11m<sup>2</sup>-120 ft<sup>2</sup>).
- Sundeck.
- Outdoor bar.
- Individually controlled A/C.
- In-suite TV and DVD
- Tempered water.
- Jacuzzi.
- Al-fresco dining.
- Gourmet gallery.
- 110/220V electrical outlets.
- Satellite telephone.
- Stacked minibar.

## ITINERARIES

### Itinerary 1

8 days

**Islands visited:** Baltra, Genovesa, Santiago, Santa Cruz, Floreana, Española and San Cristobal.

**Highlights:** Sullivan Bay, Dragon Hill, Suarez Point.

**Note:** The eastern and central parts of the archipelago make an excellent opportunity for those looking for a quieter navigation and the chance to spot many of Galapagos' iconic bird species.

### Itinerary 2

8 days

**Islands visited:** San Cristobal, Santa Fe, South Plaza, Isabela, Fernandina, Santiago, Bartholomew and North Seymour.

**Highlights:** Genovesa Island, Kicker Rock, Pitt Point, Devil's Crown, Witch Hill and Pinnacle Rock.

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# Montemar Villas



  
6 rooms in 2 villas

  
Up to 12 guests  
combining both

## Why do we like it?

- Two villas to pick from.
- Versatile.
- Wellness options, including yoga, lava treatments and massages.
- Sustainable! 100% clean rainwater, 99% of the energy is solar and 70% of the materials used to build it were natural.
- Wi-Fi available.
- Children friendly.
- Easily combinable with other experiences offered by us in Galapagos.

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Villa

  
Baltra Airport

  
Itabaca  
Channel

  
San Cristobal Airport

Located in 43 acres this property is surrounded by native and endemic vegetation, it holds these two exclusive Eco Luxury Villas, where guests will be hosted by their owners. These villas are unlike anything else currently offered in the islands being on the natural migration path of the Galapagos Giant Tortoises on Santa Cruz Island.

With a great sustainability and conservation focus, Montemar has been able to successfully combine comfort, sophistication, nature and simplicity in their 2 villas.

Truth is that hospitality here is felt from the very moment you step into the complex, as the owners will welcome and walk you around the property, through the coffee walk, the tortoise path and the eco path. After all, many visitors are not aware that besides a natural paradise Galapagos is also a great coffee producer!




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