

SOUTH EXPEDITION

GALAPAGOS LEGEND

South Expedition (D) 5 days - 4 nights

Thursday - Monday

Experience unforgettable Galapagos adventures with our weekly departures. Our itineraries include full board, two daily guided excursions, and optional activities like snorkeling, kayaking, and dinghy rides. You can also extend your trip with diving programs and extra nights in Galapagos upon requests.



Thursday:

am. ✈ San Cristobal Airport

pm. Interpretation Center &

Frigatebird Hill (San Cristobal Island)

Friday:

am. Gardner Bay (Española Island)

pm. Punta Suarez (Española Island)

Saturday:

am. Post Office (Floreana Island)

pm. Punta Cormoran / Devil's Crown

(Floreana Island)

Sunday:

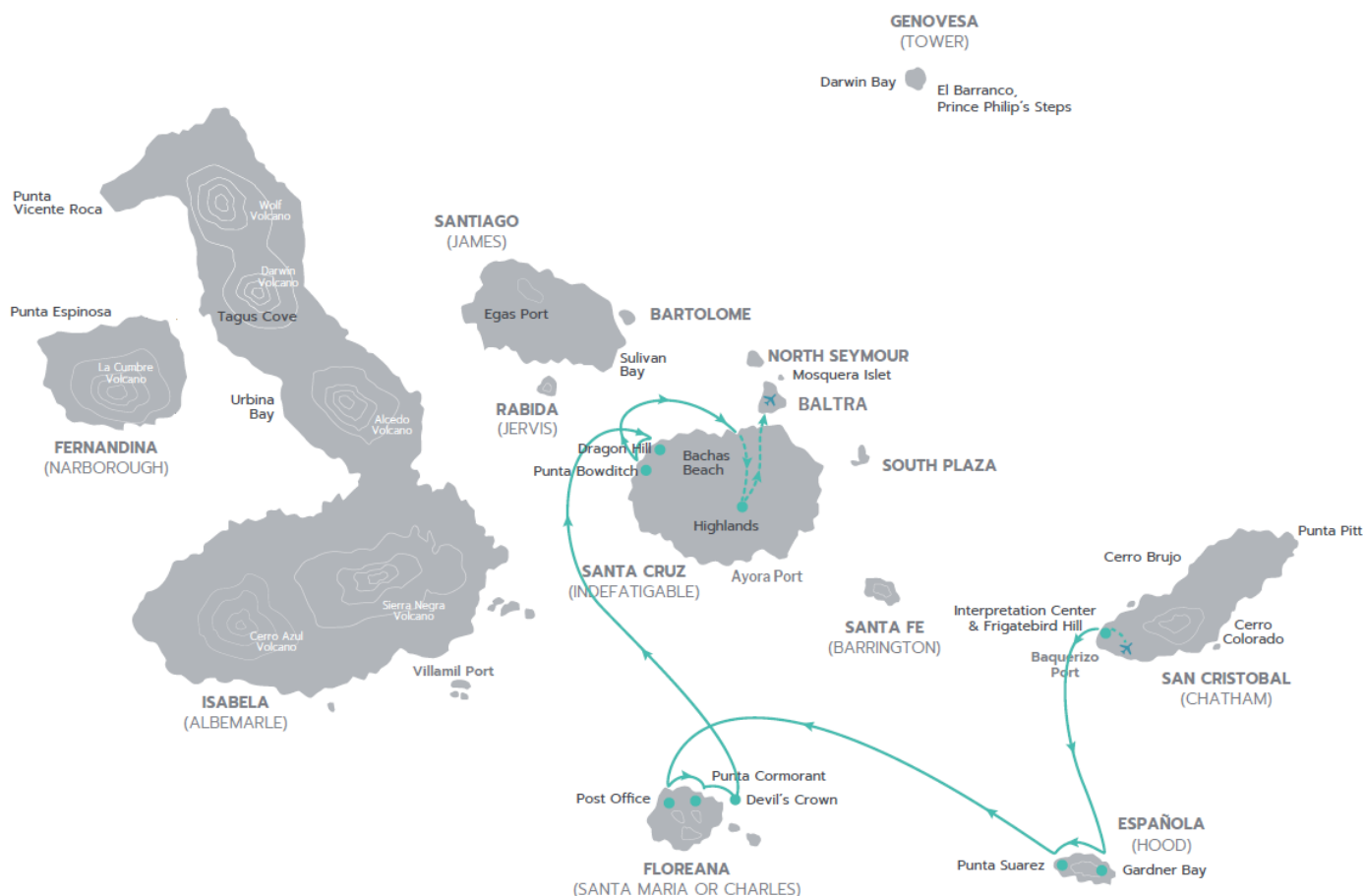
am. Dragon Hill (Santa Cruz Island)

✈ pm. Islote Mosquera

Monday:

am. Highlands (Santa Cruz Island)

✈ Baltra Airport



DAY 1

THURSDAY



 Morning

Departure from either Quito or Guayaquil to San Cristobal is a 2 ½ hour flight. Upon arrival in the Galapagos, passengers are greeted at the airport by our knowledgeable guides who will accompany them on a short ten-minute bus ride to the pier where they will board the Galapagos Legend.

 Afternoon



The interpretation center is full of interesting information and offers the perfect overview of the formation of the Galapagos. Following a hike to Frigatebird Hill (Cerro Tijeretas) we will have a great look at both species of frigatebirds, with the bonus of a beautiful view of the bay below. Landing: dry



Difficulty level
Low / High ● ●



Type of terrain
Flat path / Rocky



Duration
1 hour hike
1 hour walk



DAY 2

FRIDAY

 Morning

One of the most stunning beaches in all of the Galapagos. The long, white, sandy beach, lapped by turquoise waters, home to a colony of Galapagos sea lions. Hood mockingbirds, endemic to this particular island. We can also snorkel here from the beach, in the shallows of the bay.
Landing: wet



Difficulty level

Low ●



Type of terrain

Sandy



Duration

1 hour hike
30 min kayaking
30 min Glass-bottom boat
1 hour 45 min beach or deep snorkeling

 Afternoon



Punta Suarez is a naturalist's paradise. The oldest extant island in the archipelago is our only opportunity to commune with the endemic wave albatross during their breeding season between April and December. With luck, we can watch their complex courtship display.
Landing: dry



Difficulty level

High ●



Type of terrain

Rocky



Duration

2 hours 15min hike



DAY 3

SATURDAY

 Morning



 Post Office (Floreana Island)

Post Office (Floreana Island). The famous Post Office Barrel. Claimed to have been first set up in 1793 by Captain James Colnett. The system involved whalers and fur sealers would leave addressed letters in the barrel to be picked up by homeward-bound colleagues. Actually visitors often take letters and handdeliver them to their home countries.
Landing: wet



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Rocky



Duration
1 hour 15 min hike
1 hour beach snorkeling

 Afternoon

Our walk takes us to a large, shallow lagoon, often inhabited by a variable number of shockingly pink greater flamingos. We arrive at a powdery white beach, a nesting area for green turtles. Devil's Crown is one of the favorite snorkeling sites on the islands.
Landing: dry



 Punta Cormoran & Devil's Crown (Floreana Island)



Difficulty level
Low ●



Type of terrain
Sandy & flat



Duration
1 hour 45 min hike
45 min glass-bottom or ,
45 min deep or beach snorkeling



DAY 4

SUNDAY

 Morning

Arriving at a small lava dock, our first encounter is with marine iguanas that blend-in perfectly with the dark rock. As we walk past a large prickly pear cacti, we arrive at one end of a long, sickle-shaped beach with Dragon Hill standing in the distance. Our walk takes us on a circular path, past a shallow lake where flamingoes frequently come to feed.
landing: dry



Difficulty level
Medium ●



Type of terrain
Rocky



Duration
45 min walk
1 hour 15 min snorkeling

 Afternoon



This tiny, low-lying islet, converted into coral sand, is set between the north and south Seymour Islands. It's home to a group of sea lions that come to laze on the soft white sand, it's an excellent spot to observe shorebirds, herons, lava gulls, and boobies. Snorkeling or diving here, one can often see sharks, rays, and barracudas.
Landing: wet



Difficulty level
low ●



Type of terrain
Sandy



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
1 hour snorkeling or,
1 hour beach time



DAYS

MONDAY

 Morning



 Highlands Tortoise

We have our best opportunity to interact at close quarters with totally wild, Galapagos giant tortoises. A short walk among these huge, 600lb, reptiles will also offer the chance for more highland species, especially several species of the famed finches.
Landing: dry



Difficulty level
Low ●



Type of terrain
flat & muddy
depending on the season



Duration
1 ½ hour walk
45 min drive



 Baltra Island Airport

After the visit, passengers will be transferred to the airport for their return flight to Guayaquil or Quito.