Discover the Galapagos —intriguing islands of limitless natural wonders

Feel the thrill of encountering the flora and fauna that famously inspired Darwin—and in his footsteps, generations of nature lovers.

This archipelago, from which Darwin conceived his theory of evolution by natural selection, is one of the richest marine faunas that famously inspired Darwin—and in

Program Highlights
- Appreciate the diversity of life first-hand while observing endemic species such as the flightless cormorant, the Galapagos penguin, blue-footed boobies, giant tortoises, marine and land iguanas, and the famous "Darwin’s Finches."
- Swim with sea lions, and snorkel among colorful tropics of a sunken seamount.
- Discover amazing aquatic wildlife as you observe through a glass-bottom boat in the clear waters of the world’s second largest marine reserve.
- Explore remote coraline beaches and secluded coves, such as Gardner Bay—where sea lions lounge and Espanola mockingbirds sing.
- Visit dynamic and historic places, including the lush highlands of Santa Cruz Island, the perfect habitat for the Galapagos Giant Tortoise, and Genovesa Island, one of the first sites visited by Charles Darwin.
- What’s included: breakfast each morning and all on-board meals, including a welcome dinner; all excursions and presentations; airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times; and internal airfare between Quito, the Galapagos Islands, and Guayaquil.

Isabela II
The 40-guest capacity of Isabela II provides 20 staterooms with spacious, comfortable accommodations and en suite facilities.

Your 8-Day Itinerary*
Day 1: Quito / Welcome dinner on board Isabela II
Day 2: Baltra / Flight to Santa Cruz / Giant tortoises in Santa Cruz Highlands, Puerto Baquerizo Moreno dinner on board Isabela II
Day 3: Floreana / Dinner at the Jardín de Balda
Day 4: Santa Cruz / Darwins’ Finches in Galapagos National Park, Flycatcher family welcome dinner at Finca El Manzano
Day 5: Santa Cruz / Disembarkation / Flight to Guayaquil, lunch and transfer to Hotel Guayaquil
Day 6: Guayaquil / Depart for U.S. (B)
Optional Extension: Days 6-13 in Machu Picchu, Cusco, & the Sacred Valley

Extension Itinerary*
Day 8: Guayaquil / Overnight Lima, Peru
Day 9: Lima / Cusco / Sacred Valley / Overnight Vistadome train to Machu Picchu
Day 10: Machu Picchu / Cusco / Sacred Valley / Overnight Vistadome train to Quillaytu
Day 11: Machu Picchu / Sacred Valley / Cusco
Day 12: Cusco / Sacred Valley / Overnight Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Spa
Day 13: Cusco / Return to U.S. (B)

*Subject to change.

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Machu Picchu, Cusco, & the Sacred Valley
Travel to the mist-shrouded cradle of the Inca on this deluxe extension to Machu Picchu, Cusco, & the Sacred Valley

Extension Highlights
- Seek out ancient temples and sites dotting the Sacred Valley and Cusco, with a visit of pre-Columbian history that offers an in-depth understanding of the Incan empire.
- Visit Cusco, where Inca descendants continue to inhabit largely unchanged homes of their ancestors.
- Experience the magic of Cusco in a special Inca lunch hosted by a local family, and an Andean Shamanic healing ceremony.
- What’s included: 5 nights choice accommodations; meals including 5 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 4 dinners; flight between Lima and Cusco; and 3 and 13, fully guided tours and field presentations from local experts; all ground excursion transportation, including Vistadome trains through the Inca empire.
- Options: Casa Andina Sacred Valley, offers a cultural experience of the Inca empire.
- Max elevation: 13,688 ft. in Cusco, Peru.

Day 1:
- Quito, Ecuador: Arrive at Quito's international airport and transfer to the Hilton Colon, Quito.
- Hilton Colon, Quito: Welcome dinner at the Hilton Colon, Quito.

Day 2:
- Quito: Guided walking tour of Old Town, market shopping, visit to El Cajas National Park, and Cellini's dinner in Quito.

Day 3:

Day 4:
- Floreana / Dinner at the Jardín de Balda: Enjoy a dinner at the Jardín de Balda.

Day 5:

Day 6:
- Santa Cruz / Disembarkation / Flight to Guayaquil, lunch and transfer to Hotel Guayaquil: Disembark the Isabela II and transfer to Guayaquil for a 1-night stay at Guayaquil.

Day 7:

Day 8:
- Guayaquil / Overnight Lima, Peru: Overnight flight to Lima.

Day 9:

Day 10:
- Machu Picchu / Cusco / Sacred Valley / Overnight Vistadome train to Quillaytu: Explore the ancient ruins of Machu Picchu and Cusco. Overnight Vistadome train to Quillaytu.

Day 11:

Day 12:
- Cusco / Sacred Valley / Overnight Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Spa: Explore the ancient ruins and historical cities of Cusco and Sacred Valley.

Day 13:
Dear Alumni and Friends,

Join fellow alumni and friends as we explore the Galapagos Islands. Designed for the first UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1978, the Galapagos Islands have been described as a “unique living museum and showcase of evolution” and are home to a fascinating array of wildlife inhabiting an unspoiled ecosystem, living in harmony with their human visitors. This exciting journey features a day of guided touring in Quito, in addition to a cruise through the archipelago with unparalleled access to endemic species. Expert naturalists guide you through the wonders of the national park, wildlife sanctuary, and marine reserve.

Accommodations for this adventure are aboard the Isabela II, an intimate, 49-guest vessel with spacious cabins, local cuisine, and a staff dedicated to ensuring both your comfort and marine enjoyment of this truly extraordinary destination and its diverse inhabitants. Stateroom availability is limited. For special Bucknell alumni savings of more than $800 per couple (family and friends are also eligible), reserve today by TBD, 2016** and receive the FREE Expedition Library we’ve assembled for this program. Place your order online now at http://bucknell.orbridge.com or by phone at (940) 439-0079 or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

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