



# BELUGA'S ISABELA ITINERARY

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6 DAYS | 5 NIGHTS



# ITINERARY SUMMARY

<b>LOCATIONS</b>	Galapagos Islands (Western): Isabela Island, Urbina Bay, Tagus Cove, Fernandina Island, Santiago Island, Bartolome Island, North Seymour Island
<b>DURATION</b>	6 DAYS   5 NIGHTS
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	Wildlife viewing, walking, hiking, snorkelling, land visits to inhabited and uninhabited islands in the National Park, sightseeing, kayaking
<b>HIGHLIGHTS</b>	Tours to inhabited and uninhabited islands in National Park, snorkelling or kayaking in renowned marine reserve, tortoise reserve, beautiful beaches, and more!
<b>SEASON</b>	All year
<b>INCLUDED</b>	All amenities of the yacht, certified naturalist guide, excursions, meals, and activities mentioned in itinerary, snorkelling gear, access to kayaks
<b>NOT INCLUDED</b>	Flights, Galapagos National Park Entrance Fee, Migratory Card Fee, bottled and alcoholic beverages, personal expenses, tips



# BELUGA

- Up to 16 passengers
- 8 Cabins w/ private bathrooms
- Air-conditioning
- Multiple common areas





# THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

Nestled in the turquoise waters of the Pacific Ocean, the Galapagos Islands stand as a testament to the sheer wonder of nature. Renowned for their unparalleled biodiversity and otherworldly landscapes, these enchanted isles beckon adventurers and nature enthusiasts from across the globe. Each moment spent in this remote archipelago feels like stepping into an untouched realm where time stands still, and evolution dances upon the volcanic shores and endemic species thrive in splendid isolation. Uncover the secrets of this captivating archipelago that is not just a destination, but an experience unlike any other—a journey into the heart of our planet's natural heritage. Here, amidst the cradle of evolution, one can't help but marvel at the intricate tapestry of life that unfolds at every turn. In the Galapagos, the mystical and the magnificent converge, leaving an indelible mark on all who are fortunate enough to wander its shores.



# THE CRUISE EXPERIENCE

Embarking on a boutique cruise through the Galapagos Islands is the ultimate way to experience the enchanting wildlife, landscapes, and history of this extraordinary archipelago. With fewer passengers than larger vessels, boutique cruises offer an intimate, relaxed environment where you'll form lasting connections with your fellow travelers while enjoying all the amenities typically associated with larger ships. These cruises are led by certified naturalist guides, whose in-depth knowledge of the Galapagos' diverse flora, fauna, and history enriches your journey. Aboard a boutique cruise, you'll have the privilege of visiting remote, inhabited and uninhabited islands and exploring the vibrant Galapagos National Marine Park, all while making the most of your time. Traveling between destinations at night means you wake each day at a new, pristine location, maximizing your days with incredible wildlife encounters, including opportunities for snorkeling in some of the most biodiverse waters on Earth and walking through breathtaking volcanic terrains. From basking sea lions to thriving coral reefs and fascinating volcanic landscapes, each day holds new discoveries that highlight the full spectrum of Galapagos wonders. This immersive experience is simply the best way to appreciate the full depth and beauty of the Galapagos Islands.



# DAY 1

## PUERTO VILLAMIL, TORTOISE BREEDING STATION, AND WALK TO LAGOON

Meet your guide at Isabela Island's main dock at noon, where you'll board a dinghy and set off for the Beluga. You'll be warmly welcomed by the friendly crew and enjoy a delicious lunch as you settle into your cabin. In the afternoon, return to Puerto Villamil to visit the fascinating Tortoise Breeding Station, where you'll learn about the island's vital conservation efforts to protect these iconic creatures. From there, take a leisurely walk to the picturesque Flamingo Lagoon. Afterwards, enjoy free time to explore the charming town of Puerto Villamil at your own pace. Stroll along its sandy streets, visit local shops, or simply relax and soak in the island's laid-back atmosphere. In the evening, return to the Beluga for a delightful dinner on board paired with today's debrief, while we begin our cruise to the next destination, Punta Moreno.



**Place(s):** Puerto Villamil



**Sights:** Tortoise Breeding Station, flamingo lagoon, town of Puerto Villamil



**Activity level:** Easy ●○○○○○

**Activities:** Walking around the town of Puerto Villamil



**Wildlife you may see:** Tortoises, endemic birds, flamingos, sea lions, marine iguanas, lava lizards, various marine life off docks



**Meals included:** lunch, dinner & snacks



# DAY 2

## WESTERN ISABELA, PUNTA MORENO & ELIZABETH BAY

Start your morning with a hearty breakfast before embarking on a scenic dinghy ride around rocks and islets of Western Isabela, home to an array of wildlife including cormorants, playful sea lions, and Galápagos penguins. Next, explore Punta Moreno with a 1.5-hour guided walk across striking black lava fields, offering breathtaking views of the surrounding volcanoes and unique geological features. Return to Beluga to gear up for your first snorkel of the day, where you might encounter sea turtles, seahorses, rays, sharks, and colorful tropical fish. After a refreshing lunch onboard, continue to Elizabeth Bay. A peaceful dinghy ride takes you through a lush lagoon, where mangroves create a serene sanctuary for sea turtles, rays, penguins, and other marine life. Conclude your day with a delicious dinner and a recap on the day's highlights. Motor through the night to your next destination.



**Place(s):** W.Isabela, Punta Moreno, Elizabeth Bay



**Sights:** Stunning landscapes of Western Isabela, rock and islets teaming with life, Punta Moreno and Elizabeth Bay



**Activity level:** Easy - moderate ●●○○○  
**Activities:** Walking, hiking, snorkeling



**Wildlife you may see:** Tortoises, sea lions, endemic birds, marine iguanas, lava lizards, sea turtles, penguins, rays, reef sharks



**Meals included:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner & snacks



# DAY 3

## URBINA BAY & TAGUS COVE

Awaken to the sights of Urbina Bay, a fascinating location that emerged from the ocean floor in 1954, leaving remnants of the seabed visible to this day. Embark on a guided walk along the trail, where you'll encounter giant tortoises and vibrant land iguanas in their natural habitat. Afterward, enjoy a snorkel directly from the beach. Return to Beluga for a delicious lunch before continuing your journey. In the afternoon, arrive at Tagus Cove, a historic harbor once favored by whalers and pirates, who left their marks by carving names into the cliffs and rocks. Here, take a hike to Darwin's Crater, a striking saltwater lake surrounded by breathtaking views of the island's volcanic landscapes (approximately a 1-hour walk). Afterwards, prepare for an exhilarating dinghy ride or snorkeling session in the cove's tranquil waters, teeming with marine life. Conclude the day with a satisfying dinner aboard the yacht, followed by a debrief on the day's discoveries.



**Place(s):** Urbina Bay, Tagus Cove



**Sights:** Unique sights and reminance of seabed on Urbina Bay, historic harbor of Tagus Cove



**Activity level:** Easy - moderate ●●○○○  
**Activities:** Walking, hiking, snorkeling (option of kayaking)



**Wildlife you may see:** Sea lions, tortoises, land and marine iguanas, various endemic birds, various marine life



**Meals included:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner & snacks





# DAY 4

## FERNANDINA ISLAND

Wake up to the breathtaking Fernandina Island, the youngest and most westerly of the Galapagos Islands, renowned for its active volcanoes. After breakfast, take a dinghy to Punta Espinoza, home to large colonies of marine iguanas, flightless cormorants, Galapagos hawks, and the non-venomous Galapagos snake. Enjoy a leisurely guided walk along flat trails. Return to the yacht to gear up for an exciting snorkel in the bay. After lunch onboard, the journey continues back to Isabela Island, arriving at Punta Vincente Roca. Known for its towering cliffs, breathtaking vistas, and a hidden cave, this location offers an unforgettable snorkeling experience. Glide along the cliffs and mouth of the cave towards a calm bay where you may encounter resting sea turtles, flightless cormorants, and a variety of marine life. Back on board, change for a scenic circumnavigation of the cliffs, providing up-close views of the dramatic coastline. End the day with a special celebration of crossing the Equator, followed by a delightful dinner.



**Place(s):** Fernandina Island, Isabela Island: Punta Vincente Roca



**Sights:** Fernandina and its beautiful landscape and marine iguana colonies, Punta Vincente Roca, crossing the equator



**Activity level:** Easy - moderate ●●○○○  
**Activities:** Walking, hiking, snorkeling



**Wildlife you may see:** Sea lions, Galapagos Hawk, marine iguanas, Galapagos Snake, Sea turtles, flightless cormorant, penguins



**Meals included:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner & snacks



# DAY 5

## SANTIAGO ISLAND & BARTOLOME ISLAND

Wake up to the stunning views of Santiago Island. After breakfast, take a dinghy to Playa Espumilla, where golden sands meet lush green mangroves. This serene spot is home to pintail ducks, flamingos, sea turtle nests, and Galapagos hawks. Enjoy a swim or snorkel before heading to Buccaneer's Cove for a scenic circumnavigation. Once a pirate hideout and a temporary home for Charles Darwin, the cove is teeming with wildlife, including swallow-tailed gulls, fur seals, brown noddies, and pelicans.

Return to the boat for lunch, then journey to Bartolome Island, renowned for its iconic Pinnacle Rock and breathtaking views. Ascend the stairs to marvel at the panorama, and snorkel around Pinnacle Rock, where you might encounter penguins, rays, sharks, and vibrant tropical fish.

End your day with dinner and a debrief on board, enjoying the spectacular scenery as you sail overnight to North Seymour.



**Place(s):** Santiago Island, Bartolome Island



**Sights:** Beautiful landscapes, Pinnacle Rock and 360 views



**Activity level:** Moderate ●●●○○

**Activities:** Walking, hiking, stairs, snorkeling



**Wildlife you may see:** Penguins, sea lions, fur seals, endemic birds: pintail ducks, swallow-tailed gulls, tropical fish, rays, sea turtles



**Meals included:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner & snacks



# DAY 6

## NORTH SEYMOUR & DEPARTURE

On your final day, before breakfast, take a dinghy ride to North Seymour, a flat island uplifted thousands of years ago, offering a fascinating glimpse into the Galapagos' geological history. Enjoy a 1.5-hour guided walk through the island's incredible wildlife, including colonies of blue-footed boobies, swallow-tailed gulls, magnificent frigatebirds, playful sea lions, and perhaps even a glimpse of reef sharks along the shoreline.

Return to the boat for breakfast as you motor for Baltra Island, where your itinerary comes to an end. Upon arrival, you and your luggage will be transferred by bus to the airport, or you can choose to extend your Galapagos adventure by exploring the islands by land. For those continuing the two-week itinerary, remain aboard to embark on your next unforgettable journey.



**Place(s):** North Seymour, Santa Cruz



**Sights:** Endemic bird colonies, and sea life



**Activity level:** Easy ●○○○○○  
**Activities:** dinghy ride



**Wildlife you may see:** Sea turtles, rays, sharks, endemic birds, various marine life



**Meals included:** Breakfast



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