



PROGRAM 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS SANTA CRUZ – ISABELA

Day 1	Flight from the Ecuadorian Mainland to the Galapagos Islands –and Loberia.
Day 2	Kicker Rock Daily tour
Day 3	Transfer to Santa Cruz by public speed boat – Highlands – Garrapatero with Kayaks
Day 4	Island-Hopping Tour – South Plazas or North Seymour Island – Santa Fe Island* (subject to availability)
Day 5	Early morning Speed Boat Ride to Isabela Island and hiking Sierra Negra Volcano
Day 6	Los Tuneles
Day 7	Transfer to Santa Cruz Island – Return Flight to Quito

DAY 1: FLIGHT FROM THE ECUADORIAN MAINLAND TO THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS –AND LOBERIA.



In the morning, you will go to the airport by yourself and you will take your flight to the San Cristobal airport, in the Galapagos Islands.

Upon your arrival at San Cristobal airport your private guide will be waiting you with a sign board with your name then you will check in at your select hotel, you can rest have your lunch and prepare to the first excursion.

In the afternoon your guide will pick you up at your hotel and we will go to the la Loberia Beach, located only 10 minutes from the San Cristobal town. It is a coral sand beach and it has been named “La Loberia” because you can find plenty of sea lions on the rocks and sand. We will walk through a trill where we can see marine iguanas and marine turtle and we can find button mangrove, white mangrove, palo santo.

DAY 2: KICKER ROCK DAILY TOUR



After breakfast, you will go to Baquerizo Moreno dock early in the morning, then you will board the boat, we will navigate around 40 minutes to the west side of San Cristobal Island. We will be able to see frigate birds and marine iguanas also with a little lucky we can see rays and dolphins. Kicker Rock Islet looks like a sleeping lion. This place is one of the most famous and amazing snorkeling in the Galapagos Island where you can see sea lions, reef fish, rays, hammerhead shark, marine turtles. You will have lunch aboard. In the afternoon, we will continue our trip to go to a beach, where we can walk, relax and enjoy the landscape also you can see marine birds, sea lions. Later we will return to Baquerizo Moreno Dock.

DAY 3: TRANSFER TO SANTA CRUZ BY PUBLIC SPEED BOAT **– HIGHLANDS – GARRAPATERO WITH KAYAKS**



You will leave to Santa Cruz Island by public speed boat a trip around 2 – ½ hours depending on sea conditions. Upon your arrival at dock, your guide will be waiting for you with a sign board with

your name. After breakfast your guide will pick you up, then you will go to the Highlands Reserve to see fascinating Galapagos giant tortoises in the wild, where you can take amazing pictures. You will also have the opportunity to explore lava tunnels. Then you will have time to enjoy your lunch at local restaurant in the highlands.

In the afternoon you will go to Garrapatero beach, where you walk around 15 minutes to get in. It is a beautiful beach with white sand and clear water. We can relax and enjoy of the nature. At this place, there is a lagoon where you can see flamingos, Galapagos finches, cucuvas.

DAY 4: ISLAND-HOPPING TOUR – SOUTH PLAZAS OR NORTH SEYMOUR ISLAND – SANTA FE ISLAND* (SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY)

OPTION 1: BARTOLOME ISLAND*



- **Departure:** 6 a.m. bus pick up (approximately).

Bartolome is located North West of Santa Cruz and you will depart from Itabaca Channel. This small island is located on the center of the archipelago, at this place you will have the opportunity to see a beautiful landscape from the top of the island you will be able to learn about the volcanic origins of the Galapagos Islands.

After the walk a dingy ride along the coastline will give you the opportunity to see the Galapagos penguin. This curious bird nest amongst the fissured lava flows and ventures into the crystal clear waters of Bartolome to fish, small colony of Penguins, Sea Lions and Marine Birds.

In the afternoon, you will go to Sullivan Bay where you will do snorkeling, you will discover the marine wildlife around the island or you can relax and enjoy the beach. Lunch will be served on board to all passengers in the lounge, bridge and rooftop. Lunch will be served fresh fish, salads, rice and dessert

Wildlife: Penguins, Sea Lions, sea turtles, marine iguanas.

Accommodation: Selected Hotel

Option 2: SOUTH PLAZAS ISLAND*



- **Departure:** 8 a.m. bus pick-up (Approximately)
- **Travel Time:** A 40-minute bus ride, followed by a 1-hour boat ride

This day you will depart from Itabaca Channel. Your first visit will be Punta Carrion, where you can snorkel with variety of fishes, sea turtles, ray, and you will discover the marine wildlife. Then we will continue to South Plazas.

South Plazas is located to the East of Santa Cruz Island; it has an amazing landscape you will be greeted by sea lions and you will walk through a path through a forest of Opuntia cactus sometimes it's difficult to know where to step due to the large numbers of land iguanas that inhabit the island. Lunch will be served on board to all passengers in the lounge, bridge and rooftop. You will be served fresh fish, salads, rice and dessert.

Wildlife: sea lions, land iguanas, marine iguanas, Galapagos lizard and finches, Blue-footed boobies, frigates, marine turtles.

Option 3: NORTH SEYMOUR ISLAND*



- **Departure:** 8 a.m. (Approximately)

In the morning you will depart from Itabaca Channel. North Seymour is located in the North of Santa Cruz Island. It is known for its big blue-footed booby colonies and frigates. We will trek along a 2.5 km trail through the nesting sites of the largest breeding colonies in the islands. Here

you will find Blue-footed boobies, land iguanas, marine iguanas, and a colony of sea lions, lava lizards and pelicans.

After visiting Seymour, we will head to the beach known as Bachas, located in the north of Santa Cruz Island. Here you can go snorkeling or take a relaxing walk along the beach. While snorkeling, it's possible to see many colorful types of reef fish, various rays.

Wildlife; Blue sharks, sea lions, marine iguanas, rays, tropical fish, Galapagos Gaviolan, sea turtles.

Option 4: SANTA FE ISLAND



- **Travel Time:** A 40-minute bus ride, followed by one and half hour boat ride.

Santa Fe Island (its English name is Barrington Island) is a 24 sq. km. islet that lies about 20 km. southeast of Santa Cruz. Quite popular for day trips, there is good anchorage in the attractive bay on the north side of Santa Fe. A short 300-meter trail will take you to one of the tallest stands of opuntia cactus on the island to find more land iguanas. Other attractions include a sea lion colony, excellent snorkeling, marine iguanas and of course birds (Blue-footed boobies, Frigatebirds, Galapagos gulls).

Accommodation: Selected Hotel

DAY 5: EARLY MORNING SPEED BOAT RIDE TO ISABELA ISLAND AND HIKING SIERRA NEGRA VOLCANO



You will leave to Isabela Island by public speed boat, a trip around 2 -1/2 hours, depending on sea conditions. Upon your arrival at dock your guide will be waiting for you with a sign board with your name, you will check in at your select hotel. You will have time to rest and to have lunch.

In the afternoon you will go to Sierra Negra Volcano. After driving 40 minutes to the highlands of Isabela Island. We will start to hike up the volcano's slopes to the edge of its crater, Sierra Negra has the second largest crater in the world.

DAY 6: LOS TUNELES



After breakfast, you will go to Cabo Rosa Tunnels, it is one of the most amazing snorkeling places. Its waters are shallow, calm and clear, this place has geological formations as lava flows have formed many arches or tunnels. At this place you can see several seabirds such as the Albatross, blue footed Boobies, and also you can see species feeding like turtles, sea lions, manta rays, penguins.

In the afternoon, you will have time to enjoy Puerto Villamil town or you can relax on the beach for example Concha Perla, where you will be able to swim and also it is possible to see some birds.

DAY 7: TRANSFER TO SANTA CRUZ ISLAND – RETURN FLIGHT TO QUITO

You will leave at early morning from Isabela Island (06:00am) to Santa Cruz Island. When you arrive to Puerto Ayora Town your guide will be waiting for you with a sign board with your name. You will have a breakfast in a local restaurant and enjoy your last time in the enchanted island.

Then you will be accompanied by a private guide to the Baltra airport for taking your flight to return to Quito.