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GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

INTIMATE VOYAGE ABOARD THE *EVOLUTION*

Join John and Barbara Gerlach
on a 10-Day Galapagos Voyage

November 11-20, 2011



The Galapagos Islands live in the spirits and minds of those who love nature like nowhere else on Earth. Tortoises that have grown to dramatic proportions, superb birdlife and an astounding undersea world are all set against a sublime landscape of deserts, beaches, lush forests and volcanoes.

For more than 29 years, International Expeditions' guests and staff have raved about these islands and the incredible diversity of sites and activities they've enjoyed. And who can blame them? Our ship the *Evolution*, the guides and a great itinerary make our voyage THE choice for the Galapagos.

On this extraordinary journey to Galapagos, you have the perfect way to explore: aboard the 32-guest *Evolution*. She is the ideal ship, with spacious cabins and public areas — highly comfortable and intimate at the same time. Our naturalist guides are licensed at the highest level by the Galapagos National Park, and they're also a pleasure to be with — ensuring an educational and fun journey.

There's no more intimate an experience with nature than IE's luxury small-ship voyage. These islands are a treasure meant to be experienced with a group of true nature lovers — not 100 "tourists." Our small group size ensures you enjoy time to explore and receive ample attention from our native naturalists.

Destination Highlights

- *Because of the Galapagos Islands' isolation in the Pacific Ocean, there is a wealth of animal and plant life found only here.*
- *Stand next to blue-footed boobies doing a courtship display, and swim with sea lions and penguins.*
- *The Galapagos have an otherworldly beauty — from the desert landscapes at sea level to tall volcanoes and lush high-land forests.*
- *The islands are a living laboratory of evolution. Charles Darwin visited in 1835, and his examination of the beaks of the Galapagos finches was instrumental in his formulating the theory of evolution.*
- *Visit the world-renowned Charles Darwin Research Station and encounter giant Galapagos tortoises, endemic to the islands.*



From up-close views of blue-footed boobies and sea lions to snorkeling with sea turtles, an expedition to the Galapagos is a one-of-a-kind experience.



10-Day Itinerary

Day 1 • Friday U.S. / Guayaquil

Fly to Guayaquil, Ecuador, and transfer to the Oro Verde Hotel. (Meals Aloft)

Day 2 • Saturday Guayaquil / San Cristóbal / Cerro Brujo

Fly to the Galapagos Islands and board the *Evolution*. Sail out to Kicker Rock before a sunset stroll on Cerro Brujo. (B,L,D)

Day 3 • Sunday Española Island: Punta Suarez and Gardner Bay

Walk along the cliffs of Española looking for waved albatrosses, Galapagos hawks, Hood mockingbirds and the red-colored race of marine iguana en route to Española's blowhole. After lunch, swim or snorkel in the waters of Gardner Bay. (B,L,D)



Day 4 • Monday Santa Cruz Island

Begin at the Charles Darwin Research Station, learning about work being done to study and preserve Galapagos wildlife. We explore the village of Puerto Ayora, then head into the forested highlands for a picnic lunch spending the afternoon among giant tortoises. (B,L,D)

Day 5 • Tuesday Santiago Island / Bartolomé Island

Santiago is an excellent place to spot finches, doves, iguanas and fur seals. Visit Bartolomé Island, hiking to the top of a dormant volcano for a dramatic panorama, or enjoy a *panga* ride along the coast. (B,L,D)

Day 6 • Wednesday Genovesa (Tower) Island: Darwin Bay

Genovesa harbors one of the most diverse bird populations in the Galapagos, including red-footed boobies, swallow-tailed and lava gulls, and red-billed tropicbirds. Climb Prince Philip's Steps and hike through a Palo Santo forest before visiting Darwin Bay to kayak, swim or snorkel. (B,L,D)

Day 7 • Thursday Fernandina Island: Punta Espinosa / Isabela Island:

Tagus Cove Explore the *aa* lava fields of Punta Espinosa, where we are apt to spot flightless cormorants and some of the largest marine iguanas. As our ship sails to Isabela, prepare to explore Tagus Cove, where you can snorkel with sea turtles. Hike uphill for a view of Darwin's Lake or enjoy a *panga* ride. (B,L,D)

Day 8 • Friday North Seymour Island / Black Turtle Cove

Visit North Seymour Island, a good nesting site for frigatebirds and the best place to spot colorful land iguanas. Take a *panga* ride through Black Turtle Cove, drifting silently through this area of mangroves. Tonight enjoy a farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

Day 9 • Saturday San Cristóbal Island / Guayaquil

Return to San Cristóbal and visit the Interpretation Center. Fly to Guayaquil, where we spend the night at the Oro Verde. (B,L Aloft)

Day 10 • Sunday Guayaquil / U.S.

Take a morning flight to the U.S., and connect with flights home. (B,L Aloft)



Hike along spectacular volcanic landscapes and spot vibrant wildlife — it's all part of the adventure of Galapagos!





Machu Picchu & Cusco 7-Day Optional Pre-Voyage Extension

Day 1 • Friday U.S / Lima Fly to Lima and transfer to Costa del Sol Ramada. (Meals Aloft)

Day 2 • Saturday Lima / Cusco / Urubamba Valley This morning, we fly to Cusco — the heart of the Inca Empire. Upon arrival, we meet our guide and leave for the historic Urubamba Valley, dotted with Andean markets and Inca ruins. Stop at the Chincheros Indian Market to browse for handicrafts. We spend the night at the Aranwa Hotel. (B,L,D)

Days 3 & 4 • Sunday & Monday Urubamba / Machu Picchu Explore the mighty ruin of Ollantaytambo. Take a train ride to Machu Picchu and spend the afternoon exploring this most remarkable of all sites. Our guide will point out the

significance of the stone structures, plazas and temples that were hidden in

semitropical jungle for more than 400 years. You may return to Machu Picchu for an early morning visit, or enjoy strolling the extensive gardens or a spa treatment at the Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel. (B,L,D Daily)

Day 5 • Tuesday Sacsayhuamán / Cusco Catch the train back to Ollantaytambo before traveling to the Willoq community, virtually unchanged from pre-Inca times. Enjoy a traditional lunch and continue toward Cusco. Stop at Sacsayhuamán — a massive fortress which zigzags across the mountain. Arrive in Cusco and spend two nights at the Hotel Libertador. (B,L,D)

Day 6 • Wednesday Cusco Stroll the streets of Cusco, exploring the Koricancha — also known as Santo Domingo, Santa Catalina Convent and the Cathedral. The afternoon is free to explore before a farewell dinner featuring Andean delicacies. (B,L,D)

Day 7 • Thursday Cusco / Lima Fly to Lima, with an afternoon at leisure



after a lunch of local fare at Puro Peru. Spend tonight at the Swissôtel. (B,L)

Day 8 • Friday Lima / Guayaquil This morning fly to Guayaquil, with clear impressions and wonderful memories of the “heart of the Inca Empire.” (B)





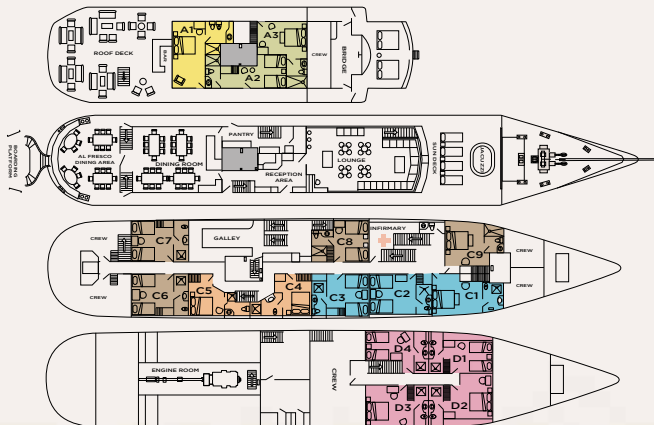
Ship Details: M/V Evolution

While the intimate *Evolution* may carry just 32 guests, she features a great deal of public space, including a comfortable lounge for briefings by our naturalists, a canopied bar perfect for enjoying a drink on deck, and a sun deck to relax between excursions. Your air-conditioned cabin is the perfect haven, featuring private facilities and ample storage space. And whether in the dining room or al fresco dining area, each meal boasts international and traditional Ecuadorian cuisine, fresh fruit and sumptuous desserts.

Ship's Registry: Ecuador
 Staff & Crew: 16
 Ship Length: 204 ft.
 Ship Width: 29 ft.

Cabin Sizes

- A1: 263 sq. ft.
- A2 & A3: approx. 198 sq. ft.
- C1-C3: approx. 183 sq. ft.
- C4-C5: approx. 143 sq. ft.
- C6-C9: approx. 183 sq. ft.
- D1-D4: approx. 178 sq. ft.



Expert Naturalists

So intensely is the Galapagos National Park and Marine Reserve protected that visitors are prohibited from landing on a beach without the guidance of a licensed naturalist. But beyond just "visiting" the islands, we strive for you to reach a deeper understanding. Mass Audubon's expert naturalist, Carol Decker, will join the expedition with 10 or more travelers signed on. In addition, you will travel with guides like Bolivar Sanchez and Alex Cox, who are certified at the highest level (Level 3) by the Galapagos National Park and combine for more than 38 years of guiding experience.

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10-Day Galapagos Voyage November 11-20, 2011

Prices:

Cabins C4-C5 & D1-D4	\$4,798	\$3,798
Cabins C1-C3 & C6-C9	.....	\$5,298	\$4,298
Cabins A2 & A3	.....	\$5,698	\$4,698
Cabins A1	.....	\$5,998	\$4,998

Cost listed above is per person, double occupancy.

Single Occupancy (C4-C5 & D1-D4) .. ~~\$5,998~~ \$4,998

Plus in-country air: \$410, subject to change
In-country airfare is subject to change and must be purchased through International Expeditions.

7-Day Machu Picchu & Cusco Pre-Extension November 4-11, 2011

Prices:

Double Occupancy	.....	\$2,798
Single Occupancy	.....	\$3,656

Plus in-country (\$350) and international (starting at \$410) airfare. All airfare subject to change.

What's Included

- All scheduled transportation in Ecuador by land and ship.
- All excursions accompanied by English-speaking naturalist guides.
- Complete pre-departure information to help you get the most out of your expedition.
- Meals as shown in the itinerary.
- All transfers, portage and service charges.
- In summary, everything except international and in-country airfare; ticketing fee; U.S. domestic and international departure taxes; air or ship fuel surcharges; tips to naturalist guides and *Evolution* crew; passport fees; and items of a personal nature, such as laundry, alcoholic beverages, etc.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be made in writing and are effective upon receipt in our office. Cancellations received up to 90 days prior to departure will be refunded all monies less an administrative charge of \$175. Cancellations between 89 and 61 days prior to departure are assessed 50% of the voyage cost. Cancellations between 60 and 0 days prior to departure are assessed the full cost of the journey.

Rates and Fares: All rates and fares are accurate and available at the time of publication.

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