

Galapagos-Surf & Turf

Julukaveda Vacations

8 days of close encounters of the best kind

April 12th - April 29th, 2026

After visiting this magical place, my heart compelled me to share it with my like minded adventure seekers! I am thrilled to offer the best of both worlds so as to experience the ultimate aspects of these islands and their friendly, furry inhabitants. We enjoy a 3 night/4 day cruise on the comfortable Motor Yacht Monserrat, followed by 3 nights/4 days at a hotel. This vacation is a real learning experience, combined with fun activities like SUP, kayaking, swimming with sea lions, hiking extinct volcanos, yoga & cycling. We have incredibly talented guides, of Nat Geo standards & certification who will feed your curiosity and lead you on some magical adventures. This is a level 3 trip, meaning lots of activities.

Includes

Welcome drink

7 breakfasts

4 dinners, (one with wine),

5 lunches,

All local airport transfers

Flights- Quito to San Cristobal

Flights -Isabela to Baltra to Quito

Ferry Santa Cruz-Isabela

4 yoga classes

3 night/4 day cruise in private cabins

2 naturalist guides on board All activities on cruise

Snorkeling equipment

4 nights 1st class hotels

Cycle to Wall of Tears

Guided volcano hike

Guided kayaking Tijeres

Snorkeling La Perla Bay

Prices per person Double \$4295. Solo supplement \$1400

Not included: International flights, national park entrance fees, insurance, laundry, gratuities.



Itinerary

Day 1-Sunday. Arrive Quito at any time. Meet in Wyndham Hotel Bar at 6pm for welcome meet and greet drinks. Overnight Wyndham Hotel Quito Airport

Day 2 Monday. Shuttle to the airport, minutes away, for our flight to San Cristobal. We are met by our guides who will take us to the Yacht Monserrat. We settle into our cabins, have lunch aboard, and then set out on our first activity. Learn about the history of the Galápagos Islands from the very beginning of their volcanic origins through to today's conservation efforts. Tour the Human History exhibit to learn about the islands' discovery and colonization, and discover the natural history and variety of flora and fauna that make the Galápagos so fascinating. After, visit Tijeretas Hill. Here we will enjoy a great view of beautiful landscapes at the foot of a frigate bird nesting colony. Welcome reception aboard, followed by dinner.
Overnight-M/Y Monserrat. B,L,D

Day 3. Tuesday. Enjoy the day on Española Island, one of the oldest in the archipelago. Visit the white sandy beach of Gardner Bay's and the bird colonies of Punta Suárez. Arriving at Gardner Bay in the morning, spend the day exploring on shore and snorkelling in the bay. Spot young sea lions and large schools of surprisingly big tropical fish, including yellow-tailed surgeonfish, king angelfish, and bump-head parrot fish. After lunch, sail to the western side of the islands to Punta Suárez, known for its amazing bird colonies and home to the waved albatross. April & December
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Day 4. Wednesday. Land at Punta Cormorant on Floreana. Discover two amazingly different beaches: one with green sand, coloured by olivine crystals, and another with white sand particles known as 'Flour Beach'. Spend the afternoon observing flamingos and other shore birds feeding in the lagoon. Spot penguins and marine iguanas at the water's edge, and explore the lava tubes. Jump on in and get up close and personal with the playful sea lion colony that reside in the waters off this tiny island. Keep an eye out for sea turtles, rays and colourful fish swimming by. Visit Post Office Bay and learn about its unique history. In the late 18th century, English whaling vessels placed a barrel here to be used as a post office. Today, the box is used mainly by tourists, who may drop off and pick up unstamped letters to be carried to far destinations. Continue the tradition – leave a letter and take one to deliver
Overnight-M/Y Monserrat. B,L,D



Day 5. Thursday Disembark in Puerto Ayora and visit the Charles Darwin Research Station to see the giant Galápagos tortoises. Visit Fausto Llerena Breeding Center a great place to observe many species of tortoises and land iguanas in captivity. Brought back from the brink of extinction, see the famous Galápagos tortoise up close – a corral houses adult tortoises, and a nursery cares for the young. This area also houses the Charles Darwin Research Station, initiated in 1964, which works to preserve the Galápagos' ecosystem through. conservation. Ferry over to Isabela Island, for the wonderful 3 day, land based experience. Our hotel is a simple but charming and right on the beach. Afternoon is free to explore your new surroundings and the peaceful town.

Overnight-Casita de la Playa. B

Day 6. Friday. Today our hiking guide will pick us up and we will set off to the mountains. We enter Sierra Negra Volcano Park, and hike some of the rim of the 2nd largest caldera in the world! Then we continue our hike to the smaller chimneys, for incredible views. This is quite a long hike, but we take it easy and connect with the earth! Picnic lunch will be enjoyed in the park, and then we descend back down to sea level.

Overnight-Casita de la Playa. B,L

Day 7. Saturday. After breakfast overlooking the ocean, we will start the kayaking activity from the beach of the port of Isabela. The kayak tour is approximately 45 minutes where we will visit the Tintoreras islet. Here we may see the very endangered Galapagos penguins. After Kayaking we snorkel in a beautiful bay, where we will see all the endemic animals that inhabit this place. After lunch, there is an optional bike ride to the Wall of Tears. This is an easy, flat ride, where we will see wild life, a panoramic view and perhaps take a dip in a secluded bay! We will be hungry for a delicious dinner this evening, our “last supper”, together.

Overnight-Casita de la Playa. B,L,D

Day 8. Sunday. After our final breakfast overlooking the beautiful ocean we head to the airstrip for our charter plane to Baltra. Here we connect with our flight to Quito, and then onto our onward destination!

