



Beluga Yacht



Beluga Yacht Fernandina +Tower Itinerary 15 Days

Day	Activities
1	Charles Darwin Research Station and Highlands: Upon your arrival to Baltra Airport, you take a bus trip and the first visit of the trip will be to Santa Cruz Highlands where you will see the huge turtles of Santa Cruz Island in their natural habitat. After lunch, you will be transferred to the yacht. Then, you will head to Charles Darwin Research Station, where you will learn about the protection and conservation of the island, and visit the Breeding and Rearing Centre for young tortoises and adult Galapagos tortoises in captivity.
2	Floreana Island: Early in the morning, head to Floreana Island, your first stop will be Cormorant Point, where you will be welcomed by a small Galapagos sea lion colony. You will also see a green sand beach that contains olivine crystal, and a white coral sand beach. You will also have the opportunity to snorkel at Devil's crown. After lunch, you will go to Post Office bay, that was established in 1793 by British whalers to send letters to and from England, and even today, visitors have the opportunity to send letters of their own. After this activity head back to the yacht for dinner.
3	Isabela Island: Early start and breakfast. The first visit will be to Sierra Negra Volcano at Isabela Island, and take a hike to the crater, where it will be possible to observe some fumes and admire the landscape. After lunch, you will head to visit the Tortoise Breeding Center at Colorado Hill to see Galapagos Tortoises and learn about the conservation program. After this activity head back to the yacht for dinner.
4	Moreno Point and Elizabeth Bay: Early in the morning visit Moreno Point in the north coast of Isabela, between volcanoes Sierra Negra and Cerro Azul, through a trail of solidified lava until a coastal lagoon where you will see several species of birds. During the afternoon you will go to Elizabeth Bay, the excursion has no landing point so you will take a dinghy to visit the islets that conform this bay, to see various species of birds, and marine creatures, like sea lions and sharks. End of the day and dinner.



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5	Tagus Cove and Urbina Bay: Early in the morning, the yacht will take you to Urbina Bay, one of the recent examples of geological uplift in the Galapagos, where seasonally is a nesting area for many tortoises and Galapagos Penguins, flightless cormorants and brown pelicans. In the afternoon you will visit Tagus Cove in Isabela Island, for a hike to the top of a cliff to view the volcanic landscapes of Darwin Volcano and Darwin Lake. End of the day and dinner onboard
6	Punta Espinoza and Punta Vicente Roca: First activity of the day will be heading to Punta Espinoza at Fernandina Island, that is one of the youngest islands with the most active volcano, and where you can spot pelicans, sea lions and marine iguanas. After lunch, head to Punta Vicente Roca, a wonderful snorkeling site, where you can see turtles and various species of fish. After this activity you will have dinner at the yacht and rest.
7	Port Egas and Bartolome: Early in the morning, you will visit Port Egas, a beach located at the west side of Santiago Island, its main attractive is the black sand beach, where you can also see Galapagos Fur Seals, Galapagos Hawks, and salt water lagoons where flamingos can be seen. Next activity will be the visit to the beautiful volcano islet of Bartolome, which offers some of the greatest landscapes and panoramas of the entire Archipelago. You will have to climb the stairs to the view on top of the island called Pinnacle Bay. End of the day and dinner.
8	North Seymour: Early navigation to Seymour Island, where you will walk through a trail and see colonies of Blue Footed Boobies and Frigate birds. After lunch the yacht will take you to Dragon Hill, where you will visit a Palo Santo forest and a lagoon where flamingoes and iguanas live. You will also have a nice view of the bay, once you hike up the hill. End of the activities and dinner onboard.



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South Plaza: First activity of the day will be landing on Santa Fe Island, which is a great place to watch and swim along sea lions. This place is also the home of endemic species like the Galapagos Hawk, Galapagos snake and land iguanas. The bay is also a nice place to snorkel or swim. In the afternoon, the yacht will take you to South Plaza Island where you will see various species of land and marine iguanas. If the weather allows it, you can swim or snorkel too. After this activity, dinner will be served onboard the yacht.

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San Cristobal Island: Early in the morning the yacht will take you to San Cristobal Island, first visit will be to Witch Hill. Its main attraction is a coral sand beach, Then, embark on a snorkeling adventure at Kicker Rock, home to various species of marine life that you will see during this experience. After lunch visit El Junco Lagoon- the main water supplier of the island, and where, after a short hike will offer you the view of the entire island. Then you will head to Tijeretas, named for the frigate birds that nest there. Return to the yacht and dinner

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Gardner Bay and Suarez Point: Early in the morning head to Gardner Bay, which will be a great opportunity for snorkeling and swimming along sea lions, and various species of fishes and manta rays. You may also spot white-tipped sharks. In the afternoon, the yacht will take you to Suarez Point on Española Island, where after a brief walk, will let you see species like sea lions, sea birds, the largest Marine Iguanas of Galapagos, masked and blue footed boobies, among other species. After this activity head back to the yacht for dinner.

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Charles Darwin Research Station and Highlands: After breakfast, the catamaran will land at Santa Cruz Island and you will have a leisure day at Ayora Port, where you can visit other interesting places at the island or just explore the port for some souvenir shopping.



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13	Chinese Hat and Sullivan Bay: Early in the morning you will visit Chinese Hat, a volcanic cone, that forms an islet of the rocky coast of Santiago and where a small colony of Galapagos penguins have settled. You will also see Galapagos sea lions, and marine iguanas are also present in this place. After lunch, you will go to Sullivan Bay, a place with recent lava field, where you can see recent geological formations and patterns. After this activity, head back to the yacht for dinner and rest.
14	Darwin Bay and Prince Philip's Steps: Early in the morning, the catamaran will take you to Genovesa Island, specifically to Prince Philips Steps, the ascend takes you 100 feet above sea level, to be welcomed by a Palo Santo Forest and species like Nazca boobies. You will also have a panoramic view of all the Island from here. After lunch, you will head to Darwin Bay, and encounter the native species of this place such as red footed boobies, and great frigate birds trying to attract females. You will also stumble upon Darwin's Finches and native flora like mangroves and cactuses. End of the day and dinner onboard.
15	Black Turtle Cove and Baltra: After breakfast, head to Black Turtle Cove and take a boat ride around this place, and see, from afar, the mangrove swamp where you may see marine turtles, sharks and rays. After this activity you will be transferred to Baltra Airport and take your flight back to the continent.



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Inclusions:

- ✓ Meals: From lunch on day 1, until breakfast on the final day
- ✓ Accommodation with private bathroom
- ✓ Excursions as listed in the itinerary, with a certified naturalist bilingual guide (Spanish/English)
- ✓ Snorkel equipment *Depending on the cruise
- ✓ Drinking water, tea, coffee, snacks.

Exclusions:

- ✗ Entrance fees Galapagos: Galapagos National Park \$100pp (subject to change). Galapagos transit control card \$20pp (subject to change), Isabel docking fee \$15pp *Depending on cruise. Santa Cruz Highland Tortoises ranch \$5 * depending on the cruise. Bus ticket Baltra Airport / Itabaca Channel - \$5
- ✗ International flights
- ✗ Quito/Guayaquil - Galapagos - Quito/Guayaquil
- ✗ Airport transfers in Quito or Guayaquil
- ✗ Singles supplement *Depending on the cruise
- ✗ Alcoholic beverages & colas (there is a bar on board)
- ✗ Tips for guides and crew
- ✗ Any other personal expenses.



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