



# Galapagos Sky Dive



# Galapagos Sky Dive Yacht 8 days Itinerary

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**Lobos Island:** Upon your arrival to San Cristobal Airport, you will be received by the Galapagos Sky crew and be transferred to the yacht. After everyone is on board, we will introduce you to the boat and do our mandatory safety briefings and drills. Then, we cruise to the area of Los Lobos for your check-out dive. This will be your first underwater introduction to Galapagos sea lions and fur seals! Watch them Zoom in and out and dance playfully for you! After this, head back to the yacht for dinner and rest.

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**Bartolome and Cousin's Rock:** This day you will begin at Bartolome Island, with one dive, where you can spot Galapagos penguins, and a land walk, where you can climb to the top of the hill to where breathe taking views abound, of the beautiful Pinnacle Rock and all the place. Then you will head to Cousins Rocks, you will have two dives, where you will spot corals, frog fish, sea horses, scorpion fish and octopus. It is also a great dive for large schools of Barracuda and also Hammerhead shark sightings. Sea lions will be your companions upon entry and on the safety stops.

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**Wolf and Darwin:** The next three days you will be spent diving at this spots

**Tuesday:** 4 dives a day at Wolf + a night dive

**Wednesday:** 4 dives at Darwin

**Thursday:** 3 dives total, 2 at Darwin and 1 afternoon dive at Wolf

**Wolf Island:** is considered one of the best diving spots in the world. The Arch at Darwin island (actually several dive sites depending on where you enter, currents, etc) honors its reputation. It is warmer by a few degrees than the central islands. In one single dive you can find schooling hammerhead sharks, Galapagos sharks, large pods of dolphins, thick schools of skipjack and yellow fin tuna, big eye jacks, mobula rays, and silky sharks. From June to November, it is not uncommon to encounter whale sharks in multiple numbers on one single dive. The presence of occasional tiger sharks, black and blue marlin, and killer whales adds on to this amazing diving experience. If you still have time to look for smaller stuff, you'll find octopus, flounders, and an enormous variety and abundance of tropical fish.

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**Douglas Cape and Vicente Roca Point:** On this day you will dive at Douglas cape, on the western site of Fernandina Island, place where you can expect to see Galapagos Penguins, Marine Iguanas, Flightless Cormorants, Sea Lions, Seahorse, Sea Turtles, Horn Sharks, Red Lipped Batfish, and occasional hammerhead sharks and white tip sharks. Also keep an eye out for chevron barracuda, snappers, yellow fin tuna, rainbow runners, and wahoo. There are also a lot of smaller fishes like creole fishes, parrot fishes, scrawled filefishes, pacific box fishes, and tiger snake eels. In the afternoon you will have 2 dives at Vicente Roca Point, by a steep, deep vertical wall, covered in soft coral, sponges and endemic black coral. You can also spot mola mola (oceanic sun fish,) sea horses, bullhead sharks, red lipped bat fish, various shrimp and many other marine invertebrates. If there is time you will head for a panga ride to spot penguins, flightless cormorants, marine iguanas, sea lions, blue footed and Nazca boobies.

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**Pinzon Island:** Early in the morning you will dive to Isla Pinzon, and you will encounter various species of sharks, sea lions, mantas, eagle rays and moray eels. Along with many species of tropical fish like yellow tailed surgeonfish, king angelfish, Moorish idols, steel pompanos, snappers, grunts, creole fish, and barracuda. Then you will head to Itabaca Channel and be transferred by bus to Santa Cruz Highlands, to see the Galapagos giant tortoises in their natural habitat. You can also visit Puerto Ayora and then be transferred back to Galapagos sky for dinner onboard.

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**San Cristobal:** After breakfast, you will disembark at San Cristobal Island, to visit the interpretation Center, where you will learn about the natural and human history of the Galapagos Islands. After this activity you will be transferred to the airport to 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 room
- ✓ Excursions as listed in the itinerary, with an expert dive instructor and a dive master, who are also naturalist guides.
- ✓ Transfers in the islands between airport and dock from flights
- ✓ Beverages (including beer and wine with dinner)

## Exclusions:

- ✗ Entrance fees Galapagos
- ✗ Galapagos National Park \$100pp (subject to change)
- ✗ Galapagos Transit control card \$20pp (subject to change)
- ✗ Isabela docking fee \$15pp \*Depending on the cruise
- ✗ Santa Cruz Highlands Tortoises Ranch \$5 \* Depending on the cruise
- ✗ International Flights
- ✗ Quito/Guayaquil - Galapagos - Quito/Guayaquil
- ✗ Airport transfers in Quito or Guayaquil
- ✗ Trip interruption or cancellation insurance
- ✗ Tips for guides and crew.
- ✗ Hyperbaric chamber fee
- ✗ Any other personal expenses.



**IMPORTANT NOTE: Diving information, as conditions, dive insurance, and equipment rentals are specified at the webpage**

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