



# Origin Yacht



# Origin Yacht Itinerary 8 Days B

Day	Activities
1	<b>San Cristobal Island:</b> Upon your arrival to San Cristobal Island, you will be transferred to Origin Yacht. Once you've boarded, you'll have a welcome briefing and a short safety drill. After a buffet lunch you will head to the first visiting site at Cerro Colorado to Jacinto Gordinillo Breeding Center, where the National Park has established a breeding program for giant tortoises in their natural habitat. At the visitor center, Learn about the origin and evolution of tortoises, as well as threats by introduced animals. Along the trail, watch for the San Cristobal mockingbird and Calandrinia plant, both endemic to this island. Return to the yacht for a briefing followed by the Captain's welcome cocktail party and dinner accompanied by wine.
2	<b>Genovesa Island:</b> Early in the morning you will land at Prince Phillip's Steps at Genovesa Island, where you will spot red footed boobies and a Palo Santo trees forest. There are also Nazca boobies and storm petrels. After this visit, return to the yacht for a BBQ lunch. Then you will go to Darwin Bay, and be amazed by a coral sand beach and see the swallow tailed and lava gulls that live here. You can also spot Great frigate birds, inflating the pouch on their chests to attract the female. You can relax at the beach or swim with sea lions. Return to the yacht for a briefing and dinner followed by a sky full of stars,
3	<b>Bachas Beach and Dragon Hill:</b> After breakfast, head to Bachas beach, Spanish translation for "barges" for one that was left here during WWII. This is a long white sand beach, with an interior lagoon where you can spot flamingos, pelicans, white-cheeked pintail ducks, stilts and iguanas. You can also snorkel from the shore. Then you will return to the yacht for lunch and after this, you will head to Dragon Hill for a majestic view of the bay and to visit the island trail to see flora species like opuntia cactus and palo santo. You will spot Galapagos flycatchers, yellow warblers, shearwaters and endemic land iguanas. After this activities return to the yacht for dinner and rest.
4	<b>Vicente Roca Point and Urbina Bay:</b> First activity of the day will be taking a zodiac ride to Vicente Roca Point. You can also snorkel at this spot, and see penguins diving playfully in the water. Look for sea turtles beneath the surface, and after lunch, you can relax at the sundeck while enjoy the scenery at Bolivar Chanel, where you might see whales or dolphins. In the afternoon you will disembark at Urbina Bay on Isabela Island, product of a dramatic uplift produced by a volcanic eruption in 1954. Here you can see Galapagos land and marine iguanas, Darwin finches, brown pelicans, and flightless cormorant at this spot.



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5	<b>Espinosa Point and Tagus Cove:</b> After breakfast, head to Espinosa Point on Fernandina Island, the most pristine and young island in the archipelago. You can spot sea lions at the beach, hundreds of marine iguanas, and nests of flightless cormorants, that stay close to the shore. After lunch, you will head to Tagus Cove, place that used to be a favorite anchorage for pirates and whalers in past centuries. This place is covered with graffiti they used to leave here. You can explore this places' shoreline by kayak or stand up paddle board, while searching for Galapagos penguins, flightless cormorants, blue/ footed and Nazca boobies. You can also snorkel at this spot.
6	<b>Rabida Island:</b> Early in the morning you will visit you will disembark on Rabida Island, a red sand beach, due to the high iron content in the volcanic shores. You can visit a salt water lagoon here, where you may spot flamingos. You can also snorkel from the shore while spotting sea lions and rays. After lunch you will take a zodiac excursion to Black Turtle Cove, through a series of peaceful coves and inlets surrounded by mangroves, whose large roots rise out of the water, and where you can spot various species like white tipped reef sharks, and golden cow nosed rays. After these activities, return to the vessel for dinner and a special presentation by your guides
7	<b>Santa Cruz Island: Breeding Center:</b> Early in the morning you will disembark at Ayora Port on Santa Cruz Island. You will visit Fausto Llerena Breeding Center and Charles Darwin Research Station, where you will learn about the ongoing conservation efforts made to preserve Galapagos giant tortoises and also spot this species here. After this you will have a guided tour through the streets of Ayora Port. In the afternoon after lunch, you will be transferred to the highlands, passing the vegetation zones found in the Galapagos, to visit Los Gemelos (The twins), a pair of large craters, collapsed volcanic craters that make an amazing landscape. Then you will visit a private hacienda, were giant tortoises roam freely. After this activity, return to the yacht for dinner or you can remain ashore on your own at a local restaurant. Zodiac shuttles will remain on dock throughout the evening for your convenience.
8	<b>Frigatebird Hill:</b> After breakfast you will disembark at San Cristobal Island, to visit Frigatebird Hill, where you will find nesting colonies of both species of frigate birds, great and magnificent, lava lizards, finches and San Cristobal mockingbird. After this visit, 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 bathroom
  - ✓ Use of all amenities on board including the library, Jacuzzi and Fitness Center equipped with a treadmill, elliptical, free weights, yoga mats, and more.
  - ✓ Transfers in the islands between the airport with meet & greet at the dock in Galapagos
  - ✓ Excursions as listed in the itinerary, with a certified naturalist bilingual guide (Spanish/English)
  - ✓ Snorkel equipment \*Depending on the cruise
  - ✓ After-excursion snacks and non-alcoholic beverages. Fully-stocked bar and 24/7 coffee & tea station
- All beverages including an open bar policy, featuring wines and spirits, soft drinks, fresh juices, tea and

## 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 \*
- ✗ depending on the cruise
- ✗ International flights
- ✗ Quito/Guayaquil - Galapagos - Quito/Guayaquil
- ✗ Airport transfers in Quito or Guayaquil
- ✗ Singles supplement \*Depending on the cruise
- ✗ Tips for guides and crew
- ✗ Any other personal expenses.



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