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Endemic Galapagos Luxury Cruise - Route F (Tuesday - Sunday)

5 Nights • Luxury Experience

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Overview

Itineraries vary from 3 to 7-nights in length and explore isolated islands and remote visitor points in the search for unique wildlife endemic to the Galapagos Islands. A typical day aboard this Galapagos luxury cruise might include a morning expedition to see soaring Frigatebirds and snorkel with sea lions, followed by a delicious lunch onboard, and then an afternoon up close with penguins and tortoise followed up with a gourmet dinner and drinks whilst enjoying the sunset. Two platforms at the back of the boat allow for easy entry into the water or tenders, and wetsuits and snorkeling gear are included in the price, along with an expedition bag, and use of sea kayaks and paddle-boards.

Passengers aboard the Endemic catamaran can enjoy elegant, open social areas including a main deck interior lounge and dining area with panoramic views where delicious cuisine is served whilst enjoying the stunning island views. Also on the main deck is a lecture room where briefings are held. On the upper deck are a sun terrace and secluded social area, perfect for relaxation and wildlife observation. Alfresco dining is available on the Sky Deck, along with an exterior lounge, BBQ station and sun lounging area. The perfect place to unwind in the evening whilst enjoying a drink.

Island you will visit:

- Santiago
- Isabela
- Fernandina
- Rabida
- Mosquera

Your Itinerary

DAY 1

TUESDAY: ARRIVAL IN BALTRA AIRPORT AND TRANSFER TO SANTIAGO ISLAND

BALTRA AIRPORT – SANTIAGO ISLAND: Sullivan Bay

Upon arrival, reception and assistance at the airport, transfer from Baltra Airport to the M/C Endemic.

In the afternoon, you will visit Sullivan Bay, located on the east coast of Santiago Island. We land on a white coral sand beach and begin our walk over lava that flowed less than 100 years ago. This is the perfect place to see and feel the volcanic origin of Galapagos. Also in this area you will admire flora that grows in lava fields.

Activities: Walk 1/1.5 hours

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

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WEDNESDAY: ISABELA ISLAND

ISABELA ISLAND: Wetlands/ Sierra Negra volcano – Breeding Center/ Wall of Tears

Isabela Island is the largest of the archipelago with a surface of 4,588 square kilometers. It encompasses more than the half of the total land area of Galapagos.

In the morning, you will be transported to the Wetlands (Humedales), that are a complex of trails of 6 kilometers long, located south of Isabela Island. They have a wide variety of flora and abundant bird life, including gallinules, finches, stilts and ducks among others.

Activities: Short Hike

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

Or you may visit Sierra Negra Volcano, one of largest craters in the archipelago with a diameter of five kilometers. It offers mesmerizing views with great contrast in colors between lava fields, vegetation and fumaroles.

On the way up to Orchilla hill, giant tortoises and marine iguanas will appear. From the viewpoint the spectacular scenery of the bay, the town of Puerto Villamil, volcanoes, islets and rocks can be appreciated. Isabela wetlands has endemic and introduced species.

Activities: hiking

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Difficult

After lunch visit the Arnaldo Tupiza Breeding Center of Isabela, infant and juvenile giant tortoises can be seen until they are ready to be released and survive in the wild.

Or you may visit the Wall of Tears. This is a man-made monument which has been built in the 40's by prisoners, since Isabela island was once an Ecuadorian penal colony and building up the wall was part of the punishment.

Activities: hiking

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

On the way back to the yacht, be ready to spot flamingos and other water birds.

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THURSDAY: ISABELA ISLAND

ISABELA ISLAND: Elizabeth Bay – Urbina Bay

In the morning, you will discover Elizabeth Bay, which is a marine visitor site. The excursion is carried out in a zodiac and so there is no landing point. Your zodiac ride starts with a visit to the Marielas islets where there is the largest and most important penguin colony in the Galapagos Islands. The excursion continues into the cove that is surrounded by red mangroves where you can spot sea turtles, flightless cormorants, spotted eagle rays, golden rays, brown pelicans and sea lions.

Activities: Dinghy Ride

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

In the afternoon, Urbina Bay will be visited. Here you can see coral formations, large colored land iguanas. The possibility of seeing giant turtles, flightless cormorants, blue-footed boobies, penguins and marine iguanas is excellent.

Activities: Short hike

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

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FRIDAY: ISABELA AND FERNANDINA

ISABELA ISLAND: Tagus Cove – FERNANDINA ISLAND: Espinoza Point

After breakfast, Tagus Cove will be the first attraction to see. A ride along the cliffs in a zodiac will give visitors a good chance to see the Galapagos penguin, the flightless cormorant and other sea birds. From the landing dock it is about a 30-minute hike along the trail up to the top of the cliff from where you can view Darwin Lake, a saline lake saltier than the sea. You can also see several volcanoes from this location.

Activities: Short hike, snorkeling, dinghy ride, kayaking.

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Moderate

After lunch, Espinoza point will be visited, which is one of Fernandina's visit points. Located within a fascinating lava scenery with Lava-Cactuses. On the surface of the lava, mangroves thrive. The highlights are sea lions, penguins, the flightless cormorant (especially in spring and summer), and one of the biggest iguana colonies of Galápagos.

Activities: Short hike, snorkeling.

Type of landing: Dry landing and Slippery

Difficulty: Moderate

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SATURDAY: SANTIAGO AND RABIDA

SANTIAGO ISLAND: Buccaneer Cove/ Espumilla Beach – RABIDA ISLAND

In the morning, you will have the opportunity to discover the Buccaneer Cove that is located just north of James Bay. It was known as a safe haven in the 17th and 18th century for pirates to stash their loot, take on fresh water and capture tortoises for food. It is a nice place for a zodiac ride, snorkeling and kayaking. Blue-footed, Nazca boobys, fur seals, and Galapagos hawks can be seen flying overhead.

Or visit to Espumilla Beach will take place. It is a pristine sandy beach and a popular place for marine iguanas and Sally Lightfoot Crabs. The crabs attract the hunting herons, performing the dance of predator and prey. With an abundance of marine life including octopi, moray eel, and shark, snorkeling is recommended and available.

Activities: Dinghy ride, kayaking, snorkeling, short hike.

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Easy

In the afternoon, you will be taken to Rabida Island. Its main attraction is the red sand beach, famous for its cactus groves and rock formation scenery, aside from the vegetation of the arid zone and the presence of native and endemic species. During the walk on the red sand beach you will see brown pelicans' nests, and a lagoon where flamingos are seen from time to time.

Activities: Short hike, snorkeling, dinghy ride, kayaking.

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Easy

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SUNDAY: MOSQUERA ISLET AND TRANSFER TO BALTRA AIRPORT

Mosquera Islet – BALTRA AIRPORT

In the morning, visit to Mosquera, a small islet found between Baltra & North Seymour Islands. Lava gulls, sea lions, Sally light foot crabs inhabit this sand bank with an extension of over 600 meters. It also hosts the largest populations of sea lions and orca whales that can be seen occasionally depending on the season you visit the islet.

Activities: Short hike.

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Moderate

After this last visit, transfer to Baltra airport for your return flight to mainland Ecuador.
Assistance and farewell at the airport.

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Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Oct 19, 2027	Golden Suites	—	\$7,850
Jan 11, 2028	Golden Suites	—	\$8,250
Mar 7, 2028	Golden Suites	—	\$8,250
Apr 4, 2028	Golden Suites	—	\$8,250
May 2, 2028	Golden Suites	—	\$8,250
May 30, 2028	Golden Suites	—	\$8,250
Jun 27, 2028	Golden Suites	—	\$8,250

Rates shown are per person. Single rate applies to single occupancy; Double rate applies per person in double occupancy.



Look for Coupons and Special Rates on our website.

Visit <https://www.palacetours.com/tour/Endemic-F-Catamaran-Luxury-Cruise-Galapagos> for the latest information.



Terms & Conditions

Payment Policy*:

- At the time of booking a deposit of 20% of the total tour price
- The remaining balance is due a minimum of 65 calendar days prior to departure date

To issue final confirmation Palace tours requires 60 days prior to departure (or at time of reservation for last minute bookings) the following information for all passengers:

- Complete passenger names
- Passport numbers (& passport copy in case of children)
- Nationality
- Date of birth
- Marital Status
- Dietary or medical restrictions

Failure to provide the above information on time may result in delays and possibly passengers missing the tour completely. Palace tours will not accept responsibility or provide refunds if the above information is not provided in its entirety and on time.

Cancellation Policy*

All cancellations must be done in writing. If a cancellation is received more than 125 days prior to tour departure date a Cancellation fee of 10% of the total price will be retained as cancellation fee.

If a cancellation is received between 124 days and 65 days prior to tour departure date, 20% of the total price will be forfeited.

In the case of a cancellation received less than 65 days prior to the boat departure the full amount will be retained.

*Specific Payment and Cancellation/Reschedule policies for Christmas and New Years ´ Eve cruise dates

Frequently Asked Questions

When is the best time to visit Galapagos?

Galapagos is a place that can be visited at any time. There are two seasons, and the warmest is between December and May. It is the time of year when the sky is always clear, and the sun shines strongly. If you love to dive in amazing places, the best time to visit Galapagos is from June to November. During this season the weather is a little cooler, but it gives you the chance to enjoy the best from Galapagos' famous marine reserve.

What should we bring?

Since the islands are situated very near the Equator, we recommend that you bring lightweight clothing and of course, don't forget your swimsuits, sun lotion, and good footwear.

How long is the flight from Ecuador to the Galapagos?

It depends from where you depart. Flights to the Galapagos leave from Quito and Guayaquil. It takes about half an hour to get from Quito to Guayaquil and roughly one and a half hours from Guayaquil to the islands.

Are there any immunizations required/recommended?

For the Galapagos Islands there are no required or recommended immunizations. If you, however, intend to spend more time in Ecuador, especially in the jungle, immunization is highly recommended. As this changes from time to time please check with your local health office (or the Institute for Tropical Diseases) a few weeks in advance of your trip.

Are single or triple suites available?

Most of our cruises will assign double cabins to all passengers unless you want to pay the single supplement if traveling alone. Triple cabins can also be arranged on request, depending on availability and the vessel you choose.

What is the time zone of the Galapagos Islands?

The Galapagos Islands are 6 hours behind GMT (equivalent to USA Central Standard Time)

Does the equatorial line cross the Galapagos Islands?

The equatorial line does pass through the Galapagos, just north of Isla Santiago. Please refer to our Itinerary page to see which itinerary passes through the equatorial line.

What are marine currents like the Galapagos?

The Galapagos Islands waters have the Humboldt Current's influence that brings cold waters especially during the mist rainy season (cool weather) from July to December. The warm season is during the months of January to June. The southeast trade winds become weaker and the water from the Panama Basin remains warm. During this season there is more of a tropical climate with some occasional rains. "El Niño" current may cause a much greater flow of warm waters, making the surface warmer and rainfall increase.

What is the water temperature in the Islands?

Average water temperatures in Galapagos:

January - June: 70°F - 80°F (20°C - 26°C)

July - December: 65°F - 75°F (18°C - 23°C)

Can you snorkel in the Galapagos?

Snorkeling equipment is available on-board and is an activity on all of our Galapagos Cruises. All water sports convey a certain risk. Passengers participating in these activities do so under their own responsibility.

*Restrictions and fees might apply, please contact us for more information.

Special Diets:

Passengers with special dietary needs are asked to request the latest menu offered and in such cases that stated menu does not meet their needs to clearly convey their specific dietary needs. It is the responsibility of passengers with specific dietary needs to address additional requirements at least 30 days prior to the start of the cruise. Those general and specific needs not clearly conveyed cannot be met. Every reasonable effort will be made to cater to such requests within reason, subject to availability of products in Ecuador retains the right to refuse to cater such special needs.

How long is Endemic Route F and where does it start and end?

Route F is a 5-night cruise aboard the M/C Endemic catamaran, sailing Tuesday to Sunday. You arrive at Baltra airport on Tuesday, where you are met and transferred to the boat, and you return to Baltra on Sunday morning after the visit to Mosquera Islet for your flight back to mainland Ecuador.

Which islands and visitor sites does Endemic Route F visit?

- Tuesday: Sullivan Bay on Santiago.
- Wednesday: Isabela wetlands or Sierra Negra volcano, breeding center and Wall of Tears.
- Thursday: Elizabeth Bay and Urbina Bay on Isabela.
- Friday: Tagus Cove on Isabela and Espinoza Point on Fernandina.
- Saturday: Buccaneer Cove or Espumilla Beach on Santiago, and Rabida.
- Sunday: Mosquera Islet.

What is special about Elizabeth Bay on Route F?

Elizabeth Bay on Isabela is a marine visitor site explored entirely by zodiac, so there is no landing. The ride starts at the Marielas islets, home to the largest penguin colony in the Galapagos, then enters a cove lined with red mangroves where sea turtles, flightless cormorants, eagle rays, golden rays, pelicans and sea lions are often seen.

How demanding is the Tagus Cove visit on Route F?

Tagus Cove is rated moderate. A zodiac ride along the cliffs gives a good chance to see Galapagos penguins and flightless cormorants, then a hike of about 30 minutes climbs from the landing dock to a clifftop view of Darwin Lake, a lake saltier than the sea, with several volcanoes in view. Snorkelling and kayaking are also offered here.

What is on board the M/C Endemic catamaran?

The main deck has an interior lounge and dining area with panoramic views and a lecture room for daily briefings. The upper deck has a sun terrace and a secluded social area for wildlife watching, and the sky deck offers alfresco dining, an exterior lounge, a BBQ station and sun loungers. Two platforms at the stern make it easy to get into the water or the tenders.

What is included in the Endemic Route F fare?

The fare includes airport reception and transfers to and from the boat in the Galapagos, your Golden Suite, all guided expeditions with a bilingual National Park guide, a cruise service officer and daily briefings, all meals and snacks, soft drinks and juices, the captain's welcome and farewell, sea kayaks and paddle-boards, and expedition gear including wetsuits and snorkelling equipment.

What is not included in the Route F cruise price?

The round-trip flight to the Galapagos is not included, nor are the Galapagos National Park entrance fee (100 dollars) and the Transit Control Card (20 dollars), both subject to change. Gratuities for guides and crew, travel and health insurance, and personal items such as your own mask and snorkel are also extra.

How much is the deposit and when is the balance due for Endemic Route F?

A deposit of 20% secures your suite and the balance is due 65 days before departure. Fares start from USD 7,850 per person in a double suite, and seven Tuesday departures are on sale from 19 October 2027 through 27 June 2028, each with its exact fare shown on this page.

How do I ask a question or book the Endemic Galapagos cruise Route F?

The Tuesday departures listed on this page are bookable directly online: pick your date and suite and follow the booking steps. For questions, email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at <https://wa.me/17864080610>, where a travel specialist or our AI assistant will reply.

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