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Eminence Galapagos Luxury Cruise - 3 Nights, Itinerary D (Wednesday to Saturday)

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Overview

This 3-night Itinerary D sails Wednesday to Saturday aboard the M/C Eminence and visits San Cristobal, Espanola, Floreana and Santa Cruz. Fares start at US$6,490 per person in a double cabin, with departures listed below through 2028. The pick for guests who want the newest hardware in the islands: elevator, spa, gym and the only private-jacuzzi suites in the fleet.

The M/C Eminence is the newest and largest catamaran in this fleet, taking its first guests in April 2027. It carries 16 guests in nine suites: five Golden Suites with enlarged private balconies, two Panorama Suites with their own lounge, terrace and personal jacuzzi, and two Lofts on the upper level. A panoramic elevator links the main deck to the sky deck, which is rare on a yacht of this size and makes the boat a sensible choice for guests with limited mobility.

Four decks give plenty of room to spread out: suites and a briefing lounge on the main deck, the Panorama Suites and a spa on the upper deck, an al-fresco bar, dining area and outdoor jacuzzi on the sky deck, and a gym with an infrared sauna on the top moon deck. Solar panels, water-reuse systems and full wastewater treatment are built in, and the vessel is committed to certified carbon neutrality within its first year.

Excursions are led by licensed Galapagos National Park naturalist guides in groups of no more than eight. Snorkelling equipment, wetsuits, kayaks and paddle boards are included.

Islands you will visit

- San Cristobal
- Espanola
- Floreana
- Santa Cruz

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

SAN CRISTOBAL

SAN CRISTOBAL ISLAND: Kicker Rock - Lobos Island Upon arrival, reception and assistance at the airport, followed by transfer to M/C Eminence. In the afternoon, navigation starts toward Kicker Rock, a striking volcanic formation rising from the ocean. This site is known for its rich marine life and clear waters, offering excellent conditions for snorkeling. Guests may observe sea turtles, rays, reef fish, and occasionally sharks moving through the channel formed by the rock.

Activities: Circumnavigation

Type of landing: No landing

Difficulty: Moderate

Later, visit to Lobos Island, located off the coast of San Cristobal. This small island offers a relaxed introduction to the Galapagos, with a sandy trail surrounded by coastal vegetation and

wildlife. Sea lions are commonly seen resting along the shore, while blue footed boobies and frigatebirds nest nearby. The calm surroundings make it an ideal first contact with the islands' natural rhythm.

Activities: Walking, kayaking/stand up paddleboarding, Dinghy ride

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Moderate

Meals on board: lunch, dinner

DAY 2

ESPAÑOLA ISLAND



ESPANOLA ISLAND: Suarez Point - Gardner Bay / Gardner and Osborn Islet In the morning, visit to Suarez Point, one of the most important wildlife areas in the Galapagos. The trail crosses a landscape of lava and coastal cliffs where marine iguanas gather in large groups. Along the way, Nazca boobies and blue footed boobies can be seen nesting, and during the season, waved albatross may also be observed. The cliffs offer impressive ocean views, where waves crash against the rocks creating a natural blowhole.

Activities: Walking

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Moderate

In the afternoon, visit to Gardner Bay, a wide white sand beach on Espanola Island. Sea lions rest along the shore, and the calm waters are ideal for snorkeling. Near Osborn Islet, guests may encounter rays, sea turtles, and a variety of reef fish. This visit offers a quieter and scenic contrast to the morning exploration.

Activities: Walking, snorkeling, kayaking/stand up paddleboarding, Dinghy ride

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Easy

Meals on board: breakfast, lunch, dinner



DAY 3

FLOREANA ISLAND

FLOREANA ISLAND: Baroness Viewpoint - Post Office Bay / Punta Cormorant - Champion Islet In the morning, visit Baroness Viewpoint, a scenic site overlooking the coastline and connected to the human stories of the island's early settlers. Continue to nearby Post Office Bay, a historic location where travelers have exchanged letters since the 18th century through a wooden barrel. Guests may take part in this tradition by leaving or collecting postcards.

Activities: Walking, snorkeling, kayaking/stand up paddleboarding, Dinghy ride

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Easy

In the afternoon, visit to Punta Cormorant, known for its green colored beach formed by mineral deposits. A nearby lagoon often hosts flamingos and other bird species. A short trail leads to a second beach where sea turtles may nest. Offshore, Champion Islet offers excellent snorkeling conditions, with chances to observe sea lions, rays, reef sharks, and schools of fish.

Activities: Walking, snorkeling, kayaking/stand up paddleboarding, Dinghy ride

Type of landing: Wet landing

Difficulty: Moderate

Meals on board: breakfast, lunch, dinner

DAY 4

SANTA CRUZ ISLAND



SANTA CRUZ ISLAND: Highlands - BALTRA AIRPORT In the morning, visit to the highlands of Santa Cruz Island. In this lush and humid area, guests can observe giant tortoises roaming freely in their natural habitat. The landscape is greener and more open, with natural trails that allow for a peaceful final exploration. This area also offers good opportunities for birdwatching, with finches and other native species present.

Activities: Walking

Type of landing: Dry landing

Difficulty: Easy

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

Meals on board: breakfast

End of cruise Itineraries are subject to change without prior notice due to weather conditions, National Park regulations, emergencies on board or any unforeseen situation.

DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Apr 14, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Apr 28, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
May 12, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Jun 9, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Jun 23, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Jul 7, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Aug 4, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Aug 18, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Sep 1, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**
Sep 15, 2027	Golden Suite	—	**$6,490**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$9,750**

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$9,750
Oct 13, 2027	Golden Suite	—	$6,490
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$9,750
Oct 27, 2027	Golden Suite	—	$6,490
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$9,750
Nov 10, 2027	Golden Suite	—	$6,490
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$9,750
Nov 24, 2027	Golden Suite	—	$6,490
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$9,750
Dec 8, 2027	Golden Suite	—	$6,490
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$9,750
Jan 5, 2028	Golden Suite	—	$6,850
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$10,250
Jan 19, 2028	Golden Suite	—	$6,850
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$10,250
Feb 2, 2028	Golden Suite	—	$6,850
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$10,250
Feb 16, 2028	Golden Suite	—	$6,850
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$10,250
Mar 1, 2028	Golden Suite	—	$6,850
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$10,250
Mar 15, 2028	Golden Suite	—	$6,850
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$10,250
Mar 29, 2028	Golden Suite	—	$6,850
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	$10,250

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Apr 12, 2028	Golden Suite	—	**$6,850**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$10,250**
Apr 26, 2028	Golden Suite	—	**$6,850**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$10,250**
May 10, 2028	Golden Suite	—	**$6,850**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$10,250**
May 24, 2028	Golden Suite	—	**$6,850**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$10,250**
Jun 7, 2028	Golden Suite	—	**$6,850**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$10,250**
Jun 21, 2028	Golden Suite	—	**$6,850**
	Panorama Suite / Loft	—	**$10,250**

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/eminence-galapagos-cruise-4-days-itinerary-d for the latest information.

IMPORTANT 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

COMMON QUESTIONS

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 season, 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 addressed 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.

Which islands does the Eminence Itinerary D visit?

> The 3-night Itinerary D visits San Cristobal, Espanola, Floreana and Santa Cruz, sailing Wednesday to Saturday. See the day-by-day tab for the landing sites and activities on each day.

What is included in the M/C Eminence fare?

> Accommodation in your suite, all meals and snacks on board, soft drinks, guided excursions with licensed National Park naturalists, snorkelling equipment and wetsuits, kayaks and paddle boards, Galapagos airport transfers and a welcome and farewell cocktail. Flights to the islands, the Galapagos National Park fee and transit card, alcoholic drinks and gratuities are extra.

Are the Eminence rates shown the current published rates?

> Yes. The dates and per-person double-occupancy fares on this page are refreshed from the vessel's live inventory. Seasonal promotions on individual departures are applied when you enquire, so ask us for the best current fare on your preferred date.

Where does the 3-night Eminence Itinerary D start and finish?

> This short cruise runs Wednesday to Saturday. You arrive at San Cristobal airport and transfer to the M/C Eminence for an afternoon circling Kicker Rock and visiting Lobos Island. The last morning is in the Santa Cruz highlands, [illegible]

What will I see on Espanola during Eminence Itinerary D?

> Day 2 is on Espanola. At Suarez Point the trail crosses lava and sea cliffs with large groups of marine iguanas, nesting Nazca and blue-footed boobies, a natural blowhole and, in season, waved albatross. The afternoon is at Gardner Bay, a wide white sand beach where sea lions rest along the shore, with nearby Gardner and Osborn islets for snorkelling.

What happens on Floreana and in the Santa Cruz highlands?

> Day 3 starts at Baroness Viewpoint, tied to the stories of the island's early settlers, and Post Office Bay, where travellers have exchanged letters through a wooden barrel since the 18th century. The afternoon visits the green-tinted beach at Punta Cormorant and Champion Islet. On day 4 you see giant tortoises roaming free in the lush Santa Cruz highlands, an easy walk before your flight.

Which suites are available on this 3-night Eminence cruise and what do they cost?

> You can choose a Golden Suite with an enlarged private balcony, or a Panorama Suite or Loft on the upper level; the two Panorama Suites have their own lounge, terrace and personal jacuzzi. Fares start from US$6,490 per person sharing, and the exact fare for each departure and suite is shown on this page. A 20% deposit secures the booking, with the balance due 65 days before departure; departures run from 28 April 2027 to 21 June 2028.

Can children join the Eminence 3-night Itinerary D?

> Yes, and its short length suits families. Children are priced in two bands by their age on the departure date: under 5, and 5 to under 12; from 12 they pay the adult fare. Most visits are easy, with Suarez Point graded moderate, and the ship has an elevator between decks plus kayaks, paddle boards and snorkel gear included.

How do I ask a question or book the Eminence 3-night Itinerary D?

> Every departure listed on this page can be booked directly online. If you would like help choosing a suite or combining this with Itinerary C for a full week, 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 answer.

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