

Galapagos Sea Star Journey – Cruise B
5 days – 4 nights | Sunday - Thursday (Every 15 days)
Batra, Santa Cruz Is., Santiago Is., Genovesa Is., Bartolome Is.
Ecotourism, Adventure, Sport, Relaxation

Day 1 – Sun: Batra, Santa Cruz Is.

Upon arrival at Baltra Airport, travelers pass through an airport inspection point to insure that no foreign plants or animals are introduced to the islands. Then your guide will meet you, help you get your luggage, and escort you on a short bus ride to the harbor to board Galapagos Sea Star Journey and start your Galapagos journey.

PM: Dragon Hill

The visitor site at Dragon Hill has been open for visits on 1993. This site is located in northwestern Santa Cruz Island and consists of a trail that lead to a hyper-saline lagoon behind the beach, frequented by flamingos, pintail ducks and other species of birds. This site has been repopulated with land iguanas from Seymour, Isabela and Santa Cruz islands. There is a short walk to the Hill, which offers a beautiful view of the bay. [B/L/D]

Day 2 – Mon: Santa Cruz Is., Santiago Is.

AM: Black Turtle Cove

This little cove is located at the northern side of Santa Cruz Island, this is a red mangrove lagoon very calm and quiet which made an ideal place as nursery for many sharks and rays. Its crystal waters permit to observe large groups of white-tip reef, black tipped reef and hammer heads sharks, schools of golden rays and spotted eagle rays. There are no landing sites so the visit is done by panga or kayak. Observe the sea turtles in the mangrove-lined waters. Pelicans and Herons are also seen in this area.

PM: Chinese Hat

This is a small islet (1 km²) located just off the southeastern tip of Santiago Island. This little island looks like a Chinese hat when you look at it from the north side. Note the lava formations, formed under the sea and raised upward, this is why coral heads are found on the lava. This is an excellent visit for interpretation of geological features such as lava tubes and lava flows. The landscape is covered by sea lions colonies, marine iguanas and Galapagos penguins. [B/L/D]

DAY 3 – Tue: Santiago Is., Genovesa Is.

AM: Darwin Bay, Genovesa Is.

This bay has originated when the crater of this island collapsed below sea level. The landing is on a beautiful white coral sandy beach. This is a favorite island for birdwatchers who find here red footed-booby, masked boobies, wandering tattlers, lava gulls, whimbrels Yellow-crowned, black-crowned and lava herons, with and yellow warblers, among other species.

Continuing on the trail, climb gradually to the edge of the cliff and look at the Red-Foots nesting in the Mangrove trees below. Bird watching includes sightings of Sharp-Beaked Finches, Large Cactus and Ground Finches, Galapagos Doves and Swallow-Tailed Gulls. At the end of trail you will admire an incredible view of the island.

PM: El Barranco, Genovesa Island

El Barranco is located in the southern part of Darwin Bay and it is also known as Prince Philip's Steps. Here you will hike a plateau from where you will observe a big population of Masked boobies and Red-Footed boobies. Storm petrels and Short-eared Owls have found in Genovesa lava flows the ideal place for nesting. [B/L/D]

Day 4 – Wed: Genovesa Is., Bartolome Is., Santiago Is.

AM: Bartolomé Island

Bartolomé Island is situated across Sullivan Bay. It has an altitude of 340 feet, from where you can enjoy one of the most beautiful sceneries of the Galapagos Islands such as: Volcanic cones, lunar-like craters, lava fields, and the famous Toba formed pinnacle eroded by the sea. You will not find a lush

vegetation here, nonetheless Bartolome has two breathtaking beaches filled with marine turtles, as well as a very small colony of Galapagos penguins

PM: The Sullivan Bay, Santiago Island

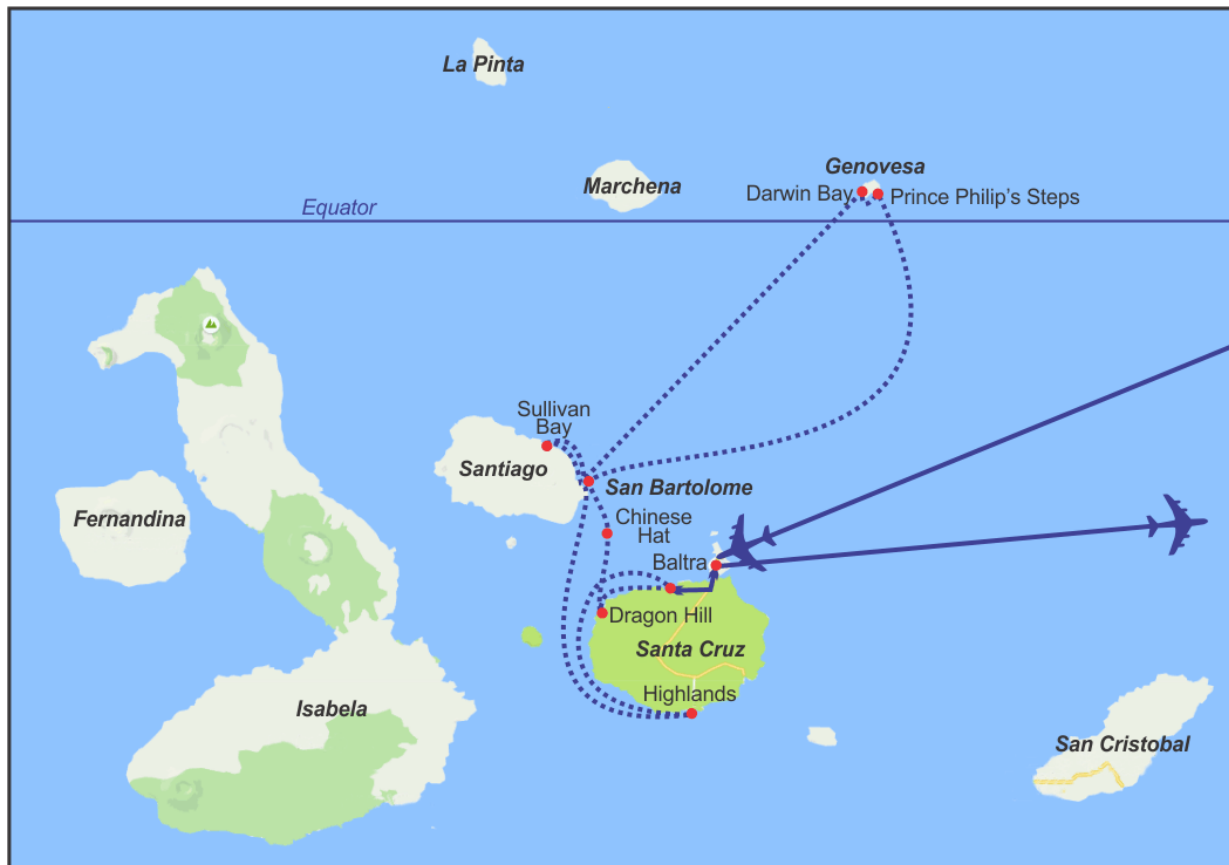
Santiago, also called James, or San Salvador Island, is located in the west central part of the Galapagos archipelago. It is the fourth largest island in the archipelago (following Isabela, Fernandina and Santa Cruz). Along with some of the large western volcanoes of Isabela and Fernandina, Santiago is also volcanically active, with many young flows and cones to be seen, particularly along the south, west, and east coasts. These may even be seen from the summit of Darwin Volcano and from space. A number of historic eruptions have been reported over the last 2 centuries. Santiago actually consists of two coalesced volcanoes: a typical shield volcano on the northwest end and a low, linear fissure volcano on the southeast end. [B/L/D]

Day 5 – Thu: Santiago Is., Santa Cruz Is., USA

AM: Highlands, Santa Cruz Island

The trail to the highlands leaves from Bellavista and passes through the agricultural zone, near the National Park boundary, the Miconia Zone, and then goes to the Fern and Sedge zone. With clear weather this area affords beautiful scenes of rolling hills and extinct volcanic cones covered with grass and lush greenery all year round. Then transfer back to Baltra to board on flight back home. [B]

[B] = Breakfast | [B/L/D] = Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



Sailing Dates:

2020 Sailings				Sea Star Journey Yacht
From	To	From	To	
Mar 22	Mar 26	Aug 23	Aug 27	
Apr 5	Apr 9	Sep 6	Sep 10	
Apr 19	Apr 23	Sep 20	Sep 24	
May 3	May 7	Oct 4	Oct 8	
May 17	May 21	Oct 18	Oct 22	
May 31	Jun 4	Nov 1	Nov 5	
Jun 14	Jun 18	Nov 15	Nov 19	
Jun 28	Jul 2	Nov 29	Dec 3	
Jul 12	Jul 16	Dec 13	Dec 17	
Jul 26	Jul 30	Dec 27	Dec 31	
Aug 9	Aug 13	Jan 10	Jan 14	

Your Cruise:

This wonderful yacht combines, privacy and comfort in the marvelous setting of the Galapagos Islands. Galapagos Sea Star Journey has a capacity for 16 passengers, it features 7 spacious Galapagos Suites (270 sq. feet in average) and 1 Sea Star Suite (377 sq. feet).

<p>Fine dining & cuisine</p> <p>All meals are included and served in an international style, combining natural and organic ingredients in order to offer a healthy gastronomic experience. In the case that some guest may require a special dish due to food allergies or restrictions, our chefs will be willing to adapt the menu to these requirements if it has been informed previous the trip.</p>
<p>Naturalist guides</p> <p>The certified naturalist guides are top ranked, speak English and have wide experience and knowledge on the Galapagos Island topics such as wildlife, geology, marine life, biology, and more. At the end of every day, you will be able to share your daily experiences and receive the Guide´s briefing for the shore excursions of the next day.</p>
<p>Drinks</p> <p>On board you will have unlimited water, tea and coffee service. Also, for an extra charge, a Bartender is available for cocktails and soft drinks. Do not forget to ask for the wine exclusive menu, ideal for the dinner or a special moment</p>
<p>Shore excursions</p> <p>All excursions and activities are included. Zodiac rides, nature hikes, snorkeling and kayaking within the Galapagos National Park, and other activities are accompanied by an English-speaking naturalist guide.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All additional activities are subject to change as per the National Park regulations</i>



Your Tour includes:

- Round trip transfer airport/ Hotel/ airport in Guayaquil
- Round trip transfer airport/ pier/ airport in the Galapagos Islands
- Accommodation for 5 nights:
 - o Guayaquil – 1 night in standard room
 - o Sea Star Journey Yacht - 4 nights in Galapagos Suites
- Meals:
 - o Breakfast daily
 - o Lunch daily on board
 - o Dinner daily on board
- All activities as per program led by a naturalist English Speaking guide

Tour does not include:

- International or domestic air tickets *
- Flights to and from the Galapagos islands \$510 per person
- Ingala Transit Card \$20.00 per person
- Galapagos Park Tax: 100.00 per person
- Services and food not listed in the itinerary
- Alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages (except for water, coffee and tea)
- Any extras, and personal expenses
- Tips for guides, drivers, and in restaurants
- Wetsuit USD 30 per person per cruise

(*) The flights to and from the Galapagos island must be booked through Holidays with Downtown otherwise there will be a surcharge of \$50 per person

Tour Prices

Cabin Type	Per Person
Galapagos Suites upper deck	\$3,499
Galapagos Suites main deck	\$3,699
Sea Star Suite	\$3,899

Rates are per person, based on 2 passengers sharing a cabin and are valid through December 2019. Not valid Christmas and New Year's (23 December 2020 through January 1, 2020. Other blackout dates may apply.

All departures are subject to confirmation at the time of booking

Tour Code: GA01GPS20LT

Deposit:

At time of Booking.....20%
60 days before departure.....80%

Cancelations

Anytime..... \$250
120 to 61 days before departure.....20%
60 days or less before departure100%