

CIG TOURS / GALÁPAGOS, ECUADOR

Santa Cruz Island Escape

Highlands. Bartolomé. North Seymour.

3 CORE TOUR DAYS

4-5 days with arrival / departure arrangements

Listed package price | Accommodation extra

USD 1,700

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An island escape, thoughtfully arranged

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THE ROUTE / OVERVIEW

Your journey at a glance

A Santa Cruz base, with full-day yacht excursions to two celebrated islands.

DAY 1 / ARRIVAL & HIGHLANDS

Private airport pickup, Los Gemelos, giant tortoises, lava tunnels and a short Puerto Ayora orientation. Approximately 7 hours, depending on flight arrival.

DAY 2 / BARTOLOMÉ

Luxury-class yacht excursion, scenic hike, snorkeling and time to enjoy the coast. Approximately 10 hours.

DAY 3 / NORTH SEYMOUR

Guided island exploration and wildlife observation, followed by Las Bachas beach. Approximately 9.5 hours.

OPTION A / FIVE-DAY JOURNEY

Add the Bay Tour and Darwin Research Station on Day 4 (approximately 7 hours), followed by a private airport transfer on Day 5.

OPTION B / FOUR-DAY JOURNEY

Choose the six-course Finch Bay dining experience in place of the Bay Tour + Darwin Station option. Your concierge confirms the dinner arrangement; airport transfer is on Day 4.

Your concierge confirms the final sequence and pickup times. Weather, navigation conditions and operating arrangements may affect the schedule.

DAY 01 / ARRIVAL & HIGHLANDS

Tortoises, craters & lava tunnels

Your first encounter with Santa Cruz begins after arrival at Baltra Airport (GPS).





ARRIVE & TRANSFER

Meet your CIG team for the airport shuttle, Itabaca Channel crossing and onward ground transfer. The listed itinerary includes these transfer tickets and transport.

EXPLORE THE HIGHLANDS

Visit Los Gemelos, then the giant tortoise reserve at El Chato. Continue through the lava tunnels and enjoy lunch after the reserve visit.

SETTLE INTO ISLAND LIFE

A short Puerto Ayora orientation introduces the town before your hotel drop-off. In the evening, enjoy your included dinner; share your preferred dining time with the concierge.

The day is paced around your flight. Typical visits: Los Gemelos 1 hour; tortoise reserve 1.5-2 hours; lava tunnels 30-60 minutes.

DAY 02 / BARTOLOMÉ

The iconic Pinnacle Rock

A full-day yacht experience combining volcanic landscapes and blue-water scenery.



MORNING / SET SAIL

Hotel pickup and an overland transfer take you to Itabaca Channel. Sail toward Bartolomé and take in the archipelago from the water.

HIKE & DISCOVER

After a dry landing, follow the stepped trail to the viewpoint above Pinnacle Rock. Enjoy panoramic views of lava fields, bays and the surrounding islands.

SNORKEL & RETURN

Enjoy the scheduled snorkeling or beach experience before the return journey to Santa Cruz and your evening dining arrangement.

Allow approximately 10 hours. The published detailed route also lists Chinese Hat; confirm the final landing and snorkeling stops with your concierge before departure.

DAY 03 / NORTH SEYMOUR

An island alive with wildlife

A guided day among the Galápagos' distinctive seabirds and coastal habitats.





NORTH SEYMOUR / GUIDED WALK

Travel to Itabaca Channel and sail to North Seymour. Explore with a naturalist guide, watching for blue-footed boobies, frigatebirds, sea lions and land iguanas.

LAS BACHAS / COASTAL TIME

Continue to Las Bachas beach for the scheduled beach and water activities. The shoreline and nearby lagoons offer opportunities to observe coastal wildlife.

BACK TO SANTA CRUZ

Enjoy lunch during the excursion, return by boat and road, and finish the day with your included evening dining experience.

Allow approximately 9.5 hours. Wildlife is free-roaming: sightings and behavior vary. Photographs illustrate the destination and do not guarantee encounters.

PERSONALIZE YOUR STAY / CHOOSE ONE

Two ways to complete your escape

Select one included experience. Your concierge confirms your choice after booking.



OPTION A / BAY TOUR + DARWIN STATION

Choose a longer stay with an additional day exploring Santa Cruz’s bays and the Darwin Research Station. The website allows approximately 7 hours for this experience. Airport transfer follows on Day 5.

OPTION B / FINCH BAY SIX-COURSE DINNER

Choose a six-course dining experience at Finch Bay in place of the Bay Tour + Darwin Station option. This suits a four-day journey, with the airport transfer on Day 4. Your concierge confirms the dinner date and time.

AN OPTIONAL OVERNIGHT

A Finch Bay overnight stay may be arranged separately. Accommodation is not included in the package.

Tell us your flight details, dietary preferences and preferred option so the final schedule can be tailored to your stay.

DINING / THREE EVENINGS

Your evenings at the table

A relaxed finish to each day of island exploration.





DAY 1 / ISLA GRILL

Premium three-course dinner.

DAY 2 / ALMAR RESTAURANT

Premium two-course dinner.

DAY 3 / FRAFRE RESTAURANT

Premium three-course dinner.

The restaurant sequence above follows the website’s detailed dining plan. Your concierge will ask about preferences before arrival and confirm venues, menus and timing.

Additional alcohol is not included. Food and restaurant photography is illustrative; dishes and menus may vary. The Finch Bay option is arranged with your concierge.

PRICE / INCLUSIONS

Your package details

A clear view of the services described on the current package page.

USD 1,700

Listed package price | Hotel accommodation extra

INCLUDED IN THE PUBLISHED PACKAGE

Private airport pickup and departure transfer; the Santa Cruz highlands program; luxury-class yacht excursions to Bartolomé and North Seymour; the described dining arrangements; and one selected experience: Bay Tour + Darwin Station or a six-course Finch Bay dinner.

NOT INCLUDED

Hotel accommodation and additional alcohol. CIG Prestige yachts are not eligible for this package.

CONFIRM WITH CIG TOURS

Confirm the applicable guest/pricing basis, travel dates, yacht availability, exact meal inclusions, equipment, park and transit fees, flights and any optional overnight costs before payment. Items not expressly listed as included should be confirmed in your written booking.

BOOKING CONDITIONS

Request the payment schedule and cancellation terms specific to this package. Terms or group discounts from other CIG Tours itineraries do not automatically apply.

BEFORE YOU GO / PRACTICAL NOTES

Ready for the islands

A little preparation helps make each day more comfortable.

SEND YOUR TRAVEL DETAILS

Share flight numbers, arrival and departure times, your Santa Cruz hotel and a reachable contact number. The first day’s touring depends on your arrival time.

PACK FOR LAND & WATER

Bring comfortable walking shoes, swimwear, a sun hat, sun protection, a light layer, a reusable water bottle and protection for your phone or camera. Confirm snorkeling equipment and any personal requirements before departure.

SHARE YOUR PREFERENCES

Tell the team about dietary needs, allergies and mobility considerations in advance. Ask about stairs, uneven lava terrain, boat travel and water activities when choosing excursions.

TRAVEL WITH CARE

Follow the naturalist guide’s instructions. Keep a respectful distance from wildlife and avoid touching or feeding animals. Stay on designated routes and leave natural objects in place.

CONFIRM THE FINAL PLAN

Reconfirm pickup times, restaurant reservations, your optional experience and the airport transfer with the concierge. All timings in this booklet are indicative.

This booklet summarizes the current Santa Cruz package page. The final written booking confirmation governs your dates, inclusions and arrangements.

CIG TOURS / PLAN YOUR JOURNEY

Your island story starts here

Speak with our team to confirm dates, choose your experience and reserve your escape.



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