Ecuador & Galápagos Islands: Endemic Expedition

Please note that all of the itineraries listed in our web site are actual private tour itineraries we have prepared for clients over the past 12-18 months. By the very nature of what we do, each private tour itinerary is custom, exclusive and unique unto itself. Our ever-riding goal is to create lifelong memories that you and your family will forever carry deep within your hearts.

Overview

UNESCO declared the Galápagos' 19 islands and surrounding marine reserve as a "living museum and showcase of evolution." Situated on the convergence of three ocean currents, the Galápagos plays host to an affluence of marine life. Its continuous seismic and volcanic activity is an exciting study that illustrates not only how the islands were created, but also that it is ever-changing. The meeting of such unique environmental conditions for an isolated archipelago has lead to the highest levels of endemism (species found nowhere else) on the planet. Please note, some exploration hikes can be arduous, for example, the hike up Prince Philip's Steps on Genovesa Island. To explore this site, one of the vessels we recommend is the Endemic.

The 16-passenger Endemic is the Galápagos Island's newest luxury catamaran, just launched July 8, 2018. Having scouted five luxury catamaran and yachts previous to this inspection, we can earnestly say the M/C Endemic has lived up-to-expectations as the premier catamaran in the archipelago. The interior boasts high ceilings, elegantly clean decor, and an airy atmosphere. With wall-to-wall windows, natural light seeps into every corner of its confines. This includes all eight cabin suites, which have private balconies, offering an unrivaled panoramic view of this equatorial paradise. For more information on the Endemic, click here for our scouting trip blog post! There are other luxury vessels we recommend for visiting the Galápagos, which you can read more about here.

Best Travel Time: Spring Summer Fall Winter

The Galápagos is great to travel year-round, but for a more in-depth weather guide, you can visit our blog here.

ECUADOR
Temperature Range
Highs: Low 70's
Lows: High 50's
Area
272,045 SQ KM
105,037 SQ MILES
Population
16.6 Million
Language
Spanish & Indigenous languages
Capital
Quito
Currency
US Dollar

Day 1
Fly to Guayaquil > Arrive Guayaquil

Through our sister company, premium air provider TRAVNET, we may assist with your international airfare, as well as with mileage points conversion.
Upon arrival in Guayaquil, you will be privately transferred to the Hotel del Parque for your overnight stay.

Hotel del Parque
Opened in January of 2017, this historical, 44-room, luxury, boutique hotel is our new favorite property in Guayaquil! This hotel is located in the lush Guayaquil Historical Park in the upscale Sambarandón area of the city. Hotel del Parque offers a surreal and calming oasis from the noisy city center. Originally conceived in 1891, the building served as a homeless shelter for the elderly and disabled. The rooms are spacious, including extra-large bedrooms with modern bathrooms. Among the