

## **Ecuador & Galapagos**

# Southern and Central Galapagos on \*Origin \* Theory \* Evolve \* Yachts Itinerary A (Beaches and Bay)

San Cristobal Island - Española Island - Floreana Island - Santa Cruz Island Bartolome Island - North Seymour Island

**BEST SEASON** 

**PRICE** 

**HOW LONG** 

All year round

From US \$10,250 pp excluding local flights

8 Days/7 Nights



#### **Overview**

Embark on a transformative journey through the enchanting Galapagos Islands aboard one of three exquisite expedition yachts – Origin, Theory, or Evolve – members of the esteemed **Relais & Châteaux collection.** Consistently ranked among the best luxury Galapagos cruises, including recognition as the most family-friendly by **Conde Nast Traveler**, this fleet boasts the distinction of being the first **100% carbon-neutral operation** in the archipelago, ensuring a sustainable and eco-conscious voyage. Experience the magic firsthand: encounter magnificent wildlife, explore breathtaking landscapes, and immerse yourself in the rich marine life and fascinating history of this unique archipelago. Our meticulously designed yachts, crafted specifically for the Galapagos, seamlessly blend sophisticated elegance with world-class service, providing an unforgettable luxury expedition.

Join us for an intimate and enriching journey, where exceptional itineraries, refined gastronomy, and a commitment to local authenticity redefine the art of sustainable travel.

### **Quick Summary**

B: Breakfast L: Lunch D: Dinner OV: Overnight

Activities: circumnavigation (CN), shore excursion (CA), snorkel (SN), kayak/SUP (KY), Panga ride (PR).

Day & Location	Transportation, Highlights and	Meals
	Accommodations	
Day 1 - <b>Sunday</b>	Leon Dormido (CN) or David Rodriguez Breeding	
Puerto Barquerizo	Center (CA)	D
Moreno – San	OV: Elite * Origin * Evolve Yatchs	
Cristobal		
Day 2 - <b>Monday</b>	Punta Pitt (CA, SN, PR, KY)	BLD
San Cristobal	Cerro Brujo (CA, SN, PR, KY)	
	OV: Elite * Origin * Evolve Yatchs	
Day 3 - <b>Tuesday</b>	Punta Suarez (CA)	BLD
Española Island	Osborn Islet (SN)	
	Gardner Bay (CA, SN, KY)	
	Gardner Islet (SN, PR)	
	OV: Elite * Origin * Evolve Yatchs	
Day 4 - <b>Wednesday</b>	Punta Cormorant (CA, PR)	BLD
Floreana Island	Devil's Crown or Champion (SN)	
	Post Office Bay (CA, SN)	
	Baroness Point (PR, KY)	
	OV: Elite * Origin * Evolve Yatchs	
Day 5 - <b>Thursday</b>	Giant Tortoise Reserve & Highlands (CA) Charles	BLD
Santa Cruz Island	Darwin Station (CA)	
	OV: Elite * Origin * Evolve Yatchs	
Day 6 – <b>Friday</b>	Sombrero Chino (SN, PR, KY), Las Bachas (CA, SN) or	BLD
Bartolome Island	Bartolome (CA, PR, SN) or Black Turtle Cove (PR)	
	OV: Elite * Origin * Evolve Yatchs	
Day 7 – <b>Saturday</b>	South Plaza (CA), North Seymour Island (CA, PR, SN)	BLD
South Plaza – North	OV: Elite * Origin * Evolve Yatchs	
Seymour Island		
Day 8 – <b>Sunday</b>	Interpretation Center (CA), San Cristobal Island,	В
San Cristobal	Disembarkation	

#### ITINERARY DAY BY DAY



#### Day 1 Sunday | Puerto Barquerizo Moreno – San Cristobal

Upon arrival in Puerto Baquerizo Moreno (SCY) San Cristobal Island, our guides are waiting to escort you to your expedition yacht. After a short ride by bus to the dock, and by Zodiac to the yacht anchored in the bay, you're shown your cabin and treated to a delicious lunch. There's a welcome briefing and a brief safety drill, after which you can choose your snorkel equipment and wet suit for the week. There's time to settle in after lunch before the yacht leaves

the harbor. Within a few hours, we reach Leon Dormido, (Spanish for sleeping lion), a remnant of a vertical tuff cone formation, rising 500 feet from the ocean. Erosion has split the rock providing a spectacular backdrop for photographs at sunset. As we circumnavigate the formation, you easily spot blue-footed boobies, Nazca boobies, and frigatebirds on the cliffs. Guests on the Evolve visit La Galapaguera de Cerro Colorado (Centro de Crianza Gianni Arismendy)-2. After a briefing on activities for the following day, join our Captain and crew for a cocktail reception. An elegant multi-course dinner, prepared by our accomplished chefs, is served.



#### Day 2 Monday | San Cristobal

Your first day of exploration starts with a Zodiac ride to look for wildlife at Cerro Brujo (1), which translates to Wizard Hill. Your guide points out the wide variety of birds soaring overhead, from brown pelicans and brown noddy terns to blue-footed boobies divebombing the water as they fish. Look for different color patterns that indicate age – for example, a brown pelican has a white neck when it's mature. Sally Lightfoot crabs, black when they're young but extremely colorful once fully grown, scurry all over the

rocks. Your guides also point out unusual geological formations, including the Cathedral, jokingly called Darwin's Pants. After the Zodiac tour, you step ashore at a gorgeous coral sandy beach and can explore at your own pace. Take a peaceful walk along the beach, swim with sea lions, or get on a paddleboard or kayak. Paddleboards are beginner-friendly, with the option of kneeling if you aren't comfortable standing. This is a good opportunity to become familiar with your snorkeling gear from the beach (1) before snorkeling in deeper water. Your guides help you identify the various species of fish you've encountered so far and lend their expertise. We return to the yacht for a BBQ lunch served on the sun deck (weather permitting). This afternoon, we will go ashore at Punta Pitt (4) for a hike. Parts of the trail are rocky, and there is some climbing involved. This is considered one of the best sites for birdwatching, primarily because it is the only place where you'll see all three species of boobies: blue-footed, redfooted, and the Nazca. Look for baby blue-footed boobies, fully grown after just a couple of months but fluffy and white until their feathers grow in. Your guides also point out frigatebirds,

swallow-tailed gulls, storm petrels, and brown pelicans. We can snorkel at Pitt Rock (2) with sea lions and colorful fish, King Angel and Surgeon fish. Return to the yacht for a briefing and dinner. As the yacht sets sail, choose from a selection of guidebooks or fiction from the library, or climb to the top deck for a distant view of "Kicker Rock". After dinner, join your guide on deck for an exploration of the Southern skies full of stars.



#### Day 3 Tuesday | Española Island

This morning you land at Punta Suarez on Espanola (Hood) Island (5). Your guides point out the large number of endemic species living here, such as the waved albatross. These gorgeous birds spend the first several years of their lives in the open ocean and return to land to mate. If your visit is between April and December, you witness the well-known courtship dance. As you walk, take care not to step on the marine iguanas sunbathing on the dark lava rocks. These iguanas are usually black but acquire bright red and

green coloration during mating season from the algae they eat. Follow the trail to the dramatic ocean blow hole and watch for colorful Sally Lightfoot crabs crawling along the shoreline. We also find Darwin's Finches, Hood mockingbirds, Galapagos Doves, red-billed tropicbirds, Galapagos Hawks, Nazca boobies, and swallow-tailed gulls, the only nocturnal gull in the world. Return to the yacht for a BBQ lunch served on deck (weather permitting) and a cooking demonstration on how to make Ecuadorian ceviche. After lunch, you'll have the option to snorkel at Tortuga Rock (2) and explore the caves covered with invertebrates. Disembark at Gardner Bay (1), the site of an expansive white-powder sand beach where colonies of sea lions dot the shoreline. The dominant males of a sea lion colony keep watch over their harems to keep them safe. Here you have the option to snorkel from the beach (1), kayak or paddleboard, or take a leisurely stroll, sunbathe, or look for wildlife, Darwin Finches, Espanola mockingbirds, and Galapagos hawks. After the activities, return to the yacht for a briefing and dinner. Your guide offers an optional enrichment lecture tonight after dinner. Informative and entertaining, the topic for this evening is marine currents and the climate or Geology of the Islands.



#### Day 4 Wednesday | Floreana Island

Step ashore at Punta Cormorant's olive-sand beach with the sounds of sea lions, lava herons, yellow-crowned night herons, and blue-footed boobies as you explore Floreana (Charles) Island (3). The green mineral you see on the beach is caused by a high concentration of iron and manganese from the same basaltic lava found in Hawaii. As you walk to a brackish lagoon, home to Bahama ducks, common stilts, Galapagos flycatchers, and bright pink flamingos, the guides point out the rich variety of plant life, including morning

glories, cut-leaf daisies, mangroves (black, red, and white), palo verde, and Scalesia. The trail leads to a beach where sea turtles lay their eggs in the sand dunes, and stingrays swim in the shallow water. Don't miss the opportunity to snorkel at Devil's Crown or Champion Islet (2), a shallow sunken crater colonized by a brilliant array of colorful fish and coral, white-tipped sharks, sea turtles, spotted eagle rays, and sea stars. Return to the yacht for lunch and a lecture on the human history of Galapagos. Learn about fascinating facts of why this island is sometimes called the Island of Mysteries. In the afternoon, you'll be able to participate in a thrilling Galapagos tradition. Floreana is home to Post Office Bay (1), the site where English

whaling vessels erected a post barrel in the late 18th century. When you drop a postcard in the barrel, no postage is required. You'll search through the postcards left by previous visitors, and if you see one addressed to a location near your home, you may choose to take it with you. However, you must deliver it in person. Similarly, your postcards will be delivered by future visitors. Take a Zodiac excursion or explore by paddleboard at Baroness Point to find sea turtles and rays in the shallow lagoon. You'll be busy snapping photos of sea stars and a brilliant array of colorful fish. Return to the yacht for a briefing followed by dinner and a fun-filled pirate-themed party – participation is optional.



#### Day 5 Thursday | Santa Cruz Island

When you wake up this morning, the view is completely different from the last few days. A harbor full of boats is bustling with activity at Puerto Ayora, Santa Cruz Island (2), a town with a population of 24,000. You travel by bus to a higher altitude with beautiful geological formations, including the lava tunnels at El Mirador and Los Gemelos (the twins), a pair of massive craters. Your guides explain how they were formed. The highlight of the morning is a visit to Rancho Primicias, a privately owned ranch where

tortoises roam free. These slow-moving giants can grow to over 500 pounds! Lunch is served back on board the yacht, and later in the afternoon, you learn about the most famous visitor to the Galapagos – Charles Darwin – as well as current conservation efforts when you visit the Centro de Crianza Fausto Llerena or Charles Darwin Research Station (1). Visit the exhibit honoring Lonesome George, whose death marked the extinction of his species of tortoise from Pinta Island. There's another story with a happier ending: Diego, a tortoise from the San Diego Zoo, brought his species back from the brink of extinction by fathering hundreds of offspring. You'll have free time to explore the town as you walk back to the main dock, a distance of about a mile. If you're looking for a souvenir, this is the perfect time. You'll have the option to remain in town for dinner on your own with transfers provided by Zodiac. Otherwise, return to the yacht for the customary delicious multi-course dinner.



#### Day 6 Friday | Bartolome Island

When you wake up this morning, you're in solitude once again, with no other boats in sight. You have two options for a morning activity. Today's hike is a challenge, with about 400 wooden steps winding around Bartolome Island (4), ending in a gorgeous panoramic view of Pinnacle Rock. Your guide stops along the way describing the geology of the landscape; mini lava cones and lava bombs formed by flowing magma from past volcanic eruptions. If you'd rather skip the hike, enjoy a Zodiac ride around the

island to look for penguins. You'll see these adorable animals, the second smallest type of penguin, swimming and diving playfully or grooming themselves on rocks. Crystal-clear water beckons you to wade in from the beach (1). Snorkel with schools of tropical fish, white-tipped reef sharks, and Galapagos Penguins. Return to the vessel for a BBQ lunch served on the sundeck (weather permitting). The itinerary for this afternoon varies depending on your yacht, but all visitors enjoy lovely views and some of the Galapagos' renowned wildlife. Guests on the Origin go ashore on Sombrero Chino (Chinese Hat), a small island off the southern tip of Santiago that owes its name to its shape. Sea lions await on the beach, and as you explore,

you'll see marine iguanas and oystercatchers. Along the trail (3), you'll see remnants of the island's geological history, with volcanic rubble and cracked lava formations. Snorkeling here, often with penguins, is not to be missed. Guests on Theory visit Playa Las Bachas (1), on the northern side of Santa Cruz. You'll also have a wonderful opportunity for snorkeling after exploring interior lagoons with vivid flamingos. Guests on the Evolve have a Zodiac excursion at Caleta Tortuga Negra (Black Turtle Cove) through a series of coves and inlets surrounded by mangroves. You'll navigate slowly along the shoreline, listening for the telltale deep inhale of a sea turtle and watching for the wings of a school of golden rays. Your guide offers an enrichment lecture tonight after dinner. Informative and entertaining, the topic for this evening is Charles Darwin and evolution or social and environmental projects supported by Ecoventura.



#### Day 7 Saturday | South Plaza – North Seymour Island

This morning you'll head out on South Plaza (3), a small islet with tall cliffs and a trail with a variety of plants and animals. Invasive species have decimated this island's species of "Opuntia" or prickly pear cactus, so you'll see young plants surrounded by nets to protect them. Look for nests for a variety of birds, such as swallow-tailed gulls, shearwaters, small ground finches, and red-billed

tropicbirds. This geological uplift is home to a colony of bachelor sea lions, with dominant bulls recovering from battles over prime beach territory. You'll also have an opportunity to see land iguanas up close, Great and Magnificent, and your guides teach you how to identify them. During lunch, you'll sail to North Seymour Island (3), where a spectacular sight awaits: frigate birds with red sacs on their chests inflated, seeking mates. At the height of the mating season, you'll be surrounded by dozens, but no matter what time of year you visit, there will be individuals seeking mates. The Galapagos Islands are home to two different species of frigates, Great and Magnificent, and your guides teach you to identify the differences. You have a final opportunity to snorkel in deeper water (2). Look for sharks, sea lions, and starfish, along with a variety of tropical fish. Before dinner, enjoy a champagne toast to celebrate a wonderful week at the captain's farewell gathering. During the briefing, you'll receive detailed instructions for disembarking the next morning. After dinner, there is a special presentation from your guides with images from your week in paradise.



# Day 8 Sunday | San Cristobal Island – Disembarkation

This morning you disembark from the yacht after breakfast. As a perfect way to sum up the trip, you visit the Interpretation Center on San Cristobal (1) to discover more about the human history of the Galapagos Islands. There's also a paved trail where you can enjoy a brief walk before a bus ride into town. You have some free time for last-minute photos before your transfer to the airport. It's a quick flight back to

the mainland, but you'll be bringing lifelong memories with you.

Extend your Galapagos adventure with a two-night stay at the Mashpi Lodge in mainland Ecuador. Immerse yourself in the Mashpi Biodiversity Reserve, exploring its rich flora and fauna through guided activities. Or venture deeper into the Amazon Rainforest for a more pristine and immersive experience where wildlife abounds.

#### **Difficulty level of Guided shore excursions:**

- 1- Easy walk on even terrain or beach
- 2- Moderate walk on a trail with mostly firm terrain
- 3- Rocky trail with moderate landing and climbing
- 4- Difficult steep rocky trail or climbing up natural stairs
- 5- Long rocky challenging trail with loose or slippery rocks

#### Difficulty level of snorkeling excursions:

- 1- Enter water from the beach in shallow where you can touch the bottom
- 2- Enter water from Zodiac in deeper water, possible current, requires experience.

#### **Pricing**

Pricing 2025 8 days/7 nights	Per Person		
	Double	Triple	Single
Beagle Deck	\$10,500	\$10,250	\$19,000
Premium Suites (two staterooms)	\$21,000	N/A	N/A
Private Charter for up to 20 guests \$210,000	N/A	N/A	N/A

Pricing 2026 8 days/7 nights	Per Person		
	Double	Triple	Single
Beagle Deck – Deluxe stateroom	\$10,950	\$10,750	\$19,950
Premium Suites (two staterooms)	\$21,900	N/A	N/A
Private Charter for up to 20 guests \$219,000	N/A	N/A	N/A

For 2025 and 2026 departures, please check the following link: <u>Beaches and Bay:</u> Southern and Central - Green Planet Expeditions

#### Important (applies for 2025)

\*\*Adults paying full price qualify for a 10% discount on select departures.

Solo Special Discounts are limited to two single cabins per departure. Pay just \$14,250 on selected departures – A savings of \$ 4,750 from \$19,000

Complete Private Charter for up to 20 guests: \$210,000. Perfect for large families and Small Groups, with your exclusive group on board, the crew will tailor your voyage to ensure it exceeds every expectation. For an additional fixed charge of \$1500, we can enhance your

private charter experience by providing a masseuse, yoga instructor or photographer who will accompany you for the duration of your trip.

Premium Suites: For the ultimate luxury experience, guests can book a premium Suite and get double the space, with two bathrooms, plus a separate living room with oceanfront views, and extra perks including free laundry service, premium brands of beverages, premium seats on the Avianca flights, access to the VIP lounge at the airport on departure day, welcome gifts, and more.

Children and teens age 17 years and younger at the time of sailing are entitled to a 15% discount off the cruise rate. Children age 11 and under get a reduced rate on the airfare and the park entrance fee with proof of age and a photocopy of the child's passport showing the date of birth. Designated family departures are offered during all school breaks on at least one of the three identical yachts. Children under the age of 6 are only permitted on an exclusive charter basis. Restrictions on child discounts – we allow one child discount per adult fare with a limit of two per family. The fleet may limit the total number of child discounts permitted on any one departure. Children under 18 years must be accompanied by an adult.

**Festive week**: There is a holiday supplement of \$500 per person and a flat rate of \$10,000 on charters. No discounts are available including child and teen discounts. The single rate has 100% supplement.

#### **Capture Stunning Photos on Our Photography Departures**

Led by certified photography instructors/naturalist guides, these departures cater to both photography enthusiasts and those seeking a scenic escape. Our guides will split their expertise, ensuring dedicated support for photographers and a fulfilling experience for everyone.

#### **Yatch Terms & Conditions**

Individual Booking Terms (1-4 passengers) apply for 2025 Cancellation policy – Cancellations received up to 90 days prior to departure will be refunded in full except for 50% of the deposit; 89-60 days prior to departure, 100% of the deposit will be forfeited, 59-0 days prior to departure, the entire cruise rate is forfeited.

#### Included

- Open bar policy including wine, beer, cocktails, spirits, juices, sodas, coffee, and tea
- Satellite communication: High-speed Wi-Fi available 24/7 for all guests free of charge
- Guided shore excursions twice daily, evening briefings, and enrichment lectures
- Two Zodiacs and a glass-bottom boat for exploration of the shoreline
- Multiple Kayaks (five doubles and a single) and two stand-up paddle boards
- Wet suits (full 3mm) in your size and snorkeling equipment (mask, fins, and snorkel)
- Transfers in the Islands between the airport with meet & greet for AV1630 arrivals only
- Personalized check-in at the airports in Quito and Guayaquil for AV1630 arrivals only

- Process and pre-payment of the park entrance fee and INGALA/ TCT card for AV1630 arrivals only
- Assistance with reservations for pre- and post-cruise hotels, land tours, and airport transfers

Cabin amenities include – A vanity and lighted mirror, a sectional closet with drawers, flat-screen TV with pre-loaded movies, a universal docking station, a USB, a clock, a safety deposit box, individual climate control, memory foam mattress, reading lights, blackout curtains, Nespresso machine and tea kettle, pair of binoculars, and reusable water bottles. The bathrooms are modern and bright with a walk-in rainfall shower. Guests are provided with plush towels, bathrobes, slippers, a hair dryer, a vanity kit, and refillable dispensers of bio-degradable soap, shampoo, body wash, and lotion. Cabins are cleaned three times daily. Satellite Communication – WI-FI is available 24/7 and is free of charge

Items provided onboard Origin, Theory & Evolve:

- Waffle weave bathrobes and slippers (one size fits most)
- Beach towels and plush bath towels
- Hairdryer, plush bath towels, and beach towels
- Vanity Kit (show cap, loofah, sewing kit, Q-tips, cotton, file)
- Biodegradable shampoo, conditioner, body wash, and moisturizer
- Pair of Binoculars (one per cabin)
- Walking sticks (metal poles)
- Wet suits (3mm full size) in a variety of sizes
- Flippers (full foot) for snorkeling, masks, and snorkels
- Reusable metal water bottle (that you can take home)

#### **Not Included**

- International Airfare to Ecuador you must arrive to Quito or Guayaquil the day prior to the cruise
- Hotel accommodation in Ecuador the night before your cruise we can assist you with reservations
- Airfare from Quito or Guayaquil to Galapagos confirmed through our allotment of seats with Avianca
- Galapagos Park entrance fee (park tax) \$200 for adults \$100 for children 11 and under
- INGALA fee of \$20 per person for a TCT card to control migration to the islands
- Gratuities for the guides and crew the suggested amount is \$300-350 per guest per week
- Purchases from the bar for premium brands of wine and spirits not included in the open bar policy
- Laundry service available Monday to Friday and limited to five items per cabin per day
- Mandatory Travel Insurance: To ensure a smooth travel experience, all participants are required to have a comprehensive travel insurance policy. This policy should include trip cancellation, medical services, and coverage for active adventures or evacuations. "Cancel For Any Reason" (CFAR) coverage is highly recommended to protect your investment in case of unforeseen circumstances.
- Any other items not mentioned above

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**



#### **Evolve \* Origin \* Theory Yachts**

THESE IDENTICAL YACHTS FEATURE:

- •Family-owned and operated responsible cruise company from Ecuador, founded in 1991
- Member of the Relais & Chateaux collection of luxury boutique hotels and restaurants
- · Crew of 13 including a Concierge and two Naturalist

guides (one for every ten guests)

- · Departures every Sunday on two full-week exhilarating itineraries (no shorter segments)
- · Chic interiors by local interior designer with curated art and contemporary understated decor
- · Flexible dining room with seating from two at a private table to up to 8 guests
- · A la carte menus inspired by Relais & Chateaux with healthy and sustainable gastronomy
- Dinner is a beautifully plated four-course menu and BBQ lunches are served al fresco on the sun deck.
- · Cooking demonstrations, after-excursion gourmet bites, and an afternoon tea service with pastries
- · Spacious sun deck, partially shaded with day beds and chaise lounges.
- · BBQ grill, outdoor bar, tables, and chairs for outdoor dining prepared on the grill
- · Jacuzzi hot tub for up to four guests, an outdoor shower, and a restroom
- · Outdoor lounge areas provide a private spot to unwind with comfortable sofa seating
- · Cozy library stocked with rare publications on the Galapagos, natural history, and Charles Darwin
- · Boutique offers high-quality embroidered apparel and handicrafts made by local artisans
- · Fitness center equipped with cardio equipment (elliptical, stationary bike) and yoga mats

DELUXE STATEROOMS (Beagle Deck) – Accommodation in a designer stateroom on the main deck featuring panoramic windows with expansive unobstructed views. Twin beds convert to a king size bed; for a single, double, and triple accommodations with a pull-down berth. Two sets of cabins have a connecting door, ideal for a family of four or five.

SUITES – feature two deluxe staterooms joined by a connecting door with his and hers bathrooms, a bedroom with a king-size bed or two twins, and a separate lounge area with an ocean-front view.

Additional amenities include Premium brands of beverages, a second PIN code to the 24/7 satellite Wi-Fi, and free laundry service. SUITES are not available on festive or family departures.

Cabin amenities – a vanity and lighted mirror, sectional closet with drawers, flat-screen TV with pre-loaded movies, universal docking station, USB, clock, safety deposit box, individual climate control, memory foam mattress, reading lights, blackout curtains, Nespresso machine and tea kettle, pair of binoculars, and refillable water bottle. The bathrooms are modern and bright with a walk-in rainfall shower. Guests are provided with plush towels, bathrobes, slippers, a hairdryer, a vanity kit, refillable dispensers of bio-degradable soap and shampoo, body wash, and lotion.

#### **Booking your Green Planet Expedition**

#### How to reserve a trip

To secure your spot on a trip, you can conveniently book online using our <u>Reserve a Trip form</u> or by calling **1-800-430-9498**. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of the reservation form and the initial 50% trip deposit.

Please note that we are unable to hold space until the deposit is received. If the requested space is unavailable, we will promptly provide alternative options for your consideration (if an upgrade is necessary, higher rates may apply).

#### Pre departure service

Upon receipt of your deposit and completed reservation form, we will email you a comprehensive Predeparture Dossier. This contains important information to help you prepare including immunizations, visas, trip insurance, packing checklist, reading list, maps, cross-cultural information, optional trip extensions, and more. You will receive a final trip email including Final Reminders and local contact information in your destination 2-3 weeks before departure.

#### **Terms and Conditions**

Green Planet Expeditions has arranged your trip utilizing the travel services of local in-country ground operators who are independent contractors. These local outfitters, lodges, hotels, and other suppliers of your travel services will make every effort to conduct this trip as described in the itinerary; however, it is possible that due to transportation schedule changes, weather, delays, and unforeseeable acts of God, humans or nature, this itinerary may vary from what is described. Participants must assume all risks whether identified in advance or unforeseen. All optional activities are at your own risk. Extra costs due to unexpected changes in your itinerary for reasons beyond our control are not included.

Caring for our planet is integral to our ethos. In alignment with our commitment to sustainability, a carbon emissions mitigation fee is incorporated into all our trips. This fee contributes to environmental initiatives that offset the carbon footprint associated with our

journeys, ensuring a positive impact on the destinations we explore. Your safety and peace of mind during the journey is our top priorities. The purchase of traveler's insurance is mandatory for all participants, and it must cover trip delays, trip cancellations, baggage, accident, or sickness. In some specific cases like Antarctica, it must cover evacuation.

All information and services provided are subject to our Terms and Conditions.

At Green Planet Expeditions, we craft strategically curated journeys that immerse travelers in the finest of nature, culture, and local traditions, always seeking out opportunities for exceptional dining experiences. Our expertise lies in tailor-made trips to destinations where we maintain close relationships with local partners, ensuring flawless execution with the assistance of passionate guides deeply connected to their heritage and committed to its preservation.

We believe that tourism, when harnessed thoughtfully, becomes a powerful catalyst for conservation and community upliftment in the destinations we visit.

#### As with any good recipe, our trips are infused with the following flavors:

- Positive impact on the areas you choose to visit, directly or indirectly.
- Amazing private local guides.
- Lovely small boutique hotels according to your budget.
- Good food, no matter how remote the destination is, we strive to offer good cuisine.
- Our trips frequently include surprises, which often turn out to be the highlight of the journey.
- When open to it, visits to less-known destinations, reserved for the daring few, and
  engages in intimate and meaningful encounters with locals—a cherished treasure
  highly valued by discerning travelers, as we have discovered through our years of
  experience in the industry.

#### Still haven't found what you're looking for?

We offer a wide range of amazing trips that may not all be listed on our website. Plus, we can custom-build pretty much whatever your heart desires, so let us know what we can do for you. If you have any questions about our expedition cruises, private trips, or just want to talk travel, give us a call at + 1 800- 430 9498 or contact us via email at travel@greenplanetexpeditions.com