



**Spartan Pathways Travel**

# Exploring Galápagos

*Aboard National Geographic Endeavour II*

February 19-28, 2027



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## Expedition Highlights

- ✓ Explore with just 96 fellow travelers and benefit from over 50 years experience, history and relationships in the Galápagos Islands, curated to offer intimate and diverse perspectives.
- ✓ Have up-close encounters with Galápagos wildlife and explore the undersea, too.
- ✓ Walk among wildlife with no instinctive fear of humans: lounge on beaches with sea lions, marvel at huge colonies of marine iguanas and see nesting seabirds.
- ✓ Adventure by kayak, paddleboard, glass-bottom boat and Zodiac.
- ✓ Participate in National Geographic Explorers-in-Training, an exclusive family program, where kids and teens learn to explore like scientists, as they discover this fascinating archipelago—from “sneezing” iguanas to giant tortoises.

# Itinerary

## DAY 1

### QUITO OR GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR

Arrive in Ecuador, either in Quito, Ecuador's capital city in the Andes, or in the coastal city of Guayaquil, for an included transfer to your convenient hotel for an overnight stay. Both cities are well-served by international carriers, and Galápagos flights start and end in Quito with a stop in Guayaquil. Guests in Guayaquil stay at the locally owned Hotel Oro Verde or have the choice of several hotels in Quito, including a convenient airport hotel.

*Note: For those preferring to fly into Quito and overnight, please note the city sits at a 9,350ft elevation. This is an alternative option to Guayaquil, at no additional cost, and is recommended if guests take advantage of an optional extension.*

## DAY 2

### QUITO OR GUAYAQUIL/GALÁPAGOS/EMBARK

This morning, take a required flight to the Galápagos Islands (booked by Lindblad Expeditions at an additional cost) and board *National Geographic Endeavour II*. After lunch, begin your exploration of the islands and their diverse wildlife. (B,L,D)

## DAYS 3-8

### EXPLORING THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

Listed below is a sample of islands you may visit during your expedition. All ship itineraries are subject to Galápagos National Park regulations. (B,L,D Daily)

**North Seymour:** Follow coastal trails past Galápagos sea lions on this wildlife-rich central island. Continue inland through a silvery forest of endemic palo santo trees, where frigatebirds nest, blue-footed boobies dance and prehistoric-looking land iguanas feeding on cacti.

**Rábida:** Land on a red-sand beach on this volcanically varied island, where we explore inland. We may see flamingos feeding in a brackish lagoon and clownish brown pelicans entertaining from their nests. Jump in the surrounding waters for a snorkel, or explore by kayak or paddleboard.

**Fernandina:** One of the most active oceanic volcanoes in the world, Fernandina is the youngest and most pristine island in Galápagos—and home to the strange flightless cormorant, Galápagos penguins and the largest marine iguanas. On shore, hike across impressive recent lava flows.

**Isabela:** Cross the Equator at Volcán Ecuador, northernmost of Isabela's six great shield volcanoes. Keep an eye out for whales and dolphins, sea turtles and the elusive ocean sunfish. Follow in the footsteps of Charles Darwin and Herman Melville and look for wildlife along the wildly eroded volcanic shore.





**Santiago:** Explore tide pools and look for fur seals sheltered in quiet grottos of black basalt. Swim, snorkel, kayak and paddleboard along spectacular shorelines and explore an enchanting coastal forest where Charles Darwin once walked.

**Santa Cruz:** Call at Puerto Ayora, the largest town and headquarters of both the Charles Darwin Research Station and Galápagos National Park. Head to the lush, green highlands to see giant tortoises roaming in the wild.

**San Cristóbal:** Search for red-footed boobies and the endemic mockingbird and lava lizard—found only on this easternmost island. Explore Baquerizo Moreno, where sea lion colonies thrive in the middle of town.

DAY 9 ●

**GALÁPAGOS/DISEMBARK/QUITO OR GUAYAQUIL**

Disembark this morning for a return flight to the mainland, then transfer to Hotel Oro Verde in Guayaquil, or have several options in Quito, including a convenient airport hotel. The afternoon and evening are at your leisure. You may be able to take advantage of overnight flights home. (B)

DAY 10 ●

**QUITO OR GUAYAQUIL**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and board flights home. (B)

**OPTIONAL PRE-VOYAGE EXTENSIONS:**

**TROPICAL ANDES & COLONIAL QUITO • 6 DAYS**

Before your Galápagos adventure, discover the lesser-known wonders of mainland Ecuador on this six-day adventure in the Andes. Explore Quito, a UNESCO World Heritage site, from the comfort of historic Casa Gangotena on Plaza San Francisco. Then immerse yourself in the heart of the Ecuadorian Chocó, one of the world's top five biodiversity hotspots, at Mashpi Lodge.

**SEE QUITO • 3 DAYS**

From your base at the Swissôtel Quito, experience this vibrant city—the world's first UNESCO World Heritage site—with its dazzling colonial churches and bustling traditional markets. Focus your explorations on the Centro Histórico, where a colonial legacy blends with contemporary Andean culture. This extension adds just one night to your voyage, giving you time to get acclimated to Ecuador before your expedition.



# National Geographic Endeavour II

**CAPACITY:** 52 outside cabins and suites accommodating 96 guests.

**REGISTRY:** Ecuador. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 236 feet.

*National Geographic Endeavour II* was designed to meet exacting standards. A beautiful ship, she is lavishly windowed to better frame the never-ending panorama as she voyages from island to island.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Forward lounge and bar accommodating all guests for presentations and gatherings, restaurant, large library with Mac kiosks, open-air observation deck, underwater gear area and dual Zodiac boarding platform and "open Bridge," where guests can meet the captain and officers and learn about navigation.

**MEALS:** Served in a single, unassigned seating in a sociable, informal atmosphere with Ecuadorian flair.

**CABINS:** All face outside with large windows and feature single beds that convert to a queen. With private facilities and climate control, nightstands, desk and storage. Seven sets of cabins with a connecting door.

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Zodiacs, glass-bottom boat, kayaks and paddleboards, snorkel gear and wetsuits for both adults and children, video microscope and underwater video camera.

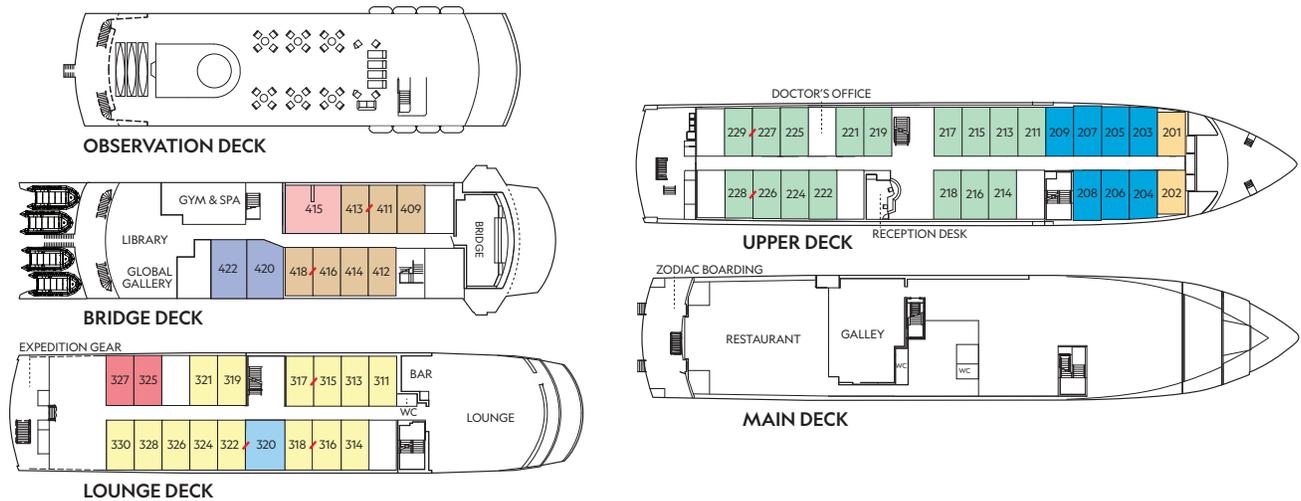
**SPECIAL FEATURES:** National Geographic certified photo instructor, shipboard doctor, National Geographic Explorers-in-Training family program, snorkel instruction, Wi-Fi access, laundry service, Global Gallery.

**WELLNESS:** LEXspa and fitness center, exercise classes and wellness specialist.

**PIONEERING RESPONSIBLE EXPLORATION:** From our consistent quest to improve our practices to offsetting 100% of our carbon emissions, supporting conservation, science and education initiatives around the planet and investing in the communities in the places we explore, we are guided by our commitment to explore responsibly.



# National Geographic Endeavour II



↗ indicates adjoining cabins

## CATEGORY 1

Upper Deck, Forward #201, 202—with a large window, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, armchair, desk, two nightstands and closet.

## CATEGORY 2

Upper Deck #211, 213-219, 221, 222, 224-229—with a large window, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, armchair, desk, two nightstands and closet.

## CATEGORY 3

Lounge Deck #311, 313-319, 321, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330—with a large window, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, armchair, desk, two nightstands and closet.

## CATEGORY 4

Bridge Deck #409, 411-414, 416, 418—with a large window, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, armchair, desk, two nightstands and closet.

## SUITE A

Lounge Deck, Mid-Ship #320—with two large windows, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, oversized bathroom, armchair, writing desk and chair, mini-fridge, espresso maker, two nightstands and double closet.

## SUITE B

Bridge Deck, Mid-Ship #420, 422—with floor-to-ceiling windows, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, oversized bathroom, convertible sofa for a third person, writing desk and chair, two nightstands, mini fridge, espresso maker and double closet.

## SUITE C

Bridge Deck, Mid-Ship #415—with two large windows, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, larger bathroom, separate seating area with convertible sofa for a third person, writing desk, lounge chair, coffee table, armchair, two nightstands and extra closet space.

## CATEGORY 2 SOLO

Upper Deck #203-209—with a large window, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, armchair, desk, two nightstands and closet.

## CATEGORY 3 SOLO

Lounge Deck #325, 327—with a large window, two single beds or a queen-sized bed, armchair, desk, two nightstands and closet.

**CONNECTING CABINS:** #226/228, 227/229, 315/317, 316/318, 320/322, 411/413, 416/418

**TRIPLE OCCUPANCY:** #224, 225, 326, 328 with fold-down third berth, Suites B and C with convertible sofa bed. Third person rates are one-half per person double occupancy rate.

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VOYAGE DATES	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	SUITE A	SUITE B	SUITE C	CAT. 2 SOLO	CAT. 3 SOLO
February 19-28, 2027	\$6,960	\$8,641	\$9,605	\$10,669	\$12,792	\$13,771	\$14,474	\$11,233	\$12,486

**ADVANCE PAYMENT:** 15% of the cabin fare, per person

## Terms and Conditions

**PRICING:** Prices quoted in this flyer are per person based on double occupancy in USD. Under normal conditions the total expedition price is guaranteed at the time advanced payment is made.

However, our expedition pricing is determined far in advance of initial departure on the basis of then-existing projections of fuel and other costs. In the event of increases in those costs, including but not limited to increases in the price of fuel, currency fluctuations, increases in government taxes or levies or increased security costs, we reserve the right to adjust the price of your expedition or add a surcharge to cover such unexpected increases. We will always provide an explanation of the reason for increase in costs.

**COST INCLUDES:** The rates include seven nights' accommodations aboard ship; all meals and all beverages aboard ship, including beer, wine, cocktails and spirits (a selection of premium wines and liquors are available for purchase); shore excursions and sightseeing; two nights' hotel accommodations in Quito or Guayaquil with breakfast; airport transfers are included for hotel arrangements made through National Geographic-Lindblad Expeditions; Galápagos National Park entry fee; Galápagos Transit Card; use of snorkeling equipment, wetsuits, kayaks and stand-up paddleboards; services of a medical professional, Lindblad Expeditions' leader, naturalist staff and expert guides; all port charges and service taxes; gratuities to local guides; and basic Wi-Fi access.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Airfare, both international and internal; pre- and post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights; meals not indicated; crew gratuities; private transfers; items of a personal nature such as certain premium brands of wines and liquors, laundry, spa treatments, enhanced and premium Wi-Fi plans, and phone services; travel protection plan; and passport, visa and immigration fees.

**AIRFARE:** Airfare, both international and internal, is an additional cost. International and internal Ecuador tickets must be issued separately. Internal tickets must be booked by Lindblad Expeditions. Lindblad Expeditions will assist in making your international air arrangements for a \$50 per person service fee.

**RESERVATIONS:** To confirm your place, an advance payment of 15% of the cabin fare, per person is required and is payable by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover or check. Receipt of advance payment indicates your acceptance of the terms and conditions.

**FINAL PAYMENT:** Payment is due 120 days prior to departure.

Lindblad Expeditions reserves the right to cancel your reservation if payment has not been received by final payment due date.

**TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN:** Travel and medical insurance are available at an additional cost. Information will be sent to you upon registration.

**ITINERARY MODIFICATIONS:** Itineraries, routing and speakers listed are correct at time of publication, and are subject to change.

**ENTRY AND VISA REQUIREMENTS:** Guests are advised to verify travel documents (passport/transit visa/entry visa) for the country(s) through which they are transiting and/or entering. Reliable and most current information regarding international travel can be found by contacting the consulate/embassy of the country(s) you are visiting or transiting through. We will not be responsible if you are denied entry or transit into a country, if you are unable to provide valid documents as per the country's requirement.

**RESPONSIBILITY AND OTHER TERMS & CONDITIONS:** Certain other provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Expeditions' and National Geographic Expeditions' (a division of National Geographic Partners, LLC) liability for loss of property, injury, illness, or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship's ticket sent prior to departure or upon request. By registering for a trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

### CANCELLATION FEE POLICY (PER PERSON)

**120 or more days** prior to expedition start: **No penalty:** Advance Payment will be credited toward your next expedition\*\*

**119-90 days** prior to expedition start: **50% of trip cost\*\*\***

**89-0 days** prior to expedition start: **100% of trip cost\*\*\***

*\*\*Advance payments will be credited in the form of a Lindblad Expeditions Travel Certificate, valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation, and which may only be applied towards final payment on any future booking.*

*\*\*\*Trip cost is total price paid including extensions, charter airfare and other additional services.*

*We strongly recommend that you purchase a travel protection plan.*

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**RESERVATION FORM**

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**To register, please contact:**

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## PASSENGER INFORMATION

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s).

Guest 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(As it appears on passport)*

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(As it appears on passport)*

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodations:  Double  Single  Twin share with a friend  
 Share with roommate assigned by tour operator.

Please indicate choice of cabin category in order of preference:

1st choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Planned arrival/departure city:  Quito  Guayaquil

Please send me information on:  **See Quito**  **Tropical Andes & Colonial Quito** extension

**Advance Payment Information:** 15% of the cabin fare, per person.

If paying by check, please make payable to: **Lindblad Maritime Enterprises, Ltd.**

Enclosed is my advance payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If paying by credit card, we will contact you to finalize your booking and collect payment information.