



# Pre-Departure Information

GALAPAGOS PRIVATE JOURNEY



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## WELCOME!

We're delighted to welcome you on this adventure! This booklet is designed to guide you in the practical details for preparing for your trip. As you read, if any questions come to mind, feel free to give us a call or send us an email—we're here to help.

## PLEASE SEND US

- Trip Application:** Complete, sign, and return your Trip Application form as soon as possible if you have not already done so.
- Medical Form:** Complete, sign, and return your Medical Form as soon as possible if you have not already done so.
- Air Schedule:** Please forward a copy of your email confirmation, which shows your exact flight arrival and departure times. Refer to the Arrival & Departure section of the Detailed Trip Itinerary for instructions. Please feel free to review your proposed schedule with Wilderness Travel before purchasing your tickets if you have any questions about the timing of your arrival and departure flights or would like to confirm we have the required minimum number of participants to operate the trip.
- Passport Photocopy:** Scan\* a COLOR copy of your passport photo page and email it to us as a JPG or PDF attachment, or send us a high quality photocopy by mail (immediately upon reserving your trip).

*\*If you are scanning documents to email, we suggest a maximum resolution of 300 dpi.*

## PLEASE CAREFULLY REVIEW

- Travel Documents & Medical Information:** Carefully review the Travel Documents and Medical Information sections of this booklet to familiarize yourself with Passport and Visa entry requirements for your destination, as well as any recommended inoculations.
- Optional Travel Insurance:** Review the Trip Cancellation & Transfer Fee Schedule included in the Detailed Itinerary. We recommend that all trip members purchase Travel Insurance.
- Final Documents:** Approximately three weeks before your trip, we will send you final departure documents, including hotel and local contact information and rendezvous instructions.

## QUESTIONS?

Call: 1-800-368-2794, go to our **website** ([www.wildernesstravel.com](http://www.wildernesstravel.com)) or e-mail us at: [info@wildernesstravel.com](mailto:info@wildernesstravel.com).

# Travel Information

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## PASSPORT

A valid passport is required for your trip. Be sure to check the expiration date. Your passport must be valid for six months after your date of exit from Ecuador. In addition, we recommend your passport have at least two completely blank visa pages for every country you will be visiting. It is very important that the blank pages say “Visas” at the top. The last few pages of your passport, which say “Amendments and Endorsements,” and the final page of your passport, which may not have a page number, are not considered to be legitimate visa pages. The service of adding pages for visas was discontinued as of January 1, 2016. You can request a new passport through **US Passport Services Office** (<http://travel.state.gov/passport>) or use a visa service agency, which can take care of your passport renewal and expedite the process, if needed. We recommend **Passport Visas Express** (<http://www.passportvisasexpress.com/?affId=2120>). Be sure to allow sufficient time to acquire this before your trip.

It is a good idea to carry photocopies of your passport’s photo page and any acquired visa pages for your trip (if applicable) in case your passport is lost or as an additional piece of identification, as well as two extra passport photos.

## VISAS

US citizens do not need a visa for Ecuador. A tourist card will be issued to you on the flight to Guayaquil. Half of the card is collected upon your entry to the country, and you keep the other half to present upon your departure.

If you are a citizen of any country other than the US, check with a local consulate for entry requirements.

## MONEY

The unit of currency in Ecuador is the US dollar. Be sure to bring an ample supply of US cash with you; traveler’s checks are not recommended, as they can be difficult and time-consuming to cash. Visa, MasterCard, and American Express cards are accepted in major hotels and some restaurants and shops. If you plan to use your credit cards, inform your credit card company before your departure that you will be using the card abroad. ATMs are available in Guayaquil. Most ATMs have a maximum withdrawal of \$100 per transaction, but multiple transactions up to your daily withdrawal limit can be made. To use an ATM internationally, you must have a four-digit PIN. You will need to budget spending money for gratuities, any meals not included in the trip itinerary (approximately \$10-\$15 for lunches and \$20-\$30 for dinners in Guayaquil), personal items such as phone calls, and beverages aboard the yacht. At the end of your cruise, you will pay your bar tab in cash or by credit card. Due to large number of recently discovered counterfeit \$100 bills in Ecuador, the National Park Service and many banks no longer accept them. We recommend that you bring your cash in small denominations (\$20s or \$50s) for the entrance fee to Galapagos National Park and for shopping.

## TIPPING

Tipping is completely discretionary, but over the years, clients have asked us for tipping guidelines to reward the Naturalist Guide and Yacht Crew for outstanding service. A range of reference would be \$120-\$150 per trip member for the yacht crew (this is a pooled tip), and \$100-\$120 per trip member for the Naturalist Guide. Tips should be given in dollars only.

## SPECIAL DIETS

We will do our best to accommodate special dietary needs, however, please keep in mind that certain cultural differences or limitations due to logistics can make it extremely difficult and at times impossible to accommodate dietary restrictions. Please inform us at least eight weeks before your trip if you have a restricted diet. It is important to bring a flexible attitude and supplemental snacks.

## COMMUNICATIONS

### **Time Zone**

Ecuador is 2 hours ahead of US Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours Pacific Standard Time).

### **Telephone**

The international dialing code for Ecuador is 593. Please contact your cell phone company for specific instructions for international use. Sporadic signals are available while cruising the islands, but cannot be guaranteed.

### **Email & Internet Access**

There are internet cafes in Puerto Ayora on the island of Santa Cruz in the Galápagos. There is no internet service aboard the boat.

## ELECTRICITY

Ecuador uses 110/120V current, and plugs with two flat prongs, the same as the US. If you require a three-prong outlet for any appliance, please bring a plug adaptor.

# Medical Information

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The following recommendations should be used as a guideline only; consult your physician for medical advice. It is vital that you let Wilderness Travel know of any medical problems, allergies, or physical limitations you may have. Please fill out and return the personal medical questionnaire, and feel free to consult us if you have any questions about your ability to undertake this particular trip.

Wilderness Travel is not a medical facility and has no expertise or responsibility regarding what medications or inoculations you and your physician decide are necessary for your safe participation in the trip.

Traveler's health information is available from the **Centers for Disease Control**. (<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/index.htm>)  
Medical travel products are available from **Travel Health Medicine** (<http://www.travmed.com>) and from **Magellan's Travel Supplies**. (<http://www.magellans.com>)

## EMERGENCY EVACUATION

In case of serious illness or injury, it may be necessary to evacuate you to the mainland (Quito or Guayaquil) from the Galápagos. Evacuation by air may or may not be available and costs approximately \$36,000. Wilderness Travel **highly** recommends that each guest purchase trip insurance that includes Evacuation in case such an emergency arises. Our preferred insurance carrier, Trip Mate, offers such coverage and details of their policy can be found on **our website**(<http://www.wildernesstravel.com/toucan/travel-insurance>).

## INOCULATIONS

There are currently no mandatory inoculations needed for entry into Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands. Entry requirements are subject to change; check with the Centers for Disease Control for updates. All shots should be entered on your International Health Card (yellow card), which is provided by the facility giving the shots. Keep it with your passport while traveling. This provides an important personal record for you to refer to when making future travel plans. We recommend you discuss the following with your physician:

### **Polio**

People who have received the primary series of at least three doses of polio vaccine are considered fully immunized. People who are unsure of their status should receive the vaccine (three doses spaced at intervals).

### **Hepatitis**

The vaccines HAVRIX and VAQTA (two injections, six to 18 months apart) give long-term protection against Hepatitis A and are worthwhile if you travel regularly to developing countries.

### **Tetanus Booster**

A booster is strongly recommended (effective for 10 years).

### **Typhoid**

The CDC recommends the shot or the oral vaccine, Vivotif Berna, a course of four capsules, one every other day for a week, with full effectiveness reached in a week. You may not be able to take the oral vaccine simultaneously with mefloquine (for malaria prevention).

### **Yellow Fever**

A Yellow Fever immunization is not required for Quito, Guayaquil, or the Galápagos but is recommended for travel to Ecuador's Amazon. Please check the **CDC website**(<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/index.htm>) for the latest information. Yellow fever is a mosquito-borne disease that occurs in certain tropical regions of South America and Africa. The vaccination is good for 10 years. Have proof of the shot recorded in your International Health Card, which is provided by the facility giving the shot, and keep the card with your passport. You must get your yellow fever vaccination at least 10 days before arriving in Ecuador.

### **Malaria**

If you are traveling to the Amazon, antimalarial medications are strongly recommended but not required. For further malaria information, consult your doctor or the **CDC Malaria Hotline**(<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/malinfo.htm>): 888-232-3228.

## STAYING HEALTHY

You can reduce your risk of getting a cold on the trip by washing your hands often and not touching your face with unwashed hands. If you arrive on the trip with a cold or feel the symptoms of a cold, avoid close contact with others and move away from people before coughing or sneezing. The CDC recommends coughing or sneezing into a tissue or into the crook of your elbow or upper sleeve, not your hands.

## MEDICAL SERVICES

Please understand your local guides do not necessarily possess first aid training. The Captains have some basic first aid training, and they can contact the nearest big cruise ships that have onboard doctors. For health problems, you should always carry your home doctor's phone number. People with serious medical concerns must take this into account in choosing Galápagos as a destination. We recommend you bring an ample supply of personal medications with you in your carry-on luggage.

## SEASICKNESS

In general, the waters are calm. However, we recommend bringing some type of anti-seasickness medication, especially if you have never been on a boat before and don't know how your body will react. There are several medications for seasickness, from Dramamine or Kwells tablets to acupressure wrist bands to Scopalmine patches (by prescription). Check with your doctor. Most people adjust naturally after a day or so of cruising. Lying down in your berth for a while, or going up on deck seem to be a remedy for nausea for many people.



# Helpful Information

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## PHOTOGRAPHY

### Camera Recommendations

With the many advances in digital technology, a simple compact digital camera or even your smartphone is capable of taking pictures suitable for the needs of most people. For higher quality images and the ability to use long lenses for closer wildlife pictures, a DSLR camera is well worthwhile, though heavier. Most digital cameras and phones have good video options, but you may want to consider a GoPro for a lightweight, waterproof option. Always practice ahead of time with new equipment and bring your manual with you. Camera equipment is available for rent from **Borrow Lenses** (<https://www.borrowlenses.com/discount/wildernesstravel>), with a 10% discount offered to Wilderness Travel clients. This is an especially good idea for renting large zoom lenses that you may need for just one trip.

### Camera Accessories

We recommend bringing at least two large capacity memory cards or a small digital storage unit (or tablet) to back up your photos, freeing space on your memory cards. Don't forget to bring a battery charger and a backup battery so one is always charged and ready to use. For trips where you may be away from power sources for multiple days, consider looking into a solar-powered battery charger or buying additional backup batteries, and check that you have the appropriate adapter for the electrical outlets in your destination.

### Sharing Your Images

We would love for you to share photos from your trip, and with your permission, may even use your photos in our marketing materials or on our photo blog. We request that you send us a small sample of your best images. Please email your photos to [wtphotoblog@gmail.com](mailto:wtphotoblog@gmail.com) or tag us **@WildernessTravel** on social media.

### Photography Etiquette

When taking pictures of local people, be aware of cultural considerations. Approaching people with a warm smile and using polite gestures or simple phrases to ask permission to photograph them usually works well. It is always recommended to engage people in conversation before asking to photograph them, but if people do not wish to have their photo taken, please honor their requests. We urge travelers to avoid giving money in exchange for photo opportunities, which makes it harder for future travelers to have a meaningful personal interaction with local people. Please always heed your Trip Leader's guidelines for what is appropriate.

## A NOTE ABOUT UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY

Past clients have enjoyed taking photos of the underwater treasures and sharing them with other trip members after the snorkeling excursions. We recommend bringing a waterproof camera or waterproof housing for your camera. For more information, visit **Best Underwater Compact Cameras** (<http://www.toptenreviews.com/electronics/photo-video/best-waterproof-cameras/>).

## NATIONAL PARK RULES

The Galápagos Islands are very special. Everyone who visits them is affected by these magical islands, from the scientists who work in the middle of Darwin's laboratory to the casual traveler who discovers an Eden where animals have no fear of humans. The islands are unique, and very delicate, and deserve our best efforts to preserve them in their natural state. To this end, the national park has published the following rules. It is essential that you respect and follow these directives, that you stay on the marked paths, and that you do not wander off or lag behind your group. You can expect your Galápagos guide to be quite strict in enforcing these rules, as the guides all love these islands and will do anything they can to protect them.

- No plant, animal, or remains of such (including shells, bones, and pieces of wood), or other natural objects should be removed or disturbed.
- Be careful not to transport any live material to the islands or from island to island.
- Do not take any food to the uninhabited islands.
- Do not touch or handle the animals.
- Do not feed the animals. It can be dangerous to you, and in the long run would destroy the animals' social structure and breeding habits.
- Do not startle or chase any animal from its resting or nesting spot.
- Stay within the areas designated as visitor sites.
- Do not leave any litter on the islands or throw any off your boat.
- Do not deface the rocks.
- Do not buy souvenirs or objects made of plants or animals from the islands.
- Do not visit the islands unless accompanied by a licensed National Park Guide.
- Restrict your visits to officially approved areas.
- Show your conservationist attitude.

## BEING A CONSIDERATE TRAVELER

Please show respect for the cultures we are visiting by observing local customs concerning appropriate dress, particularly in sacred places. Your Trip Leader is always available to answer any questions that you may have regarding this. If it is necessary to use a cell phone during the trip, please do so privately. Smoking is rarely an issue these days, but if you do smoke, please do so only away from the group.

## INSPECTION AND QUARANTINE FOR THE GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

The native animals and plants of Galápagos are highly vulnerable to pests and diseases. Because of this, the introduction of exotic organisms may put the biodiversity of the Galápagos Islands at risk. A quarantine inspector will check your luggage at the airport in Quito or Guayaquil, as well on your arrival in the Galápagos. You must declare any kind of organic product in your possession: fruit, vegetables, plants, food, or animal products of any type. The inspector will inform you if such items are permitted in Galápagos. You should also make sure that shoes and clothes are free of soil and seeds.

### **Food Products**

Fresh and perishable food products such as fruit and meat are restricted or prohibited.

### **Animal Products**

Animal products or those derived from animal sources may be prohibited or restricted as they could be carriers of pests and diseases.

### **Vegetable Products**

Articles manufactured from vegetable products could be carriers of transferable seeds, viruses, insects, and fungi. In all cases, an inspection is required to determine the risk level.

### **Plants and Fresh Flowers**

Plants and fresh flowers are absolutely prohibited. Only seeds that are authorized and certified may be brought in.

### **Live Animals**

Live animals may not be brought into the Galápagos Islands.

### **Inter-Island Trips**

When traveling between islands, do not take food, plants, or animals. Make sure to clean your shoes and clothes of all soil and seeds before visiting new sites and islands.

## FISHING

Park rules forbid fishing on pleasure boats in the Galápagos.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

Please bring your own moisturizer, sunscreen, and any other toiletries you might need (shampoo, soap, and body wash are provided aboard the yacht). These products wash off your skin while snorkeling, and can cause damage to coral reefs and wildlife. We HIGHLY recommend bringing products with natural and biodegradable ingredients. Dr. Bronner's comes in liquid and bar form, is environmentally friendly, and can be used as body soap, shampoo, hand soap, etc. We also like Wilderness Wash, Campsuds, and Acure Organics Biodegradable wipes. In general, try to stay away from products with phosphate, surfactants, triclosan, and antibacterial ingredients. For sunscreens we recommend mineral-based products with zinc oxide or titanium dioxide. Brands such as Honest Company, Badger, Raw Elements, and Alba Botanica are found in most sporting goods stores and drugstores. Avoid all sunscreens that contain oxybenzone and octinoxate, which are harmful to coral reefs.

## EXPLORE ON YOUR OWN

We have provided great lists of activities, restaurants, and histories of areas you may want to explore on our website.

Please use the following links:

- Explore Quito**(<http://www.wildernesstravel.com/explore/ecuador/quito>)
- Explore Cusco**(<http://www.wildernesstravel.com/explore/peru/cusco>)

# Packing List

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## THE ESSENTIALS

- Air tickets (or E-tickets)
- Passport
- One other picture ID, such as a driver's license
- Expense money
- International Health Card ("Yellow Card") with proof of Yellow Fever inoculation within the last 10 years (if you are planning to visit the Amazon)

## WT GEAR STORE

To help you prepare for your next WT adventure, we've put together a great collection of top brands including Patagonia, Outdoor Research, Eagle Creek, and more at our **WT Gear Store** (<http://wildernesstravel.newheadings.com>).

## LUGGAGE

- Medium-sized duffel bag or rolling duffel, with small padlock (must be unlocked for air travel). Please note: Regular suitcases are very difficult to stow in the cabins on yachts.
- Daypack, large enough for a water bottle, camera, and other items you want with you during the day.
- Small roll-up duffel if you are an avid shopper or for any non-cruise items.

## WEIGHT LIMITS

The Galapagos internal airline allows one checked piece of luggage per person with a maximum weight of 50 lbs. (23 kg), plus one carry-on bag with a maximum weight of 17 lbs. (8 kg). If the weight of the checked luggage is between 50 lbs. (23 kg) and 71 lbs. (32 kg), the charge is \$10. Additionally, each passenger may take a personal item with them on board the plane (purse, cane, camera or binoculars, photography or video equipment or a laptop computer), as long as their size, volume, and weight do not inconvenience other people or obstruct the emergency exits.

## NOTES ON CLOTHING

The clothing list below is provided as a guideline only. Try to keep your clothing and gear to a minimum because there is limited storage space in the cabins on the yacht. On our yachts, most people wear shorts and a t-shirt. Some who need more protection from the sun wear lightweight, long-sleeved shirts and long pants. Dressing in layers is the best way to stay comfortable. It is preferable that your clothing be in neutral colors; avoid red and yellow, which can attract wasps. Warm pajamas are recommended for sleeping in your air-conditioned cabin. For city/hotel attire, we suggest skirts or slacks for women, slacks and shirts for men. No jackets are required for men. Laundry service is not available on the yacht.

## CLOTHING

- Rain jacket/windbreaker
- Light jacket
- Fleece or wool sweater for cool evenings in Quito and in the Ecuadorian highlands (optional Otavalo & Hacienda Zuleta Extension)
- Lightweight long pants; synthetic “travel” fabrics wash and dry easily.
- Walking shorts (quick drying fabric)
- Long-sleeved shirts; quick-drying fabrics like nylon are ideal
- T-shirts (quick-drying fabric)
- Shade hat with wide brim
- Lightweight hiking boots or running shoes for island hikes; make sure your footwear has good traction because dock steps and rocky shores can be slippery.
- Tevas, Keens, or another type of sturdy sandal for “wet landings”
- Deck shoes (see note below)
- Underwear/ socks; synthetics dry faster
- Sleepwear/pajamas
- Buff or bandana
- City/hotel attire
- Swimsuits (two recommended)

**Note on Deck Shoes:** To protect the teak decks of the yacht, passengers are asked to go barefoot, use non-slip socks, or bring a pair of slip-resistant, non-marking deck shoes, such as Sperry Top-Siders or Land’s End Slip-On Deck Shoes. If you choose to wear deck shoes, they cannot be worn on your land excursions, as the dirt and debris get caught in the treads and will damage the deck finish.

## EQUIPMENT

- Snorkel, mask, fins. There is a supply of snorkeling gear onboard for your complimentary use but we recommend bringing your own mask, at least, to ensure an airtight fit.
- Wetsuit. A variety of wetsuits are provided aboard the yacht, but you may wish to bring your own.
- Good quality sunglasses with case. A spare pair of sunglasses is invaluable should your first pair be broken or lost.
- Recyclable water bottle
- Collapsible walking stick or hiking pole for uneven surfaces on island walks. A few walking sticks are available on the yacht for guest use.
- Camera, spare batteries, spare flash cards, “dry bag” to protect camera

## PERSONAL FIRST AID SUPPLIES

Every trip member should bring a small kit for personal use. Your own experience will influence your choices.

- Waterproof biodegradable sunscreen SPF #30 or higher. On the equator, the sun is very strong. We recommend mineral-based sunscreens with zinc oxide or titanium dioxide because they do not contain harsh chemicals that are harmful to the environment. Brands such as Honest Company, Badger, and Alba Botanica are found in most sporting goods stores and drugstores.
- Lip balm with sunscreen and/or zinc oxide
- Aspirin, ibuprofen, or Tylenol for muscle pain or headache, Tylenol PM for sleeping
- Anti-seasickness remedies (see information under "Seasickness")
- Topical antibiotic (such as Neosporin) for cuts, bites, or sores
- Insect repellent
- Blister kit, Second Skin, assorted Band-Aids
- Anti-bacterial gel for hand washing
- Antihistamine such as Benadryl
- Imodium for diarrhea. If you wish to bring an antibiotic for diarrhea prophylaxis, please consult your physician.
- Prescription medications properly labeled
- Spare contact lenses or spare prescription glasses

## OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Strongly recommended: shorty wetsuit or a full-length wetsuit for comfortable snorkeling in cold water. Depending on your personal tolerance for cold, you may not need a wetsuit. However, everyone's tolerance level is different. When you are immersed for more than 20 or 30 minutes, you can get chilled very quickly without a wetsuit. Just keep in mind that the snorkeling is fabulous and wetsuits help you stay in longer!
- Lycra skins or rash guard for warmth while snorkeling (and sun protection without needing to use sunscreen, which is harmful to the marine ecosystem)
- Some people may want to bring their own "Personal Flotation Device" or PFD for snorkeling, less bulky than a life vest and good for kids and adults. Available at most sporting good stores and dive shops. Essential if you are not a strong swimmer.
- Flashlight, extra batteries
- Ecuador has 110/120V current and plugs with two flat prongs, the same as the US. If you require a three-prong outlet for any appliance, bring a plug adaptor. Hairdryers are not provided on the boat. You can, however, use your own hairdryer while on board, as there are outlets in your cabin and in the bathroom.
- Reading/writing material
- Binoculars. If you are planning to purchase binoculars, visit
- Travel clock, small mirror
- Money belt or neck pouch. Always carry your passport, credit cards, and cash with you in a money belt or neck pouch tucked down inside your shirt or blouse. Eagle Creek carries these products.

# Reading List

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## ESSENTIAL READING

### **Voyage of the Beagle**

*Charles Darwin*

2002, 468 PAGES

The wide-eyed tale of a young man on a five-year voyage that changed his life -- and our way of thinking about the world. First published in 1839, it is still a marvelous introduction to the wildlife, nature and allure of South America.

### **Evolution's Workshop**

*Edward J. Larson*

2002, 320 PAGES

A vivid history of the Galapagos and the role of the islands as a crucible of evolutionary ideas, written by a Pulitzer Prize winner. Larson covers Darwin and the discovery of the islands, the visits of Hancock and Beebe, the influence of the United States during WWII and the establishment of the national park.

### **Galapagos Wildlife, A Visitor's Guide**

*Pete Oxford*

2011, 156 PAGES

With chapters on visitor sites, history, conservation and habitats, this compact photographic guide introduces birds, reptiles, marine and other life of the archipelago.

### **Galapagos, World's End**

*William Beebe*

1988, 442 PAGES

This wry, wonderfully evocative account of a 1924 scientific expedition includes an excellent chapter on the human history of the Galapagos.

### **Galapagos, A Natural History**

*Michael H. Jackson*

1995, 316 PAGES

This comprehensive guide to the natural history of the Galapagos is practically mandatory reading -- the single best introduction to the geology and climate, habitats, plants, birds, animals, ecology and evolution.

### **Galapagos Islands Explorer Map**

*Ocean Explorer Maps*

2009

Not just handy for keeping track of your Galapagos cruise, this detailed map (1:400,000) of the islands includes illustrated biographies of famous visitors and a wildlife guide.

## ALSO RECOMMENDED

### **Ecuador Adventure Map**

*National Geographic Society*

2011

This double-sided, waterproof map covers Ecuador in splendid detail (1:750,000) and also includes a Galapagos map (1:1 million).

### **Footprint Ecuador & Galapagos Handbook**

*Robert & Daisy Kunstaetter*

2016, 528 PAGES

A comprehensive guide to travel in Ecuador, nicely divided between a general overview of the country and exhaustive detail on where to go and what to do.

### **Insight Guide Ecuador and Galapagos**

*Insight Guides*

2016, 352 PAGES

Presenting the natural history, politics, culture, wildlife and attractions of Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands with style and authority.

### **The Voyage of the Beagle, Darwin's Extraordinary Adventure Aboard Fitzroy's Famous Survey Ship**

*James Taylor*

2016, 192 PAGES

The perfect supplement for lovers of Darwin's classic account (GPS02), this history mixes antique and new illustrations, letters, diary entries, official narratives and charts produced by shipboard artists.

### **Floreana, A Woman's Pilgrimage to the Galapagos**

*Margaret Wittmer*

2013, 240 PAGES

Back in print! The remarkable first-hand account of Margret Wittmer, who settled on the island of Floreana in the Galapagos in 1932, including her account of the infamous Galapagos Affair. Witter, well-known to many visitors, lived on the island until her death at 96 in 2000. Her daughter Floreana lives and works on the island at the Wittmer Hotel and son Captain Rolf Wittmer runs the Tip Top boats.

### **Galapagos Poems**

*Sally Bluumis-Dunn*

2016, 22 PAGES

Enamored with the wildlife of the Galapagos, a nature-lover and professor at Manhattanville College penned this brief chapbook of poems. The short, paperbound book enlarges the animals and landscapes of the islands with grace and simple profundity.

### **The Galapagos Islands and Ecuador**

*Marylee Stephenson*

2015, 256 PAGES

Subtitled "Your Essential Handbook for Exploring Darwin's Enchanted Islands," this practical guide to the archipelago features 100 color photos and great coverage of popular visitor sites. Revised third edition.

### **Darwin and the Science of Evolution**

*Patrick Tort*

2001, 144 PAGES

A pocket biography and social history of Darwin in the excellent Discoveries series featuring hundreds of archival photographs and a synopsis of Darwin's life and ideas.

### **Satan Came to Eden**

*Dore Strauch*

2014, 290 PAGES

The original memoir of Dore Strauch, early settler to the Galapagos and participant in the fascinating unsolved mystery known as The Galapagos Affair, the subject of a new documentary. First published in 1936, it's back in print after 80 years.

### **Galapagos, A Novel**

*Kurt Vonnegut*

1986, 283 PAGES

In this madcap classic, Vonnegut's narrator lives in a future where the human race has been wiped out -- all except for a small group who boarded the "nature cruise of the century" only to get stranded in the Galapagos.



### **Galapagos: The Enchanted Islands, Through Writer's Eyes**

*John Hickman*

2009, 225 PAGES

Hickman weaves original accounts by Galapagos whalers, gentleman pirates, fitful castaways, settlers and scientists, including Ambrose Crowley, Herman Melville, Charles Darwin and William Beebe, in these tales of the colorful human history of the archipelago.

### **Galapagos, Exploring Darwin's Tapestry**

*John Hess*

2009, 188 PAGES

Professor Hess pulls off the rare trick of being both scientifically accurate and inviting in this illustrated coffee-table primer on Galapagos, its geology, evolution and magnificent wildlife.

### **Galapagos, Preserving Darwin's Legacy**

*Tui De Roy*

2009, 240 PAGES

Tui de Roy corralled researchers and friends for this stunning survey of the natural history, ecology and conservation of the Galapagos. With 450 breathtaking color photographs and chapters by Jack Grove (fishes), Peter and Rosemary Grant (finches), Dennis Geist (geology) and many other scientists.

### **Lonesome George, The Life and Loves of the World's Most Famous Tortoise**

*Henry Nicholls*

2010, 231 PAGES

The lone tortoise from Isla Pinta, corralled at the Charles Darwin Station since 1971 until his death in 2012, stands at the center of Nicholl's witty, affectionate tale of conservation, biology and hope.

### **The Galapagos, A Natural History**

*Henry Nicholls*

2014, 224 PAGES

Editor of the Galapagos Conservation Trust magazine and author of Lonesome George, Henry Nicholls charts the human and natural history of the archipelago from its fiery origins through famous visitors and current conservation challenges.

### **Evolution, A Visual Record**

*Robert Clark*

2016, 240 PAGES

Award-winning photographer Robert Clark reawakens readers to humankind's ancestors, Darwin's famous Galapagos finches, the links between dinosaurs and modern birds and other great contributions to evolution science in this beautiful collection of 200 photographs.

### **Galapagos, Islands Born of Fire**

*Tui De Roy*

2010, 168 PAGES

A stunning celebration of the landscapes, wildlife and habitats of the Galapagos by a photographer who was raised in the archipelago. Tenth anniversary edition.

### **Galapagos, The Islands That Changed the World**

*Paul D. Stewart*

2007, 240 PAGES

Stewart and co-authors, associated with the BBC natural history unit, present the natural and human history of the islands in this wide-ranging, beautifully illustrated book, the companion to the BBC series.

### **The Beak of the Finch**

*Jonathan Weiner*

1995, 332 PAGES

This Pulitzer Prize-winning work is an accessible look at the modern debate on the mode and rhythm of evolution, using the story of Peter and Rosemary Grant and their ground-breaking field work on Daphne Major as an example.

### **Galapagos Birds Life**

*Celter Visual Arts Inc.*

2011

Spot, identify and appreciate the avian life of the Galapagos with this laminated, submersible accordion-style fold-out guide. Vivid images of a wide variety of birds are paired with English and Spanish names, approximate size and a handy check box to keep track of your findings.

### **Galapagos Marine Life**

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Spot, identify and appreciate the marine life of the Galapagos with this laminated, submersible accordion-style fold-out guide. Vivid images of a wide variety of fish are paired with English and Spanish names, approximate size and a handy check box to keep track of your findings.

### **Galapagos Wildlife**

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2011

Spot, identify and appreciate the wildlife of the Galapagos with this laminated, submersible accordion-style fold-out guide. Vivid images of birds, fishes, invertebrates, reptiles and mammals are paired with English and Spanish names, approximate size and a handy check box to keep track of your findings.

### **Galapagos, The Islands That Changed the World**

*Paul D. Stewart*

2007

Also available on Blu-Ray, this stunning BBC documentary captures the rugged beauty, allure, wildlife and history of the archipelago like never before. 150 minutes.

Revised: December 20, 2019

### **Galapagos Wildlife**

*Pocket Naturalist*

2014

A fold-up, laminated card featuring color drawings and short descriptions of commonly encountered birds, mammals and reptiles of the Galapagos.

### **Wildlife of the Galapagos**

*David Hosking*

2016, 272 PAGES

A compact identification guide to Galapagos nature and wildlife, featuring over 650 color photographs, an overview of the history, climate, evolution and geology of the islands, and helpful full-color visitor site maps.