Wonders of the Galápagos Islands

Destinations including:
Guayaquil
San Cristóbal
Isla Bartolomé
Buccaneer Cove
Fernandina
Santa Cruz
Guy Fawkes
Floreana

aboard the Exclusively Chartered, all-Suite
Six-Star Silver Origin

February 10 to 19, 2023

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Immerse Yourself in the Spellbinding Beauty of the Galápagos

Discover the unique ecosystems that inspired Charles Darwin with an extraordinary cruise aboard the intimate, Six-Star, all-Suite SILVER ORIGIN—exclusively chartered by Gohagan & Company. Join peers for guided expeditions that feature face-to-face encounters with giant tortoises, marine iguanas and other endemic wildlife. Enjoy complimentary snorkeling equipment for further exploration of the Galápagos’ diverse marine life and one-of-a-kind, small-group Zodiac excursions led by an elite crew of Ecuadorian naturalists—all certified by the Galápagos National Park—for an expedition like no other.

10 Day Itinerary

1 Start of cruise: Depart the U.S. or Canada/Arrive in Guayaquil, Ecuador
2 Guayaquil/Fly to San Cristóbal, Galápagos Islands/Embark SILVER ORIGIN/Kicker Rock
3 Isla Bartolomé/Buccaneer Cove, Santiago Island
4 Punta Vicente Roca, Isabela Island/Punta Espinosa, Fernandina Island
5 Tagus Cove, Isabela Island/Elizabeth Bay
6 Post Office Bay, Floreana Island/Champion Islet/Punta Cormorant
7 Santa Cruz Highlands/Breeding Center, Puerto Ayora, Santa Cruz Island
8 Cerro Dragon/Guy Fawkes Islands/Bahia Borrero
9 San Cristóbal, Galápagos Islands/Disembark ship/Fly to Guayaquil, Ecuador/Depart for the U.S. or Canada
10 Arrive in the U.S. or Canada
Dear USC Alumni and Friends:

Join us for an extraordinary voyage and share in the wonder of Charles Darwin’s revolutionary observations of this remarkable world unto itself. Experience the astounding biodiversity of the UNESCO-inscribed Galápagos archipelago, preserved much as it was when Spanish colonists arrived in 1535. Home to unique animals, reptiles, birds, plants and aquatic life, Darwin’s “living laboratory of evolution” continues to inspire the thrill of original discovery in every visitor.

Cruise aboard the Exclusively Chartered Six-Star, all-Suite SILVER ORIGIN, designed specifically to navigate the remote archipelago of the Galápagos. Featuring only 51 suites, this ship also has 8 Zodiacs for island excursions. Certified onboard naturalists share their expert insights during excursions into this extraordinary biome.

These legendary islands, each with its own ecosystem, teem with endemic flora and fauna, including the flightless cormorant and the marine iguana. The wildlife is uniquely receptive to up-close human company. Only here can you almost touch spiny-backed iguanas and snorkel alongside playful seals.

Complement your cruise with the exclusive Quito Pre-Program option or the Post-Program Option, combining fabled Machu Picchu, the Inca citadel of Cuzco and the breathtaking Sacred Valley. This carefully designed itinerary features the emblematic species and landscapes that define the Galápagos Islands’ fragile ecosystem. All island excursions and activities are included, creating an immersive Galápagos cruise experience. Reserve now while space is still available.

We anticipate much excitement and demand for this very special cruise. More details about this voyage and our other programs can be found at TrojanTravel.usc.edu. Please call or email our office to save your spot at (213) 821-6005 or Trojan.Travel@usc.edu

Fight On!

Linda J. Ball ’83
Associate Director Trojan Travel
An astonishing vision of life completely devoid of human presence, the Galápagos Islands represent a truly unique environment. Located six hundred miles off the coast of Ecuador, the archipelago’s isolation combined with the nutrient-rich waters of the Humboldt Current have created one of the world’s richest marine ecosystems. Darwin’s “living laboratory,” the Galápagos Islands spurred the naturalist’s paradigm-shifting work, *On the Origin of the Species*. Published in 1859, his speculations on natural selection in the role of “aboriginal creations, found nowhere else,” inspired one of the most revolutionary scientific theories in history. One of the first and most treasured UNESCO World Heritage sites, the Galápagos sustains an astounding number of endemic species which continue to thrive with the absence of natural predators.
U.S./Guayaquil, Ecuador
Day 1
Depart home city and fly to Guayaquil. Upon arrival, transfer to the Hilton Colón Guayaquil hotel.

Guayaquil/ San Cristóbal, Galápagos
Day 2
Fly into San Cristóbal to embark the Silver Origin. San Cristóbal is one of the oldest islands in the Galápagos Archipelago, formed by dormant volcanoes. Here, approximately 8,000 people live and work in the fishing industry, farming the rich volcanic soil of the highlands, in government or tourism. Puerto Baquerizo Moreno is the capital city of the Galápagos Islands. A statue of Charles Darwin graces the harbor, marking one of the first places he likely stepped ashore in the 1830s.

When approaching Kicker Rock, frigate birds, Nazca boobies and blue-footed boobies can be observed in the air, while sea lions can be seen along the shore.

Isla Bartolomé/ Buccaneer Cove, Santiago
Day 3
Anchor in sight of the volcanic moonscape of Isla Bartolomé, where Zodiacs will bring guests ashore to ascend a boardwalk of 388 steps. View one of the most beautiful panoramas in all the Galápagos Islands towards Pinnacle rock, with the black volcanic cones of Baltra, Daphne Major and Daphne Minor in the distance.

Buccaneer Cove is a colorful inlet on Santiago Island, owing its name to some of the first visitors—pirates. They came searching for fresh water, tortoises and even to hide their treasures. At a distance you can observe the impressive volcanoes of Isabela Island.

Tagus Cove (Isabela)/ Elizabeth Bay
Day 5
Northwest of Isabela lies secluded Tagus Cove, which provided anchorage for pirates and whalers over the centuries. An uphill hike leads to the back of Darwin Crater, filled with salt water.

Elizabeth Bay is found at Isabela’s narrowest east-west extension where the lava flow of two volcanoes connects to each other. Las Mariela’s, three rocks at the entrance to the bay, are favored by blue-footed boobies, flightless cormorants and Galápagos penguins as a resting place, while the mangrove area is preferred by great blue herons for hunting or the magnificent frigate birds for perching. The bay is used by turtles, rays and sharks for feeding or resting.

Post Office Bay (Floreana)/ Champion Islet/Punta Cormorant
Day 6
Near Post Office Bay, explore the north shore of Floreana along narrow channels teeming with life.

Champion Islet is one of four marine sites surrounding Floreana and offers excellent deep-water snorkeling opportunities. Curious sea lions approach the snorkelers while turtles slowly swim by and sharks, sting rays and colorful fish can be seen. During a Zodiac cruise around Champion Islet, look for Nazca boobies, red-billed tropicbirds and the rare Floreana mockingbird.

Visit Punta Cormorant, Floreana’s northernmost point, named for the British Naval vessel HMS Cormorant. Follow a short trail from the beach to the island’s shallow lagoon, famous for its flamingo population. The trail continues through the trees
Day by Day Itinerary

Always Included with Gohagan & Company

Magnificent male Frigate bird

Blue-footed boobies

Land Iguana

Santa Cruz/Fausto Llerena Breeding Center, Puerto Ayora

Day 7
Santa Cruz Island reaches an altitude of 864 meters (2,835 ft), where weather changes create microclimates. The species of flora and fauna found near the shoreline vary extremely from those on the highlands.

In Puerto Ayora, visit the Charles Darwin Research Station housing the Fausto Llerena Breeding Center for giant tortoises and land iguanas, where guides interpret the center’s breeding and reintroduction programs. Throughout the station there are huge prickly pear cactus trees being fed upon by the Galápagos cactus finch.

Cerro Dragon/ Guy Fawkes/ Bahia Borrero

Day 8
Explore a landscape of volcanic rock as you walk along Cerro Dragon. This visit mixes a brackish water lagoon inhabited by elusive pink flamingos and a volcanic rock cover dry enough to be the perfect ecosystem for the Galápagos land iguana.

The Guy Fawkes islets have beautiful underwater cliffs filled with marine invertebrates such as corals, sea stars and urchins. These conditions result in immense aggregations of fish, making it an ideal place for deep water snorkeling.

In the northern area, Bahia Borrero is a beautiful white coralline beach used as a nesting site by green sea turtles. Behind the dunes is a forest of typical vegetation from the arid zone—Palo Santo, leather leaf and salty bushes. This welcomes yellow warblers and some species of the Darwin finches, such as the common cactus finch or the small ground finch.

Enjoy the Captain’s Farewell Reception at the end of the day.

San Cristóbal, Galápagos/Guayaquil/ Return Home

Day 9 and Day 10
Disembark the ship at San Cristóbal and fly to Guayaquil. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure before an overnight flight back to your home city.

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No cancellation fees for new bookings until 96 days prior to trip departure.

Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).

Experienced English-speaking guides for included excursions.

Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions.

Complimentary refillable bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom and on excursions.

Hospitality desk aboard the ship.

Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.

Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.

Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
Silver Origin

Six-Star All-Suite, Sustainable Design

With state-of-the-art technology designed for the Galápagos Islands, the SILVER ORIGIN is the most elegant, sustainable ship to explore this unique ecosystem. Discover the wonder of these islands in luxury with onboard amenities not found anywhere else. Immerse yourself in the rare flora and fauna of the Galápagos with the interactive Basecamp hub of discovery. In addition to the included Zodiac excursions and marine activities, enjoy gourmet farm-to-table Ecuadorian recipes made with the freshest local ingredients, accompanied by regional wines in the ship’s restaurant and grill. Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages, 24-hour in-Suite service and unlimited Wi-Fi access are also available throughout the cruise.

Elegant Suites, 100% with Ocean-Views

Six-Star, all-Suite accommodations feature an ocean-view veranda, butler service, a fresh water purification system, private bathroom and large wardrobe with a personal safe. Silver and Veranda Suites offer two twin beds or one queen bed. Medallion, Royal, Grand, and Owner’s Suites offer two twin beds or one king bed.

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Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Round-trip airfare between Guayaquil and San Cristobal (internal program air) is included. Taxes are an additional $130 per person.

The SILVER ORIGIN has been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or at request from Gohagan & Company.
Pre-Program Option

Quito
February 8 to 11, 2023
Explore the UNESCO treasures, rich indigenous traditions and contemporary verve of Quito, South America’s prettiest and most beguiling capital city. Walk the streets of the Old Town, where Spanish colonial grandeur and pre-Columbian rituals coalesce in a panoply of Baroque cathedrals, ornate palaces and lively plazas. Uncover Quito’s artistic soul along La Ronda, one of the city’s oldest streets. Visit a local artisanal chocolatier and see a demonstration on how they make their chocolate. Accommodations are for three nights in the Five-Star JW Marriott Hotel Quito.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: $795
Price per person, based on single occupancy: $995

Post-Program Option

Machu Picchu and the Sacred Valley
February 18 to 25, 2023
Explore Peru’s UNESCO-inscribed archaeological treasures and landscapes on this tour featuring Machu Picchu, Cuzco and the Sacred Valley. Cradled by the soaring peaks of the Andes Mountains, the Inca citadel of Machu Picchu inspires awe like few other places. Admire the spectacular sites of the Sacred Valley, where ancient engineering marvels, such as the fortress of Ollantaytambo, stand as lasting testimony to the Inca Empire. Here, village craftspeople employ age-old techniques to spin, dye and weave tapestries and sculpt pottery painted with artistic patterns. In the historical Inca capital of Cuzco, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, see the stone fortress of Sacsayhuamán and Baroque- and Renaissance-style churches that provide a mix of pre-Columbian and colonial influences. Enjoy deluxe, ideally located accommodations in Lima, Machu Picchu and Cuzco.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: $2,895
Price per person, based on single occupancy: $3,795

Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
Reservation Form

Please make my/our reservation(s):

Category: 1st Choice _______ 2nd Choice _______

[ ] Double (two twin beds).
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[ ] Single accommodations.
[ ] Single but prefer to share and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

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Program reservations require a deposit of $800 per person.

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First participant’s signature  Date

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Second participant’s signature  Date

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