# **ARCHIPELL II**

# DAY BY DAY PROGRAM

# ITINERARY A1 MONDAY-THURSDAY

4 DAYS - 3 NIGHTS



Monday: San Cristóbal - La Galapaguera



Our guide will be waiting for you at San Cristobal Airport and once the group is completed He/She will accompany you to the Archipell Catamaran which anchors at Baquerizo Moreno harbor. After arrival on board, we will check in and give you general information. You will have lunch. Afterwards you will start with your first excursion to the Galapaguera which is located in the northeast part of San Cristobal Island. It has been created to conserve the San Cristobal tortoise species. The center has the

goal to lead and guide the tourists in conservation topics and protection of the environment. An attractive trail native plants leads to meeting giant tortoises in their natural habitat. (L, D)

#### Tuesday: South Plazas Island - Santa Fé Island

South Plaza has unique Sesuvium plants and Opuntia cactuses scattered across the landscape which provide some of the most interesting wildlife observations available in Galapagos. Land iguanas are easily seen from the trail, frequently under the shade of cactuses, waiting for a prickly pear to fall.



Santa Fé is one of the most entertaining destinations

for shore excursions at Galapagos Islands. It has two trail choices for visitors, one of which takes you to the tallest Opuntia cactus in the Galapagos, while the other trail takes you into the highlands where land iguanas can be found. After a long walk, the opportunity to swim in calm waters or snorkel with playful sea lions will be pretty tempting. (B, L, D)

## Wednesday: Floreana, Peace Asylum - Loberia



Peace Asylum is a visitor site where an artisan spring is located. This spring attracted pirates, whalers and later settlers to Floreana as it was one of the very few year-round sources of fresh water in the Galapagos. La Cueva de los Piratas (Pirate's Cave) is quite literally where pirates carved temporary shelter out of soft stone and is also the place where one of the original settlers landed.

La Loberia is a small beach, which is home to a colony of sea lions, as well as some marine iguanas. It's possible to walk there from town for some recreational snorkeling. If you're lucky, the sea lions will join you! Fortunate snorkelers may spot a ray or a shark. (B, L, D)

## Thursday: Transfer to the Airport

Early in the morning after breakfast we will go to Baltra's airport to take the flight back to the continent.

Notice: According Galapagos National Park, itineraries are subject to change.

- (B) = Breakfast
- (L) = Lunch
- (D) = Dinner

Updated: 03.12.2012