# **ARCHIPELL II**

### DAY BY DAY PROGRAM

## <u>ITINERARY B2</u>

THURSDAY-MONDAY 5 DAYS - 4 NIGHTS



**THURSDAY: Baltra Airport - Los Gemelos** 



Our guide will be waiting for you in **Baltra Airport** and once the group of passengers is completed she/he will accompany you to the Archipell Catamaran which is anchored in Puerto Ayora 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 "**Los Gemelos**" (The Twins), two enormous collapsed lava chambers, inspiring visual reminder of

the power of nature. The short, easy hike to each of the Twins is teeming with endemic flora and fauna, including the remaining Scalesia Forest draped in liverwort. (L, D)

#### FRIDAY: Floreana - Cormorant Point - Post Office Bay - Mirador de la Baronesa

At **Cormorant Point** you land on a green olivine sand beach. Following a 100 m long path you will soon reach a beautiful lagoon with abundant flamingoes.

In the afternoon you will visit the Post Office Bay, which still keeps the legendary post barrel that whalers historically used to post their mail in. Later we will go to "Mirador de la Baronesa" and your naturalist guide will tell you the murder and mystery legend of the



Baronesa. This viewpoint is located on the north of Floreana Island. The climb on the trail is very easy. Steps are placed in this area for security. (B, L, D)

#### SATURDAY: Española - Gardner Bay - Suarez Point



At Española Island you will explore a lot of natural wildlife. It is home to a lot of birds, like the endemic Hood-Mockingbird. Gardner Bay provides you an excellent beach for swimming. Around the small islets nearby, snorkelers will find lots of fish and sometimes turtles and sharks. The bay is also frequented by colonies of sea lions, which like to swim with you. Point Suarez has one of the most outstanding wildlife areas of the archipelago, with a long list of species found along its cliffs

and sandy or pebbly beaches. (B, L, D)

#### SUNDAY: San Cristóbal - Punta Pitt - Cerro Brujo

**Punta Pitt** is one of the only two sites where all three boobies breed, as well as the place where great frigate birds swallow tailed gulls and Galapagos storm-petrels.

**Cerro Brujo** is one of the first sites visited by Charles Darwin. This fascinating lava landscape is located on the northeast coast of San Cristóbal. On the rocks you can observe boobies, sea gulls and some pelicans. The protected bay is very popular by young ocean turtles and rays. (B, L, D)



#### MONDAY: San Cristóbal Island - Lobos Island - San Cristóbal Airport

At **Lobos Island**, you will enjoy swimming and snorkeling with sea lions in its calm bay. It is also a seasonal nesting location for the blue footed booby and frigate birds. Around midday you will fly back to the mainland of Ecuador. (B)

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

(B) = Breakfast

(L) = Lunch

(D) = Dinner