

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS LUXURY CRUISE

Discover a living museum and showcase of evolution aboard a luxury yacht

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JOURNEY OVERVIEW

Experience one of the world's most unique ecosystems when you take a Galapagos Islands luxury cruise. The adventure begins in Ecuador's historic capital Quito, a colorful Andean city. With your expert guide, admire the spectacular architecture as you explore the city's colonial center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. From there, head to the Galapagos Islands, where you will embark on one of our handpicked luxury cruises. As you spend the following days cruising the Galapagos Islands, you will witness the unique flora and fauna that characterizes this volcanic archipelago. Wildlife native to the Galapagos includes penguins, sea lions, giant tortoises, red-and-blue-footed boobies, and land iguanas - just to name a few. In addition, as you island-hop with your expert natural guide, there will be ample opportunities for hiking, swimming, and snorkeling. Your luxury cruise aboard one of our carefully chosen boats will be well-equipped for a comfortable experience. The ships feature spacious observation decks, luxe interiors, and delicious food.

A Taste of Blue Parallel's Insider Access

- Private scuba diving excursions
- Access to the best guides and biologists in the Galapagos
- Exclusive access to one of Quito's most picturesque colonial churches at night

The Discovery

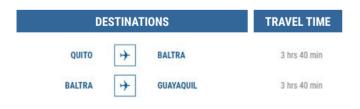
- Quito

- Galapagos Islands

The Adventure

- Hiking
- Swimming
- Snorkeling
- Scuba diving

Duration	When to go?
10 Days	JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC







PHOTOGRAPHY



























CRUISING THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

Please note: This private tour to the Galapagos is an example, as all of our luxury journeys are custom-made. Please contact us to start planning your custom-made private adventure of a lifetime.

Quito (2 nights)

Your luxury Ecuador tour starts in Quito, where your personal host will greet you before your transfer to Casa Gangotena, a luxurious boutique hotel in the historical center of Quito. On your first day in Ecuador, you'll explore Ecuador's exciting capital. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is nicknamed "the Florence of South America" for the artistic traditions of its colonial period. Visit the city's picturesque churches and indulge in gourmet meals. Blue Parallel will provide you with exclusive access to the Convent of Santo Domingo in the evening, an opulent church constructed in a Latin American Baroque style, known for its breathtaking interiors and beautiful views of the city from its rooftop.

Galapagos Islands Cruise (7 nights)

If you are traveling as a couple or small group, we recommend experiencing the Galapagos Islands on one of our preferred cruises. The boats have been handpicked for our clients and are fitted with stabilizers to minimize the effects of seasickness. In addition, each one features beautiful interiors, observation decks with lounge chairs, first-class restaurants, and spacious cabins, which we have personally vetted.

On each day of your luxury Galapagos Islands tour, you will explore different islands, beaches, and bays with expert bilingual naturalist guides. Activities include hiking, swimming, snorkeling, kayaking, and more. Blue Parallel will select the best vessel and cruise itinerary based on your profile and preferred activity level. Islands you may visit include Santiago Island, where a hike at Puerto Egas takes you through an abandoned salt mine. Then, continue past teeming tidal pools on your way to grottoes of Galapagos fur seals. Depending on the cruise itinerary, you may also stop by Española Island, hiking among the island's dramatic cliffs to Suarez Point. This site is home to a thriving population of seabirds, including the rare Waved Albatross, which dramatically launch themselves off the cliffs toward the ocean. Also on Española Island, Gardner Bay boasts one of the most picturesque beaches for relaxing. In addition, its colorful reef is ideal for snorkeling, as Galapagos green sea turtles frequent it.



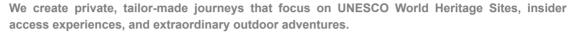
ABOUT BLUE PARALLEL

Blue Parallel is a bespoke luxury travel boutique.



Our mission is to take discerning, time-constrained travelers to the most spectacular natural and cultural wonders of Latin America, the Mediterranean, and the Polar Regions.







Since launching in 2003, we have become the go-to service for luxury travelers searching for top-of-the-line experiential journeys. We have been selected as an A-list Top Travel Advisor by Travel + Leisure every year since 2009, and are proudly part of the leading luxury travel network Virtuoso and their Ultraluxe Community (a by-invitation-only membership for the industry's most exclusive services and providers). We have hosted numerous eminent travelers since our inception and are frequently featured in prestigious international publications.









Blue Parallel journeys feature breathtaking outdoor adventures led by expert guides or accomplished athletes. Scuba diving in the Belize Reef, biking through Berber villages in the Atlas Mountains, ice-trekking on the Perito Moreno Glacier, dog sledding in Lapland, rafting on the Pacuare River in Costa Rica, and hiking the fjords of Norway are only a few examples of the extraordinary outdoor adventures we incorporate in our tailor-made itineraries. We take great satisfaction in designing custom-made adventures of a lifetime.

At Blue Parallel, we open doors to unique opportunities that match our travelers' interests. Our team travels year-round, seeking out the most intriguing insider experiences. Over the years, we have developed invaluable relationships with esteemed scholars, acclaimed artists, Olympic athletes, renowned chefs, directors of historical and natural landmarks, as well as with local leaders in politics and business, to name just a few examples.

Privacy has always been a top priority in all aspects of a Blue Parallel journey. Exclusive accommodations range from remote, fully-serviced villas in Iceland, a lighthouse on a private island in Norway, or a luxury private camp in the Sahara Desert. Examples of private custom experiences include an after-hours tour of the Alhambra in Andalucia, chartering a luxury yacht in the Galapagos Islands, or taking a private train ride to Machu Picchu. We can provide all these ultimate exclusive experiences and more so that our travelers can have the option to enjoy some of the world's most spectacular sights without the crowds.

Blue Parallel travelers are assigned a dedicated team comprised of:

- A personal travel expert
- A personal host in each destination
- Expert on-site guides and scholars

– Behind-the-scenes logistical experts to monitor every step of the journey We are on call for our travelers 24-hours a day during their trip, ensuring a smooth and stress-free experience. Whatever happens, our team is one step ahead, and we provide the flexibility to change the program during the journey, if need be.

CERTAINTY IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

Blue Parallel's expertise and our obsession with details offer certainty in an uncertain world. We have almost 2 decades of experience handling unforeseen circumstances, and the recent pandemic has only increased the significant value of having our dedicated teams offer limitless support to our travelers before, during, and after their journeys.



OUR DESTINATIONS





BLUE PARALLEL IN THE MEDIA

Bloomberg		Traveler	DEPARTURES	elite <i>tnaveler</i>	Forbes
FOOD&WINE	LUXURY	NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC	Robb Report	TRAVEL+ LEISURE	VOGUE

START PLANNING

We are experts in creating inspiring tailor-made itineraries. We will take your vision, try to enhance it, and then make your dream trip a reality. You can call us at 1-301-263-6670 Monday-Friday | 9 AM - 5PM ET, or send us an email to info@blueparallel.com.

How it all works

Contact us

Give us a call or send us an email in order to connect with one of our expert travel advisors.

Initial Consultation

We will ask you questions about your dream trip, make recommendations, and answer any questions you may have.

Summary Itinerary Outline

We will check availability for your preferred travel dates with our favorite accommodations and then provide you with a recommended summary trip outline.

Detailed Itinerary Proposal

Upon your approval of the summary outline, we will make tentative reservations and create a detailed custom-made itinerary with pricing documentation for your review.

Booking Procedures

If you would like Blue Parallel to secure your itinerary, we will email you our booking procedures and kindly request a deposit payment.

Pre-Trip Support

Closer to your travel dates, we will mail you a personalized travel package to ensure you are fully prepared for your journey.

During the Trip

While you are traveling, our team will be available to assist you with anything you may need at any time.

Post-Trip Debrief

After your journey, we would kindly ask to schedule a "debriefing call" to hear your feedback. Alternatively, you could fill in an online survey.

We will do our very best to surpass your expectations every step of the way. Most of our travelers are repeat travelers - we take great pride in forging long-term relationships with our savvy guests.

