

IILA 2018 Pre-Conference Tour

Quito, Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands

September 16th – September 22nd, 2018

September 16th Sunday

Arrival at Hotel – (TBD) Swiss Hotel or JW Marriott

September 17th Monday

Tour of the Historic Center: Plaza Independencia, Cathedral, Manuela Cañizares House/Cuartel Lima.

Lunch at Vista Hermosa Restaurant with 360 ° view of the city.

Guided tour of Carondelet Palace, headquarters of the national executive

Tour to Panecillo.

Dinner on own

September 18th Tuesday

Hike to Pululahua Volcano.

Guided visit to the headquarters of UNASUR

Visit to the Intiñan Museum and its rich anthropological collection.

Lunch at the Local Restaurant

Route to the Middle of the World monument, museums and attractions.

Dinner on own

September 19th Wednesday

Air Flight to Galapagos Islands – [Deja Vu Hotel](#)

Arrival at Baltra Island airport, reception of our National Park guides, transfer to Santa Cruz, transfer from the airport, to the hotel is done in public transport, available. Arrival and accommodation at the hotel.

Visit to [Charles Darwin Station](#)

In the afternoon visit to the Charles Darwin Scientific Station and the Interpretation Center of the Galapagos National Park, visit the exhibitors of terrestrial iguanas and tortoises. Return to the hotel. **
Lunch and Dinner at Restaurant located on Charles Darwin Avenue; Lunch and Dinner Type Menu.

September 20th Thursday

Guided Excursion to [Playa de Tortuga Bay](#)

Breakfast, at the Hotel; departure to the beautiful Tortuga Bay Beach, unique in the world for its landscape, we can observe marine iguanas among other species of animals, return to the hotel / LUNCH.

Visit High Part – Ranch and Lava Tunnels

In the afternoon visit to a private ranch, where you will find "giant tortoises" in natural habitat, and to end the adventure, walk through an incredible lava tunnel. Return to the hotel / DINNER.

Lunch and Dinner at Restaurant located on Charles Darwin Avenue; Lunch and Dinner Type Menu.

September 21st Friday

Option A) Full Day [Floreana Island](#): Departure at 07:45 am to the beautiful Floreana Island, tour in the upper part of the island, visit to La Galapaguera and ending with a swimming afternoon at the majestic Playa Negra, where you can observe sea lions, seabird species, and if people are prepared they can snorkel with exotic species of fish, if we are lucky we could see sea turtles. Return to the hotel. /DINNER.

Option B) Full Day [Santa Fe Island](#): departure to Santa Fe Island where we will do the snorkeling activity as well as the sport fishing activity, we will have lunch on board and we will finish in Playa escondida located in the south part of Santa Cruz Island. Return to the hotel. /DINNER.

Dinner at Restaurant located on Charles Darwin Avenue; Lunch and Dinner Type Menu.

September 22nd, Saturday

Panaoramic visit to [The Twins](#)

Breakfast, at the hotel. Visit to Los Gemelos, fantastic volcanic formations where you can appreciate the exuberant endemic vegetation of the Island. Education Program

Air transfer from Galapagos to Guayaquil, Ecuador

Air transfer from Guayaquil to Asuncion, Paraguay

Cost is US \$2,375. per single person or US \$4,075. per couple

This price **includes all Hotel accommodations.**

This price also includes Airfare to Galapagos from Quito and airfare from Galapagos to Guayaquil, Ecuador and then on to Asuncion, Paraguay

PLEASE NOTE: Because this flight from Ecuador arrives at approximately 2 a.m. on Sunday morning the 23rd, **unless you indicate otherwise on the Registration form, an additional night (Saturday the 22nd) at the Asuncion hotel will be reserved for all such travelers who fly to Asuncion on this Preconference-arranged flight.** The cost of such additional night (approximately \$125) is **not** included in the Asuncion cost above and will be expected to be paid to the IILA separately during the Asuncion conference.

