

GALAPAGOS PHOTO TOUR, April 25 - May 4, 2020

Wildlife Photo Tour with Don Mammoser



Hello, and thank you for inquiring about my Galapagos photo tour 2020.

This letter will hopefully answer some of your questions about this trip. First, you should know that I pride myself on offering fun photography tours that are enjoyable learning experiences, where every participant, regardless of skill level, gets great photos in a relaxed atmosphere for a reasonable price. I know that a letter like this *never* answers every question, so email or call me 303-906-5102 with your other inquiries. don@donmammoserphoto.com

Included in tour cost of **\$6695/person** is:

- 1 night in Guayaquil, Ecuador before the yacht (double occupancy room)
- 1 night in Guayaquil, Ecuador after the yacht (double occupancy room)
- Round trip airfare from Guayaquil, Ecuador to the Galapagos
- 7 nights in double occupancy cabin on board the yacht in the Galapagos
- All meals, snacks, drinks of water, tea, coffee while on board the yacht
- All guided shore activities with a licensed Galapagos guide while on board

- All the photography help you want from a professional photographer (Don Mammoser)

What: 10 day/9 night Photo Tour to the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador.

When: Tour starts in Guayaquil, Ecuador at a **Hotel TBD** on April 25th, 2020 at 6pm. Tour ends back in Guayaquil at the same hotel on May 4, 2020 at 9am.

Where: Guayaquil is the largest city in Ecuador. Guayaquil has an international airport called Jose Juakin De Olmedo Airport (code GYE), with many flights from the USA. The Galapagos are a chain of 18 main islands located in the Pacific Ocean, about 600 miles off the coast of Ecuador. They are administered by the Ecuadorian government.

Where (Guayaquil Details): *The hotel in Guayaquil* will be located near the international airport. This is very convenient for us because it is just a 10 minute drive from the airport. We stay 1 night here before the Galapagos in order to meet in one place and to get oriented as a group. Upon arrival at the Guayaquil airport there will be a driver waiting for you with a sign that says “Mammoser Tour”. After the Galapagos portion of the tour we spend 1 more night at this same hotel in Guayaquil (May 3, 2020).

Where (Galapagos Details): After Guayaquil, on April 26th, we move on to the Galapagos. We'll have an early morning flight (included in your tuition) from Guayaquil to the island of Baltra in the Galapagos. This flight is about 1.5 hours flight time. Upon arrival in the Galapagos we will be met by our naturalist/guide and after passing customs we will be shuttled to our waiting yacht. The yacht has 8 cabins which can be set up with 1 large bed for couples or 2 separate beds (not bunk beds) for roommates. Each cabin has its own full bathroom with hot shower. We stay on the yacht 7 nights while we cruise to different Galapagos Islands. All meals on board are included. After our 7 nights in the Galapagos we will transfer back to the airport in Baltra on May 3rd and fly to Guayaquil, arriving around 2pm. You have the option of staying in Guayaquil this night (covered in your tuition) or flying back home May 3rd, but please don't book a return flight before 8pm May 3rd.

Itinerary: Our days will be filled with photography and other activities such as snorkeling and hiking. We won't run out of subjects for our cameras, and we'll

keep good and busy, I can promise you that. I'd really rather not give a "minute by minute" account of how each day will go, but suffice to say that you should be prepared for busy days, tropical weather, TONS of photography, lots of walking/ hiking, beautiful island scenery, and lots and lots of amazing wildlife sightings.

The fine print: I try to keep things casual and simple, but there are always some finer points to cover for a tour like this.

Included in the price of **\$6695/person** is: 10 day/9 night guided photo tour with Don Mammoser, me, as tour leader, all the photography help you want or need, two nights lodging at Hotel TBD in Guayaquil, Ecuador, round trip flight from Guayaquil, Ecuador to the Galapagos, seven nights lodging (with all meals) on board a yacht in the Galapagos, services of a licensed naturalist/guide in the Galapagos, all activities while on the yacht, photo critiques and friendly feedback, small group camaraderie, tons of wildlife sightings, endless fun, and the experience of a lifetime.

Single supplement not available: Tour price is based on double occupancy. Neither the yacht owners nor I can justify going to sea with a half-full boat. If you are not traveling with someone I will assign you a cabin-mate of the same sex.

Not included: air transportation from your hometown to Guayaquil, Ecuador where tour starts and ends, meals while in Guayaquil, drinks, items of a personal nature, gifts, etc., ground transportation (taxis), additional nights, or optional activities while in Guayaquil, tips or gratuities, Galapagos National Park entrance fee of \$100/person (payable in US cash only).

Deposit: \$1500/person and due upon sign-up to reserve your space.

Thanks for inquiring and I hope you'll join me in the Galapagos. The place is fantastic beyond compare!

Sincerely,

Don Mammoser