

Duke ALUMNI TRAVELS

GALÁPAGOS

WITH AN EXTENSION TO PERU



AUGUST 2-11, 2019

ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR II

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“Seeing every height crowned with its crater, and the boundaries of most of the lava-streams still distinct, we are led to believe that within a period, geologically recent, the unbroken ocean was here spread out. Hence, both in space and time, we seem to be brought somewhat near to that great fact—that mystery of mysteries—the first appearance of new beings on this earth.”

Charles Darwin, *The Voyage of the Beagle*



DEAR DUKE ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

If getting up close to the place that inspired Charles Darwin's *The Origin of Species* is on your life list of travel adventures, then an expedition to the Galápagos is authentic wish fulfillment. You'll have encounters with the endemic wildlife that lacks an instinctive fear of humans, explore a vibrant undersea, and observe diverse geological wonders from stark volcanic landscapes to lush, green highlands.

Galápagos is ideal for active exploration for you and your family, and every day will deliver new adventures—kayak along rocky shores watching for passing sea turtles, snorkel with playful sea lions, hike lava fields crowded with basking marine iguanas, or take a sunset Zodiac cruise around islands teeming with birdlife.

You will travel aboard the *National Geographic Endeavour II*, a 52-cabin expedition ship equipped with cool tools that let you experience the islands with all your senses. Share the adventure with Dr. Steven Nowicki, Duke Professor of Biology; MIT Assistant Professor in Ocean Utilization, Andrew R. Babbin; and MIT alumni and friends. Along with an experienced team of naturalists, they will enhance your understanding of this exceptional destination. Another advantage is the onboard Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, a specially trained naturalist who will offer tips to ensure you go home with incredible photos.

Make the most of your time and travel with an optional post-voyage extension to Peru, exploring Machu Picchu, the Sacred Valley, Cusco, and Lima. I hope you will join us to discover these magical places. **To reserve your space, please return the reservation form or call (919) 684-2988.**

Forever Duke,



Beth Ray-Schloeder '83

Director, Duke Alumni Travels, Duke Alumni Association

DR. STEVE NOWICKI



Steve Nowicki is a Bass Fellow and professor of Biology at Duke University. Nowicki holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Tufts University and a Ph.D. from Cornell University. He joined the Duke faculty in 1989 and served as dean of natural sciences for three years before being appointed dean and vice provost for undergraduate education, serving from 2007-2018.

Nowicki is the author of numerous technical articles on neurobiology and behavior, co-author of *The Evolution of Animal Communication* (2005, Princeton University Press), and author of *The Science of Life*, a video lecture series (2004, The Teaching Company). He also is the author of *Biology*, a high-school textbook (2008, Holt-McDougal). Nowicki's work has been funded by the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, the Whitehall Foundation, and the Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust, among others. He was named a John Simon Guggenheim Fellow in 1999. Nowicki won Duke's Robert B. Cox Distinguished Teaching Award in 1992 and was awarded the Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Professorship in 1999 in recognition of his distinction in both research and teaching.

Cover: Galápagos giant tortoise. © David Vargas

Opposite: Kicker Rock at sunset. © Jeff Litton

Ship's Registry: Ecuador



GALÁPAGOS—WHERE NATURE & MAGIC MEET



The power and relevance of our needs as humans to connect with nature cannot be underestimated. That connection is perhaps at its greatest possible level in Galápagos. The vast number of animals living in the Galápagos archipelago is a major reason you have chosen to travel

to this remote part of the world. Where else on the planet can you get close to the wildlife in the context of no fear at all? This is a marvelous experience for the human spirit and the itinerary ensures that you will have it often—exploring the key islands in the archipelago and seeing the iconic species that make this region so unique.

You'll come eye-to-eye with the famous giant tortoises roaming in the wild. Encounter blue-footed boobies nesting along a trail. Stand paces away from courting, red-throated frigatebirds. Watch your footing to avoid disturbing a sea lion lounging on a white sand beach. And swim with penguins, marine iguanas, and playful sea lions—experiences that can transform lives.

THERE'S SO MUCH FOR FAMILIES TO SHARE

Nuclear families and even whole clans discover bond-affirming, life-enhancing, and instructive fun in Galápagos and aboard a welcoming ship. A family Galápagos expedition means sharing experiences daily: encounters with amazing wildlife, Zodiac shore cruises, energetic hikes, paddling adventures, and more that create lasting family memories.

Take advantage of the exclusive family program for kids and teens, developed in conjunction with National Geographic Education, which gives families a unique way to explore and connect with each other and the natural world.



Opposite page (clockwise from top): Guest takes advantage of Galápagos photo ops; blue-footed boobies; snorkeler photographs a penguin gliding through the water; flamingo preening; marine iguana.



LIFE ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR II

Completely refitted, christened, and launched in Galápagos in 2017, the *National Geographic Endeavour II* is a floating base camp for exploring the islands. Originally built to carry 136 passengers, she now accommodates just 96 guests in 52 thoughtfully appointed cabins, including dedicated solo cabins, connecting cabins, and suites. Designed and equipped with the benefit of 50 years experience in Galápagos, she is the perfect platform for exploring these islands, with a fleet of Zodiacs, kayaks, and stand-up paddleboards for personal forays. With her spacious marina platform, she ensures swift deployment of all guests aboard—to get you out there on daily adventures. And *Endeavour II* also carries a glass-bottom boat, granting everyone not inclined to the daily snorkeling options, a window on the undersea, with a naturalist at the helm to illuminate the vivid life there.



THE HEART OF THE EXPERIENCE

The warmth, humanity, and dedication of the expedition team, officers, and crew is unequalled. The engaging naturalists, many of whom were born and bred in the Galápagos, have a deep understanding of all aspects of the islands' natural and human history, and are experts in ornithology, geology, zoology, the undersea, and conservation. Your time with them will greatly enhance your understanding of this remote archipelago.

A Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor is aboard to help you take advantage of the myriad photo opportunities. They are not only skilled photographers—trained to help you understand your camera and improve your skills—but also naturalists who can guide you in capturing the incredible wildlife behavior on display right in front of you.

Opposite page (clockwise from top): Guest in hammock spots passing tortoise; snorkeling gear is provided for all; choose between kayaking or paddleboarding to explore on your own; guest photographs marine iguanas up close.

GALÁPAGOS

10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR II



Lounging sea lions.

Explore the legendary Galápagos Islands aboard a comfortable 52-cabin expedition ship, well equipped for actively experiencing the wildlife and wonders of the islands.

DAY 1: U.S./GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR

Depart for Guayaquil and upon arrival, transfer to the Hotel Hilton Colón.

DAY 2: GUAYAQUIL/GALÁPAGOS/EMBARK

This morning, fly to the Galápagos Islands and board the ship. After lunch, begin your exploration of the islands and their diverse wildlife. (B,L,D)

DAYS 3–8: EXPLORING THE GALÁPAGOS

Listed below is a sample of the islands we may visit during this expedition.* (B,L,D Daily)

ISLA SEYMOUR NORTE

Discover the largest colony of nesting magnificent frigatebirds in Galápagos, red- and blue-footed boobies, swallow-tailed gulls, and brown noddies. This small island is also home to land and marine iguanas and sea lions.

ISLA RÁBIDA

Land on a red sand beach on this volcanically varied island, where flamingos sometimes feed in a brackish

lagoon, sea lions cavort on the beach, and pelicans nest on low-lying shrubs. Rábida is an inviting place to kayak, paddleboard, and snorkel. The sunsets are magnificent.

ISLA FERNANDINA

Brightly colored Sally Lightfoot crabs skitter across recent lava fields and sea lions play along the coast against the dramatic backdrop of a towering volcano at this westernmost, youngest, and most pristine island in the archipelago.

ISLA ISABELA

Explore the largest island in Galápagos, making up more than half the land area of the archipelago. Cruise by Zodiac, hike, and snorkel in the cool, rich waters that often draw whales and dolphins. Once frequented by whalers and pirates, this is the realm of enormous marine iguanas, abundant sea turtles, the only species of flightless cormorant in the world, and the only penguin species that inhabits the Equator. The Equator crosses the north of Isabela.



Magnificent frigatebird.

ISLA SANTA CRUZ

Santa Cruz is not just the principal town in the islands, it is home to the Charles Darwin Research Station, where you learn about the science being done here. Visit the neighboring captive breeding program for Galápagos giant tortoises being conducted by their partners in conservation, the Galápagos National Park Service. Later after lunch in the highlands, search for wild Galápagos giant tortoises in their native habitat.

ISLA SANTIAGO

Santiago offers several places to explore, including Puerto Egas, where you'll follow a path along a series of tide pools of black basalt and arches with underwater caverns in search of Galápagos fur seals, marine iguanas, sea lions, and shorebirds. Also explore Buccaneer Cove, one of the places where Darwin landed. Swim, snorkel, kayak, and paddleboard along the coast of this fourth largest island.

ISLA SAN CRISTÓBAL

Stroll, swim, and snorkel from a green-tinted beach and hike inland to a cinder cone for views of an impressive volcanic landscape. Encounter nesting blue- and red-footed boobies, along with San Cristóbal mockingbirds and San Cristóbal lava lizards, both endemic to this easternmost island.

DAY 9: GALÁPAGOS/GUAYAQUIL/DISEMBARK

After breakfast, disembark the ship and fly to Guayaquil. The evening is at your leisure at the Hotel Hilton Colón. (B)

DAY 10: GUAYAQUIL/U.S.

Depart Guayaquil this morning, arriving home the same day. (B)

** Please note: All ship itineraries are subject to Galápagos National Park regulations. This expedition, which travels between Isla Baltra and Isla San Cristóbal, includes Isla Santa Cruz and a handpicked selection of these and other visitor sites.*

GALÁPAGOS + AN EXTENSION TO MACHU PICCHU & PERU'S LAND OF THE INCA

16 DAYS/15 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR II



The mystical stone ruins of the Inca, Machu Picchu.

As magnificent as the Galápagos Islands are for wildlife, so is Peru from a cultural and archaeological perspective. Take advantage of your proximity to explore Peru's Sacred Valley of the Inca, majestic Machu Picchu, and the winding, colonial streets of Cusco. Gain insights from National Geographic historian Peter Frost.

DAYS 1-8: AS PER GALÁPAGOS ITINERARY ON PAGES 6-7.

DAY 9: GALÁPAGOS/GUAYAQUIL/LIMA, PERU

Depart Galápagos this morning and fly to Lima, Peru via Guayaquil, arriving in the evening. Overnight at the comfortable and conveniently located Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport Hotel. (B,L)

DAY 10: LIMA/CUSCO/SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCA

Board a short scenic flight to Cusco and continue to Moray—a visually stunning Inca site with dramatic agricultural terraces. After lunch and a visit to a local market, check-in at Sol y Luna for the next two nights. This serene Relais & Chateaux hotel offers individual adobe casitas set in a verdant garden. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: SACRED VALLEY

Spend the day exploring the archaeological sites and culture of the Sacred Valley in the company of National Geographic expert Peter Frost, who has lived and worked in Peru for decades. He or a colleague joins us for a talk at our hotel and a visit to the massive Inca stone fortress of Ollantaytambo, set above a thriving Inca community. Lunch is at a working, family-owned hacienda, where we are treated to a show of Peruvian Paso horses, and National Geographic grantee Nilda Callañaupa, founder of El Centro de Textiles Tradicionales de Cusco, demonstrates Inca weaving traditions. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: SACRED VALLEY/MACHU PICCHU

Marvel at the dramatic scenery en route by train to Machu Picchu. Check-in at the historic 31-room Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, adjacent to the World Heritage site. Explore over two days in the company of our handpicked tour director and local guides. Lunch and dinner at the hotel. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: MACHU PICCHU/CUSCO

Awaken this morning at Machu Picchu, where options include an early hike to the Sun Gate, the ancient final checkpoint on the Inca Trail. After lunch, return by train and bus to Cusco, a burgeoning cultural capital. Check-in at the Belmond Hotel Monasterio, in the heart of colonial Cusco, for two nights. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: CUSCO

Explore the magnificently ornate 17th-century cathedral, the sacred Inca Temple of the Sun, and other treasures of Cusco. Visit nearby Sacsayhuamán, with commanding views over the city. This afternoon is at leisure to discover Cusco. Dinner is on your own. (B,L)

DAY 15: CUSCO/LIMA

Return to Lima this morning. Stroll the Plaza Mayor and enjoy a private lunch with a musical presentation at Casa Aliaga, one of the oldest houses in Lima. Visit the extraordinary Larco Museum, then check-in at Belmond Miraflores Park Hotel. Dinner is on your own. (B,L)

DAY 16: LIMA/U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)

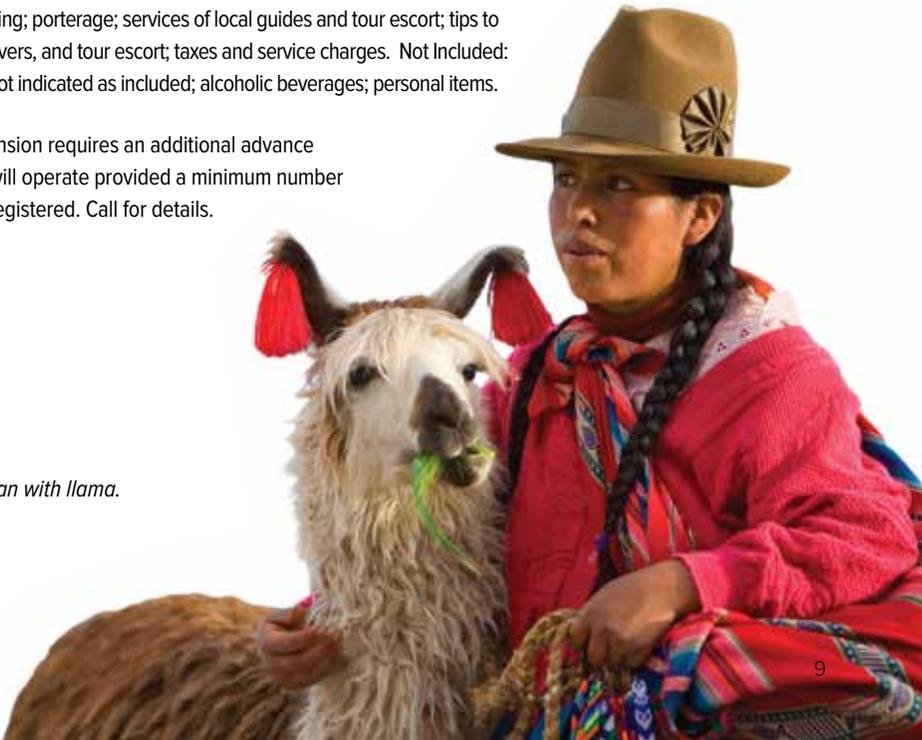
PERU EXTENSION COST PER PERSON

DOUBLE: \$5,890 **SINGLE:** \$7,290

Cost Includes: Seven hotel nights; meals indicated; transfers if traveling on group flights; sightseeing; portage; services of local guides and tour escort; tips to local guides, drivers, and tour escort; taxes and service charges. Not Included: Airfare; meals not indicated as included; alcoholic beverages; personal items.

Note: The extension requires an additional advance payment and will operate provided a minimum number of guests are registered. Call for details.

Peruvian woman with llama.





NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR II

Designed to meet exacting standards, *National Geographic Endeavour II* was launched in December 2016. She accommodates 96 guests in 52 outside cabins, and features 14 connecting cabins and suites for family or friends' sharing, plus 9 solo cabins. A beautiful ship, she is lavishly windowed to better frame the never-ending panorama as she voyages from island to island.

CAPACITY: 52 cabins accommodating 96 guests.

REGISTRY: Ecuador. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 236 feet.

PUBLIC AREAS: Forward lounge and bar accommodating all guests for presentations and gatherings, restaurant, large library with Mac computer kiosks, open-air observation deck, underwater gear area and efficient Zodiac boarding platform, and open bridge, where guests can meet the captain and officers and learn about navigation.

MEALS: Served in a single, unassigned seating in a sociable, informal atmosphere with Ecuadorian flair.

CABINS: All face outside with large windows and feature twin beds that convert to a queen. With private facilities, climate control, nightstands, desk, and storage. Seven sets of cabins with a connecting door.

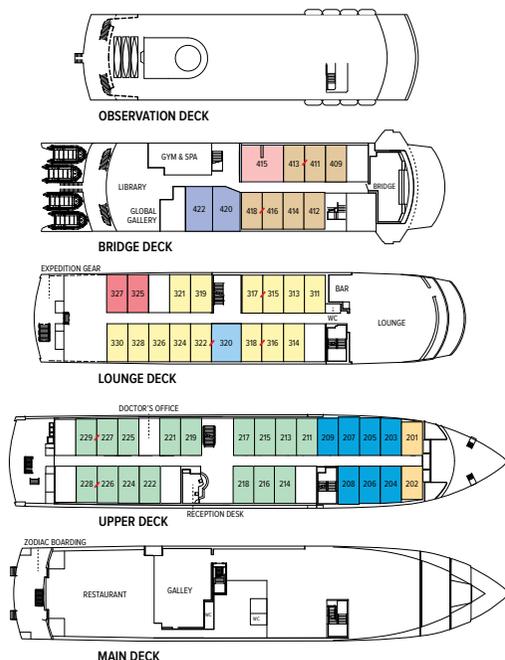
EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: Zodiacs, glass-bottom boat, kayaks, stand-up paddleboards, snorkel gear including wetsuits for both adults and children, video microscope, and underwater video camera.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Ship's doctor, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, video chronicler, National Geographic Global Explorers family program, snorkel instruction, Wi-Fi access, laundry service, Global Gallery.

WELLNESS: LEXSpa and fitness center, exercise classes, and wellness specialist.

Above: The casual restaurant is designed for sociability and inclusivity with no assigned seating; comfortable Category 4 cabin; the lounge, the hub of the expedition community, offers panoramic views and seating for all; the well-equipped fitness center.





/ indicates adjoining cabins

COSTS ARE PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

CATEGORY 1: Upper Deck, Forward #201, 202	\$7,190
CATEGORY 2: Upper Deck #211, 213-219, 221, 222, 224-229	\$8,450
CATEGORY 3: Lounge Deck #311, 313-319, 321, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330	\$9,450
CATEGORY 4: Bridge Deck #409, 411-414, 416, 418	\$10,590
SUITE A: Lounge Deck, Mid-Ship #320—with two windows, larger bath, armchair. Connecting door to #322.	\$12,690
SUITE B: Bridge Deck, Mid-Ship #420, 422—with two floor-to-ceiling windows, larger bath, convertible sofa for a third person.	\$13,690
SUITE C: Bridge Deck, Mid-Ship #415—with two large windows, larger bath, separate sitting area with convertible sofa for a third person and armchairs, largest cabin on ship	\$14,990
CATEGORY 2 SOLO: Upper Deck #203-209—with a queen bed.	\$10,690
CATEGORY 3 SOLO: Lounge Deck #325, 327—with a queen bed.	\$11,880

NOTE: All cabins feature the option of two twins or a queen bed, plus large window(s), desk, chair, and closet.

CONNECTING CABINS: #226/228, 227/229, 315/317, 316/318, 320/322, 411/413, 416/418

TRIPLE OCCUPANCY: #224, 225, 326, 328 with fold-down third berth, Suites B and C with convertible sofa bed. Third person rates are one-half per person double occupancy rate.

SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS: Shares can be arranged at the double occupancy rate in Categories 1 and 2.

INCLUSIVE PRICING

ABOARD SHIP

- ✓ All meals—from breakfast, lunch & dinner in the dining room, to outdoor BBQs, hors d'oeuvres & snacks during lounge recap, tea time cookies & all-day fruit
- ✓ All alcoholic (except certain premium brands) & nonalcoholic beverages including unlimited cappuccinos, lattes, coffee, tea & soda
- ✓ Complimentary refillable water bottle
- ✓ Daily stretching class with wellness specialist
- ✓ Fitness center with elliptical, treadmill, stationary bicycle, free weights, bands & more
- ✓ Mac computers for downloading your camera's memory card
- ✓ Free WI-FI (up to one hour a day per person)
- ✓ Access to navigational bridge
- ✓ Services of an onboard doctor

ASHORE

- ✓ Two nights hotel accommodations in Guayaquil
- ✓ Meals as indicated in itinerary
- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
- ✓ Transfers to & from group flights

ACTIVITIES

- ✓ All the daily activities—from Zodiac explorations to kayaking, paddleboarding, hiking, & snorkeling (ship carries complete snorkeling gear)
- ✓ Lectures, presentations, daily recaps & briefings by the knowledgeable expedition staff in the lounge
- ✓ Photo instruction from skilled photographer

SPECIAL OFFERS

BAR TAB AND WI-FI: Enjoy complimentary bar tab aboard ship (excluding certain premium brands of alcohol), plus free WI-FI (up to one hour a day per person). Call for details.

BRING THE KIDS: Sharing an expedition with your kids or grandkids is a life-enhancing experience. So, take \$500 off the double occupancy price for each person under 18.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

VOYAGE COST INCLUDES: All accommodations aboard ship or in hotels per itinerary or similar; all meals and nonalcoholic and alcoholic (except premium brands) beverages aboard ship; meals on land as indicated; shore excursions, sightseeing, and entrance fees; special access permits; transfers to and from group flights; use of snorkeling equipment and wetsuits; use of kayaks and paddleboards; free WI-FI aboard ship (one hour per day per person); tips (except to ship's crew), taxes, and service charges; services of a ship physician and expedition staff.

NOT INCLUDED: International and internal airfare (U.S./Guayaquil/Galápagos/Guayaquil/U.S.); extensions; passport, visa, immigration fees; meals not indicated; travel protection plan; items of a personal nature such as, internet usage, wellness treatments, voyage DVD, certain premium brands of alcohol aboard ship; laundry. Gratuities to ship's crew are at your discretion.

AIRFARE: Airfare is an additional cost. International and internal Ecuador tickets must be issued separately. Sample international fares: Round-trip Miami/Guayaquil: Economy from \$500; Business from \$1,050. Internal fares: Round-trip Guayaquil/Galápagos. Adult from \$520; Children (under 12) from \$260. Call for sample Peru airfare. Lindblad Expeditions will assist in making your international air arrangements for a \$50 per person service fee. Fares subject to change.

RESERVATIONS: To confirm your place, an advance payment of \$750 per person for Galápagos and \$1,500

for Galápagos + Peru is required and is payable by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or check.

FINAL PAYMENT: Due no later than 90 days prior to departure.

TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN: Travel and medical insurance are available at an additional cost. Information will be sent to you by Duke Alumni Association upon registration.

ENTRY AND VISA REQUIREMENTS: Guests are advised to verify travel documents (passport/transit visa/entry visa) for the country through which they are transiting and/or entering. Reliable and most current information regarding international travel can be found by contacting the consulate/embassy of the country(s) you are visiting or transiting through. We will not be responsible if you are denied entry or transit into a country, if you are unable to provide valid documents as per the country's requirement.

SMOKING POLICY: Allowed only in designated outdoor areas.

RESPONSIBILITY AND OTHER TERMS & CONDITIONS: Certain other provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Maritime Enterprises' liability for loss of property, injury, illness, or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship's ticket sent prior to departure or upon request. By registering for a trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

Itinerary and prices listed in this brochure are as of publication date, and are subject to change. Lindblad Maritime Enterprises reserves the right to impose surcharges based on increases in the actual cost of fuel.

CANCELLATION POLICY	
Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start	Per Person Cancellation Fee
120 or more days	\$350
119–90 days	Advance payment cost
89–60 days	25% of trip cost
59–45 days	50% of trip cost
44–0 days	No refund
<i>We strongly recommend that you purchase a travel protection plan.</i>	

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RESERVATION FORM: GALÁPAGOS + PERU

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Please reserve _____ place(s) on Galápagos Galápagos + Peru.

Name 1: _____
(As it appears on passport)

Name 1: _____ Date of Birth: _____
(Preferred name for name badge)

Name 2: _____
(As it appears on passport)

Name 2: _____ Date of Birth: _____
(Preferred name for name badge)

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Business Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Accommodations: Double Single Twin share w/friend

Share with roommate assigned by tour operator

Please indicate choice of cabin category in order of preference:

1st choice: _____ 2nd choice: _____

Enclosed is my advance payment of \$ _____
(\$750 per person on Galápagos or \$1,500 per person on Galápagos + Peru).

Check made payable to **Lindblad Maritime Enterprises, Ltd.**

Charge my advance payment of \$ _____
(\$750 per person on Galápagos or \$1,500 per person on Galápagos + Peru) to my

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Account Number: _____ Expires: _____

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EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- » Featuring Duke Professor, Dr. Steve Nowicki.
- » Cruise to pristine islands aboard a 52-cabin expedition ship.
- » Walk among colonies of unusual animals and birds unfazed by your presence, and observe giant Galápagos tortoises in the wild.
- » Experience the waters of the Galápagos by kayak, glass-bottom boat, Zodiac, or paddleboard.
- » Snorkel amid shimmering fish, sea turtles, penguins, and playful sea lions.
- » Benefit from an expert team of naturalists and the exclusive expedition photography program.

» GREAT FOR FAMILIES!



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