

# *Handbook* 2019







Welcome to Galapagos!


We are honored to have you on board, and we are fully committed to make your Galapagos experience a lifetime memory! The Galapagos Sea Star Journey offers you a real depth experience of this unique World Heritage site, in the most exclusive and personalized way.

The best way to live a vivid trip in your Galapagos vacation is to cruise around the archipelago and experience the huge diversity between the varieties of islands. Our well-planned excursions at distinct sites allow you to encounter the natural wonders of these enchanted Islands and to understand its continuing evolution fully.

You will learn about Galapagos land & marine wildlife, flora, geology, and history. Our excursions include visits to peculiar landmarks, wildlife trails, mangrove forests, tortoise breeding farms, research centers, marine sites, and more.

Some of the activities you can enjoy are volcano-hiking, kayaking, snorkeling, and each combine amongst others.





Our yacht combines premium first class, privacy, and comfort in the marvelous setting of the Galapagos Islands. The Galapagos Sea Star Journey offers to avid travelers the opportunity to experience close encounters with the unique wildlife of the Galapagos Islands.

We invite you to join us on board our premium class yacht, and admire the wonders of the evolution, as you enjoy all the creature comforts with world-class service.

Cruising around the unique Islands and experience several visitor sites each day is the best way for a traveler to make the most of their Galapagos vacation time. We have one of the best-planned itineraries on board and the best built live aboard yacht.

Our shore excursions have been crafted with care, and allow passengers to see up close the Galapagos animals as well as understanding how they have adapted to the harsh island conditions.

# Cabins

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The Galapagos Sea Star Journey has a capacity of 16 passengers; it features seven spacious Galapagos Suites (25m<sup>2</sup>= 270 ft<sup>2</sup>). Five suites are twins, allocated between the main (2 suites) and the upper deck areas (3 suites). Some of these Galapagos Twin Suites can be converted in Matrimonial through a faux king bed.

The main deck twin suites have a balcony, and the others on the upper deck are interconnected, so they are ideals for families. All the suites are equipped with panoramic windows to enjoy the landscapes of the islands, private bathroom, hot/cold water, air conditioning with independent controls, and safe box.







*Matrimonial Suite*  
Main Deck - Balcony Suite

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# *Twin Cabin*

Main Deck - Balcony Suite

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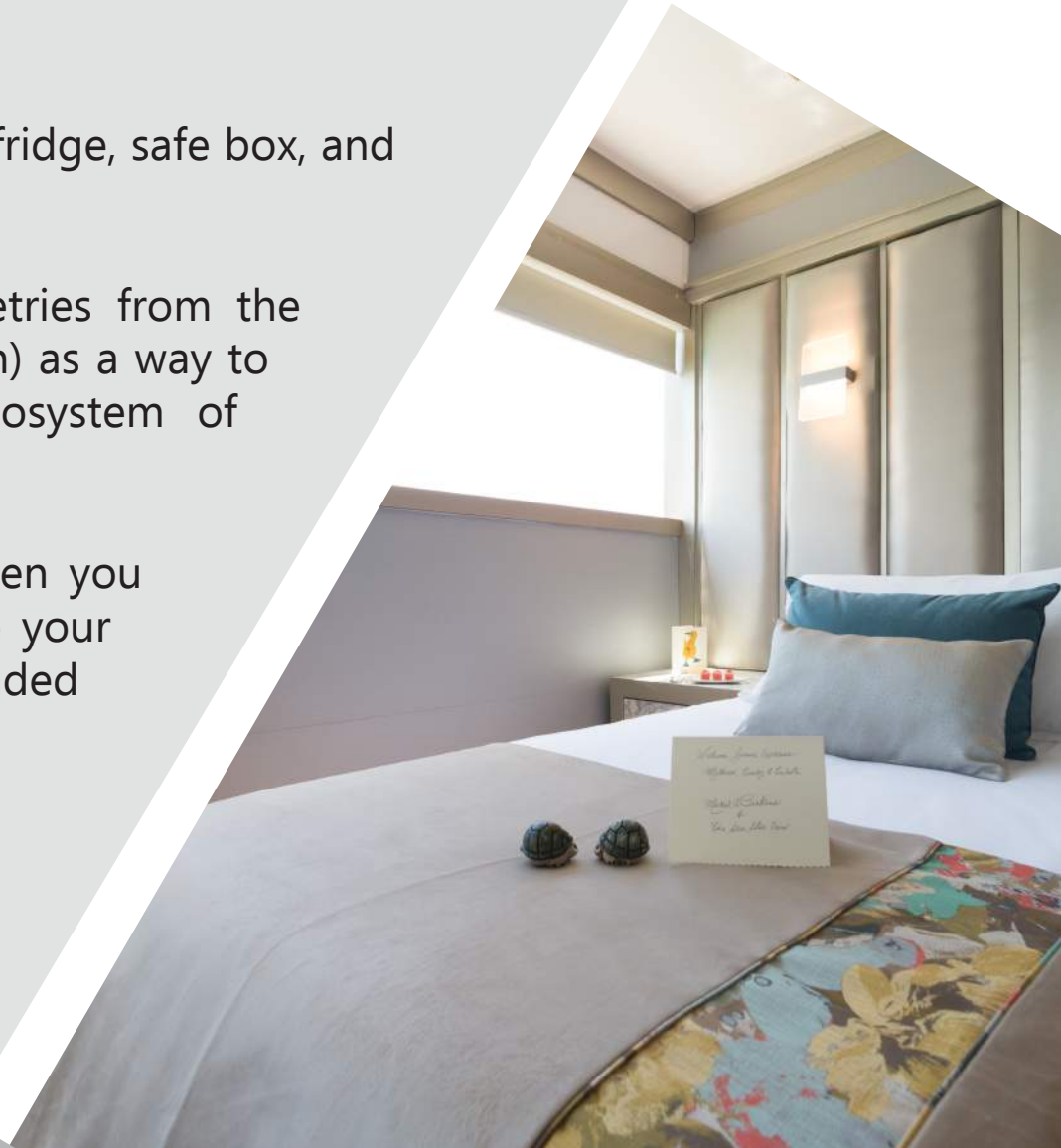
# *Twin / Matrimonial Cabin*

## Interconnected Suites

Each Twin / Matrimonial Suites has a mini-fridge, safe box, and independent A/C.

Also guest will enjoy biodegradable toiletries from the Ecuadorian Amazon (Chankuap Foundation) as a way to minimize our impact on the fragile ecosystem of Galapagos.

Housekeeping service is available when you are out on island excursions, so your cabin will be carefully tended every day.



# *Matrimonial Cabins*

Upper Deck  
Interconnected Suites





# *Twin Cabins*

Upper Deck  
Interconnected Suites



# *Bathroom*

Upper Deck  
Twin - Matrimonial Suites





# Sea Star Suite

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The Sea Star Suite is located on the Upper Deck. This cabin is like having your own apartment on the Galapagos Islands with a King size bed.

Some of the cabins features are a large and panoramic view windows, a large sitting area with desk, a comfortable sofa bed for triple accommodation, perfect for children, and its private bathroom.





# *Sea Star Suite*

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*Spacious Bathrooms*

Sea Star Suite



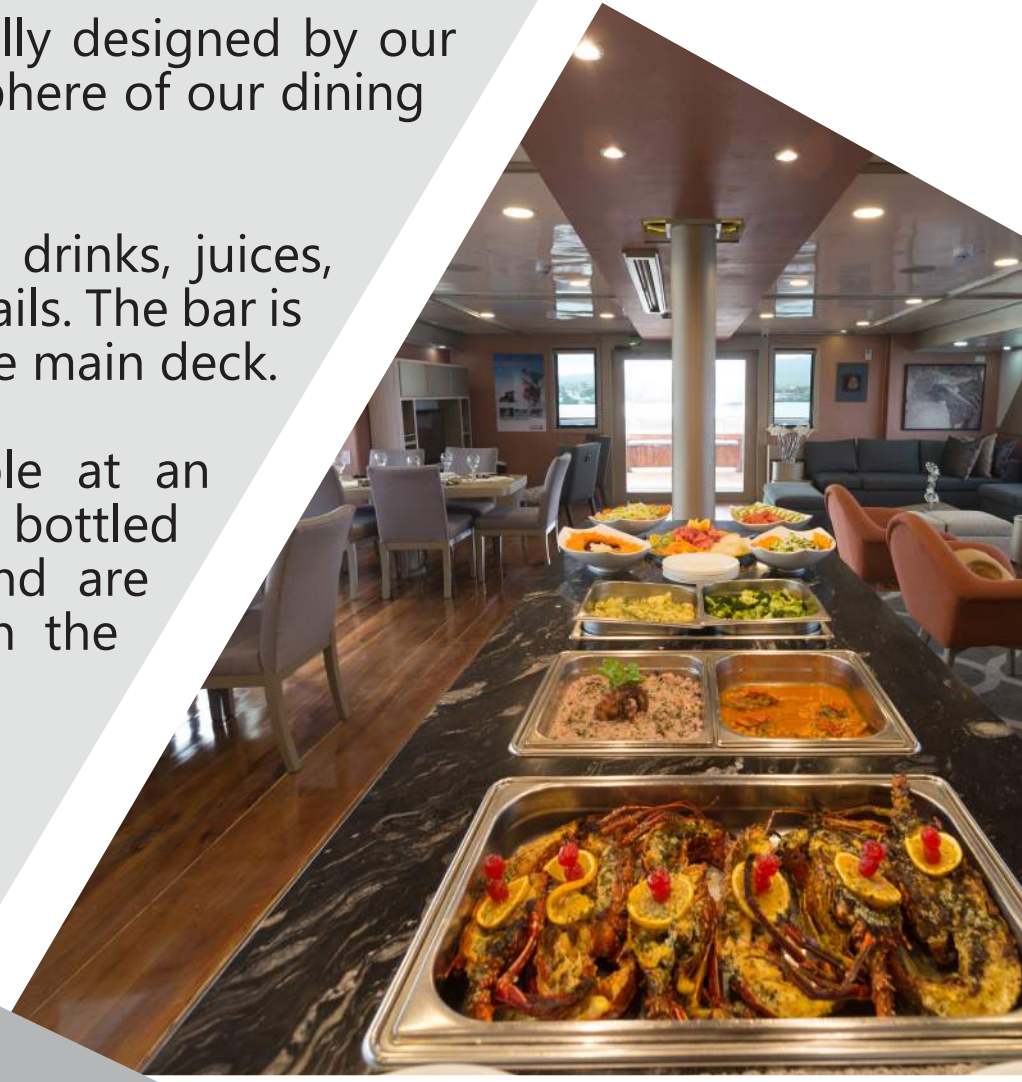
# *Social Areas*

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Local and international dishes especially designed by our chef, will be served in the cozy atmosphere of our dining room.

We have a well-stocked bar with soft drinks, juices, beer, wine, premium liquors, and cocktails. The bar is located in the Dining Room area on the main deck.

All drinks from the bar are available at an additional cost. Coffee, tea and bottled water are free of charge and are available at any time in the Dining Room.







*Social Areas*

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# Sun Deck

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The external sun deck is divided into a covered area with sunbeds and a terrace that are well-furnished areas offering comfort and privacy.

To check out the gorgeous ocean views with fellow shipmates, guests can spend some time on the liveaboards' spacious sun deck.

Whether they feel like getting a little sun on their vacation, or want the best place to enjoy the gorgeous sunsets over the Galapagos Islands.







# *Sun Deck*

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*Sun Deck*

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# *Deck Plans*



# *Main Deck*

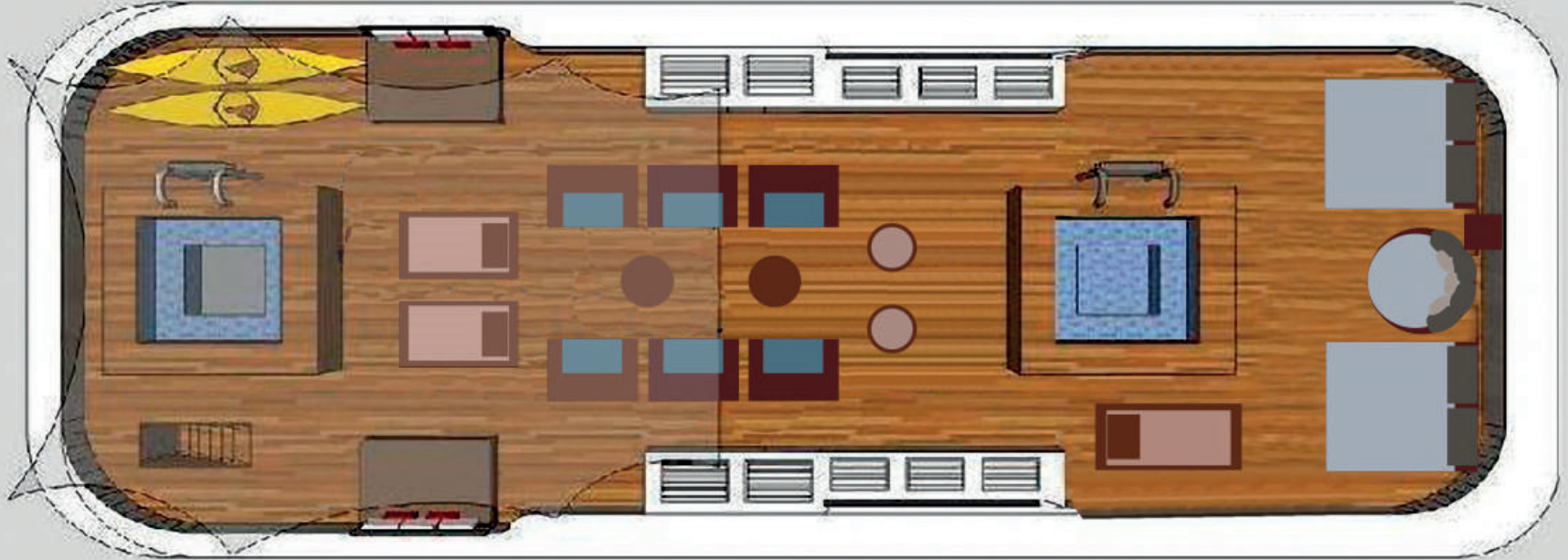




# Upper Deck



# *Sun Deck*





# *Useful Information*





# *Clothing*

- Comfortable walking shoes
- Sandals with thongs or Tevas for wet landings
- Light cotton socks
- Long-sleeved cotton shirts and T-shirts
- Light cotton scarf to protect your neck
- Shorts
- Lightweight long pants or skirt / dress
- Light rain jacket or wind breaker
- Sweatshirt, sweater, light jacket: the early morning/late evenings can get cool, often with a breeze
- Wide-brim hat
- Bathing suits



# Money & Security

- ◆ Passport
- ◆ Copy of passport
- ◆ US Cash mostly low denomination bills (\$5 to \$20)
- ◆ \$100 entrance fee is required in cash on arrival in Galapagos
- ◆ Travel Insurance
- ◆ Motion Sickness pills
- ◆ Salted Crackers
- ◆ Candied Ginger or ginger tablets
- ◆ Patch / wrist bands

## First Aid

- ◆ PeptoBismol or Kaopectate for stomach upset and mild diarrhea.
- ◆ Immodium or Lomotil for more severe diarrhea
- ◆ Band - Aids
- ◆ Anti-biotic cream
- ◆ Aloe Vera cream or gel for sunburn
- ◆ Tylenol or other mild pain relief



# Equipment

- └ Sun block lotion
- └ PABA sunscreen (at least # 15) - take lots, you will run out. The sun is very very hot here.
- └ Lip salve
- └ Sunglasses with a strap
- └ Extra eye glasses/ contact lenses
- └ Insect repellent, this is essential!
- └ Personal medication
- └ Self-sealing bags for electronic equipment
- └ Digital Camera, either point and shoot or SLR will work well.
- └ Underwater cameras to take photos of the animal life while snorkeling (take a few you will use them fast!)
- └ Camera gear
- └ Enough flash memory to download pictures / memory cards, don't underestimate how many photos you will take, some people come back with over 2000 in 4 days!
- └ Binoculars in case you want to get a more detailed look at unique animals in Galapagos.
- └ Extra batteries for cameras

IMPORTANT NOTE: Since April 2018, the Galapagos Islands is plastic free. For this reason, it's not allowed to use and bring disposable plastic bags, straws, plastic bottles, and plastic food containers. Please, take into consideration this policy when you are traveling to the Enchanted Islands.







GALAPAGOS  
*Sea Star*  
JOURNEY