The Galapagos Islands

8 DAYS OF WONDER & AMAZEMENT

* Think biology class — with deck chairs*

OCTOBER 7–14, 2015

Discounted Rate
SAVE MORE THAN $800 per couple
Dear Alumnae and Friends,

Join the Alumnae Association of Barnard College for an exploration of the Galapagos Islands from October 7–14, 2015. Designated the first UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1978, the Galapagos Islands have been described as a “unique living museum and showcase of evolution.”

Cruise through the archipelago on a 40 passenger ship, providing unparalleled access to the fauna and flora of the Islands, with expert naturalists to guide you through the wonders of this national park, whale sanctuary, and marine reserve. This exciting journey also features a day of guided touring in Quito and an optional extension to Machu Picchu, Cusco, and the Sacred Valley.

Shared with alumni from Dartmouth College, cabin availability is limited. For special Barnard Alumnae Travel Program rates (alumnae, family and friends are all welcome), please call the Travel Program office at (800) 417-1127 or email travel@alum.barnard.edu. You may also reserve now with the enclosed reservation form.

Warmly,

Shelli Luchs
Manager Alumnae Affairs

P.S. Secure your reservation before April 10, 2015 to receive your FREE Expedition Library.**
Feel the thrill of encountering the flora and fauna that famously inspired Darwin—and in his footsteps, generations of nature lovers.
Your 8-Day Itinerary*

Day 1:  En route / arrive Quito
Overnight: Hilton Colon, Quito

Day 2:  Quito (B,L)
Overnight: Hilton Colon, Quito

Day 3:  Quito / Baltra / Santa Cruz / Embarkation (B,L,D)
Overnight: Isabela II

Day 4:  Floreana (B,L,D)
Overnight: Isabela II

Day 5:  Española (B,L,D)
Overnight: Isabela II

Day 6:  San Cristóbal (B,L,D)
Overnight: Isabela II

Day 7:  San Cristóbal – Disembarkation / Quito (B,L aloft)
Overnight: Hilton Colon, Quito

Day 8:  Quito / Depart for U.S. (B)

Optional extension: Days 8–13 to Machu Picchu, Cusco & the Sacred Valley

Program Highlights

- Appreciate the diversity of life first-hand while observing endemic species such as the flightless cormorant, the Galapagos penguin, blue-footed boobies, giant tortoises, marine and land iguanas, and the famous “Darwin’s finches.”

- Swim with sea lions, snorkel among colorful tropical fish or sea turtles, and discover amazing flora and fauna aboard a glass-bottom boat in the clear waters of the world’s second largest marine reserve.

- Explore remote coralline beaches and secluded inlets, such as Gardner Bay—where sea lions lounge, Española mockingbirds sing, and Green Sea Turtles make their nests.

- Discover dramatic and historic places, including the Charles Darwin Research Center, where the National Park and conservation programs are headquartered, and Cerro Brujo, one of the first sites visited by Darwin.

- What’s included: all excursions, presentations, onboard welcome dinner, breakfast each morning and all onboard meals, airport transfers for guests on suggested flights, and round-trip internal airfare between Quito and the Galapagos Islands.

Activity level: Moderate

Guests should be comfortable walking a few to several miles; be sure-footed on stairs, ramps, and small vessels; and be comfortable managing beach landings and boarding small vessels both from shore and from the deck of Isabela II.
Accommodations

Isabela II
With a capacity of only 40 guests, Isabela II has been designed to provide the ultimate in comfort and adventure in the Galapagos Islands. Her 20 staterooms provide spacious accommodations with en suite facilities.

Cabin Category | Square Footage
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Standard | 128 sq.ft.
Classic Double | 139 sq.ft.
Classic Twin | 139 sq.ft.
Master Suite | 170 sq.ft.

Hilton Colon, Quito
On the first two nights, and the night before your departing flight, you will be staying in the elegant Hilton Colon, Quito. The hotel is located in the city center’s bustling Avenida Amazonas, and is a 10-minute walk to Quito’s Spanish Colonial old town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Your Expedition Leader
Viewing the Galapagos Islands alongside an Expedition Leader is a special experience. While observing wildlife, your Expedition Leader will offer expert descriptions of methods of survival and behaviors. Together on skiff rides, nature walks, and aboard the Isabela II, you will gain understanding of the endangered species who inhabit the waters and land of the archipelago.
Optional Extension
Machu Picchu, Cusco, & the Sacred Valley

Travel to the mist-shrouded citadel of the Incas on this deluxe extension to Machu Picchu, Cusco, and the Sacred Valley.

Day 8:  Quito / Overnight Lima (B)
Day 9:   Lima / Cusco / Ollantaytambo / Sacred Valley (B,L,D)
Day 10:  Sacred Valley / Machu Picchu (B,L,D)
Day 11:  Machu Picchu / Sacred Valley / Cusco (B,L,D)
Day 12:  Cusco / Sacsayhuaman / San Blas / Villa Tipon (B,L,D)
Day 13:  Cusco / Lima / Depart Lima (B,L)

What’s Included
5 nights choice accommodations; 5 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 4 dinners; flight between Lima and Cusco on Days 9 and 13; fully guided tours and field presentations from local experts; airport transfers for guests on suggested flights; all ground excursion transportation, including Vistadome train through the Urubamba Valley; and gratuities to guides, drivers, and waiters for included meals.

*Subject to change

Registration, Deposits and Final Payment. To confirm and secure your reservation, a deposit of $850 per person per program, a deposit for any extension(s), and any non-refundable advance payments, payable by check, online check/ACH, money order, wire transfer of same day U.S. funds, or major credit card, is due at the time of registration. Final payment, including any extension(s) and optional(s), is payable by check, online check/ACH, money order, or wire transfer of same day U.S. funds ONLY and due no later than 90 days prior to the scheduled program departure date. If your reservation is made fewer than 90 days prior to departure, the entire cost of the program, including any extension(s) and optional(s), is due at the time of registration by check, money order, or wire transfer of same day U.S. funds ONLY. If final payment is not received by Orbridge at least 90 days prior to the scheduled program departure date, (a) the reservation is subject to a late payment fee equal to 2% (or the maximum legal rate, if less) of the total invoice amount, per week until paid in full, and (b) Orbridge may, at any time and with or without notice, cancel your reservation in its sole and absolute discretion. All payments we receive from you are herein defined as “Payments.” CST#2098750-40 WST#602828994

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Standard Rate
Starting From: $4,399
Discounted Rate
Starting From: $3,995*

Optional Machu Picchu Extension: $2,995*
Airfare from main program to extension will be charged additionally at $690 per person.

$3,995* $6,995
Single
$7,399
Single

Secure your reservation with a deposit charged to the credit card below, or with an enclosed check payable to: Orbridge LLC.

Guest Information:

Guest #1 (as printed on passport): _______________________________ Class Year ______________
Guest #2 (as printed on passport): _______________________________ Class Year ______________

Address: _______________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: __________ Zip: ___________

Email: __________________________ Phone: __________ Alt. Phone: ___________

Category Preference (if applicable): 1st choice ____________________ 2nd choice ____________________

Deposit:

(#) ______ guests joining program ($850/person) +
(#) ______ guests joining extension ($500/person if applicable) = Total deposit: $________________

Deposit Payment:

☐ Check enclosed  ☐ Online Check/ACH  ☐ MasterCard/Visa  ☐ American Express  ☐ Discover

Card #: __________________________________ Exp. date: __________ CVV: ___________

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*Discounted group rate; limited offer. Rates are per person, based on double occupancy except where noted, and in U.S. dollars. Single reservations are $6,995; availability limited. Internal airfare between the mainland and the Galapagos Islands is included; airfare otherwise not included. Extension rate includes internal airfare between Lima and Cusco on days 9 & 13; airfare otherwise not included. Airfare from main program (Quito) to extension (Lima) will be charged additionally at $690 per person. Single extension rate is $4,495 in Standard accommodation; availability limited. **A complement to the educational component of this journey, Expedition Libraries are curated collections of useful resources and background reading tailored to this program. Place your deposit on or before the specified date, and one Expedition Library per room will be sent upon receipt of final payment. Libraries may be purchased; please call for details.

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