

Santa Fe Island awaits!

Open your eyes and admire everything that sits right outside your window as a new day begins in the Galapagos! A delicious **breakfast will be served and ready for you to enjoy at 6:30 a.m.**

After breakfast, the adventure begins! At **7:45 a.m.**, we'll **depart from the hotel and head over to the Puerto Ayora docks**, from which we'll board the Sea Lion Yacht. Don't forget that, before heading out from the hotel, you can ask for **seasickness pills** and **walking sticks** for the journey ahead, both of these **free of charge**.

Once we've boarded the yacht, we'll **sail for two hours** until we reach the beautiful island of Santa Fe. During this majestic journey, you'll get to soak in the views and the **gentle breeze from the ocean** from the second floor of the yacht or **soak in the sun** from the comfort of the loungers we have on the bow. You can enjoy this journey as you see fit!

Studies suggest that the island of Santa Fe is, in fact, one of the oldest in the entire archipelago. Given the island is the result of uplift from the ocean floor, you can actually see lava formations (that were previously underwater) sitting on its surface. These rock formations have been dated to be around 4 million years old! It's relatively flat surface (9.3 mi² / 24 km²) is home to two endemic species: **the Santa Fe land iguana** and the **Santa Fe rice rat**.



Additionally, you'll also get to admire **the largest species of opuntia cactus** as well as **Galapagos hawks** (the largest predator in the archipelago), **blue-footed boobies**, Galapagos sea lions, frigatebirds (great and magnificent) and the marine iguana.



After performing a **Wet Landing** and disembarking on the beautiful, white sand beach of Santa Fe, we'll immediately come upon **numerous sea lion harems**, which invite us to head out on **an exciting walk** throughout the island in search of the other residents that live here. Once we've taken our walk, you'll enjoy **a refreshing dip over at La Encañada** – a wonderful visitor site on Santa Fe Island. You'll also get the chance to go snorkeling using the equipment we provide aboard the Sea Lion Yacht!

Afterwards, a **delicious lunch** will be waiting for you aboard the Yacht. Following a brief period of relaxation, **we'll set sail back** to Santa Cruz Island.