# Discovering Galapagos - Full Day Isabela & Islet Las Tintoreras (from Santa Cruz)

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| **Location:** Santa Cruz, Ecuador  **Language:** English  **Duration:** 8.0 hours | **Magpie Product Code:** LCUMDS  **Company Website:** discoveringps.com  **Primary Contact:** Discovering Galapagos |

**Description Summary:**
AM: We have breakfast, we walk to the main pier of Santa Cruz around 06:45 aboard very safe and comfortable fiber-type fast boats, after 2 hours of navigation we arrive at Isabela Island known for hosting around 75% of wildlife species of the Archipelago including the second smallest species of penguin in the world; We disembarked, we went to the Arnaldo Tupiza Breeding Center, located 1.2 km from Puerto Villamil. The trail runs through mangrove ecosystems, wetlands, lava fields, carob and chamomile forests. In the center you will visit the different pens where turtles are observed in the populations of: Cazuela, Cinco Cerros, Roca Unión, San Pedro, Cinco Cerros, Caleta Iguana, Las Tablas and Cerro Paloma and that belong to the species present in the Cerro Azul volcanoes and Sierra Negra. The shell of the turtles of the population of Cinco Cerros has a special form, hence the name of “crushed”, Our next visit to the “Poza de Flamingos” semi-natural formation that gave rise to ancient quarries, here is It is possible to admire the emblematic Flamingos, migratory birds of reddish color as adults since chicks are completely white, color that is changing due to their food, lunch.
Islet Las Tintoreras, is located 10 minutes by boat from Puerto Villamil, is a small rocky islet, named as there is a lava crack with calm and transparent water where sharks of white tip fin, called “tintoreras, usually go to rest "And that is easily observed in the morning and afternoon. On the vertical walls of the cracks and the small turquoise lagoon inside dozens of baby marine iguanas warm their bodies with the morning sun. On the first beach you can see some plants of Nolana galapageia, an endemic plant very rare in the area. You may find some sea lions on a small white sand beach, and you will surely be able to see many marine iguanas of all ages, which is one of the main breeding sites for these reptiles. In addition to whitetip sharks (Triaenodon obesus) that are carnivorous animals, but not aggressive with humans and you can also admire a variety of multicolored fish. It has a small bay of completely calm turquoise waters, where you can see sea lions, sea turtles, rays, among other species. The bay is connected to a crack of crystalline waters, shallow and when the tide is low, the entrance closes, in this crevasse, you can see how the dry cleaners swim along with other small fish and sea lions. It is not advisable to bathe on these beaches because of the presence of wolf colonies that could be disturbed, 3:00 pm return to Santa Cruz.

**Description:**
We have years of experience in a quality and personalized service, fulfilling the expectations of all our clients.

**Inclusions:**

Lunch

Use of Snorkelling equipment

**Exclusions:**

Tips

Taxes in isabela $ 10.00 foreign dollars, National 5.00 dollars and water taxis $ 2.00

**Know Before You Book:**

- Duration: 8h

- Mobile tickets accepted

### Locations:

**Pickup:**
none

**Starts Notes:**
Traveler pickup is offered.<br>We collect all our customers at their respective hotels<br>Hotel pickup is offered. View the hotel list on our checkout page to see if yours is included among the pickup points.

### Cancellation

**Cancellation Policy:**
standard

**Cancellation Cut-off:**
24
hours

**Cancellation Notes:**
For a full refund, cancel at least 24 hours in advance of the start date of the experience.

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