

Galapagos Aggressor III

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Itinerary: Galapagos Islands
Adventure Schedule: Thursday to Thursday (7 nights)
Yacht Local Name: L/P Jesus del Gran Poder
Home Port: Itabaca Channel, Baltra Island, Galapagos, Ecuador

Aggressor Adventures Reservation Office

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Galapagos Aggressor III Quick Reference Summary

Charter Schedule: Thursday → Thursday

Home Port: Itabaca Channel, Baltra Island, Galapagos, Ecuador

Arrival & Transfers

Item	Details
Recommended Airports	Seymour/Baltra Airport (GPS) — direct flights from Guayaquil (GYE) or Quito (UIO)
Arrive By	Arrive in Guayaquil or Quito the night before your departure to Galapagos. Depart for Baltra on Thursday morning — the yacht greets guests arriving at Airport (GPS) Seymour in Baltra till the last incoming flight
Check-In / Check-Out	Check-In: Thursday from GPS airport or Itabaca Channel dock (Baltra Island side) Check-Out: Thursday by 8 am
Transfers:	An Aggressor guide meets guests at Baltra Airport and assists with luggage transfer to the yacht at the Itabaca Channel.

Deadlines & Documents

60 Days Before Departure	Review Diving Medical Form (if doing scuba training). Make a doctor's appointment if needed.
14 Days Before Departure	- Aggressor's Guest Information System registration due - Confirm any special requests
Item	Details
Passport	Valid ≥ 6 months beyond trip.
Galapagos Declaration Form	Complete the digital "Sworn Declaration of Goods" BEFORE arriving in Galapagos. declaracion.abgalapagos.gob.ec/declaracion
Guest Info System (GIS)	Complete all sections ≥ 14 days before departure.
Diving Medical Form	Required if doing any SCUBA training courses. (Nitrox Course ONLY) Print & bring. Doctor signature required for any "Yes" answers.
Dive Certification Card	Required for all divers (+ Nitrox if applicable).

Fees & Payments

Item	Details
Galapagos National Park Fee	\$200 USD per person — CASH ONLY , paid at Baltra Airport on arrival
Galapagos Visitors Card	\$20 USD per person — CASH ONLY , paid at Quito or Guayaquil airport before check-in
Fuel Surcharge	\$300 USD per person – Cash or Credit card accepted, paid onboard
Sales Tax (VAT)	15% on all onboard purchases, excluding gratuities
Nitrox	Additional fee – see aggressor.com (Rental Equipment) for current pricing
Payment Methods	USD cash / Visa / MasterCard

On Board Highlights

- All rooms A/C with private bath.
- Power: 110V (Type A/B plugs) – same as USA/Canada.
- Wi-Fi: Internet: OnAdventure LAN + SeaFi internet (purchase codes on board).
- Meals: Full breakfast, lunch buffet, dinner served. Snacks provided between dives.

- Beer & wine included. Bring preferred spirits from duty-free.
- Hot tub on sun deck.
- Smoking → rear sun deck only.

Diving Essentials

- Approximately 19 dives per 7-night adventure.
- Up to 4 dives per day. Recreational diving only.

- Recommended: Mask, fins, BCD, regulator, dive computer, & wetsuit.
- Tanks (12L / 80 cf) provided; 15L available for rent.
- Nitrox available (extra fee).
- Nearest hyperbaric chamber: Protesub Chamber, Puerto Ayora, Santa Cruz Island (24 hours).

1. BEFORE YOU GO

Passports

Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your trip ends.

Children traveling: Some countries have special rules for children leaving the country. Check your government's travel website for requirements.

Visa

Most visitors do not need a visa to enter Ecuador for tourism stays of up to 90 days. This includes citizens of the USA, Canada, the European Union, Australia, and many other countries.

You are responsible for:

- Obtaining the correct visa for Ecuador, if required for your nationality
- Having documents to re-enter your home country
- Checking visa requirements for any connecting flights or stopovers

Where To Check:

- USA citizens: www.travel.state.gov
- Other countries: Contact your foreign affairs office or embassy
- All travelers:



The [IATA Travel Centre](#) is a helpful resource for travelers checking current travel, visa, and health requirements.

NOTE: The Reservation Office and staff cannot assume responsibility for passengers who do not have the correct documentation.



Visa and entry requirements can change without notice. Always verify before traveling.

Required Forms

You need two things before you can dive and a third if you plan to do scuba training:

1. GUEST INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)

- What:* Aggressor's online cruise application forms, including waiver and travel details
When: Complete 14 days before departure
How: You'll receive a link by email. If you didn't get it, contact reservations.



The Galapagos staff requires your Baltra (GPS) arrival and departure flight information, plus your hotel name and location in Ecuador (Quito or Guayaquil) prior to arriving at the airport. Failure to provide this information may prevent boarding.

2. DIVE CERTIFICATION CARD (C-CARD)

What: Your diving certification card

Bring: The physical card or digital proof

Note: If diving with Nitrox, bring your Nitrox certification card as well.

3. MEDICAL FORM (RSTC) (*Only if doing scuba training*)

What: Diving Medical History Form

When: Required only if you plan to take a scuba training or certification course during your trip.

Note: Nitrox course is the only course available on the GAIII

How:

- Download the form now at <http://www.aggressor.com/RSTCMedical.pdf>
- Answer all questions honestly
- The form will tell you if your answers require a doctor's approval.
- If no doctor approval is needed, you can sign it yourself
- Print it and bring it to the yacht



ALREADY HAVE ONE? If you have a medical form signed by a doctor in the last 12 months, you can use that instead.



There are no doctors once the yacht leaves the dock. If you need a doctor's signature and don't have it, you cannot participate in any SCUBA training classes.

What if I forget to complete these forms?

- An incomplete or missing GIS will result in denied boarding and possible trip cancellation without a refund.
 - You cannot dive without a certification card.
 - You cannot participate in SCUBA training courses without a medical form.

Galapagos Declaration Form (Required)

All travelers must complete the digital "Sworn Declaration of Goods" form BEFORE entering the Galapagos National Park. This is a government requirement — do not wait until you arrive.

- Complete this form before your flight to Baltra: declaracion.abgalapagos.gob.ec/declaracion

Travel Health Form

Ecuador requires travelers to complete a Travel Health Form on the plane before arriving in the country. This is separate from the Galapagos declaration form.

Travel & Health Insurance

Aggressor Adventures strongly recommends all guests purchase insurance to protect your investment and health.

SUGGESTED COVERAGE:

- Travel Insurance (Trip Cancellation and Interruption)
- Dive Insurance (Dive Accident and Medical)
- Equipment Insurance

CONSIDER ADDING:

- "Cancel For Any Reason" (CFAR) upgrade – extends coverage beyond traditional policies without the constraints of “covered situations”.
- "Liveaboard Rider" upgrade - addresses liveaboard-specific issues such as missed dives due to illness, weather, or accidents to others, which impact your experience and more.

These policies could provide financial security if unexpected events occur.

Get quotes: www.aggressor.com → [Insurance](#) for options.

2. PREPARING FOR YOUR ADVENTURE (2-4 WEEKS BEFORE)

Recommended Packing:

Travel light. Space in the stateroom is limited. Notify the staff if you need to store extra equipment or luggage.

LUGGAGE: Use soft luggage, such as duffel bags (not hard suitcases), for easy storage in your stateroom.

CLOTHING TO BRING:

- Lightweight, comfortable sportswear
- Swimsuits
- Light sweater or jacket for evenings
- Walking shoes for time ashore
- Sunglasses and hat



Dress code: Always casual and informal

ESSENTIALS:

- Sunscreen (reef-safe recommended)
- Sunglasses
- Hat
- Walking shoes

PACKING CHECKLIST: Use this QR code to grab a free Packing Guide. It's a simple checklist that makes sure you bring everything you need for your adventure. No more forgotten essentials!

Electronic Devices

Personal Electronics are welcome:

- ✓ Cameras, phones, satellite phones, computers, tablets, and e-readers
- ⚠ Drones are prohibited by Galapagos National Park regulations.

The following devices are prohibited:

Prohibited Equipment	Notes
 Underwater Scooters	Prohibited.



Electric Surfboards

Includes e-foils, jetboards, powered surfboards, and similar devices.



CHECK WITH AIRLINE: Some airlines have restrictions on lithium batteries in checked bags. Check your airline's rules before packing.

Required Dive Equipment

All divers are required to have the following equipment. You may either bring your own or rent on board.

- Mask
- Fins
- Snorkel
- Buoyancy Compensator (BCD)
- Regulator with an Alternate Air source and a visible pressure gauge
- Dive Computer
- Tank (*provided*)
- Weights (*provided*)
- Weight belt (*provided*)
- Wetsuit (7mm available)
- Dive gloves and hood (strongly recommended, especially for cool season)

Wetsuit

A 5–7 mm wetsuit with a hood and gloves is recommended year-round, as thermoclines are common, and water temperatures can vary significantly from dive to dive. Guests are strongly encouraged to bring their own wetsuit to ensure optimal comfort and thermal protection. Since wetsuit fit is highly individual and plays an important role in maintaining warmth, having your own will provide the best overall diving experience.

The *Galapagos Aggressor III* does offer 7 mm wetsuits onboard; however, availability may be limited, with sizes typically ranging from small to 2XL.

Personal Dive Equipment

Mark each piece of your personal gear with waterproof paint or tape. Since many diving items look alike, clearly labeling your equipment will help ensure its easily identifiable.

Guests should also consider additional personal safety equipment such as:

- Dive Alert
- Nautilus Rescue Radio
- Whistle
- Mirror
- Surface Marker Buoy (SMB) with reel

WHY SMB & REEL ARE REQUIRED:

If you surface away from the main yacht, your surface marker buoy will help the crew track your location for pickup. You are encouraged to practice deploying your marker prior to the trip or during the initial check-out dive.

Airline Travel & Checked Bags:

WHAT TO CARRY ON THE PLANE: Pack these in your carry-on bag (NOT checked luggage):

- Passport and travel documents
- Dive certification card
- Medical form
- Money and credit cards
- Prescription medications
- One change of clothes (including swimsuit)
- Basic toiletries

Why? If your checked bag is delayed, having essentials in your carry-on means you can still dive on Day 1. Once the yacht leaves port, it cannot receive deliveries until it returns.

CHECK YOUR AIRLINE'S RULES: Different airlines have different limits for:

- Number of bags
- Weight limits
- Size restrictions
- Extra fees

BUSY SEASON RESTRICTIONS:

- Some airlines reduce luggage allowance during high season (December - April).
- You might only get one checked bag instead of two.

DIVE GEAR FEES:

- Many airlines charge extra fees for dive equipment.
- Check if your airline offers a "sports equipment" allowance.

Communication with Home – Staying In Touch

Before departure:	Share your itinerary with family
Emergency contact:	+1-706-664-0111 available 24/7
In port (Saturday/Sunday):	Most cell phones will work if they have international roaming or data.
At sea:	OnAdventure LAN + SeaFi internet (purchase codes on board). Cell phones will work sporadically based on distance from towers.
Return day:	Most cell phones will work if they have international roaming or data.

TIP: It is recommended to send a message on Saturday evening advising that you will be offline for six days, so your family is aware of your limited availability.

Green the Fleet Tips

Contribute to the Green the Fleet sustainability initiatives. Here are a few reminders to keep in mind as you get ready for your adventure:

- Avoid traveling with single-use plastics.
- Remove packaging from any new purchases before traveling.
- Travel with a refillable water bottle for hydration.

- Use rechargeable batteries whenever possible. Plan to bring home used batteries so they can be properly disposed of.
- Use environmentally friendly or ocean-safe sunscreen.
- Be environmentally conscious of everything you do.

3. GETTING THERE

Travel to Ecuador and the Galapagos

Your travel arrangements should include a one-night stay in Guayaquil or Quito before your departure to the Galapagos. Plan to fly to Baltra (GPS) on the morning of your departure Thursday.



If you plan to visit Quito before or after your adventure, be aware that Quito sits at 7,500 feet (2,286 m) above sea level. Altitude can affect your health and energy levels. The international airport is also more than one hour from downtown Quito.

Arrival Airports:

- Guayaquil José Joaquín de Olmedo International Airport (GYE)
- Quito Mariscal Sucre International Airport (UIO)

Both airports offer morning flights to Baltra Seymour Airport (GPS). Aggressor Detours can assist with domestic airline ticketing: travel@aggressor.com / +1-706-434-8158.

Recommended Arrival Times:

RECOMMENDED: Arrive one day early

- Flights can be delayed
- Luggage can be lost
- Customs can take longer than expected
- Better to arrive relaxed than stressed

You will be responsible for transfers between the airport and your hotel.



There are no hotels located near Baltra Airport. If you arrive early and require accommodations, you will need to travel approximately 1.5 hours across the island to Puerto Ayora and then make the return journey the following morning. Whenever possible, we recommend arriving on the day of your trip departure to avoid unnecessary travel and logistics.

Arrive at the Guayaquil or Quito airport at least 2 hours before your domestic flight departure. Check in online before arriving at the airport when possible.

An Aggressor representative will meet guests at Baltra Airport between 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m., as well as for any later arriving inbound flights. Guests are advised to plan their arrival within this

timeframe. Arriving significantly earlier may result in extended wait times at or near the airport, as there are no nearby hotel accommodations available.

Transfer Options:

Thursday arrivals at Baltra Airport will be met by Aggressor staff, who will assist with luggage and coordinate your transfer to the Itabaca Channel, where you will board the yacht.

If you plan to make your own way to the yacht, please contact the Guayaquil office in advance to inform the staff of your arrangements. The designated meeting point is the dock at the Itabaca Channel on the Baltra Island side at 12:00 p.m., where the tender will be waiting to transfer you to the yacht. Please do not proceed to the airport if you are already on the island — go directly to the dock.

Contact the Guayaquil office in case of flight delays or problems:

- Office: 011-593-4371-1680 ext. 532
- Cell: 011-593-99841-8853

Port and Dockage Details

The Galapagos Aggressor III boards and departs from the Itabaca Channel (Canal de Itabaca), on the Baltra Island side. This is the narrow channel that separates Baltra Island from Santa Cruz Island.



Check-In: Thursday 12 pm (guided transfer from Baltra Airport)

Check-Out: Thursday 8 am — staff will transfer guests to Baltra Airport. Guests staying on Galapagos islands after the cruise will be transported to the Itabaca dock.

4. ON BOARD LIFE

Accommodations & Services

All rooms are air-conditioned and equipped with:

- Private toilet, shower, and sink
- Hair dryer
- Towels changed as needed - hang to dry and reuse to support Green Fleet
- Linens (changed upon request)

STATEROOM SIZE:

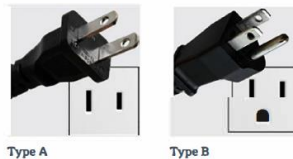
- Staterooms are compact yet comfortable, thoughtfully designed for divers who spend most of their time on the deck or in the water.

- Guests store soft luggage under their beds
- There is limited storage – so travel light

Electricity

- Ecuador uses 110–120V, 60Hz outlets, plug types A and B (same as the USA and Canada). No adapter is needed for guests from North America.
- Bring adapters if your devices use different plug types
- Most phone chargers and laptop adapters work with 110V or 220V - check yours to be sure
- The yacht also provides USB charging ports in common areas

Reference: <https://www.worldstandards.eu/electricity/plugs-and-sockets/>



Meals

The culinary team prepares a varied menu featuring local Ecuadorian and international cuisine, with fresh ingredients sourced before each charter.

- Breakfast: Cooked-to-order hot entrees, fresh fruit, cereals, and juices
- Lunch: Buffet-style with homemade soups, breads, salads, and sandwiches
- Dinner: Elegant plated service featuring seafood, beef, or chicken, paired with fresh vegetables and homemade desserts
- Snacks: Served mid-morning and mid-afternoon

Dietary Medical Restrictions:

If you have special medical dietary restrictions, please note them in your GIS reservation and discuss them with the yacht chef upon boarding so they can properly prepare to meet your needs.

The destination's remote location means limited access to specialty items. For strict dietary needs:

- Bring critical items with you (gluten-free pasta, specific protein powders, etc.)
- Discuss options with chef on Day 1
- Be flexible - ingredients may not match exactly what you eat at home.

Beverages

Complimentary beverages include:

- Fruit juices
- Soft drinks **Diet coke is not available in Galapagos due to the elimination of single use plastic
- Iced water and iced tea
- Coffee
- Limited selection of local beer and wine

For other alcohol and spirits, you are encouraged to bring your special brand with you or purchase locally before boarding.



Drinking and diving do not mix. Once you consume alcohol, you become a sunbather until the next day.

Communications / Internet

This destination is equipped with the OnAdventure local area network (LAN). Connection to the network is free and provides guests with access to destination resources, such as placing morning beverage service orders and the Guest Room Handbook.



Sea Fi Internet Service is also available. The service is designed to provide basic connectivity needs.

- Internet connectivity is available via a SeaFi code sold on board.
- Each code purchased provides 8 gigabytes of data usage.
- Voice over IP services (WhatsApp, Google Voice, etc.), online messaging, and email are all accessible through this connection.

Cellular service:

- Is available intermittently, throughout the trip when the yacht is closer to islands with cell towers
- Check with your carrier for roaming options

Ships Boutique

- There is a small on-board boutique offering assorted t-shirts and other items.
- Your bill for on board services and boutique items will be settled on the last day of diving.
- After returning home, if you still want boutique items, please visit the Aggressor online boutique at www.aggressor.com.

Fees & Taxes (Pay on Board)

Each guest will pay a port fee and fuel surcharge at the end of the charter. These fees support local port services, environmental permits, and government assessments.

Item	Details
Galapagos National Park Fee	\$200 USD per person — CASH ONLY , paid at Baltra Airport on arrival
Galapagos Visitors Card	\$20 USD per person — CASH ONLY , paid at Quito or Guayaquil airport before check-in
Fuel Surcharge	\$300 USD per person – Cash or Credit card accepted, paid onboard
Sales Tax (VAT)	15% on all onboard purchases, excluding gratuities
Nitrox	Additional fee – see aggressor.com (Rental Equipment) for current pricing
Payment Methods	USD cash / Visa / MasterCard

Note: Prices subject to change by government authorities without notice.

The yacht accepts cash (USD) or Visa/MasterCard.

Fees are paid onboard at the end of your trip during checkout. Travelers' checks and personal checks cannot be accepted.

Smoking / Vaping Policy

- **Smoking and vaping are strictly prohibited anywhere inside the yacht or on the dive deck.**
- Smoking and vaping are only permitted at the rear of the sun deck.
- Please respect non-smoking guests.

Entertainment

There are a variety of nightly entertainment options:

- Diving videos
- Movies
- Games
- Marine life identification and destination presentations

The yacht offers a collection of movies and TV shows that can be watched in the salon or in your room. If you have a favorite movie, digital slide show, or video to share, bring it along!

A small library of marine life identification books is also available for reference.

Special Occasions

If you will be celebrating a special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, honeymoon, wedding, or your 100th dive, please notify the reservations office so the staff can help celebrate your occasion. Kindly inform the reservation office before traveling so they can notify the staff in advance.

Gratuities

- Staff gratuities are not included in the charter.
- Gratuities are voluntary and should be based on the quality of service provided by the staff.
- When settling your bill, the Captain will have an envelope for gratuities that will be divided equally among the staff.
- Payment can be made by cash (USD), Visa, or MasterCard.

Health & Medications

The Galapagos Aggressor III carries a first aid kit on board, including oxygen and an AED (Automated External Defibrillator).

Motion sickness medication is recommended if you are prone to seasickness. Currents and winds can create moderate movement of the yacht. Consult your doctor about prescription options such as the trans-dermal patch or Scopace tablets.

Both Guayaquil and the Galapagos are at sea level. Quito is at 7,500 feet (2,286 m) above sea level — if visiting Quito, avoid overexerting yourself until acclimatized.

The yacht and its staff cannot accept any medication brought on board for safekeeping, including those requiring refrigeration. Guests needing temperature-sensitive medication should travel with a cooling case or small storage cooler with blue ice packets. The staff will store and recharge the cooling packs but cannot accept responsibility for the proper care or storage of medication. Keep medication in your stateroom.

5. DIVING INFORMATION

Diving Operations

All diving on Aggressor Liveaboard yachts is recreational and non-decompression. Aggressor Liveaboards do not support technical diving, rebreathers, or diving with double tanks.

In the Galapagos, all dives except the initial checkout dive are conducted from tenders. Tenders allow access to remote sites across the archipelago that are not reachable from the main yacht. The staff assists divers from the dive deck and on board the tender. All dives begin with a full site briefing from the staff.

At least one staff member will be in the water, providing support, underwater photography, videography, and critter-spotting services. A staff member may also be in the water to assist guests in locating specific points of interest.

You and your buddy are responsible for managing your dive plan while adhering to the dive briefing, certification agency standards, and regulatory limits. Guests are not required to follow the staff in the water. Once the dive time expires per the briefing, you should be back on the yacht having completed your safety stop.



All dives must remain within recreational limits. No decompression diving is permitted.

Typical Schedule (Thursday – Thursday)

- Up to 4 dives per day
- No decompression dives (recreational limits only)
- No night diving

Day		Activity
Thursday	12-1 PM Evening	Arrival at Baltra Airport — Aggressor guide meets guests and transfers to Itabaca Channel dock Boarding & stateroom orientation Setup dive gear Welcome and safety briefing Dinner Checkout dive — Northeast Coast of Santa Cruz Island
Friday	Morning Afternoon	2 morning dives at Punta Carrion, Santa Cruz Island Hike to Bartolome Summit and tender ride at Pinnacle Rock (land excursion)
Saturday – Tuesday		Eat, Sleep & Dive Up to 4 dives per day from tenders Fresh snacks between dives and 3 hot meals daily Nightly fish ID presentations, movies, and entertainment
Wednesday	Morning Afternoon	1 dive at Cousins Rock

	Evening	Arrive Itabaca Channel — private bus tour to Santa Cruz Highlands Visit Tortoise Reserve and scenic overlook Free time in Puerto Ayora for shopping and dining (only meal not included) Bus returns guests to Itabaca Channel for re-boarding
Thursday	Early AM 8 AM	Full breakfast Check-out Staff transfers guests and luggage to Baltra Airport

Dive Supervision

Every dive begins with a comprehensive briefing from experienced staff. As certified divers, you and your buddy are responsible for planning and conducting your dives while respecting the limits of your experience and those set by the briefing.

In the Galapagos Islands, all dives are conducted from tenders. A staff member will accompany each tender group and be in the water to offer assistance and ensure the group stays together. However, the staff does not directly supervise divers — each buddy team manages their own dive.

If a buddy team needs to surface early, the entire group is not required to abort the dive. Surface normally following the briefing and your training, signal the tender driver that everything is OK, and wait for pickup. Once the dive time expires, the staff member will organize the remaining buddy teams to surface together.

Equipment Storage:

- Each guest will be assigned a designated seat on the dive deck and a personal locker or cubby to store items.
- There are also rails and hangers for your wetsuits.
- Freshwater showers are located on the back deck for post-dive comfort.
- Warm towels are provided after each dive.

Tanks & Fills & Nitrox

- Standard tanks: 80 cu ft (12L) aluminum tanks.
- Valves: Standard k-valves (American yoke type). A limited number of convertible valves (that accept DIN (international) are available. (Bring your own adapter if you require DIN).
- Fills: Air Included
- Nitrox: A 32% blend is available for divers who are Nitrox certified for an additional fee. Please see www.aggressor.com for pricing.
- Large-capacity tanks (i.e., 15 liters / 100 cu/ft) are available for rent for guests who want extra capacity. These tanks have convertible valves (Yoke or DIN).

Equipment Rentals:

The following dive equipment is available for rental:

Item		Item		Item	
Mask	✓	Fins	✓	Snorkel	✓
BCD	✓	Regulators System	✓	Dive Computer	✓
Dive Light	✓	Safety Sausage (SMB)	✗	Large Capacity Tank (15L, 100 cu ft, or similar) limited quantity	✓
Nautilus Rescue Radio	✗	Wetsuits	✓	U/W Cameras	✗

Please visit Aggressors' website at www.aggressor.com for detailed information on the cost of dive equipment rentals, certification courses, and large tanks.



If any of your dive equipment fails while on board, the staff will lend you equipment free of charge.

Consult the Adventure Logs on www.aggressor.com for current water temperatures.

Itinerary Details:

The Galapagos Islands itinerary offers 21–24 dives per week, with up to 4 dives per day. All diving except the initial checkout dive is conducted from tenders, giving guests access to some of the most spectacular and remote dive sites in the world.

The itinerary follows the Galapagos National Park's approved schedule, which changes by season. The distant northern islands of Darwin and Wolf are the crown jewels of the itinerary — accessible only during the cool/dry season (June–December) — where divers routinely encounter massive schools of scalloped hammerhead sharks, whale sharks, Galapagos sharks, and silky sharks in the open blue. During the warm season (January–May), the route focuses on closer sites, including Roca Blanca, Cowley Island, and Cabo Marshall.

Every week includes sites across multiple islands: Santa Cruz, Isabela, Fernandina, and the outer islands. Dive highlights include drift dives with marine iguanas at Cabo Douglas, encounters with flightless cormorants and sea lions at Punta Vicente Roca, and the underwater volcanic landscapes of Cousins Rock. Two land excursions per week are also included: a hike to Bartolome Summit and Pinnacle Rock, and a Wednesday afternoon bus tour through the Santa Cruz Highlands to visit the Tortoise Reserve and the town of Puerto Ayora.

The Galapagos offer a completely unique diving environment found nowhere else on Earth. This is not a visibility-first destination — visibility averages 25–65 feet (8–20 m) — but the concentration and variety of large pelagic animals is unmatched. Divers should be comfortable with current diving and negative entries.

Diving Conditions

- Water temperature and conditions vary significantly by season and by dive site within the archipelago. Thermoclines are common and can bring a sudden temperature drop of up to 20°F (11°C) mid-dive.

- Season-by-Season:
 - Warm (Dec-May): 72-82°F (22-28°C) water, use 3-5mm wetsuit, hood recommended
 - Cool/Dry Season (Jun-Nov): 61-75°F (16-24°C) water, use 5-7mm wetsuit with hood and gloves essential
- Visibility: 15–65 ft (5–20 m) in cool season; up to 100 ft (30 m) in warm season
- Currents: Mild to strong depending on site and season. Darwin and Wolf Islands feature strong currents and surge. Most dives are drift dives.
- Surface conditions: Calmer in warm season (Dec–May); choppy with more surge in cool season (Jun–Nov)
- Best season for large pelagics (hammerheads, whale sharks): June–November at Darwin and Wolf Islands
- Best season for manta rays and whale sharks near main islands: January–May
- Please see the “Adventure Logs” on www.aggressor.com for current diving conditions.

Scuba Training:

Enhance your education while on board an Aggressor yacht!

The courses available include:

- Advanced Open Water Diver (SSI or PADI)
- Enriched Air / Nitrox Courses (SSI or PADI)

Course fees are due once on board and after the instructor confirms your course. The training agency providing your course will depend on your instructor's affiliations.

A diver participating in scuba training will need to complete a medical history form. Please be sure to review the form prior to traveling and ensure you do not need a physician's signature.



Photo & Video

Photography: The yacht offers photography coaching while on board. The Galapagos Aggressor III yacht has a camera table with low-pressure air hoses and a dedicated charging station for your camera and video equipment.

As a safety precaution, all lithium-ion batteries must be charged outside at the camera station and cannot be charged inside the yacht.

Video Service: The Video Professional can capture your diving adventure on board the Galapagos Aggressor III to share with family and friends.

The video of the week (including all guests and staff) is available for an additional fee. See www.aggressor.com for current pricing.



Nearest Chamber

The nearest hyperbaric chamber is operated by Protesub (part of the SSS Recompression Chamber Network) and is located in Puerto Ayora on Santa Cruz Island. This facility is open 24 hours a day. Puerto Ayora is a central hub in the Galapagos and accessible from most dive sites.

Dive conservatively, always follow briefings, and stay within the limits of your training and experience.

Prohibited Diving Activities:

The following diving activities are not supported and prohibited on Aggressor Liveaboards

- Use of Spear guns, Hawaiian slings or collecting of any kind are not permitted.
- Solo Diving
- Use of double tanks
- Use of underwater scooters
- Decompression or Technical Diving
- Touching, chasing, or disturbing marine life of any kind.

6. AFTER YOUR ADVENTURE

Check-Out Time:

Check-out time is 8:00 am on Thursday morning. After a full breakfast, all guests and their luggage must be off the yacht. The staff will transport guests and luggage to Baltra Airport and assist with check-in.

Departure Schedule:

Guests leaving the Galapagos on the final Thursday depart from Baltra Airport. Guests who wish to stay in the Galapagos after the cruise will be brought to the Itabaca Channel dock on Santa Cruz Island.



Remember the recommended 24-hour no-fly rule after your final dive. Plan your departure flight accordingly.

Guest Surveys

You will receive a detailed survey via email three days after your adventure ends. (If you've completed back-to-back adventures, you'll receive one survey for each.) Aggressor Adventures truly values guest feedback and integrates it into the continuous improvement of Aggressor's programs.

Many amenities and experiences you enjoyed during your adventure were inspired by guest suggestions. Your feedback is sincerely appreciated as it helps Aggressor Adventures enhance operations and exceed future guest expectations.

Your survey also offers a valuable opportunity to recognize exceptional staff performance. These evaluations directly influence staff recognition programs, awards, and promotions. The staff is dedicated to making your adventure memorable, and your feedback helps recognize their outstanding service. The time you take to provide thoughtful responses is greatly appreciated and helps maintain the highest standards of the Aggressor experience.

Stay Connected

Each week, the previous charter's Adventure log is uploaded to the website. Feel free to visit www.aggressor.com and check the Adventure log for water temperature, visibility, and sightings.