

# QUITO/GALAPAGO ISLANDS

JUNE 2021

## CULTURAL IMMERSION

Experience the history, culture, geography, and biodiversity of one of the most unique places in the world on a STEAM focused trip to Ecuador and the Galapagos. The first half of the trip will be spent exploring the city of Quito, Ecuador and surrounding areas. We will spend time learning about the pre-Columbian settlements, cultures, and people and how their influence can still be seen today, as well as the lasting impact of European colonization in the area. This trip will be an immersive experience into the influential art, the magnificent architecture of places like the Church of Santo Domingo, and the deep and complex history of both evolving and traditional cultures on the west coast of South America. While in Ecuador, we will visit the equator, visit markets, and experience traditional meals.

The second half of the trip will be spent on the Galapagos Islands. Here, we will travel in the steps of Charles Darwin, which led him to his Theory of Evolution, revolutionizing the science world. In the days inside the National Park, which covers 97% of the land of the island, and one of the largest marine sanctuaries in the world, we will immerse ourselves into the biodiversity that exists in both the land and water. Our experience will include a service project to help preserve and pass on our experiences.



## TRAVEL ITINERARY

(subject to change)

3 days in Quito, Ecuador, including:

- Independence Square
- Church and Convent of Santo Domingo
- Mitad del Mundo (trip to the Equator)
- Intinan Museum
- Otavalo Market

4 days in the Galapagos, including:

- Charles Darwin Research Station
- Isabela Island and Flamingo Lagoon
- Sierra Negra Volcano
- Tortuga Bay and Puerto Ayora
- Snorkeling, hiking, swimming, relaxing!

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