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Office of Alumni Relations

Galápagos

10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS –NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience a place where animals live without fear of humans.
- Close encounters with giant tortoises and other fascinating creatures.
- Visit the Charles Darwin Research Station and learn about vital conservation efforts.

Join Lee C. Drickamer, Regents' Professor of Biological Sciences and a former department chair, onboard the *National Geographic Endeavour* as we explore the enchanted islands of Galápagos, a region teeming with unusual and remarkable wildlife. Swim and snorkel with playful sea lions, walk among seemingly ancient giant tortoises and watch as blue-footed boobies perform courtship dances. Special permits allow us to head out in kayaks to explore further and a team of seasoned Naturalists utilize underwater video, a Splash-Cam and video microscopes to provide the richest possible understanding of the abundant wildlife.

Professor Drickamer's 4 decades of experience began at Williams College and Southern Illinois University, before joining NAU faculty in 1998. His research focuses on animal behavior, specifically mammals and birds. He has authored textbooks on animal behavior and mammology used both in the U.S. and internationally. He has previously guided groups to East Africa and Australia. In summer 2008 he visited the Galapagos, obtaining first hand insights into the life on these spectacular islands, and now would like to share his impressions with you.

DAY 1: U.S./GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR

Depart U.S. and arrive in Guayaquil by late evening. Overnight at Hotel Hilton Colón.

DAY 2: GUAYAQUIL/GALAPAGOS/EMBARK

This morning, fly to Galápagos and embark. During lunch, sail to North Seymour Island for a magnificent introduction to the wildlife. Walk the island's sandy shoreline looking for land iguanas, sea lions, and unusual birds. (B,L,D)

DAYS 3 – DAY 8 GALAPAGOS ISLANDS:

Although exact routing depends on the National Park Service, we may visit the following islands: (B,L,D)

BARTOLOME: This is an enchanting landscape where lava, mangroves and golden sand converge. Great walks and views abound, with a chance to snorkel with Galápagos penguins.

SANTIAGO: Santiago offers close encounters with Galápagos fur seals along with an opportunity to study the inhabitants of the island's countless tide pools.

SANTA CRUZ: Learn about vital preservation work being done at the Charles Darwin Research Station. Then, head up into the highlands to roam the moss draped landscape where wild giant tortoises forage.

ISABELA: Walk the streets of the picturesque port of Puerto Villamil and nearby saltwater lagoons. Explore Isabela's caves, shoreline, and stroll along a beautiful beach.

FERNANDINA: This is the youngest island in the Galápagos. Discover the marine iguana haven of Punta Espinoza and take in the dramatic backdrop of Isabela's volcanoes off in the distance.

FLOREANA: Snorkel among sea lions in the clear waters off Champion Islet. We may also find flamingos, pintail ducks and various

shorebirds. Hike to a pristine white-sand beach, a favorite nesting site for sea turtles.

ESPAÑOLA: The exclusive home to waved albatross (Apr. - Dec.) and particularly colorful marine iguanas, Española is also a paradise for Darwin's finches, sea lions galore, and the famous blue-footed boobies. Snorkel and stroll along the island's lovely beaches.

**DAY 9: GALAPAGOS/DISEMBARK/
GUAYAQUIL**

Disembark and fly to Guayaquil. Late afternoon and evening are free to explore the bustling port city. Overnight at Hotel Hilton Colón. (B)

DAY 10: GUAYAQUIL/HOME

Morning drive to the airport for flights home or on to other adventures. (B)



**Aboard the 96-guest
*National Geographic Endeavour***

Departure date: September 25, 2009

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Sole Occupancy

Category 1.....	\$5,930
Category 2.....	\$6,780

Advance Payment:.....\$500

**International and internal Ecuador and Peru
airfare not included for all Galápagos voyages.**

Sample Airfares:

Round trip from Miami/Guayaquil
Economy:.....from \$660
First Class:.....from \$1,600

Round-trip Guayaquil/ Galápagos
Economy.....from \$420.

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Cost Includes: Accommodations; meals indicated;
excursions; services of Lindblad Expeditions' Leader,
Naturalist staff and expert guides; use of kayaks;
snorkeling; port charges and service taxes.

Not Included: Air transportation; personal items such
as alcoholic beverages, emails, laundry, etc.;
discretionary tips to ship's crew.