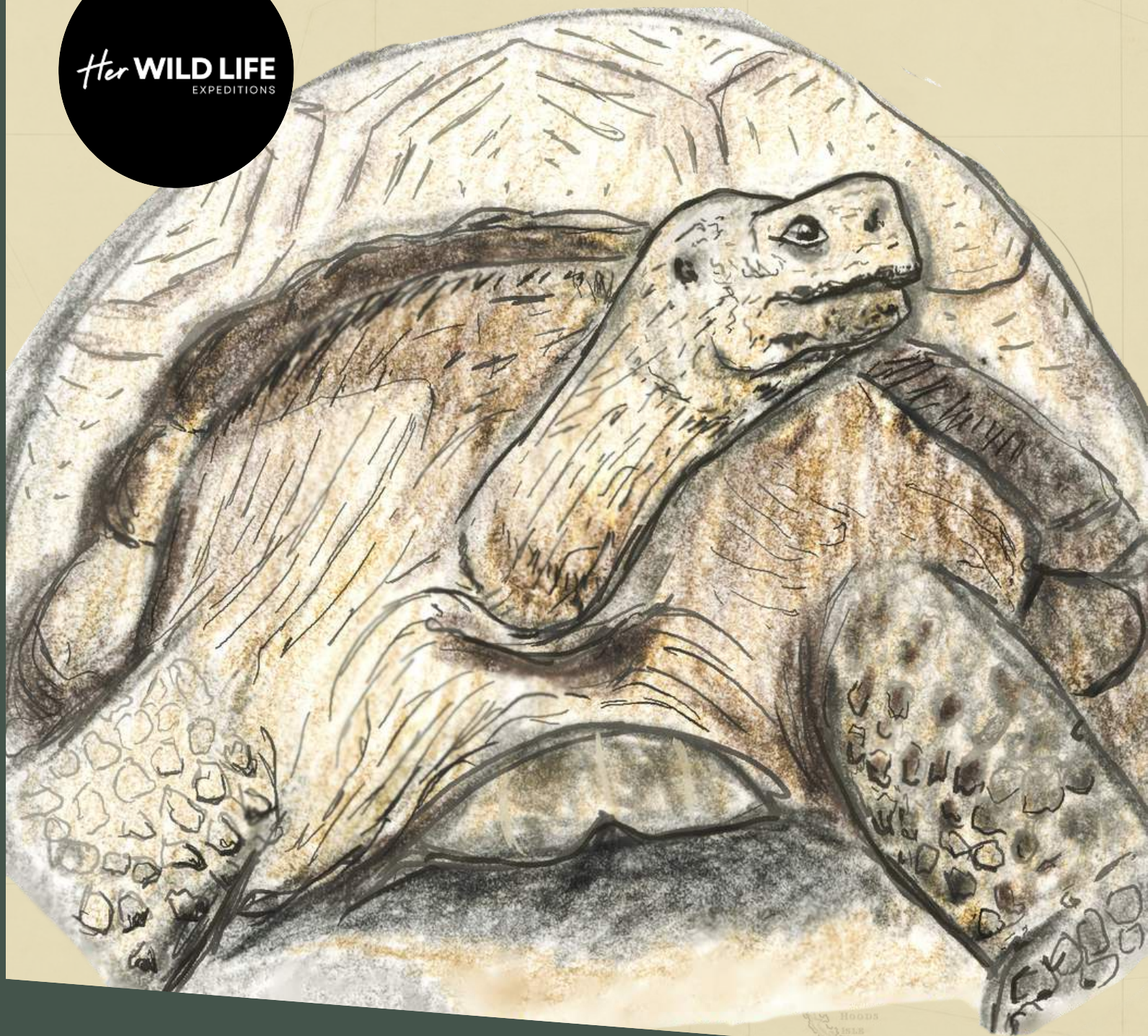


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HER WILD LIFE EXPEDITION TO
GALÁPAGOS

OCTOBER 7 - 13, 2027

GALÁPAGOS: WILD, WOMEN-LED, AND WAITING

DAY 1 (OCT. 7) – INTERPRETATION CENTER, HIKE & SNORKEL TIJERETAS

After arriving on San Cristóbal Island, we settle into our boutique hotel before beginning our first adventure together. A visit to the Galápagos Interpretation Center introduces the archipelago's natural and human history before we hike to Frigatebird Hill, where blue-footed boobies, frigatebirds, and Darwin's finches welcome us to the islands. Our first snorkel takes place in the crystal-clear waters of Carola Beach, alongside playful sea lions, marine iguanas, and sea turtles. As the sun sets, we gather for a welcome dinner where the women in the group get to know one another, setting the tone for a week built around adventure, meaningful conversation, and shared discovery.

Walking distance: 2 miles

Accommodations: Casa Opuntia

Meals: Lunch and dinner

Please note that the trip begins at the Quito Airport the morning of Oct 7 in time for our flight to San Cristobal. We highly recommend arriving two nights earlier, if possible, to allow time to explore Quito and avoid flight delays. We can assist with pre- and post- logistics.

DAY 2 (OCT. 8) – WILDLIFE AT KICKER ROCK & A LOCAL WOMAN'S TABLE

Today we venture to Kicker Rock, a dramatic volcanic formation rising from the Pacific and surrounded by exceptionally rich marine life. By snorkel, we explore the waters around this ancient lava formation, where encounters may include sea lions, green sea turtles, rays, reef fish, and white-tip reef sharks moving through the rocky channels while blue-footed boobies and frigatebirds patrol the cliffs above. (Conditions and National Park regulations determine the exact route and access points.)

Later, we step from wildlife into island life, welcomed into the home of Jacky, a local creole cook whose passion for traditional coastal cuisine reflects the close relationship between Galápagos communities and the sea. Together we prepare authentic Ecuadorian ceviche, share stories, and gather around her table for a warm introduction to the people who call these islands home.

Accommodations: Casa Opuntia

Meals: Breakfast and lunch



DAY 3 (OCT. 9) – WALK THE WETLANDS, EXPLORE TINTORERAS

This morning we say goodbye to San Cristóbal and take a short flight to Isabela, the largest island in the Galápagos and one of the most volcanically active places on Earth. We head into Isabela's wetlands for a naturalist walk through one of the island's most important wildlife habitats, looking for pink flamingos, land iguanas blending into black volcanic rock, and giant tortoises moving through the vegetation. In the afternoon, we shift from land to sea and explore Tintoreras, a group of small lava islets where Galápagos penguins, marine iguanas, sea lions, and the white-tip reef sharks that give the islets their name share narrow channels and sheltered pools. As the light softens over Puerto Villamil, we return to our hotel with time to relax or wander this laid-back island village before dinner.

Walking distance: approximately 3 miles

Accommodations: Casita de la Playa

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, and dinner

Please note that the maximum baggage allowance for the inter-island flight is 25 lbs. If you have more than this, you can travel to Isabela with limited luggage and we can coordinate sending your extra luggage to Santa Cruz. It will be stored at our Santa Cruz hotel until our arrival. Additional cost applies.

DAY 4 (OCT. 10) – SIERRA NEGRA VOLCANO, SULFUR MINES & VOLCÁN CHICO

Today we venture into Isabela's volcanic highlands. As we ascend the slopes of Sierra Negra, the landscape shifts from arid coastal scrub to humid highland forest. This is prime habitat for the brilliant, once-scarce Galápagos Vermilion Flycatcher, now showing encouraging signs of recovery, along with Darwin's finches, Galápagos flycatchers, yellow warblers, and Galápagos hawks. We continue to the Sulfur Mines, where steam vents and vivid yellow deposits reveal the island's ongoing volcanic activity, and on to the surreal lava fields of Volcán Chico featuring spatter cones, fumaroles, and mineral color that make the islands' geologic story impossible to ignore.

Hiking distance: 2.79 miles

Accommodations: Casita de la Playa

Meals: Breakfast and lunch



DAY 5 (OCT. 11) – GALÁPAGOS ECOGARDEN & GIANT TORTOISES

After traveling to Santa Cruz Island via speedboat, we head into the lush highlands for an exclusive visit to Galápagos Ecogarden, where founder Cecilia Guerrero welcomes us to her organic farm and regenerative agriculture project. Walking through orchards, vegetable gardens, and coffee plants, Cecilia shares her journey as a female entrepreneur committed to sustainability, food sovereignty, and environmental education in the Galápagos. Together, we'll sit down to a farm-to-table lunch built from ingredients we just walked past. In the afternoon, we continue to El Chato Giant Tortoise Reserve, walking among tortoises roaming freely in their natural habitat, then explore one of the island's lava tunnels. We return to Puerto Ayora with a clear sense of the connection between conservation, community, and female leadership that defines this island.

Walking distance: 2 miles

Accommodations: La Isla

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, and dinner

DAY 6 (OCT. 12) – NORTH SEYMOUR

This morning we visit North Seymour, one of the finest seabird colonies in the eastern Galápagos. The island is home to one of the largest breeding colonies of Magnificent Frigatebirds, whose males inflate their brilliant scarlet gular pouches in one of the world's most spectacular courtship displays. Blue-footed boobies perform their famous courtship dance just steps from the trail, while swallow-tailed gulls, brown noddies, lava gulls, and Darwin's finches round out an exceptional morning of birding. Land iguanas rest beneath giant Opuntia cacti nearby. Conditions and time permitting, we finish with one more snorkel before returning to Santa Cruz for a farewell dinner celebrating a week we won't forget.

Walking distance: 1.5 miles

Accommodations: La Isla

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, and dinner

DAY 7 (OCT. 13) – TRANSFER TO BALTRA AIRPORT

We transfer to Baltra Island to connect with return flights to the mainland. So long, Galápagos. Until we meet again.

Meals: Breakfast



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