

Guy Fawkes Island, Galápagos, Ecuador

A cluster of crescent-shaped volcanic islets rising from the Pacific northwest of Santa Cruz, Guy Fawkes is an all-water experience — drift-snorkel beneath tuff cliffs surrounded by sea lions, sharks, and a vibrant reef.

-  Zodiac/Tender (no landing)
-  Typical call: 2-4 hrs
-  USD (no shore facilities)
-  Spanish
-  Expedition cruises only

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Zodiac from ship — no landings permitted

Best For: Snorkeling, drift diving, marine wildlife

Walk to Center: No land access — water activities only

Don't Miss: Drift-snorkeling along the tuff cliffs with sea lions

 Getting around:

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Drift Snorkel — Crescent Islets** — The signature experience: drift along the semi-sheltered crescent of volcanic islets while sea lions, white-tip reef sharks, sea turtles, and clouds...
- Scuba Diving — Wall & Pelagic Site** — Walls drop 20 meters to a sandy bottom draped in black coral and zoanthids.
 - Zodiac Panga Ride — Islet Circumnavigation** — Some ships offer a slow Zodiac tour around the islets to spot blue-footed boobies nesting on the rock faces, Nazca boobies, and marine iguanas...

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Currents can be strong. This is often a drift snorkel — the Zodiac drops you at the start and picks you up at the end. Confident swimming is recommended; weak swimmers should stay in the Zodiac.
- Bring an underwater camera. Sea lions will approach within arm's reach. A GoPro on a wrist strap is ideal — action is fast and you'll want both hands free.
- Wear the wetsuit. Even in the tropics, the Humboldt Current chills the water (18–22°C). A 3mm shorty is usually provided; use it for warmth and buoyancy.
- No landings, no exceptions. Galápagos National Park rules prohibit stepping ashore at Guy Fawkes. Follow naturalist guide instructions at all times.
- Reef-safe sunscreen only. Ecuador requires biodegradable, reef-safe sunscreen in the Galápagos. Standard sunscreens are prohibited in the water.
- No food or drinks off the ship. Even snacks are prohibited on Zodiacs to prevent introducing organic matter to the protected ecosystem.

Guy Fawkes Island, Galápagos, Ecuador — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1** **Guy Fawkes Islets** A cluster of small volcanic islets rising from the Itabaca Channel, used as a snorkeling and Zodiac cruising site for marine wildlife viewing.

P Cruise port / terminal

- 2** **Itabaca Channel** The narrow strait separating Baltra and Santa Cruz islands, home to sea lions, rays, and reef fish visible from tender boats.