



KONTIKI

Neo - Luxury Sea Expeditions

ICHIK EXPEDITION

Luxury Private Yacht Charter

4 nights / 5 days



CHARTER ICHIK EXPEDITION

Kontiki Expeditions is a new concept in luxury ocean vacations focusing on conscious travel and immersive experiences, both under-the-water and on-land.

Kontiki's itineraries travel along the Ecuadorian coast and take full advantage of the country's wealth of flora, fauna, indigenous foods and cultural traditions while adhering to a philosophy of sustainability and giving back to communities.

M/Y Kontiki Wayra luxury 128 feet-long boutique yacht, has only nine staterooms and a maximum capacity for 18 people.



The programs are led by 13 experienced crew members committed to providing prime service for an unforgettable stay. Onboard, wellness professionals, naturalist guides, a concierge and local chefs add to the distinctive Kontiki experience that will let you discover Ecuador's Coastal region like no one has ever before.



Also include entertainment areas such as a sundeck equipped for alfresco meals, a gourmet salon with panoramic views, two outdoor lounges, the organic bar, jacuzzi, and a gym and fitness area.



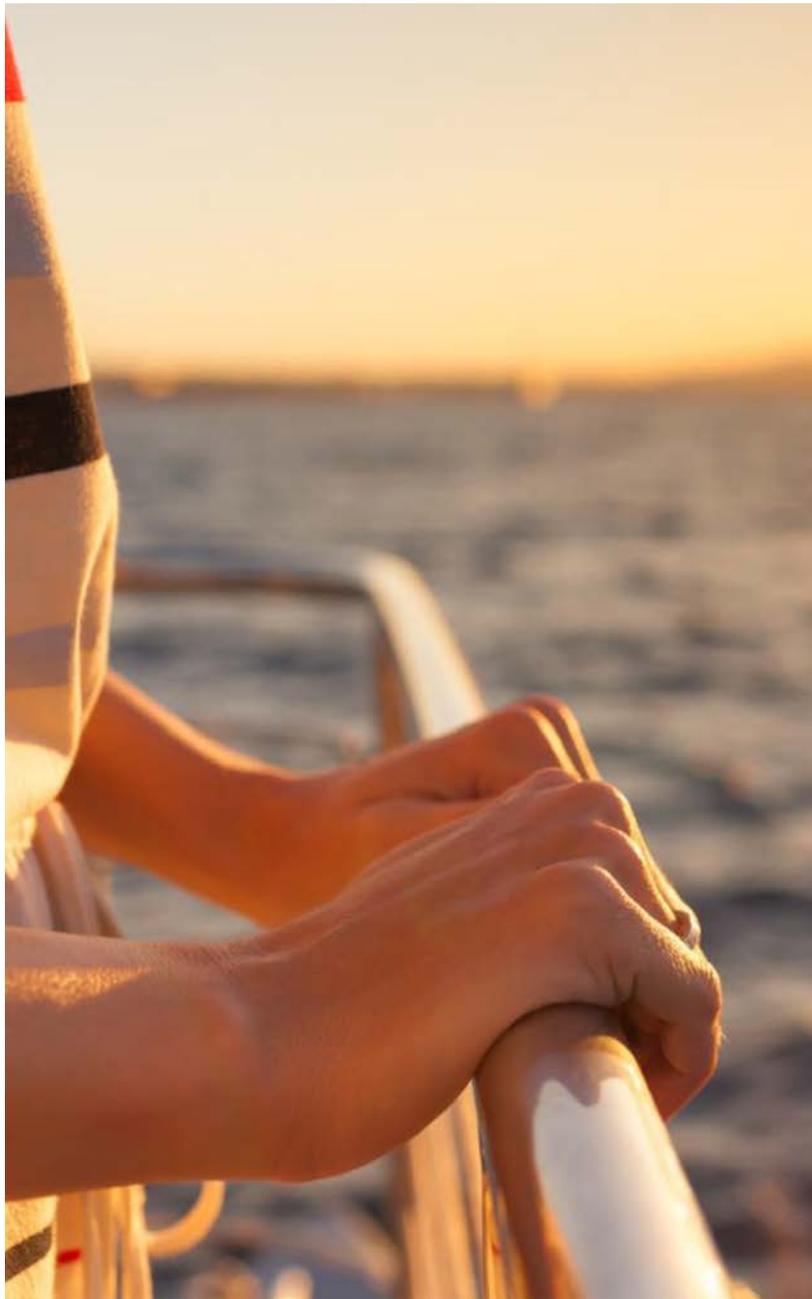


5 days and 4 nights
Manta - San Mateo / Manta
Guidance in English and Spanish

DAY BY DAY ITINERARY



- Day 1. Manta - Isla de la Plata
- Day 2. Isla de la Plata - Puerto López
- Day 3. Puerto López - Bahía de Caráquez
- Day 4. Bahía de Caráquez - San Mateo
- Day 5. San Mateo - Manta



DAY 1 - SUNDAY

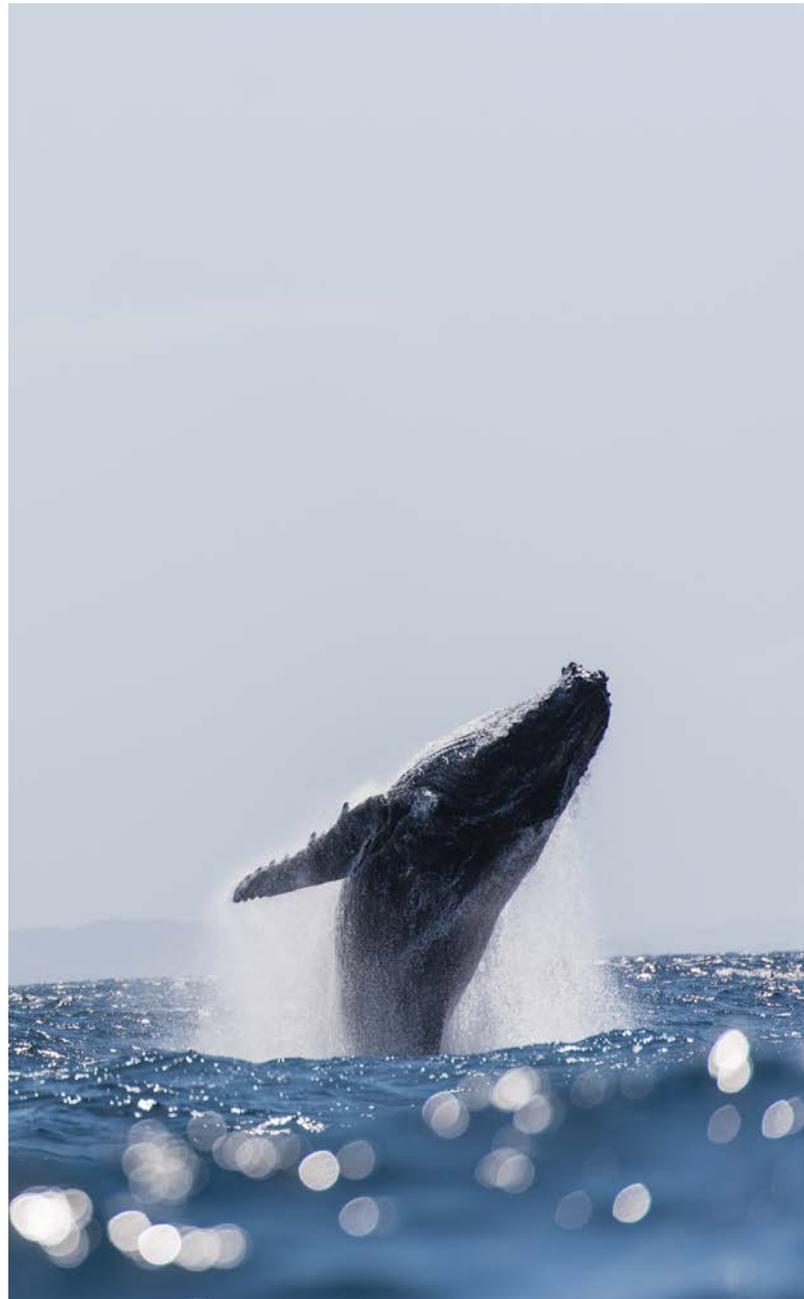
Manta - Isla de la Plata

Our discovery journey of coastal Ecuador starts in Manta, one of the most important ports in the country and a strategic location for tourism in Manabí. This beach city is internationally known for its fishing industry, whose star product, tuna, is exported all over the world.

Our shuttle will take you to Manta Yacht Club, from where we will board M/Y Kontiki Wayra for check-in and a welcome cocktail. Our concierge will introduce you to our crew members, go over the yacht areas and assign the staterooms that will become home for the next 5 days.

In the evening, we will enjoy a welcome dinner hosted by our executive chef onboard.

Overnight sailing to Isla de la Plata.



DAY 2 - MONDAY

Isla de la Plata - Puerto López

After breakfast, we will start our activities with a wet landing in Isla de la Plata, which belongs to Machalilla National Park.

Also known as Small Galapagos, Isla de la Plata, holds natural treasures similar to those of Galapagos. A walk through its trails will take us to nesting areas of Blue Footed Boobies, Masked Boobies and Frigates.

After our land exploration, we will go back to the yacht for lunch. In the afternoon we will do a guided underwater snorkeling expedition to learn about the marine ecosystem in the island. We will be able to see a variety of marine species including giant stingrays, whale sharks, and during mating season we will be able to see humpback whales in the distance. Scuba diving is available by request at the time of booking.

Between the months of June and November, our travelers will be able to see large groups of humpback whales as we sail along the coast.

In the afternoon we will enjoy a Teppanyaki sunset party with the freshest seafood of the area and live music onboard.

Overnight sailing to Puerto López.



DAY 3 - TUESDAY

Puerto López - Bahía de Caráquez

What better way to start the day than alfresco breakfast? After, we will disembark in the harbor of Puerto Lopez where a bus will take us to Agua Blanca. This small community houses archeological pieces from one of the oldest civilizations in South America, the Manteño Culture, which dates back to the year 1500 a.C. Temples, country houses, typical ancient squares and other archeological remains are some of the treasures in Agua Blanca.

A short walk through its forest will show us butterflies, hummingbirds and local trees such as the ceibos. At the end of the walk, we can swim in a natural sulfurous lagoon believed to have wellness properties.

Return to the yacht for lunch.

In the afternoon we will visit Los Frailes beach, a crescent shaped beach believed to be one of the most beautiful in the country with white sand, warm waters and a great spot to snorkel, paddleboard, kayak or to swim in our beach club which includes an oceanic pool, a water slide, SeaBobs, etc.

We will go back to the yacht to enjoy a beautiful sunset and dinner in the main deck.

Overnight sailing to Bahía de Caráquez.





DAY 4 - WEDNESDAY

Bahía de Caráquez - San Mateo

We start day 4 with breakfast at the gourmet salon, before departing aboard our dinghies to the port of San Vicente, where a bus will take us to a traditional farm in the community of San Miguel de Sarampión.

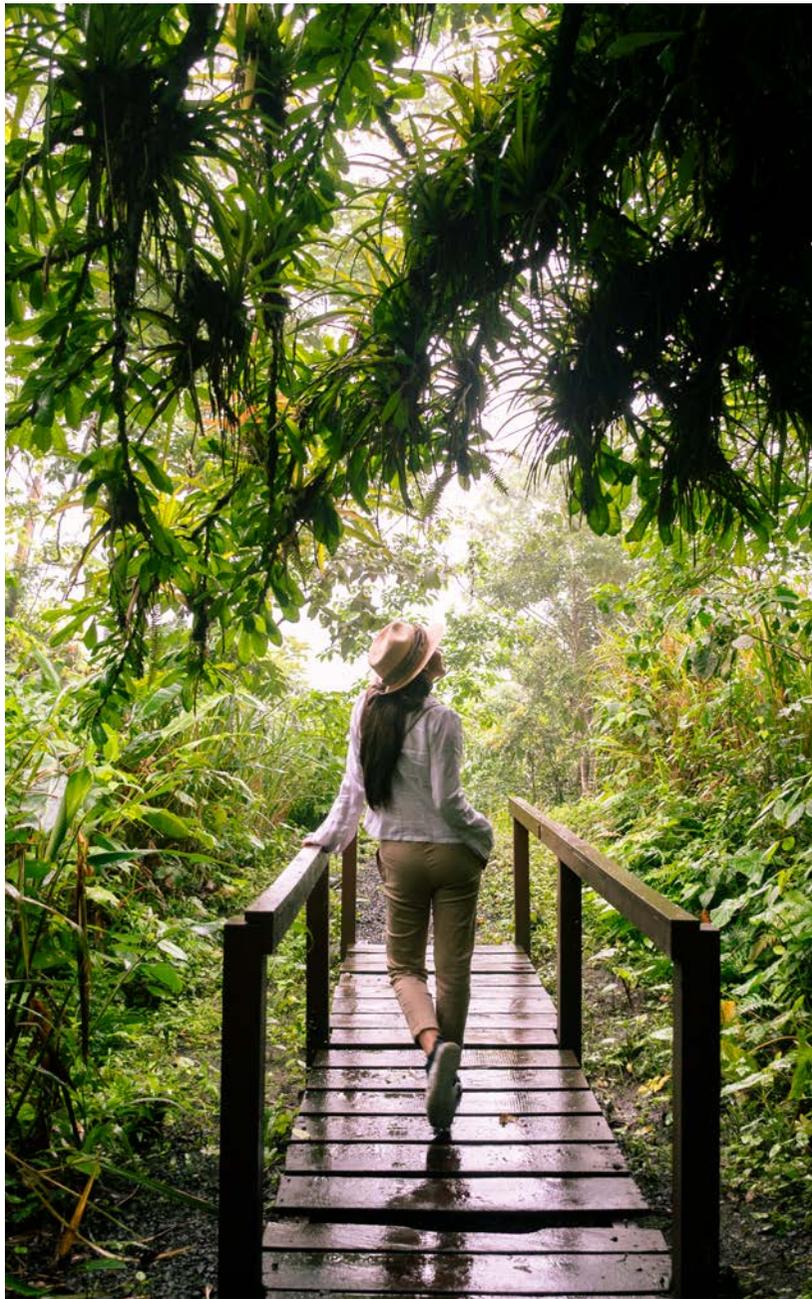
This orchard farm grows some of the Cocoa heritage trees which are over 120 years old and still in production. These trees belong to the “Arriba Nacional” family and as we walk through the farm we will learn about the growth, harvest, fermentation and drying of the cocoa beans that later on will yield the finest chocolate in the world. Afterwards, we will visit Iche in San Vicente, a gastronomic project led by Fuegos Foundation to educate local chefs in creating ‘haute cuisine’ using ancestral techniques of food preparation.

A gastronomic farm to table experience hosted by two local chefs that will reveal a mix of history, tradition and the unique flavors of coastal cuisine.

In the afternoon, we will get back to the yacht to relax at the sundeck and later on in the evening guests will enjoy a chocolate tasting and dinner.

Overnight sailing to San Mateo, Manta.





DAY 5 - THURSDAY

San Mateo - Manta

After breakfast onboard, we will disembark in the harbor of San Mateo where a bus will take us to the Refuge of Coastal Marine Wildlife Pacoche. This visit is divided in two. First visit is to the tropical forest where we will hike through one of its trails to take a look at the community of howling monkeys who live in the middle of its exuberant vegetation.

The second visit takes place in the Reserve Lighthouse, where a short walk will take us through several lookout spots from which we will enjoy the amazing view of the coastal shoreline and neighboring beaches. San Lorenzo beach, next to the lighthouse is one of the largest nesting spots for marine turtles in Ecuador, if we are lucky, we will get to see baby turtles on their way to the ocean.

Our farewell lunch will be served on board with amazing views of the coast.

After lunch we will take a bus that will take us to the small town of Pile, known for its community of artisan weavers who make the finest toquilla straw hats in the world. Incorrectly known as Panama hats, our straw hats were designated by UNESCO in 2012 as part of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of the World. We will visit the artisan's homes which serve as shops and we will learn how their expert hands weave these beautiful handcrafts.

Transfer to hotel or airport as required.

M/Y KONTIKI WAYRA

Technical Data Sheet

Year built, Shipyard

2011, Varadero Maridueña

Complete remodeling of the yacht

2021

Lenght

39 mts

Beam

8.20 mts

Draft

1.42 mts

Gross tonnage

296

Maximum speed

18 knots

Cruising speed

12 knots

Guests

18

Crew

13

Guest cabins

9 automated staterooms (3 double, 6 x double or twin)

Outdoor

5 outdoor recreational areas

Engines

2 x 715 hp Caterpillar

Propulsion

Waterjet

Fuel consumption at cruising speed

30 gals./hr

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Tenders & Toys



4 Tandem Kayaks



4 Seabobs



4 Paddle boards



18 Snorkeling Eq.



18 Wetsuits



NautiBuoy Marine Platform



Gym



Spa



Jacuzzi / Whirlpool



Fun Air Fun Waterslide



Oceanic Pool



Unlimited WiFi



2 AB Tenders



Chill Parlour



Satellite Communications



Private Wine Cellar

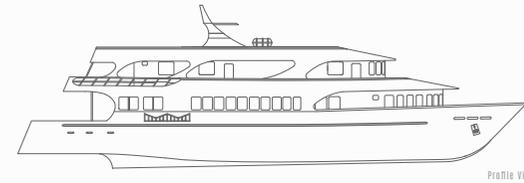


Organic Bar

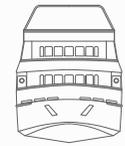


Formal and al fresco dining room

Deck Plans



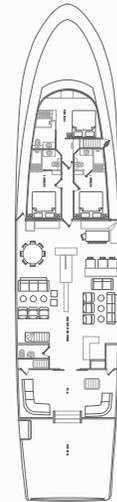
Profile View



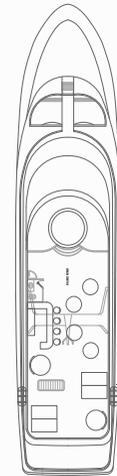
Front View



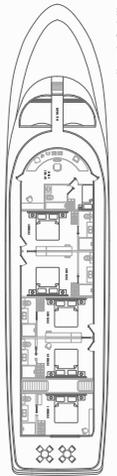
INTERIOR DECK VIEW



PROMENADE MAIN DECK VIEW



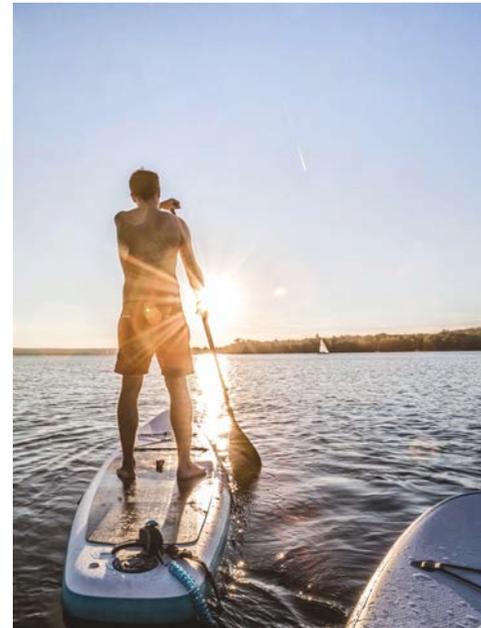
SUNDECK VIEW



VERANDA DECK VIEW

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Marine Toys & Activities



OUR SUGGESTIONS

What clothes to wear?

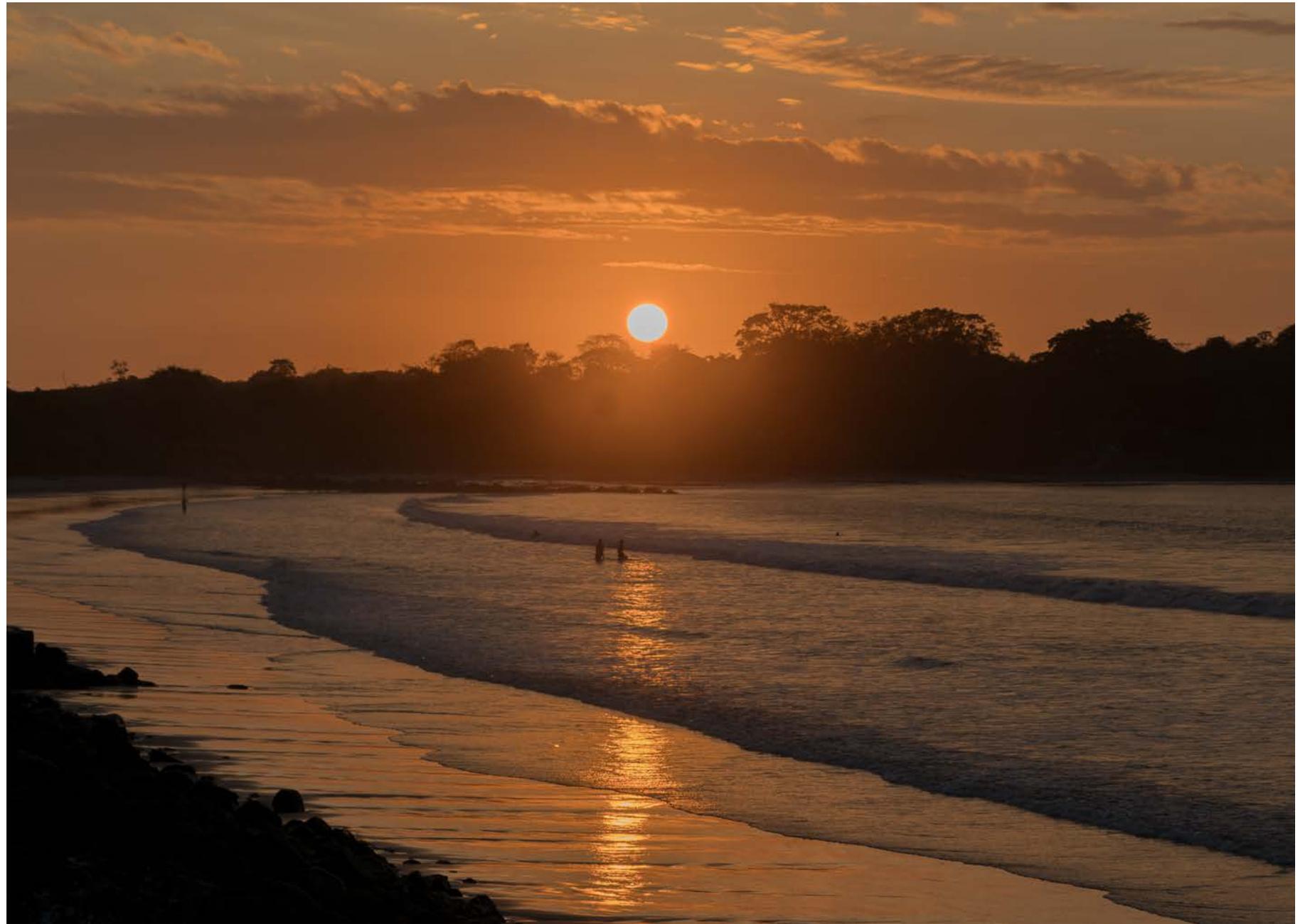
Light clothing, comfortable shoes, sunblock, bathing suit, a hat, sandals, water shoes, a light sweater and insect repellent.

What is included?

This program includes accommodations, all meals and soft drinks as specified, English guidance, local land transfers and access to parks and natural reserves, equipment for marine activities.

What is not included?

Alcoholic beverages, spa treatments, meals not specified in the program, personal expenses, gratuities or transfers others than detailed in the program.



USEFUL INFORMATION

Land Expeditions

The yacht will sail along the coast and will anchor close to the shore. Expeditions to land sites will start with a dinghy ride that may result in wet or dry landing. Wet landing involves stepping into water (ankle to knee high) and walking to shore; dry landings involve stepping directly into land. Our expert guides will lead all zodiac rides and will assist you during either type of landing.

A detailed brief of the expeditions is provided ahead of time to inform about the location, topography of the land (most of the trails are easy or moderate), weather and appropriate clothing.

Land transfers will be necessary to reach some sites. Company vehicles are used for transportation to ensure comfort, safety and timely departures. There are usually two guided visits per day allowing for enough time to discover and connect with local culture and with nature. Water activities such as kayaking, snorkeling, SUPs and swimming are also available in most coastal expeditions.



Water Activities

We are well equipped to help you enjoy multiple opportunities for water activities available during our expedition.

Snorkeling equipment (masks, fins and snorkels) and 3 mm wetsuits are available in various sizes free of charge in a first come first served basis. Wetsuits are not often necessary as average water temperature off the coast of Ecuador ranges from 24C (76F) to 26C (80F).

If you are a frequent snorkeler, you can plan ahead and bring your own equipment for a perfect fit and comfort.

Six tandem kayaks and four stand up paddleboards are also available for coastal exploration and fun.



Gratuities

You will quickly discover that the warm smiles and greetings from our staff extend well beyond the chilled glass of champagne that welcomes you aboard.

A service charge is not included in the fare as it is optional and should be based merely on your perception of our crew performance at the end of the expedition.

As a guideline we suggest that each passenger leaves between US\$ 300.00 - US\$ 350.00 per week, which is the international standard for Luxury Expeditions. Gratuities may be paid in cash or charged to your credit card and will be distributed among our crew and guides.





FAQ

Family Accommodations

We count with 4 interconnected rooms for families with children. Our expeditions are family friendly, however, we strongly suggest children to be 6 years or older at the time of the departure.

Onboard Purchases

Any on board purchases from the gift shop, restaurant, or spa can be charged to your tab and paid at the end of the expedition in cash or credit card.

Special Requests

Special arrangements for birthdays, anniversaries, or any other celebration are available upon request. Please inquire with our customer experience team at the time of booking and at least 30 days prior to departure.

Drinking Water

Bottled water is complimentary on board and available in your stateroom and throughout the yacht. Drinking tap water is not possible.

Smoking Policy

Smoking is prohibited in all indoor areas of the yacht. There is an outdoor designated area for smoking.

Currency

Ecuador has adopted the US Dollar as official currency.

Power outlets and electricity

Standard 120V and standard frequency of 60Hz. Power outlets are type A and B, similar to the ones used in the U.S. European plugs will need an adapter.

Luggage

Although rooms have plenty of space, please be prepared to bring a small to mid-size suitcase on board.

Time Zone

Ecuador is in the GMT -5 time zone, same as US Eastern Time. However, we have no daylight savings.

Language

Official language is Spanish, but most of the staff, the concierge, guides and the captains speak fluent Spanish and English.

Clothing

Light clothing, comfortable shoes, sunscreen, swimwear, sunglasses, hat and, insect repellent.

Medical Facilities

The yacht is equipped with first aid kits for basic medical issues. In case of any medical emergencies, the yacht is close to mainland and count with permanent direct communications with all emergency lines.

Motion Sickness

There might be moderate movement of the yacht during navigation. Most passengers will not feel anything, but we strongly recommend that you bring motion sickness medication if you are prone to seasickness.

Physical Limitations

Our expeditions require a reasonable level of health and fitness from our passengers. Most excursions take a few hours of moderate unassisted hiking at a relaxed pace in warm weather. Getting on and off the zodiacs also call for a certain balance. If you are unsure about any of the visits, please check with one of the guides before disembarking the yacht. Also, please inform our customer experience team of any physical limitation or health condition that may require special attention at the time of booking.

Connectivity and Entertainment

Free WiFi is available throughout the vessels in multiple devices. A complete entertainment guide is available in each stateroom with smart UHD TVs, music players with Bluetooth technology, and fully automated a/c, shades and lightning.

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ITINERARY CONDITIONS

Kontiki Expeditions reserves the right at its sole option and discretion and that of the Captain of the vessel without liability for damages or refund of any kind to deviate from the vessel's advertised or ordinary itinerary for any reason including mechanical failure. Kontiki will not be held responsible for any refund whatsoever for changes to the printed or scheduled itinerary.