

A SOUTHERN MIGRATION: FROM THE CHANNEL ISLANDS TO BAJA CALIFORNIA

Enter a time machine: see the SoCal coast as it is and as it was while making time-warping discoveries. Depart Los Angeles's bustling port for the nearby Channel Islands to witness intact wildness, complete with thriving endemic species, mere nautical miles from a sprawling metropolis. Sail south, going behind the scenes at a world-class vineyard and dining at a private lunch at a boutique vineyard in the world-renowned Valle de Guadalupe. Meet the residents of Isla Natividad, an incredibly successful co-op within the Vizcaino Biosphere, and learn the inspiring story of their sustainable fishing practices. And throughout, keep an eye to the horizon for migrating whales.



ITINERARY

DAY 1 Los Angeles, California, U.S. / Embark Ship

Arrive in Los Angeles by early afternoon. Transfer to the port to embark National Geographic Venture.

Arrival Time: Arrive before 3:00 p.m. local time.

Arrival City: Los Angeles, California





Meals Included: Dinner

DAY 2 Channel Islands National Park

Not far from the city lights, these islands are a world away, home to incredibly diverse and endemic flora and fauna. Spend the day kayaking, hiking one of the many trails, or simply relaxing ashore. Learn the fascinating prehistory of these islands from our naturalists.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 3 Ensenada, Mexico / Valle de Guadalupe

Vineyards and culinary marvels await in one of the world's hottest up-and-coming wine regions. See what the hype is all about as we visit a family-run vineyard for a private tour, tasting, and lunch.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 4: Bahía de San Quintín

Explore Bahia de San Quintin and surrounding islands—home to 400+ species of plants, animals, and birds, including 23 seabird species. The bay is located along the Pacific Flyway migration route and sees more than 25,000 birds pass through in the winter.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAYS 5-7 El Vizcaíno Biosphere Reserve / Islas San Benito / Isla Natividad / At Sea

Explore El Vizcaino Biosphere Reserve and its plentiful wildlife, sailing to Islas San Benito, home to thousands of breeding elephant seals, and on to Isla Natividad to learn of the community's exemplary protection of the fragile ecosystems of the reserve. We are at sea the following day searching for a wide variety of marine life, including the largest animal on Earth, the blue whale, listening to naturalist talks, and learning photography tips and tricks.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 8 Bahía Magdalena

Isla Magdalena and the bay of the same name are irresistible treats for the nature lover. Come to know this island while hiking the ever-shifting, wind-sculpted dunes on our cross-island transit to Sand Dollar Beach. Watch for coyote tracks in the soft dunes and spot migratory shorebirds. Many--including western sandpipers, whimbrels, willets, Wilson's and black-bellied plovers, and marbled godwits--are concluding their southbound journeys here. Observe astounding flora, like the endemic and sideways-growing creeping devil, a columnar cactus thick with spines packed together to protect against herbivores and the relentless sun. This evening, as we exit the bay, be on the lookout for beaked dolphins and, with luck, a humpback whale.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 9 Los Cabos and Gorda Banks

Cruise past Friars Rocks and visit the historic town center of San Jose del Cabo before cruising Gorda Banks seamount or La Fortuna, renowned gathering places for whales, dolphins, and other marine life.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAYS 10-11 Cabo Pulmo / Los Islotes





Snorkel the pristine reefs of Cabo Pulmo National Park and chat with locals about their advocacy to protect this unique place. With luck, swim with sea lions before relaxing ashore.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 12 La Paz / Disembark Ship / San José del Cabo

Disembark in La Paz and transfer to Los Cabos airport for flights home.

Departure Time: Depart after 2:00 p.m. local time.

Departure City: San Jose del Cabo, Mexico

Meals Included: Breakfast

Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.





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VESSEL TYPE: Expedition Ship

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY: 100

BUILT/REFURBISHED: 2017

National Geographic Venture is a purpose-built expedition vessel designed to follow the seasons and uncover the wild beauty of North America's west coast and Baja California. A sister ship to National Geographic Quest, she was constructed at the renowned Nichols Brothers shipyard in the Pacific Northwest, continuing a legacy of shipbuilding excellence that began with Sea Bird and Sea Lion in the 1970s. Carrying 100 guests in 50 comfortable cabins, Venture offers the perfect balance of modern amenities and expedition-ready design, with a shallow draught that allows for access to hidden coves, narrow inlets, and wildlife-rich waters.

On board, guests enjoy spacious public areas including a lounge with bar and presentation space, a dining room with open seating, a Global Gallery, fitness centre, and a furnished sundeck. A mudroom with lockers keeps expedition gear handy, while the open Bridge invites guests to learn from the Captain and crew. With twin Zodiac platforms for efficient embarkation, Venture is ideally suited for spontaneous wildlife encounters and exploration by paddleboard or kayak. Her design, informed by over 50 years of expedition expertise, ensures an immersive, flexible, and unforgettable experience at sea.

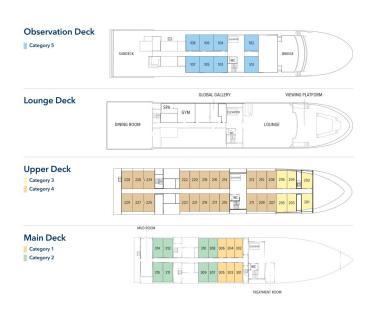


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INSIDE YOUR SHIP



Category 1



Category 3



Category 5 Suite



Category 2



Category 4





PRICING

27-Nov-2025 to 08-Dec-2025

Category 1	13491 AUD pp
Category 2	15651 AUD pp
Category 3	17469 AUD pp
Category 4	19440 AUD pp
Category 5 Suite	21617 AUD pp





SPECIAL OFFERS

SUITE EXCLUSIVES

Spacious living areas and incredible views immerse you in the beauty of your marine surroundings. Our new Suite Exclusives package helps make your voyage all the more memorable.

10% OFF BACK-TO-BACK VOYAGES

Save 10% on consecutive departures, applicable on voyage fares only and not valid on extensions or airfare. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

SAVE 5% TRAVELING AS A GROUP

Save 5% when traveling as a group of eight or more people. Valid on voyage fares only and not applicable on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

CELEBRATE LIFE'S MILESTONES

Celebrate a milestone with a group of eight or more and enjoy a special amenity package including: 5% savings on voyage fares, custom group photo, US\$150 shipboard credit for the group, and other special gifts. Milestone celebration to be communicated at time of booking.

BRINGING THE KIDS

We believe sharing an expedition with your kids or grandkids is a life-enhancing experience. So take \$715 off for each child under the age of 18.

COMBINING OFFERS

Combine now and save!

Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities, except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings.

