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Michael H. Jackson

Galapagos, A Natural History Guide

1995, PAPER, 316 PAGES, \$24.95

Written with the curious visitor in mind, this comprehensive overview of the natural history of Galapagos is practically mandatory reading. It's the single best introduction to the archipelago, describing habitats, plants, birds, and animals in detail, as well as providing historical background and visitor information. (Item no. GPS03)

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Voyage of the Beagle

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David Horwell, Pete Oxford

Galapagos Wildlife, A Visitor's Guide

2005, PAPER, 140 PAGES, \$21.95

A compact guide to the birds, reptiles, insects, plants and marine life of the archipelago featuring a very good selection of large color photographs. Separate chapters cover visitor sites, history, conservation and habitats. (Item no. GPS38)

Borch Maps

Ecuador Map

2005, MAP, \$10.95

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ITMB

Galapagos Islands Map

2006, MAP, \$11.95

This full-color map of the Galapagos at a scale of 1:420,000, printed on water and tear-resistant paper, shows in detail major features, topography and visitor sites. (Item no. GPS06)

Also Recommended

Barry Boyce

A Traveler's Guide to the Galapagos Islands

2004, PAPER, 293 PAGES, \$18.99

A terrific guidebook, especially for anyone in the early stages of planning a trip to the archipelago. Colleague Barry Boyce provides a practical introduction to the islands and their attractions, along with a succinct, 80-page overview of evolution, natural history and wildlife. (Item no. GPS17)

Wilma Roos, Omer van Renterghem

Ecuador in Focus, A Guide to the People, Politics, and Culture

2000, PAPER, 100 PAGES, \$12.95

A slim guide to the history of Ecuador, its cultural heritage and political, environmental and economic challenges. (Item no. EDR02)

Pierre Constant

Marine Life of the Galapagos

2006, PAPER, 307 PAGES, \$24.95

Subtitled "A Diver's Guide to the Fishes, Whales, Dolphins and Other Marine Animals," this compact Odyssey Guide features 288 color photographs of fish and invertebrates, maps, plans and dive information. (Item no. GPS56)

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Rough Guide Ecuador

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Art of the Andes, from Chavin to Inca

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William Beebe

Galapagos, World's End

1988, PAPER, 442 PAGES, \$18.95

A wry, wonderfully evocative account of a 1924 scientific expedition, including an excellent chapter on the human history of the Galapagos. (Item no. GPS01)

Alexander von Humboldt

Personal Narrative

1996, PAPER, 310 PAGES, \$15.00

This is the book that Darwin took on his voyage around the world -- a classic account of naturalist and explorer Humboldt's 18th-century discoveries in South America. (Item no. SAM08)

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1996, PAPER, 304 PAGES, \$14.95

A firsthand account of a naive journalist among the Huaraoni of the Ecuadorian Amazon. Kane is an engaging, humorous guide to development issues in the Oriente of Ecuador. (Item no. AMZ20)

Kurt Vonnegut

Galapagos, A Novel

1986, PAPER, 283 PAGES, \$14.00

Vonnegut looks back from the future on the "nature cruise of the century" in this savagely funny novel, no doubt inspired by a visit to the islands. (Item no. GPS10)

Herman Melville

Piazza Tales

1996, PAPER, 275 PAGES, \$18.00

Melville's experiences as a whaler informed not only his great novel, *Moby Dick*, but "The Encantadas," one of the outstanding tales found in this collection. These short stories on the Galapagos Islands capture the volcanic nature of this bewitched paradise. (Item no. GPS36)

Herman Melville, Margaret Drabble

The Enchanted Isles

2002, PAPER, 99 PAGES, \$13.95

These ten sketches portray the islands, which Melville visited during his whaling days, as a bleak, wonderfully strange place. (Item no. GPS61)

Patrick O'Brian

The Far Side of the World

1992, PAPER, 366 PAGES, \$13.95

O'Brian takes readers on an adventure around Cape Horn in this enthralling Aubrey and Maturin tale, featuring evocative descriptions of the wildlife of Patagonia and Galapagos and a vivid portrait of Nelson's British Navy. (Item no. SAM01)

Peter R. Grant, Jonathan Weiner

Ecology and Evolution of Darwin's Finches

1999, PAPER, 492 PAGES, \$34.95

A scholarly, readable account by Peter Grant, who has devoted his life's work to the evolution and ecology of these curious Galapagos birds. (Item no. GPS44)

Edward J. Larson

Evolution's Workshop, God and Science on the Galapagos Islands

2002, PAPER, 320 PAGES, \$16.00

A vivid history of the Galapagos and the role of the islands as a crucible of evolutionary ideas, written by a Pulitzer Prize winner. Along with Darwin, it covers the discovery of the islands, the visits of Hancock and Beebe, the influence of the United States during WWII and the establishment of the national park. (Item no. GPS50)

J.C. Kricher

Galapagos, A Natural History

2006, PAPER, 221 PAGES, \$19.95

A lively, compact natural history of the islands and their role in evolutionary thought. It's a wide-ranging overview that features chapters on human history, geology, setting, Darwin, tortoises, reptiles, birds, and sea creatures. (Item no. GPS57)

Tui De Roy

Galapagos, Islands Born of Fire

1998, HARD COVER, 160 PAGES, \$39.95

This stunning oversize book by author, naturalist, photographer and friend Tui de Roy, organized as ten extended photo-essays, celebrates the landscape, wildlife and habitats of the archipelago. Tui de Roy was raised in Galapagos and knows the islands just about as well as anyone. (Item no. GPS28)

Tui De Roy, Mark Jones

Galapagos, Wild Portraits

2006, HARD COVER, 111 PAGES, \$39.95

The roving naturalist-photographer duo's beautifully photographed compendium of colorful sea lions, blue-footed boobies, sally light-foot crabs, marine iguanas, whales and other creatures of the Galapagos. (Item no. GPS77)

Charles Darwin, Mayr Ernst

On the Origin of Species

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A facsimile of the original 1859 edition of the book that changed our view of the world. (Item no. NAT19)

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The Beak of the Finch, A Story of Evolution in our Time

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This Pulitzer Prize-winning work is an accessible look at the modern debate on the mode and rhythm of evolution, using the story of Peter and Rosemary Grant and their field work on Daphne Major as an example. (Item no. GPS08)

Adrian Forsyth, Ken Miyata

Tropical Nature

1984, PAPER, 248 PAGES, \$14.00

A lively, lucid portrait of the rain forest as seen by two uncommonly observant and thoughtful field biologists. Its 17 marvelous essays introduce the habitats, ecology, plants and animals of the Central and South American rain forest. (Item no. GPS13)

Maurice Krafft

Volcanoes, Fire From the Earth

1993, PAPER, 175 PAGES, \$12.95

This illustrated pocket encyclopedia in the Discoveries series, featuring hundreds of full color paintings, traces the study of volcanoes from early myth and legend to modern science. By the great French volcanologist (who died on the job on Mount Unzen in Japan in 1992). (Item no. GEO06)

Cleveland P. Hickman

A Field Guide to Sea Stars and Other Echinoderms of the Galapagos

1998, PAPER, 83 PAGES, \$18.95

A spiral-bound field guide to sea stars, urchins and sea cucumbers of Galapagos. (Item no. GPS31)

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Birds of Ecuador, A Field Guide

2001, PAPER, 740 PAGES, \$52.95

A comprehensive, gorgeous and exhaustively researched field guide to the birds of Ecuador (and adjacent countries), featuring 96 color plates. It's also the best bird guide for travelers in the Peruvian Amazon. (Item no. EDR08)

Andy Swash, Robert Stills

Birds, Mammals and Reptiles of the Galapagos Islands

2006, FLEXI-BOUND, 168 PAGES, \$25.00

A strikingly compact, comprehensive field guide to Galapagos wildlife, featuring 500 color photographs, distribution maps and concise information on status, habitat and behavior. (Item no. GPS49)

David Pearson, Les Beletsky

Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands, Travellers' Wildlife Guides

2004, PAPER, 485 PAGES, \$27.95

An excellent guide to Ecuador's wildlife, featuring concise descriptions and color illustrations of 500 frequently encountered reptiles and amphibians, birds, mammals and insects. The Galapagos Islands get a separate chapter and section of illustrations. (Item no. GPS34)

Conley McMullen, Ghillean Prance

Flowering Plants of the Galapagos

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Mark Carwardine

Smithsonian Handbook: Whales, Dolphins and Porpoises

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In the trademark, graphic Eyewitness style, this sturdy guidebook colorfully describes the world's cetaceans with numerous illustrations, range maps, fluke drawings and a few paragraphs on each species. (Item no. FG02)

Julian Fitter, Daniel Fitter, David Hosking

Wildlife of the Galapagos

2002, PAPER, 254 PAGES, \$19.95

A compact guide to Galapagos nature and wildlife, featuring 400 color photographs, as well as an overview of the history, climate, evolution and geology of the islands, and helpful full color visitor site maps. It includes not only birds and well known reptiles, but also a sampling of the plants, invertebrates and coastal and marine life. (Item no. GPS47)

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