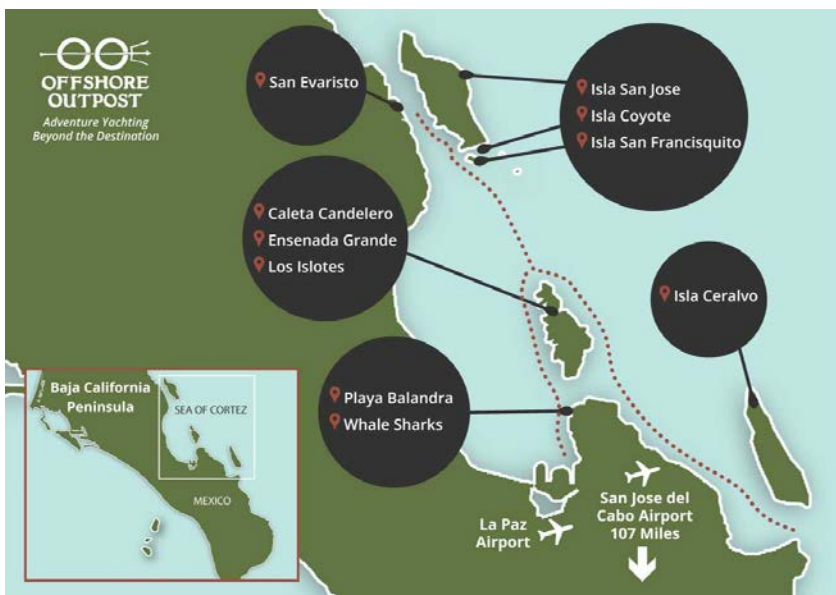


Sea of Cortez

Aboard Luxury 12-Guest Yacht from La Paz, Baja



The Sea of Cortez, a UNESCO World Heritage site, was considered “the world’s aquarium” by Jacques Cousteau. It is one of the richest bodies of water on the planet. Its diverse sea is home to more than 900 varieties of fish, more than 2,000 species of marine invertebrates and 39% of the world’s total number of marine mammals. Several species of whales regularly visit this ecological wonderland, and the world’s largest fish, the whale shark, is often spotted by our guests.



DATES: 2018-19 –

*Every Sunday Nov 18, 2018 to
Mar 31, 2019*

DURATION: 7 DAYS/6 NIGHTS

EMBARK: LA PAZ, BCS

DISEMBARK: LA PAZ, BCS

SHIP: Pacific Provider

FROM: \$4,500 Double

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Swim with whale sharks while the crew captures the moment in action photos.**
- **Catch a yellowtail or dorado, and have our private chef prepare it for your next meal, or ready your prize for the trip home.**
- **Explore tranquil beaches on remote islands, kayak and stand-up paddle in empty coves, and soak up not only the sun but the stunning scenery in the Sea of Cortez.**
- **And everything is included (except airfare and gratuity):**
- **Spacious, private staterooms**
- **Three fresh, chef-prepared meals daily**
- **All snacks and beverages, including our well-stocked open bar**
- **High-end adventure gear for fishing, kayaking, snorkeling, stand-up paddle boarding (SUP) and hiking**
- **12 guests to 8 crew**
- **Airport transfers**



Day 2 – Monday - Ensenada Candelero & Isla Espiritu Santo

Swim with the whale sharks and hike the natural springs

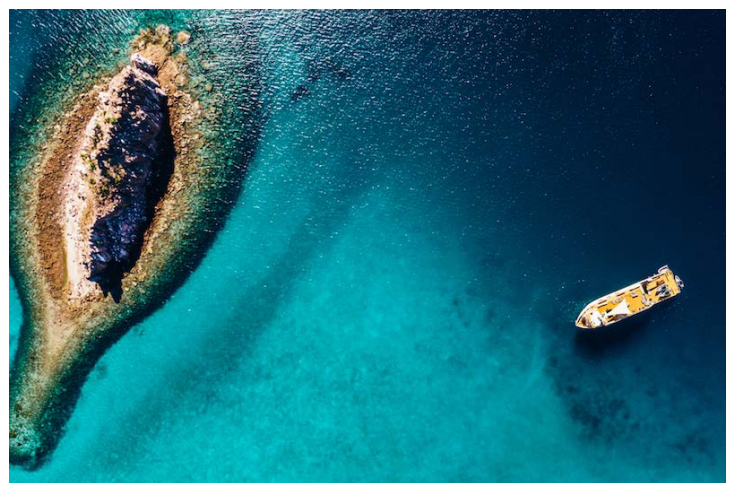
Waking up at Bahia Balandra, after breakfast, you'll depart to swim alongside whale sharks with crew and naturalists. Swimming next to these newly endangered, gentle, and massive fish is a weekly highlight and, for many, a true bucket list activity. Returning to the ship for lunch, we'll make our way to Ensenada Candelero. With fantastic snorkeling, and a hike up to the only natural spring on Isla Espiritu Santo, take in the views of the Sea of Cortez, amazing rock formations on the island, and keep your eyes peeled for the elusive and endemic black jackrabbits who inhabit the island. Relax in the jacuzzi after dinner and take in the stars with a craft margarita before resting for the next day.

ITINERARY:

Day 1 - Sunday - Arrive La Paz - Bahia Balandra

Swim, kayak, or snorkel in the picturesque bay and enjoy the pristine white beaches all to yourself

We'll meet you at San Jose del Cabo Airport and bring you to La Paz for our early afternoon embarkation. After touring your stateroom, you'll get an introduction to the ship and a safety briefing, and we'll be ready to cruise to Bahia Balandra, a picturesque azure bay surrounded by several pristine beaches. After a pre-sunset swim, kayak, or snorkel, you'll enjoy your first of many sunsets before sitting down to the first of numerous incredible dinners.



Day 3 – Island Hopping

Spend the day game fishing and island hopping at sunset.

Waking up in Ensenada Candelero, you'll be able to take advantage of the activities you weren't able to fit in the day before. Take a skiff out fishing, looking for local game fish to have prepared for dinner (fish tacos, anyone?), or continue relaxing on a secluded beach, sipping on an ice-cold beer under the hot midday sun. In the evening, we'll make our way to the remote island of Isla San Francisquito, the locale for tomorrow's incredible day.



Day 4 – Wednesday - Isla San Francisquito

Enjoy scenic mountain hiking and afternoon snorkeling

Isla San Francisquito offers a hike that is a crew favorite, up a mountain and across the ridge, taking in some of the most scenic views of the trip. The hook shaped bay has some of the most beautiful waters you'll see during the week, a great opportunity for sport fishing and incredible snorkeling. In the afternoon, enjoy appetizers on the beach, craft cocktails, and a bonfire before returning to the boat for dinner. After dinner we'll make the short trip to Isla San Jose.

Days 5 – Thursday - Isla San Jose & San Evaristo

Kayak the secluded lagoon and explore an isolated local fishing village

Waking up at Isla San Jose, you'll prepare for a kayak trip through the lagoon and amongst the mangroves. Not only is Isla San Jose one of the most secluded places you'll visit during the week, it's one of the most unique due to the mangrove covered shoreline. For non-kayakers, hop in a skiff and fish for local snook, or put on a mask and fins and snorkel in search of the seahorses known to inhabit mangroves. During lunch, we'll move to San Evaristo to explore the local fishing village. You'll get a feel for local culture, see the catch of the day, and maybe even enjoy a beer with the locals who are separated from society by the Sea of Cortez. After dinner, we'll make our way to Ensenada Grande, getting a good night's sleep in a calm anchorage.

Day 6 - Ensenada Grande

Choose your adventure – it's all about you

Your last full day presents adventure galore. After breakfast, your ability to "choose your own adventure" offers another new activity: swimming with sea lions. With the whole day at your disposal, you can also take a kayak out exploring, snorkel amongst shoals and reefs, or simply relax on the beach and soak up the sun with your fellow travelers. You'll end the night sharing a cocktail with the crew, enjoying a slideshow of photos from the week, and reminiscing about every incredible detail of your week.

Day 7 - La Paz - Disembark

As the anchor is weighed this morning, you'll disembark and transit back to the historic city of La Paz. Say your goodbyes to the crew and with your bags taken to the shuttle for your transfer back to San Jose del Cabo Airport, make your way back home wishing you were still on the Pacific Provider with Offshore Outpost.

Or add a visit to the amazing Copper Canyon. You will fly from La Paz across the Sea of Cortes to Los Mochis, where you will overnight in a beautiful historic hacienda in El Fuerte. In the morning, board the El Chepe narrow gauge train to climb from sea level to 8,000 ft – one of the world's most scenic railways. Spend two nights at the beautiful Mirador Hotel, built on the rim of the canyon. End in Chihuahua for your flight home.



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2018-19 RATES – Per Person

Double – From \$4,500 Single – From \$7,750

Includes all meals, beer, wine and standard liquor (You may bring your own preferred brands), taxes and fees, transportation, excursions, and transfers.

Does NOT Include - Flights, trip insurance, and gratuities to crew.

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