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# Ecuador & Galapagos Voyage

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The Professional Education Society invites you to a Joint Medical/Dental Seminar with the Hospital Voz Andes in Quito, Ecuador

The Evolution of Man & Medicine - Historic & Emerging Healthcare Issues

16 credit hours ~ Tax Deductible  
Joint Medical / Dental Seminar

Family and Friends  
are invited to join you on this  
adventure of a lifetime!

Register now. Space is very limited!



Andean Highlands • 4 Night Cruise • Flora, Fauna & Geology • Quito UNESCO World Heritage Site

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From the Andean Highlands to the Galapagos Islands!

Experience an amazing tapestry of environments in Ecuador's highlands - ice-capped volcanoes, Andean Sierras and river winding through rainforest. Discover Incan Healing rituals still practiced today. Explore the famous Otavalo Market, a renowned gathering of craftsmen from all over the country come to sell their beautiful textiles, jewellery and produce. Spend nights in a beautiful mountain hacienda.

Our Program is specially designed for you to enjoy an exciting sea adventure in the extraordinary natural environment of the Galapagos Islands. You will journey some 600 miles off the coast of Ecuador to experience up-close encounters with sea lions, penguins, tortoises, fur seals, marine iguanas and many kinds of sea birds. The sheer amount of wildlife is astounding!

Inclusive Highlights:

- Three nights in Quito at the Swissotel
- Two nights in the Andean Highlands at the beautiful Hacienda Cusin
- Four night Galapagos Island cruise on the 40 passenger M/V Isabela II
- Daily Breakfast, 8 Lunches and 8 Dinners
- Quito city tour with visit to "Old Town" the wonderfully preserved colonial sector, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Visit the world - famous Otavalo Indian Market
- Visit Andes villages of Peguche and Illuman to see traditional musicians and textile weavers and discover ancient Incan healing rituals
- Full program of activities in the Galapagos Islands
- On-board programs to learn about Ecuadorian history and culture
- Expert naturalist guide and PES escort
- CME seminars by foreign professionals and distinguished members of PES

## Optional Post-Tour to Peru & Machu Picchu

December 8 - 13, 2012

Lima, Cusco, the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu

In the historic Inca capital Cusco, a UNESCO World Heritage site, grand Baroque and renaissance style churches and the Incan stone fortress of Sacsayhuaman provide a fascinating mix of pre-Columbian Colonial influences.

The rushing Urubamba River flows through the beautiful Sacred Valley where ancient engineering marvels stand as lasting testimony to the powerful and far reaching Inca Empire. Explore the fortress, Ollantaytamo, and villages where craftsmen weave intricate tapestries and create colorful pottery.

Located high in the Peruvian Andes, Machu Picchu was obscured from humankind for 400 years until Yale Professor Hiram Bingham stumbled upon it in 1911. Nearly a century of extensive research and study still has not revealed all its secrets. This UNESCO World Heritage site has been carefully excavated and preserved.

Inclusive Highlights:

- Westin Libertador, Hotel Monasterio Cusco, Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo
- Daily Breakfast, 4 Lunches, and 4 Dinners
- Cusco city tour
- Full day exploration of the Sacred Valley
- Roundtrip magical journey on the luxurious Hiram Bingham Train
- Ascend to the mystic and inspirational height of Machu Picchu
- PES Seminar and hospital visit



# M/V Isabela II

The 40-guest Isabela II, with 20 outside cabins, is one of the most comfortable yachts cruising the Galapagos. Presenting an elegant yet relaxed atmosphere, her helpful and warm staff to attend to your every need. The Isabela II is fully air-conditioned and has the amenities of a larger vessel, including a bar, dining room and sun deck. The sun deck comprises a bar with ample outdoor seating, an observation area for whale and dolphin watching, a gym and Jacuzzi, and solarium. The Isabella II carries sea Kayaks and three Zodiacs, and as an alternative to snorkeling, her glass bottom boat offers a great opportunity to observe the marine life from above the waves. From dining room to stateroom, one senses the superior quality at all levels of service.

## What to expect?

This is a moderately active program designed for our PES clientele. Our trip begins in Quito, the capital of Ecuador, which is at an elevation of 9,000 feet with spring-like climate year round. The Galapagos Islands straddle the equator with temperatures ranging between the 70s and 90s. The ship is an adventure vessel - so please keep in mind that it is comfortable, but not a luxury ship. On the islands, zodiac-style dinghy rides take us ashore with wet and dry landings. A wet landing requires you to disembark in water up to your knees and then wade into shore. Nature walks are approximately one to two miles over uneven or rocky lava terrain. The pace is leisurely for wildlife observation. There are chances for swimming, snorkeling, kayaking and other activities.

A typical day on board the Isabela II begins with an early breakfast buffet followed by a nature walk. Back on board your experience is enriched by a lecture from a naturalist guide. Enjoy a leisurely lunch with time afterwards for relaxation or to enjoy the ship's amenities. In the late afternoon, depart on another land excursion. The day concludes with activities on - board, shared stories over cocktails, dinner in the main dining room and star gazing from the sun deck.



## Program Costs

**Deposit by Friday, December 16 for Early Booking Savings of \$250 Per Person**

Ecuador & Galapagos Voyage:

Land Package, Cruise & In-Program Flights:  
\$5,920 ~ Per Person based on Double Occupancy  
Classic Cabin

\$6,765 ~ Per Person based on Single Occupancy  
Standard Cabin

This ten day program includes all accommodations, most meals, round-trip flights Quito to the Galapagos Islands (\$449 value), gratuities for guides, drivers and shipboard staff (except naturalist guides), taxes and port charges (\$110 value), Migratory Control Card, transfers and luggage handling, sightseeing and entrance fees

Peru & Machu Picchu:

Land Package & In - Program Flights:  
\$3,445 ~ Per Person based on Double Occupancy  
\$4,795 ~ Per Person based on Single Occupancy

This six day program includes all accommodation, most meals, round-trip flight Lima to Cusco, gratuities for guides and drivers, transfers and luggage handling, sightseeing and entrance fees per itinerary.

Professional Education Seminar Fees:

Professional Seminar ~ \$495  
Non-Professional Seminar ~ \$295

Airfare:

\$800 - 1,500 International Airfare  
*(Estimated fares per person - depends on U.S. departure city)*  
\$489 - Quito, Ecuador to Lima, Peru  
*(Estimated fare per person)*



## CONTINUING EDUCATION RECOGNITION AWARDS

The Professional Education Society Seminar fee is \$495 for each physician, dentist, nurse or health related professional and \$295 for each non-professional or family member attending the seminars.

Seminars will be held in Quito, the Andean Highlands and the Galapagos Islands.



**Physicians:** This program has been reviewed and is acceptable for up to 16 prescribed hours by the American Academy of Family Physicians.

**Dentists:** The Professional Education Society, as provider, is authorized to confer up to 16 hours of California Continuing Education credit units and 16 FAGD/MAGD credit hours with the Academy of General Dentistry. The Professional Education Society is an ADA CERP Recognized Provider.

ADA CERP is a service of the American Dental Association to assist dental professionals in identifying quality providers of continuing dental education. ADA CERP does not approve or endorse individual courses or instructors, nor does it imply acceptance of credit hours by boards of dentistry. Professional Education Society designates this activity for 16 continuing education credits.



**Nurses:** The provider is approved by the California Board of Registered Nurses, Provider Number CEP 5428 and is authorized to confer 16 contact hours for this program. Although the California Board of Registered Nurses does not approve individual continuing education courses, providers are required by law to be approved by the Board. Reciprocity for continuing education hours for nurses is available in most states. Please check with your regulation board regarding requirements.

## Tax Deduction

This travel seminar in Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands has been designed to comply with current IRS convention rules and deductibility requirements under Code Section 274(h)(1) as directly related to the conduct of the attendee's profession and meeting the reasonableness standard of the foreign seminar rules. The formal meetings will be scheduled with lectures and discussions. Seminars in conference rooms, clinics or hospitals will be conducted by foreign speakers as well as distinguished members of the Professional Education Society.

Documentation verifying the scheduling dates, locations, hours of attendance, certificate of participation, and appropriate certificate of continuing medical, dental or nursing education will be provided at the completion of the conference. Consult your tax advisor for detailed information concerning deductibility of expenses related to your particular situation.

## Terms and Conditions

Passports are required for travel.

Deposits: Ecuador & Galapagos Voyage is \$750 per person. Peru & Machu Picchu is \$500 per person. PES Seminar is \$200 per person.

Final Payment: Final payment is due by August 31, 2012.

Trip cancellation insurance is highly recommended; information will be sent with your deposit confirmation.

Not Included: International round-trip airfare to Quito and Quito to Lima, international departure tax from Ecuador (~\$45pp), unexpected fuel surcharge, trip cancellation and medical insurance, gratuities to your onboard naturalist guide and all items of a strictly personal nature.

Cancellation: All cancellations must be made in writing to the Professional Education Society.

From time of deposit to June 2, 2012: \$200 per person

From June 3, 2012 to August 31, 2012: \$750 per person

From September 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012: 50% of program

From October 1, 2012 to departure: 100% of program

Seminar Fees: 90 days or more prior to departure: 100% refundable.

Within 90 days of departure: no refund on seminar fee.



## Registration

Space is limited – book early!

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