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WHALES OF MAGDALENA BAY: BAJA ADVENTURE CRUISE

JANUARY 27-FEBRUARY 1, 2026

Have you ever dreamed about a magical encounter with a gray whale? Or perhaps you have been to Magdalena Bay in Baja for only a few hours on a tour boat; had a short interaction with a gray whale, enjoyed the beautiful sand dunes, abundant wildlife with sea birds and yearned to explore that entire region? This trip is gray whale immersion at its best! Enjoy several days in the company of majestic gray whales in Baja California’s Magdalena Bay, one of the best times and places in the world to encounter gray whale mothers and their curious calves. On this compact trip, we explore the bay aboard our nimble National Geographic Sea Bird expedition ship and set out in local pangas for up-close encounters. These whales are very curious about humans and will sometimes come to the pangas, many times with their babies, and allow themselves to be touched.

But there’s more! Onboard naturalists will educate us about wildlife as we watch for whales and dolphins, kayak or paddleboard through mangrove forests abundant with many species of birds, hike desert islands, capture beautiful lighting on sand dunes, look for pelicans, great blue herons and ospreys, and enjoy long walks (or try out our fat-tire bikes) and soak up the sun on pristine beaches.

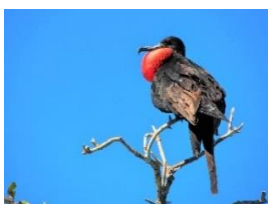
YOUR ITINERARY

Tuesday, January 27, 2026	Loreto, Mexico / San Carlos / Embark Ship
Wednesday, January 27, 2026	Bahía Almejas / Rehusa Channel / Isla Magdalena
Thursday, January 27, 2026	Transit the Hull Canal / Boca de Soledad
Friday, January 27, 2026	Boca de Soledad
Saturday January 27, 2026	Boca de Soledad
Sunday, February 1, 2026	San Carlos / Disembark ship / Loreto

Note: Itinerary is subject to change.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore 31 miles of Magdalena Bay in search for gray whale mothers and their calves aboard Zodiacs and local pangas, delighting in up-close encounters
- Kayak and paddleboard stunning mangroves, or beachcomb along endless pristine beaches
- Explore diverse landscapes, sand dunes, and ride a fat-tire bike along desert island terrain or shore
- Scan the skies for bird species, from diving pelicans to magnificent frigatebirds.
- Star gaze at night with experienced star gazers
- Learn about desert ecosystems, seabird migrations, and whale behavior from our experienced naturalists
- Vacation sustainably with Olivia and Lindblad/National Geographic





WHAT'S INCLUDED? WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED?

INCLUDED

- Five shipboard nights aboard the National Geographic Sea Bird
- Roundtrip transfers from the Loreto airport to the host hotel and/or ship on January 27 and from the ship to the Loreto airport on February 1, 2026.
- On the vessel, basic internet, all shore excursions, sightseeing, entrance fees, meals, beer, wine, cocktails and spirits. Super premium wines and liquors are available for purchase. 24-hour access to snacks, premium coffees and teas, non-alcoholic beverages, filtered water, hors d'oeuvres & snacks during Recap.
- Complimentary reusable water bottle to fill at onboard water refill stations
- Beach BBQ Dinner– (weather permitting) with complimentary beer/wine
- Use of kayaks, stand-up paddleboards, and expedition landing equipment
- Complimentary Online Voyage Portfolio link (provided approximately 6-8 weeks after voyage return)
- Services of Lindblad's Expedition Team: Expedition Leader, Naturalist staff and expert guides, Wellness Coordinator, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and medical professional.
- Access to our Tools for Exploration: Remotely operated Vehicle (ROV), Hydrophone, Video microscope, Splash-Cam, Underwater video camera, OM System Photo Gear Locker, Zodiac & kayak explorations
- All port charges, special access permits (if applicable), service fees and taxes during the voyage
- All gratuities to ship's staff and crew, and local guides
- Personalized Team Olivia assistance throughout

NOT INCLUDED

All airfare, Passport, and visa expenses (if necessary), transfers from/to airport prior to program dates of Jan. 27 and Feb. 1, 2026, airport departure taxes (if applicable), travelers' insurance, items of a personal nature (e. g. shopping on board) and LEX Wellness spa and treatment services

PER-PERSON PRICING

Category 1

EARLY BIRD \$4,899 PP/Regular \$6,399 PP

Conveniently located between the dining room and lounge, these cabins feature two single beds, and a large window. All cabins feature a closet, two nightstands, and sink/vanity with large mirror outside the bathroom.

Category 2

EARLY BIRD \$5,899 PP/Regular \$7,399 PP

These well-located cabins include two single beds and a window. Cabin doors and windows open to the outside. Cabins feature a closet, two nightstands, closet, and sink/vanity with large mirror outside the bathroom.

Category 3

EARLY BIRD \$6,799 PP/Regular \$8,299 PP

Cabins feature a small table, two chairs, large double closet, sink/vanity with large mirror outside the bathroom, and two windows. Cabin doors and windows open to the outside. Upper Deck Cabins include two lower single beds which convert to a double bed; Bridge Deck cabins include two lower single beds only (105 and 106)

ABOVE PRICING DOES NOT INCLUDE NDA (TAXES, FEES, AND GRATUITIES): \$499 PP

ACTIVITY LEVEL

Easy-Moderate: These trips require a slightly higher level of mobility, including navigating steep stairs on the ship, walking on sandy, rocky or uneven terrain, hiking up gentle hills, sand dunes, and getting in and out of zodiacs/pangas from the ship and shore. There are no elevators on the ship. We will arrange activities for those who are very active, as well as for those with less mobility. If you do have limited mobility that requires assistance, you are required to travel with someone who can assist you. This trip is not suitable for scooters, or wheelchairs.

EXPEDITION ACTIVITIES

Stand-Up Paddleboarding: Stand-up paddleboards offer a fun, active and unique perspective. Our paddleboards are custom-built to our specifications for versatility and performance.

Fat-Tire Biking: We've got a fleet of fat-tire bikes (not electric) onboard for a rare opportunity to bike on seemingly endless beaches. Lessons and assistance will be offered for newcomers, so all interested parties may join in this activity.

Hiking: Walking and hiking options will be offered regularly throughout your expedition. Depending on our day's activities, walks will be offered at varying levels of activity. We generally will offer a mild walk as well as a longer or more challenging hike whenever possible, so that you may choose based on your level of fitness.

Kayaking: You will have the opportunity to kayak throughout your expedition. Lessons and assistance will be offered for newcomers, so all interested parties may join in this activity.

Zodiac Cruising: Zodiac cruising is one of the highlights of expedition travel. When conditions permit, small groups of 12 to 14 people can travel via landing craft to locations otherwise inaccessible by the larger ship, or simply travel out to sea for closer wildlife viewing opportunities.

Presentations: The expedition leader and naturalists will offer presentations throughout your expedition. Held in the lounge, presentations will cover a variety of topics and reflect what you are learning and experiencing both on land and at sea.

VACATION STRETCHERS

More information on our host hotel in Loreto will be available 9-11 months prior to the trip.

FLIGHTS/AIRFARE

All flights should arrive in **Loreto, Mexico (LTO)** by 2:30 pm on January 27, 2026. Departing flights from **Loreto, Mexico (LTO)** should be made for any time after 1:00 pm, February 1, 2026. Note that flight schedules may not be available until 6 months prior to trip

Airfare: Please check our airline discounts page for the latest discounts available approximately 11 months prior to the trip: <https://olivia.com/airfare-specials>

