



*The Gulf of California, México:  
Wild Islands, Rich Desert*

**April 29 - May 5, 2019**

Leader: Dr. Tom Fleischner -- Executive Director, Natural History Institute  
*With local naturalists and researchers*



**Registration**

**Cost:**

**\$1500**, Inclusive from Arizona (pickup available in Prescott, Phoenix, or Tucson, or Hermosillo, Sonora), except for dinners (relatively inexpensive) at local restaurants. Deposits received by **December 18** will receive an **early bird discount** of \$100. (Single accommodations available for additional cost.)

**To reserve a space:**

Please send a check for **\$500** made out to "Natural History Institute" to:  
Natural History Institute, 126 N. Marina St., Prescott, AZ 86301,  
or call our office for credit card payment information  
This is a **non-refundable deposit**.



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**Itinerary**

- Apr 29 (Mon) Travel to Bahia Kino, Sonora, México – pickup available in Prescott, Phoenix, or Tucson, Arizona, or Hermosillo, Sonora. Settle in to hotel; dinner along beachfront.
- Apr 30 Introduction to the Kino Bay Center, and the geography of the Gulf of California.  
Nearshore boat trip, Isla Alcatraz seabird colony
- May 1 Ecosystems, Flora, and Fauna of the Gulf  
The Central Gulf Coast Subdivision of the Sonoran Desert: the richest part of the richest desert  
Sea Turtles of the Gulf; Sea Turtle monitoring with Grupo Tortuguero Community Conservation Group
- May 2 Offshore boat trip to Midriff Islands: marine mammals, seabirds, and snorkeling
- May 3 Indigenous Peoples of the Region: The Comcaac (Seri) of the Infiernillo Canal; visit Estero Santa Rosa and Punta Chueca
- May 4 Estero Santa Cruz protected area
- May 5 (Sun) Departure for home; lunch en route



*Participants should be in good physical condition.  
Daily activities include moderate hiking with optional swimming and snorkeling.*

*A gear list and pre-trip reading suggestions will be provided.*