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TRAVEL + LEISURE SHOWCASES THE GREATEST
ISLANDS, CITIES, HOTELS, CRUISE LINES,
AIRPORTS, AND MORE — AS VOTED BY YOU.

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in World's
Best history. >>

No. **1**

Overall

ISLAND

GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS, ECUADOR

WORLD'S BEST
AWARDS 2015

ISLANDS

TOP 10 OVERALL

- 1 **Galápagos Islands** Ecuador 90.82 🏆
- 2 **Bali** Indonesia 88.98 🇮🇩
- 3 **Maldives** 88.53
- 4 **Tasmania** Australia 88.32
- 5 **Santorini** Greece 87.93
- 6 **Moorea** French Polynesia 87.90
- 7 **Maui** Hawaii 87.89 🇺🇸
- 8 **Kauai** Hawaii 87.88 🇺🇸
- 9 **Great Barrier Reef** Australia 87.31
- 10 **Malta** 86.90

CONTINENTAL U.S. & CANADA

- 1 **Vancouver Island** British Columbia 86.22
- 2 **Hilton Head** South Carolina 85.00
- 3 **Golden Isles** (Jekyll Island, Little St. Simons Island, Sea Island, St. Simons Island) Georgia 84.49 🇺🇸
- 4 **San Juan Islands** Washington 84.22
- 5 **Kiawah Island** South Carolina 83.15

HAWAII

- 1 **Maui** 87.89 🇺🇸
- 2 **Kauai** 87.88 🇺🇸
- 3 **Hawaii, the Big Island** 85.64 🇺🇸

THE CARIBBEAN, BERMUDA & THE BAHAMAS

- 1 **Harbour Island** Bahamas 85.60
- 2 **Jost Van Dyke** British Virgin Islands 84.60
- 3 **Virgin Gorda** British Virgin Islands 84.18
- 4 **St. John** U.S. Virgin Islands 83.87
- 5 **Anguilla** 83.13

MEXICO & CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA

- 1 **Galápagos Islands** Ecuador 90.82 🏆
- 2 **Isla Mujeres** Mexico 82.32
- 3 **Ambergris Cay** Belize 79.18

EUROPE

- 1 **Santorini** Greece 87.93 🇮🇩
- 2 **Malta** 86.90
- 3 **Crete** Greece 85.79
- 4 **Mykonos** Greece 84.84
- 5 **Majorca** Spain 83.85

ASIA

- 1 **Bali** Indonesia 88.98 🇮🇩
- 2 **Maldives** 88.53
- 3 **Phuket** Thailand 79.22

AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND & THE SOUTH PACIFIC

- 1 **Tasmania** Australia 88.32
- 2 **Moorea** French Polynesia 87.90
- 3 **Great Barrier Reef** Australia 87.31 🇮🇩
- 4 **Bora-Bora** French Polynesia 86.11 🇮🇩
- 5 **Fiji** 84.78

A BLUE-FOOTED BOOBY, AN ICON OF THE GALÁPAGOS.

The Galápagos is back at No. 1, a position it held in 2010 and 2008. And understandably so: the wildlife-filled archipelago now offers more ways to explore beyond the standard cruise, thanks in part to the new Pikaia Lodge.

The biggest change over last year? Dreamy, faraway islands like the Maldives, Tasmania, Moorea, and the Great Barrier Reef are back on travelers' radars.