



# MARINE IGUANA

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# HOW IS IT

The **marine iguana** (*Amblyrhynchus cristatus*) is an **iguana** found only on the **Galápagos Islands**. It is the only modern **lizard**, to live and forage in the **sea**. Also unusually, it is a **vegetarian**. It only eats algae.

The iguana can dive over 9 m (30 ft) into the water. It has spread to all the islands in the **archipelago**, and is sometimes called the **Galápagos marine iguana**. It mainly lives on the rocky Galápagos shore to warm from the comparably cold water. It can also be spotted in **marshes** and **mangrove beaches**. Charles Darwin described them:

"The black Lava rocks on the beach are frequented by large (2-3 ft [60-90 cm]), disgusting clumsy Lizards. They are as black as the porous rocks over which they crawl & seek their prey from the Sea. I call them 'imps of darkness'. They assuredly will become the land they inhabit".





## MY OPINION

I LIKE THIS ANIMAL A LOT BECAUSE SINCE CHIQUITITO I  
HAVE LIKED REPTILES BESIDES I AM A VERY FAN OF ALL  
ANIMALS AND I AM VERY INTERESTED IN HOW THEY  
ARE, WHERE THEY LIVE, THAT THEY EAT ECT ...





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