It would have been a long way for these to fly, so they were probably blown out to sea in a storm and then carried across the ocean in the air. These would have swum across the ocean currents. They may also have been transported by the ocean currents when very small.

Mockingbird

DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

Ray

DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

Being transported great distances by the ocean these would have arrived as tiny young (larvae). These would have been transported attached to feathers of birds, or indeed, may have previously been digested!

Sally Lightfoot Crab

DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

Prickly Pear Cactus

DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

High up in the sky these may have been transported by wind and then washed down in the rain. They may also have been passengers on birds or rafts of vegetation.

These would have been transported attached to feathers of birds, or indeed, may have previously been digested!

Galapagos Spider

DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

Scalesia

DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

As they are not destroyed by seawater these floated on the sea to the Islands and grew on the shores.

These simply floated to the Islands! They can survive for a long time without food and water and did not dry out in the hot sun and salty seawater.

Coconut

OISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

GALAPAGOS Galapagos Giant Tortoise

DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

As excellent swimmers (but not so These did not dry out in the hot elegant on land!) these swam across sun and salty seawater. They the oceans from a much colder arrived on 'rafts' of vegetation, place! such as branches and logs. DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS Galapagos Penguin Marine Iguana As excellent swimmers these Easily being able to fly to the swam across the ocean from Islands, these would have found California. plenty of food in the surrounding waters. They were also attracted to the Islands to nest. DISCOVERING GALAPAGOS

Frigatebird

Galapagos Sea Lion