



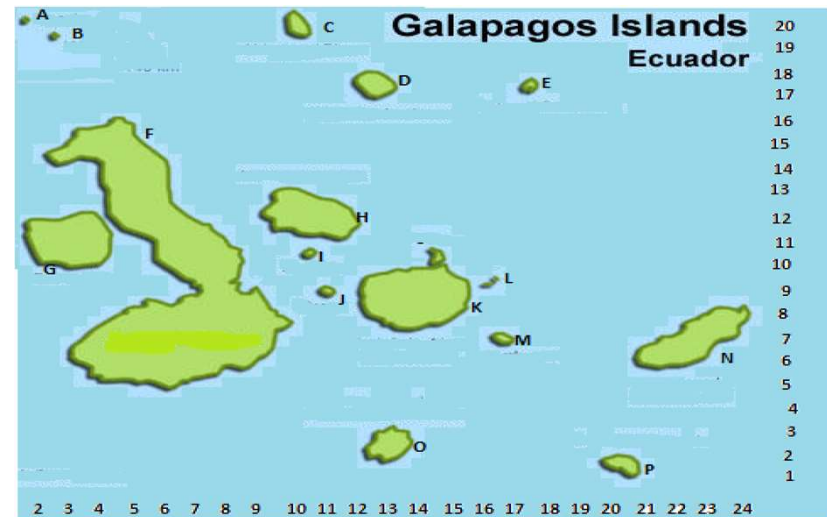
# Darwin's Finches

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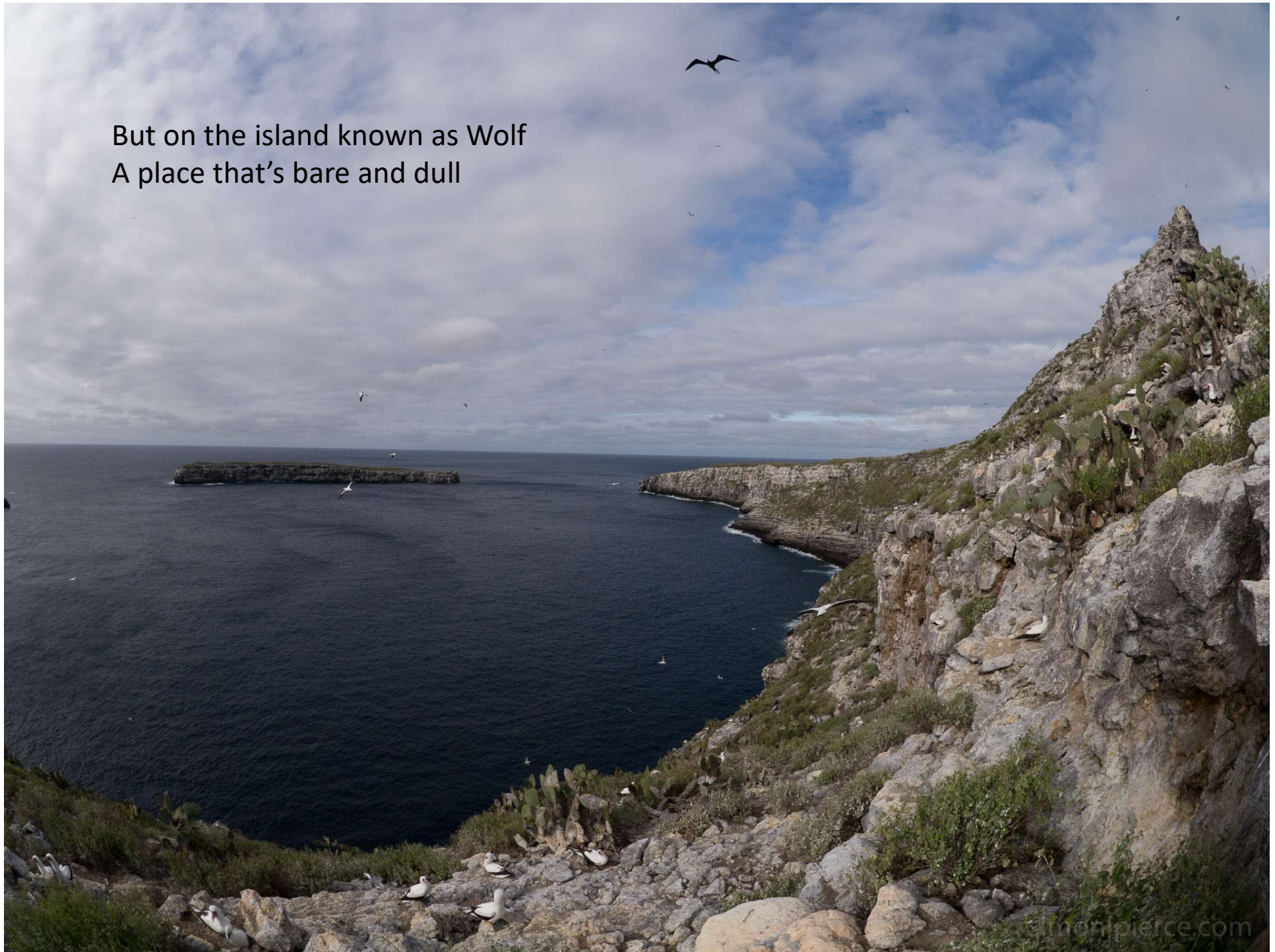
On a scatter of Pacific islands  
 Spread the finches sons and daughters  
 The isles are known as the Galapagos  
 Because of all the things they “taught us”.



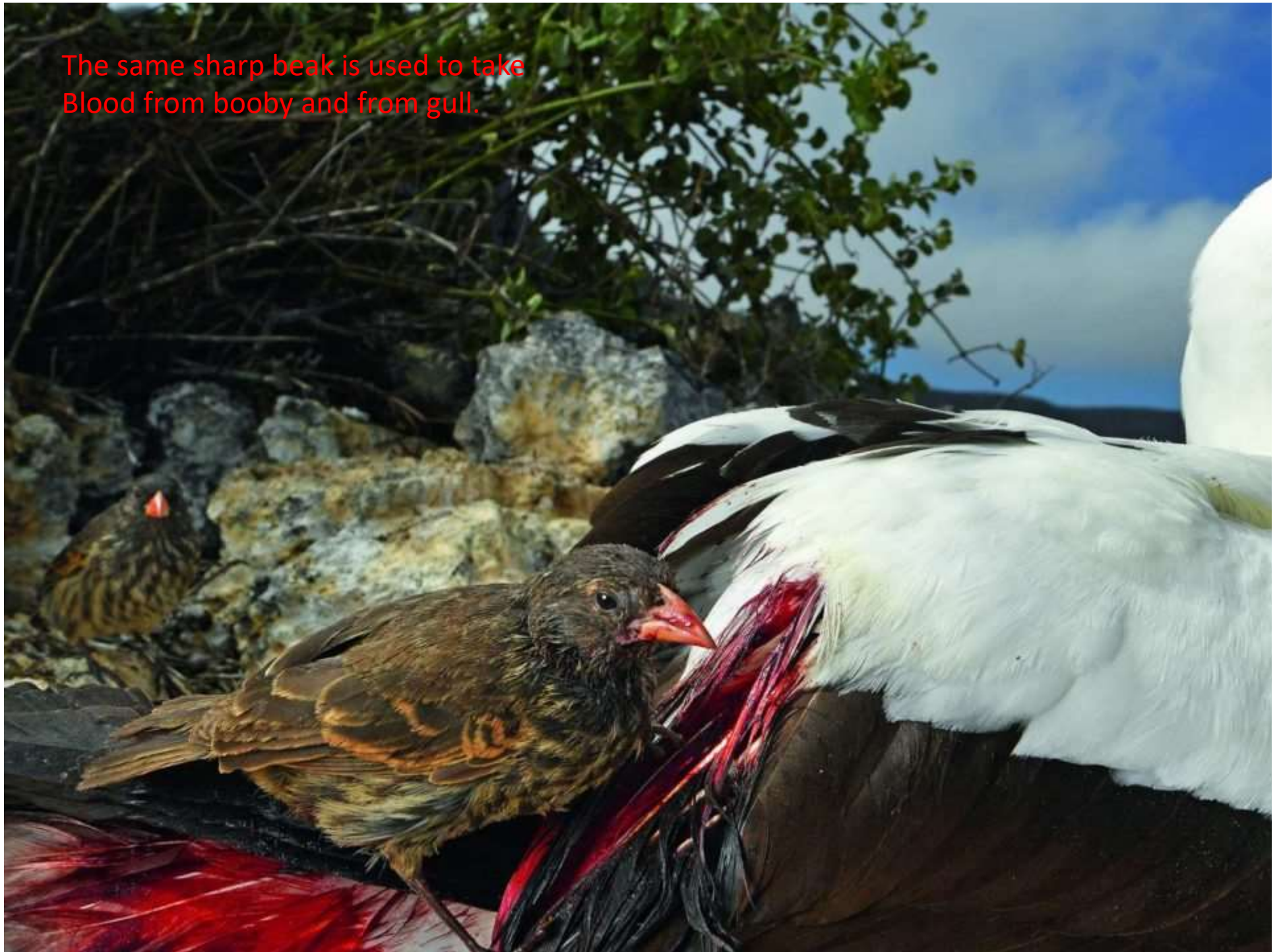
Here's a sharp-beaked ground finch  
From the isle of Genovesa  
Its beak is used for getting food  
From flowers it sucks the nectar.



But on the island known as Wolf  
A place that's bare and dull



The same sharp beak is used to take  
Blood from booby and from gull.



On the island Isabella  
Grows the cactus called prickly pear  
And also the cactus-eating ground finch  
Which has grown up living there.





On the island Santiago  
On the hillside's cooling breeze  
Lives the very clever Woodpecker Finch  
Lifting insects from the bark of trees.



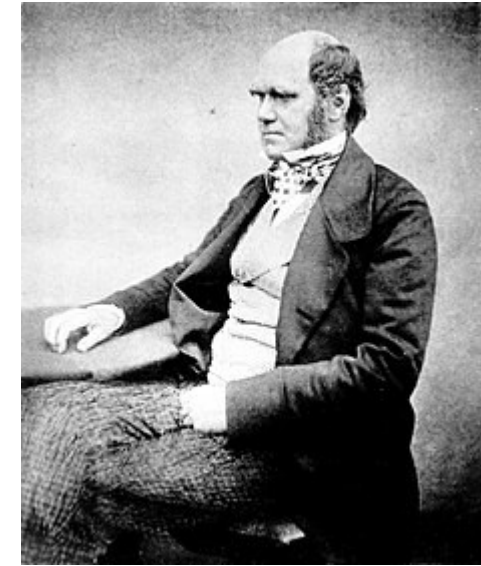
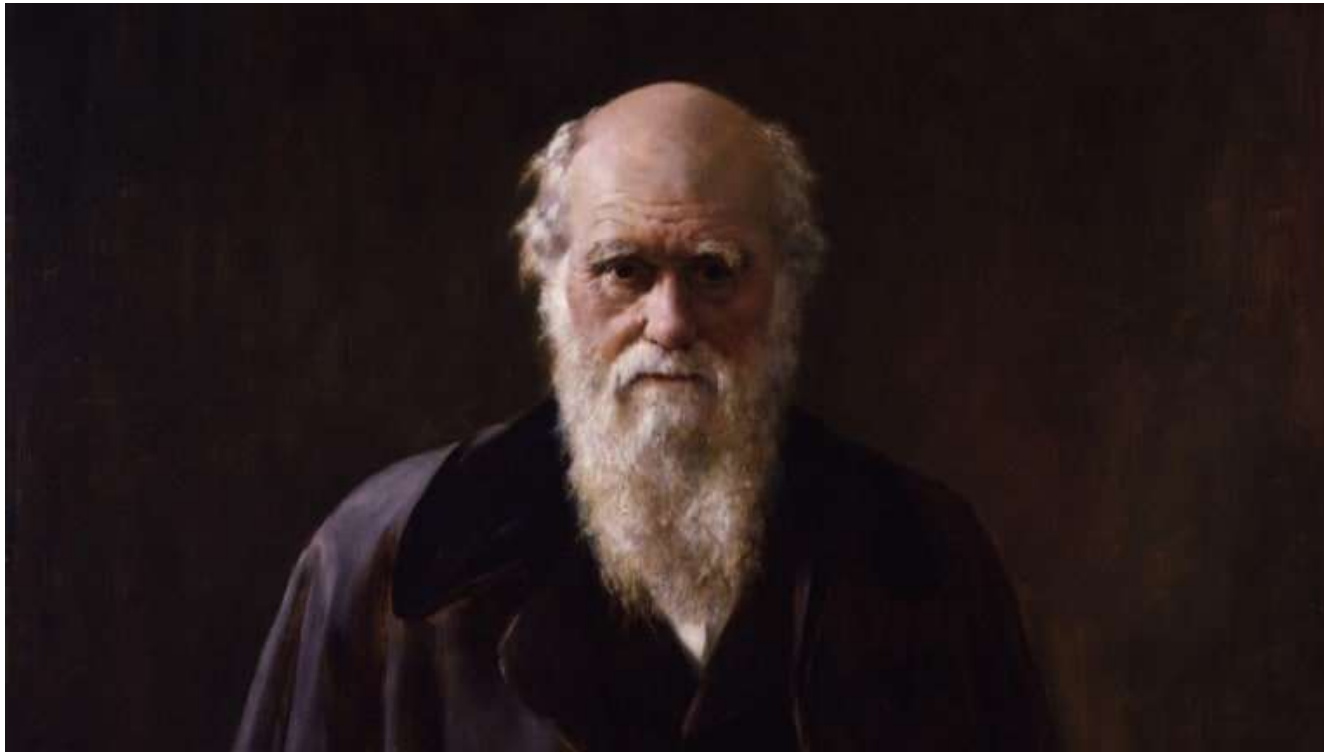
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In the hot wet forest of Santa Cruz  
Lives a bird that's hard to see  
The warbler finch is coloured green  
Blending with the forest canopy.





All these different species come  
From a single breeding pair  
Blown on the wind a million years ago  
To start a colony there



These cut-off isles with unique birds  
Provided part of the solution  
For Charles Darwin when he came to write  
His theory of evolution

