

# Alaska

## The Last Frontier

August 17<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Join us as we journey through America's last frontier! Meet the locals, be immersed in the rich cultural heritage, and be awed by the beauty of it all. This fascinating journey through Alaska's interior coupled with a scenic cruise through glaciers and historic ports of call is a bucket list tour.

This custom tour has been carefully crafted together so that you will truly have a trip of a lifetime.



Inside \$7039 pp\*  
Outside View \$7449 pp\*  
Verandah \$8029 pp\*  
Suite \$10759 pp\*

\*Based on double occupancy

Departs N. Londonderry

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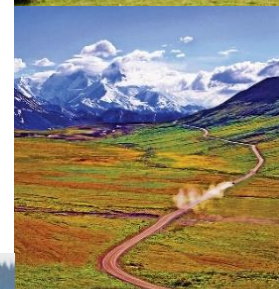


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## Tour Inclusions

- ▽ Round-trip air fare
  - Boston, MA – Fairbanks, AK
  - Seattle, WA – Boston, MA
- ▽ 7 Day Cruise aboard Celebrity Summit
  - All Port Charges & Taxes
  - Pre-Paid Gratuities for Cabin Steward and Dining Staff (Cruise Only)
- ▽ Round trip motorcoach transfers N. Londonderry, NH – Logan Airport
- ▽ New England Coach Tour Manager throughout the entire tour and a local step on Guide throughout the land portion
- ▽ Local Step on guide for land portion including gratuity
- ▽ Meals as follows:
  - Meals on land: 6 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners
  - All meals on cruise ship
- ▽ Riverboat Discovery on the Chena River
- ▽ **Exclusive** visit to the Trail Breaker Kennel
- ▽ Two trips on the Alaska Railroad domed train (Fairbanks – Denali & Talkeetna – Anchorage)
- ▽ Tundra Wilderness Tour in Denali National Park



### Not Included

- ▽ No gratuities are included for Tour Manager or Driver
- ▽ Cancellation / Interruption Insurance is not included but highly recommended. Must be booked within 14 days of initial deposit to cover preexisting conditions.
- ▽ Cruise ship shore excursions
- ▽ Add on activities in Talkeetna or Denali.
- ▽ Baggage on airline

### Cancellation Policy

Although not mandatory we recommend trip cancellation insurance, ask for details.  
Cancellation fees are as follows: Cancellation Penalty Processing Fee (CPPF): \$750.  
Up to 121 days prior, the CPPF + any non-refundable deposits.  
120-0 days prior, no refund.  
Shore excursions are the client's responsibility to cancel.

### Payment Schedule

\$750 pp deposit | \$1500 pp due 9/17/23 | \$1500 pp due 11/17/23 | \$1500 pp due 1/17/24 |  
\$1500 pp due 3/17/24 | final balance due 4/19/24



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## Suggested Itinerary

### **Saturday August 17 – Day 1 - Flight to Fairbanks**

Today we will fly from Boston, MA to Fairbanks, AK. Transportation will be provided on arrival into Fairbanks. Your home for the next two evenings will be at the Bear Lodge at Wedgewood Resort.

### **Sunday August 18 - Day 2 –Fairbanks Touring (B, L, D)**

Following breakfast this morning, you will embark on a day of touring in Fairbanks. The morning starts with a tour down the Chena River onboard the Riverboat Discovery. Following the Riverboat Discovery, take part in an exclusive opportunity by visiting Trail Breaker Kennel for a demonstration on dog sledding and trail lifestyle. Trail Breaker Kennel is one of the oldest dog sledding kennels in Alaska and was started by the late Susan Butcher, a four-time Iditarod champion with her husband David Monson. Lunch is included with the event. Tonight, enjoy dinner at the Salmon Bake along with the Palace Theater show.

### **Monday August 19 - Day 3 – Travel to Denali National Park (B, D)**

Enjoy breakfast onboard the Alaska Railroad domed train as you travel from Fairbanks to Denali National Park with exclusive seating. Enjoy a bit of free time this afternoon in Denali where you may opt to add on a flightseeing trip, rafting, ATVing or ziplining (full list including cost will be available in Fall of 2023). This evening is at your leisure with dinner included tonight. The next two nights at the Denali Bluffs.

### **Tuesday August 20 - Day 4 –Denali National Park Tour (B, L, D)**

Early this morning, you will embark for the gem of your Alaska trip, visiting Denali National Park. Board a park bus for the Tundra Wilderness Tour traveling 43 miles into the heart of Denali National Park. You will be on one of the first buses into the park to allow for more wildlife viewing! Enjoy a picnic lunch before returning to the park's entrance. There will be free time on your own in the afternoon, before attending the Cabin Night Dinner Theater.

### **Wednesday August 21 - Day 5 – Talkeetna and Anchorage (B, D)**

This morning guests enjoy breakfast at the hotel before boarding the motorcoach to travel to the quaint town of Talkeetna. On the way into downtown Talkeetna, a stop at Kahiltna Birchworks to have the chance to learn how birch syrup is made. Guests will have the remainder of the late morning and afternoon at leisure for add on activities. Ample lunch opportunities are available in downtown Talkeetna. This evening, board the Alaska Railroad Goldstar cars for a three-hour adventure towards Anchorage with dinner onboard. The next two nights will be at Springhill Suites Anchorage.



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**Thursday August 22 - Day 6 – Anchorage and Prince William Sound (B, L)**

After Breakfast head towards Whittier. Stop at the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center and then head to Whittier for your 26 Glacier Cruise which is narrated by a Chugach National Forest Service Ranger. Lunch of chili or chowder served on board. Return to Anchorage after your cruise. Dinner on your own this evening.

**Friday August 23 - Day 7 – Seward/Board Cruise Ship (B, D)**

After an early breakfast visit the Alaska Aviation Museum before heading towards Seward. Arrive in downtown Seward and enjoy a late lunch on your own with a visit to the Alaska SeaLife Center. At 4:00pm, board the ship to check in to your home for the next 7 days aboard the Celebrity Summit. Dinner will be served on the ship.

**Saturday August 24 – Day 8 – Hubbard Glacier Cruising - stay on ship (B, L, D)**

Experience the daunting power of the largest tidewater glacier in North America. While most glaciers tend to thin and retreat, Hubbard Glacier continues to thicken and actively advance toward the Gulf of Alaska, earning the nickname "Gallop Glacier". Sailing into Disenchantment Bay near the glacier's 400-foot-tall face, you will get panoramic views of its gigantic expanse— Hubbard is a monstrous 76 miles long and 1,200 feet deep. As you sail into picturesque Yakutat Bay, the first all-weather, all-vessel safe harbor north of Icy Point, you will be able to see Hubbard Glacier off in the distance. Passing miles of sandy beaches, keep your eyes peeled for harbor seals lounging on buoys or swimming in waters alongside the ship.

**Sunday August 25 - Day 9 - Juneau 10:30 am – 9:00 pm (B, L, D)**

You cannot get to Juneau easily without a sprint by air or by sea. But once you arrive, you will find majestic views and rich culture in every corner. With its snowcapped mountains, misty rainforests, massive glaciers and bounty of wildlife, Alaska's remote state capital is the perfect place to dive into nature. Framed by Mount Juneau and Mount Roberts, the city's picturesque downtown area offers centuries-old bars, boutique shops and historic landmarks. For a taste of the local culture, visit the historic district and the Alaska State Museum. For outdoor thrills, you can take your pick of activities ranging from whale watching in Auke Bay Harbor to tundra trekking over Mendenhall Glacier, and even try your hand at gold panning in Last Chance Basin.

**Monday August 26 - Day 10 – Skagway 7:00 am – 8:30 pm (B, L, D)**

The tiny town of Skagway still looks like it did during the Klondike Gold Rush over 100 years ago— and today it remains an outpost for thrilling Alaskan adventure. Here, you can enjoy an old-time streetcar ride along bustling Broadway Street reveals well-preserved buildings, including the state's oldest hotel. You can see engraved walrus tusks at the Corrington Museum or get lost in riveting historical reenactments around town. If outdoor adventure is more your thing, there are plenty of ways to amp up the adrenaline, from sledding with Alaskan Huskies on Laughton Glacier to rafting Lynn Canal, the longest fjord in North America.

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**Tuesday August 27 - Day 11 – Icy Strait Point 7:00 am – 3:00 pm (B, L, D)**

Icy Strait Point is one tiny port that is big on Alaskan wilderness and Native culture. Opened a decade ago by the Huna Tlingit Native Alaskans, it is easily one of the best spots in the region for fishing and whale watching. Dive into Native Alaska culture at a tribal dance show or pay a visit to Hoonah, Alaska's largest Tlingit village. If you want to venture over to the wild side, go on a guided nature hike through nearby rainforests or hop into an ATV and explore the backroads of Chichagof Island. At the end of the day, you can take in forest views while soaring high above the trees on the longest zip line in the world. No matter what kind of Alaska adventure you are craving, you will find it in Icy Strait Point.

**Wednesday August 28 - Day 12 – Ketchikan 10:00 am – 6:30 pm (B, L, D)**

Ketchikan sits at the southern end of Alaska's Inside Passage - a gateway to the wild landscapes and seascapes of Misty Fjords National Monument. The canned salmon capital of the world, it is a hub for fishing and outdoor sports. It is also home to three tribes of Northwest Coast Indians, making it a great place to get a taste for the local culture. You will see it in the colorful, hand-carved totems that line the city's streets and parks, and in the unique stilted homes that cling to Deer Mountain's slopes. If you want to get up close and personal with nature, venture into the Tongass National Forest, the largest in the United States. Or head to Ketchikan Creek Waterfall for amazing views of downtown Ketchikan and a glimpse at the yearly salmon runs.

**Thursday August 29 - Day 13 – Inside Passage stay on ship (B, L, D)**

Your ship offers the perfect platform for viewing British Columbia's Inside Passage. This archipelago spans 25,000 miles from Seattle to Prince Rupert near the Alaskan border. Here you will find calm waters sheltered between the British Columbia mainland and Vancouver Island. Along the way catch a glimpse of breathtakingly rugged scenery, plus staggering wildlife like salmon sharks, white spirit bears, and millions of seabirds.

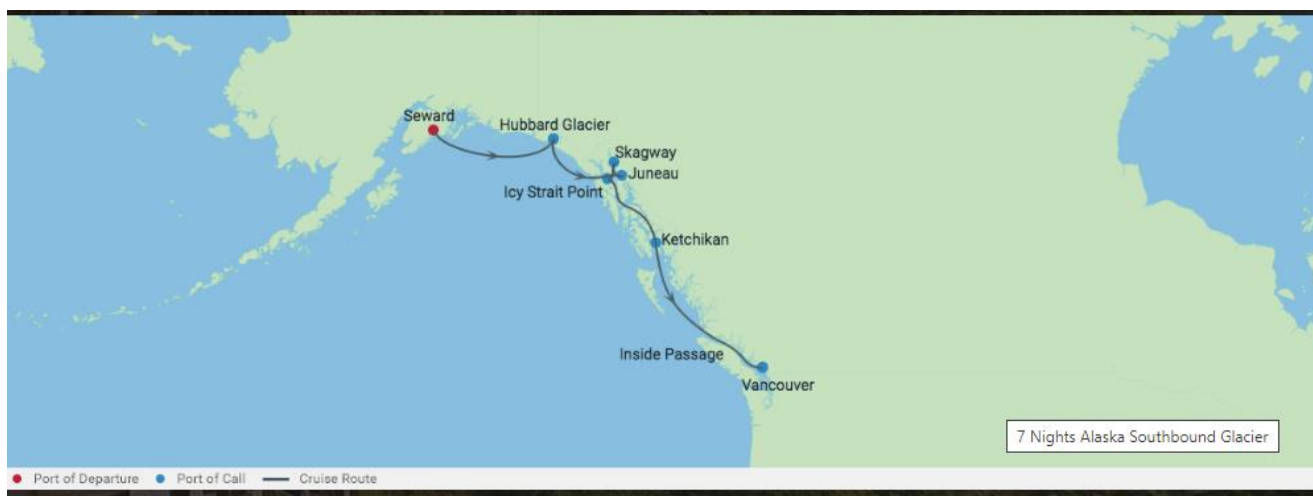
**Friday August 30 - Day 14 – Disembark Vancouver transfer to Seattle (B)**

Today you will disembark the ship and transfer to Seattle Airport. Flight to Boston.

(Please note this flight might arrive to Boston after midnight)

**Passports are needed.**

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