

2015 : 12 Day Glacier & Wildlife Tour

Tour Number: 2105

Travel Arrangements: US\$4,149 per person, based on two people traveling together.

Senior rate (65 and over): \$4,099 per person

2017:

Weekly Departures - Every Friday May 26 to Aug 25, 2017

Friday, Day One

Ferry from Bellingham to Petersburg on the Alaska Marine Highway

Ferry Departure Time: 06:00 p.m.

Ferry Arrival: Sunday evening in Petersburg

Accommodation in a Two Berth (Upper and Lower) Outside Stateroom; Ask us about a "Stateroom upgrade" with two lowers.

Saturday, Day Two

Travel the Inside Passage thru Canada (no Passport required)

Sunday, Day Three

INTERMEDIATE STOPS IN KETCHIKAN AND WRANGELL

PETERSBURG



"Little Norway, Big Adventure"

At the north end of the Wrangell Narrows, a 22-mile channel that is only 300 feet wide and 19 feet deep in places, is Petersburg, the center of Norwegian culture in Alaska.

Accommodation for 3 nights in Petersburg

Check in: Upon Ferry Arrival. Check out: Wednesday

Your hotel is located right downtown on Main Street in Petersburg. Complimentary transportation is included, both from the ferry terminal and airport as needed. It has 35 rooms in four stories with a coffee shop next to the comfortable lobby. A light continental breakfast is served for your enjoyment.

Monday, Day Four

Whalewatching

Departure time: 09:00 a.m.

Eight-hour tour with a beach stop. Enjoy the great Humpback Whale watching from a comfortable boat in Frederick Sound.



Tuesday, Day Five

Car Rental including tax

Pick up: 07:00 a.m.

Standard-size rental car from Scandia House. This 24-hour rental allows you access to the Greater Mitkof Island area and Banana Point, where your next tour departs.

Stikine River Wilderness Day Tour with Banana Point Pickup

Departure time: 08:00 a.m. Return time: 01:00 p.m.

Enjoy jet boating the tributaries of the Stikine River! It is an international river over 350 miles long and the fastest free flowing river in North America. The river

is fed by over 100 glaciers.

Jet boat to Andrews Creek, a clear freshwater creek, and watch the spawning salmon. Navigate slowly through a maze of topaz blue icebergs in Chief Shakes lake and view the solid granite cliffs thousands of feet high. The Stikine River is prime habitat for many species of Alaskan wildlife including moose, bear, eagles, wolves & deer.

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Your four hour, professionally guided tour includes: local, native & gold rush history, transfers, and complimentary beverages.

Anan Bear Viewing Available in July and August: Alternate tour at additional cost, is Black Bear Viewing at Anan Creek, operated by permit from the US Forest Service. You'll be transported to Anan from Banana Point, take a guided walk to the viewing platform and return to Banana Point. Approximately nine hours. You won't want to miss this July/August tour opportunity!

Wednesday, Day Six

Ferry from Petersburg to Juneau with Alaska Marine Highway

Ferry Departure Time: Varies Sailing time: Approx. Eight hours

JUNEAU



Alaska's state capital is also one of its most beautiful cities and one of the most visited communities in the state. With so much to see and do, there's certain to be something for you in Juneau.

Accommodation for 2 nights in Juneau

Check in: 04:00 p.m. Check out: Friday,

Locally owned property near the Juneau Airport with Transportation from Airport and Auke Bay Ferry Terminal. Continental Breakfast served every day. Transportation to and from Downtown Juneau every two hours during the day.

Thursday, Day Seven

Glacier View Sea Kayaking

Departure time: 01:00 p.m.

Learn to handle a kayak from an expert, then put your new skills to use with an unforgettable seaborne adventure. Glide through the waters native-style, get upclose looks at wildlife and enjoy ever-changing views of the Mendenhall Glacier. Start with a narrated tour through a historic part of Juneau on your way to North Douglas Island. Don protective raingear, boots and lifejackets, and learn the paddling techniques you'll need to handle your kayak. Then join a friend or new traveling companion in your two-person craft and you're off to explore!



Against a backdrop of forested slopes, nearby peaks and the spectacular

Mendenhall, you're on course for an informative and memorable tour of Fritz Cove. In small groups of six kayaks, you're able to stealthily approach wildlife. Bald eagles and their nests, herons, shorebirds and waterfowl are all common sights. Porpoises and even humpback whales occasionally surface for air. If you're lucky, you might see a humpback's enormous tail fluke. You'll also visit the Mendenhall Wetlands, a protected habitat teeming with more than 140 species of birds, nearly a dozen different mammals and an abundance of marine life

Friday, Day Eight

Flight from Juneau to Gustavus

Flight Departure: 10:30 a.m. Flight Arrvl.: 11:30 p.m.

A short scenic plane flight to Gustavus, the Gateway to Glacier Bay National Park. Each passenger is allowed 50 lbs maximum luggage,

Excess baggage may be allowed, carry-on baggage is not allowed.

GUSTAVUS AND GLACIER BAY







Located just a few miles from park headquarters, the town of Gustavus is the jumping-off point for adventures in Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve and a charming little village of artists, fantastic gardens, wild strawberries, stunning views and even a small golf course.

Accommodation for 2 nights in Gustavus

Check in: 4:00p.m. Check out: Sunday,

The main lobby is spacious and inviting with giant wood beams and cathedral ceilings. Relax in front of the fireplace in the view lounge area or visit the national park service s excellent interpretive displays upstairs on the mezzanine. Your stay in Glacier Bay includes a Buffet Breakfast each morning and lunch on the Glacier Bay Boat Tour.

Saturday, Day 9

Glacier Bay Day Tour

Departure time: 07:00 a.m.
The Spectacular Glacier Bay Cruise

Spend the day on the waters of Glacier Bay and see magnificent tidewater glaciers, ancient snow capped mountains, whales, Stellar sea lions, rare birds, coastal bears, seals, eagles and so much more! This 8-hour tour is fully narrated by a National Park Service interpreter. Lunch is included.



Sunday, Day 10

Flight from Gustavus to Sitka

Flight Departure: Early Afternoon for the one hour flight in an Alaska Bush-plane

SITKA



Sitka is the only Inside Passage community that fronts the Pacific Ocean, hugging Baranof Island's west shore in the shadow of the impressive Mount Edgecumbe, a dormant volcano with a graceful cone reminiscent of Japan's Mount Fuji.

Accommodations for two nights in Sitka

Check in: 04:30 p.m.

Check out: 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, Day 12

Your hotel is conveniently located in downtown Sitka. Complimentary transfers included from the Airport.

Monday, Day 11

Wildlife Tour

Departure time: 10:00 a.m.

This 2.5-hour tour will take you out into the waters of Sitka Sound and surrounding area. Your tour may head north into Nakwasina Sound, out into the open waters of Sitka Sound to St. Lazaria Island, or south to the Goddard Hot Springs area. Among the possible wildlife sightings along this incredibly rich coast are humpback and/or gray whales, harbor seals, Steller sea lions, sea otters, bald eagles and (less likely, but possible) brown bears, along with other animals.



Tuesday, Day 12

Jet Flight from Sitka to Seattle

Departure Time: Varies

An alternate ending for this tour is the three-night Alaska Ferry ride to Bellingham, Washington with intermediate stops in Petersburg, Wrangell and Ketchikan.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS ALASKA TOURS

A "plan-to-go" deposit may be required after initial consultation. Usually we spend up to an hour planning alternatives for you for free. Then we request a small fee (and apply it to the cost of your tour) to cover the time our Alaska Tour Planning Specialists spend further customizing your tour to your timeframe and budget. This fee usually is \$50 per adult.

Reservations are recommended as early as possible to confirm specific departures. A deposit of \$500 per person or 50% of the total tour, whichever is greater is required at time of booking. Full payment is required 60 days prior to departure.

Cancellations and refunds: Deposits and other payments are non-refundable.

Late reservations: Reservations booked within 30 days of departure are on a request basis and are subject to availability. Late reservations are subject to a \$25 Express Handling fee.

Due to weather cancellation or change of some of tour components may be necessary and are non-refundable.

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