Alaska Cruise Destinations

Emerald forests. Icebergs. Soaring eagles. Majestic whales. Snowcapped peaks. Mesmerizing glaciers. And that's just what you'll see from your ship.



Scenic Cruising

ALASKA INSIDE PASSAGE

The narrow glacier-carved waterway along Alaska's southeastern coast weaves through the largest U.S. national forest. Water and wildlife mix quite nicely in this protected waterway that's home to some 5,000 humpback whales during the summer months.

HUBBARD GLACIER

The world's longest tidal glacier is also one of the most active, so a visit here is always an exciting experience. Enjoy hot chocolate on the deck while watching apartment-sized chunks of ice break off and tumble into the sea

TRACY ARM FJORD & SAWYER GLACIERS

Step out onto the deck for an almost mythical experience as your ship sails along this twisting fjord framed by dramatic 3,000-foot-high granite walls. Pictures of the vibrant blue twin Sawyer Glaciers are always a photo album highlight.

Ports of Call

ICY STRAIT POINT

Brimming with adventure, culture, and wildlife, this destination plays host to dozens of options for once-in-a-lifetime adventures—including a ride on the world's largest ZipRider.

JUNEAU

With the glaciers of the massive Juneau Icefield within easy reach, Alaska's capital is an ideal jumping-off point for Alaska-sized adventures. Our suggestion? Mush huskies across the ice of a glacier that you reached by helicopter.

KETCHIKAN

This scenic fishing village has an intriguing history, strong Native culture, and artistic soul—and nature's best wonders as its backyard. Visit the Misty Fjords National Monument and marvel at the astounding sea cliffs, steep fjords, and 1,000-foot waterfalls shrouded in mist.

SKAGWAY

The jumping-off point for the Klondike gold rush, this endearing port of call is flanked by the same snowcapped Coast Mountains that were once the rugged ramparts to the spellbinding goldfields and fortune-bearing creek beds of the Yukon.

VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

You'll find history mingled with the panache of a cosmopolitan city in Victoria. Framed by breathtaking mountain and ocean views, the city's historical sites and small-town charm blend with impressive architecture, vibrant gardens, and gourmet dining scene.

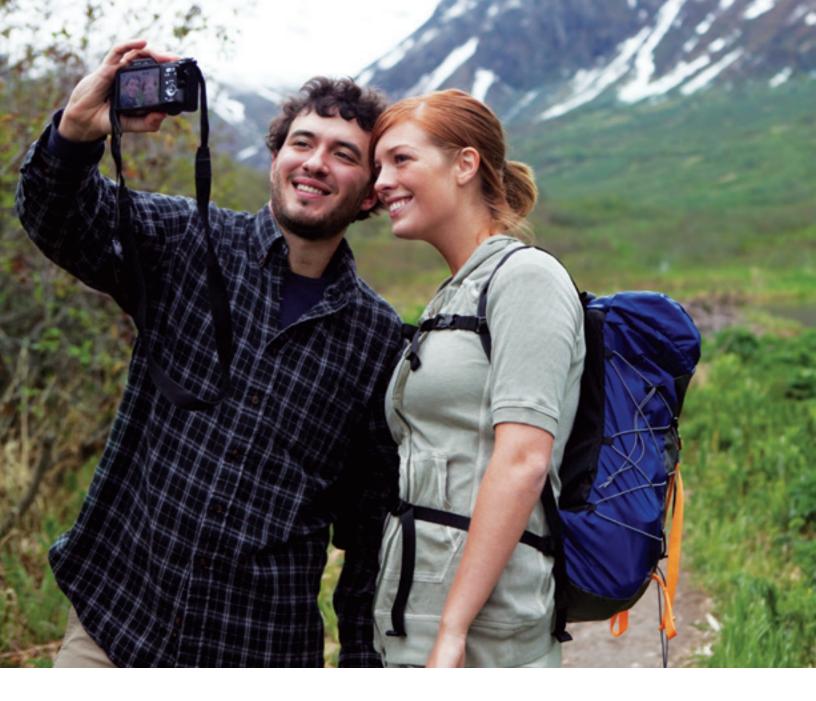
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Known as the gateway to Alaska, this cosmopolitan port city is blessed with stunning vistas and an exciting urban scene that is dynamic and colorful.









Alaska Land Destinations

With exciting included activities and plenty of free time for solo exploration, you'll be immersed in the best that Alaska has to offer, while your Tour Director takes care of all the details.

As you travel deep into the Alaskan interior, you'll visit thrilling towns and sites where the natural wonders are astounding. You'll stay in authentic Alaskan lodges, hotels, and resorts right in the heart of the town...or wilderness, as the case may be.

No matter which Alaska Cruisetour you choose, you'll get to journey aboard The Wilderness Express—spacious and luxurious glass-domed railcars boasting awe-inspiring views of the majestic landscape as they travel to and from Denali National Park. You'll also spend at least one night in Denali National Park—six million acres of wild land just begging to be explored. The included tours will help you get started.



















Fairbanks, Alaska

Known as the Golden Heart City, Fairbanks is a former gold rush boomtown set deep in Alaska's interior. The summer sun shines nearly 24 hours a day in this thriving arts community where the frontier feel is especially strong in the working gold mines.

Included Land Tour Activities in Fairbanks

Every Fairbanks visit includes at least one of the following experiences. See page 17-19 for individual tour package details.

RIVERBOAT DISCOVERY

Get out on the water, meet some real Alaskans, and learn what life is like in this part of the woods. From the comfort of a stern-wheeler riverboat, you'll see a bush pilot in action. Tour an authentic Athabascan Indian village. And visit the family home of an Iditarod champion to learn how the sled dogs are trained.

GOLD DREDGE 8

On the narrow gauge Tanana Valley Railroad, you'll hear tales about prospectors who flocked to this region in the 1800s hoping to strike it rich. Gold rush history comes alive during a tour of the working mining camp, where you can pan for your own golden nugget—and then have it made into jewelry on site.

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA MUSEUM OF THE NORTH

With more than 1.4 million artifacts and specimens showcasing 2,000 years of Alaskan history, traditions, and art, this cultural beacon is a must-visit for anyone who wants to immerse in the history and culture of this incredible region.

FAIRBANKS CITY HIGHLIGHTS TOUR

Your Tour Director will lead this informative and entertaining tour of Fairbanks' must-see attractions. The best part: you'll travel in the familiar comfort of your motorcoach.







Denali National Park

Everything about Denali is big—the scenery, the animals, the mountains. Six million acres of wild land and only one road, Denali National Park and Preserve is a fascinating wilderness home to an incredible array of wildlife, astonishing birds, and brilliant flowering plants—and also to the tallest mountain peak in North America: Mount McKinley. This is the Alaska you came to see.

Included Land Tour Activities in Denali National Park

Every Alaska Cruisetour includes at least one of the following experiences in Denali National Park. See page 17-19 for individual tour package details.

TUNDRA WILDLIFE TOUR

This is your ticket to the heart of Denali—the perfect way to experience the nature that Alaska is so famous for. This narrated six- to eight-hour tour travels to the Toklat River, 53 miles into the park, passing rivers and mountain passages along the way. Keep your camera handy to capture snapshots of Denali's "Big Five": Dall sheep, moose, caribou, wolves, and grizzly bears.

DENALI NATURAL HISTORY TOUR

A journey of cultural discovery, this tour focuses on the rich history of Denali National Park and Preserve—the world's first national park established to conserve wildlife. During your venture 17 miles into the park, interpretive programs and award-winning presentations will showcase how the wild landscape influenced Alaska Natives and inspired early pioneers.

DISCOVER DENALI PROGRAM

This is an intimate introduction to the natural and cultural history of the subarctic ecosystem in and around the national park. It includes a naturalistic presentation, film, and short guided walk along the park's trails.

MURIE SCIENCE & LEARNING CENTER DENALI FAMILY EXPERIENCE

During the 30-mile journey into Denali National Park, the whole family will enjoy interpretive stops highlighting the park's features and prolific wildlife. And kids will love interacting with preserved skins and skulls from some of Denali's wildlife and learning how animals are tracked through the park.



















Talkeetna

Throughout your Cruisetour, you'll enjoy free time to explore — and the overnight visit in Talkeetna is no exception Nestled at the base of Mount McKinley, this historic village is known for its frontier hospitality. Take advantage of the midnight sun and relish nonstop monumental views of the massive, sky-high mountain peaks dominating the horizon.

Some Optional Land Excursions in Talkeetna

There are numerous possibilities to enhance your Alaska experience during the Cruisetour. Your Tour Director will help you find the activity that is right for you — and handle all of the arrangements, so your free time is spent enjoying, not planning.

MCKINLEY FLYER

Soar over flowing rivers of ice. Marvel at mile-high granite walls and 2,000-foot icefalls. See just how massive those mountains in the distance are during an up-close flightseeing tour to the remote western end of Denali National Park. Glide over the Kahiltna Glacier to the climber's base camp at 7,200 feet. As you wind around Mount McKinley, Mount Foraker, and Mount Hunter, you'll get an eagle's-eye view of the popular West Buttress climbing route.

WILDERNESS JET BOAT TOUR

The tantalizing mountain vistas will never be far from view as you're whisked deep into the heart of the Alaska wilderness during this comfortable jet boat journey. During the 10-mile adventure, a naturalist will discuss the local geography and history and point out bald eagle nests and beaver dams. The tour includes a nature walk to an authentic trapper's cabin.







Anchorage

A gateway to Alaska-sized adventures, this modern metropolis mingles hip restaurants and trendy boutiques with cultural amenities and frontier flair. Almost half of all Alaskans call this cosmopolitan city home, and it's easy to see why. Set on the sparkling waters of Cook Inlet and framed by the steep, glacier-speckled Chugach Mountains, Anchorage boasts nonstop outdoor fun—and adventure galore.

Activities

See page 17-19 for individual tour package details on the following experiences in Anchorage.

ANCHORAGE MUSEUM TOUR & IMAGINARIUM DISCOVERY CENTER

Touch a sea star. Experiment with gravity. Create an earthquake. Ignite your imagination. Trigger your intellectual curiosity. Part of the largest museum in the largest U.S. state, the Imaginarium's hands-on activities intrigue visitors of all ages.

ANCHORAGE CITY HIGHLIGHTS TOUR

Relax on your luxurious motorcoach and let your Tour Director show you around the largest city in Alaska.

THE ALASKA NATIVE HERITAGE CENTER

Discover the fascinating mosaic of Alaska Native cultures, languages, traditions and values through celebration and education at Alaska's largest cultural center. The entertaining and enlightening workshops, demonstrations, and guided tours of the indoor exhibits and outdoor village sites make this one of Anchorage's must-visit attractions.











