



10-Day Alaskan Highlights Lodging Adventure Tour

ANCHORAGE

Day I: Arrive in Alaska's largest city for a 6 PM Group Meeting and included Group Dinner to discuss our adventure along with meeting your fellow travelers.

SEWARD

Day 2: Ride on the famous Alaskan Railroad along the Turnagain Arm and through the Chugach Mountains to end up at Resurrection Bay. Visit Exit Glacier to experience the fast receding hanging glacier along with a Dog Sled Tour with 3-time Iditarod winner Mitch Seavey. Day 3: Kenai Fjords National Park 7.5 hr cruise visiting 2 active tidewater glaciers and searching for exciting marine wildlife like humpback whales and orcas along with puffins, sea otters and so much more. **Alaska Salmon & Prime Rib buffet included***

HOMER

Day 4: Scenic Drive along the Ring of Fire and Cook Inlet to "The Halibut Capital of the World" in our converted school bus

Day 5: This is a Free day to choose to go on an optional Bear Viewing flight to Lake Clark or Katmai National Parks, Day on the Bay boat-kayak-flight, Halibut Fishing or just enjoy the artsy Homer spit and Kachemak Bay.

GIRDWOOD

Day 6: Alyeska Tram ride up to the top of Mount Alyeska over-looking the Turnagain Arm and viewing up to 7 hanging glaciers. Enjoy dinner at the AAA Four Diamond award winning mountaintop luxury restaurant, Seven Glaciers.

TALKEETNA

Day 7: Stroll through the quaint town and hopefully get your first glimpse of Mount Denali. Optional activities of

Denali Flightseeing with Glacier Landing, Jet boat, or Rafting Tours

DENALI NATIONAL PARK

Day 8: Scenic Drive along the Alaska Range towards Denali. Start your Denali National Park experience with the interactive and informative Visitor Center.

Day 9: Drive into the Wilderness: The Eielsen shuttle bus will take you far into the park with possible sightings of grizzly, moose, caribou, wolf and views of Mount Denali.

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Day 10: This is our last day to catch a glimpse of Mount Denali. Less than 3 out of 10 travelers get the opportunity to see North America's highest peak. Return to Anchorage for late lunch and evening flights home.



What is included?

- √ 9 hotel nights (2 person share)
- ✓ 9xBreakfast, 8xLunches, 7xDinner
- ✓ Goldstar Service Coastal Classic Alaska Railroad between Anchorage and Seward
- Visit Exit Glacier/Kenai Fjords National Park
- ✓ Mitch Seavey Dog Sled Tour
- √ 7.5 hour Kenai Fjords National Park Wildlife Cruise w Alaskan Salmon/Prime Rib Buffet
- Visit Russian River, city of Kenai, & Deep Creek Recreation Area
- Ride the Alyeska Aerial Tram & have dinner at the AAA rated Seven Glaciers restaurant
- ✓ 8 hr Denali National Park Eielsen Wildlife Shuttle
- √ National Park Entrance Fees
- ✓ Tour Guide & Transport in our Converted School Bus







DAY I: ANCHORAGE



Welcome to the largest city of Alaska, most often thought of as the state's capital. Start off your vacation flying into stunning scenery overlooking the Chugach, Alaskan,

Kenai, and Talkeetna mountain ranges. Although Mt. Denali is only visible 20% of the year, there's a chance you could even catch a glimpse. Anchorage is Alaska's most populated area yet it's shared with the likes of bears, moose, and wolves. After your flight into this urban wilderness, make your way to our accommodations for the 6 pm pre-departure meeting followed by a group meal. Take this evening to get to know your fellow travelers and guides.

Accommodation: Hotel Meals included: Dinner Activities: Group Dinner

DAY 2: SEWARD



This morning you will board the famous Alaskan Railroad eating breakfast while taking you on a scenic ride down along the Turnagain Arm and through the Chugach Mountains. As a

Goldstar Dome passenger you enjoy a reserved seat in the upper level dome, as well as priority seating in the lower level dining room with all-inclusive breakfast.

After the train ride, we will pick you up at the Seward train station and take you out to Exit Glacier for a short hike. In the late afternoon, enjoy a sled dog tour with 3-time Iditarod winner, Mitch Seavey – the famous Iditarod trail once started its way up to Nome from Seward – learn more about this important Alaskan history.

Accommodation: Hotel
Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Activities: Alaska Goldstar Train, Visit Exit Glacier, Sled

Dog Tour

Optional Activity: Fishing

Day 3: SEWARD



Today we will experience the Kenai Fjords National Park by boat, cruising among the glaciers and wildlife. After hopefully spotting as much wildlife as

possible we will be seeing two tidewater glaciers hopefully calving and crashing into the water below! The cruise will take you out searching for humpback whales, orcas, seals, sea lions, otters and many birds among them the famous and colorful puffins. The boat will stop in front of two calving glaciers: Listen to the sounds of cracking ice and enjoy a drink on the rocks! In the evening venture out to explore Seward on your own and have dinner at the restaurant of your choice. ***Alaskan Salmon & Prime Rib Buffet Included****

Accommodation: Hotel Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch Activities: 7.5 Hour Wildlife Cruise

DAY 4: HOMER



Located on the western side of the Kenai Peninsula and Kachemak Bay, Homer is the launching point for bear viewing flights or the boat-kayakflight day on the bay. But, don't overlook this artist inspired town with its

many galleries along the spit. On the way to Homer there will be enough time for some scenic photo stops and short walks. Depending on the time of the year we will stop to watch the Salmon Running up Russian River or visit one of the Russian orthodox churches overlooking the Ring of Fire volcanoes on the other side of the bay.

Accommodation: Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Activities: Visit Russian River, the city of Kenai and Deep

Creek Recreation Area





DAY 5: HOMER



Today you have a free day for optional activities to choose from: Fly out across the Cook Inlet to view some of Alaska's largest brown bears, volcanoes and glaciers. You will

be accompanied by your experienced bush pilot/bear guide. En route view active volcanoes, scenic wilderness and majestic glaciers. Your plane lands on a remote beach. Just a short walk away, you will view the main attraction: brown bears in their natural habitat. Many times you can see them lying in the grass, digging for clams along the shore, finding a mate or chasing the salmon.

If you decide for the "Day on the Bay" you'll hop on a local water taxi across Kachemak Bay. From here you will venture out on a half-day kayak trip. Paddle around hidden coves and have a salmon-sandwich picnic on a remote beach. Local transport will take you to the small village of Seldovia. At the "Local Airport" you'll hop a scenic flight back to Homer.

If you decide to stay behind, Homer offers a relaxing atmosphere right on the water of Kachemak Bay: check out the quaint little artist shops, have a coffee right on the waterfront, walk on the beach or check out the local natural history museum.

Accommodation: Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optional Activities: Bear Viewing, Flightseeing & Kayaking

DAY 6: GIRDWOOD



Today we are making our way back north staying close at Alaska's Premier ski resort. We will hop on the Alyeska Aerial Tram which takes you to sensational viewing experiences overlooking

Turnagain Arm and viewing of 7 hanging glaciers in the heart of the Chugach Mountains. The evening will finish off with a dinner at the AAA rated Seven Glaciers restaurant.

Accommodation: Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Activities: Alyeska Tram

DAY 7 TALKEETNA



It's a short drive to Talkeetna. Talkeetna is home to the convergence of three major glacial rivers, which makes for great excursions. There are several great trails in the area to explore on your own. Just outside of town, visitors can

walk to the waterfront and marvel at the mighty Susitna River. On a clear day, enjoy views of the Alaskan Range and Denali as the backdrop. Also be sure to walk around downtown Talkeetna where you will find several quaint shops, local breweries, restaurants and more. No trip would be complete without adding the optional activity of flying over Denali National Park and around Mt. Denali (20,320 ft/6194 m.)

Accommodation: Hotel Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Optional Activities: Denali Flightseeing, Jet Boat or Rafting

DAY 8: DENALI NATIONAL PARK

After a casual morning we drive north hoping to get



(another) glimpse of Mount Denali or maybe find moose along the scenic drive up to Denali National Park. We will check out Denali Visitor Center and explore some of the well maintained hiking trails in the front-country of the famous park. One of

the popular trails takes you down tow Horseshoe Lake where you have a good chance to spot beavers and moose!

Accommodation: Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Activities: Denali Visitor Center/Hike the front-country of Denali National Park, Rafting





DAY 9: DENALI NATIONAL PARK



Today we take the opportunity for a bus ride through the national park along its only road and hopefully spot bears,

moose, caribou, or wolves. Denali offers 6 million acres of pure wilderness. We will take the bus out to Eielson Visitor Center where, on clear days, you will have a fantastic view of Mount Denali. There will be time for shorter hikes to explore the unique flora and fauna on foot as well.

Accommodation: Hotel

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Activities: Denali National Park Eielsen Wildlife Shuttle -

all day

DAY 10: ANCHORAGE



Unfortunately, we have to turn our back on you and leave you to your own devices. But not before we venture back on a scenic drive to Anchorage. This is another day where

you have a chance to see Mount Denali or spot a moose along the road. We will return to Anchorage for a late lunch.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Optional Activities: Extend your stay in Anchorage



"On our drive from Seward to Homer we stopped at a lake called "Tern Lake" to try and spot those fascinating birds. I loved all those small opportunities to capture the 'real Alaska" (Judy and Bruce, Australia)



"The day out on the bay with the half day sea kayaking was my favorite day. Our kayak guide had such an eye for the little details and showed us sea stars and anemones. But the best was the raft of otters so close to us!" (Peggy, Germany)

