

featuring Prince William Sound, Denali National Park and the Alaska Railroad

Departure Date: August 7 - 17, 2022

DAY 1 Arrive in Alaska: Your flight to the "Land of the Midnight Sun" brings you to Anchorage. Meet your Tour Manager at the hotel at 6:00 p.m. for dining suggestions and prepare for your adventure.

DAY 2 Anchorage and the Alaska Native Heritage Museum: A local guide conducts a panoramic tour of Alaska's largest city. Learn the history and culture of the area, watch seaplanes splash-land on Lake Hood, journey to scenic overlooks offering ocean and mountain views and make a stop at Earthquake Park. Visit the Alaska Native Heritage Museum which highlights the heritage of Alaska's 11 major cultural groups. Meals: B, D

DAY 3 Sled Dog Experience and Moose Encounter: Today, enjoy two animal experiences. Half of the group will visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, a haven for orphaned or injured Alaskan wildlife which hosts an array of animals. Get up close and personal at their Moose Encounter. The other half of the group visits the Girdwood Mushing Company where a Sled Dog Experience awaits. An active kennel, meet these incredible animals, learn the basics of sled dog racing and enjoy a ride in a sled dog-pulled cart. Then, trade places before coming to the luxurious Alyeska Resort. Take the enclosed Aerial Tram to the top of Mt. Alyeska for dramatic views and included dinner. Meals: B, D

DAY 4 Cross Prince William Sound by Ferry Travel to Whittier and board the Alaska Marine Highway ferry for the trip to Valdez. With its 3,000 miles of shoreline, Prince William Sound is one of the most scenic archipelagoes of tidewater glaciers in the world. Keep one eye on the shoreline while cruising, as you just may spot otters, seals, bears, eagles and deer on your day-long trip. Later, arrive in Valdez. Meal: B

DAY 5 Prince William Sound Columbia Glacier Cruise: Enjoy a free day in Valdez, the southern terminus of the 800-mile-long Trans-Alaska oil pipeline. Then, embark on a cruise through the glacier-carved fjords and passageways of Prince William Sound. See the immense Columbia Glacier as it retreats back into the Chugach Mountains. Enjoy a light lunch on board and watch for the abundant wildlife and majestic beauty of Alaska's rugged shoreline. Meals: B, L

DAY 6 Travel to Fairbanks: Travel north to Fairbanks and admire the towering Chugach Mountains. Stop at Worthington Glacier for a close look at this massive ice floe and at Rika's Roadhouse for lunch. In Fairbanks, visit the interesting Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum located on the hotel property. Meals: B, L

DAY 7 Fairbanks Touring: Begin the day with a panoramic tour of Fairbanks. Then board the Riverboat Discovery, the only authentic sternwheeler in Alaska for a narrated cruise to Old Chena Village to see the culture and lifestyle of the original Alaskans. Then visit Gold Dredge # 8 for a rail journey through an old mining camp. Here you'll be able to try your hand at gold panning in an authentic setting. Dinner tonight takes place at Pioneer Park. A delightful array of Alaskan specialties are served featuring king salmon and halibut. Entertainment this evening is at the Palace Theater with a musical revue presenting Golden Heart Review. Meals: B, D

DAY 8 Alaska Railroad and Cabin Nite: Board the Alaska Railroad's flagship Denali Star for the trip to Denali National Park. Enjoy the dramatic scenery of boreal forests, sparkling salmon streams and carpets of purple fireweed.



In Denali, the afternoon is free of scheduled activities to explore your scenic surrounding and enjoy an optional "flight-seeing" trip on a helicopter or airplane through the park, or a river float trip on the Nenana River. Tonight, sample Alaskan cuisine at Alaska Cabin Nite's delicious dinner. Then sit back for a hilarious show of tall tales, fun songs and foot-stompin' music. Meals: B, D

DAY 9 Denali Tundra Wilderness Tour: An experienced local guide conducts today's Tundra Wilderness Tour of Denali National Park. Weather permitting, see North America's tallest mountain - Mt. McKinley. Be on the lookout for the caribou, moose and Dall sheep that inhabit the park. Enjoy a box lunch while in the park. Later, visit the Iditarod Headquarters to learn about this historic race.

Meals: B, L, D

DAY 10 Palmer Farm and Food Tour and Fly Home: Today, take the Palmer Farm and Food Tour to delight in Alaska-grown food and enjoy a locally-grown field-to market-to fork lunch. Then, visit the Palmer Musk Ox Farm to learn about these Ice Age mammals that once roamed the earth alongside saber-tooth tigers and woolly mammoths. Later, say good-bye to Alaska – land of mountain peaks, mighty rivers and spectacular glaciers on an evening flight. Meals: B, L

DAY 11 Arrive Home: Arrive home today from your land of mountain peaks, mighty rivers and spectacular glaciers, Alaska.

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1 and 2 - Hilton Hotel, Anchorage, Alaska

Day 3 - Alyeska Resort, Girdwood, Alaska

Days 4 and 5 - Best Western Valdez Harbor Inn, Valdez, Alaska

Days 6 and 7 - Wedgewood Resort, Fairbanks, Alaska

Day 8 - Denali Bluffs Hotel, Denali National Park, Alaska

Day 9 - Grand View Inn, Wasilla, Alaska

Hotels & Itineraries are subject to change.

Deposit Amount \$449 per person Final Payment due date: June 1, 2022

FOR RESERVATIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT:

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## Tour Highlights

- 18 Meals: 9 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 5 dinners
- Round trip airport transfers
- Spend two nights in Anchorage with a panoramic city tour
- Tour the Alaska Native Heritage Museum which highlights the heritage of Alaska's 11 major cultural groups
- Visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center and enjoy a Moose Encounter
- Have a Sled Dog Experience at Girdwood Mushing
- Spend one night at the Alyeska Resort with an included dinner
- Cross Prince William Sound via the Alaska Marine Highway ferry service
- Enjoy the exciting Columbia Glacier cruise on Prince William Sound
- See Worthington Glacier and have lunch at Rika's Roadhouse
- Visit the Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum
- Narrated cruise aboard the Riverboat Discovery and visit Gold Dredge #8
- Authentic Alaska Salmonbake dinner with a musical production of the Golden Heart Review
- Ride the Alaska Railroad from Fairbanks to Denali National Park
- Optional helicopter or airplane "flightseeing" or river float trip
- Enjoy the fun of Alaska Cabin Nite
- Spend 1 night at Denali National Park
- Narrated Denali Tundra Wilderness Tour with included box lunch
- Visit the Iditarod Headquarters
- visit the Palmer Musk Ox Farm
- \$50 in Mayflower Money

2022 Departure	Per Person Twin	Single Room
August 7	\$5,999	+ \$1,839

Pricing includes local Geneseo pickup, roundtrip Chicago air, transfers, bagagge handling, professional tour manager, gratuities to the guides and driver and the **Travelers Protection Plan.** 

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.

## Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) - Included

This nonrefundable fee waives all cancellation fees when we are notified of cancellation one day before the tour departs. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP guarantees full refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line, and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets were provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours. If you purchase the optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP), you will be refunded all payments, including deposit amount, less the TPP premium amount.

Cancellation Charges Without Traveler's Protection Plan (TPP)

- 91 days or more
- Deposit Amount
- 20% of tour cost 30% of tour cost • 90 to 45 days prior 44 to 15 day prior
- 14 to 1 day prior Day 1 of departure 40% of tour cost 100% of tour cost
- or early departure from tour
- · No refund on unused portions of the tour

**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL** 5

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