



Magnificent Alaska

2022 Departure Dates:

June 1, 11, 21
July 1, 11, 21, 31
August 10, 20



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DAY 1: Fly to Anchorage

Our Alaskan Adventure begins as we arrive in Anchorage and check into hotel. We can tour historic downtown Anchorage on a scenic 15-mile trolley car ride. This fully narrated trip visits cultural and historical sites including Lake Hood, scenic viewpoints, and Earthquake Park. Tonight we have a group dinner to celebrate the start of our Alaskan adventure. **(D)**

DAY 2: Homer

Today we drive along the Turnagain Arm in Cook Inlet, home to one of the largest bore tides in the world, looking for Beluga Whales. We visit the Wildlife Conservation Center. The center's mission is to provide refuge for orphaned, injured, and ill animals. This is one of the most scenic drives in Alaska! We make many stops for scenic viewing and points of interest. **(B, L)**

DAY 3: Homer

This morning we fly from Homer to Katmai National Park or Lake Clark (based on weather) to see Grizzly Bears. We catch a glimpse of the bears as we hike about 1.5 miles through braided rivers and meadows to see them in their natural habitat. In the late afternoon we visit the Alaska Islands and Oceans Visitor Center before our flight back to Homer. **(B, L)**

DAY 4: Homer

With a 30-minute boat cruise to Kachemak Bay State Park, accessible only by boat, we hike with a local naturalist through 3 distinct ecosystems: the marine environment, coastal forest, and glacial moraine. In the glacier valley we have views of an immense glacier dropping into the lake. We



continue our journey by kayak with sounds of moving ice filling the valley as we paddle our stable kayaks past icebergs of all sizes. **(B, L)**

DAY 5: Seward

We drive the scenic road to the picturesque city of Seward. We visit the Alaska Sea Life Center for some fun with marine mammals to prepare us for our ocean adventure the next day. Many stops for scenic viewing and points of interest including a stop at Exit Glacier and the opportunity to hike the Harding Ice Field trail (4.5 mile round trip hike).

An optional activity today would be a helicopter flight up to a glacier and then dogsled rides on top of the glacier: Take off in one of our helicopters and find yourself landing at dog camp atop an ancient glacier. A team of sled dogs anxiously awaits to pull you across perfect white snow. Dog sled tours on Godwin Glacier are some of the most fun you can have in Alaska! After your sled ride, cuddle our lovable puppies, take pictures of the beautiful Alaskan scenery, and talk with your Alaskan musher about his best trail stories. We have all the gear and equipment you'll need for your Alaskan dog sledding experience; you just need to bring your camera. This is a 1.5-hour tour that includes 15 minutes of flight seeing and an unforgettable dog sled ride. (\$550.00 per person). **(B, L)**

DAY 6: Anchorage

This morning we are going out for a 9-hour nature cruise in Kenai Fjords National Park. We watch for puffins, sea otters, humpback whales, sea lions, and cormorants as we go to one of the least visited fjords for an up close and personal view of a tidewater glacier in Northwestern Fjord. These types of



glaciers calve directly into the ocean. For those who may not have sea legs, we can enjoy a 3-hour cruise in the calm waters of the bay followed by a dog sled tour. In the evening we enjoy dinner and a scenic train ride back to Anchorage on the Gold Star Dome train. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 7: Denali National Park

Today we make the drive to Denali National Park, the home of Mount McKinley. We make frequent stops for sightseeing including a stop at Talkeetna for lunch and a Talkeetna river 2-hour float trip: Few places in the world can equal the scale and beauty of Mt. McKinley and the Alaska Range. On this two hour narrated Talkeetna River Natural History Float Trip, we see spectacular vistas of this magnificent scenery. Explore the lower end of the famous Talkeetna River, which is steeped in history and the Alaskan pioneering spirit. The Talkeetna river is a glacier-fed waterway teeming with salmon and other wildlife. Our guides are versed in describing the flora, fauna, and scenery along the way. We look for bears, eagles, fish, beavers, moose, fox, and waterfowl during this float. We will stop to visit two active Bald Eagles' nests, see beaver dams, look for bear tracks, and float past an old miner's cabin... all before joining the mighty Susitna River for the loop back to Talkeetna. **(B, L)**

DAY 8: Denali National Park

We go deep into Denali National Park the best way you can... by bus. You have the option of taking a narrated bus tour or a bus tour where you can get on and off the bus to hike anywhere you want to. A picnic lunch is served out in the park. **(B, L)**

DAY 9: Talkeetna

If weather permits, we take a flight to see the tallest peak in North America. Two options here: land on a glacier and walk around or take a pressurized plane up to the peak for a view of the 20,322' summit from inside the plane. This should be one of the most magnificent days of your life! At the end of the day, we drive to a quaint town called Talkeetna to soak up the culture and some of their local food. On a clear day Talkeetna boasts one of the best views of Mount McKinley. **(B, L)**

DAY 10: Fly Home

We depart Talkeetna and drive straight to Anchorage in the morning. Please schedule the departure flight for 2pm or later. **(B)**



TOUR COST:

\$5,999 Double • \$6,999 Single

Per Person

Based on Room Occupancy

Your Tour Includes:

- Professional Tour Guide
- Comfortable Transportation
- Meals per the itinerary
- 9 nights Lodging
- Airport Transfers
- Park Entrance Fees
- Video and digital pictures of your trip
- Applicable Taxes and Fees

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Roundtrip airfare to/from Anchorage
- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- Items of a personal nature such as COVID-19 Testing.
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation.

Payment Schedule:

A minimum 25% deposit is due at time of reservation. Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure. Invoices will be sent out prior to final payment. Passengers may add after this date subject to air and land availability. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may (and regularly do) impose fuel, tax, or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Early registration is encouraged.

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- ⇒ All cancellations are subject to a non-refundable 10% cancellation fee of the full price of the tour.
- ⇒ All tours that are rescheduled within 30 days of the tour are subject to a non-refundable 10% cancellation fee of the full price of the tour.
- ⇒ No refunds for cancellations within 30 days of departure for all multi-day tours. Instead we offer a tour credit of the remaining monies to apply to a future tour or trip for 2 years from the day of the cancellation.
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- ⇒ Tour must meet the minimum number of participants necessary to operate the tour or we will have to cancel.

Purchase of health, baggage, and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly recommended.

Terms and Conditions

We reserve the right to cancel this trip due to lack of participation. In the event of cancellation of the trip in its entirety, a full refund of all deposits will be made to passengers enrolled at the time of cancellation. Tour price is based on the value of the dollar and the cost of airfare and is subject to change without notice. Extensions are usually available, but must be requested when booking the tour. Any changes in airfare booking may result in a processing fee. It may be possible, that due to unforeseen events, conditions, or changes in airline schedules, the land portion of the trip may be extended or shortened. Any savings realized by such occurrences will be refunded, however any extra expenses incurred must be borne by the client. Trip cancellation insurance is available. This low-cost protection can save you money if you are forced to cancel or alter your trip for a medical reason only. You will be mailed trip cancellation insurance information with the brochure or upon receipt of your deposit.

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Please register me for:

- Departure Date: _____
- Double Occupancy
- Single Occupancy

Passenger Information (1st Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your ID.

Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mobility Needs: _____

Dietary Needs: _____

Passenger Information (2nd Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your ID.

Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mobility Needs: _____

Dietary Needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Work phone/cell: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Deposit Payment Information (please fill out if paying by check):

Enclosed is my check made payable to *Ed-Ventures* in the amount of: _____.

Deposit Payment Information (please fill out if paying by credit card, 3% surcharge applies):

Amount: _____ **Credit Card Number:** _____

Visa/MasterCard/Disc: _____ **Card ID Code:*** _____ **Exp. Date:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

*last 3 digits in signature box on the back of the card

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double (1 bed or 2 beds) Triple (2 beds for 3 people) Quad (2 beds for 4 people)

Roommate(s) (names): _____ Single Room (includes supplement)

Travel Insurance (please check one): Yes, sign me up No, I decline

Insurance Payment Information: Charge my card above Check enclosed

Amount: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

I understand that travel insurance premiums are non-refundable. If I decline insurance, I understand I am solely responsible for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred and not protected from loss of any insurable events. I voluntarily decline travel insurance/protection.

Prices in this brochure were effective on 7.27.21. By signing below, I understand that price changes are possible at the time of final invoicing, due to exchange rates, an increase in carrier charges, fuel costs, taxes and tariffs, and the number of passengers traveling in the group. I agree to the terms and conditions of this tour.

Signature of 1st traveler: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ **Date:** _____



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