

NATURE'S BEST: ALASKA

JULY 9 - JULY 15, 2019 STARTING FROM \$2,928.00 PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

Vacation Highlights

FAIRBANKS

Cruise aboard sternwheeler riverboat Discovery

DENALI NATIONAL PARK

Dinner and exclusive presentation at the Murie Science & Learning Center by a local Naturalist; guided wilderness expedition

DENALI-TALKEETNA

Journey aboard Alaska Railroad in Deluxe Dome Service.

TALKEETNA

Enjoy a local Alaskan treat

BIG LAKE

Visit Happy Trails Kennels

ANCHORAGE

Farewell dinner

KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK

Cruise through Kenai Fjords National Park

Free Wi-Fi available in most hotels

MEALS

Breakfast daily, 3 lunches including a box lunch in Denali National Park, 2 three-course dinners including a farewell dinner in Anchorage





Day 1 ARRIVE IN FAIRBANKS

Welcome to Fairbanks, the state's second-largest city. Meet your Tour Director this evening between 4 pm and 8 pm in the hotel reception area.

Day 2 FAIRBANKS-DENALI NATIONAL PARK

This morning, board the sternwheeler DISCOVERY for a cruise on the Chena and Tanana Rivers, with a stop at the Chena Indian Village to learn about Athabascan Native culture. You will also have the chance to meet Iditarod mushers and their famed dog teams to learn about breeding, training, and the big race! We then continue to DENALI NATIONAL PARK, home to North America's highest peak. 20,320-foot Denali, (formerly known as Mount McKinley) majestically dominates the park's 6 million acres. This evening, enjoy dinner at the Murie Science & Learning Center, followed by an exclusive PRESENTATION on Denali National Park by a local Naturalist.

Day 3 DENALI NATIONAL PARK

Morning at leisure. Optional activities include a float trip down the Nenana River and a helicopter ride over the park. Then, dress comfortably for a WILDERNESS EXPEDITION into Denali National Park to seek out grizzly bear, caribou, moose, and other wildlife.

Day 4 DENALI NATIONAL PARK-ALASKA RAILROAD-TALKEETNA

Continue your exploration of Denali National Park and then board the world-famous ALASKA RAILROAD for a journey through untamed wilderness. Today's ride ends in the unique town of Talkeetna, a model for the TV show Northern Exposure.

SPECIAL FEATURE: Overnight at the Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, where you can enjoy hiking, flightseeing, jet boating, or just relaxing on the deck with amazing views of Denali.

Day 5 TALKEETNA-BIG LAKE-ANCHORAGE

This morning, enjoy a traditional Alaskan TREAT at the historic Talkeetna Roadhouse. Then, head south toward Anchorage. Stop along the way at HAPPY TRAILS KENNELS, home of four-time Iditarod champion Martin Buser and his dogs. See a demonstration on mushing, complete with a mock Iditarod checkpoint, and get a chance to play with the sled dogs! This evening, your Tour Director hosts a special farewell dinner.

Day 6 ANCHORAGE. CRUISE IN KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK

Witness one of the world's most scenic drives as you follow the south shore of lovely Turnagain Arm. Upon arrival in Seward, board your vessel for a cruise of KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK and the opportunity to see glaciers calving into the sea, orcas, humpback whales, sea otters, and more!

Day 7 ANCHORAGE

The tour ends this morning with guests departing on individual schedules. Airport transfers are provided.



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