



AUGUST 10-22, 2024

SPECTACULAR ALASKA

Departs: Wichita, OKC, Tulsa

Included Meals:

- 11 Breakfasts
- 5 Lunches
- 5 Dinners



Activity Level ■■■■

\$6299 Double **\$5899 Triple**
\$5579 Quad **\$7879 Single**

\$300 Non-Refundable Deposit Per Person
 Optional Travel Protection Available
 Final Payment Due 90 days before departure

Cancellation Policy C

Discover the native Alaskan wildlife, explore mighty glaciers in Valdez, and soak up the rich history of the gold rush. Of course, no trip to Alaska is complete without a visit to Denali, home to North America's tallest peak.

Day 1 // Anchorage, AK The adventure begins with a **flight** to Anchorage. As the state's largest city, Anchorage encompasses natural wonders and metropolitan appeal.

Day 2 // Anchorage, AK Hop on board a **narrated Trolley Tour of downtown Anchorage**. Learn about the history, culture and modern life as we pass by significant sites. Learn about Alaska native culture and traditions with a visit to **Alaska Native Heritage Center**. Gather with your fellow travelers for a group **dinner**.

Day 3 // Denali National Park, AK Stop to explore the charming pioneer town of **Talkeetna**

where the historic downtown features art galleries, boutiques and true Alaska charm. Towering mountain ranges, glacial river valleys, waterfalls and natural beauty will keep your cameras busy as we arrive in Denali for the first of a 2-night stay. This evening, enjoy a **dinner** with a side of laughter at **Denali's Cabin Nite Dinner Theatre**.

Day 4 // Denali National Park, AK Experience spectacular Alaskan beauty and adventure as we visit **Denali National Park** on a narrated half-day trip. Capture a grand view of North America's tallest peak, unspoiled landscape and wildlife. A scenic stretch of snow-capped mountains and verdant green valley give us plenty of picture opportunities, and our relaxed pace leaves time to breathe in that crisp, clean air. A box **lunch** is included. Indulge in a delicious **dinner** tonight.

Day 5 // Fairbanks, AK Our adventure leads us to **Fairbanks** on a beautiful route winding along the Tanana River, and we travel through charming towns that reached their heyday during the Gold Rush. Strike it rich in the gold fields of Alaska on a tour that will take you into the heart of the gold fields of the Tanana Valley at the **Gold Dredge 8**. You will be guided through the entire dredge as you see, touch and learn about the history that it contains and the dredge's importance to the development of Fairbanks. For **dinner**, enjoy the freshest seafood Alaska has to offer at **Alaska Salmon Bake**, one of the oldest single family owned restaurants in Fairbanks.

Day 6 // Fairbanks, AK This morning, board the **Riverboat Discovery** for a cruise into the heart of Alaska through the eyes of a family celebrating four generations of history on the river. Watch one of Alaska's bush pilots take off

right from the River and learn about the rich native heritage at our unforgettable stop at the **Chena Indian Village**. After **lunch**, bundle up for a visit to the **Ice Museum** which showcases the unique talents of ice sculptures, as we watch them transform blocks of ice into intricate pieces of art.

Day 7 // Glennallen, AK Departing Fairbanks on the historic Richardson Highway will reward us with some of the most classic views of the Last Frontier. On our way, make a memorable stop in North Pole, Alaska and immerse yourself in the world famous **Santa Claus House**. Find a perfect gift or keepsake for friends and family.

Day 8 // Valdez, AK Cruise the majestic waters of Prince William Sound on a journey to **Columbia Glacier**. View history in the making as Columbia Glacier retreats back into the Chugach Mountains. In addition to the amazing ice in Columbia Bay, catch a glimpse of wildlife along the way, and learn about the mining, oil shipping, earthquake and fishing history of the area. A light **lunch** is served onboard.

Day 9 // Anchorage, AK Embark on the scenic drive to Anchorage today. Make a stop at the non-profit **Musk Ox Farm** dedicated to the gentle husbandry this Ice Age mammal that once roamed the earth alongside saber-tooth tigers and woolly mammoths.

Day 10 // Seward, AK All aboard the iconic **Alaska Railroad** for an early morning departure. The popular Coastal Classic route winds along **Turnagain Arm** and through the backcountry wilderness of the **Kenai Peninsula**. Spectacular views of massive glaciers and towering waterfalls can be captured from our seats in the glass-dome rail cars. Upon reaching Seward, the train comes to a halt on the shores of Resurrection Bay. Seward is known as "Mile 0" on the Iditarod Trail, and this afternoon we'll visit a local homestead and **sled dog kennel** to learn more about the most demanding race on earth and cuddle some adorable husky pups.

Day 11 // Seward, AK Embark on a full day **Kenai Fjord National Park Cruise**. Glide past seals, whales and puffins as we explore coastal

rainforests, tidewater glaciers and remote Alaskan islands. Our knowledgeable captain will narrate the trip, so we will fully appreciate the beauty of the Kenai Fjord National Park and its spectacular beauty. A light **lunch** is served onboard.

Day 12 // Overnight Flight Board an **Aerial Tram** and enjoy a breathtaking view of Turnagain Arm, hanging glaciers and endless snow-capped peaks from the top of **Mt. Alyeska**. While here, enjoy **lunch** with a view. Stop by the **Ulu Factory** to learn about the traditional knife adapted from ancient Eskimo craftsmen and one of Alaska's most noteworthy items. Join your fellow travelers for a **farewell dinner** tonight, sharing memories from an unforgettable vacation before heading to the airport for your **overnight flight** home.

Day 13 // Home Arrive home with cherished memories from our tour of Spectacular Alaska.

