



Ultimate Alaska Inside Passage plus Denali

INCLUDING HUBBARD GLACIER AND A BACK COUNTRY WILDERNESS ADVENTURE!

7 Nights on the Norwegian Jewel  4 Night Denali Land Tour  Scenic Domed Railcar Ride from Denali to Talkeetna

June 2 - 13, 2022

12 Day - 11 Night Cruise/Tour

Join us to experience Ultimate Alaska - land of bald eagles, totem poles, calving glaciers and majestic wildlife by land, sea, rail and air!

On this ultimate Alaska experience, you'll see spectacular Denali National Park with a full day of sightseeing deep into the Park. The winding "Park Road" offers opportunities to see Denali's famed wildlife: Grizzlies, Caribou, Moose, Dall Sheep, Wolves and Eagles.

An exciting exclusive during your tour is an Alaska rail experience traveling in a domed railcar from Denali to Talkeetna.

Enjoy spectacular 360 degree views during your ride, unlike most tours that just include the standard rail car.

In Seward, you'll board the Norwegian Jewel for a 7 day cruise through the Inside Passage and into both Hubbard Glacier and Dawes Glacier.

Ports of call include Icy Strait Point, Skagway, Juneau and Ketchikan. You've always wanted to see Alaska, and this 12 day tour is the best way for you to not just see Alaska, but to experience the ultimate adventure that Alaska has to offer!

Itinerary

June 2, 2022 - Your Journey Begins!

Today you board your flight bound for **Fairbanks**! On arrival, you'll be met and assisted with your transfer to your hotel on the banks of the Chena River. Just 188 miles south of the Arctic Circle, you'll enjoy a day **where the sun seemingly never sets** with nearly 21 hours of sunlight! After time to freshen up, enjoy dinner on your own at a local restaurant. Overnight: Fairbanks - Pike's Waterfront Lodge

June 3, 2022 - Fairbanks to Denali!

Today you'll explore **Fairbanks** beginning with a ride on the **Riverboat Discovery**, and take a journey back in time. You'll also make an unforgettable stop at a **Chena Indian Village** before returning to Fairbanks for lunch on your own. Then you'll board your deluxe motor coach to ride through the Alaskan wilderness on your way to your rustic lodge located just a mile from **Denali State Park**! Sitting atop Sugarloaf Mountain, you'll have **panoramic views of the surrounding Denali forests**. Check in to your hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day exploring Denali as you wish! Overnight: Denali area hotel

June 4, 2022 - Denali Tundra Wilderness Tour!

Very few visitors have the unique opportunity to experience a **Denali Back Country Adventure**. In fact, only a handful of guests see Denali in this way! You'll depart your hotel at around 6:30am with a local guide to explore and discuss the park with you throughout the day. We've secured this very limited space in order to provide a **full day of sightseeing deep into Denali National Park to the Denali Back Country Lodge** where you'll enjoy lunch. There's no national park tour that comes close to this experience! Many tours feature a day in the park and even those that offer a 7 hour "wilderness" tour don't get as far into the park as we do. This lodge is one of the **ONLY** concessions allowed to operate inside the park. This truly sets your Denali experience apart from what all the rest offer! **Total time in the park will be 10-12 hours!** Since you've come this far, see Denali the way it should be seen! The fact is, most of the wildlife viewed in Denali are located further inside the park. After your lunch at the Lodge, you'll have time for a nature walk with the naturalists, or sit by the fire or perhaps choose to participate in some gold panning at Moose Creek! Overnight: Denali area hotel (L)

June 5, 2022 - Ride the Rails!

Arising today, you'll marvel at your previous days Denali experience as

you enjoy the morning at leisure before you ride the Alaska rails in style! Your four hour journey from **Denali to Talkeetna** will be in a **domed car with spectacular views!** The rail line follows a historic, unspoiled route through beautiful countryside and there's a **good chance of seeing a variety of wildlife**. There are several dining options on the train with food, beverage and bar service available to enjoy on your own. On arrival in the historic mining village of Talkeetna late this afternoon, you'll transfer to your motor coach for **Anchorage**, where you'll check in this evening with dinner on your own.

Overnight: Millennium Anchorage Hotel

June 6, 2022 - Come Sail Away!

You'll awake this morning in lively downtown **Anchorage**. Surrounded by six mountain ranges, Alaska's largest city is beautiful and bustling! You'll have free time to explore for awhile, then transfer south to the pier in **Seward** and be assisted with your check-in to board the **Norwegian Jewel** in time to enjoy a late lunch and unwind. You'll be sailing away tonight at **9pm!** (L/D)

June 7, 2022 - Cruise Hubbard Glacier!

Today you'll get up close and personal with **gigantic Hubbard Glacier**, the longest river of ice in North America at 75 miles! It's also one of the most active glaciers of its kind in Alaska, measuring **1,350 square miles of translucent blue ice!** This 300-foot ice wall has been thickening and advancing toward the Gulf of Alaska in sharp contrast to most glaciers which have thinned and retreated. Seeing the immense Hubbard Glacier will surely be one of the many highlights of your cruise/tour! (B/L/D)

June 8, 2022 - Icy Strait Point!

You'll dock this morning at the private port of **Icy Strait Point** at **9am**. This historic town, once home to a fishing cannery, offers a variety of excursions, fine dining and shopping at locally owned stores. You might choose a Hoonah sightseeing tour where you'll visit the **world's largest Tlingit village!** Hear how this village of 850 was rebuilt after being destroyed by fire during WWII, and learn about the lifestyle of local fishermen. Or, opt for a **Bear Search adventure** in an area with one of the largest brown bear populations in the world! Sail at **6pm**. (B/L/D)

June 9, 2022 - Juneau and Cruising Dawes Glacier!

Today you're in **Juneau**, the capital of Alaska, at **7am**. Accessible only by water or air, it's not surprising that wildlife thrives in this frontier landscape. You might choose to enjoy a whale watching excursion and marvel at the power and strength of these stunning creatures. In fact, tours from Juneau guarantee that you'll see whales! And don't miss 12

mile long **Mendenhall Glacier** just 13 miles from downtown Juneau. You'll return to the Jewel for a **1:15pm** departure. The remainder of the day you'll sail through **Endicott Arm and Dawes Glacier**, where only a handful of ships are allowed every year! Your transit offers a relaxing and tranquil experience as you **view this pristine landscape in comfort and luxury** from the Norwegian Jewel's abundant floor-to-ceiling windows and expansive decks. Marvel at the beauty of your surroundings that just centuries ago were completely covered with ice, and are now home to stunning plants and wildlife! Without a doubt, this is the most relaxing and breathtaking way to experience Alaska! (B/L/D)

June 10, 2022 - Skagway, the Klondike Gold Rush Gateway!

You'll arrive in **Skagway** at **7am**. At the end of the 19th century, Skagway was known to hopeful gold seekers as **the gateway to the gold fields**. Today, the flavor of that past has been preserved on **Broadway Street** with its charming false-front buildings and gold rush museums, where you'll have the morning free to explore on your own. Or you may prefer to take a **scenic ride on the White Pass and Yukon Route Railway**. Sit back and enjoy the views and historic commentary from the comfort of vintage passenger coaches, as you watch a splendid panorama of mountains, glaciers and gorges, waterfalls, tunnels and trestles passing by. In the afternoon, you might decide to check out the **Liarsville Gold Rush Camp** whose tasty salmon bake is followed by a comic melodrama, where a cast of sourdoughs and dance hall girls entertain you while teaching you the art of panning for gold. Then you're set free in the **Liarsville Gold Fields** where you can pan for the precious metal that drove people wild with gold fever! Your ship sails at **5pm**. (B/L/D)

June 11, 2022 - Ketchikan: Salmon and Totem Poles!

After sailing through the night and morning, you'll dock at **Ketchikan** at **1pm** this afternoon, often referred to as the "First City" as it's the first stop going north into Alaska. Incredibly lush and green with almost 200 inches of annual rainfall, it's also known as **"the salmon capital of the world,"** so you just might want to try some while you're here! This favorite port of call boasts an outdoor museum of native art with the **largest collection of totem poles in the world** and is recognized as one of the **top 100 art communities in the US**. You might also decide to experience a float plane flight to **Misty Fjords** to see waterfalls that plunge 1,000 feet, beautiful river valleys and serene crystalline lakes surrounded by pristine forests. Your ship sails at **8pm**. (B/L/D)

June 12, 2022 - Cruise the Inside Passage!

Today you'll cruise the **Inside Passage**. Protected within Alaska's Panhandle, this beautiful waterway features 274 miles of dramatic scenery. The **towering glaciers, the brilliant blue ice, the emerald green of the hemlock and spruce forests and the plunging waterfalls** all provide an unparalleled opportunity for stunning photographs and video footage. But this pristine area does more than provide grand vistas, it's also a **prime habitat for bald eagles, sea lions, porpoise and whales**. There are few places so well preserved and ruggedly beautiful as Alaska, and you'll find yourself marveling at the wild and glorious scenery of our northernmost state as you cruise the Inside Passage. (B/L/D)

June 13, 2022 - Heading Home!

After your scenic cruise/tour of Alaska, it's time to head home. The Jewel docks in **Vancouver** at **7am**. You'll be assisted with disembarking, then transfer to the airport for your flight home. **Memories of Denali and your Alaskan cruise are sure to be with you for years to come!** (B)

****Please note that itineraries are subject to change.**

Alaska * Denali!

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- Transfers from Fairbanks airport to hotel, to Denali and Anchorage, to pier in Seward, and from pier to airport in Vancouver
- 7 nights cruise on board the Norwegian Jewel in your selected cabin category and all meals while onboard
- **2-night specialty dining package and unlimited beverage package including gratuities!**
- 1 night lodging in Fairbanks
- 2 nights lodging near Denali National Park
- 1 night lodging in Anchorage
- Domed car Alaska Train ride from Denali to Talkeetna
- **TRIPS Exclusive Denali Back Country Adventure**
- Riverboat Discovery cruise in Fairbanks
- All ports of call as listed in the itinerary
- All park entrance fees!
- Porterage of 1 suitcase per person
- All taxes, port charges and fees, including Alaska State Visitor Tax

**Trip cancellation/interruption Travel Protection
is available and recommended.**

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An initial **\$750.00** deposit is required to hold space on this tour.

This deposit is fully refundable up to January 21, 2022. **Final payment is due in the TRIPS office on or before January 21, 2022.**

Therefore, please make sure that payment is submitted at least 10 days prior to this date.

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