



Alaska's Great Outdoors

August 8 - 20, 2010

Spend 13 days exploring Alaska on this ALL LAND tour!

Day 1 Anchorage, AK

You've asked for it, and now we're pleased to present an all-land tour of Alaska! Start the Alaskan adventure of your dreams in Anchorage- wild abundance with rich history. Check into your hotel located in the heart of downtown with views of mountains at the Cook Inlet and our home for the next two nights.

Day 2 CB, L Anchorage, AK

With an average temperature of 65 degrees, Anchorage is ideal for sightseeing in the summertime! Enjoy a leisurely breakfast at your hotel before experiencing an authentic **Alaska Wildlife Cruise**. A fresh seafood-lunch tour into the Kenai Fjords brings you close to otters, sea lions, puffins and whales. Drift slowly by the face of a massive silver-blue glacier as a uniformed Ranger explains the dynamic habits of the surrounding wildlife.

Day 3 CB Denali National Park, AK

Visit the **Musk Ox Farm** this morning, meet one of the Arctic's oldest living species and learn about the farm's unique mission to preserve the tame cows, powerful bulls and newborn calves that will make your heart melt. Afterward, pay tribute to the legendary Alaskan tradition at the **Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Headquarters** in Wasilla, Sarah Palin's hometown. Take a thrilling trip down the trail and meet the heroic dogs of the 'Last Great Race on Earth' as you learn the history of this journey through the roughest rivers, forests and coasts in the world. This evening, check in for two nights at Denali National Park with an authentic lodge experience on the banks of glacial-fed Nenana River.

Day 4 CB, L Denali National Park, AK

Travel into the heart of **Denali National Park** on the **Kantishna Wilderness Trail!** A scenic stretch of snow-capped mountains and verdant green valleys give us plenty of pictures and our relaxed pace leaves plenty of time to breathe in that crisp, clean air. A delicious lunch is served at the rustic **Kantishna Roadhouse** followed by a gold panning encounter you may never forget! In the afternoon, the abundant wildlife and towering Mt. McKinley help make this trip truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Day 5 CB Fairbanks, AK

See the Alaska that can only be seen by train! Board the **Alaska Railway** and travel from Denali to Fairbanks, sit back and enjoy rich green forests, snow-covered mountains, deep gulches, glacial rivers and wildlife sightings.

Day 6 B, L Fairbanks, AK

Begin the day on the **Paddlewheeler Discovery** and enjoy a three-and-a-half hour cruise into the heart of Alaska. Enjoy **lunch** at a local restaurant overlooking the Chena River featuring a menu filled with local specialties. Then, take a trip through Alaska's gold mining history, ride the Tanna Valley Railroad through a permafrost tunnel, meet and talk with Alaska miners and join them in panning for gold at the **El Dorado Gold Mine**.

Day 7 CB Dawson City, YT

Spend the day relaxing, chatting with friends and enjoying frequent stops for photo opportunities as we make our way from Fairbanks to the snowmelt lakes, snow-capped mountains and long sunshine hours of Yukon in the summertime.

Day 8 CB, L Dawson City, YT

Enjoy a **tour of Dawson City** this morning and learn about the historic discovery of gold on Bonanza Creek in August of 1886 and the town-site that grew into a thriving city with visits to writer Jack London's cabin and the riverboat SS Keno that was used during the Klondike Gold Rush days. This evening enjoy a show at the **Diamond Tooth Gertie's**, world famous gambling hall for a chance to re-live the heady days of Dawson's Gold Rush era.



Day 9 CB Whitehorse, YT

Travel from Dawson City to scenic **Whitehorse**. The Yukon capital since 1953, this famously lucky town served as a riverboat hub for 1897's Klondike Gold Rush, a railway hub and hit gold again when the US Army brought the Alaska Highway to town in the 1940's. Visit **MacBride Museum**, see the city highlights and learn this rich historic legacy of this Golden city!

Day 10 CB, L Skagway, AK

One of Alaska's most popular excursions, the **White Pass & Yukon Railroad** was built during the Klondike Gold Rush and is an international historic civil engineering landmark. Tens of thousands of men and 450 tons of explosives forged through the harsh climate and changed the geography to bring breathtaking panoramas of mountains, glaciers, gorges, waterfalls, meadows and historic sites from the comfort of a vintage parlor car.



Day 11 CB Juneau, AK

Ferries and planes are the only way into lovely **Juneau**, situated between steep mountains and the Gastineau Channel. Traverse the incredibly beautiful **Inside Passage** and arrive in the Alaskan capital by ferry for a two-night stay. Our **city tour** will take us through the historic downtown district and experience some of what this city has to offer.

Day 12 CB, D Juneau, AK

Visit the **Mendenhall Glacier** and have the experience of a lifetime! Explore models in the ice field research station, or hike one of the many trails to see salmon returning to Steep Creek to spawn, drawing black bears and eagles. Tonight, gather for a **farewell dinner**, celebrating our journey and new-found friendships.



Day 13 CB Home

Take flight home today after a great time exploring Alaska's Great Outdoors!

Wichita & OKC Departures

\$3699 - PER PERSON DOUBLE

\$4529 - SINGLE

\$3499 - PER PERSON TRIPLE

\$3339 - PER PERSON QUAD

\$300 DEPOSIT PER PERSON

INCLUDED:

Round-trip airfare from Wichita or OKC
Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
Quality Accommodations & Luggage Handling
Services of a Village Tours Director
Admissions Listed & 18 Meals

Optional Cancellation Insurance Available
Final Payment Due 75 days before departure