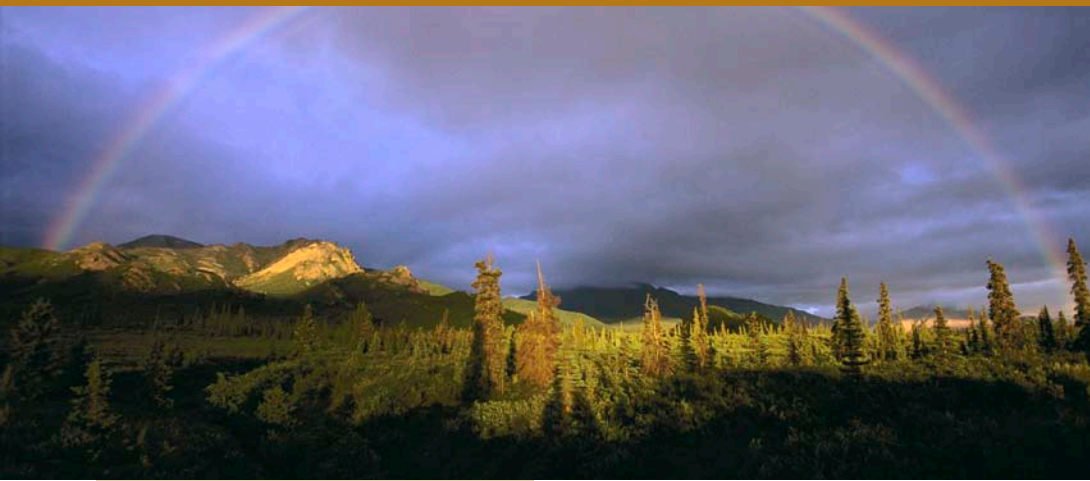


# 2008 Alaska & the Yukon CruiseTour 11 12-Day Glacier Bay & Denali Adventure



## CRUISETOUR 11: ALASKA BY SEA AND LAND

Leisurely 7-day Glacier Bay  
Discovery cruise, McKinley  
Explorer domed railcar sightseeing,  
Denali National Park and Fairbanks  
– a classic journey.

## Daily Itinerary

### Day 1 Sail from Vancouver

You have been dreaming of this vacation with anticipation. Your five-star vessel boasts fewer passengers, larger staterooms and more space than any other in Alaska. Today you will notice this refined elegance as you sail under the Lion's Gate Bridge and enter the scenic wonders of the **Inside Passage**.

### Day 2 Inside Passage scenic cruising

Steep coastal mountains and marine wildlife will be the backdrop to a relaxing day at sea. Whether with a massage in the Greenhouse Spa, a cooking lesson in the Culinary Arts Center or a game of chance in the casino, you'll discover exciting daily activities and elegant service.

### Day 3 Ketchikan

Besides the main attractions – Creek Street, the Tongass Historical Museum, Totem Bight State Park and Saxman Village – there's one other thing we highly recommend you do. A flightseeing trip to breathtaking **Misty Fjords National Monument** is essential.

### Day 4 Juneau

Today, explore the lush Tongass National Forest or visit the rustic shops in town. History buffs can browse the Alaska State Museum. You'll have the day to explore **Mendenhall Glacier** or go whale watching, fishing or even dogsledding on a glacier!

### Day 5 Skagway

This is home to the **Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park** and today we recommend that you board the nostalgic 108-year-old **White Pass & Yukon Route Railroad**. Recount the trials of the gold seekers who packed their outfits over this rugged terrain back in 1898. Your ship will linger until late evening so you'll have ample time to fully explore this living museum of the gold rush.

### Day 6 Glacier Bay National Park scenic cruising

This is Alaska's number-one Glacier experience. Cruise from the Reid and Lamplugh glaciers to the mighty Johns Hopkins – surrounded by rugged peaks and sheltering a seal pupping ground. Linger for a full hour at the Grand Pacific and Margerie glaciers while a **National Park Service ranger** shares insights into the park's history and wildlife. And a **Huna Totem native speaker** will join the ship to impart the legend and lore of this sacred place.

### Day 7 College Fjord scenic cruising

After a relaxing morning at sea, enter Prince William Sound to the only place in Alaska that surrounds you on three sides with flowing rivers of ice, named after the leading Ivy League colleges.

### Day 8 Seward/Anchorage

Disembark in Seward and enjoy the morning (lunch included onboard) to browse the shops in town for a great souvenir. Then board your luxury motor coach for the breathtaking drive along the **Seward Highway**, a National Scenic Byway. Watch for nesting birds or beluga whales along Turnagain Arm as you approach the cityscape of **Anchorage** for a relaxing night's stay downtown.

### Day 9 Anchorage/Denali

Today you'll board our **McKinley Explorer**, the largest domed railcars on the historic Alaska Railroad route, an Alaska Scenic Byway. Sit back and relax in the observation lounge and watch magnificent scenery glide by. Upon arrival at **Denali National Park**, transfer to the finest lodge. Spend your evening at leisure, strolling the grounds or relaxing by the fire.

### Day 10 Denali/Fairbanks

This morning, enjoy astounding scenery on your **Natural History Tour of Denali National Park**. Traveling 19 miles along the Park Road, you'll learn about this unspoiled ecosystem — one of the earth's last great wildernesses. Later, reboard the **McKinley Explorer** for luxury sightseeing as you head north. Then check into your downtown hotel for a relaxing night in **Fairbanks**.

### Day 11 Fairbanks

Your **EXTRA DAY** in Fairbanks offers numerous adventures — lunch included. Start your adventure on a cruise aboard the **sternwheeler Discovery III**. You'll learn about the Alaskan lifestyle as you visit a replicated native village and view crafts, a fishwheel in action and a bush pilot demonstration. At **Gold Dredge No. 8**, you'll browse the mining exhibits and pan for gold during your informative tour. Enjoy a second night's stay in Fairbanks.

### Day 12 Tour ends

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## 2008 CruiseTour 11 Departure Dates featuring Glacier Bay National Park

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*\* Additional Friday departures are available featuring Sitka, Hubbard Glacier and Haines instead of Glacier Bay, Skagway and College Fjord.*

### **Sunday Departures:**

May 11, 18, 25  
June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
July 6, 13, 20, 27  
August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
September 7

## Who will enjoy CruiseTour 11 most?

**The Value-Conscious Traveler:** Better than just a cruise, this itinerary gives an introduction to Alaska's vast interior—all at a great price.

**The Cruise Enthusiast:** A Glacier Discovery Cruise with Holland America Line offers the best frontier ports and finest onboard experience, in one memorable week. You'll appreciate our spacious, elegant ships where unobtrusive service and sophisticated five-star dining are delivered flawlessly.

**The Glacier Chaser:** Between Glacier Bay National Park's spectacular scenery, College Fjord's intimate setting and additional options like Mendenhall Glacier from Juneau, you will see more glaciers than on any other cruisetour.

## Sample Optional Excursions

For complete listings and purchase details, see our website at [www.hollandamerica.com](http://www.hollandamerica.com)

**Ketchikan:** Misty Fjords & Wilderness Explorer. Cruise in luxury aboard one of the fastest vessels in Alaska. Experience Behm Canal surrounded by the pristine beauty of 3,000-foot vertical cliffs. Feel the mist of the cascading waterfalls and hear the call of nesting seabirds.

**Seward:** Kenai Fjords National Park Cruise. Board a dayboat in Seward for a wildlife and glacier cruise in Kenai Fjords National Park. This is an excellent opportunity for seeing whales, sea lions and otters, a massive tidewater glacier and the park's glacially-carved cliffs. (Late afternoon transfer to Anchorage.)

**Denali National Park:** Cabin Nite Dinner Theatre. Savor family-style platters of salmon and marinated ribs as you enjoy a historical musical based on the life of Fannie, an adventurous woman who found fame and fortune in Alaska. The young and young at heart will love this show!

**Fairbanks:** Fort Yukon Arctic Circle Flightseeing. Fly over the Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge, the Yukon River and the Arctic Circle, landing at Fort Yukon. Athabascan native guides will inform you by sharing their way of life. Receive your official Arctic Circle Club certificate upon your return to Fairbanks.

## Extend your Vacation from Fairbanks

**Brooks Range Expedition:** Explore the Dalton Highway crossing the Arctic Circle to a land of abundant wildlife and remote scenery. After seeing the Yukon River and spending a night in Coldfoot, continue to the Arctic Divide for a short walk near Gates of the Arctic National Park. A local host will share the village of Wiseman with you before a memorable float down the Koyukuk River. End your journey with a mid-afternoon flightseeing adventure to Fairbanks.

**Gates of the Arctic National Park & Anaktuvuk Pass:** A full-day tour starts with a flight into the most dramatic scenery in Alaska, 100 miles north of the Arctic Circle. Visit the Nunamiut (inland) Eskimo village of Anaktuvuk Pass on the edge of Gates of the Arctic National Park. You will learn of their rich cultural heritage and witness their modern ways blended with subsistence living. Ancient mountains, arctic tundra and Eskimo culture come together for an unforgettable journey.

**To Book, Contact:**