

**CRUISETOUR 18: MORE GLACIERS AND WILDLIFE WITH KENAI FJORDS Fairbanks and Double Denali, 6-hour Kenai Fjords cruise and 7-day Hubbard Glacier Discovery cruise — dramatic wildlife and wilderness are everywhere.**

## Daily Itinerary

### Day 1 Fairbanks

Meet your **Tour Director** and enjoy your first night's stay in this former gold rush boomtown.

### Day 2 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**, browse the mining exhibits and pan for gold during your informative tour. Enjoy a second night's stay in Fairbanks.

### Day 3 Fairbanks/Denali National Park

Today you'll board the **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 the **Denali National Park**, transfer to your inviting lodge. After settling in to your room, get out and explore. And there's tasty barbeque and a hilarious musical revue to enjoy at the optional Cabin Nite Dinner Theatre.

### Day 4 Denali National Park

Your **EXTRA DAY** at Denali National Park begins with an early morning departure for the **Tundra Wilderness Tour**, 6-8 hours of narrated touring with a driver/guide. You'll travel 53 miles of the Park Road for great wildlife viewing — **caribou, moose, grizzly wolves and Dall sheep** are frequently sighted. And dramatic **Mt. McKinley** viewpoints are afforded from several lookouts including Stony Hill Overlook. Later, return to your lodge to relax or take your choice of optional activities.

### Day 5 Denali National Park/Anchorage

Wake up to a morning at leisure. Then reboard the **McKinley Explorer** for the continuation of your rail journey. Optional lunch and dinner are available to enhance your sightseeing experience. Soak in the magnificent views as you cross the Hurricane Gulch Bridge and glide from one mountain, forest and river scene after another. Overnight in downtown **Anchorage** with mountain views in every direction.

### Day 6 Anchorage/Seward

This morning depart by luxury motor coach skirting Cook Inlet and Turnagain Arm as you cross through the Chugach and Kenai Mountains on your way to Resurrection Bay and the port town of **Seward**. You can spend the afternoon exploring the downtown shops or take an optional tour. Overnight at a beautiful wilderness lodge.

### Day 7 Seward

The highlight of the morning's adventure is a cruise through spectacular **Kenai Fjords National Park** (included), often called the "Denali of marine wildlife." You'll sail aboard a day boat that cruises up close to bird rookeries and seal haul-outs. Watch for whales, Dall's porpoise, and sea otters as you cruise through this intricate maze of secluded inlets, bays and island coves. Then say "good-bye" to your Tour Director and embark on your cruise.



### Day 8 Hubbard Glacier/Yakutat Bay scenic cruising

Today you'll cruise to **Hubbard Glacier**, one of the premier attractions in Wrangell-St. Elias, the largest national park in North America and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Come face to face with a gigantic wall of ice that fills your view and extends for miles in either direction. Here you will have your best opportunity to experience calving as you listen to commentary from a Park Service Ranger. Watch from your ship as you pass some of Alaska's largest mountains including 18,000 ft. Mt. St. Elias.

### Day 9 Sitka

In the shadow of volcanic Mt. Edgecombe, Alaska's early Russian influence is still felt here. Stroll **Sitka National Historical Park** or get out on the water by kayak in search of seals, whales and eagles.

### Day 10 Skagway

This is home to the **Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park** and today we recommend that you board the nostalgic **White Pass & Yukon Route Railroad**. Your ship will linger until late evening so you'll have ample time to fully explore this living museum of the gold rush.

### Day 11 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 12 Ketchikan

Besides the main attractions, there's one other thing we highly recommend you do. A flightseeing trip to breathtaking **Misty Fjords National Monument** is essential.

### Day 13 Inside Passage scenic cruising

### Day 14 Disembark in Vancouver

# 2008 Alaska CruiseTour 18 14-Day Double Denali, Kenai & Hubbard Glacier



## 2008 CruiseTour 18 Departure Dates featuring Hubbard Glacier

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

### **Saturday Departures:**

May 17, 31  
June 14, 28  
July 12, 26  
August 9, 23  
September 6

## Who will enjoy CruiseTour 18 most?

**The National Park Collector:** Alaska's best wilderness parks are included on this tour. You'll have extra time for exploring Denali, Kenai Fjords and Glacier Bay national parks plus Misty Fjords National Monument from Ketchikan.

**The Explorer:** Double Denali gives you the best chance to explore on your own. Your precious extra time in this 6.2 million acre protected wilderness can be spent alone hiking or in the company of others rafting, flightseeing or horseback riding.

**The Marine Wildlife Enthusiast:** This cruisetour offers unmatched marine wildlife-viewing opportunities with an included 6-hour Kenai Fjords National Park day cruise plus excursion opportunities in Juneau and Ketchikan.

## Sample Optional Excursions

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

**Fairbanks:** Alaska Salmon Bake & the Palace Theater. A delicious all-you-can-eat dinner of barbequed salmon, halibut, cod and prime rib. Afterwards enjoy the rollicking Golden Heart Revue as you make your way into Gold Rush Town.

**Denali National Park:** River Rafting. You'll get splashed and enjoy every minute of this 11-mile Class II-IV whitewater adventure on the Nenana River. Your experienced guides will navigate through rapids while you enjoy the ride and the stunning scenery.

**Juneau:** Juneau Sportfishing. The protected waters of the Inside Passage are home to bountiful salmon. Depending on the season, your 30-foot charter boat will seek king, chum, pink or silver salmon. Fish processing and shipment home are available.

**Ketchikan:** Backcountry Jeep® & Canoe Safari. Take the wheel of a Jeep Wrangler® 4x4 along abandoned logging roads in the Tongass National Forest. Learn of the timber industry's reforestation methods and of the area's natural history. Then paddle a 20-person Native-style canoe on a mountain lake leading to a nature walk.

## 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 flight 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.

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