

2008 Alaska CruiseTour 16V 13-Day Double Denali Adventure & Glacier Bay



CRUISETOUR 16V: GLACIERS AND CLASSIC DOUBLE DENALI

McKinley Explorer sightseeing,
Double Denali, extra day in
Fairbanks, 7-day Glacier Bay
Discovery cruise — a classic option.

Daily Itinerary

Day 1 Anchorage

Your **Tour Director** welcomes you! Overnight in Anchorage.

Day 2 Anchorage/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 lodge, unpack and explore. Or opt for a night of music and barbeque at the optional Cabin Nite Dinner Theatre.

Day 3 Denali National Park

Your **EXTRA DAY** at **Denali National Park** begins with an early morning departure for the **Denali Tundra Wilderness Tour**. Enjoy 6-8 hours of narrated touring with a driver-guide as you 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 4 Denali/Fairbanks

This morning, sip an espresso by the fire. Relax over breakfast at your choice of eateries and browse the wildlife exhibits and souvenirs at the Gift Shop. Later, reboard the **McKinley Explorer**, en route to Fairbanks. Then check into your downtown hotel and enjoy a relaxing night in Alaska's second largest city.

Day 5 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 6 Fairbanks/Anchorage/Seward

This morning you'll transfer to the Fairbanks airport and fly to **Anchorage**. Here you'll board a luxury motor coach for the scenic drive along the Seward Highway, an Alaska Scenic Byway, to arrive at the picturesque town of **Seward** where you'll say "good-bye" to your Tour Director and board your waiting ship.

Day 7 College Fjord cruising

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

Day 8 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 9 Haines/ Skagway

This is the bald-eagle capital of Alaska. Tour the **Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve**, walk the historic fort or take a high-speed catamaran to nearby Skagway to ride the **White Pass & Yukon Route Railroad**. This frontier port is full of options.

Day 10 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 11 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 12 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 13 Disembark in Vancouver

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Who will enjoy CruiseTour 16V most?

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 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.

The Cruise Lover: 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.

2008 CruiseTour 16V Departure Dates featuring Glacier Bay National Park

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* Additional Sunday departures available featuring Hubbard Glacier and Sitka instead of Glacier Bay & Skagway.

Tuesday Departures:

May 13, 27
June 10, 24
July 8, 22
August 5, 19
September 2

Sample Optional Excursions

For complete listings and purchase details, see our website at www.hollandamerica.com

Denali National Park: Husky Homestead Tour. Take in a personal tour of four-time Iditarod Sled Dog Race champion Jeff King's homestead at Goose Lake. You'll have the opportunity to hold Husky puppies and get acquainted with more than sixty world-class sled dogs.

Haines: Chilkoot Lake Scenic Cruise. An open-air pontoon boat provides an enchanting tour of beautiful Chilkoot Lake. You may have the chance to see spawning sockeye salmon, bald eagles and hopefully, brown bears as they feed.

Juneau: Mendenhall Glacier By Helicopter. Travel into the ice age viewing rain forests, high alpine ridges, jagged mountain peaks and finally the crevasses, spires and deep blue melt-water pools of Mendenhall Glacier. Explorer the moon-like surface after landing with a guide. With this excursion you will have seen glaciers today by air and on foot.

Ketchikan: Whiskey Cove Kayaking. Kayak Ketchikan's unique waterfront in a two-person kayak. View fishing and pleasure boats and during high tide, paddle up Creek Street. This steam is thick with salmon during spawning season. Watch for majestic bald eagles.

Extend your Vacation from Anchorage

Alyeska Resort Pre-CruiseTour Option: The only Alaska hotel to be included on Condé Nast's Gold List, Alyeska Resort is nestled in the Chugach National Forest. Including a four-diamond restaurant with a view of seven nearby glaciers, extending your CruiseTour here will be a most relaxing journey.

Anchorage & Portage Glacier: Add an extra night in Anchorage plus a 7-hour tour including a cruise to Portage Glacier aboard Holland America Line's *mv Ptarmigan*. Traveling by deluxe motor coach, you will also see the wilderness of the Chugach and Kenai Mountains as you look for beluga whales in the scenic Turnagain Arm of Cook Inlet.

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