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Alaska — Where the Wild Is the Wonder

Come discover Alaska and experience a destination that seems to grow more extraordinary with every mile.

Alaska is where nature still feels raw and untamed — in the best possible way. Towering mountains, massive glaciers and roaming wildlife around every bend make it feel like another world, yet it's surprisingly easy to explore. Whether by cruise, train or guided tour, the experiences are unforgettable.

This is a destination that works for all kinds of travelers. Multi-generational families bond over whale watching excursions and junior ranger programs, while thrill-seekers can chase backcountry adventures or helicopter to remote glaciers. The pace here respects your personal travel style.

There's more here than just the views — Alaska has a strong cultural heart. You'll find Indigenous heritage centers, historic gold rush towns and welcoming communities proud to share their stories.

Whether you're after outdoor adventure, cultural discovery or a bit of both, Alaska is one of those rare destinations that leaves a lasting impression.

Alaska 2027 is calling!

Now is the time to book.



Need to know

Alaska is best known for its rugged outdoor lifestyle. Whether you're heading out on a glacier hike or just exploring a scenic trail, it's important to come prepared — bring water, snacks, a map and a basic first-aid kit. Alaska takes its natural beauty seriously, so travelers are encouraged to tread lightly and respect the land. Staying eco-conscious isn't just appreciated here — it's expected.



Wildlife is one of the highlights here, but it's important to observe it safely. Keep a respectful distance, never approach or feed animals, and stay on marked trails. Move quietly, and remember — you're a visitor in their home. If you're hiking in bear country, carrying bear spray is a necessity.

It's also worth noting: popular hotels, cruises and tours book up fast (bookings are now open for 2028). Planning at least 9-12 months out can help lock in your top picks and avoid missing out. If your trip includes a cruise from Vancouver — or sometimes Seattle — you'll need a passport, so double-check those requirements early.

Best time to visit: Alaska shines from May to September, when the days are long, the weather is mild and wildlife is easy to spot. July and August are the busiest, with everything open and running, but May, June and early September offer fewer crowds and great conditions too. Want to see the northern lights? Head to Fairbanks between November and April. Winter, while brutally cold, adds its own level of charm, bringing snow, dog sledding and hot springs — but many tours and lodges are closed in the off-season.

What to wear: Alaska's intense weather conditions call for functionality. Think weatherproof jackets, cozy knits and versatile base layers. In town, smart-casual wear such as jeans, sweaters and comfortable boots work just as well. For nature excursions, don't forget your waterproof rain gear and good walking shoes.



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Alaska Cruises

Cruising is one of the more comfortable and scenic ways to explore Alaska's vast coastline and remote towns. With cruise-only or full cruise-tour options available, you'll glide past glaciers and rugged wilderness with the option to add inland adventures to places like Denali. It's a great fit for couples, families and groups who want to see a lot without the hassle. Departure points include Seattle or Vancouver, providing the opportunity to expand your trip beyond Alaska itself.

Classic, Premium Cruises



Holland America Line

A great choice for travelers seeking a classic and relaxing exploration of Alaska. Their Land+Sea Journeys combine coastal cruising with inland stays at properties such as The Hotel Captain Cook or Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge. Onboard, expect spacious ships, Glacier Bay access and enriching extras like talks from Park Rangers.



Princess Cruises

For travelers who want a classic, Alaska cruise experience with plenty of options, this is a good go-to. From cruise-only routes to full cruise tours that include stays near Denali or Fairbanks, it's easy to mix coast and backcountry. Thanks to its comfortable ships and polished service, it's a solid choice for couples, families and first-time Alaska cruisers alike.

Luxury Cruises



Silversea

An upscale excursion in the wilds of Alaska, with all-suite accommodations, butler service and memorable dining experiences. These intimate voyages pair indulgence with enriching shore activities led by knowledgeable local guides.



Regent Seven Seas

A fully all-inclusive way to cruise Alaska, with spacious suites, gourmet dining and a long list of included shore excursions. It's a fun pick for travelers who want everything taken care of — from glacier adventures to evening cocktails – without lifting a finger.



Viking

For adults who want a quieter, more refined experience Viking is an ideal choice. Expect included excursions, thoughtful enrichment and all-veranda staterooms for those glacier views, without the crowds or kids.

Expedition Cruises



National Geographic x Lindblad

For a more immersive and educational take on Alaska, National Geographic X Lindblad offers small-ship expeditions focused on wildlife, photography and hands-on exploration. These sailings are ideal for curious travelers who want to get closer to nature with guidance from experts.



HX Expeditions

Perfect for adventurous travelers who want to dig deeper into Alaska, such as nature lovers, photographers and couples. These small expedition ships get you closer to glaciers, remote islands and off-the-beaten-path towns like Wrangell and Petersburg. With onboard naturalists, guided hikes and kayak trips, it's all about education and exploration.

Your Journey Awaits.

With so many extraordinary ways to experience Alaska, choosing the right one matters. Let's find the journey that matches the way you want to travel—and make every detail count.



Let's Start Planning.

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