



GRAND ALASKA ESCORTED LAND TOUR

This guaranteed departure features Anchorage, Valdez, Fairbanks, and Denali National Park and is fully escorted once in Alaska.

August 24 – September 1, 2023

Thursday, August 24 – This is a *Pre-Night Option* that we have added on to the tour. Fly into Anchorage, Alaska's largest city. **Meet and Greet Service** at the airport and **Transfer to the hotel included**.

Friday, August 25

This day is on-your-own to rest, explore and/or get oriented before touring begins in the morning. *Overnight in Anchorage*. **No meals included**

Saturday, August 26

Breakfast included this morning. Enjoy a local **city tour of Anchorage** featuring the historic downtown area, Lake Hood where 190+ float planes takeoff and land daily, Earthquake Park to learn about the 1964 earthquake, and the **Alaska Native Heritage Center** where you'll have the chance to learn about the history and culture of Alaska. Later, travel south along the scenic Seward Highway to the port town of **Whittier**. Upon arrival into Whittier board your **marine vessel** for a scenic journey through **Prince William Sound** to the town of **Valdez**. Enjoy the pristine waters as you look out for marine animals, glaciers, and towering mountains. Overnight Valdez area.

Sunday, August 27

Breakfast included this morning. Board the motorcoach for a journey north to the largest city in the interior, **Fairbanks**; known to Alaskans as the Golden Heart City. The route takes you along the **Wrangell-St. Elias National Park**, the largest park in the U.S. and the **Trans-Alaska Pipeline**. Overnight in Fairbanks.

Monday, August 28

Breakfast included this morning. Today learn how the gold rush affected Alaska's interior on a **sightseeing tour** with an included visit to the **Museum of the North**. Time is available for shopping, walking or dining on your own in the downtown area. Cruise on the Chena River aboard a **sternwheeler** and experience the thrill of river travel. Tonight, enjoy an authentic salmon bake. Overnight Fairbanks.

Tuesday, August 29

Breakfast included. Ride the motorcoach south to **Denali National Park**. Enjoy an afternoon of exploring this pristine area at your leisure by either participating in a complimentary park service activity, or taking an optional tour. There are many to choose from including mild or wild river rafting, flight seeing, a jet boat safari on the Nenana River or a visit to an Iditarod champions award winning dog kennel. Overnight Denali.

Wednesday, August 30

Breakfast included this morning. Today travel deep into **Denali National Park** on the **Tundra Wilderness Tour** and search the vast wilderness for bear, moose, caribou, and Dall sheep. This journey is narrated allowing for insight into the animals, flora and fauna of this spectacular region including a **snack** on the bus. Overnight Denali.

Thursday, August 31

Breakfast included this morning. Later, you will be transferred to the Denali Rail Depot where you will board a **Deluxe Dome Railcar** for a scenic transfer south to the climbing town of **Talkeetna**. Watch for a glimpse of Denali (formerly Mt. McKinley) or black bear along the banks of the Susitna River. Enjoy **Lunch** while on board. Upon arrival into Talkeetna, board your deluxe motorcoach for a scenic transfer south to **Anchorage**. Tonight, share stories of your Alaskan Adventure with your fellow travelers at an included **closing night dinner**. Overnight Anchorage.

Friday, September 1

Breakfast included this morning. Your adventure comes to an end with a transfer to the airport.

Hotel allocations and final detailed itineraries:

Are completed 30 days prior to arrival. 2.5 Star Hotels are utilized throughout the tour.

Anchorage – Springhill Suites University Lake *or similar*

Valdez area – Best West Valdez *or similar*

Fairbanks – River's Edge Resort *or similar*

Denali – Denali Grizzly Bear *or similar*

All rooms are run of house

OPTIONAL TOUR ENHANCEMENT: (Price is per person)

Denali Dinner Theater* \$70.00

**Guests can also purchase this option with Tour Director at retail rate while on tour. For the above rate, option must be purchased with the package.*

The itinerary may operate in a reversed format.

Departures guaranteed to operate from the first person sold! Tour will operate with a driver guide in a deluxe sprinter van if there are nine or fewer passengers on tour.

COST PER PERSON: \$3025.00 double occupancy

Price includes tour add-ons; one pre-night stay in Anchorage, pre-paid gratuities for the local Tour Director and driver, the Fairbanks Salmon Bake, Lunch on the Rail, and meet/greet service in Anchorage. We believe these extras will enhance your tour experience.

**Child rates are available for children 11 and under when staying with 2 adults. Please inquire, as well as rates for single, triple, or quad occupancy. Note that triple and quad occupancy will have two double beds in the room, cots not available*

PAYMENT: \$100.00 deposit per person required to hold seat, refundable until May 24, 2023 (less \$5.00 service fee). Full balance due by June 24, 2023 and becomes non-refundable on that date. *If group air is arranged by Tours By Design, payment policy is subject to change. All payments must be made by check or money order payable to Tours By Design, Inc. Customer is responsible for any bank fees if check is returned.

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SICKNESS: A traveler may be removed from a tour if injured or experiencing illness and there is a concern of infecting other passengers. Tours By Design is not responsible for any hotel, meal, or travel cost or arrangements for traveler to get home.

***Passengers can choose to secure their own round trip air transportation but Tours By Design will look into group air as requested. Please inquire.**

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