



Alaska's National Parks: Denali & the Kenai Fjords

10 days

Majestic glaciers, unique wildlife, and pristine views do justice to Alaska's nickname as the Last Frontier. Learn about the history of famous traditions like the Iditarod, and experience the beauty of both Denali and the Kenai Fjords National Parks. In small villages, and in the untamed wilderness, picture-perfect landscapes will appear around every corner.



Your tour package includes

- 8 nights in handpicked hotels
- 8 breakfasts
- 2 lunches
- 2 dinners with beer or wine
- 4 guided sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

- University of Alaska Fairbanks Museum
- Denali National Park
- Iditarod Headquarters museum
- Alaska Railroad train ride
- Kenai Fjords National Park cruise
- Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 2.5 hours daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and gravel paths, with few hills. Some activities will take place at high altitudes.

Group size

15-35

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Fairbanks, Alaska → 3 nights

Day 1: Arrival in Fairbanks

Welcome to Alaska! Settle in to your hotel this evening.

Day 2: Sightseeing tour of Fairbanks

Included meals: breakfast, welcome dinner

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Fairbanks this morning.

- Stop at Golden Heart Plaza, a park located on the banks of the Chena River
- Enter the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center
- See beautiful flora and fauna at the Georgeson Botanical Garden
- Step inside the University of Alaska Fairbanks Museum

Please note: The stops along the guided tour may vary based on season.

This evening, attend a traditional Alaskan salmon bake welcome dinner.

Day 3: Free day in Fairbanks

Included meals: breakfast

Enjoy a free day in Fairbanks or add an excursion. + Riverboat Discovery Cruise & Gold Dredge Tour

Denali, Alaska → 1 night

Day 4: Denali National Park via Nenana village

Included meals: breakfast

Head to Denali this morning and on the way stop to visit Nenana village.

Then, stop by the National Park Visitor Center and eat lunch at your leisure before setting off on a scenic drive through the park.

- Look for wildlife such as grizzly bears, moose, wolves, caribou, and eagles
- See Denali, North America's tallest mountain (*weather-dependent*)

Stop for free time to enjoy a late dinner on the way out of the park.

Anchorage, Alaska → 2 nights

Day 5: Anchorage via Talkeetna & Wasilla

Included meals: breakfast, dinner

On your way to Anchorage, visit two historic towns to learn more about Alaskan culture and traditions.

- Stop in Talkeetna to enjoy free time to shop and eat downtown
- Travel to Wasilla to tour the Iditarod Headquarters and museum to learn about the famous race

Then, continue on to Anchorage and sit down for an included dinner.

Day 6: Sightseeing tour of Anchorage

Included meals: breakfast

Head out on a guided tour of Anchorage, Alaska's largest city.

- Walk through Earthquake Park, to learn about how the 1964 natural disaster impacted the city
- Stop at the Lake Hood Seaplane Base
- Venture downtown to see the Captain Cook Statue and salmon ladders (seasonal)
- Enjoy free time to explore the city

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Seward, Alaska → 2 nights

Day 7: Train ride to Seward

Included meals: breakfast

Hop aboard the Coastal Classic Train and enjoy a scenic journey on the Alaska Railroad as you travel to Seward.

- Admire views of the coast and forest as you travel along the route National Geographic named one of the top train rides in North America
- Ride along the Turnagain Arm of the Cook Inlet and through the Kenai Peninsula
- View massive glaciers and towering waterfalls through the large windows or opt to stop by the Vista Dome car, which has a glass ceiling and offers panoramic views

Day 8: Kenai Fjords National Park cruise

Included meals: breakfast, lunch

Embark on a full-day cruise through the waterways of Kenai Fjords National Park to experience the panoramic glacial views the area is known for.

- Float along the pristine waters on the Kenai Peninsula
- Try to spot wildlife, such as birds and whales
- Enjoy an included boxed lunch

Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 9: Anchorage via Portage & departure

Included meals: breakfast, farewell lunch

Drive through the Kenai Mountain Range, making a stop in Portage.

- Visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center to learn about the organization's animal rescue work
- Stop at Portage Lake to enter the Begich Boggs Visitor Center
- Soak in spectacular views of the Explorer Glacier

Continue on to Anchorage and celebrate your trip during a farewell lunch. Then, transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home.

Arrive Home

Day 10: Arrival at home

Arrive home today.

Please note: This arrival time applies to east coast gateways. If you live in another region, you may arrive home on the evening of day 9.

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: goaheadtours.ca/AN1 | 1-800-754-5066

Day 3: Riverboat Discovery Cruise & Gold Dredge Tour

\$165CAD (7 hours, departs in the morning)

Learn about the area's rich history and traditions on this excursion into the heart of the Alaskan wilderness. Start off with a gold dredge tour outside of Fairbanks to learn about gold mining in Alaska. Then, take a ride on the Tanana Valley Railroad to see the Trans Alaska pipeline. Continue on to visit and pan for gold at Gold Dredge 8, a mining station that extracted millions of ounces of gold over its 30 years in operation. Enjoy free time for lunch before boarding a river cruise to drift along the local waterways and watch a bush floatplane takeoff. Visit the home and kennels of the late, four-time Iditarod winner Susan Butcher and see the champion sled dogs in action. End the day with a personalized tour of the Chena Indian Village, where an Alaskan native guide will introduce you to ancient Athabascan Indian culture. Please note: This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure. In addition, it runs seasonally from May through mid-September. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.ca/terms