



# Denali National Park & Wild Alaska Cruise

12 days | 14 days with Vancouver extension

You'll understand why Denali, North America's highest peak, is known as "the great one" to the indigenous Athabascan people when you see it towering over the surrounding landscape. After exploring the wilds of Denali National Park, embark on a cruise through the winding waterways of the Inside Passage, where you'll discover glacier country and gold rush towns, before ending in dynamic, dramatic Vancouver.



## Your tour package includes

- 4 nights in handpicked hotels
- 7 nights aboard Celebrity Cruises
- 11 breakfasts
- 6 lunches
- 10 dinners, some with beer or wine
- 3 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach
- 1 train ride

## Included highlights

- Alaskan Railroad train ride
- Denali National Park
- Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center
- Begich Boggs Visitor Center
- Hubbard Glacier
- Ketchikan
- The Inside Passage
- Vancouver

## Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 1 hour daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and gravel paths, with few hills.

## Group size

15-38

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## Anchorage, Alaska → 1 night

### Day 1: Arrival in Anchorage

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

## Denali, Alaska → 1 night

### Day 2: Transfer to Talkeetna & train ride to Denali

*Included meals: breakfast, welcome dinner*

Travel to the historic village of Talkeetna by way of the Denali Star route, the flagship of the Alaskan Railroad trains.

- Pass over Hurricane Gulch Bridge, the longest and tallest on the Alaska Railroad
  - Enjoy views of the Alaskan wilderness en route to Denali National Park from your seat in the comfortable Adventure Class cars and the Vista Dome car
  - Stop by the Denali National Park Visitor Center and watch a short film about the park
- Enjoy a welcome dinner with your group this evening.

## Wasilla, Alaska → 1 night

### Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Denali National Park

*Included meals: breakfast, dinner*

A full day of sightseeing with your guide immerses you in the scenery, flora, and fauna of Denali National Park.

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

This afternoon, travel to Wasilla where you'll enjoy an included dinner.

## Overnight Cruise → 7 nights

### Day 4: Seward via Kenai Peninsula & embarkation

*Included meals: breakfast, dinner*

Today, explore the Kenai Peninsula.

- Reach the Turnagain Arm of the Cook Inlet, known for its dramatic tidal turns that create 10-foot walls of water
- 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

Then, drive through the Kenai Mountain Range to Seward where you'll board your cruise ship. Sit down for an included dinner aboard the ship this evening.

*Please note: The Begich Boggs Visitor Center is closed from Labor Day through Memorial Day due to weather conditions in the area.*

### Day 5: Day at sea

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner*

Enjoy a day at sea reveling in your ship's luxurious accommodations or simply watching the scenery from the deck.

- Enjoy an included lunch aboard the ship
- Cruise around the Hubbard Glacier, North America's largest tide water glacier

Sit down for an included dinner aboard the ship this evening.

### Day 6: Free day in Juneau

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner*

Dock in Juneau, Alaska's capital city, and enjoy an included lunch aboard the ship.

Spend a free day in Juneau, often referred to as little San Francisco for its perfect blend of cosmopolitan city sophistication and frontier town spirit.

Sit down for an included dinner aboard the ship this evening.

### Day 7: Free day in Skagway

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner*

Dock in Skagway and enjoy an included lunch aboard the ship.

Then, spend a free day in Skagway, the starting point for prospectors during the Klondike Gold Rush of the 1890s and the northernmost point of Alaska's Inside Passage.

Sit down for an included dinner aboard the ship this evening.

### Day 8: Free day in Icy Strait Point

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner*

Keep a lookout for humpback, minke, and orca whales and enjoy an included lunch as you cruise the Icy Straits to Icy Strait Point, your port of call for the day.

Sit down for an included dinner aboard the ship this evening.

### Day 9: Free day in Ketchikan

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner*

Dock in Ketchikan and enjoy an included lunch aboard the ship.

Spend a free day in Ketchikan, the ancestral home of the Tlingit people and gateway to some of Alaska's most sublime scenery and wildlife. Sit down for an included dinner aboard the ship this evening.

### Day 10: Cruising the Inside Passage

*Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner*

Sail the southern section of Alaska's Inside Passage, a collection of waterways, inlets, fjords, and bays.

- View the region's glaciers, several mountain ranges, and secluded isles
- Enjoy an included lunch aboard the ship
- Look out for bald eagles as you cruise

Sit down for an included dinner aboard the ship this evening.

## Vancouver, British Columbia → 1 night

### Day 11: Disembarkation & sightseeing tour of Vancouver

*Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner*

Disembark in Vancouver, British Columbia. Then, tour the multicultural, cosmopolitan city with a local guide.

- Drive through downtown Vancouver, passing the Roman-inspired Public Library
- Head to the waterfront to see Canada Place, a sail-inspired building, which houses the Vancouver Convention Center and World Trade Center
- Visit Stanley Park, a 1,000-acre public space featuring First Nations art including totem poles and gateways
- See the historic Gastown district, filled with historic charm, delicious restaurants and unique shops

- Stroll through Queen Elizabeth Park to take in views of the city
- Enjoy free time to explore Granville Island, located directly across the water from downtown Vancouver

Celebrate your trip during a farewell dinner this evening.

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## Flight Home

### Day 12: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or extend your stay in Vancouver.

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### + Vancouver extension

Continue your trip to keep exploring Vancouver, the coastal hub of British Columbia. Lean on your Tour Director to point you toward the best downtown hotspots and stunning outdoor spaces—the city's got plenty to offer (and discover).

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## Vancouver → 2 nights

### Day 12: Free day in Vancouver

*Included meals: breakfast*

Spend a free day in Vancouver or add an excursion.

+ Victoria Sightseeing

### Day 13: Free day in Vancouver

*Included meals: breakfast*

Enjoy a free day in Vancouver or add an excursion.

+ Vancouver: Whistler & Shannon Falls

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## Flight Home

### Day 14: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

# 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.com/DNR](https://goaheadtours.com/DNR) | 1-800-597-0350

## Extension excursion options

### Day 12: Victoria Sightseeing

\$229 (10 hours, departs in the morning)

Board a ferry for a scenic ride to Victoria, where a local guide will introduce you to the city's downtown area. Next, take in a passing view of the Parliament Buildings, the Inner Harbour, and the iconic Fairmont Empress Hotel, a grand, waterfront retreat known for its Château-style design. Travel through the countryside for a guided tour of the famed Butchart Gardens, home to 55 acres of stunning floral displays. End your evening with a ferry ride back to Vancouver. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

### Day 13: Vancouver: Whistler & Shannon Falls

\$195 (10.5 hours, departs in the morning)

Travel to Whistler, a town that's home to one of Canada's premier ski resorts on today's full day excursion. Begin with a ride on the Sea-to-Sky gondola and admire surrounding emerald forests, and serene Howe Sound. Upon arrival, you'll have a chance to walk across Sky Pilot Suspension Bridge and take in sweeping views of Sky Pilot mountain. Set off on a short nature walk to the impressive Shannon Falls, British Columbia's third-highest waterfall. Spend the rest of your day exploring charming Whistler Village, where you'll have free time to peruse local shops and world-class restaurants. 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.com/terms](https://goaheadtours.com/terms)