

# ALASKA BEARS & BERING SEA

TALKEETNA

ANCHORAGE

NOME

11 Days / 10 Nights | Anchorage, Roundtrip

Giant Kodiak brown bear viewing, Denali wildlife tour, moose in Knik, and whales - all highlights! Round the trip out with included dog sledding, history, and a flightseeing tour over volcanoes and glaciers for the ultimate small group guided package.

# **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Hotel Captain Cook 3 Nights Anchorage

Aurora Inn 1 Night Nome

Denali Cabins 2 Nights Denali National Par

Knik River Lodge 2 Nights Palmer Kodiak Inn Best Western 2 Nights Kodiak

## **TOUR FEATURES**

- Experience the Alaska Railroad glass-dome cars and GoldStar service
- Denali National Park wildlife tour and visitor center
- Exclusive dog sledding presentation at Dream ·a· Dream kennel
- View Kodiak brown bears on a flightseeing tour at Kodiak Wildlife Reserve
- Explore World War II bunkers on a visit to historic Fort Abercrombie
- Learn history in Anchorage, Nome, and Kodiak on city tours or museum visits

## **2023 DEPARTURES**

**ALASKA BEARS & BERING SEA** 

170: AUG 31-SEP 10

**DOUBLE \$10,469** 

SINGLE \$12,139

### **ENHANCE YOUR TOUR**

Match this tour with a Southeast Alaska package:

**TOUR + PLATINUM INSIDE PASSAGE** 

170: AUG 26 - SEP 10\* DOUBLE \$14,999 SINGLE \$17,609

Please call for triple/quad pricing.

LAND = RAIL -

FLIGHT -

\*Platinum experience offered pre-land tour.

PER PERSON PRICING INCLUDES: Accommodations; fully-guided service; luxury land and small plane transportation; airport transfers; daily activities and tours; meals, baggage handling, and corresponding gratuities; taxes; and personalized John Hall's Alaska's signature windbreaker.

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### **Included Highlights**

- Nome City Tour
- · Alaska Railroad -GoldStar Service
- · Denali National Park Wildlife Tour
- Denali Visitor Center
- · Dream A Dream Kennel Presentation
- Knik River Adventure Activity
- Kodiak Bear Flightseeing Expedition
- · Kodiak History Museum
- Fort Abercrombie WWII **Bunkers**
- Kodiak City Tour
- Anchorage City Tour

#### **Included Meals: 29**

Breakfast, lunch & dinner on all full tour days, plus arrival day dinner and departure day breakfast.

## Max Group Size: 24

#### **Active Rating**

Moderate. Requires ability to board small planes and walk a mile.

#### **Flights**

This tour begins and ends in Anchorage, Alaska. On Day 1, flights should arrive in Anchorage by 6pm; early check-in cannot be guaranteed before 4pm. On Day 11, flights may depart Anchorage after 8am.

# Anchorage

Welcome to the metropolitan city of Anchorage, Alaska! A John Hall's Alaska representative greets you on arrival and escorts you to your luxury accommodations for the evening. Anchorage has much to offer if you wish to explore. Dinner is at your leisure.

Overnight: Hotel Captain Cook

#### Nome

After breakfast, catch your flight to Nome. Situated on the Bering Sea at the tip of the Seward Peninsula, Nome holds the title of being the most famous Gold Rush town in all of Alaska. In the last great gold stampede of the west, fortune seekers flocked from all over the world for the golden nuggets found for miles along the beaches. Nome is also the finish line of the famed Iditarod Race. Visit the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum and learn about this crossroads of history, cultures, and continents. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Aurora Inn

Nome & Anchorage

Before departing the frontier town of Nome, take a stroll along the beach or around town, then head to the airport. Enjoy the short flight back to Anchorage, the views are spectacular! Back in the city, there is free time in the afternoon to go exploring on your own, take in a museum, shop, or simply relax at the hotel. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Hotel Captain Cook

#### Alaska Railroad & **Denali National Park**

This morning, board the glass-domed cars of the Alaska Railroad. Experience luxury GoldStar service with breakfast served during your journey. Upon arrival in Talkeetna, enjoy lunch in town before boarding the motorcoach for a scenic drive to the gates of Denali National Park. Over the next two evenings, relax in the wilderness at Denali Cabins.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Denali Cabins

### **Denali National Park**

The sun rises early in Alaska, and chances are high you will too! There is a lot to squeeze in today. Travel by sightseeing bus ride 42 miles deep into the outback of Denali National Park and Preserve. During the drive be on the lookout for moose, caribou, Dall sheep, wolves, grizzly bears, and of course Denali. After returning to the gates of the park, stop by the Denali Visitor Center and enjoy time on your own.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Denali Cabins

#### Dream ·a· Dream Kennel & Knik River

Get an early start aboard your motorcoach and travel to the heart of mushing country for a visit to Dream ·a· Dream, a working sled dog kennel. At a private presentation on dog mushing, learn what it takes to prep for a race like the Iditarod and spend time with the pups. After lunch and puppy time, continue your journey south into the Mat-Su Valley - a secluded, hidden gem nestled in the Chugach Mountains. The Knik, a regional band of Athabascans were the earliest known inhabitants of the valley. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Knik River Lodge

**Knik River** 

Enjoy a warm meal in the lodge, then step outside for a day of exquisite wilderness. Surrounded by vast forests and mountains, take in the vista from the deck of your cabin and observe helicopters landing on the beach. Tucked along Knik Arm and the Knik River - amid mountains, glaciers, wilderness, rivers, and wildlife - there is plenty to do. An included tour gets you up close to nature. Popular with moose and other wildlife, keep cameras and binoculars ready today! Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Knik River Lodge

After a bountiful breakfast in the lodge, board your motorcoach for a ride along the Glenn Highway National Scenic Byway to Anchorage. Following a path carved by ancient glaciers, there is beauty everywhere. Enjoy a luncheon before your flight to Kodiak. This friendly fishing town was settled in the 18th century by subjects of the Russian crown, although archeological evidence shows Alutiiq natives have called the area home for at least 7,000 years.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Kodiak Inn Best Western

# **9** Kodiak Wildlife Refuge & Kodiak Bears

A habitat of mountains, alpine meadows, wetlands, spruce forests, and grassland, the Kodiak Wildlife Refuge is home to an estimated 3.500 bears. Take a flightseeing tour over the Katmai Volcanoes and glaciers, and witness giant Kodiak brown bears - one of the two largest bears in existence - feast on salmon in the wild! Housed in a 200-yearold National Historic Landmark building, a visit to the Kodiak History Museum (formerly Baranov Museum) showcases Kodiak's rich history. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Fort Abercrombie &

Overnight: Kodiak Inn Best Western

**Anchorage** On the cliffs above Monashka Bay sits Fort Abercrombie. Built by the U.S. Army in 1941 to defend Naval Air Station Kodiak, today the old navy base is the largest Coast Guard base in the country. Explore the trails and World War II ruins on a walking tour. Back in Kodiak, a city tour explores its Russian history. Rivaling anywhere in Alaska for whales, keep watch offshore for fin, minke, and humpbacks. Late afternoon, fly back to Anchorage and this evening, enjoy a Farewell Dinner with your newfound friends.

. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Overnight: Hotel Captain Cook

**Anchorage** Enjoy breakfast, then transfer to the Anchorage

airport for your homewardbound flight. Breakfast