Alaska Explorer

July 20 – August 1, 2027

Airfare Included!

Starting from: $7,659 per person

13 Days, 2 Countries, 29 Meals

Booking Deadline: March 16, 2027

Low booking deposit of: $350 per person / $700 per cabin



Enjoy a land and cruise journey to Alaska as you explore Alaska’s history, wildlife, glaciers and the natural beauty of the 49th state.

Daily Itinerary

Tuesday, July 20, 2027 - Depart for Anchorage, Alaska

Transfer by motorcoach to a local airport for a flight* to Anchorage, Alaska. Upon arrival, transfer to the downtown hotel and enjoy this great city.

Flight Schedule: (Subject to change)
Alaska Airlines
20July27 AS1782 BWI 7:00am SEA 9:51am
20July27 AS0083 SEA 11:39am ANC 2:22pm

**Group air schedule is in economy class. Seat assignments are controlled by the airline. Specific seat requests cannot be guaranteed. Air upgrades may be available and are by request only and are not guaranteed. Any air upgrades or deviations must be requested at the time the initial deposit is made.*

**The hotels and itinerary are subject to change at any time without advanced notification and/or compensation.

Wednesday, July 21, 2027 - Anchorage

Enjoy touring around the greater Anchorage area including a small ship sightseeing cruise of the Portage Glacier.

Thursday, July 22, 2027 - Denali National Park

Today you'll take a motorcoach to Denali National Park & Preserve for a leisurely 3 night stay at this magnificent national treasure. (Lunch, Dinner)

Friday, July 23, 2027 - Denali National Park

Venture deep into Denali National Park on the **Tundra Wilderness Tour.** This excursion is a favorite among travelers. This 6 to 8 hour fully narrated sightseeing excursion takes you deep into the heart of Denali National Park. It's the best way to see wildlife and the majestic peaks of Denali. (weather permitting). (Breakfast, Snack Box, Lunch, Dinner)

Saturday, July 24, 2027 - Denali National Park

Explore on your own or book an optional excursion with an entire free day to explore at Denali National Park. (Breakfast, Dinner)

Sunday, July 25, 2027 - McKinley Explorer - Whittier

Enjoy a scenic rail journey aboard the glass-domed McKinley Explorer to Whittier, where you will embark on the,***Westerdam*** for a 7-night cruise. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Monday, July 26, 2027 - Hubbard Glacier (scenic cruising)

Enjoy a leisurely day of cruising, highlighted by an afternoon scenic cruise to Hubbard Glacier, North America's longest tidewater glacier. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Tuesday, July 27, 2027 - Glacier Bay (scenic cruising)

Cruise the ice-studded fjords of this national treasure for a full eight hours as a Park Service Ranger narrates. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Wednesday, July 28, 2027 - Skagway

Explore Alaska's colorful history, pristine wildlife and unrivaled natural beauty today in Skagway where at every turn, you'll find yourself immersed in gold rush lore. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Thursday, July 29, 207 - Juneau

No roads lead to Juneau, which gives the Alaskan capital a misty inscrutability. Book an optional excursion to the Mendenhall Glacier or a whale watching cruise to get the most out of your time in this interesting city. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Friday, July 30, 2027 - Ketchikan

Explore this unique Alaskan port, famous for its rich native culture, salmon fishing, totem poles, and scenic Misty Fjords. (Breakfast Lunch, Dinner)

Saturday, July 31, 2027 - Inside Passage (scenic cruising)

Relax and enjoy a full day of scenic Inside Passage cruising and immerse yourself in the beauty and elegance of your surroundings. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Sunday, August 1, 2027 - Vancouver, British Columbia - Central PA

Disembark the ship today in Vancouver and transfer by motorcoach to the airport for a flight* and transportation back to Central PA. (Breakfast)

Flight Schedule: (Subject to change)
Alaska Airlines
01Aug27 AS2262 11:50am SEA 12:57pm
01Aug27 AS1555 3:35pm IAD 11:36pm

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Highlights

- McKinley Explorer
- Three -night stay in Denali National Park
- Tundra Wilderness Tour
- Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve
- Hubbard Glacier

Included Benefits

- Roundtrip transportation from Central PA to a local international airport
- Roundtrip airfare to Anchorage, AK with return from Vancouver, British Columbia
- Transfers and sightseeing via deluxe motorcoach, train and ship, as specified in itinerary
- Accommodations in best available hotels/lodges including Denali Suites at the McKinley Chalet
- Holland America driver and guides' gratuities (on land portion)
- Seven-night cruise aboard the ***Westerdam*** in selected category
- All onboard meals and entertainment (specialty restaurants may have nominal fees)
- Dining Package while on land portion
- AAA Cocktail Reception
- Baggage handling
- Services of a AAA Discoveries Journey Manager

Holland America's Have It All Package (cruise portion only)

- Elite Beverage Package
- 1 Night Specialty Dining
- Prepaid Crew Appreciation
- Premium Wi-Fi Package (1st and 2nd guest in a stateroom only)
- $100 Shore Excursion Credit per person

General Info

Payment

Rates Per Person:

SS – Signature Suite: Double Occupancy $9,569 Single Occupancy $15,979
SY – Signature Suite: Double Occupancy $9,469 Single Occupancy $15,759
VA – Verandah: Double Occupancy $9,099 Single Occupancy $15,029
VB – Verandah: Double Occupancy $9,049 Single Occupancy $14,929
VC – Verandah: Double Occupancy $8,999 Single Occupancy $14,819

VD – Verandah: Double Occupancy $8,949 Single Occupancy $14,719
VE – Verandah: Double Occupancy $8,839 Single Occupancy $14,509
C – Oceanview: Double Occupancy $8,219 Single Occupancy $13,259
J – Interior: Double Occupancy $7,659 Single Occupancy $12,349

All non-members must add $60 to the above rate. 3rd/4th rates available upon request. Rates are subject to availability at time of booking and include taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges which are subject to change. All pricing and included features are based on a minimum of 30 full-fare passengers. Desired pick-up location is not guaranteed until passenger minimums are met.

The rates listed above include the following which are subject to change: Required Cruise Fees, Expenses of $324 per person double occupancy ($648 single occupancy) and Government Taxes of $400 per person double occupancy ($800 single occupancy).

Deposit of $350 per person/$700 per cabin will confirm your reservation. Final payment is due to AAA by **April 8, 2027**.

Cancellation/Penalties

From April 22 – 28, 2027	$350 per person/$700 cabin, plus any additional suppliers' fees
From April 29 – June 4, 2027	50% of gross fare per person, plus any additional suppliers' fees
After June 4, 2027	100% NON-REFUNDABLE

*Airfare is non-refundable after final payment.

Activity Level:

Moderate: Good mobility is required for this trip. Climbing stairs and standing for 2-3 hours at a time, as well as walking on uneven terrain may be necessary. Portions of the itinerary may include higher altitudes. The itinerary may involve longer days up to 12-14 hours in length. This activity level is not recommended for travelers with significant mobility concerns.

Travel Assistance

For personal comfort, group participants who need assistance are required to have a traveling companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the needed assistance.

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Frequently Asked Questions

What Travel Documents Do I Need?

Passport Required: Original, signed passport valid for 6 months beyond stay, and with at least one blank Visa page for Visa stamp(s) is required for this trip.

**Canada reserves the right to deny entry to anyone with a felony conviction, including a DUI record. AAA is not responsible if you are denied entry to Canada and no refund will be provided.*

Travel Requirements: As travel policies are rapidly changing, final requirements will be communicated prior to departure. Please see your Travel Advisor for additional information.

Do I Need Travel Insurance?

For your protection, AAA recommends travel insurance. Pre-existing medical conditions may be waived with proper coverage if travel insurance is purchased within 14 days of initial deposit only. Other conditions may apply; ask your travel agent. AAA recommends Allianz.

When Should I Book Excursions?

Your AAA Travel Advisor is happy to help reserve your choice of excursions. It's best to book them as soon as possible as they can sell out.

What Will The Weather Be Like?

Temperatures for Alaska in July average in the 70’s with cooler mornings and evenings in the 40s. Pack for a variety of temperatures; layers are suggested. Daytime, casual clothes that are designed for warmer climates and breezy higher temperatures, as well as comfortable walking shoes are recommended. For cruising, evenings require casual or semi-formal attire with a formal night and something orange for their Orange Party. Be prepared for potential inclement weather.

How Many Bags May I Bring?

Due to limited space while touring, all passengers are limited to one checked bag no more than 50lbs. You may also bring a small carry-on bag small enough to fit under your seat. Soft sided carry on bags no larger than 17?x14?x4? with a zippered enclosure are recommended. Wheeled carry-on cases that are used as carry-on luggage on airlines are too large and are not suitable as hand-carried luggage. Baggage fees are not included in the price of the trip. Baggage fees and other charges may be directly assessed by airlines or airport.

What is a AAA Discoveries Journey Manager?

A Discoveries Journey Manager travels with you on your entire journey. They are there to ensure your trip runs smoothly so you can sit back and relax. They are constantly working behind the scenes, whether it be at airport check-in or cruise disembarkation, they have you covered!

For reservations or more information please contact your AAA Central Penn Travel Advisor at 1-888-743-2844 or visit AAA.com.