Alaska Wilderness Quest

August 9 – 22, 2027

Airfare Included!

Starting from: $8,119 per person

14 Days, 2 Countries, 29 Meals

Booking Deadline: April 6, 2027

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

Embark on an Alaska Wilderness Quest, where glaciers gleam, wildlife roams, and untouched landscapes inspire awe. Explore remote shores, breathe crisp mountain air, and experience adventure and serenity on an unforgettable journey into nature's wild frontier.

Daily Itinerary

Monday, August 9, 2027 - Depart for Fairbanks, Alaska

Transfer by motorcoach to a local airport for an early morning flight* to Fairbanks, Alaska. Upon arrival transfer to the hotel and the enjoy the rest of the day/evening on your own to explore.

Flight Schedule: (Subject to change)
Alaska Airlines
09Aug27 AS1782 BWI 7:00am SEA 9:51am
09Aug27 AS0656 SEA 12:00pm FAI 2:55pm

**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.

Tuesday, August 10, 2027 - Fairbanks

This morning, you will pan for gold at the historical Gold Dredge 8 with free time in the afternoon for optional excursions.

Wednesday, August 11, 2027 - Denali National Park

Today, you will leave Fairbanks for Denali. This morning, board the sternwheeler ***Riverboat DISCOVERY*** for a narrated scenic cruise. This afternoon take a scenic drive by motorcoach to Denali for a three-night stay at this national treasure. (Lunch, Dinner)

Thursday, August 12, 2027 - Denali National Park

Venture deep into Denali National Park on the **Tundra Wilderness Tour.** This excursion is a favorite among travelers. This 6-8 hour fully narrated sightseeing excursion that takes you 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)

Friday, August 13, 2027 - Denali National Park

Today is an entire free day to explore Denali on your own or book an optional excursion!. (Breakfast, Dinner)

Saturday, August 14, 2027- Anchorage

Board the luxurious domed rail cars of the ***McKinley Explorer*** for your journey to Anchorage taking in the tranquil scenery along the way. (Breakfast, Lunch)

Sunday, August 15, 2027 - Whittier

Emjoy a scenic journey to Whittier, with an included stop at the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, before boarding your, the ***Nieuw Amsterdam*** for a 7-night cruise. (Dinner)

Monday, August 16, 2027 - Hubbard Glacier (scenic cruising)

Today will be a leisurely day highlighted by afternoon scenic cruising to Hubbard Glacier, North America's longest tidewater glacier. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Tuesday, August 17, 2027 - Glacier Bay (scenic cruising)

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

Wednesday, August 18, 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, August 19, 2027 - Juneau

No roads lead to Juneau, which gives the Alaskan capital a misty inscrutability. Consider booking an optional excursion to the Mendenhall Glacier or a Whale Watching Cruise to make your day complete in this unique city. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Friday, August 20, 2027 - Ketchikan

Ketchikan is known as the Salmon Capital of the World, explore this unique Alaskan port, famous for its rich native culture, salmon fishing, and scenic Misty Fjords. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Saturday, August 21, 2027 - Inside Passage (scenic cruising)

Relax and enjoy a full day of scenic cruising as we sail through the Inside Passage and immerse yourself in the exquisite scenery of the area. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Sunday, August 22, 2027 - Depart Vancouver, British Columbia for Central PA

Disembark the ship today in Vancouver and transfer by motorcoach to the airport for your return flight and transportation back to Central Pennsylvania. (Breakfast)

Flight Schedule: (Subject to change)
Alaska Airlines
22Aug27 AS2262 YVR 11:50am SEA 12:57pm
22Aug27 AS1555 SEA 3:35pm IAD 11:36pm

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Highlights

- Tundra Wilderness Tour in Denali National Park
- Riverboat *Discovery*
- McKinley Explorer
- Glacier Bay National Park and Hubbard Glacier
- Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center

Included Benefits

- Roundtrip transportation from Central PA to a local international airport
- Roundtrip airfare to Fairbanks, 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 McKinley Chalet
- Holland America driver and guide gratuities (on land portion)
- Seven-night cruise aboard the ***Nieuw Amsterdam*** 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

Rates Per Person:

SS – Signature Suite: Double Occupancy: $10,359 Single Occupancy: $17,269
VA – Verandah: Double Occupancy: $9,579 Single Occupancy: $15,709
VB – Verandah: Double Occupancy: $9,519 Single Occupancy: $15,609
VC – Verandah: Double Occupancy: $9,469 Single Occupancy: $15,499
VD – Verandah: Double Occupancy: $9,419 Single Occupancy: $15,399
VE – Verandah: Double Occupancy: $9,319 Single Occupancy: $15,189
C – Oceanview: Double Occupancy: $8,679 Single Occupancy: $13,929
J – Interior: Double Occupancy: $8,119 Single Occupancy: $13,049

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 and Expenses of $351 per person double occupancy ($702 single occupancy) and Government Taxes and Fees of $410 per person double occupancy ($820 single occupancy).

Deposit of $350 per person/$700 per cabin will confirm your reservation. Final payment is due to AAA by **April 28, 2027**.

Cancellation/Penalties

From May 12 – 18, 2027	$350 per person/$700 cabin, plus any additional suppliers' fees
From May 19 – June 24, 2027	50% of cruise fare per person, plus any additional suppliers' fees
After June 24, 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 person 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 August average in the 50s to 70s 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 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.