



VISALIA CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE

9 DAY HOLIDAY



# Alaska The Great Land

*featuring Prince William Sound and Denali National Park*

**Tour Dates:** June 19 – June 27, 2019

  
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# Alaska The Great Land

**9 Days • 13 Meals** Journey to the “Land of the Midnight Sun” where towering mountains, massive glaciers and abundant wildlife await your arrival.

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 13 Meals (3 dinners, 2 lunches and 8 breakfasts)
- ✓ Round trip airport transfers
- ✓ Spend 2 nights in Anchorage, Alaska’s most cosmopolitan city
- ✓ Ride the famed Alaska Railroad from Anchorage to the quaint Alaska town of Talkeetna
- ✓ Enjoy tall tales, foot stompin’ music and an Alaskan dinner at Alaska Cabin Nite
- ✓ Spend 2 nights at Denali National Park and enjoy a Natural History Tour of the park
- ✓ Take an optional helicopter “flightseeing” or river float trip
- ✓ Climb aboard the Riverboat *Discovery* for a narrated cruise along the Chena River
- ✓ Take an optional visit to the El Dorado Gold Camp
- ✓ Enjoy a delicious authentic Alaska Salmonbake dinner with a musical production of the *Golden Heart Review*
- ✓ Sightseeing stop at Worthington Glacier
- ✓ Enjoy a Prince William Sound Cruise aboard the *Valdez Spirit* with an included lunch
- ✓ Narrated city tour of Anchorage with a local guide
- ✓ \$45 in Mayflower Money



Enjoy a scenic ride aboard the Alaska Railroad to the quaint town of Talkeetna

### DAY 1 – Fly to Anchorage

Our flight to the “Land of the Midnight Sun” takes us to Anchorage, Alaska, where our Tour Manager greets us at the hotel at 6:00 p.m. The first day of travel will come to a quiet close as we explore the new surroundings and prepare for our adventure.

### DAY 2 – Alaska Railroad and Alaska Cabin Nite

This morning we climb aboard the Alaska Railroad for a scenic ride to the quaint town of Talkeetna. Watch for glimpses of McKinley and the rest of the Alaska Range through the stands of spruce and pine. Enjoy lunch on your own in this sleepy frontier town which is the jumping off point for those climbers wishing to tackle Denali. Later, we continue up the George Parks Highway to Denali National Park. We arrive at Denali with time to relax and enjoy the natural beauty of the park. Later, sample Alaskan cuisine at Alaska Cabin Nite where you’ll enjoy an all-you-can-eat Alaska dinner. Then sit back for a hilarious show of tall tales, fun songs and foot-stompin’ music.

**Meals: B, D**

### DAY 3 – Denali National Park

An experienced local guide conducts today’s Natural History Tour of Denali National Park. Weather permitting, see North America’s tallest mountain - Mt. McKinley. Be on the lookout for the caribou, moose, grizzlies, wolves and Dall sheep that inhabit the park. You’ll learn about Denali’s varied and interesting collection of birdlife as well as the over 650 species of flowering plants. **Meal: B, Box Lunch**

### DAY 4 – Denali Optional Tours and Alaska Salmonbake Dinner with Show

This morning is free in Denali to take advantage of the optional excursions available here. You may wish to take an optional “flightseeing” trip on a helicopter through Denali National Park, or a river float trip on the Nenana River. Later, we continue up the George



## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**Days One and Eight** – Hilton Hotel, Anchorage, Alaska

**Days Two and Three** – Grande Denali Lodge, Denali National Park, Alaska

**Days Four and Five** – Wedgewood Resort, Fairbanks, Alaska

**Days Six and Seven** – Best Western Valdez Harbor Inn, Valdez, Alaska



Enjoy a narrated cruise along the Chena River aboard the *Riverboat Discovery*



Cruise majestic Prince William Sound aboard the *Valdez Spirit*

Parks Highway to Fairbanks. Dinner tonight takes place at Pioneer Park. A delightful array of Alaskan specialties are served featuring king salmon and halibut. Entertainment this evening is at the Palace Theater with a musical revue presenting Golden Heart Review.

**Meals: B, D**

#### DAY 5 – Fairbanks

This morning we tour the city of Fairbanks. Enjoy the colorful past and exciting present in Alaska's second largest city. Then, we cast off aboard *Riverboat Discovery*, the only authentic sternwheeler in Alaska. Your narrated cruise takes you to Old Chena Village where native Alaskan guides show the culture and lifestyle of the original Alaskans. After lunch, you can join us on an optional visit to the El Dorado Gold Camp for a rail journey through an old mining camp. Here you'll be able to try your hand at gold panning in an authentic setting. **Meal: B**

#### DAY 6 – Alaska Highway to Valdez

Leave Fairbanks this morning and travel south along the Alaska Highway toward Valdez. Follow the route of the Alaska Pipeline and stop at historic Rika's Roadhouse. This well-known gathering place for long-ago traders, gold miners and trappers offers modern-day travelers a glance into Alaska's past. Admire the towering Chugach Mountains as we travel through Thompson Pass on our way to Valdez. We'll stop at Worthington Glacier for a close look at this massive ice floe before arriving at our hotel for the next two nights.

**Meal: B**

#### DAY 7 – Prince William Sound Cruising

Valdez, known as the "Switzerland of Alaska," is the southern terminus of the 800-mile-long Trans-Alaska oil pipeline. Today, we cruise through the glacier-carved fjords and passageways of Prince William Sound aboard the *Valdez Spirit*. Enjoy lunch on board as you view

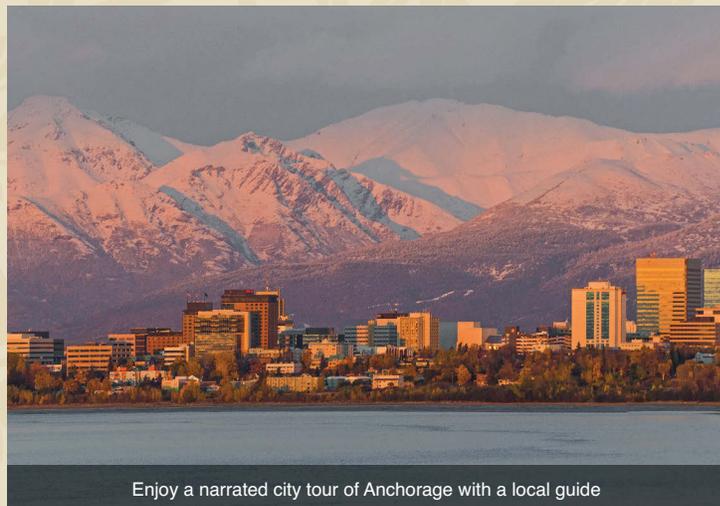
sea lions, whales and puffins along the majestic beauty of Alaska's rugged shoreline. **Meals: B, L**

#### DAY 8 – Anchorage

After breakfast, we travel to Anchorage via the Glenn Highway. Sandwiched between two mountain ranges, the Talkeetna to the north and the Chugach to the south, this highway is filled with scenic beauty. We pass through the agriculturally rich Mat-Su Valley before arriving in Anchorage. A brief city tour introduces us to Alaska's largest city. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner, which provides an opportunity to reminisce about our exciting journey. **Meals: B, D**

#### DAY 9 – Travel Home

Today we'll say good-bye to Alaska – land of mountain peaks, mighty rivers and spectacular glaciers. Share your memories of Alaska The Great Land with your family and friends at home. **Meal: B**



Enjoy a narrated city tour of Anchorage with a local guide



Spend two nights at Denali National Park

2019 DEPARTURE	PER PERSON TWIN ROOM	SINGLE ROOM
June 19	\$4,674	add \$1,759

**Pricing includes roundtrip local transfers from Visalia to Fresno Airport and roundtrip airfare from Fresno**

*Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.*

**TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL**



**Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) – \$150 per person (optional)**

This nonrefundable fee waives all cancellation fees when we are notified of cancellation one day before the tour departs. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP guarantees full refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line, and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets were provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours. If you purchase the optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP), you will be refunded all payments, including deposit amount, less the TPP premium amount.

**Cancellation Charges Without Traveler's Protection Plan (TPP)**

- 61 days and more – deposit amount
  - 60 – 31 days – 20% of the tour cost
  - 30 – 15 days – 30% of the tour cost
  - 14 – 1 day prior – 40% of the tour cost
  - Day of departure or early departure from tour – 100% of the tour cost
- No refund on unused portion

**Exclusions:** Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours.

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