

Alaska

ROUND TRIP AIR

Anchorage to Fairbanks

JULY 30 - AUG. 6, 2021 8 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

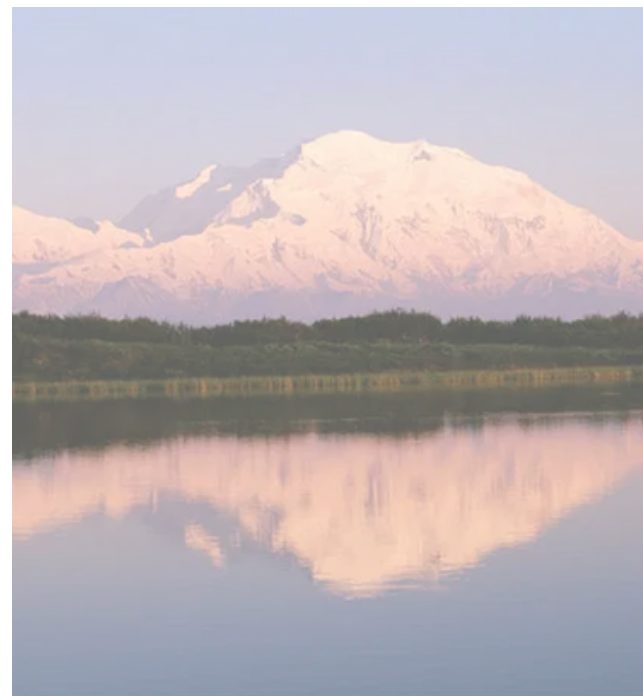
- Travel from Anchorage to Fairbanks
- Anchorage, Alaska (2 nights)
- Alaska Railroad along Turnagain Arm from Anchorage to Seward
- Dog Sled Tour & Kennel Visit
- Kenai Fjords Cruise with Lunch
- Luxury Dome Rail Anchorage to Denali
- Denali National Park (2 nights)
- Denali Tundra Wilderness Tour with Snack
- Fairbanks (2 nights)
- Salmon Bake Dinner at Pioneer Park
- Gold Dredge #8 - Pan for Gold
- Lunch at Riverboat Discovery Landing
- Riverboat Discovery on Chena River

Prices Per Person Double Occ (includes air from Minneapolis):
Double: \$3,990 Triple: \$3,890 Quad: \$3,890 Single: \$4,990
Deposit: \$500 due upon sign-up Final due: May 14, 2021
We recommend travel insurance to protect your vacation.

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On this vacation you visit the training camp of Mitch Seavey, Iditarod champion. Ride the Alaska Railroad through Grandview aptly named as the views are "grand". Plus...spend a full day exploring Fairbanks from the gold rush history to cruising the on the rivers in the area.

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Fri., July 30 – Anchorage

You will be transported to the Minneapolis for our **flight** that departs from **Minneapolis, MN, for Anchorage, AK**. We will be transferred to our hotel. Vacation begins with arrival at your hotel in Anchorage. Enjoy the rest of the day in Alaska's largest city. Our hotel is situated on Lake Spennard. There will be time to explore Anchorage this afternoon.

Hotel: Lakefront Anchorage

Sat., July 31 – Anchorage / Seward (CB)

Depart Anchorage by rail with **Alaska Railroad** this morning. Follow the shores of **Turnagain Arm**, a part of **Cook Inlet** that is famous for having the second highest tidal swing on earth. Look for Dall sheep and moose as you near the summit at Moose Pass. After passing **Kenai Lake**, you will begin the descent into the scenic port town of **Seward**, located on beautiful Resurrection Bay. There is a no-host cafe style dining car aboard the train for meal service. This afternoon your adventure begins with a **two-mile dog sled ride**. Feel the power and the energy as these sled dogs are harnessed to the comfortable wheeled sleds. Your Iditarod veteran guide will thrill you with stories from the trail, as you mush through the Alaskan wilderness **to the base of Resurrection Mountain and along Box Canyon Creek**. Upon your return **tour the kennel facilities**, laugh as a guest is dressed up as an Iditarod musher, and cuddle adorable husky puppies. All guides are Iditarod racers, and offer a delightfully humorous, behind-the-scenes look at the "Last Great Race". This is guaranteed to be one of the highlights of your vacation.

Hotel: the Harbor 360 Hotel

Sun., Aug. 1 – Seward / Anchorage (CB, L)

Your morning is free to explore Seward. Later morning, we depart on a **6-hour cruise** that travels throughout the **Kenai Fjords National Park and the Chiswell Islands National Wildlife Refuge**.

Covering 120 miles, the trip is narrated by a National Park Ranger, who is highly adept at spotting wildlife, pointing out the may spectacular sights, and fielding any questions you may have. Wildlife is abundant throughout the National Park, and the tidewater glaciers are massive. You'll visit the mighty **Aialik Glacier** where guests often witness calving from a close distance. This cruise also offers the best opportunity for whale watching in Alaska. With photo opportunities galore, your cruise will be unforgettable. Onboard you can enjoy an included **deli-style lunch**. After the cruise we depart for Anchorage by motorcoach. Our trip north features the spectacular scenery of **Moose Pass and Turnagain Pass**. This area is well regarded for its dramatic alpine scenery and hanging glaciers. Your overnight is here in **Anchorage**.

Hotel: Lakefront Anchorage

Mon., Aug. 2 – Anchorage / Denali National Park (CB)

Today transfer from your hotel to the Anchorage Rail Depot to board the **Luxury Dome Rail from Anchorage to Denali**. Traveling between Anchorage and Denali Park, the train crosses the **Knik River** with the **Chugach Mountains** as a backdrop. Just south of **Talkeetna**, watch for **views of Denali** rising high above the **Susitna River**. North of Talkeetna, the tracks veer away from the road system and into the backcountry Hurricane area; this region offers views of the snaking **Indian River**, the occasional remote cabin and the expansive sight of **Hurricane Gulch** from the top of a 296-foot bridge. Just south of Denali National Park, **Broad Pass** offers majestic views of the Alaska Range in all directions. Your on-board Rail Guide will keep you posted on points of interest along the way. A no-host, full-service restaurant is available on the lower level and coffee, tea and a no-host bar are available in the dome area for your enjoyment. Upon arrival you will be shuttled to our hotel in **Denali**. We spend **two nights at our lodging in Denali at the Denali Bluffs Hotel**.

Hotel: Denali Bluffs Hotel

CB=Continental Breakfast; L=Lunch; S=Snack; D=Dinner

Tues., Aug. 3 – Denali National Park Tundra Wilderness Tour (S)

Today you will **travel 42 miles into Denali National Park to Stony Hill Overlook**. Incredible scenery, a narrated history of the park road, and some of the best opportunities to view the park's wildlife inhabitants await you on this tour. The **Tundra Wilderness Tour** will guide you along a spectacular road corridor, as Denali's wildlife moves at its own pace and according to the seasons. A full view of Denali is a rare treat in Denali National Park & Preserve, your tour will continue beyond the Toklat rest area to Stony Hill Overlook to provide truly awe-inspiring views of North America's highest peak. A small **snack is included** on this tour.

Hotel: Denali Bluffs Hotel

Wed., Aug. 4 – Denali National Park / Fairbanks (D)

This morning you have more time to explore the Park. Around 1 pm you board the motorcoach taking you to **Fairbanks**. Enjoy the scenery of the river wrapped up in a private Alaskan cottage setting at our lodging in Fairbanks. We are just a few miles from the Fairbanks airport, as well as downtown Fairbanks. The property is situated along the banks of the **Chena River**. This evening enjoy the **Alaska Salmon Bake at Pioneer Park**. In addition to delicious salmon, halibut and cod prime rib cooked over wood on a special outdoor grill is available. Shuttle back to our Resort after dinner.

Hotel: River's Edge Resort

Thurs., Aug. 5 - Fairbanks (L)

Your adventure begins this morning at **Gold Dredge #8** with a ride on a replica of the **Tanana Valley Railroad** through the gold fields of Interior Alaska. Before you board the train, enjoy a close view of the **Trans Alaska Pipeline** and informational displays about the pipeline. Once aboard the train our conductor and commentators provide lively commentary about the history of mining in Alaska. The train ride takes you to the dredge where you will see firsthand how the dredge worked the gold fields. Once the train arrives at camp, you will receive a brief but informative course in mining, and then you will **try panning for yourself!** Then **lunch is included at Alaska Riverways** before we board the **Riverboat Sternwheeler Discovery** for an exciting **Chena River adventure**. During the next 3 hours you will be taken into the heart of Alaska and the heart of a family who has made the rivers of Alaska a way of life for four generations. You will **see a bush floatplane taking off alongside a "bush" style runway; visit the home and kennels of the late four-time iditarod winner Susan Butcher, and gain insight into the ancient Athabascan Indian culture. Alaskan native guide who have worked and lived in Alaska will take you on a personalized tour of the Chena Indian Village.**

Hotel: River's Edge Resort

Fri., Aug. 6 - Home

Today your arrangements with Knightly Tours end. Your **transfer from the hotel to the Fairbanks International Airport** for your **flight to Minneapolis** are included. You will be met at the airport and transferred to your drop off points.

This vacation is through Alaska-based Knightly Tours, customized for Utopia Tours.

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Alaska has 6,640 miles of coastline and, including islands, has 33,904 miles of shoreline.

Some of the different types of whales in Alaska. The Beluga, Humpback, Gray, Orca, Bowhead, Blue, Right, and Minke. The most common whales that you will see whale watching in Alaska are the Orca and humpback whales.

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TOUR INCLUDES:

Transfers to/from Minneapolis Airport
 Airfare from Minneapolis to Anchorage, AK
 Knightly Tours "Puffin" Tour
 Local Tour Guide
 Attractions and Meals as listed
 Taxes, fees, and port expenses
 Transfers during tour
 Airfare from Fairbanks, AK, to Minneapolis

Take part in the round trip air tour that departs from Anchorage and ends in Fairbanks.

This custom vacation includes land, rail, and sea adventures to make this an unforgettable vacation.

Two nights in Anchorage, Denali National Park, and Fairbanks to get the best experience in Alaska!



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