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ADVENTURE WONDERLAND

DREAMING OF ALASKA AND ADVENTURE? Have a week or two of vacation, and want to make the most of it? Are you eager to not just see, but to ***actively experience***, to learn about, and to have some real **fun** in Alaska? Ready to hike, sea kayak, raft, glacier trek, ice climb, canoe, view wildlife, eat like a king, and, in short, live large under the midnight sun?

Well then you've come to the right place: ***Get Up & Go! Tours*** offers high quality yet affordable **Multi-Sport**, **Hiking**, **Family**, and **Custom/Private** Alaska tours that are truly, as our slogan says, '***Active, Informative, Fun!'***

- ***ACTIVE:*** Our professionally guided, small group tours do more than just show you Alaska: regardless of which tour itinerary or accommodation style you choose, **fantastic day hikes and a variety of uniquely Alaskan 'multi-sport' adventure activities** get you off the beaten track, up, and going in amazing Alaska virtually every day of the tour!
- ***INFORMATIVE:*** Along with all the exciting outdoor activities, frequent wildlife viewing opportunities, and beautiful scenery, daily background and natural history briefings by our experienced guides **enrich your Alaska experience** by helping you to better understand and appreciate the very special nature of "The Great Land."
- ***FUN!*** Our fantastic guides and clients are people like you: **active, curious**, **friendly**, **fun-loving**, **and hungry for new experiences**. You'll be in good company with ***Get Up & Go!*** and are sure to make some new friends.

GET UP & GO! Our 3 to 15-day, ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** Alaska tours cater to adventurous, outdoor-oriented people who understand that to truly experience Alaska you have to lace up your boots or grab a paddle, oar, or crampons and get out there!

ADDITIONAL ALASKA TOUR FEATURES: In addition to the great daily hiking and **included** multi-sport adventure activities, natural history information, and fun, all ***Get Up & Go!*** tours also include most or all meals (delicious, fresh, abundant food!); small groups (4-12 clients per tour, eight average); all local transportation (including local flights, ferries and water taxis); all camping, and/or lodging costs; regular wildlife viewing opportunities; beautiful Alaskan scenery; and professional, friendly, knowledgeable guides who will work hard to make your Alaska adventure the trip of a lifetime!

"Hi! I just returned from an amazing **Alaska Explorer** ***trip with (your guides) Marci and Amanda. This was definitely the best vacation I have ever taken!*** *Alaska was so completely different from anything that I have ever been exposed to. The whole trip was so well planned out, but Amanda and Marci didn't make it feel like a regular touristy trip…. They are so knowledgeable and fun to be around, plus the food was great!… Our guides were great, and I would love to go on another trip with them again in the future! I'm going to recommend this trip to everyone that I know that loves the outdoors because I had such a great time. Thanks for a great experience!* **--Hilary Blum**; New Jersey; ***Alaska Explorer***

WHO COMES ON OUR TOURS? If you are a **healthy**, **adventurous**, **friendly**, and **fun-loving person** who enjoys **hiking** and **being active** in the outdoors, and have a decent or better fitness level, you'll fit right in! ***No previous experience is necessary for any activity on any tour***. Except on our Family tours, most ***Get Up & Go!*** tours are for adults aged 18 and over. Mature teens are permitted when traveling with an adult. About a quarter of our clients are solo travelers, so even if you don't have a travel companion, please don't be afraid to come on your own: you're sure to have fun and make some new friends!

ABOUT OUR TOURS

Get Up & Go! Alaska Tour Types

ALASKA MULTI-SPORT / HIKING TOURS: These are our most popular tours: 3 to 15-day ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** Alaska adventures that get you 'up and going' in Alaska's most beautiful national parks and natural areas. A variety of uniquely Alaskan 'multi-sport' activities such as sea kayaking, sometimes to active glaciers, glacier trekking (or optional introductory ice climbing courses), lake or river canoeing, and whitewater rafting, along with truly memorable day hiking, are **INCLUDED** highlights of every tour: Unlike with some other tour operators, there are ***no extra costs for the uniquely Alaskan adventure activities you're coming up here to experience***. Our various tours are available in either '**Camp & Cabin', Yurt-based**, or **Lodge-based** formats (see the Accommodations section below for details).

All of our tours feature well designed, moderately paced itineraries, small groups (minimum 4, maximum 11 or 12; average 9), scenic campgrounds and/or charming, well situated lodges, top quality equipment, and of course all the fantastic Alaskan scenery, day hiking and adventure sports you desire, as well as regular natural history briefings and genuine good times!

Many of our tours also feature **included** scenic bush plane flights (to access more remote destinations), Alaska Marine Highway ferry trips, water taxis, and of course all local overland transport. See the ***Alaska Tour Features*** section just below for more information about our tours, and the specific tour descriptions later in this brochure for detailed outlines of our various tour itineraries. And of course, please feel free to call or email with any questions: **1.888.868.4147** or **1.907.245.0795**.

"I just wanted to tell you that I had a WONDERFUL trip this summer!… *Your 10-day* (Alaska Explorer) *package was perfect for me. I felt fortunate to see as much as I did. It was the kind of trip where every day just got better and better! I (also) wanted to tell you that I really appreciated all that your guides did for us. They really worked well together as a team and were always conscious of our needs… and both where full of knowledge and facts about Alaska. I credit my amazing experience, to their professionalism, skills and definitely, their personalities! Not to mention the fantastic meals :-). I love to hike and was not sure that I would want to do the multi-sport package but I was so thrilled by each experience and it really added to the adventure! When people ask me about (my) trip, I always mention* **Get Up and Go! Tours**. *Thanks again and if I ever return to Alaska it will be with you guys :-)"* **–Christine Fitzgerald**, Middleboro, Massachusetts; ***Alaska Explorer***

ALASKA FAMILY ADVENTURE TOURS: Our ***Alaska Family Explorer*** tour is for families with children ages 10 and above (or younger on some trips, please inquire). This fun and memorable 9-day tour is designed with kids and families in mind, and features a variety of beautiful scenery, two spectacular national parks (Denali and Kenai Fjords), walk-up (and walk-on!) glaciers, great wildlife-viewing opportunities, as much hiking and other outdoor activities as you're interested in, great food, and a friendly and experienced guide! **Lodge-based**. See page 23 for complete Family tour details.

"We were 100% satisfied… From the initial planning to taking care of the smallest details and your flexibility *-- should we want to take a trip again, you'd be the one to call."* **--Peter Cornelius**, Santa Cruz, California

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Our **ALASKA CUSTOM & PRIVATE TOURS** allow groups and families, large or small, to enjoy a custom-designed, and/or private Alaska adventure of any length, guided or unguided. Please contact us for more information: we can help you design the perfect vacation for your pre-formed group and make all the arrangements for you. **1.907.245.0795**.

"Just got back today and wanted to let you know we had a wonderful time and enjoyed things immensely, thanks to your efforts. *The trip was one of the best we ever took, and you helped make it that way… The lodges were wonderful, clean, beautifully set, and the owners were most friendly and cooperative. The outings you arranged for us were well worthwhile and enjoyable. The people we met were well learned and expressive: really nice people… I especially commend you on the thoroughness of the itinerary, it made everything very plain and easy to follow, and was very informative and enjoyable to read. All in all, a very good trip. If you need a reference please call on me."* **--Zvi Herschman**, Hempstead, NY; **custom tour**

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Get Up & Go! Alaska Tour Accommodation Styles

IN OR OUT? 'CAMP & CABIN', YURT, & LODGE-BASED ALASKA TOURS

Because different people have different concepts of just exactly what getting active in the great outdoors means, we offer different tour itineraries in **'Camp & Cabin,' Yurt-based**, and **Lodge-based** formats. Be assured that regardless of which style of accommodation you choose, all **Get Up & Go!** tours are designed to get you "Up and Going" in the beautiful wilds of Alaska, actively experiencing it for yourself with great daily hiking and multi-sport adventure activities. The tours, itineraries and activities are the same: the only essential difference is where you sleep at night.

"Dear Geoff: I want to convey to you my complete satisfaction with the* Get Up and Go! *tour my son and I just returned from last week. The trip was fabulous--very well planned and brilliantly executed. *Our guide was superb, always flexible, well informed, inexhaustible, upbeat, helpful, and just plain fun to be with. Virtually every aspect of the tour exceeded my expectations--especially the meals. Prior to the trip I was braced for MREs or Mac 'n Cheese. Instead we had fresh salmon, halibut, fajitas, enchiladas, lasagna, steak, et al. They really did a marvelous job with the meals--and with every other detail of the trip.*

"We will come again to Alaska, and when we do we will book again with you. Thanks for a great tour. Sincerely, Carl Smith"
—Carl Smith, Alexandria, Virginia

"Thanks for a great tour! I don't think the 12 people on the tour could have been a better group of people. Our guide far exceeded my expectations with their great food, wonderful senses of humor, and amazing ability to make every activity better just by being there. *Seeing 6 moose, 12 grizzly bears, 4 river otters, 6 beavers, 10 caribou, a couple dozen bald eagles, 5 seals, hundreds of salmon, and a dozen sea otters was incredible. The lunar eclipse, huge Northern lights show, and perfect weather did not hurt either. I hope Marci is around for a couple more seasons because I want to go on the Kenai trip and now my brother wants to go on the Arctic trip with me."* **--Zack Hebert**, Eureka Springs, AR; ***Alaska, Kenai***, and ***Arctic Explorers***

CAMPING AND 'CAMP & CABIN'-BASED TOURS: **Even if you've never camped before, be assured that it's easier and more comfortable than you might think** (and much cheaper than staying in hotels or lodges).

The beautiful natural settings of our campgrounds (and of our new 'Solar Bunkhouse'), the long hours of Alaska summer daylight, our helpful guides, high quality tents, and the tremendous camp food we serve up all make camping in Alaska a pleasurable and unforgettable experience! Sleeping bags and pads are the only gear you need to bring (or rent them cheaply from us, with advance notice), and showers are available almost every day. 'Camp & Cabin'-based tours also feature 1 to 3 nights per trip (depending on which itinerary you select) of comfortable, indoor lodging in remotely located, charming, and cozy cabins, boutique lodge rooms, or small but private and comfortable bunkhouse rooms. Our 6-day Mountains & Glaciers and 6-day Alaska Ranger trips are both offered in 'Camp & Cabin' format. These are our most popular and inexpensive tours.

"Now that I am home I can't help but wonder if I will ever recover from the trip of a lifetime... *I had an absolute ball and my only reservation about doing it all again is my fear that it could never ever be as good as the first time!"*
–Dudley Chignall, Essex, England

"I have just returned from an amazing Alaska adventure with your tour guides. I must tell you that your team was encouraging, informative, and downright FUN! *I will definitely recommend and return to* ***Get Up & Go!*** *for future outings!"*
–Valerie Polk, Savannah, Georgia

LODGE & YURT-BASED TOURS: **If you love being active in the Great Outdoors but are just not a camping kind of person, a yurt or lodge-based tour is the way to go!** ***Lodge-based tours offer the same great destinations, hiking and adventure activities, and high quality guides as our 'Camp & Cabin'-based trips***: the only real difference is the end-of-the-day accommodations. Our lodges, cabins, yurts, and hotels are all friendly, welcoming places chosen for their scenic locations, proximity to places of interest and charm. Depending on their location, most lodges, modern cabins and yurts feature private baths and showers, while the yurts (on the ***Kenai Fjords*** mini-tour) are a bit more rustic (they are fully furnished, beautifully decorated, heated, electrified, and beautifully set), with shared (but private and very nearby) bathroom facilities.

"I don't typically do this following a trip, but this trip was so sensational I really need to let you know. *Tim and I were beyond satisfied with the great itinerary, optional opportunities, and terrific planning for our 10 days in Alaska…. Thanks for offering such a great way to see Alaska and having the good sense to pick such a great guide. I'll spread the word to my traveling friends."* **–Joan & Tim Fulton**, York, PA; Lodge-based ***Alaska Explorer***

Get Up & Go! Alaska Tour Features

MULTI-SPORT/HIKING ADVENTURE, ALASKAN STYLE! We get you out there, up, active, and having fun in the wilds of Alaska! All ***Get Up & Go!*** tour itineraries—whether 'Camp & Cabin,' or Lodge-based—are highlighted by ***included*** opportunities for you to try your hand at a variety of uniquely Alaskan multi-sport activities, including **sea kayaking** to the face of a glacier, **glacier trekking** (or optional **ice climbing**), **whitewater river rafting**, **canoeing**, and more.

Never tried some of these before? Don't worry, *NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY FOR ANY ACTIVITY!* These activities are professionally guided, easier, and, while not without some risk, safer than they might seem, tremendously fun, and even empowering! **YES, YOU CAN DO IT!** Taking a ***Get Up & Go!*** Alaska tour can be the opportunity you've been looking for to try some of these exciting adventure sports for yourself. And if you're an old hand, Alaska serves up beautiful, world-class settings for these activities that you won't soon forget!

Superb **fishing**, **glacier** and **wildlife-viewing day cruises**, scenic mountain **"flight-seeing"** trips, and even **helicopter-accessed, glacier-top dogsled mushing** (!) are also optionally available on many of our tours (or before or afterward).

ALASKA IS A HIKER'S PARADISE: Along with all the exciting multi-sport activities and spectacular Alaskan scenery and wildlife, all ***Get Up & Go!*** tours are highlighted by **fantastic daily hiking** opportunities. These beautiful hikes are of varying distances and difficulty levels. Long or short, challenging or casual: ***there's something for everyone of moderate fitness or better***. And because our tours are fully supported and basecamp oriented, ***you never have to carry more than a lightweight daypack***. Whether you want to "go big," or enjoy a more leisurely pace, you are definitely going to love the hiking!

"… I had such an awesome time and certainly did things I never imagined I would. *Matthew and Dave were excellent guides, and I had an opportunity to go 'extreme' with both of them on two separate hikes. It was definitely a trip of a lifetime."* —**Paul Bradley**, Toronto, ***Alaska Explorer*** and ***Mountains & Glaciers***

ALASKA'S AMAZING FLORA, BIRD AND WILDLIFE: In addition to getting you up and going in the Alaskan wilds, all **Get Up & Go!** tours are highlighted by regular wildlife-viewing opportunities. Depending on which tour itinerary you choose you'll have excellent chances to view grizzly and black bears, caribou, moose, wolves (if you're especially lucky), Dall mountain sheep, beavers, sea otters, sea lions, harbor seals, humpback whales, orcas, spawning salmon, and many more species, all in their natural coastal, or sub-arctic tundra, taiga, or boreal forest habitats. An amazing diversity of bird-life, including bald and golden eagles, arctic terns, puffins, loons, trumpeter swans and innumerable other species, as well as a profusion of colorful wildflowers, are all abundant.

QUALITY LEADERSHIP: Recognizing that the guide is the single most important factor in the success or failure of any guided trip, we employ some of the very best! In addition to being knowledgeable about Alaskan human and natural history, our experienced guides are friendly, helpful, multi-talented, and conscientious: he or she will take a personal interest in you, and work hard to assure that your vacation is the active, enjoyable, and memorable experience you expect!

Your hard-working guide will organize and coordinate the daily schedule and activities, keep you informed, guide you on hikes and adventures, feed you (and quite well at that: the food is a real highlight of all of our trips!), transport you, handle all the details and any unexpected problems that might arise, and, in a nutshell, do what it takes to make sure that the trip is enjoyable and successful. You can relax knowing you'll be in good hands with ***Get Up & Go!***

"Hey boys, in writing this letter I could not help but remember my fearless, Alaskan guides, Geoff and Matthew, who did it all to assure us a great time! You are truly the ultimate campers! *Thanks again for a wonderful vacation, you guys put together a great trip, which I for one intend on repeating. I will certainly recommend you guys to anyone! It was a lot of fun!"* **–Alejandro Bates**, Palm Beach, Florida

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"Geoff, Just wanted to let you know the trip was an amazing life experience...Alaska is incredible. *Our guides were fantastic and I enjoyed their company. Thanks for everything."* **--Steve Giampaolo**, New York. ***Alaska Explorer***

RECIPE FOR SATISFACTION: A RELAXING PACE AND GREAT FOOD! We don't just rush you around: most ***Get Up & Go!*** tour itineraries feature a majority of two and three-night stops, which means more full, travel-free days for hiking and adventuring, less time spent packing and unpacking and more time for relaxing and enjoying yourself and the great Alaskan outdoors.

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On our **'Camp & Cabin'-based** tours, days are climaxed by exceptional, multi-course camp meals, featuring fresh seafood, meats, grains, vegetables, fruits, and desserts! Most or all meals on 'Camp & Cabin'-based tours, and all lunches and some breakfasts and dinners on **Lodge-based tours** are included (see our various tour description sheets for details). Non-included meals are arranged by your guide, and are taken at our lodges, in local restaurants, or on the ferry, and are paid for locally, giving you more choice and control of costs. Vegans, vegetarians, gluten-free, and many special diets can also be catered to, please list any dietary restrictions or preferences on your ***Tour Reservation Form***. You're going to love our food!

"The highlight of my entire vacation was the 'hands on' experience with you and the group in Alaska. *It was truly an adventure, and would have to be ranked right at the top of my favorite places and trips I've taken. I hope to travel with you again on one of your future tours. Thanks for a great time."* **—Eddie Brower**, Secaucus, New Jersey

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MODES OF TRANSPORT: We travel overland, from campsite to campsite or lodge to lodge, in rugged 15-passenger vans. On many tours we take to the sea or air to travel to more remote or otherwise inaccessible destinations via the Alaska Marine Highway (the state ferry), private "water taxis," or scenic bush plane flights (all are included in the tour price).

ADDITIONAL TOUR FEATURES: All of our tours feature well designed, moderately paced itineraries, small groups (maximum 11 or 12, average ~9 guests), scenic campgrounds and/or charming, well situated boutique lodges, all listed entrance fees, top-quality equipment, and of course all the scenery, hiking, and multi-sport adventure activities you desire!

"Hey folks, Truly outstanding and unforgettable experience! *I just wanted to thank you and your guides for a wonderful 10-day journey. They were the consummate professionals and always saw to the comfort and well being and experience of all participants. Am looking forward to my next trip with you folks."* **–Reginald Hsu**, San Francisco. ***Alaska Explorer***

MORE THAN JUST A VACATION—AN ENRICHING EXPERIENCE: As mentioned above, along with everything else—the great daily hiking, the multi-sport adventure activities, the good company, the leisurely trip pace, the delicious food, and the amazing Alaskan wildlife and scenic splendor—all of our trips feature a strong (yet low key and informal) educational component as well.

The human and natural history of Alaska—the people, places, wildlife, flora, and geography—spring to life with regular and informal briefings and discussions led by our guides. Learning about the fascinating history of the places you are visiting, and the natural things you are seeing can greatly enhance your Alaskan adventure, transforming it from a simple "vacation" into a more enjoyable and even meaningful experience. At ***Get Up & Go! Tours,*** we take pride in sharing our knowledge, insight, and experience with our clients, as we feel that this accents and distinguishes our tours as unique, special, and more well rounded experiences. It's even part of our motto: ***Get Up & Go! Tours***: 'The ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** way to experience the ***real*** Alaska.'

"I just wanted to tell you how exciting our adventure was. We could not have had a better experience than we had with **Get Up and Go Tours.** *The guide was excellent. You should be very proud of what your company has to offer. I would, without reservation, recommend your company to anyone who wants to experience Alaska.*

"Once again, many thanks," **--Dennis and Gayle Brandon**, Wilmington NC, ***Alaska Explorer***

SO COME ON—EXPERIENCE WILD ALASKA WITH *GET UP AND GO! TOURS*

Alaska truly is a magical land, rich in beauty, natural splendor, and uncommon opportunities for both adventure and escape. It's still-being-formed geography and landscapes, vast wildernesses, abundant wildlife, and remote situation at the far edge of both the North American continent and the too-hectic, modern world make it an idyllic, natural getaway destination. (Check out the **Why Alaska?** page of our website for more information about Alaska and its many attractions).

Our active, small-group style of travel makes it easy for you to actively experience and get to know this larger-than-life adventure wonderland for yourself on one of our affordable and well-planned and executed tours, with the friendly assistance of our knowledgeable, professional guides. Even the food is great! So why not get the most from your Alaska vacation on a ***Get Up & Go!*** **Alaska tour: The** ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** **way to experience the** ***real*** **Alaska.**

"Just completed the **Alaska Ranger** ***tour and thoroughly enjoyed the experience****. We got the opportunity to experience Alaska, whitewater rafting, canoeing, and glacier trekking. The camping was great and the meals were excellent. Dave was a great and knowledgeable guide. Would go again!"*
–Lynn Morris, Goshen, Indiana, ***Alaska Ranger***

ALASKA TOUR ITINERARIES

3 to 15-Day Alaska Adventures

FOUR DIFFERENT 3, 6 & 10-DAY* MULTI-SPORT/ HIKING TOURS, & ONE 9-DAY FAMILY TOUR

Each of these tour itineraries features different sets of attractive Alaska destinations, hikes, and included multi-sport adventure activities. See our ***Alaska Destinations & Activities Comparison Charts*** on the following page for quick comparisons of the features of each of the various itineraries. Detailed tour description sheets for each trip can be found on the following pages.

10-Day *Get Up & Go!* Alaska Tours

- ***ALASKA EXPLORER***, our most popular and diverse tour, essentially combines the best of our 6-day ***Alaska Ranger*** and ***Mountains & Glaciers*** tours into a 10-day, "Alaska greatest hits" package. **Lodge-based**. page 10

6-Day *Get Up & Go!* Alaska Tours

- ***MOUNTAINS & GLACIERS*** 6 days; Multi-Sport/ Hiking; **'Camp & Cabin'-based** page 14
- ***ALASKA RANGER*** 6 days; Multi-Sport/ Hiking; **'Camp & Cabin'-based** page 17

3-Day* *Get Up & Go!* Alaska Tours

This shorter trip combines well with each of our 6 & 10-day tours, or can be done as a stand-alone adventure, see below.

- ***KENAI FJORDS HIKE & CRUISE (OR FISH!)*** 3 days*; Multi-Sport/ Hiking; **Yurt-based.** page 20

9-Day Alaska Family Tours

- ***ALASKA FAMILY EXPLORER*** 9 days; designed with **families** in mind; **Lodge-based** page 23

8+ to 15-Day *Get Up & Go!* Combination Tours

HAVE MORE TIME AND WANT TO SEE AND DO MORE? You're coming all this way, you might as well make the most of it! Our various itineraries can often be combined in various ways to form longer and more wide-ranging, **8+ to 15-day combination tours**. Combination tours may feature one or more free, unguided days in Anchorage between tour segments.

- Our new 3-day* ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tour is designed to combine with and extend any of our other Multi-Sport/Hiking tours, to form an 8+, 9, 12+ or 15-day adventure that visits a second (or third!) Alaska National Park (*when combined with ***Mountains & Glaciers*** or ***Alaska Explorer***, this trip meets up with those other tours on its first/their last days, after disembarking the state ferry—not back in Anchorage—and is thus 2+ additional days, not 3 full additional days in length, saving you the trip back to Anchorage and an extra hotel night and two meals there).
- Both of our six-day tours--***Mountains & Glaciers***, and ***Alaska Ranger***--can usually be combined with each other, to form a twelve-day adventure, without repeating any specific destinations. Overnight in Anchorage is not included.
- So: ***Mountains & Glaciers*** plus ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** is 8+ days. ***Alaska Ranger*** plus ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** is 9 days. ***Mountains & Glaciers*** plus ***Alaska Ranger*** is twelve days. ***Alaska Explorer*** plus ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** is 12+ days. And ***Mountains & Glaciers*** plus ***Alaska Ranger*** plus ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** is 15 days. All combination tours are of course subject to availability.
- Check our "**All Tours By Date**" listing on page 9 to see the specific dates of all trips, and which specific departures are available for combination. Confused or have questions? **1.907.245.0795** or alaska@getupandgotours.com

Combination tours include a $100 pp credit/discount for each additional tour! See the descriptions of the specific 3, 6 and 10-day tours that compose the longer combination tours for all the details, dates and prices.

All tours start and end in Anchorage*, Alaska's biggest city and chief transportation hub, with an excellent international airport served by most major domestic, and several international airlines.

Please call with any questions or to reserve! 1.907.245.0795 or email us at alaska@getupandgotours.com.

"I just wanted to send you a thank you for the best holiday ever! We absolutely loved every minute of our tours, and your guides Sophie and Cheryl are two amazing ladies!! *We loved Alaska and know we have to go back again, as 10 days is nowhere near long enough. The tour was fantastic and a really good mix of things to see and do, and Sophie and Cheryl made the best meals for us, we were so spoilt. I hope to travel with* **Get Up and Go!** *again in the future.*
--Paula and Jasmine Taylor, Australia, ***Alaska Explorer***

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Alaska Destination & Activity Comparison Charts

WHICH TOUR DOES WHAT & WHERE? The charts below compare the **destinations** and included and optional **activities** of all of our various tour itineraries at a glance. More detailed tour descriptions follow the comparison charts.

Get Up and Go! Alaska Destination Comparison Chart

Use this chart to compare the destinations of our various tour itineraries; the number in the boxes beneath the tour names indicates how many nights are spent at/near each destination on each tour.

DESTINATIONS	*Alaska Ranger*	*Mountains & Glaciers*	*Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*	*Alaska Explorer*	*AK Family Explorer*
Denali National Park (NP)	3 nights	--	--	3 nights	3 nights
Wrangell-St. Elias NP/McCarthy	--	2 nights	--	3 nights	--
Kenai Fjords NP/Seward	--	--	2 nights	--	3 nights
Valdez/Prince William Sound	--	2 nights; ferry crossing	--	2 nights; ferry crossing	--
Chugach National Forest	--	yes	yes	yes	yes
Matanuska Valley	1 night	1 night	--	--	2 nights
	--	--	--	--	--
Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center (AWCC)	--	--	--	--	yes
Alaska SeaLife Center (ASLC)	--	--	yes	--	yes
Denali Highway/Maclaren River	--	--	--	1 night	--
Alaska Range remote river camp	1 night	--	--	--	--
Anchorage	starts & ends	starts & ends	starts & ends	starts & ends	starts & ends

Get Up and Go! Activity Comparison Chart

Use this chart to compare the included & optional activities on our various tour itineraries

CHART LEGEND:

- **Included**: means this activity is ***included*** on all versions of this tour
- **Optional** : this activity is **optionally available** (at additional cost, payable locally, credit cards accepted)
- **Optional***: this activity is an **especially recommended optional activity**
- **--** : this activity is **not available** on this tour

ACTIVITIES	*Alaska Ranger*	*Mountains & Glaciers*	*Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*	*Alaska Explorer*	*AK Family Explorer*
Exceptional Daily Hiking	Included	Included	Included	Included	Optional*
Wildlife Viewing Opportunities	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included
Sea Kayaking	--	Included	--	Included	Optional*
Whitewater Rafting	Included	--	--	Included	Optional*
Glacier Trekking	Included	Included	--	Included	Optional*
Ice Climbing Course	--	Optional	--	Optional	Optional
Hike to the Face of a Glacier	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included
Wilderness Canoe trip	Included	--	--	Included	--
Prince William Sound Ferry (or Flight)	--	Included	--	Included	--
Denali Wildlife-Viewing/Access Bus	Included	--	--	Included	Included
6-hour Kenai Fjords National Park Glacier & Wildlife-Viewing Cruise	--	--	Included	--	Optional*
Scenic Flight / Flight-Seeing	Optional	Included	--	Included	Optional
River and/or Lake Fishing	Optional	--	--	Optional	--
Salmon or other Fishing Charter	--	Optional	Small Upgrade Fee	Optional	Optional
Zip-Line Course	--	--	--	--	Optional
Alaska Railroad Train Trip	--	--	--	--	Optional*

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Get Up and Go! ALL TOURS BY DATE

If you have more time, **most trips can be combined** to form longer Alaska adventures of up to 15 days. ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, can be combined with ***Alaska Explorer***, ***Mountains & Glaciers***, or ***Alaska Ranger***, and the latter two trips can often be combined with each other.

Additional departures of our ***Alaska Family Explorer*** may also be possible if these dates don't work for you, please inquire.

- June 14-19, 2027: ***Mountains & Glaciers***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- June 24-July 3, 2027: ***Alaska Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 10 days.
- June 27-July 5, 2027: ***Alaska Family Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 9 days. **Family Friendly! Kids 10+ okay.**
- June 28-July 3, 2027: ***Mountains & Glaciers***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- July 8-17, 2027: ***Alaska Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 10 days.
- July 12-17, 2027: ***Mountains & Glaciers***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- July 15-23, 2027: ***Alaska Family Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 9 days. **Family Friendly! Kids 10+ okay.** Sold Out
- July 17-19, 2027: ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, Yurt-based. 3 days*
- July 20-25, 2027: ***Alaska Ranger***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- July 22-31, 2027: ***Alaska Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 10 days.
- July 26-31, 2027: ***Mountains & Glaciers***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- July 29-August 7, 2027: ***Alaska Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 10 days.
- July 31-August 2, 2027: ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, Yurt-based. 3 days*
- July 31-August 8, 2027: ***Alaska Family Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 9 days. **Family Friendly! Kids 10+ okay.**
- August 3-8, 2027: ***Alaska Ranger***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- August 5-14, 2027: ***Alaska Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 10 days.
- August 7-9, 2027: ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, Yurt-based. 3 days*
- August 9-14, 2027: ***Mountains & Glaciers***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- August 12-21, 2027: ***Alaska Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 10 days.
- August 14-16, 2027: ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, Yurt-based. 3 days*
- August 15-20, 2027: ***Alaska Ranger***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- August 19-28, 2027: ***Alaska Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 10 days
- August 21-23, 2027: ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, Yurt-based. 3 days*
- August 21-29, 2027: ***Alaska Family Explorer***, **Lodge-based**. 9 days. **Family Friendly! Kids 10+ okay.**
- August 23-28, 2027: ***Mountains & Glaciers***, Camp & Cabin. 6 days.
- August 28-30, 2027: ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, Yurt-based. 3 days*

"Back from the* Alaska Ranger *trip and wanted to share my thanks! It was an amazing trip and (guide) Ray was awesome! He was accommodating and gracious. We also thoroughly enjoyed the wonderful meals he prepared for us. *A special note to the food accommodations made for me! I was quite anxious about it, but Ray took such good care. Truly appreciate it.*

"From the campsites to the activities planned and pace of the trip, all aspects of logistics and details were well planned out. Thank you for making everything from the first interaction pleasant. *Your quick replies to my questions were very helpful in planning for the trip.*

"Met a very nice set of people and we were blessed with good weather too! Thank you and the team for sharing Alaska with us. *Best wishes, Preeda"* **–Preeda Rajasekaran**, ***Alaska Ranger***

"I just want to say that your company is the best. We saw more then we expected. Your guides were just perfect. *I really enjoyed everything and will recommend your company to every person who wants to visit this amazing part of the world. Thank you so much and I hope to see you again next year! p.s. thank you about the weather!* —**Pavlin Z**, Bulgaria

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"Just wanted you to know what a wonderful experience I had during my first* Get Up and Go! *tour last week…. (Our guide) Sophie was wonderful - very professional and very available, both physically and emotionally (something I have not experienced with different tours) - the sites, food and various activities were exceptional, and the other participants were great to be with. *I will certainly recommend your tour group to others. I don't normally write comments post-trip but wanted you to know that those women are gems :)"* **–Jennifer Pierson, Colorado,** ***Alaska Family Explorer***

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ALASKA EXPLORER

Lodge-Based Alaska Multi-Sport / Hiking Tour

2027 Tour Description Sheet

10 days, starts and ends in Anchorage

Combines well with our 2+day* ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tour, see page 20

Sea Kayaking, Glacier Trekking (or Ice Climbing), Whitewater Rafting, Canoeing, Day Hiking, and Wildlife Viewing at Denali and Wrangell-St. Elias National Parks, Maclaren River, and Prince William Sound

Lodge-Based: Our Most Popular Tour!

2027 TOUR DATES & PRICES

ALASKA EXPLORER

Lodge-based tours

Tour Dates: June 24-July 3; July 8-17; July 22-31; July 29-August 7; August 5-14*; August 12-21*; August 19-28*
(*Fall Colors & Northern Lights!)

Lodge-based Tour Price: $5,495. *No sales tax.*
Single Supplement: $1,450 (or ask if there's another same-sex single you can share a room with)

10 days / 9 nights. All nights in twin-share private lodge rooms, private cabins, or hotel rooms

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TOUR INTRODUCTION: Year after year, the ten-day ***Alaska Explorer*** is our most popular Alaska adventure tour. And with good reason: This active, wide-ranging and diverse tour has it all! A variety of ***included*** and ***uniquely Alaskan multi-sport activities***, ***superb day hikes***, and ***exceptional wildlife-viewing opportunities*** are set amidst massive mountains, awe-inspiring glaciers, beautiful alpine tundra, wild rivers, and historic mountain villages, as well as some of Alaska's finest coastal landscapes. Throw in both a stunning mountain bush plane flight over glaciers and volcanoes, and a ferry trip through the dramatic glacial wilderness of Prince William Sound (or a scenic over-flight), and, well, ***Alaska Explorer*** is simply the most stunning, wide-ranging, diverse, active, and exhilarating introduction to wild and majestic Alaska available!

For those with more than a week to travel, the Lodge-based ***Alaska Explorer*** essentially combines the best of our shorter ***Mountains & Glaciers*** and ***Alaska Ranger*** ('Camp & Cabin'-based) tours into a single, 10-day, "greatest hits" adventure. Featuring extended visits to **Denali** and **Wrangell-St. Elias National Parks**, as well as to **Prince William Sound** and the wild and remote **Maclaren River**, ***Alaska Explorer*** offers the best variety of scenery, the best hiking, and the most popular multi-sport activities of any of our tours. Active and adventurous? You'll love it!

GET UP & GO! ***ALASKA EXPLORER*** is all about getting out there and experiencing the wilds of Alaska for yourself! **Sea kayak amidst ice bergs to the face of North America's largest tidewater glacier,** an experience you are unlikely to ever forget! Lace up crampons to **trek out onto a huge and very blue glacier** in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, or strap on a harness and grab some ice axes to try your hand at **ice climbing** (~$80 upgrade fee required). **Canoe** a calm, wilderness river; through the tundra landscape. And go **whitewater rafting** on a Class III-IV river at Denali National Park. Great stuff, all of it!

The **day hiking** is memorable as well: through boreal forests, across sub-arctic taiga and over alpine tundra, alongside rivers and lakes; up to historic and scenic mining ruins; and along dramatic glaciers and glacial moraines: You will be awestruck. Active and adventurous? This is the trip for you! Please join us and experience the best of wild and majestic Alaska for yourself! [This trip also combines well with our **2+day/2 night*** ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tour, see page 20].

"Geoff, I just wanted to send a quick email to let you know what an incredible time we had on our 10-day **Alaska Explorer** ***tour. All the activities were truly amazing, the Alaskan wildlife and landscape are truly breathtaking – we've all ran out of adjectives, because mere words just aren't enough to describe Alaska and all we experienced. It was everything we wanted in our vacation…we truly couldn't ask for more.***

"Most importantly, all these activities were wonderfully managed by (your guide) the great John H! What a guy!!!... John was the perfect fit for us. From the scheduling to the FOOD (he nailed it!) to the wonderful, wonderful excursions and his knowledge of all the areas, John was the consummate guide. His authentic love of Alaska shown through it all and I think that is what made the trip so special. It is a great experience to be in the presence of someone who truly loves what he does – and is so good at it. Thank you, thank you, thank you…" **--Rita Garza, New York, NY** ***Alaska Explorer*** lodge tour

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ALASKA EXPLORER: DAILY ITINERARY & ACTIVITIES

Notes: Unless identified as optional, all mentioned activities are **included**. Specific hikes, lodges, and the order of activities may vary. This **flexible** tour itinerary may operate in either direction, and is (rarely) subject to change. BLD (below) indicates included meals.

DAY 1: FROM ANCHORAGE TO DENALI NATIONAL PARK AREA

We'll meet in the morning at our Anchorage departure hotel/s (see our ***Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for location/s and time/s), introduce ourselves, and after a brief overview of the tour, head north into the vast Alaskan Interior. First stop: **Denali State Park** for a great 3 to 4-hour alpine hike, before proceeding on to world-famous **Denali National Park** for a three-night stay. L

DAY 2: DENALI NATIONAL PARK

A fun day as we can hike for ~3 hours this morning, and then enjoy an exhilarating Class III/IV whitewater rafting trip this afternoon. A "flight-seeing" trip over the park to Denali (also known as Mt. McKinley), North America's highest peak (wow!), and/or a tour of the park's dogsled kennels are fun, optional activities. L

DAY 3: DENALI NATIONAL PARK

Today you'll travel through the vast, access-controlled wilderness area of the national park on the park shuttle bus, with exceptional wildlife viewing and hiking opportunities. This fantastic sub-arctic wilderness teems with wildlife, including grizzly bears, wolves, caribou, Dall sheep, moose, foxes, many varieties of birds, and more. Denali is also the home of the continent's highest peak, 20,320' Denali: "The Great One," a view of which is an unforgettable highlight! L

DAY 4: THE DENALI "HIGHWAY" TO MACLAREN RIVER, IN THE EASTERN ALASKA RANGE

Today we head east along the even more remote Denali Highway, paralleling the scenic southern side of the mighty Alaska Range. This unlikely gravel "highway" passes through some of the wildest, most remote, road-accessible country on Earth, with amazing mountain, glacier, tundra, and river valley views. A beautiful short hike at the pass/divide is next, with tremendous 360-degree views of the mountains, rivers, and glacial lakes that are all about. There are lots of interesting birds, as well as moose, foxes, arctic ground squirrels, beavers, muskrats and even grizzly bears to be seen throughout the area. The Denali Highway area is a special, seldom visited place, sure to leave a lasting impression.

A beautiful short hike at the pass/divide is next, with magnificent 360 degree views of the mountains, rivers and innumerable glacial lakes. We'll then check in to our rustic but very friendly and comfortable riverside lodge for the evening. L

DAY 5: WILDERNESS CANOE PADDLE & ON TO MCCARTHY & WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK

It's time to go canoeing! We will be transported upstream to the put-in in our lodge's air boat, an adventure in itself. We'll then float and paddle downstream (calm, Class I waters), on the lookout for birds and wildlife, with big mountain & tundra views.

Afterward, a beautiful drive takes us to the Copper River-side town of Chitina, where a small plane or two will meet us for a stunningly scenic flight across the volcanic and glacier-clad Wrangell Mountains, into immense Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, the largest in the USA and six times bigger than Switzerland! Our destination? The Copper & Gold Rush boom towns of McCarthy and Kennecott (year 'round pop. ~120), everyone's favorite Alaskan ghost towns! 16,390' Mt. Blackburn looms up the glacier, and other huge peaks and glaciers are all about. Four major mountain ranges, 9 of the 16 tallest peaks in the US, and, by the way, the largest non-polar ice field on Earth all converge in this little-known and seldom-visited gem of a national park! We'll spend three nights here at a new, beautiful and very welcoming boutique lodge with fantastic views. BL

DAY 6: WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK / MCCARTHY & KENNECOTT

Another exciting day, as we venture out onto the ice with crampons and local mountaineering guide/s to explore the blue crevasses, moulins, and the rest of the fascinating glacial geography. The more adventurous can challenge themselves with an optional introductory ice-climbing course on the glacier (+ ~$80). Flight-seeing over the immense fields of glacial ice; and/or a guided, historic Kennecott Mine tours are great options; as are various NPS ranger-led activities. BLD

DAY 7: WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK / MCCARTHY & KENNECOTT

Today we can hike up to the abandoned and ramshackle Bonanza Mine (once the richest copper lode in the world) for incredible mountain and glacier views! This vigorous hike is the consensus favorite of both clients and guides, year after year. Less strenuously, you can either hike along the lateral moraine of the Root Glacier, along the old Wagon Road to McCarthy, or out to the toe of the huge Kennicott Glacier, where you can witness it actually moving (very slowly!), depositing the boulders and debris it has carved and carried from the mountains into the now-large terminal lake that it has formed (headwaters of the Kennicott River). Or, if you prefer, take a day off to simply relax and soak up the mountain village ambiance! BLD

DAY 8: WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK & ON TO VALDEZ AND PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND (PWS)

The drive out--on the former railroad grade, one of only two rustic roads in the entirety of this massive national park--will reveal another beautiful sliver of Wrangell-St. Elias, and along with its mighty volcanoes, glaciers, forests, rivers and lakes, we'll observe mostly dilapidated but fascinating remnants of the area's mining and railroad history.

Next we'll cross yet another tremendous range: the heavily glaciated Chugach Mountains. Dropping down out of the mountains to the picturesquely set town of Valdez, we'll get our first taste of magnificent coastal Alaska. The young and geologically very active Chugach range rises up literally out of the sea, ringing super-scenic Prince William Sound (PWS). Glaciers are all about, some of them spilling their loads of ice directly into the sea. BL

DAY 9: VALDEZ & PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND

Today we'll paddle sea kayaks in a calm and beautiful, glacier-carved PWS bay! After gearing up, a lesson, and a scenic water taxi ride to calm and protected Columbia Bay, we'll paddle through a seas of icebergs up to the face of this spectacular tidewater glacier, the largest tidewater glacier in North America! This is perhaps the single most spectacular paddling day trip in the whole world!

Alternatively, enjoy a wildlife and glacier-viewing day half or full-day cruise (subject to availability). Salmon fishing charters are also alternatively available, with advance notice (and in lieu of kayaking). BL

DAY 10: PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND FERRY CROSSING (OR OVERFLIGHT) & BACK TO ANCHORAGE

This morning we'll board the Alaska state ferry for a beautiful crossing of wild Prince William Sound, on the lookout for whales, bald eagles, and other wildlife. Following a short but beautiful hike, we'll drive back to Anchorage.

Depending on the ferry schedule, a scenic flight over the glacier-clad Sound from Valdez back to Anchorage may be substituted. If neither ferry nor flight are available on the scheduled day, an unusual but remotely possible occurrence, we'll drive back to Anchorage from Valdez, and you'll be refunded $100 p.p. Either way, the trip will end in Anchorage at ~5 p.m. L

(Or if you've combined this tour with our 2+day ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tour, you'll carry on to Seward now).

ACCOMMODATIONS

LODGE-BASED TOURS: 10 days / 9 nights. Nights are spent in twin-share rooms or cabins at locally owned, mostly boutique lodges or hotels. Our charming lodges, cabins, and hotels are not extravagant (don't expect televisions, baggage handling, or room service), but they are friendly, comfortable, clean, scenically situated, and rich with Alaskan hospitality and character! You're going to like them! All of these lodges feature private, ensuite bathrooms and hot showers. The lodges also offer opportunities to meet Alaskans, thus offering a slice of local color and some insight into what it's like to live in the Great Land year around.

The tour price is based on twin-share rooms. Solo travelers must pay a $1,450 **single supplement**, although we may be able to pair you with another same-sex single if you desire, thereby avoiding the supplement; please inquire if this interests you.

MEALS

LODGE-BASED TOURS: 5 breakfasts, 10 lunches, and 2 dinners are included in the tour price. Non-included meals are taken either at our lodges in in local restaurants, arranged by your guide, and are paid for individually, allowing you more choices. Most included breakfasts are hot, multi-course buffets. Lunches are generally picnic spreads or brown bag meals that we carry with us on our hikes and other activities.

Vegetarians, vegans, gluten-free, lactose-intolerant, and some other special diets can be catered to ***with advance notice***, please list any dietary restrictions or preferences on your ***Tour Reservation Form***.

ALASKA EXPLORER: LOOK AT ALL THAT'S INCLUDED

- **Sea Kayaking** day trip at Columbia Glacier, on Prince William Sound (PWS); **OR** take a **glacier & wildlife viewing day cruise** on PWS (subject to availability)
- **Whitewater Rafting** (Class III-IV) at Denali National Park
- **Glacier Trekking** in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park (or upgrade to an introductory **Ice Climbing** course on the glacier for ~$80 more, payable locally)

- **Canoeing** on the Maclaren River, a calm, Class I wilderness paddle, downstream. Wild and beautiful! (includes scenic upriver transport in a river jet boat).
- **Hiking:** A variety of exceptional 2 to 6-hour scenic day hikes over mixed terrain (moderate to strenuous)
- **All Ground Transport**, Anchorage to Anchorage
- **Scenic Bush Plane Flight** over volcanoes and glaciers, to McCarthy/Kennecott, deep in the heart of Wrangell-St. Elias NP
- **Scenic Ferry Crossing** of Prince William Sound (or scenic over-flight if the ferry isn't scheduled that day). In the rare case that neither are available on the scheduled day, we'll drive back to Anchorage and you'll be refunded $100 per person.
- **Denali National Park Wildlife-Viewing/Access Shuttle Bus Trip**
- **All Lodging**, Days 1-9, as specified in the "Accommodations" section of this document
- **Most Meals**, as specified in the "Meals" section of this document, above
- **Entrance & User Fees** to all national and state parks and public lands visited enroute
- **Professional Guide:** The friendly and capable services of a professional **Get Up & Go! Tours' guide**. Additional local guides are provided for the included whitewater rafting, glacier trekking, and sea kayaking excursions
- ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet***, including a packing list, Anchorage lodging and arrival information, and more

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NOT INCLUDED

- **Transport to and from Anchorage**, where the trip starts & ends
- **Anchorage Lodging**, before or after the tour; we can help. See our ***Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for details
- **Non-Included Meals** (see "Meals" section of this document, above), and alcoholic beverages
- **Optional Activities** (all specified multi-sport activities are **included**, see above and below)
- **Personal Expenses**
- **Gratuities** for your hard-working guides; see page 5 of our ***Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for general tipping guidelines
- **Personal Travel Insurance**: **Highly recommended**. See our ***Tour Reservation Form*** for details

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OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES & PRICES

- **Introductory Ice Climbing Course** on the Root Glacier, in Wrangell-St. Elias National Part (~$80 upgrade fee)
- **Flight-Seeing** to Mt. Denali, in Denali National Park (~$450), and/or in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park (~$330-$535+)
- **Guided Historic Tour** of Kennecott Mine mill and town site (~$34)
- **Salmon or Halibut Fishing Charter** out of Valdez (~$195-$625+)

COMBINATION TOURS

If you have more time, ***Alaska Explorer*** can be combined with our 2+day/2 night ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** Yurt-based tour to make a longer, more wide-ranging Alaskan adventure that visits a third Alaska National Park! **This is a great combination!** When you sign up for this combination you'll receive a $100 per person discount on the second tour.

"We had such a blast with **Get Up and Go! Alaska Tours**. ***Your guides were great, so knowledgeable, personable and fun. They did a great job of setting an upbeat environment*** *that easily permeated throughout the group and allowed us all to quickly bond amongst the diversity of our backgrounds and hometowns.*

"All of our excursions were arranged and executed flawlessly and we had the added blessing of excellent weather to truly make each day an exceptional experience*. My husband Kevin and I would recommend* **Get Up and Go!** *to anyone who aspires to visit and actively explore Alaska. When we have shared how much fun we had with family and friends, we are often asked, 'would you do it again?' And, we have replied 'Yes as it was awesome experience! Thanks for everything!"*
--**Kim and Kevin Kehoe**, Smyrna Beach, FL, ***Alaska Explorer***

"Hey, Geoff. Just wanted to send ya' a quick note to tell u what an incredible time our family had on our tour. *Your guide Cheryl was fantastic and the adventures were awesome. Thanks for an amazing vacation."*
–Mitzi Schepps, Marietta, GA, ***Alaska Explorer***

"I just wanted to let you know how much fun we had on our trip this summer. We're big travelers, and this was one of the best trips we've ever taken. *Alex was a fantastic guide…can't say enough good things about him…. Feel free to give our names our as a reference! Thanks again!"* **--Kim Johnston**, ***Alaska Explorer***

MOUNTAINS & GLACIERS

Alaska Multi-Sport / Hiking Tour

2027 Tour Description Sheet

6 days, starts and ends in Anchorage

Combines well with our 6-day ***Alaska Ranger*** and/or our 2+day ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tours, see pages 17 & 20

Sea Kayaking, Glacier Trekking (or Ice Climbing), Exceptional Day Hiking & Wildlife Viewing at Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, Prince William Sound, and Hatcher Pass

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2027 TOUR DATES & PRICES

***MOUNTAINS & GLACIERS* 'Camp & Cabin'-based**

Tour Dates: June 14-19; June 28-July 3; July 12-17; July 26-31; August 9-14; August 23-28

Tour Price: $1,995. *No sales tax.*

6 days / 5 nights.

3 nights tent-camping in campgrounds, and 2 nights in small, private or semi-private rooms in our new 'Solar Bunkhouse'.

TOUR INTRODUCTION: It won't take long for you to see how this action-packed tour got its name. Ranging from the glacier-carved **Matanuska Valley** to immense, spectacular, and seldom-visited **Wrangell-St. Elias National Park**—North America's premier mountain and glacier wilderness—to the heavily glaciated coast and wildlife-rich seas of **Prince William Sound**, ***MOUNTAINS & GLACIERS*** will get you 'up and going' in some of the most ruggedly beautiful country anywhere!

Featuring both interior and coastal mountains, glaciers and landscapes; a diverse variety of wildlife viewing opportunities; a stunning small plane flight over volcanoes and glaciers; and a scenic ferry cruise on pristine Prince William Sound (or a scenic over-flight of the glacier-clad landscape); ***Mountains & Glaciers*** is a superb introduction to the incredible mountain, glacier and coastal grandeur of Alaska.

GET UP AND GO! Beautiful scenery and majestic landscapes aren't the only reasons to come on this tour however, as the **hiking and uniquely Alaskan multi-sport activities** included in ***Mountains & Glaciers*** are themselves invigorating and genuinely inspirational! **Sea kayak** amidst massive icebergs on a lake to the face of an active glacier. Wow! Lace up crampons and venture out onto another huge and very blue glacier for an exploratory **glacier trek**, or, for a ~$80 supplemental fee, strap on a harness and grab some ice axes to try your hand at **ice climbing**. **Hike** up to tundra tarns and waterfalls; through boreal forests; along a glacial moraines: truly magnificent, all of it!

If you only have a week and you want to experience the real Alaska in remote and incredible Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Prince William Sound, huge mountains, lots of big glaciers and the heavily forested coast as well, **this is the tour for you!**

"We had a simply marvelous time on your **Mountains & Glaciers** ***tour. Everything was perfect:*** *the itinerary, the food, the guide, the group, ...even the weather! My husband is already talking about the next time we go to Alaska. I wish I could offer some helpful suggestions for improvement, but I just can't think of anything I would have changed. Please tell (guide) Marci that we are simply enamored with her and her cooking and think she is the best guide ever! Thank you for everything."*

--Heather & Bryan Richman, ***Mountains & Glaciers***

"Hi Geoff, I wanted to send you a quick email to comment on my recent **Mountains & Glaciers** ***trip.*** *This was my 2nd time doing the exact same tour.... the last trip being three summers ago, of note that was a great trip...hence the repeat client.*

My most recent trip with Marci as my guide.... EXCELLENT!!!! *She blew me away with her knowledge, patience, kindness, humor and best of all her cooking skills!! I felt as though she gave 200% of herself to her clients and I was personally very impressed. She was always willing to do whatever it took to please us...very flexible. She told us this was her first year as a guide with you...she is definitely a keeper! As an employer myself...I know EXCELLENT / Responsible employees can be difficult to find, I wanted you to know how lucky you are to have her. Thanks for another awesome trip..... I'll Be Back!"*

–Steven Kent, Florida; a ***three-time*** participant on our ***Mountains & Glaciers*** tour

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MOUNTAINS & GLACIERS

DAILY ITINERARY & ACTIVITIES

Notes: Unless identified as optional, all mentioned activities are **included**. Actual hikes, campgrounds and lodging may vary. This flexible tour itinerary may operate in either direction, and is (rarely) subject to change.

DAY 1: FROM ANCHORAGE TO THE MATANUSKA VALLEY

We'll meet in the morning at our Anchorage departure hotel/s (see our ***Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for location/s and time/s), introduce ourselves, and after a brief overview of the tour, head north toward Hatcher Pass in the Talkeetna Mountains. Here we'll kick things off with a beautiful hike up to some alpine tarns and waterfalls (depending on conditions and other factors, another hike may be substituted). Afterwards we'll head to our riverside campground in the Matanuska Valley. Camping.

DAY 2: WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK / MCCARTHY

A beautiful drive takes us to the Copper River-side town of Chitina, where a small plane or two will meet us for a stunningly scenic flight across the volcanic and glacier-clad Wrangell Mountains, into immense Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, the largest in the USA! Our destination? The Copper & Gold Rush boom towns of McCarthy and Kennecott (year 'round pop. ~120), everyone's favorite Alaskan ghost towns! Four major mountain ranges, 9 of the 16 tallest peaks in the US, including 16,390' Mt. Blackburn just up the glacier, and the largest non-polar ice field in the world converge in this little-known and seldom-visited gem of a national park. Wow! We'll spend two nights in our new and spectacularly situated Solar Bunkhouse. Small but cozy, semi-private Solar Bunkhouse rooms the next two nights (ask about optionally upgrading to a large, private cabin).

DAY 3: WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS NATIONAL PARK / MCCARTHY & KENNECOTT

Another exciting day as we venture out onto the ice with a local mountaineering guide and crampons to explore the blue crevasses, moulins, and the rest of the fascinating glacial geography. The more adventurous can challenge themselves with an optional introductory ice-climbing course on the glacier (+ ~$80). "Flight-seeing" over the massive glacial wilderness, and/or a Kennecott Mine tour are also optionally available. You aren't going to want to leave McCarthy! Solar Bunkhouse.

DAY 4: WORTHINGTON GLACIER & VALDEZ

Driving out of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park we'll observe fascinating remnants of the area's mining and railroad history, and cross yet another tremendous range: the heavily glaciated Chugach Mountains. At alpine Thompson Pass we can make the short hike to the toe of Worthington Glacier and its dramatic topography. Dropping down out of the mountains afterwards to the picturesquely set town of Valdez we'll get our first taste of magnificent coastal Alaska. The young and geologically very active Chugach range rises up literally out of the sea, ringing super-scenic Prince William Sound. Glaciers are all about, some of them spilling their loads of prehistoric blue ice directly into the sea. Two nights. Camping.

DAY 5: VALDEZ

Today we'll paddle sea kayaks in a calm and beautiful, iceberg-choked lake! After gearing up, a lesson, and a short drive, we'll paddle amidst the floating ice to the face of Valdez Glacier. Alternatively, enjoy a wildlife and glacier-viewing day cruise on Prince William Sound. Salmon and halibut fishing charters are also optionally/alternatively available.

DAY 6: PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND FERRY CROSSING & BACK TO ANCHORAGE

This morning we'll board the Alaska state ferry for a beautiful crossing of Prince William Sound, on the lookout for whales, bald eagles and other wildlife. Following a short but beautiful hike we'll drive back to Anchorage. (Or if you've combined this tour with our 2+day ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tour, you'll carry on to Seward directly, now). On some trips (depending on the ferry schedule), a scenic flight over the glacier-clad Sound from Valdez back to Anchorage may be substituted. If neither are available on the scheduled day (a rare but remotely possible occurrence), we'll drive back to Anchorage, and you'll be refunded $100 per person. Either way, the trip will end in Anchorage at ~5 p.m.

(Or if you've combined this tour with our 2+day ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tour, you'll carry on to Seward now).

MOUNTAINS & GLACIERS: ACCOMMODATIONS

'CAMP & CABIN'-BASED TOURS: 6 days / 5 nights. We tent camp in organized campgrounds three nights, and stay in small but comfortable rooms in our new Solar Bunkhouse, just outside McCarthy, for two nights. The bunkhouse is beautifully set, with private and semi-private rooms, and has shared bathrooms with hot showers & flush toilets, common areas, and a view deck. While camping we supply easy-to-erect, four-person Eureka tents, which are perfect for two people and their luggage. Showers are available all but one day. Be sure to bring your own sleeping bag and insulated sleeping pad, or, ***with advance notice,*** you can rent these cheaply from us ($25 per sleeping bag/tour, and/or $10 per insulated ground pad/tour).

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MEALS

'CAMP & CABIN'-BASED TOURS: Most meals are included (4 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 3 dinners), and are prepared by your guide. We feature fresh, nutritious, and tasty foods, multi-course meals, and large portions, including barbecues, fresh fish and meat, salads, and occasionally including homemade dutch oven deserts. **Dinner is a highlight!** Lunches are generally picnics or brown bag meals that we carry with us on our hikes or other activities. Vegetarians, vegans and most other special diets can be catered to ***with advance notice***, please list any dietary restrictions or preferences on your ***Tour Reservation Form***. The few non-included meals are arranged by your guide, and taken at local restaurants, or on the ferry, and are paid for locally.

LOOK AT ALL THAT'S INCLUDED

- **Sea Kayaking** day trip amidst the icebergs to the face of a glacier, on stunning Valdez Glacier Lake; **OR** take a glacier & wildlife-viewing day cruise on Prince William Sound (subject to availability)
- **Glacier Trekking** in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park (or upgrade to an introductory **Ice Climbing** course for ~$80 more)
- **Day Hiking:** A variety of exceptional 2 to 6-hour scenic day hikes over mixed terrain (moderate to strenuous)
- **Professional Guide:** The friendly and capable services of a professional ***Get Up & Go! Tours'*** **guide**. Additional local guides are provided for the included glacier trekking (or ice climbing) and sea kayaking excursions
- **All Ground Transport**, Anchorage to Anchorage
- **Scenic Bush Plane Flight** over volcanoes and glaciers to McCarthy, deep in the heart of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park
- **Scenic Ferry Crossing** of Prince William Sound (or scenic over-flight if the ferry isn't scheduled that day). If neither are available on the scheduled day, we'll drive back to Anchorage and you'll be refunded $100 per person.
- **All Lodging** and **Camping Fees**, as specified in the "Accommodations" section of this document
- **Most Meals**, as specified in the "Meals" section of this document
- **Entrance & User Fees** to all national and state parks and public lands visited
- **All Necessary Camping Gear,** ***except*** your personal sleeping bag and ground pad (these are available for rent ***with advance notice*****:** bags $25/bag/tour, and/or pads $10/pad/tour)
- ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet***, including a packing list, Anchorage lodging and arrival information, and more

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NOT INCLUDED

- **Transport to and from Anchorage** (where the trip starts & ends)
- **Anchorage Lodging**, before or after the tour; we can help. See our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for details
- **Non-Included Meals** (1 breakfast, 2 dinners; see "Meals," above), and **alcoholic beverages**
- **Optional Activities** (the above listed multi-sport activities are **included**)
- **Personal Expenses**
- **Gratuities** for your hard-working guides; please see page 5 of our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for general tipping guidelines
- **Personal Travel Insurance**: **highly recommended**. See our ***Tour Reservation Form*** for more information

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OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES & PRICES

- **Flight-Seeing** over spectacular Wrangell-St. Elias National Park (~$330-$535+). A scenic flight into the park is already included in the price of the tour. This is an option to see more of this immense, ice-covered wilderness
- Upgrade from included Glacier Trekking activity to full-day **Introductory Ice Climbing Course** (~$80)
- **Guided Historic Tour** of Kennecott Mine mill and town site (~$34)
- **Salmon or Halibut Fishing Charter** out of Valdez (~$195-$650+)

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ALASKA RANGER

Alaska Multi-Sport / Hiking Tour

2027 Tour Description Sheet

6 days, starts and ends in Anchorage

Combines well with our 6-day ***Mountains & Glaciers*** *and with our 3-day* ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tours.

Whitewater Rafting, Wilderness Canoeing, Glacier Trekking, Day Hiking, and Exceptional Wildlife Viewing, at Denali National Park, the wild Maclaren River, and Matanuska Glacier

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2027 TOUR DATES & PRICES

ALASKA RANGER **'Camp & Cabin'-based tours**

Tour Dates: July 20-25; August 3-8*; August 15-20*(*Fall Colors & Northern Lights!)
Tour Price: $1,975. **Most meals included**. **Single Supplement** (if available): $140. *No sales tax.*

6 days/5 nights. 3 nights tent-camping, one night at a remote, riverside camp, and one night indoors at a lodge

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GET UP & GO! ***ALASKA RANGER***--named after the huge, interior "Alaska Range" of mountains--takes you into a largely pristine region of immense mountains, huge, glacier-carved valleys, seemingly endless, rolling tundra, mighty glacial rivers, bountiful and charismatic wildlife, and almost no towns or inhabitants at all. In other words: The perfect Alaskan setting for unforgettable **day hiking**, **whitewater rafting**, **glacier trekking**, and wilderness **canoeing**!

The tour kicks off with a 3-night stop at Alaska's first and most popular national park: **Denali**, in the heart of the Alaska Range. This huge park teems with readily viewable wildlife like no other region of the North American continent. **Grizzlies, wolves, moose, caribou** and **Dall mountain sheep** ("The Big Five"), along with many smaller mammals, and hundreds of species of birds, are all abundant. And above this Vermont-sized wilderness park towers mighty Denali itself (once known as **Mt. McKinley**), North America's largest (20,320') and most spectacular peak. In addition to observing the wildlife, we'll also enjoy great **hiking**, and some fun **whitewater rafting** at Denali. **Scenic flights** over the mountain are also optionally available.

ALASKA RANGER is also highlighted by **an overnight at a remote, riverside wilderness camp**, in the eastern Alaska Range tundra. We'll travel upstream in an jet boat to our fantastic wilderness camp, where we'll enjoy a **beautiful hike, great views, and the serenity of the remote wilderness setting: a highlight!** The next day we'll paddle canoes down the calm, wild river, on the lookout for wildlife, which is bountiful throughout the area.

The tour is climaxed by a night at a small, locally owned and beautifully set lodge near the massive **Matanuska Glacier**. From here we'll take a fascinating, awe-inspiring **glacier trek** on the otherworldly glacial ice.

If you're looking for wilderness on the grand scale, abundant wildlife, and of course great hiking, rafting, canoeing, and glacier trekking--and have just six days--well: This is the tour for you!

"All positive comments from this customer! I had an incredible time and already look forward to my next trip up there, whenever that ends up being, hopefully soon! *Everything about the trip was great... The sights, the planned activities, the camping equipment, the FOOD! Everything was well thought out, planned, and executed. (Guide) Dave showed us what "luxury" camping was all about. He certainly knows his stuff and knew a lot about Alaska and the areas we visited. He was great at making me feel like I was getting the most out of the short time I was there…. (and) gave us the flexibility to adjust our activities as we wanted…. The camp then cabin order of the tour was nice, too… the beautiful lodge was a nice finish.*

"I've fallen in love with Alaska and I have your tour to thank. I certainly will make **Get Up and Go! Tours** *my first shopping stop when I plan my next trip. Thanks again, Paola"* **–Paola Hayes**, San Diego, California; ***Alaska Ranger***

"Yesterday I came back to Switzerland after 3 weeks in Alaska…. Although everything was good, our Alaska Ranger tour week was the best of all! *I thank you all, mainly you, (guide) Dave, for this fantastic experience!"* **–Jurg Lietha**, Switzerland

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"I just returned from a 'Camp and Cabin' **(Alaska Ranger)** ***tour with Matt. I want to let you know how great he is...*** *I`d do another tour with him as guide. The trip was more than I expected. Just when I would think that things couldn't get better, they did. GREAT TIME!!"* **--Margie Bonazzola**, Solvang, California. ***Alaska Ranger***

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ALASKA RANGER: DAILY ITINERARY & ACTIVITIES

Notes: Unless identified as optional, all mentioned activities are **included**. Actual hikes and campgrounds/lodges and the timing of activities may vary. This **flexible** tour itinerary may operate in either direction, and is (rarely) subject to change. BLD below indicates included meals.

DAY 1: FROM ANCHORAGE TO DENALI NATIONAL PARK

We'll meet in the morning at our Anchorage departure hotel/s (see our ***Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for location/s and time/s), introduce ourselves, and after a brief overview of the tour, head north into the vast Alaskan Interior. First stop: Denali State Park for a great 3 to 4-hour alpine hike (with Mt. Denali and glacier views), before proceeding on to world-famous Denali National Park for a three-night stay inside the park at the beautiful **Denali National Park Savage River Campground**. LD

DAY 2: DENALI NATIONAL PARK

A fun day as we can hike for 3-4 hours this morning, and then enjoy an exhilarating Class III/IV whitewater rafting trip on the Nenana River this afternoon. A scenic "flight-seeing" trip over the park to Denali/Mt. McKinley, North America's highest peak (wow!), and/or a tour of the park's dogsled kennels are fun, optional activities. BL

DAY 3: DENALI NATIONAL PARK

Today you'll travel through the vast, access-controlled wilderness area of the national park on the park shuttle bus, with exceptional wildlife viewing and hiking opportunities. This fantastic sub-arctic wilderness teems with wildlife, including grizzly bears, wolves, caribou, Dall sheep, moose, foxes, many varieties of birds, and more. Denali is also the home of the continent's highest peak, 20,320' Denali: "The Great One," a view of which is an unforgettable highlight! BLD

DAY 4: THE DENALI "HIGHWAY" TO OUR REMOTE RIVERSIDE CAMP, IN THE EASTERN ALASKA RANGE

Today we break camp and head east along the equally remote Denali Highway, paralleling the scenic southern side of the Alaska Range. This unlikely gravel "highway" passes through some of the wildest, most remote, road-accessible country on Earth, with amazing mountain, glacier, tundra, and river valley views. We'll enjoy a picnic lunch and then take a beautiful short hike at the pass, with tremendous 360 degree views of the mountains, rivers, and lakes that are all about: breathtaking!

The excitement ratchets up a notch this afternoon as we load our gear into a river jet boat and zip upstream toward the towering, glacier-strewn Alaska Range and our remote and rustic riverside wilderness camp (wall tents, cots, dining tent, fire ring, outhouses). Here we can hike and enjoy the wild solitude, a hot dinner, and an evening campfire!

There are lots of rare and interesting birds (arctic terns, trumpeter swans, long-tailed jaegers, and many, many more), as well as moose, foxes, arctic ground squirrels, beavers, muskrats, river otters, and occasionally grizzly bears to be seen throughout the whole area. The Denali Highway area is a special, seldom visited place, sure to leave a lasting impression. BLD

DAY 5: WILDERNESS CANOE PADDLE & ON TO OUR LODGE NEAR THE MATANUSKA GLACIER

After a morning canoe lesson, we'll float and paddle downstream in our canoes, on the lookout for wildlife, back to the gravel "highway" and (relative) civilization. Next we'll drive the brief (but super scenic!) remaining section of the Denali Highway, and then head south and west as we travel through dense black spruce and aspen forests, dotted with literally tens of thousands of lakes, for a night indoors at the beautifully situated lodge with panoramic views, near the beautiful Matanuska Glacier. BLD

DAY 6: MATANUSKA GLACIER & BACK TO ANCHORAGE

We cap off the trip by venturing out onto the glacier with crampons and local mountaineering guide/s to explore the blue crevasses, moulins, and the rest of the fascinating glacial geography. Beautiful! The tour ends back in Anchorage by 5 pm. BL

ACCOMMODATIONS

'CAMP & CABIN'-BASED TOURS: 6 days / 5 nights. We tent camp in a fantastic, organized campground inside Denali National Park for three nights, stay at a remote and rustic riverside camp one night (wall tents, cots, dining tent, fire ring and outhouse), and stay in twin-share rooms at a beautifully situated lodge near the Matanuska Glacier one night. While camping at Denali, we supply easy-to-erect, four-person Eureka tents, which are perfect for two people and their luggage. Showers are available all but one day. Be sure to bring your own sleeping bag and insulated sleeping pad, or, ***with advance notice***, you can rent these cheaply from us ($25 per bag/tour, and/or $10 per sleeping pad/tour).

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MEALS

'CAMP & CABIN'-BASED TOURS: All breakfasts* and lunches and four of five dinners are included on this trip. We feature fresh, nutritious, and tasty foods, multi-course meals, and large portions, including barbecues, fresh fish and meat, salads, and the occasional homemade dutch oven dessert. **Dinner is a highlight!** Lunches are generally picnics or brown bag meals that we carry with us on our hikes or other activities. The one non-included dinner is eaten out at a restaurant and is paid for locally. Vegetarians, vegans, and most special diets can be catered to ***with advance notice***, please list any dietary restrictions or preferences on your ***Tour Reservation Form***. *except breakfast the first morning, prior to meeting the group

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LOOK AT ALL THAT'S INCLUDED

- **Whitewater Rafting** on a fun and exciting Class III-IV river at Denali National Park
- **Glacier Trekking** on the Matanuska Glacier
- **Jet Boat-accessed Wilderness Camp Overnight**, alongside a wild, glacial river, in the Eastern Alaska Range
- **Wilderness Canoe Trip** on the Maclaren River. This is a calm, Class I wilderness float, downstream. Wild and beautiful!
- **Day Hiking:** A variety of exceptional 2 to 4-hour scenic day hikes over mixed terrain (moderate to strenuous)
- **Professional Guide:** The friendly and capable services of a professional **Get Up & Go! Tours'guide.** Additional local guides are provided for the included rafting and glacier trekking trips
- **Denali National Park Wildlife Viewing/Access Shuttle Bus** passage into the wilderness area of the park
- **All Ground Transport**, Anchorage to Anchorage
- **All Camping & Lodging Fees**, as specified in the "Accommodations" section of this document
- **Most Meals are included**, except for one dinner out (and breakfast on the first morning, and dinner on the last day)
- **Entrance & User Fees** to all national and state parks and public lands visited in route, and to Matanuska Glacier
- **All Necessary Camping Gear**, ***except*** your personal sleeping bag and ground pad (these are available for rent with advance notice: sleeping bags $25/bag/tour, and/or ground pads $10/pad/tour)
- ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet***, including a packing list, Anchorage lodging and arrival information, and more

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NOT INCLUDED

- **Transport to and from Anchorage**, where the trip starts & ends
- **Anchorage Lodging**, before or after the tour; we can help. See our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for details
- **Non-Included Meals** (see "Meals" above), or alcoholic beverages
- **Optional Activities** (most multi-sport activities are **included**, see above and below)
- **Personal Expenses**
- **Gratuities** for your hard-working guides; see page 5 of our ***Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for general tipping guidelines
- **Personal Travel Insurance**; **highly recommended**. See our ***Tour Reservation Form*** document for details

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OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES & PRICES

- **Flight-Seeing** to Mt. Denali (formerly known as Mt. McKinley), in Denali National Park (~$425-$575+)

COMBINATION TOURS

If you have more time, ***Alaska Ranger*** can be combined with our 6-day ***Mountains & Glaciers*** and/or our 3-day ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)***, tours. Sign up for any of our combination tours and receive a $100 per person discount.

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KENAI FJORDS HIKE & CRUISE (OR FISH!)

Alaska Multi-Activity / Hiking Tour

2027 Tour Description Sheet

3 days*, starts and ends in Anchorage

Combines well with ***Alaska Explorer, Mountains & Glaciers***, and ***Alaska Ranger***

(*when combined w/ ***Alaska Explorer*** or ***Mountains & Glaciers*** this tour meets up with those other tours in Portage, following the Alaska State ferry trip on those tours' final day, and is thus 2+ days in length: No need to return to Anchorage and overnight there in those cases!)

Sensational Day Hiking and Wildlife Viewing and a Spectacular 6-hour Kenai Fjords National Park Glacier, Whale & Wildlife-Viewing Cruise; OR a Half-Day Fishing Charter (with $80 supplement fee), in Kenai Fjords National Park

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2027 TOUR DATES & PRICES

KENAI FJORDS HIKE & CRUISE (OR FISH!) **Lodge-based tours (in Yurts!)**

Tour Dates: July 17-19; July 31-August 2; August 7-9; August 14-16; August 21-23; August 28-30
Tour Price: $950 +local sales tax. **All meals included***. **Single Supplement:** $150. **Fishing Supplement**: +$80
(Save $100 pp when combined with ***Alaska Explorer***, ***Mountains & Glaciers***, or ***Alaska Ranger***)

2+ or 3 days* / 2 nights. Two nights in twin- or quad-share Yurts (see Accommodations section, below)

TOUR INTRODUCTION: After many years of putting together private, post-tour extensions to **Kenai Fjords** for clients participating in our other trips, and also being unable to accommodate people who don't have as much time and are just interested in a shorter tour, we've finally added this 2+ or 3-day "mini-tour" to stunning and inspirational **Kenai Fjords National Park**!

Our ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** tour can be done on its own, in 3 days/2 nights, or it can be *added on to our 10-day ***Alaska Explorer*** or 6-day ***Mountains & Glaciers*** tours as a 2 ½-day/2-night extension (it meets up with those tours on their last days in Portage, following their final-day Alaska state ferry trips across Prince William Sound, and then carries on to Seward; this means those ***Alaska Explorer*** and ***Mountains & Glaciers*** clients don't need to return to and overnight in Anchorage before visiting Kenai Fjords National Park). This tour can often also precede our 6-day ***Alaska Ranger*** tour as a 3-day/2 night trip.

This active 'Multi-Activity/Hiking' tour includes some truly great hiking! Specific trails chosen vary depending on the weather, current trail conditions, and group interests. Alpine tundra, mountain forests, coastal rain forests, there's no shortage of options!

The tour climaxes with an absolute Alaska must-see: The definitive and sensational 6-hour **Kenai Fjords National Park Glacier, Whale & Wildlife-Viewing Cruise** in the dramatic fjordlands of this truly beautiful, mostly marine national park. Watch in awe as Pleistocene-era ice sloughs off the tidewater glacier faces, crashing into fjordal bays. Orcas, humpbacks, and/or other species of migratory or year 'round whales are usually seen up close, often bubble feeding in large pods for extended periods of time: a sight to behold! Sea otters, sea lions, playful porpoises, and a wonderful variety of birds, including bald eagles, puffins, oyster catchers, murres, cormorants, auklets, and many others are usually seen, and bears and mountain goats are also often sighted.

Alternative to the cruise, fisher folk can go out on a **half-day fishing charter** with a local captain for salmon, rockfish, cod and more, at the same time and mostly in the same waters as the cruise ($80 upgrade supplement required, plus the purchase of a one-day fishing license. Subject to availability. Please let us know if you prefer the fishing charter when you reserve your tour.

On this tour, we stay in well-appointed and heated, twin-share yurts at a charming and unique, locally owned boutique lodge. Most yurts have queen beds and some have two or four twin beds (when four beds, it's two on each floor of a larger yurt). The yurts have comfortable beds, attractive furnishings, electricity, heat, and wi-fi. (They are not plumbed, but clean and private flush toilet bathrooms and reservable hot showers are just a few steps away).

The Yurt Village includes a kitchen where our guide is able to prepare our **famous 'camp-style gourmet' meals**, multi-course affairs featuring grilled salmon or other proteins, along with delicious salads, side dishes and desserts: the food is a highlight! Vegetarian and vegan fare and most special diets can also be accommodated. Meals here are served outside, under a covered shelter or around the fire ring in the yurt village's wild and beautiful, camp-like setting.

GET UP & GO! Either as a shorter, standalone adventure for those with limited time, or as an add-on to one or more of our longer tours, ***Kenai Fjords Hike & Cruise (or Fish!)*** is a beautiful and ***'Active, Informative, Fun!'*** adventure in one of Alaska's most iconic and beautiful national parks. Please join us and see for yourself!

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KENAI FJORDS HIKE & CRUISE (OR FISH!)

DAILY ITINERARY & ACTIVITIES

Notes: Unless identified as optional, all mentioned activities are included.
Specific hikes may sometimes vary, depending on conditions.
This **flexible** tour itinerary is (rarely) subject to change. BLD below indicates included meals.

DAY 1: FROM ANCHORAGE TO SEWARD & KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK

We'll meet in the morning at our Anchorage departure hotel/s (see our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for location/s and time/s), introduce ourselves, and after a brief overview of the tour, head south to Alaska's beautiful Kenai Peninsula. On the way we'll parallel scenic Turnagain Arm. This mountain-lined and glacier-carved fjord, the ultimate extension of the Cook Inlet, Gulf of Alaska and Pacific Ocean, was named by a frustrated Captain Cook, during his 1778 search for the legendary Northwest Passage.

Along the way, we'll stop for our first hike, typically a 3 to 5-hour trek in the stunning **Chugach Mountains** (the specific hike will be determined by a number of factors, primarily current trail conditions and the day's weather: there's lots of great options!).

[Those of you who will be joining this tour as an extension of either your ***Alaska Explorer*** or ***Mountains & Glaciers*** tour with us will usually be met/picked up in Portage on the final days of those other tours, following your trip across Prince William Sound on the Alaska state ferry and a post-ferry hike.]

We'll then carry on to the beautiful Kenai Peninsula and to the seaside town of **Seward**, gateway to **Kenai Fjords National Park**, for two-night stay at the charming Yurt Village. **LD**

DAY 2: SEWARD & KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK

An action-packed day, as we can choose between several exceptional hikes in the morning, and then visit the wonderful Alaska SeaLife Center during the afternoon (the specific hike or hikes will again be chosen depending on trail conditions, weather, and other factors). The SeaLife Center, with its aquariums and scientific exhibits, was constructed following the Exxon Valdez oil spill with the mission of rehabilitating and nurturing injured marine mammals and birds, and their habitats. **BLD**

DAY 3: SPECTACULAR DAY CRUISE OR FISHING CHARTER, AND RETURN TO ANCHORAGE

This morning you can choose between either the previously described **6-hour whale and wildlife viewing cruise to an active tidewater glacier** in stunning **Kenai Fjords National Park**; or to go out on a **half-day fishing charter** for salmon, rock fish, and/or cod with a local captain ($80 upgrade fee and fishing license required; subject to availability). The day cruise is spectacular, as multiple whale species, porpoises, sea lions, sea otters, seals, bald eagles, puffins, oyster catchers, and an interesting variety of other sea birds are all commonly seen, and the close-up view of the calving tidewater glacier is truly spectacular.

If you can't imagine coming to Alaska and not going fishing, well, that's a great option as well. It's also possible to have your catch filleted, flash-frozen, and Fed-Ex'ed home to share with your friends and family, and to initiate a great story (additional flash freezing and shipping fees required, payable locally).

Afterwards, we'll wave goodbye to Seward and Kenai Fjords and drive back to **Anchorage**, where the tour normally ends by ~5:30 pm (airport or hotel drop-offs are no problem; please do not book a return flight that departs before 7:30 pm). **BL**

KENAI FJORDS HIKE & CRUISE (OR FISH!) ACCOMMODATIONS

3 days* /2 nights. We stay in comfortable, furnished and heated twin-share yurts with electricity and wi-fi at a charming, boutique "yurt village" lodge in Seward for two nights. Private yurts are usually available for singles, with single supplement, or we can usually either pair you with another same-sex single, or you can stay with other singles in either a two-bed or four-bed, two-floor yurt to avoid this charge.

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KENAI FJORDS HIKE & CRUISE (OR FISH!) MEALS

All meals are included (except breakfast on the first morning, before meeting the group, and dinner on the last day), and are prepared by your guide. We feature fresh, nutritious, and tasty foods, multi-course meals and large portions, often including barbecues, fresh fish and meat, salads, and more. **Dinner is a highlight!** Vegetarians, vegans, and most special diets can be catered to **with advance notice,** please list any dietary restrictions or preferences on your ***Tour Reservation Form***.

LOOK AT ALL THAT'S INCLUDED

- **Spectacular 6-hour Kenai Fjords National Park Glacier, Whale & Wildlife-Viewing Day Cruise**. View actively 'calving' tidewater glaciers, whales, sea lions, sea otters, jumping salmon, puffins, bald eagles, and many other interesting sea birds
- **OR Deep-Sea Salmon/Other Species Fishing Charter** ($80 per person upgrade fee required, plus you must purchase a one-day non-resident fishing license; subject to availability, these charters fill fast)
- **Day Hiking:** A variety of wonderful 3 to 6-hour scenic day hikes over mixed terrain (moderate to strenuous)
- **Alaska Sea Life Center** entrance fee
- **Professional Guide:** The friendly and capable services of a professional ***Get Up & Go! Tours'*** **guide**
- **All Ground Transport,** Anchorage to Anchorage (or Portage to Anchorage)
- **All Lodging Fees** throughout the tour, as specified in the "Accommodations" section of this document
- **All Meals**, except breakfast on the first morning and dinner on the last day
- **Entrance and User Fees** to all national and state parks visited *en route*
- ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet***, including a packing list, Anchorage lodging and arrival information, and more

NOT INCLUDED

- **Transport to and from Anchorage** (where the trip starts & ends)
- **Anchorage Lodging**, before or after the tour; we can help. See our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for details
- **Non-Included Meals** (breakfast on the first morning and dinner on the last day), or **alcoholic beverages**
- **Optional Activities** (see below)
- **Personal Expenses**
- **Gratuities** for your hard-working guides; please see page 5 of our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for general tipping guidelines
- **Personal Travel Insurance**: highly recommended. See our ***Tour Reservation Form*** for details

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES & PRICES

- **½-Day Fishing Charter Upgrade Fee:** $80 (plus required one-day, non-resident fishing license)

GET UP AND GO!

TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE on this or any of our tours simply give us a call at **1.907.245.0795**, or email us at **alaska@getupandgotours.com**. Assuming availability, all you'll need to do to confirm your reservation is to complete our ***Tour Reservation Form*** and scan and email, or mail it back to us with your $300 per person deposit. We accept personal checks, money orders, bank wire transfers, Visa, Master Card, and American Express.

"I LOVED my Alaska vacation with **Get Up & Go!** ***It was everything I was hoping for and more****. Your guides were the best: informative, fun, and flexible to the needs/wants of the group. All the activities (sea kayaking, whitewater rafting, glacier trekking) were new experiences and fun…. The kayak day was awesome. It was 10 days of saying 'It just doesn't get better than this.' Thanks for a great tour. I also appreciated the perfect weather you ordered for us."*
—**Bonnie Timm**, Seattle. ***Alaska Explorer***

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ALASKA FAMILY EXPLORER

2027 Tour Description Sheet
9 Days. Starts and ends in Anchorage, Alaska

Family Fun and Adventure at Kenai Fjords National Park, Matanuska Glacier & Denali National Park!
Exceptional Wildlife & Glacier Viewing Opportunities and an Exciting Variety of Included and Optional Activities

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2027 TOUR DATES & PRICES

ALASKA FAMILY EXPLORER **Lodge-based tours**
Tour Dates: June 27-July 5, July 15-23 (sold out); July 31-August 8; August 21-29.
Tour Price: Adults: $2,995. **Children aged 17 & under:** $1,995 (+ local sales tax).
Additional departure dates may be available, please ask.

GET UP AND GO! While our other tours are for adults only (or mature teens with an adult), ***Alaska Family Explorer*** is specially designed with active children (***ages 10 and older, or younger on private trips***) and adventurous families in mind! Highlighted by multi-day visits to **Denali** and **Kenai Fjords National Parks** and to the beautiful **Matanuska Glacier**, as well as included visits to the **Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center** (AWCC) and the **Alaska SeaLife Center**, ***Alaska Family Explorer*** features a friendly, professional, full-time guide, exceptional opportunities to view Alaskan wildlife and glaciers, as well as several fun and exciting included and optional adventure activities that your family will remember forever!

We start the tour by heading south along dramatic Turnagain Arm toward the Kenai Peninsula. An included visit to the fantastic ***Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center*** affords great, close-up views of Alaskan wildlife, including bears. From here we continue to the coastal community of **Seward**, gateway to **Kenai Fjords National Park**, for a three-night stay at our charming and modern lakeside cabins. Here we will visit the ***Alaska SeaLife Center***, walk out to the dramatic **Exit Glacier**, and take a short hike through the coastal rainforest down to a salmon stream and a pristine beach. Optional activities in Seward include a fantastic **whale**, **wildlife and glacier-viewing cruise** in the fjords of the national park, on the lookout for orcas, humpbacks, porpoises, sea otters, sea lions, bald eagles, puffins, and more. A **salmon fishing charter**; an easy 3-hour **sea kayaking paddle**; and even **a helicopter-accessed dog-mushing trip on a glacier** are additional, fun, optional activities.

No previous experience is necessary to participate in any activity.

From Seward we'll head northeast to a beautifully set lodge near the huge **Matanuska Glacier**, for a two-night stay. In addition to plenty of family time, there is a highly recommended option to strap crampons onto your boots and venture out onto the dynamic and very blue glacier ice on a **guided glacier trek**, or even try an **introductory ice-climbing course**.

Next we head to **Denali**, one of the world's most iconic national parks, for a three-night stay. Here you will **ride on the park's wildlife-viewing/access shuttle bus**, on the lookout for grizzly bears, caribou, moose, Dall sheep, wolves, foxes and more. There will also be optional opportunities at Denali to go **river rafting** (white or calm water: fun!); **to tour a local family's homestead, tour their sled dog kennel, and take a ride in a sled dog-powered cart** (fantastic and insightful, don't miss this, your family will love it!); and to take a scenic "flightseeing" trip over the park to Denali (the highest peak in North America), as well as to hike.

On the ninth and final day of the tour we visit the famous **Denali dogsled kennels** in the morning before making the drive back to Anchorage, where the tour ends at ~6 pm. A final and highly recommended option is to forego the drive, and instead board the **Alaska Railroad**, for a beautiful, **wilderness train ride** from Denali back to Anchorage (~8 p.m. scheduled arrival back in Anchorage).

We stay in comfortable and charming, locally owned and operated boutique lodges and cabins with great outdoor areas and views, with up to four family members per room/cabin (or additional, private rooms may be available at additional cost). You're going to love our unique, beautifully situated, and well-kept boutique Alaskan lodges!

Please join us for this fun, adventurous and memorable trip that your family will remember forever!

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ALASKA FAMILY EXPLORER

DAILY ITINERARY & ACTIVITIES

Notes: This flexible tour itinerary may operate in either direction, and is (rarely) subject to change. Specific lodgings may differ. Activities listed as optional are at additional cost. Pre-booked optional activities must be pre-paid, or your guide may be able to book these for you during the tour, on a space-available basis (payable locally, in this case, credit cards accepted). Last-minute decisions on most optional activities are often possible if you're not sure now, but **early reservations strongly recommended**…

DAY 1. ANCHORAGE TO SEWARD & KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK. We'll meet in the lobby of our Anchorage departure hotel/s this morning, introduce ourselves, review this tour itinerary, load up, and head out. Today's short drive is beautiful, along scenic Turnagain Arm to the Kenai Peninsula. Wild Dall mountain sheep, bald eagles, and even beluga whales are all commonly seen on this drive. Along the way we'll stop at the **Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center** for close-up views of grizzlies, bison, musk oxen, and numerous other Alaska animals in a beautiful, natural outdoor setting. Once in Seward, we'll walk out to the face of huge **Exit Glacier**, in **Kenai Fjords National Park** for a closeup view. And you are going to love our cozy and charming lakeside cabins with a great outdoor recreation area, including fire rings and a beach! Three nights.

DAY 2. SEWARD & KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK. This morning we will visit the **Alaska SeaLife Center**, Alaska's premier public aquarium and Alaska's only permanent marine mammal rehabilitation facility. An optional and highly recommended **whale, wildlife and glacier-viewing day cruise** out to an actively calving glacier (wow!) in the national park this afternoon is not to be missed! Orcas, humpbacks, sea otters, sea lions, porpoises, seals, leaping salmon and a great variety of bird life are commonly seen on this trip, including puffins, bald eagles, and more. **Deep-sea fishing** is another option.

DAY 3. SEWARD & KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK. An easy, optional **sea kayaking** trip in the calm waters of Resurrection Bay is this morning's recommended activity. Fun and beautiful, it's great being out on the water! ***No previous experience is necessary for this or any activity!*** Alternatively, we can take an easy/moderate hike through an old-growth rain forest to a stunning and remote Resurrection Bay beach. In late July and August, the stream there is chock full of spawning salmon, a site to behold. There are also options this afternoon to go **"heli-mushing"** (mush your own dog sled team across a helicopter-accessed glacier!), or simply enjoy some free family time strolling around this charming, seaside town.

DAY 4. MATANUSKA VALLEY & GLACIER. This morning we'll travel northeast to our lodge, beautifully situated near the enormous Matanuska Glacier. In route, we can go for an easy walk to the year 'round snowfield at Byron Glacier, and, in season, view spawning salmon in one of the local creeks. After a short walk through the woods to a great view of the Matanuska Glacier, we'll check into our lodge, and enjoy a delicious multi-course, family-style meal in their magnificent dining room this evening. Two nights.

DAY 5. MATANUSKA VALLEY & GLACIER. After a hot breakfast, there is a highly recommended option to go on a **guided trek on the glacier**. Local glacier guides will fit you with crampons (steel spikes that you strap on to your boots or sturdy shoes), helmets, and hiking poles, for an unforgettable guided walk out onto the blue and age-old glacier ice. The glacial streams, water falls, lakes, ice cliffs, and deep moulins (water-carved glacial caves) that characterize this otherwise frozen river of ice are fascinating. The especially adventurous can even sign up for an optional, all-day introductory ice-climbing course (minimum age 12 for ice climbing, which involves a fairly long but easy hike on the moraine and ice to the climbing area).

DAY 6. DENALI NATIONAL PARK. Following another hot breakfast, we'll load up and head north to world famous Denali National Park! We will visit the new Visitor Center, possibly go on a walk in the woods, and, during the latter part of the summer (when the alpine access road is snow-free), visit the historic Independence Mine, at Hatcher's Pass, in route. We stay at another beautifully situated, creek-side lodge with gazebo and fire ring. 3 nights.

DAY 7. DENALI NATIONAL PARK. There are some great options available today, including visiting a family-operated **racing dog kennel and homestead** for a tour (usually including puppies!) and a **wheeled cart ride**, a tour highlight for most families! You can also enjoy an optional, fun white- or calm or whitewater river rafting trip this afternoon (optional; the minimum age is 10 for whitewater, or 15 in the whitewater paddle boat; the calm water float trip is available to younger children). There is also the option to go "**flight-seeing**" over the park and right up to the face of Mt. Denali (formerly known as Mt. McKinley), at 20,320' the tallest peak in North America.

DAY 8. DENALI NATIONAL PARK. Get ready for wildlife, as well as huge mountains and incredible landscapes and views! Today you will board the park's wilderness-access shuttle bus for a wildlife-viewing trip into the immense wilderness area of the park. Grizzly bears, caribou, moose, Dall sheep and foxes are all commonly seen, and lucky ones may even see wolves. Unless the clouds conspire to conceal it, magnificent, glacier and snow-enshrouded Denali looms large over the landscape, a stunning sight!

DAY 9. BACK TO ANCHORAGE. The national park has been patrolled in the winter by rangers and dogsled teams for 100+ years, and the park maintains a large kennel of sled dogs to this day, including puppies, which we will visit this morning. Along the way back to Anchorage we can watch for wildlife and stop to take a walk. The tour generally ends in Anchorage by 6 pm.

An attractive and leisurely, optional and highly recommended way to return to Anchorage is to board the **Alaska Railroad** for a stunning 7+ hour wilderness train trip, arriving in town, unaccompanied, at ~8 pm. Your guide will meet you at the depot and take you directly to the airport or your Anchorage hotel. (If you wish to take the train trip, please let us know ASAP, as it often sells out and tickets must be pre-purchased). BL

ACCOMMODATIONS

LODGE-BASED TOURS: 9 days/8 nights: All nights are spent in private rooms with private bathrooms at beautifully situated, locally owned and operated boutique lodges, with outdoor lounging and recreation areas. Up to four family members per room/cabin. Additional rooms may be available if more privacy is desired (at additional cost), please inquire if interested.

MEALS

LODGE-BASED TOURS: All breakfasts and lunches (except breakfast on the first morning), and four dinners are included in the tour price. Most breakfasts are either ordered off the regular menu or prepared by your guide. Lunches are generally picnics or brown bag meals that we carry with us on our hikes or other activities. 4 of the 8 dinners are not included; these are taken either at our lodges or in local restaurants, and are paid for locally. Vegans, vegetarians and most other special diets can be catered to **with advance notice**, please list any dietary restrictions or preferences on your ***Tour Reservation Form***.

LOOK AT ALL THAT'S INCLUDED

- **Professional Guide:** The friendly and capable services of a professional ***Get Up & Go! Tours'*** **guide**. Additional local guides are provided for the various optional multi-sport activities
- **All Ground Transport**, Anchorage to Anchorage (an Alaska Railroad trip from Denali back to Anchorage is optional)
- **All Lodges, modern cabins and/or rooms**, as specified in the "Accommodations" section of this document, above
- **Most Meals**, as specified in the "Meals" section of this document, above
- **Entrance & User Fees** to the ***Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center***, ***Alaska SeaLife Center***, to ***Matanuska Glacier Park***, and to all **National** and **Alaska State Parks** and public lands visited en route
- **Denali National Park Wildlife-Viewing Shuttle Bus** trip into the wilderness area of the park
- **Denali Dogsled Team Demonstration**
- **Day Hiking:** The amount, length and difficulty of the hiking is customized for each group. Beautiful!
- ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet***, including general tips, a packing list, arrival and Anchorage lodging information

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NOT INCLUDED

- **Transport to and from Anchorage**, where the trip starts & ends
- **Anchorage Lodging**, before or after the tour; we can help. See our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for details
- **Non-Included Meals** (see "Meals"), and **adult beverages**
- **Optional Activities** (see below)
- **Personal Expenses**
- **Gratuities** for your hard-working guides; see page 5 of our ***Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for general tipping guidelines
- **Personal Travel Insurance**: **highly recommended**. See our ***Tour Reservation Form*** for details
- **Child Care:** of any sort; you are always solely responsible for the care, safety and supervision of your children

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OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES & PRICES

- **6-hour Kenai Fjords National Park Wildlife & Glacier-Viewing Cruise:** $199 + tax & fees; Children <11: $99.50+ ***Highly recommended!***
- **Sea Kayaking** near Kenai Fjords National Park: $149 + tax

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- **Deep-Sea Charter Fishing:** Whole or half-day. Salmon, halibut, rockfish, combinations. $240-$600+ per person, + tax
- **Heli-Mushing:** Helicopter-accessed sled dog mushing on a glacier: fly up and mush a team of real huskies! $599/$549
- **Sled Dog rides & demo** at a family-owned sled dog racing kennel and wilderness homestead. Fascinating and fun! $128 (adults), $113 (ages 10 or less). ***Highly recommended, your family is going to love this unique and very Alaskan activity!***
- **Glacier Trekking** on Matanuska Glacier: $150. ***Highly recommended!***
- **Introductory Ice Climbing Course:** ~$249+, minimum age 12 (or private groups available w/ custom pricing)
- **Calm** or **Whitewater River Rafting** at Denali National Park: $160 pp (whitewater); Children 5-11 (float trip only): $130.
- **Flight-seeing** to Mt. Denali (20,320'), in Denali National Park: Adults: ~$449-$525+, + tax, Children <12: half price.
- **Alaska Railroad Wilderness Train Trip** from Anchorage to Denali National Park. $205; children 11 and under $103; or Gold Star luxury dome car service (includes 2 dining car meals): $411; children 11 and under $228. 7+ hours. Highly recommended! (If you wish to take the train trip, please let us know ASAP so we can book it for you, as it often sells out well in advance). ***Highly recommended!***

CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

"Just back from a FANTASTIC week on your tour, we just wanted to offer our praise and gratitude while the experience is fresh. From start to finish it was an excellent trip, beginning with the talents and approach of your guides, continuing with the superb itinerary, owing also to our compatibility with the other family, and including all of the intangible, unpredictable, unplanned, and value-added aspects of the overall Get Up and Go Tours! **Alaska Family Explorer** ***experience.*** *A few items of note:*

-(Guide) Dave's cooking was extraordinary - tasty, plenty, timely
-The guides handled each person/experience with utmost patience and professionalism
-They added much with their vast knowledge of Alaska, flora, fauna, people, places, etc.
-The itinerary was perfect - diverse, great mix of places and activities
-Pace was just right - keeping good and busy doing fun stuff, with some downtime as well
-OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES were wonderful mix and we enjoyed each of them so much
-No frills, and yet no corners cut - we were comfortable without cushy, just what we came for
-So much more...hikes!-glaciers-campgrounds-LODGE!!!-laughs...

"We are very satisfied customers*, would happily provide testimonials and talk to potential clients and recommend this trip HIGHLY, and we'll tell Trip Advisor and others about our great experience from start to finish...*

"BRAVO! And thanks again to you and the others for everything that made this a memorable and truly positive summer vacation.

"Be well and stay in touch. Gratefully," **--Doug Gertner, Maggie Miller, Jordy Gertner**, Colorado, *doug@emuconsulting.com*; ***Alaska Family Explorer***

"Geoff - I wanted to let you know that you can use my information for references for **Get Up and Go.** ***I was actually recommending you today to a friend who is taking a trip next year.***

"I am actually thrilled to recommend **Get Up and Go.** *Our experience was amazing and it made me wish* **Get Up and Go** *did trips around the world because I would use your services again in a heartbeat!*

"I have been around the world and was amazed by Alaska. If we hadn't used **Get Up and Go***, I think we would have missed out on so much,…* *they know what you can fit in, make sure you are on time, and expose you to as much as possible. I have never done a guided trip but actually started looking into them after this trip because I felt like we (as a family) got so much more out of it than we would had we tried to do it on our own."*

–Wendy Lewis, Boulder, CO. wlewis95@yahoo.com; ***Alaska Family Explorer***

"Just wanted to let you know that we had an exceptional time…! Thank you so much for giving us such a great adventure. (GG! guide) Sophie was awesome and I can't say enough great things about her. She was so accommodating and bent over backwards to make sure we had a wonderful time. *We all consider her a friend now and look forward to staying in touch.*

"You and your team are doing a great job. *I'm telling everyone who is thinking about Alaska that they need to do it with* **Get Up and Go! Tours!** *Take care, Joe"* **–Joe Diggins, Sewickley, Pennsylvania**; ***Alaska Family Explorer***

ABOUT Get Up & Go! Tours

Our Philosophy

The Call of the Wild…

At Get Up & Go! Tours, our mission is to help people not just see, but also to *actively experience and better appreciate* the wild Alaska they've dreamed of: A timeless and beautiful land as rich with possibilities of personal adventure, discovery and inspiration as it is with awesome landscapes and wildlife. This is in fact the essence of our ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** tour formula. For it is our belief that helping people to get active, engaged and having fun in the great Alaskan outdoors can only result in a heightened appreciation of wilderness more generally; of its inherent value, and of the dire need to preserve it, for its own sake as well as for future generations. Experiencing Alaskan wilderness directly, getting active in it, breathing its air, marveling at its magnificent landscapes and vistas and wildlife: one can't help but be moved.

From the first nomadic, ice age hunters who unwittingly wandered across the Bering Land Bridge from Asia in pursuit of a herd of caribou, to the 19th century Klondike gold rush "stampeders," to the modern day eco-tourist, the history of Alaska is a fascinating tale of exploration and discovery, of restless and adventurous humans at the far edges of the known world confronting wild nature in its grandest, most dramatic forms.

In today's super-hectic, modern world, "the call of the wild" is at least as compelling as it's ever been. With this in mind, **Get Up & Go! Tours** strives to make contemporary Alaskan adventure available not only to the ultra-intrepid, rugged and rich, but to anyone with a yearning for adventure and personal discovery (and yes, good health, decent fitness and a week or two of vacation time). Our ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** Multi-Sport / Hiking, Family, and Custom Alaska tours are the perfect way for the adventurous and nature-loving traveler with limited time to get off the beaten track, actively experience, and better appreciate the Great Land, through a variety of uniquely Alaskan multi-sport activities and inspirational hikes. Please join us!

Our Commitment

To Alaska, Our Local Communities, and the Natural Environment

Get Up & Go! Tours is proud to practice **Leave No Trace** principles of outdoor ethics, goes to great lengths to reuse and recycle as much of the packaging and other waste produced in our base, office, and household as possible, and patronizes locally owned and operated businesses and farmers whenever feasible in an effort to minimize impact and give something back to the local communities we visit.

Get Up & Go! Tours also makes contributions to several local and national community and conservation groups. Organizations we are members of and/or support include the Alaska Center; The Wilderness Society; Defenders of Wildlife; the Alaska chapter of the Sierra Club; Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC); Audubon Society; Wrangell Mountain Center (in McCarthy); Anchorage Museum; Anchorage Parks & Recreation Department; Anchorage International Film Festival; Friends of Kennicott; and the Alaska Travel Industry Association; among others.

MORE CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

"Geoff: Well, unfortunately, we are home in NC where the temp will reach 98 today with about 98% humidity, and we miss Alaska already. We had the BEST time. Amanda and Suzie are professional, knowledgeable, organized, responsible, entertaining, fun, motivating, and overall, AWESOME women, and we are thrilled to have had the chance to get to know both of them. *If they haven't told you already, this group of people jelled from moment #one...and I give Amanda the kudos for setting the tone…. We had phenomenal weather...we saw Denali 4 out of a possible 6 days that we were in the area to see "The Great One". We checked off almost every animal on the Alaska list (no lynx or wolf...just wolf and baby wolf tracks), I ID'd wildflowers, we ate raspberries, and we ate great meals. Oh, did I mention the awesome hikes,…the great rafting, canoeing with the beavers, sandpipers, and moose, ice climbing on an incredible day into a moulin, sea kayaking with sea otters, kittiwakes, gulls and a calving ice cave, snowball fight on a glacier ice field, and we were lucky to have only one day of rain. What mosquitoes? I can honestly say I came back with zero bites. But, we did see lots of bears from a respectable distance, so, one still had to be aware of their environment! Overall, we're concerned that we may not be able to one-better this trip. So, in case you misunderstood this little note, we were more than pleased with this trip and will be waiting your next offerings! Thanks for everything. Happily yours, Nan"*

–Nancy Kirlin, North Carolina. ***Alaska Explorer*** twice, eight years apart!

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"Hey Geoff, Just wanted to thank you and (GG! guide) Marci for a fabulous trip to Alaska. You could not have planned a better trip and Marci was amazing. Everything was perfect (even the weather) and we couldn't have done it without you.

*"If you ever need testimonials for brochures, pictures or anything from a client's perspective- let us know b/c we would be happy to help out in any way. I am going to tell everyone we know that if they are going to Alaska to book through you all b/c it was fantastic"***--Julie D. Madsen Zarou**, and family, New Jersey. Custom-designed private lodge tour guests.

Please Allow Us to Introduce Ourselves...

CELEBRATING OUR 26th SEASON IN 2027! HELLO AND WELCOME! I'm Geoffrey Downes, founder and Owner/Operator of ***Get Up & Go! Tours***. On behalf of all our guides and staff, I want to thank you for your interest in our company, and for taking the time to read through our ***Alaska 2027 Online Brochure.*** As an Alaska-based, and local, owner-operated company since 2002, we're especially proud of our commitment to the highest standards of quality, value, personal attention, and friendliness, and of our dedication to orchestrating an exciting, well-rounded, enjoyable, and safe Alaskan experience you'll always remember.

Since 1991 I have been professionally guiding people of more than 100 nationalities throughout North America, from southern Mexico to the Alaskan and Canadian Arctic, sharing with them my experience, knowledge, enthusiasm and strong respect for nature, the great outdoors and all things Alaskan. I enjoy it!

Inspired by restlessness and a sense of adventure I gave up my teaching career and decided to take up guiding full time, coming to Alaska on an assignment in 1994. I was awestruck. The experience changed my life, and I've been guiding and exploring here ever since, learning everything I can about the land and getting out as often as possible. With each passing year I have grown more enchanted by the uncanny wildness, beauty, and spirit of Alaska, and more enthusiastic about my experiences and life here. Alaska is a truly special place, a land rich with beauty, authenticity, adventure and its own larger-than-life mystique.

Following several years of guiding for other outfits, I founded ***Get Up & Go! Tours*** in 2002**,** determined to provide the complete ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** experience I knew people were actually looking for, and to do things right. Immediately successful beyond my wildest dreams, ***Get Up & Go!*** is now entering **our 26th season**, proud to have shared the wild Alaska we all love with nearly 7,000 satisfied clients: active, adventurous and fun-loving people from the world over. A huge part of this success is due, of course, to our first-rate guiding staff, most of whom have been with us for several years. Ray, Nicole, Allison, Cheryl, Rebecca, Suzie, Jeannie, Sophie, and the rest of our sensational staff look forward to sharing their own private Alaska with you!

Thank you again for your interest in *Get Up & Go! Tours*. I invite you to come up and discover Alaska for yourself this summer on one of our ***Active, Informative, Fun!*** Multi-Sport, Hiking, Family, or Custom / Private tours. If you're anything like me, a renewed respect and appreciation for the natural world will more than likely result, along with a lot of fun and great memories, borne of inspiring personal outdoor experiences and discovery. --Geoff

PS: Please feel free to print any or all pages of this ***Alaska 2027 Online Brochure,*** which will make it much easier to read, share, and consult later. Full-color pdf versions of our detailed tour description sheets with photos are also available for download on the **Reserve A Tour** page of our website. And don't hesitate to drop us an email or give us a call, we're here to help!

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Or email us: alaska@getupandgotours.com

"I just wanted to let you know how lucky you are to have so many amazing guides working for you… I had an amazing time. It was perfect. *Your guides showed us their Alaska and it felt like it was so personal and they were letting us in to see a piece of them. The food was over the top great… They handled everything with such professionalism. It was such a wonderful time. I am so thankful to have met (guide) Marci and to have been able to see why she loves Alaska. I can't say enough about all the planning and stops along the way that made this such an unforgettable trip. I have been telling everyone about it…"*

--Diane Hynes, Roslindale, Massachusetts. ***Alaska Explorer***

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Tour Reservation Form

2 Pages: Please complete, **sign** page two, and return both pages with your deposit (scan & email, or mail). PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

TOUR NAME/S: **TOUR DATE/S**:

CLIENT NAME/S & CONTACT INFO: *First, **full middle** & last names, gender, dates of birth (DOB), and nationality, are all **required**!*

1.	**M / F DOB:**	**Nationality:**
2.	**M / F DOB:**	**Nationality:**
Complete Address:	**Telephone/s: 1.**	**2.**
	E-mail/s: 1.	**2.**

Emergency Contact: **Relation:** **Tel:**

CLIENT QUESTIONAIRE: ***Please provide complete answers to all questions for all participants*** (use another sheet if necessary).

A. If you have any medical conditions, health issues, physical limitations, or medications you regularly take, please list/discuss these:
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B. Do you have any food allergies or special diets? (e.g. vegetarian, lactose-intolerant, gluten-intolerant/gluten-free, etc). Please describe:
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C. What do you especially like (or not like) to eat? This information is very useful to us in planning and serving meals. Please be specific.
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D. Height & Weight (required): Participant #1. Height: Weight: Participant #2. Height: Weight:

E. Briefly describe your health, fitness, and activity levels:
1.
2.

F. Briefly describe your previous outdoor experience:
1.
2.

G. What aspects of the tour / what activities are you most looking forward to?
1.
2.

H. How did you hear about us? If you found us on an internet search engine, in a guidebook or a magazine ad or article, do you remember which one it was? What keywords did you type in? If a friend recommended us, what is his or her name?

ANCHORAGE LODGING: Pre- and/or post-tour lodging in Anchorage is not included, and although you are of course welcome to stay wherever you like, we can usually reserve rooms for you at discounted rates at our departure hotel, **Coast Inn at Lake Hood**.

More budget-minded travelers are encouraged to **book themselves directly** at **Base Camp Anchorage**, a great hostel with co-ed and women-only bunks (max 4 people/room; from ~$55/night). **Book directly with BCA:** https://basecampanchorage.com; 1.907.274.1252.

See our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet*** for descriptions of both lodgings, details, and arrival and group-meeting information. *Room availability is limited. Rooms may not be available all nights. Prices & reservations at third-party lodgings are subject to change or transfer.*

Please book us at Coast Inn at Lake Hood, in Anchorage: $279 + tax (1 bed) / $289 + tax (2 beds). $15 + tax pp addl. for 3rd & 4th guests.
Before the tour: Yes / No Date/s? _____ **After the tour**: Yes / No Date/s? _____ **One bed or two?** (circle)

OPTIONAL GEAR RENTAL: We provide tents and all other necessary camping gear, except sleeping bags and sleeping pads (obviously not necessary for Lodge-based tours). All gear is thoroughly cleaned and sanitized between each trip.

If you would like to rent these, **please circle** or otherwise indicate the number of each you will require:

Sleeping Bag/s ($25/bag): 0 1 2 **Sleeping Pad/s** ($10/pad, non-inflating): 0 1 2 __ (other amount). **No rentals, I'm bringing my own**

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TOUR NAME/S: _____ **TOUR DATE/S:** _____

DEPOSITS & PAYMENTS: A deposit of $500 per person / per tour ($1,000 per person for Lodge-based and private tours) is required now to confirm your reservation. ***The balance will be due 60 days before your tour's start date (90 days for private tours)***.

I'm paying by: Personal Check / Visa / Master Card / AMEX / Discover. **Name on credit card or check:** _____

Card # _____ **CVV Security Code:** _____ (follows card # on back of card, in signature box)

Expiration Date: _____ **Card Holder's Signature:** _____

Full Credit Card Billing Address (inc. zip/postal code): _____

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY: Cancellation of a tour reservation by a client requires **written notice**. Such cancellations made 60+ days in advance of the tour departure date will receive a complete refund, less a $100 per person administrative fee. Cancellations made 30-59 days before the scheduled trip date will be refunded the entire trip price, less the initial per person deposit. ***Client cancellations, FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER, made 29 or fewer days before the trip start date will receive no refund. Sorry, no exceptions! Purchasing a travel insurance policy that includes trip cancellation insurance is a highly recommended precaution*** (see below).

In the very rare instance that **Get Up and Go! Tours** is forced to cancel a tour for any reason whatsoever (including under-booking: minimum four clients), a full credit will be applied to another tour or departure date, **OR**, a full refund (including the initial deposit) will be promptly issued, as you wish. ***This refund shall constitute Get Up and Go! Tours' sole compensatory responsibility:*** we cannot be held responsible for any additional or incidental costs that may result (non-refundable flights, etc).

TRAVEL INSURANCE: ***Travel insurance, including coverage for health, accident, emergency evacuation, accidental death, baggage loss or damage, and trip cancellation, is strongly recommended for all trip participants.*** Please see the 'Travel Insurance' page on our website: www.getupandgotours.com/travelinsurance to purchase a third-party travel insurance policy. Please be sure that any policy purchased covers the specific multi-sport activities we engage in on our tours.

PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE: By signing this form you are agreeing to allow the use of your photographed or videotaped image to appear on our website, in our digital brochure, print literature or any other type of advertising or promotion without notification or compensation.

DISCLAIMER: As you're undoubtedly aware, regardless of the precision of one's plans and preparations, things do not always go exactly as anticipated. Variable and unforeseeable weather and road conditions, third-party transportation, lodging and activity operators, and other factors subject to and beyond our control mean we cannot absolutely guarantee that the advertised itinerary will be precisely followed. While reasonable efforts will be made to adhere to the plan as outlined, ***Get Up and Go! Tours*** cannot be held responsible either for your failure to join the tour (or late arrival), or for deviations from or alterations to the advertised itinerary and program. Under no circumstances will any refund, in part or whole, be issued due to your late arrival, missing of the tour, or due to any tour or program deviations or alterations. If something unforeseen or out of the ordinary does occur, we ask for your patience and understanding as we do our best to improvise. Flexibility, patience and senses of humor and adventure are as important to bring along with you as your hiking boots and raincoat! Thanks!

PARTICIPANT'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INHERENT DANGERS & RISKS: Active adventure tours and activities such as those offered by **Get Up and Go! Tours** contain **inherent dangers and risks** that cannot be eliminated without altering the unique character of such activities. Your voluntary participation in this or any of our tours and/or activities, whether as a paying client or guest, signals your explicit acknowledgment and acceptance of your personal responsibility for all such inherent dangers and risks—which, among other things, can include injury, illness or death—and of your acceptance of your own personal responsibility for the safety and wellbeing of yourself, any children in your custody or care, and your personal belongings, at all times. All tour and activity participants are at all times participating in all aspects of the tour and activities **voluntarily, and solely at their own risk**. Note that some included and optional activities on our tours are operated by independently insured and permitted sub-contractors, who assume all responsibility for those activities, and who may require you to sign their own similar 'acknowledgement of risks' form/s. ***An activity-specific travel insurance policy, including trip cancellation insurance (as described above), is strongly recommended***. **World Nomads** and **Travel-Guard** insurance companies have good reputations.

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS & CONDITIONS, AND OF INHERENT DANGERS & RISKS: I have read, understood, and hereby accept all terms and conditions set out in this ***Get Up and Go! Tours' Tour Reservation Form***. I additionally understand, acknowledge, assume and accept full responsibility for the dangers and risks inherent in the trip and its activities, indicated or otherwise, for myself and all minor children in my custody or care, for bodily injury, illness, death, or loss or damage of personal property, and for expenses sustained as a result of any such inherent dangers and risks, or due to my own negligence. I further acknowledge and accept that this agreement shall be effective and binding upon me, my heirs, assigns, personal representative/s, and estate, and for all members of my family, including minor children:

Name (please print): _____ Signature X _____

Name (please print): _____ Signature X _____

Today's Date: _____ **Note:** All participants aged 18 and over (at the time of the tour) must sign; use additional forms if necessary.

WHAT NEXT? Thank you for your reservation! We'll send you a confirmation of your reservation along with a receipt/invoice for your deposit and balance due. The balance is payable in full no later than 60 days prior to the tour departure date.

PREPARING FOR YOUR TOUR: Please be sure to download and carefully read through our ***Alaska Tour Pre-Departure Packet***, available on the **Reserve A Tour** page of our website (http://www.getupandgotours.com/documents/GGPre-DeparturePacket.pdf). This packet contains everything you'll need to know to prepare for your tour, including Alaska flight information, Anchorage lodging options, instructions regarding your arrival in Anchorage and meeting your guide and group, a detailed packing list, and other useful tips and information, and should answer most questions you might have. Thanks again for your reservation, we'll see you in Alaska!