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# **SUMMER 2016**

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# CELEBRATING A CENTURY OF SPECIAL PARKS AND PLACES



Since 1914, the Railroad has played an enduring role as a reliable passenger transportation link in a vast state with sparse infrastructure. As steel wheels roll along nearly 500 miles of track, the railroad offers year-round, regularly scheduled service between Alaska towns and cities – as well as access to some of

the world's most spectacular scenery.

The railroad was completed in 1923, just a few years after Denali National Park was christened as part of a fledging National Park Service (NPS). Today, we remain a key partner in transporting travelers to Alaska's national park treasures. In fact, in 2016, we salute the 100-year anniversary of the NPS with a centennial edition of our *National Parks by Rail* package tour (page 29). Similarly, the Alaska Railroad helped to commemorate the Chugach National Forest centennial in 2007, when the Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop offered a brand new venue to experience the grandeur of Alaska's wild lands (page 47).

Whether you're an Alaskan traveling for work or play, or a visitor eager to experience the Last Frontier, give us a call. Our Alaskan reservation agents are ready to help build your journey and get you to where you want to go.

Sincerely,

Bill O'Leary President & CEO

Alaska Railroad Corporation



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# WHO WE ARE

The Alaska Railroad Corporation is a full-service railroad serving ports and communities throughout Southcentral and Interior Alaska. Primarily, we serve as regularly scheduled public transportation in these regions – it's been our commitment since 1923.

In the summer, the Alaska Railroad provides daily service to many Alaska destinations. Passengers seeking rail-only travel will find schedules and fares beginning on page 9, while travelers seeking to explore Alaska may be interested in our multi-day adventure packages (page 21) and day trips (page 41). Whatever your reason for riding the rails, we think you'll agree the views from our tracks are some of the most spectacular on earth.

# WHERE WE GO

The Alaska Railroad travels along approximately 500 miles of track with three daily summer trains: the Coastal Classic to Seward, the Denali Star to Anchorage, Talkeetna, Denali and Fairbanks, and the Glacier Discovery to Whittier, Portage, Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop and Grandview. The Hurricane Turn Flagstop Train runs Thursday through Monday out of Talkeetna during the summer, serving remote homes only accessible by rail.

During non-summer months, the Aurora Winter Train provides service between Anchorage and Fairbanks on weekends and select mid-week departures. The Hurricane Turn winter service runs once a month from Anchorage to Hurricane on the first Thursday of the month.

# ALASKA RAILROAD DEPOTS & STOPS

### **ANCHORAGE**

411 West 1st Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501 Ticket sales, baggage service and gift shop.

#### DENALI

Mile 1.25 Denali National Park Road Denali Park, AK 99755 Ticket sales, baggage service and gift shop.

### **FAIRBANKS**

1745 Johansen Expressway, Fairbanks, AK 99701 Ticket sales, baggage service and gift shop.

### **GIRDWOOD**

Brudine Road via Toadstool Drive Girdwood, AK 99587 No Alaska Railroad staff or services at this location.

#### PORTAGE

MP 78 Seward Highway No Alaska Railroad staff or services at this location.

#### **SEWARD**

408 Port Avenue, Seward, AK 99664 Ticket sales and baggage service.

### **TALKEETNA**

Mile 13.5 Talkeetna Spur Road, Talkeetna, AK 99676 Ticket sales and baggage service.

### **WASILLA**

415 East Railroad Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654 No Alaska Railroad staff or services at this location.

#### WHITTIFR

Mile 1.3 West Camp Road, Whittier, AK 99693 No Alaska Railroad staff or services at this location. Boarding area under large white tent, across from the cruise ship terminal.



# RAILBELT MAP ////////

- Milepost 44 | TRAIL GLACIER
  Great views of Trail Glacier, Trail Creek & Trail Canyon.
- Milepost 45 | GRANDVIEW The site of a roadhouse for railroad workers. Named for the spectacular views of this alpine meadow in the Kenai Mountains.
- Milepost 48 | BARTLETT GLACIER Named after Frank Bartlett, an Alaska Railroad engineer, the glacier is visible just beyond a curve in the tracks.
- Milepost 55 | SPENCER GLACIER This magnificent wall of ice rises into view from our tracks. Countless adventure activities await you at Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop (see page 47).
- Milepost 224 | ALASKA RANGE

  Here you can see a stunning view of Denali (20,320 ft.),

  Mount Hunter (14,960 ft.), Mount Foraker (17,400 ft.),

  Mount Russell (11,600 ft.) and Mount Dall (9,000 ft.).

  This is also home to the confluence of three major rivers:

  Talkeetna. Chulitna and Susitna.
- Milepost 284 | HURRICANE GULCH One of the line's best photo vantage points, the bridge spans 918 feet - 296 feet above the creek.
- > Milepost 304 | BROAD PASS The lowest pass in the Alaska Range.
- Milepost 313 | SUMMIT
  The summit of the Continental Divide is at 2,363 feet.
  Summit Lake drains into both the Pacific Ocean and
  Bering Sea.
- Milepost 348 | DENALI PARK This milepost marks the entrance to Denali National Park, home to North America's highest mountain peak, Denali.
- Milepost 414 | MEARS MEMORIAL BRIDGE
  This 700 foot mass of steel is one of the longest
  single-span bridges in the world. Dedicated by President
  Warren G. Harding who in 1923 drove the final
  (golden) spike it marks the completion of the Alaska
  Railroad. If you look below, you can see Athabascan fish
  wheels in the Tanana River.

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### GOLDSTAR SERVICE ///////



Comfortably appointed and affordable, **Adventure Class** is a proud standard for passenger service on the Alaska Railroad.

Availability: All Alaska Railroad routes.



» INCLUDED DINING «

### ADVENTURE CLASS FEATURES:

- Large picture windows
- Onboard dining available for purchase\*
- Comfortable seats
- Open seating in double-deck Vista Dome cars on most trains
- Bar service
- Fully accessible

\*No dining or bar service on the Hurricane Turn Train.

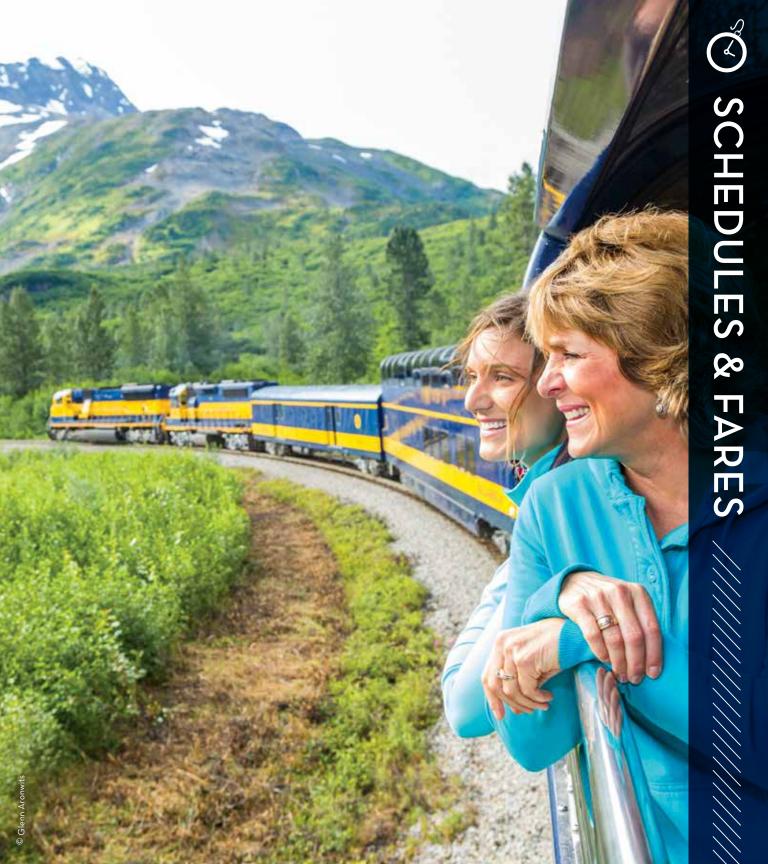


The Alaska Railroad's premium class of service offers passengers an exceptional way to travel in the Last Frontier. **GoldStar** tickets include meals, all soft beverages and two complimentary adult beverages per trip.

Availability: Coastal Classic Train, Denali Star Train.

# GOLDSTAR CLASS FEATURES:

- Glass-dome ceilings
- Upper-level outdoor viewing platforms
- Included dining in the lower-level full-service dining car
- Comfortable forwardfacing seats
- Alaskan tour guide providing narration
- Private bar
- Fully accessible



# COASTAL CLASSIC TRAIN ROUTE ///

ANCHORAGE . GIRDWOOD . SEWARD



### COASTAL CLASSIC TRAIN SCHEDULE

May 7 - September 18, 2016 DEPART → ARRIVE

Anchorage	6:45 AM	Girdwood	8:00 AM
Girdwood*	8:05 AM	Seward	11:05 AM
Seward	6:00 PM	Girdwood	8:50 PM
Girdwood*	8:55 PM	Anchorage	10:15 PM

<sup>\*</sup>Trains may depart early from these stops when all reserved passengers are onboard.

### COASTAL CLASSIC TRAIN FARES

	ADVENTURE CLASS Adult/Child*	GOLDSTAR SERVICE Adult/Child'
1	FROM ANCHORAC	ξE
Girdwood	<b>\$70/</b> 35	\$145/81 ®
Girdwood RT	\$108/54	\$248/140 ®
Seward	<b>\$92/</b> 46	\$181/105 ®
Seward RT	<b>\$146/</b> 73	\$302/174 BD
	FROM GIRDWOO	D
Seward	<b>\$92/</b> 46	\$181/105 ®
Seward RT	<b>\$146/</b> 73	\$3O2/174 B D
Anchorage	<b>\$70/</b> 35	\$145/81
Anchorage RT	\$108/54	\$248/140 B
FROM SEWARD		
Girdwood	<b>\$92/</b> 46	\$181/105 ©
Girdwood RT	<b>\$146/</b> 73	\$302/174 ® D
Anchorage	<b>\$92/</b> 46	\$181/105 📵
Anchorage RT	\$146/73	\$302/174 B D

### INCLUDED GOLDSTAR DINING

- Breakfast entrée
- Soup or Salad + Lunch entrée
- Soup or Salad + Dinner entrée + Dessert

All non-alcoholic beverages as well as two alcoholic beverages per trip.

As a provider of regularly scheduled public transportation, the Alaska Railroad offers U.S. military 20% off published retail rail fares. Additionally, we offer a College Multi-Ride Pass for students attending Alaska colleges and universities. The Alaska Railroad Corporation offers a Half Fare Program for seniors (65+), Medicare card holders, and individuals with certain disabilities, allowing them to travel for half fare during non-peak times: September 15, 2015 through May 6, 2016 (nonsummer months).

<sup>\*</sup> Child rate is available for ages 2-11 years. Children under 2 that do not require a seat may ride free of charge as infant in lap.

# ///// DENALI STAR TRAIN ROUTE /////

ANCHORAGE · WASILLA · TALKEETNA · DENALI · FAIRBANKS



May 11 - September 18, 2016

Runs northbound to Fairbanks only May 11, southbound to Anchorage only September 18.

DEPART · ARRIVE

NORTHBOUND				
Anchorage	8:15 AM	Wasilla	9:30 AM	
Wasilla*	9:35 AM	Talkeetna	11:05 AM	
Talkeetna	11:20 AM	Denali	3:40 PM	
Denali	4:00 PM	Fairbanks	8:00 PM	
SOUTHBOUND				
Fairbanks	8:15 AM	Denali	12:10 PM	
Denali	12:30 PM	Talkeetna	4:40 PM	
Talkeetna	5:00 PM	Wasilla	6:15 PM	
Wasilla*	6:20 PM	Anchorage	8:00 PM	

\*Trains may depart early from these stops when all reserved passengers are onboard.

### **DENALI STAR TRAIN FARES**

Visit AlaskaRailroad.com for value season pricing in May and September

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	ADVENTURE CLASS Adult/Child*	GOLDSTAR SERVICE Adult/Child
FRO	R WASILLA	
Wasilla	<b>\$62/</b> 31	\$173/95 ®
Talkeetna	\$100/50	\$212/115 ®
Denali	<b>\$165/</b> 83	\$294/164 B L
Fairbanks	<b>\$236/</b> 118	\$414/237 BLD
	FROM TALKEET	NA
Anchorage	\$100/50	\$222/125 <sup>©</sup>
Wasilla	\$100/50	\$222/125 <sup>©</sup>
Denali	<b>\$94/</b> 47	\$206/113 L
Fairbanks	\$139/70	\$279/162 LD
	FROM DENAL	ı
Anchorage	<b>\$165/</b> 83	\$305/176 LD
Wasilla	<b>\$165/</b> 83	\$305/176 LD
Talkeetna	\$94/47	\$206/113 🛈
Fairbanks	<b>\$72</b> /36	\$162/95 ©
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Anchorage	<b>\$236/</b> 118	\$414/237 BLD
Wasilla	<b>\$236/</b> 118	\$414/237 BLD
Talkeetna	\$139/70	\$267/151 B L
Denali	<b>\$72/</b> 36	\$152/85 ®

### INCLUDED GOLDSTAR DINING

- (B) Breakfast entrée
- (L) Soup or Salad + Lunch entrée
- (D) Soup or Salad + Dinner entrée + Dessert

All non-alcoholic beverages as well as two alcoholic beverages per trip.

<sup>\*</sup> Child rate is available for ages 2-11 years. Children under 2 that do not require a seat may ride free of charge as infant in lap.

# $^{\prime\prime\prime}$ GLACIER DISCOVERY TRAIN ROUTE $^{\prime\prime}$

ANCHORAGE · WHITTER · PORTAGE · SPENCER · GRANDVIEW



### **GLACIER DISCOVERY TRAIN SCHEDULE**

May 28 - September 19, 2016

Glacier Discovery Train will operate round trip from Anchorage to Whittier only on the following dates: May 18 & 21, 2016. Daily service will begin May 28, 2016.

DEPART	_	ARRIVE
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Anchorage	9:45 AM	Girdwood	10:55 AM	
Girdwood	11:00 AM	Portage 1	11:30 AM	
Portage 1	11:35 AM	Whittier	12:05 PM	
Whittier	12:45 PM	Portage 2	1:15 PM	
Portage 2	1:25 PM	Spencer WS	1:45 PM	
Spencer WS	1:55 PM	Grandview	3:20 PM	
Grandview	3:30 PM	Spencer WS	4:30 PM	
Spencer WS	4:40 PM	Portage 2	5:15 PM	
Portage 2	5:25 PM	Whittier	6:05 PM	
Whittier	6:45 PM	Portage 1	7:15 PM	
Portage 1	7:20 PM	Girdwood	7:40 PM	
Girdwood	7:45 PM	Anchorage	9:15 PM	

### **GLACIER DISCOVERY TRAIN FARES**

Adventure Class only.	Adult/Child*			
FROM ANCHORAGE OR GIRDWOOD				
Girdwood	<b>\$64/</b> 32			
Girdwood RT	\$100/50			
Portage (1st Stop)	\$80/40			
Whittier	\$80/40			
Whittier RT	<b>\$96/</b> 48			
Spencer Glacier WS/RT/M	\$119/60			
Grandview RT/M	<b>\$129/</b> 65			
FROM PORTAGE (1ST	STOP)			
Anchorage or Girdwood	\$80/40			
Whittier	<b>\$26/</b> 13			
Whittier RT	<b>\$44/</b> 22			
Spencer Glacier WS/RT	\$103/52			
Grandview RT	<b>\$113/</b> 57			
FROM PORTAGE (2ND STOP)				
Spencer Glacier WS/RT	<b>\$77/</b> 38			
Grandview RT	\$87/44			
FROM WHITTIER				
Anchorage or Girdwood	\$80/40			
Portage	<b>\$26/</b> 13			
Spencer Glacier WS/RT	<b>\$77/</b> 38			
Grandview RT	\$87/44			

Unless otherwise noted, summer trains offer dining and baggage service, non-smoking cars and wheelchair access.

Fare Table Key:

RT refers to round-trip.

**WS** refers to Whistle Stop service. Whistle Stop includes guided hike with U.S. Forest Service ranger.

**M** signifies motorcoach transfers from Portage to Anchorage or Girdwood depots. Spencer/Grandview passengers may disembark train at Portage for motorcoach transfers to Anchorage: 5:20 PM - 6:45 PM. Reservations are required.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> Child rate is age 2-11 years. Children under 2 that do not require a seat may ride free of charge as infant in lap

# HURRICANE TURN TRAIN ROUTE ///

TALKEETNA · HURRICANE



### **HURRICANE TURN TRAIN SCHEDULE**

May 12 - September 19, 2016 Operates Thursday - Monday

STOPS	MILE	NORTHBOUND	SOUTHBOUND
Talkeetna	226.7	12:45 PM	7:15 PM
Chase	236.2	1:00 PM	6:25 PM
Curry	248.5	1:20 PM	6:10 PM
Sherman	257.7	1:35 PM	5:50 PM
Gold Creek	263.2	2:00 PM	5:35 PM
Twin Bridges	270	2:15 PM	4:25 PM
Chulitna	273.8	2:20 PM	4:20 PM
Hurricane	281.4	3:00 PM	4:00 PM



This unique train – one of the last flagstop trains in America – serves as the sole means of transportation for a stretch of roadless backcountry along the 55-mile expanse between Talkeetna and Hurricane Gulch. Passengers can get off the train anywhere, and hop back on the return journey with the wave of a flag.

### Round-trip fare from Talkeetna to Hurricane \$100 Adult/\$50 Child

\* For all Hurricane Turn fares, visit **AlaskaRailroad.com**. No dining or baggage service available on the Hurricane Turn Train. Child rate is age 2-11 years. Children under 2 that do not require a seat may ride free of charge as infant in lap.



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### **DINING OPTIONS**

Onboard food, bar service and beverages are available for purchase on our three main summer trains, the Coastal Classic, Denali Star and Glacier Discovery, as well as the Aurora Winter Train.

Full-service onboard dining in the lower level of the GoldStar cars is offered aboard the Coastal Classic and the Denali Star, and is included for GoldStar guests. All three daily summer trains feature the Wilderness Café, which offers hot and cold meal selections to eat on the go.

To see sample menus, visit AlaskaRailroad.com/dining.

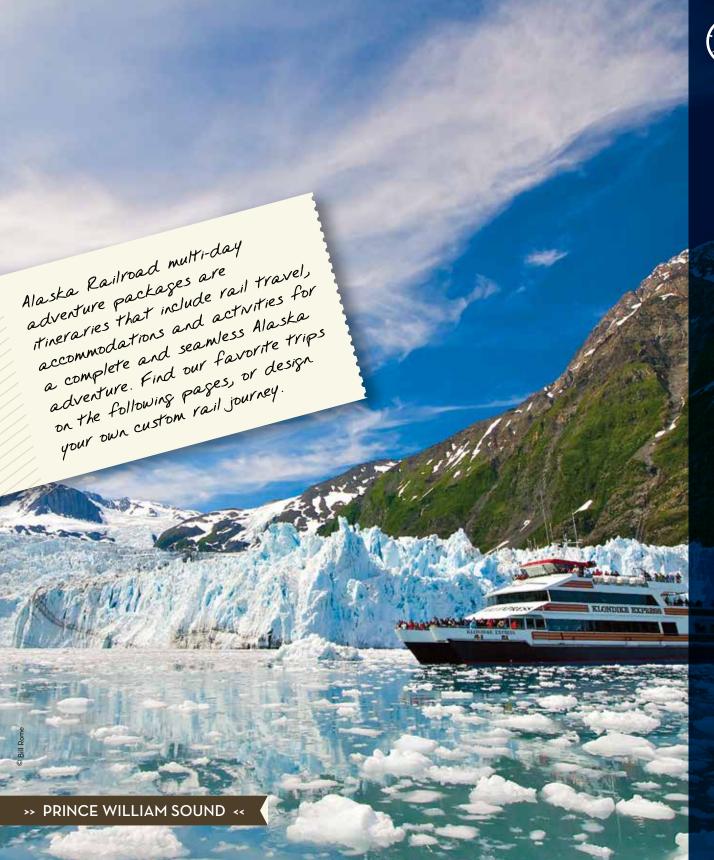
### **BAGGAGE**

The Alaska Railroad offers free baggage service for up to two pieces of luggage, 50 lbs. or less, at all manned depots (see page 4) during summer months.

### **GIFT SHOPS**

The Alaska Railroad has summer gift shops in Anchorage, Denali National Park and Fairbanks. You can also visit **AlaskaRailroadGiftShop.com** to purchase Alaska Railroad memorabilia, gifts and clothing at our online store. We ship worldwide.





### HOW TO PLAN A RAIL ITINERARY

With daily summer service to many of Alaska's most popular destinations, the Alaska Railroad is your ticket to a memorable Alaska journey. Book your rail travel, accommodations and excursions with one call to our reservations team.

### **BOOK AN EXISTING ALASKA RAILROAD PACKAGE**

Choose one of our pre-planned rail itineraries, starting on page 25.

-OR-

#### PLAN A CUSTOM ALASKA ITINERARY

- 1. Plan Your Destinations: Refer to Alaska
  Railroad route map (page 5) and train schedules
  (pages 9-18) to plan your itinerary. Most travelers
  opt to fly in or out of Anchorage or Fairbanks,
  or arrive or depart via the cruise port towns of
  Seward or Whittier.
- **2. Add Excursions:** Activities abound in each stop along the Railbelt. Pick from excursions like flightseeing, river rafting, glacier cruises and more (pages 55-60).
- 3. Call to Book: Our Alaska reservations agents are experts in building custom Alaska Railroad packages. Refine, finalize and purchase your dream Alaska itinerary with one call -800.544.0552.

Special Note to Cruisers: Alaska Railroad adventure packages make ideal pre- or post-cruise land tour options. Our itineraries can be customized to fit arrivals or departures out of Seward, Whittier, Anchorage or Fairbanks to complement your Alaska cruise.

Reservations: 907.265.2494 Toll-free: 800.544.0552 Web: www.AlaskaRailroad.com

E-mail: reservations@akrr.com
Reservations Fax: 907.265.2323
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LEP Assistance Available

### **KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK**

The Alaska Railroad acts only as an agent for its clients in securing reservations from the various non-affiliated hotels, transportation companies, and other third-party tour providers. While we will make every effort to accommodate the requests of our customers, hotel and tour substitutions may be necessary to complete the itineraries based on availability.

Published package prices are approximate and are subject to change. Prices are not guaranteed until your booking is confirmed by the Alaska Railroad. All prices are subject to change without notice.

We recommend purchasing travel insurance so you can plan your travel with complete peace of mind.

### WINTER

The Alaska Railroad offers winter rail vacations aboard the Aurora Winter Train, traveling weekends between Anchorage and Fairbanks. Experience the quiet splendor of Alaska winter with the Alaska Railroad. Visit AlaskaRailroad.com/wintertours for all winter rail options.

### **TOUR SYMBOL LEGEND**

We've placed symbols below each tour to help plan your ideal journey. Tours are unescorted unless otherwise specified.



Wheelchair accessible



Limited mobility accessible



Requires ability to get in and out of buses, boats and/or airplanes



Short distance walking



Moderate to strenuous activity



Includes some meals



**DAY 1** - Arrive in **Anchorage** and overnight. Plan to arrive early to explore Alaska's largest city and to get a good night's sleep before tomorrow's early rail journey.

**DAY 2** - Travel south on the Coastal Classic Train to **Seward** and take in the spectacular scenery. Embark on a Resurrection Bay Wildlife Cruise and enjoy an all-you-can-eat salmon and prime rib buffet lunch. Overnight in Seward.

**DAY 3** - Today, enjoy the Real Alaska Tour (page 56), including a dog sled ride, lunch at an Alaska roadhouse and Exit Glacier Tour. Depart for Anchorage aboard the Coastal Classic Train. Watch for moose. Overnight in Anchorage.

**DAY 4** - Depart for **Talkeetna** aboard the Denali Star Train. In Talkeetna, experience a thrilling 3.5-hour guided river jetboat safari traversing three different rivers. Overnight at the Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge.

Optional Talkeetna Add-on: Denali Flightseeing (see page 58).

**DAY 5** - Journey to **Denali National Park** aboard the Denali Star Train. Enjoy an evening of rip-roarin' entertainment and hearty grub at Alaska Cabin Nite Dinner Theater. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 6** - Embark on the Tundra Wilderness Tour, a 6- to 8-hour bus tour of Denali National Park. Wildlife sightings are common, so keep your camera handy. Overnight in Denali.

Optional Denali Tour Upgrade: Kantishna Experience (see page 59).

**DAY 7** - The morning is yours to explore and shop in Denali. Later, take the Denali Star to **Fairbanks**. Overnight in Fairbanks.

Optional Denali Add-on: Denali Helicopter Flightseeing, River Rafting, Husky Homestead Tour (see pages 59-60).

**DAY 8** - Take a tour on the Riverboat Discovery, a historic sternwheeler, for a glimpse of life in Interior Alaska. See dog sledding, an Alaska Indian village and much more. Overnight in Fairbanks.

Optional Fairbanks Add-on: Arctic Circle Air Adventure (see page 60).

**DAY 9** - A historical Fairbanks City Tour treats you to the University of Alaska, Museum of the North, the trans-Alaska pipeline and more. Later, fly to Anchorage via Ravn Alaska. Overnight in Anchorage.

**DAY 10** - Depart for **Whittier** and Prince William Sound on the Glacier Discovery Train. Enjoy the 26 Glacier Cruise and see immense tidewater glaciers. Return to Anchorage and overnight.

Optional Anchorage Add-on: Opt to spend another day in Anchorage. Fly to Redoubt Bay to go Bear Viewing (see page 55) or shop and enjoy Anchorage's culinary scene.

TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$2,905/GOLDSTAR \$3,639, per person, based on double occupancy. Published package rates including air between Anchorage and Fairbanks are based on air with Rayn Alaska.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote.



**DAY 1** – Arrive in **Anchorage**, Alaska's largest city. Book an excursion, or explore shops, museums and restaurants at your leisure. Overnight in Anchorage.

**DAY 2** - Depart on the Glacier Discovery Train for the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, home to bears, moose and more. Continue on to the Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop, where you'll raft amid icebergs before a salmon bake in full view of **Spencer Glacier**. Travel to Girdwood and overnight at the Hotel Alyeska.

**DAY 3** - Enjoy spectacular views of backcountry glaciers aboard the Coastal Classic Train to the charming port town of **Seward**. Travel by boat to your home for the evening: the island getaway of the Kenai Fjords Wilderness Lodge.

**DAY 4** - Watch for wildlife and glaciers aboard a day cruise of stunning **Resurrection Bay**. Upon your return to Seward, board the Coastal Classic Train for a late evening arrival into Anchorage.

**DAY 5** - Travel to **Denali National Park** aboard the Denali Star Train. This scenic, full-day trip from Anchorage offers views of Denali along with wildlife and backcountry beauty. The late afternoon arrival at the Park leaves time for exploration. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 6** - Watch for wildlife and incredible views as you travel 92 miles into the farthest reaches of the Park on the famed Park Road. Spend the night at the Denali Backcountry Lodge.

**DAY 7** - This day is completely dedicated to enjoying the Denali backcountry, with options to hike, pan for gold, fish for grayling, mountain bike or just relax. Overnight at the Denali Backcountry Lodge.

**DAY 8** – After a hearty breakfast, guests return to the Denali Train Depot for the short train trip to **Talkeetna**. This funky little village is known for its spectacular views of Denali. Arrive late in the afternoon and stretch your legs with a guided hike, spotting wildlife and learning about old-growth forest.

**DAY 9** - In Talkeetna, a jetboat ride takes you deep into the National Wild River Park of Devil's Gorge. Depart on the Denali Star Train for the final leg from Talkeetna to Anchorage, arriving in the evening. Overnight in Anchorage.

TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$3,665/GOLDSTAR \$4,335 per person, based on double occupancy.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote and cancellation policy details.

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CENTENNIAL

**DAY 1** – Fly into **Fairbanks** for overnight stay.

**DAY 2** - Travel north on a flightseeing tour and marvel at

the vast and remote land below. Cross the Arctic Circle and view the rugged Brooks Mountains and the wild expanses of **Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve**. Overnight in Fairbanks.

**DAY 3** -Take the Denali Star Train south to **Denali National Park & Preserve**. Watch for views of Denali and keep an eye out for wildlife. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 4** - Travel into Denali National Park & Preserve on a narrated tour of the Park by bus. Your guide will interpret the history, flora and fauna as you make your way to the heart of the Park. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 5** - Spend the morning exploring the area before boarding the Denali Star Train for **Talkeetna**, home to world-class flightseeing and a charming Main Street. Overnight in Talkeetna.

**DAY 6** - Enjoy a morning flightseeing tour for an up-close view of Denali and the Alaska Range. Wander Talkeetna's shops and galleries or enjoy a sampling of Denali Brewing Co. craft beer. Depart on the Denali Star Train to Anchorage. Overnight in Anchorage.

**DAY 7** - Take the Coastal Classic Train to **Seward**. Upon arrival, cruise **Kenai Fjords National Park**. See hanging and tidewater glaciers, and watch for sea otters, sea lions and perhaps even a whale. Evening train departure to Anchorage for overnight stay.

**DAY 8** – Watch for Alaska black and brown bears in their natural habitat on a guided, fly-out Alaska bear-watching trip to **Katmai National Park** or **Lake Clark National Park & Preserve**. Your trip concludes in **Anchorage**.

TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$3,410/GOLDSTAR \$4,085, per person, based on double occupancy.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote.



**DAY 1** - Arrive in **Anchorage** and overnight. Plan to arrive early to explore Alaska's largest city and to get a good night's sleep before tomorrow's rail journey.

**DAY 2** - Ride the Glacier Discovery Train to **Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop**. Float among the icebergs at Spencer Glacier and down the Placer River. A short train ride to Portage follows the float tour. A motorcoach transfer from Portage to **Girdwood** gets you back in time for dinner. Overnight at the Hotel Alyeska.

**DAY 3** – Depart early on the Coastal Classic Train to **Seward**. Upon arrival, cruise **Kenai Fjords National Park**. See hanging and tidewater glaciers, sea otters, sea lions and perhaps even a gray or humpback whale. Lunch included. Overnight in Seward.

**DAY 4** - Start the day at the Alaska SeaLife Center examining Alaska's marine life up close. Then, spend the afternoon on the Real Alaska Tour. This includes **Exit Glacier**, lunch at an Alaska roadhouse and a dog sled ride. Evening departure to Anchorage on the Coastal Classic Train. Overnight in Anchorage.

**DAY 5** - Travel north to **Denali National Park** via the Denali Star Train. Enjoy a hearty meal and rip-roarin' entertainment at Alaska Cabin Nite Dinner Theater. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 6** - Travel into Denali National Park on a 13.5-hour narrated tour. Your guide will highlight the history, flora and fauna as you make your way to the heart of the Park, **Kantishna**. Once there, enjoy a buffet lunch before traveling back to the Park entrance. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 7** - The morning is at your leisure to explore. That afternoon, return to Anchorage on the Denali Star. Overnight in Anchorage.

Optional Anchorage Add-on: Opt to spend another overnight in Anchorage and fly to Redoubt Bay to go Bear Viewing (see page 55).

TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$2,345/GOLDSTAR \$2,895, per person, based on double occupancy.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote.

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**DAY 1** - Arrive in **Anchorage** and overnight. Plan to arrive early to explore Alaska's largest city and get a good night's rest before tomorrow's adventure.

**DAY 2** - Depart from Lake Hood, the world's busiest float plane airport, to **Redoubt Bay**, home of one of the most concentrated and viewable bear populations in Alaska. Enjoy a day of bear viewing with your experienced naturalist guide before returning to Anchorage.

**DAY 3** - Travel north on the Denali Star Train to **Denali National Park**. Upon arrival, visit the Husky Homestead kennel to get an in-depth look at what it takes to win the Iditarod Sled Dog Race - and get a chance to cuddle a sled dog puppy. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 4** - Embark on a full-day journey along the 92-mile Denali Park Road. Your experienced guide will keep you informed and on the lookout for bears, moose, caribou, Dall sheep and more. Enjoy lunch in the heart of the park before making the return journey. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 5** - The morning is yours to explore in Denali. That afternoon, take the Denali Star Train south to Anchorage. Overnight in Anchorage.

DAY 6 - Ride the Glacier Discovery Train along scenic Turnagain Arm to Portage, where you'll disembark to visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center. Re-board the train and continue on to the Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop, where you'll enjoy an adventurous afternoon of rafting amid glacial icebergs; then enjoy a salmon bake in full view of the glacier. Overnight at the Hotel Alyeska.

**DAY 7** - Board the Coastal Classic Train for **Seward**, gateway to **Kenai Fjords National Park**. Spend the day cruising the fjords, watching for humpback and orca whales, sea lions, otters and more. Return by rail to Anchorage and overnight.

TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$3,035/GOLDSTAR \$3,595, per person, based on double occupancy.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote.



**DAY 1** - Arrive in **Anchorage** and overnight. Plan to arrive early to explore Alaska's largest city and get a good night's rest before tomorrow's rail journey.

**DAY 2** - Ride the Denali Star Train to the charming town of **Talkeetna**. Upon arrival, board a float plane for a scenic flight to Denali National Park, where you'll land for a guided hike in the backcountry. Overnight in Talkeetna.

**DAY 3** - Continue the journey north to **Denali National Park**. That evening, experience an exhilarating ride rafting on the Nenana River's Class II-IV rapids. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 4** - Get your legs burning on the Triple Lakes Hike before enjoying the relaxing rail journey to **Anchorage**. Overnight in Anchorage. **DAY 5** - Ride the Glacier Discovery Train to the **Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop**. Here, you and your guide will kayak amid glacial icebergs to the terminus of Spencer Glacier, where you'll gear up with harnesses and crampons to explore the glacier's incredible features. Travel to Girdwood and overnight at the Hotel Alyeska.

**DAY 6** - Take the Coastal Classic Train to **Seward** and spend the afternoon on a ziplining adventure. Sail through a glacier-carved valley on eight zips, three sky bridges and two repels. Return by rail to Anchorage and overnight.

TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$2,649/GOLDSTAR \$3,359, per person, based on double occupancy.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote. Guests must be at least 14 years of age to participate in all excursions.

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**DAY 1** - Arrive in **Anchorage** and overnight.

**DAY 2** - Depart for **Talkeetna** aboard the Denali Star Train. Upon arrival in Talkeetna, take a flightseeing tour of Denali and the Alaska Range. See walls and rivers of ice and North America's highest peak. Overnight in Talkeetna.

**DAY 3** - In Talkeetna, a Mahay's Jetboat ride journeys 130 miles round trip into the National Wild River Park of Devil's Gorge. Tour includes lunch. Later, return to Anchorage on the Denali Star Train. Overnight in Anchorage.

**DAY 4** - Depart early on the Coastal Classic Train to **Seward**. Upon arrival, embark on a cruise into **Kenai Fjords National Park**. See hanging and tidewater glaciers, sea otters, sea lions and perhaps even a humpback whale. Lunch included. Overnight at the Seward Windsong Lodge.

**DAY 5** - Today, enjoy the Real Alaska Tour, which includes a dog sled ride, lunch at an Alaska roadhouse and a visit to Exit Glacier. Depart for Anchorage aboard the Coastal Classic Train. Watch for moose. Overnight in Anchorage.

TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$1,815/GOLDSTAR \$2,355, per person, based on double occupancy.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote.

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**DAY 1** - Arrive in **Anchorage** and overnight. Explore downtown, or take in the expansive views of the Alaska Range on a walk along the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail.

**DAY 2** - Travel north to **Talkeetna** on the Denali Star Train. Talkeetna is best known as base camp for climbers attempting Denali and for the stunning views of this famous mountain. Take a stroll down the main street for river views, local brews and great eats. Overnight in Talkeetna.

**DAY 3** - Travel to **Denali National Park** aboard the Alaska Railroad's flagship train - the Denali Star. The evening is yours to enjoy. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 4** - Get out and explore! The Alaska Railroad offers a wide range of Denali activities. See pages 59-60 for tour options. Overnight in Denali.

**DAY 5** - Visit the main Denali National Park Visitor's Center to learn about the Park and its flora and fauna; located next to the Denali Depot. Later, make the return journey to Anchorage on the Denali Star Train. Overnight in Anchorage.

TOUR PRICE: \$1,015 per person, Adventure class only, based on double occupancy.

Package prices may vary from the published rates with hotel and tour selections. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote.

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Denali is a must-see for Alaska visitors and locals alike. Build a Denali Getaway in three steps:

**STEP 1** - Start with one of these hotel/rail combos:

# ANCHORAGE - DENALI - ANCHORAGE (Includes 2 nights in Denali Park) TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$585/GOLDSTAR \$965

ANCHORAGE - DENALI - FAIRBANKS (or reverse)
(Includes 1 night in Denali Park)
TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$369/GOLDSTAR \$645

# FAIRBANKS - DENALI - FAIRBANKS (Includes 1 night in Denali Park) TOUR PRICE: ADVENTURE \$275/GOLDSTAR \$499

Prices based on per person, double occupancy. All prices are subject to change without notice. Please call for quote.

**STEP 2** - Choose which tours or activities you prefer: Tundra Wilderness Tour, river rafting, flightseeing, Cabin Nite Dinner Theater. (See pages 59-60 for details and more options.)

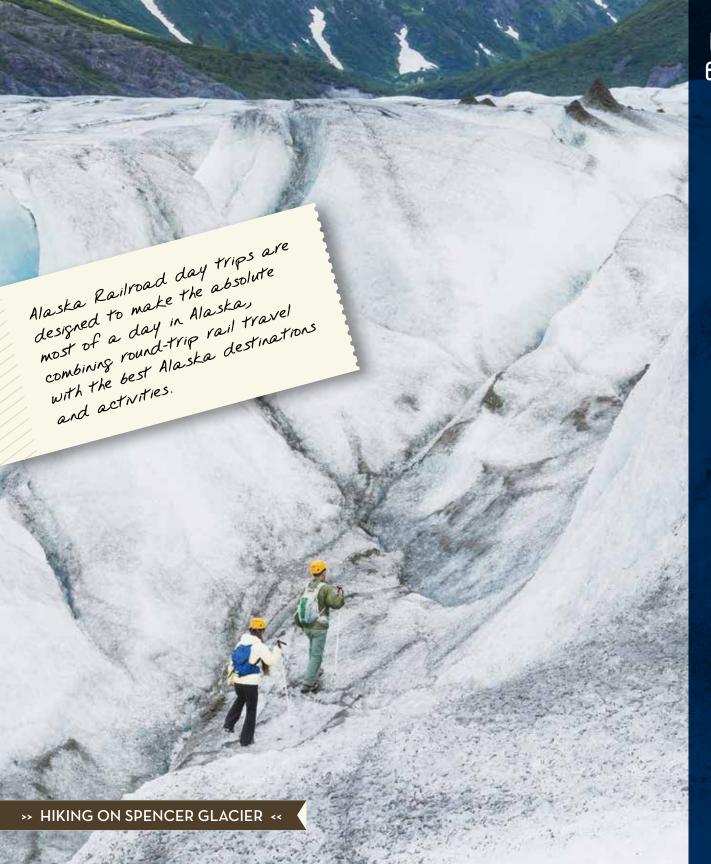
**STEP 3** - Once you've selected your Denali Getaway, consider adding a rail leg on one of our other trains. Hotel and tour options are available at each rail stop.

Visit **AlaskaRailroad.com** for more information, or call 800.544.0552 to build your custom Denali Getaway.

### OTHER DENALI INFORMATION:

Motorcoach Options - One-way motorcoach is available between Denali and Anchorage or Anchorage and Seward. Take rail one way and highway the other.

Shuttle Service - Denali hotel shuttles meet the train daily at the Denali Depot. In Anchorage and Fairbanks, most hotels offer shuttle service too, however, please call to confirm. Taxi service is readily available in Anchorage and Fairbanks and may be your fastest transfer option.





# RESURRECTION BAY WILDLIFE CRUISE

5-hour cruise - with Major Marine Tours

Ride the train to Seward, then embark on this 5-hour, half-day cruise, offering unparalleled beauty and wildlife viewing. Watch for puffins, eagles, otters, Steller sea lions, whales and Bear Glacier along the jagged cliffs of Resurrection Bay. The cruise is narrated by a National Park Ranger and features an all-you-can-eat salmon and prime rib buffet and dessert bar. Seating is reserved in a heated cabin.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Seward
ADVENTURE \$259 RT/GOLDSTAR \$415 RT

Available May 14 - September 11, 2016



# KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK CRUISE

6-hour cruise - with Major Marine Tours

Travel via rail to Seward and enjoy this 6-hour cruise which includes views of tidewater glaciers and plenty of wildlife, such as humpback whales, sea lions, porpoise, harbor seals, bald eagles and many types of marine birds. The cruise is narrated by a National Park Ranger and features an all-you-caneat salmon and prime rib buffet and dessert bar. Seating is reserved in a heated cabin.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Seward ADVENTURE \$334 RT/GOLDSTAR \$490 RT



# KENAI FJORDS NATIONAL PARK CRUISE

6-hour cruise - with Kenai Fjords Tours

Journey by rail to Seward, then embark on a 6-hour coastal catamaran cruise with Kenai Fjords Tours featuring Resurrection Bay and Kenai Fjords National Park. Experience superb wildlife viewing in the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge and get an up-close view of tidewater glaciers. Lunch is included.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Seward ADVENTURE \$314 RT/GOLDSTAR \$470 RT



# RESURRECTION BAY WILDLIFE CRUISE TO FOX ISLAND

4.5-hour cruise - with Kenai Fjords Tours

Take the Alaska Railroad to Seward, then enjoy this narrated cruise around Resurrection Bay. Learn about the rich history while viewing jagged cliffs, seabirds, marine wildlife and alpine glaciers, including magnificent Bear Glacier. A visit to Fox Island and an all-you-can-eat Alaska salmon and prime rib buffet with a National Park Ranger presentation is included. At 4.5 hours, this cruise is perfect for families.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Seward ADVENTURE \$255 RT/GOLDSTAR \$411 RT

Available May 20 - September 5, 2016



Packages include cruise and round-trip rail from Anchorage or Girdwood. All package prices are approximate. Please call for a quote.



### THE 26 GLACIER CRUISE

5-hour cruise - with Phillips Cruises and Tours

Ride the rail to Whittier. On the 26 Glacier Cruise. you will explore the serenity of Esther Passage, view majestic alpine and tidewater glaciers in College and Harriman Fjord while traveling in comfort aboard the Klondike Express - the fastest catamaran in Alaska. This 5-hour cruise is fully narrated by a Chugach National Forest Service Ranger, and a hot lunch is included.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Whittier \$265 🤚 🦍 💺 🍿

# PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND SURPRISE GLACIER CRUISE

5.25-hour cruise - with Major Marine Tours

Ride the rail to Whittier and board the Fairweather Express catamaran for a 5.25-hour cruise narrated by a Chugach National Forest Ranger, featuring tidewater glaciers, bird rookeries, marine wildlife and a working salmon hatchery. The highlight is an up-close view of Surprise Glacier. This tour includes an all-you-can-eat salmon and prime rib buffet and dessert bar. Seating is reserved in a heated cabin.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Whittier \$279 🤚 🦍 🔓 🍿



# PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND **BLACKSTONE GLACIER CRUISE**

4.5-hour cruise - with Major Marine Tours

Take the Glacier Discovery Train to Whittier. Then, explore the wonders of Blackstone Bay on this Prince William Sound cruise. See glaciers, spectacular waterfalls and abundant wildlife. This tour is fully narrated by a Chugach National Forest Service Ranger. Enjoy reserved table seating in a heated cabin and an all-you-can-eat salmon and prime rib buffet with a delicious dessert bar.

**TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Whittier \$249** 

Available May 28 - August 29, 2016



### **GLACIER QUEST CRUISE**

3.75-hour cruise - with Phillips Cruises and Tours

Cruise into magnificent Blackstone Bay, home to seven glaciers and Yosemite-scale waterfalls. Watch for playful sea otters, harbor seals, kittiwakes, bears, whales or mountain goats. This cruise is fully narrated by a Chugach National Forest Ranger. A hot lunch is included.

**TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Whittier \$210** 

Available May 28 - September 11, 2016



# SPENCER GLACIER

Glacier Discovery Train | May 28 - September 19, 2016



# SPENCER GLACIER WHISTLE STOP DAY TRIP

The Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop is part of a unique partnership with the Chugach National Forest Service. The Alaska Railroad provides rail transportation into a remote stretch of the forest and opens the door to a myriad of outdoor recreation possibilities. The Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop features waiting shelters, interpretive kiosks, a campsite and restrooms.

A day trip to Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop includes a guided 2.6-mile round-trip hike with a Chugach National Forest Service Ranger; please tell your agent when you book if you want this option. The gravel trail to the glacier overlook is fully accessible and well worth the walk. Lunch is available for purchase on the train.

TOUR PRICE: From Anchorage or Girdwood \$119 RT;
From Portage 2 or Whittier \$77 RT

OPTIONAL ADD-ON: Alaska Wildlife Center Visit \$50

# **GRANDVIEW SIGHTSEEING**

Journey by rail into the Grandview Valley and the historic Loop District where you'll be surrounded by alpine meadows, wildlife and wildflowers. This rail journey takes you through some of the most scenic areas of the railbelt: enjoy exceptional views of Trail Glacier, Bartlett Glacier and Spencer Glacier. Food is available for purchase onboard. Departures from Anchorage or Girdwood include one-way rail and return to Anchorage or Girdwood by motorcoach from the Portage stop.

TOUR PRICE: From Anchorage or Girdwood \$129; From Portage 2 or Whittier \$87

OPTIONAL ADD-ON: Alaska Wildlife Center Visit \$50

### **ALASKA WILDLIFE CENTER VISIT**

### with Chugach Adventures

Ride the Glacier Discovery Train to Portage. Take a brief shuttle to the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, Alaska's premier rehabilitation center for injured and orphaned animals. Enjoy 1.5 hours of walking and driving options to view the animals. Guides are knowledgeable about the animals at the center and can offer an interesting and fun tour for all ages. A bag lunch is provided. Return to the Glacier Discovery Train and continue on to Spencer Glacier or to Grandview. (Only available for guests boarding in Anchorage or Girdwood.)

TOUR PRICE: From Anchorage or Girdwood \$179;
ADD-ON PRICE: \$50

# SPENCER ICEBERG & PLACER RIVER FLOAT

with Chugach Adventures

Get up close and personal to the icebergs on this mellow float suitable for ages 5 and up. Experienced and professional guides will row you right up to beautiful picturesque icebergs and offer stunning panoramic views of the Spencer Glacier and surrounding mountains. From there, guides will begin the trip down the pristine Placer River still affording grand views of the hanging glaciers and mountains. This trip is one of the most scenic glacier river trips in Alaska and the first tour out of the Spencer area! Professional guides, rain gear, and rubber boots are provided. Includes round-trip rail.

TOUR PRICE: From Anchorage or Girdwood \$234; From Portage 2 or Whittier \$192

OPTIONAL ADD-ON: Alaska Wildlife Center Visit \$50
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### **GLACIER HIKE ON SPENCER GLACIER**

BY TRAIN & SEA KAYAK

### with Ascending Path

Walk on blue ice and sea kayak amidst icebergs with a professional glacier guide. Nowhere else in the world can you: ride a train, sea kayak, hike and explore a glacier all in a day. Peer deep into crevasses, find ice caves and learn how glaciers are made. This all day tour includes round-trip rail, a 3-mile round-trip paddle, 2 hours glacier hiking, guide, very small ratios, deli lunch and all glacier and paddling gear. Wear rain gear, fleece jacket and hiking boots. No cotton attire. Ages 13-70 only.

TOUR PRICE: Only from Anchorage or Girdwood \$396



# ICE CLIMB ON SPENCER GLACIER

BY TRAIN & SEA KAYAK

### with Ascending Path

Consider the ice climbing option to learn some vertical skills. This tour includes everything in the Glacier Hike on Spencer Glacier plus an opportunity to try ice climbing. All climbing gear is provided. Ages 14-70 only.

TOUR PRICE: Only from Anchorage or Girdwood \$420



Please note: The Glacier Hike on Spencer Glacier and Ice Climb tours depart from Anchorage or Girdwood only. Both are considered strenuous activities, but no experience is required. Wear warm, comfortable clothes (NOT cotton) and hiking shoes. The return from Spencer is via the Coastal Classic Train. Departs Spencer at 8:15 PM and arrives in Anchorage at 10:15 PM.

### **ICEBERG VIEWING HIKE**

### with Ascending Path

Enjoy a leisurely 4-mile hike around the shore of Spencer Lake with an Ascending Path naturalist guide. Get away from the crowds by starting your hike where most people turnaround. See blue ice and maybe even touch an iceberg. This tour includes a guided hike and deli lunch. The tour is considered easy to moderate. Please dress in warm layers and hiking shoes. Ages 7-70 only.

TOUR PRICE: From Anchorage or Girdwood \$311; From Portage 2 or Whittier \$269

### **BEARS, TRAINS & ICEBERGS**

WITH SALMON BAKE

### with Chugach Adventures

From Anchorage or Girdwood, ride the Glacier Discovery Train along scenic Turnagain Arm to Portage, where you'll disembark for lunch and a tour of the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center – guaranteed bear sightings! Re-board the train to continue on to the Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop, where you'll raft amid glacial icebergs and enjoy a delicious salmon bake in full view of Spencer Glacier. Return by rail that evening.

TOUR PRICE: From Anchorage or Girdwood \$399





# WILDERNESS JETBOAT ADVENTURE

with Mahay's

Take the Denali Star Train to Talkeetna. Board a jetboat for a guided river adventure. Enjoy panoramic views of Denali. Learn about the flora, fauna and history of the area. Visit an authentic trapper's cabin and Alaska Native encampment. Tour includes a guided 1/4-mile wilderness walk.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Talkeetna ADVENTURE \$270 RT/GOLDSTAR \$504 RT



### TALKEETNA RIVER FLOAT

with Denali View Raft Adventures

Travel by rail to Talkeetna. This gentle 4-mile raft trip is popular with ages 5 and up. Salmon and beaver sightings are common along the rushing glacial river. Excellent views of Denali and the Alaska Range unfold, weather permitting. Rain gear and boots provided.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Talkeetna
ADVENTURE \$275 RT/GOLDSTAR \$509 RT

Both packages include tour and round-trip rail from Anchorage or Wasilla.

# ANCHORAGE TO DENALI IN A DAY

with K2 Aviation

Ride the Denali Star Train to Talkeetna for an afternoon flight around Denali. K2 Aviation will fly you within six miles of Denali's summit. Tour the glaciers of Denali National Park and the entire south side of Denali and the Alaska Range. Glacier landing upgrade is available. Return to Anchorage aboard the southbound Denali Star.

TOUR PRICE: Anchorage to Talkeetna
ADVENTURE \$501 RT/GOLDSTAR \$735 RT



# FAIRBANKS TO DENALI IN A DAY

with Denali Air

Ride from Fairbanks on the Denali Star Train and enjoy the afternoon exploring Denali National Park. Join Denali Air for a scenic flightseeing tour of Denali National Park and Denali. Return to Fairbanks aboard the northbound Denali Star.

TOUR PRICE: Fairbanks to Denali
ADVENTURE \$549 RT/GOLDSTAR \$719 RT | \$\frac{1}{N} \]

Both packages includes round-trip rail and flightseeing.

# HURRICANE TURN FLAGSTOP TRAIN

The Hurricane Turn Flagstop Train is widely considered one of the last true flagstop trains in North America, departing the Talkeetna Depot Thursday through Monday, during the summer season.

The Hurricane Turn runs through a remote and beautiful 55-mile stretch of wilderness, north of Talkeetna along the same route as the Denali Star Train. Locals appreciate the flexible backcountry access the flagstop service provides, while visitors savor views of the Indian River Valley, Denali and Hurricane Gulch.

**TOUR PRICE: Talkeetna to Hurricane \$100 RT** 

### FLAGSTOP RAIL -N- RAFT

with Denali View Raft Adventures

Ride the Hurricane Turn to Chase and enjoy a gentle float trip back to Talkeetna with Denali View Raft Adventures. The glacial-fed Susitna River meanders through wilderness areas, and weather permitting, offers stellar views of Denali. Your guide will make stops along the way to show you salmon spawning areas, walk on a glacial silt island, and view the flora and fauna. Rain gear is provided on the float. The tour departs from the Talkeetna Depot and includes lunch.

**TOUR PRICE: From Talkeetna \$180** 



# CURRY JETBOAT ADVENTURE BY RAIL

with Mahay's

Meet your guide at the Talkeetna Depot and board the Hurricane Turn Train for a ride to the backcountry. Take advantage of the train's unique flagstop schedule and disembark at Curry for a guided tour of what remains of this historic resort location. After your tour, board a jetboat for a ride on the scenic Susitna River, watching for views of wildlife and Denali. Enjoy a guided stop at a Dena'ina Indian Encampment and trapper's cabin before returning by jetboat to Talkeetna.

**TOUR PRICE: From Talkeetna \$155** 



# OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

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### **EXCURSIONS BY DESTINATION**

There is no shortage of exciting adventures all along the Railbelt. The following tours can be paired with a rail journey to create a custom day trip; or, add/substitute these tours to an Alaska Railroad multi-day adventure package (pages 25-40) or build your own multi-day Alaska Railroad vacation. Optional excursion pricing excludes rail travel.

### **ANCHORAGE**

### **ALL TRAINS**

### Alaska Native Heritage Center: \$26

Visit Alaska's premier interactive cultural destination for exciting programs designed to introduce you to the Native cultures of Alaska. Open daily, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

### Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center: \$15

Through a combination of art, history and science, the Anchorage Museum creates a rich, deep understanding of the human experience and offers something for everyone. Open daily, 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM.

### Anchorage Half-Day Hike: \$99

Explore the unique coastal mountains surrounding Anchorage with a naturalist guide. This 3- to 4-hour excursion includes two hours of interpreted, guided hiking, transfers and a snack.

### Redoubt Bay Bear Viewing: \$723

Travel deep into the wilds on a fly-out Alaska bear viewing trip. Observe Alaska brown and black bears up close as they congregate in remote, untouched areas of Alaska, near salmon streams and tidal estuaries. Tour includes round-trip flightseeing, transfers, bear viewing and a meal.

## **GIRDWOOD**

#### COASTAL CLASSIC OR GLACIER DISCOVERY TRAINS

#### Nature Hike: \$69

Hike through America's northernmost temperate rainforest. Learn about this unique ecosystem on the 5-mile "out and back" hike. This 3-hour tour includes interpreted guided hiking and snack.

### Alpine Glacier Hike: \$139

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Ride the scenic Alyeska Tram up to 2,300 feet and hike a scenic ridgeline surrounded by the seven glaciers of the Girdwood Valley. Enjoy outstanding views and frequent photo and rest stops along the way. Travel onto a snow-covered glacier.

### Summer Glacier Dog Sled Tour: \$519

Enjoy a spectacular round-trip helicopter ride into the majestic Chugach Mountains and onto Punch Bowl Glacier, 3,200 feet above sea level. Once there, drive a team of Alaskan huskies across the snowfield. Includes transfer. This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

# SEWARD COASTAL CLASSIC TRAIN

**Wildlife and Glacier Cruises** - A day cruise of Resurrection Bay and Kenai Fjords National Park is an Alaska must-do. See pages 43-44 for more information on these tours.

#### Alaska SeaLife Center: \$23

Alaska's only public aquarium and marine wildlife rescue center. Get up close to the unique sea animals, birds and fish of Alaska. Open Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM; Friday - Sunday 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM.

#### Real Alaska Tour: \$147

This tour is a great way to see Seward in a day. Visit Exit Glacier, pause for lunch at the Resurrection Roadhouse and cap off the day with a 1.5-hour Wilderness Dog Sled Ride and Tour.

### Seward Canopy Adventures: \$153

The coastal rainforest surrounding Resurrection Bay makes for an incredible backdrop on this 3-hour guided ziplining adventure.

# OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

### WHITTIER

#### **GLACIER DISCOVERY TRAIN**

Take the Glacier Discovery Train from Anchorage, Girdwood or Portage and enjoy an afternoon cruise of the glacier rich Prince William Sound. See pages 45 – 46 for rail/cruise day trips to Whittier and Prince William Sound.

# SPENCER GLACIER WHISTLE STOP

**GLACIER DISCOVERY TRAIN** 

Hiking, rafting, glacier walks or ice climbing all await you at the Spencer Glacier Whistle Stop. View Spencer Glacier day trips on pages 47 – 50.

# **TALKEETNA**

**HURRICANE TURN TRAIN** 

### Hurricane Turn Flagstop Service: \$100

Offering round-trip service from Talkeetna to Hurricane, experience one of the last true flagstop trains in North America—the Hurricane Turn. Backcountry Alaska comes alive along this 55-mile stretch of wilderness you can only access by rail.

### TALKEETNA DENALI STAR TRAIN

#### Wilderness Jetboat Excursion: \$70

Embark on a 2-hour adventure. Enjoy panoramic views of Denali, weather permitting. Visit an authentic trapper's cabin and Alaska Native encampment. Tour includes a guided 1/4-mile wilderness walk.

### Devil's Canyon Adventure: \$165

This 5-hour, 13O-mile round-trip river excursion through Denali State Park and into the Wild River Park of "Devil's Gorge" offers a safe, dry and comfortable way to experience whitewater. Also includes a 1/4-mile walking tour of a Dena'ina Indian camp and trapper's cabin. Deli lunch included.

### Denali Flightseeing: \$220.50-\$400.50

This is a tour you will never forget. Your window seat affords endless views of the rugged mountains of the Alaska Range, winding rivers of ice and the majestic Denali. Ask about glacier landings.

#### Talkeetna Lakes Hike Tour: \$59

Explore Talkeetna's best trail with a great naturalist guide. A whole new scene of beauty unfolds around every turn on this 3-mile moderate hike. Transportation from your Talkeetna-area lodging is included.

#### Talkeetna River Float: \$75

This gentle, 4-mile raft trip is popular for ages 5 and up. Salmon and beaver sightings are common along the rushing glacial river. Excellent views unfold of Denali, weather permitting. Rain gear and boots provided.

### Denali Hike & Flightseeing: \$532.50

Fly by float plane with K2 Aviation for an exclusive day hike in Denali National Park, in the shadow of Denali. Land on Moraine Lake located between Ruth and Backside Glaciers. Meet your guide and get ready to explore. Tour is 4 hours and includes transfers, round-trip flightseeing, trekking poles and energy snack.

### Talkeetna Canopy Adventure: \$149

Learn about the natural environment of Alaska's boreal forest from an exhilarating vantage point as you zipline amid the treetops on this 3-hour world-class canopy tour.

All rates subject to change. Please call for quote.

# OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

## DENALI

### **DENALI STAR TRAIN**

#### **Tundra Wilderness Tour: \$169**

One of the most popular tours of Denali National Park! A narrated bus tour takes you across a spectacular slice of the Alaska Range with mountain views and lots of wildlife. A snack box and hot beverage are included in this 6-to 8-hour tour.

### Denali Backcountry Adventure: \$189

This 13.5-hour narrated bus trip explores the entire 92-mile restricted Denali Park Road with stunning landscapes and opportunities for wildlife sightings. Enjoy a buffet lunch at the Denali Backcountry Lodge. Ask about upgrading to a fly-out option.

### Kantishna Experience: \$225

A 12-hour narrated journey to the end of the Park road, Wonder Lake and Kantishna. It includes lunch and an interpretive stop at the historic cabin of Fannie Quigley, an infamous Kantishna resident.

### Alaska Cabin Nite Dinner Theater: \$72

This popular dinner theater highlights the Gold Rush tale of Fannie Quigley. A family-style, all-you-can-eat dinner of fresh Alaska salmon, BBQ ribs and dessert is served.

### River Rafting In Denali: \$94 - \$192

Raft the mighty Nenana River! Choose from a gentle, family-friendly float to a full-day whitewater adventure. There's a raft trip to suit your level of adventure and schedule. Professional guides and equipment included.

### Denali Air Peak Experience Flightseeing Tour: \$405

Breathtaking views, spectacular glaciers, and snow-covered peaks. This fully narrated excursion features incomparable views of the Alaska Range and Denali. The best views of Denali are by air!

#### Denali Highway Jeep Excursion: \$169

Stunning panoramas, frequent wildlife sightings and the chance to see spectacular views of Denali make this guided, 4-hour Denali Highway excursion an unforgettable drive! Snacks and drinks provided.

#### **Husky Homestead Tour: \$59**

Join a small group for this 1.5-hour, fully narrated tour of the homestead and kennel of 4-time Iditarod champion Jeff King.

### Denali Helicopter Flightseeing: \$375 - \$650

View Denali while you fly over rugged foothills and winding glaciers in Denali Park. Ask about a glacier landing.

### Denali Heli-Hiking: \$560

View Denali National Park by air on a scenic flight to a backcountry hike. The naturalist guided heli-hiking adventure delivers panoramic views of the Alaska Range. Terrain is moderate. Snack and water provided.

### Explore Denali Hike: \$99

Challenge your senses on an interpretive hike in Denali National Park. Trek through forests with spectacular views of crystal clear lakes and alpine peaks. Three hike options available rated from moderate to strenuous. Estimated duration is 3 to 3.5 hours.

## FAIRBANKS DENALI STAR TRAIN

### Riverboat Discovery: \$63

One of Alaska's top tours – a sternwheeler river adventure. See an operating fish wheel, a bush pilot demo, and a famous dog sled team. Go ashore for a guided tour of an authentic Alaska Native village. Includes snacks.

### Historical Fairbanks City Tour: \$30

Guided air-conditioned motorcoach tour that visits all the best highlights of Fairbanks, including a stop at the Museum of the North.

### Arctic Circle Air Adventure: \$449 - \$549

A round-trip journey by air across the Arctic Circle. Highlights include incredible views of the mighty Yukon River, the Brooks Mountain Range and Gates of the Arctic National Park. Cross the Arctic Circle and view the trans-Alaska pipeline.

#### **Arctic Circle Drive Adventure: \$219**

A 1-day guided round-trip journey by land across the Arctic Circle along the remote Dalton Highway. Highlights include viewing the trans-Alaska pipeline and the mighty Yukon River.

All rates subject to change. Please call for quote.

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

PAYMENT: Full payment is required within 72 hours of booking. We accept VISA, MC, Discover and American Express cards.

LATE BOOKINGS: Package bookings that are made within 35 days require a minimum of 24 hours to confirm availability. Full payment is required at the time of booking.

REFUNDS: "Multi-Day Adventure Packages" and "Day Tours" that are canceled 36 or more days before travel will be refunded 90% of the booking value. No refunds will be issued 35 or less days before travel. No refunds will be issued for unused services. Glaciers, Rails & Trails is subject to a 36 - 59 day cancellation fee of 50%.

Rail-only bookings that are canceled one (1) or more days before travel will be refunded 90% of the booking value. No refunds will be issued the day of travel.

CHANGE FEES: All paid bookings are subject to a 10% change fee. Changes are allowed on packages up to 36 days before travel and on rail-only bookings up to one day prior to travel. A "package" is any rail booking that includes a non-rail component. Change fees apply only to the changed value of the booking. No change fees apply when the change increases the cost of the booking. Changes to packages that include airline flights or the Denali Backcountry Lodge may incur additional fees. Any charges incurred by the Alaska Railroad as a result of changes made by the customer will be applied to the booking in addition to the change fee. All changes or cancellations must be made during business hours through the Alaska Railroad Reservations Office at 800.544.0552 or 907.265.2494.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance so you can plan your travel with complete peace of mind. Ask your Alaska Railroad reservations agent for a travel insurance quote and about the available plans.

CHECK-IN: Plan to check in one hour prior to the scheduled departure time. Reservations and seat assignments may be altered or reassigned if passenger and baggage are not checked in 15 minutes prior to scheduled departure. The Transportation Security Administration requires that any Alaska Railroad passenger 18 years of age or older present a government issued photo ID, or two forms of ID, one of which must be issued by a government authority. Children under the age of 16 may only travel in the company of an adult 18 years or older.

BAGGAGE: Alaska Railroad passengers are allowed two pieces of checked baggage and one carry-on. Two extra pieces of baggage (for a total of four) may be checked for an additional fee. No single piece may weigh over 50 lbs. A special handling fee of \$20 per bag applies to oversized bags, bicycles, animals checked in the baggage car and other recreational equipment. Firearms may be transported only as

checked baggage and must be either disassembled (slide or bolt removed) or have a lock (trigger or cable type) installed to prevent operation, and must be in a locked case. Concealed weapons are not permitted onboard. The Federal Railroad Administration regulates the transport of all types of camping stove fuels and/or motor fuels on passenger trains; camping fuels may be transported on the Glacier Discovery Train but must be checked with conductor at time of boarding. Animals must be transported in kennels in the baggage car. Visit AlaskaRailroad.com/baggage for more information.

SCHEDULES AND FARES: Delays can occur with rail service. Do not book your rail arrival and air departure on the same day. The Alaska Railroad will not be responsible for missed connections. Schedules, fares and tours are subject to change without notice.

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ALTERNATE TRANSPORTATION: The Alaska Railroad will provide the best alternate service available in the event of unforeseen circumstances that may require any part of our service to be altered.

ACCESSIBILITY: We are pleased to provide wheelchair lifts at all stations. Accessibility on other connecting modes of transport can vary, so please check with an agent for details. Alaska Railroad's passenger trains are wheelchair accessible and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Service animals are welcome aboard.

GROUPS: A group is 15+ paying adult passengers traveling on the same route and on the same day. For more information e-mail **groupreservations@akrr.com** or call 800.895.7245 or 907.265.2240.

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