



# Good Times Travel Grand Alaska

Featuring Denali National Park, Prince William Sound, Alaska Railroad's *Denali Star*, Anchorage, Fairbanks, Valdez  
September 6-13, 2024 – 8 Day Tour

## Tour Highlights

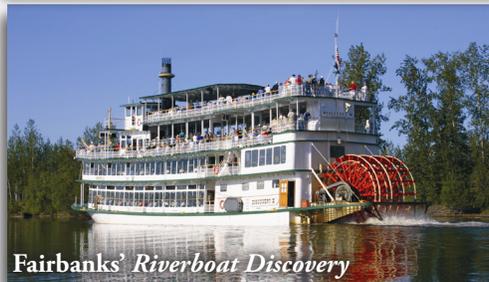
- ◆ A comprehensive, 8-day land tour aboard a train, ferry, riverboat and motorcoach led by an Alaskan at the time of year when the weather is most favorable
- ◆ Stay two nights in Anchorage with a city tour and visit to the Alaska Native Heritage Center
- ◆ Travel by ferry from Whittier to Valdez through Prince William Sound and keep an eye out for sea otters, seals, sea lions and whales
- ◆ Stay two nights in Fairbanks with a riverboat cruise, a visit to the Museum of the North and an authentic salmon bake dinner
- ◆ Travel deep into Denali National Park on a narrated Tundra Wilderness Tour in search of quintessential Alaskan wildlife including grizzly bears, moose, caribou and Dall sheep
- ◆ Enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Denali Nat'l Park with optional excursions (additional fees) available such as a scenic float trip, or a visit to an Iditarod champion's dog kennel
- ◆ Ride the rails aboard Alaska Railroad's deluxe *Denali Star* from Denali to Talkeetna



Prince William Sound



Denali National Park



Fairbanks' Riverboat Discovery



Prince William Sound

## Tour Inclusions

- ◆ 7 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 9 Meals – 2 dinners, 7 breakfasts
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing with a professional Alaskan tour director
- ◆ Transportation aboard a deluxe motorcoach and Alaska Railroad's *Denali Star*
- ◆ Roundtrip airport-hotel transfers
- ◆ Luggage handling throughout the tour

## Tour Prices

Double Occupancy: \$2,799 per person  
Single Occupancy (no roommate): Add \$800  
Roundtrip airfare from \$995 per person

## Itinerary

*Experience a land of bald eagles, calving glaciers and majestic national parks on this grandest land tour of Alaska. Travel aboard a train, ferry, riverboat and motorcoach while led by a knowledgeable Alaskan tour director. This incredible journey from the coast to the interior features Anchorage, Fairbanks, Valdez, Prince William Sound, Denali National Park and a ride aboard the Alaska Railroad. Embark on this adventure of a lifetime to discover Alaska, our nation's largest, and perhaps most beautiful, natural wonder.*

### Day 1 – Welcome to Alaska!

Optional transfers from our departure points this morning will have you at the Los Angeles International Airport for a flight to **Anchorage**, Alaska's largest city and a surprising metropolis. *Guests making their own flight arrangements may arrive in Anchorage at any time and still take advantage of the included meet and greet at the airport followed by an included transfer from the airport to the hotel.* Enjoy an overnight stay in Anchorage.

### Day 2 – Anchorage to Valdez, Prince William Sound

Following an included breakfast, begin a panoramic tour of **Anchorage**. Explore Anchorage's historic downtown area, visit **Lake Hood**, **Earthquake Park** and the **Alaska Native Heritage Center**. Continue south this afternoon along the scenic **Seward Highway** to the port town of **Whittier** to board a ferry for a scenic journey through **Prince William Sound**. As you travel through these pristine waters, enjoy views of glaciers and towering mountains and keep an eye out for an amazing array of wildlife including whales, seals, sea otters, bears, eagles and puffins. Arrive in the quaint port community of **Valdez** this evening for an overnight stay. (Breakfast)

## Reservations



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## Accommodations

- ◆ Nights 1, 7 **Crowne Plaza or similar**  
Anchorage, AK
- ◆ Night 2 **Best Western Valdez**, Valdez, AK
- ◆ Nights 3-4 **River's Edge Resort**, Fairbanks, AK
- ◆ Nights 5-6 **Grizzly Bear Resort**, Denali, AK

## Optional Roundtrip Airfare

Airfare is available as an optional add-on as advertised on the front of this brochure. Because airfare generally increases closer to departure, it's best to purchase airfare as soon as possible to lock in the lowest price and best schedule.

## Optional Airport Transfers

Roundtrip airport transfers are available from our departure points in these cities for \$99 p.p.

- ◆Fountain Valley ◆Laguna Hills
- ◆Long Beach ◆Seal Beach

## Payment Information

- ◆ Full payment due at time of booking
- ◆ Payment may be made by mailing a check to the above address or making a credit card payment at [www.goodtimestravel.com](http://www.goodtimestravel.com)

## Cancellation/Travel Protection

A travel protection policy (which includes cancellation protection and other benefits) is highly recommended and available through a third-party. A travel protection brochure will be provided with your payment receipt and invoice. Regardless of the reason, cancellations, credits and transfers of paid bookings require us to retain an administrative fee (ranging from \$50-\$500 depending on the date of cancellation) in addition to all non-recoverable fees paid to our tour suppliers on your behalf. Those guests who have purchased travel protection and must cancel for a covered reason, will be reimbursed by the travel protection company the balance of any non-refunded or credited monies (minus the premium itself). Visit [www.goodtimestravel.com](http://www.goodtimestravel.com) or see our tour catalog for our full cancellation policy and other terms and conditions.

## Tour Pace & Activity Level



Visit our website for further explanation of what each of these designations means to assist you in determining which tour is right for you based on your physical abilities and the pacing you prefer.

## Itinerary

### Day 3 – Valdez to Fairbanks

After an included breakfast, continue north by motorcoach into Alaska's interior. The route follows the Trans-Alaska Pipeline and skirts along Wrangell-St. Elias National Park, the largest national park in the United States. Arrive in **Fairbanks** this evening and begin a two-night stay. (Breakfast)

### Day 4 – Fairbanks

Following an included breakfast, enjoy a driving tour of Fairbanks – known to Alaskans as the “Golden Heart City.” Learn how the gold rush affected Alaska's interior during a visit to the **Museum of the North at the University of Alaska**. Enjoy time at leisure for browsing and lunch on your own in Fairbanks' charming downtown area. This afternoon, board a **sternwheeler** for a 3-hour cruise on the **Chena River** to experience what life was like when traditional riverboats plied the waterways of Alaska's interior during the late 1800s. Enjoy an included, authentic **salmon bake** dinner this evening. (Breakfast, Dinner)

### Day 5 – Fairbanks to Denali

Following an included breakfast, travel south by motorcoach to **Denali National Park** (elevation, 4,000 feet). Enjoy the afternoon at leisure exploring this pristine area by participating in a complimentary park service activity or an optional excursion available for additional fees. Optional excursions include white water rafting or a scenic float trip, an ATV wilderness adventure, flight-seeing Mt. Denali aboard either a helicopter or fixed wing aircraft, fly fishing, a Denali wilderness walking tour with a naturalist, a Denali bike tour, a Denali photo tour or visit Husky Homestead, home of Iditarod Champion Jeff King to get a behind-the-scenes look at what goes into creating a championship Iditarod team and carving a life in Alaska's Interior. *Note that all optional excursions are subject to change and all excursions may not be available. All bookings/payments for the optional excursions are made with your tour director while on tour.* Late this afternoon begin a two-night stay at a resort located at the entrance to Denali National Park. (Breakfast)

### Day 6 – Denali National Park

After an included breakfast, enjoy a narrated, 6-8 hour **Tundra Wilderness Tour** which takes you deep into the wilds of Denali National Park, a six-million-acre UNESCO Biosphere Reserve and one of the world's last unspoiled frontiers. Traveling through forest and alpine tundra and over high mountain passes, you may see quintessential Alaska wildlife such as moose, caribou, Dall sheep, wolves and grizzly bears. Depending on weather and visibility you may catch a glimpse of the awe-inspiring Mt. Denali – North America's highest peak at 20,310 feet. (Breakfast)

### Day 7 – Alaska Railroad's Denali Star

Enjoy an included breakfast followed by a short transfer to the Denali Park Train Depot to board the deluxe railcars of **Alaska Railroad's Denali Star**. Sit back, relax and enjoy a four-hour rail journey south through some of the most scenic and rugged territory in Alaska. Just south of Denali, Broad Pass offers majestic views of the Alaska Range in all directions. North of Talkeetna, the tracks veer away from the road system and into the backcountry Hurricane area – a region that offers views of the snaking Indian River, the occasional remote cabin and the expansive sight of Hurricane Gulch from the top of a 296-foot bridge. Later, arrive in the quaint, climbing town of **Talkeetna** which began as a trading post when gold was first discovered in the Susitna River. Reboard the motorcoach and continue south to **Anchorage**. Enjoy an included farewell dinner in Anchorage and share tales from the road with your traveling companions. (Breakfast, Dinner)

### Day 8 – Journey Home

Enjoy an included breakfast followed by an included transfer to the Anchorage Airport and a return flight to Los Angeles. *Those guests not taking advantage of the optional group air, may depart the Anchorage Airport at any time today.* Back in Los Angeles, those with pre-arranged transfers will be returned to their respective drop-off destinations with many fond memories of this incredible Alaskan adventure. (Breakfast)

*The land portion of this unique tour is operated by a local tour operator partner of ours that specializes in Alaska and provides a professional, Alaskan tour director to lead the group upon arrival in Anchorage. Our group will be joined by guests from other parts of the U.S. A Good Times Travel tour director will accompany our group only with a minimum number of Good Times Travel guests. This tour will operate with a driver-guide in a deluxe Sprinter van if there are nine or fewer guests on tour. Hotels are subject to change to similar properties. Alternate departure dates are available (based on availability).*

The following optional pre-night and post-night hotel stays (with included breakfast) are available to lengthen your time in Alaska and allow further exploration in Anchorage:

Pre-Night Anchorage: \$195 p.p./double; \$390 p.p./single

Post-Night Anchorage: \$195 p.p./double; \$390 p.p./single