

Alaska – Taming the Last Frontier

Fairbanks, Denali National Park and Kenai Peninsula

Daily Itinerary

Fairbanks

Day One

Arrive at Fairbanks International Airport

Welcome to The Last Frontier! Upon arrival, an **Adventures by Disney** representative escorts you to your transfer vehicle. Relax as the driver assists with your luggage and shuttles you to cozy Sophie Station Hotel.

Sophie Station Hotel

Settle in and relax as your Adventure Guides check you into your spacious suite at this tranquil, full-service hotel.

On Your Own in Fairbanks

Explore the Golden Heart City of Fairbanks where the midnight sun smolders on the summer horizon. Stroll the friendly streets or make your way to the wildlife sanctuary minutes away from the hotel and keep an eye out for various Alaskan birds soaring overhead. Ask your Adventure Guides for suggestions as you take the remainder of the day to explore Fairbanks on your own.

Meals Included: None

Denali

Day Two

Breakfast and Orientation

Meet your fellow frontier adventurers during an exclusive breakfast and then enjoy an entertaining orientation at the hotel with your Adventure Guides.

Trans-Alaska Pipeline Viewing

Feast your eyes on an engineering marvel as you view the Trans-Alaska Pipeline one of the largest pipeline systems in the world. It's a great time to spot a wandering caribou or a meandering moose.

Iditarod Experience and Lunch

As you blaze through the great frontier of Alaska, cool your tracks at Trail Breaker Kennels. Go behind the scenes for an interactive look at the history of the world's foremost sled race. Learn the story of the late, legendary musher Susan Butcher, four-time winner of the Iditarod. Then meet racing dogs and the season's litter of eager puppies. Afterwards, join your fellow adventurers for a buffet-style lunch with delicious desserts.

Depart for Denali

After all the puppy love, enjoy a relaxing coach ride to the lush green landscape of Denali National Park and Reserve.

Check Into the Grande Denali Lodge

Unwind as your Adventure Guides check you into the Grande Denali Lodge. Marvel at its stunning view of the valley and surrounding mountains through the lobby's floor-to-ceiling glass walls.

Welcome Dinner at Denali Education Center

Connect with your fellow travelers for your first dinner together. Cap off your first full day of adventure with northern wilderness tales from an Alaskan storyteller.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Denali

Day Three

Denali Wilderness Safari Jet Boat Excursion

After breakfast at the lodge, board a vessel for an exhilarating scenic cruise along the glacier-fed Nenana River. See "bush Alaska" as you visit a remote trapper's camp and try your hand at panning for gold. Your jet boat guides reveal the story of life as a trapper in Alaska's vast wilderness.

Picnic Lunch in Denali

Settle in for an outdoor picnic with your fellow travelers. The beauty of Denali National Park surrounds you as you pause for a bite before your next great adventure.

Denali Exploration Hike

Embark on a guided, 1.5-hour hike with the staff of the Murie Science and Learning Center. Stop along the way and do your own field research, as you learn how to track the elusive wolf with radio telemetry. Your guides will show you how!

On Your Own in Denali

After your interactive hike, take some time to see Denali National Park on your own. Keep your eyes peeled for a variety of wildlife, including roaming Dall sheep and soaring golden eagles. Hike through novice or expert trails, or take the rest of the day to relax back at the lodge, enjoying spectacular panoramic views of the landscape.

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

Kenai Peninsula

Day Four

Depart Denali

Have breakfast at the hotel, then delight in views of picturesque mountains and natural beauty as you take a 4.5-hour scenic drive to the historic city of Anchorage.

Lunch at Sourdough Mining Company

Warm Alaskan hospitality greets you as you enter the doors of this Anchorage dining favorite. Delight in a variety of menu selections, including barbecued specialties, and the famous homemade korn fritters with whipped honey butter.

Visit Alaska Wildberry Products

Hit your sweet spot at Anchorage's own candy factory. Gaze at the chocolate waterfall and indulge in candy made with local berries. Stop by the Alaskan-themed area full of quaint shops and an outdoor area where you can see local animals.

Dinner at Hotel Alyeska

After your sugar rush, board the coach for a stunning drive along Turnagain Arm as you travel to the grand Hotel Alyeska in Girdwood. A buffet-style dinner is served to adults in the Pond Cafe, while kids set off for a special Junior Adventurer's meal.

Junior Adventurer Activity Night

After a private dinner at the hotel, Junior Adventurers head outside to the Pond Courtyard for an active night full of entertainment with the Adventure Guides. Kids will learn to spin an Eskimo yo-yo, play soccer or join any one of the other lively games planned for the evening.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Kenai Peninsula

Day Five

Kenai Fjords Cruise

Following breakfast at the hotel, get your sea legs ready for an unforgettable day of adventure as you cruise through the breathtaking Kenai Fjords National Park. Get an up-close view of the dramatic fjords and the tidewater glaciers that tower over the water. Keep your binoculars at hand to catch popular wildlife throughout the park, including sea lions, sea otters, porpoises, puffins, and a variety of whales. Savor a boxed lunch during this scenic cruise.

Alaska SeaLife Center Visit

Maintaining the integrity of the great North's marine ecosystem is the mission of the Alaska SeaLife Center. Head to the touch tanks for a hands-on experience with amazing, colorful creatures that inhabit Alaska's tidal zones, and observe a mysterious Giant Pacific Octopus. Then visit the aviary to meet some of the resident puffins before you take time to explore the Center on your own.

"Underwater" Pizza Party

Ever had dinner with a sea lion? We promise you won't have to share a morsel. Take a seat for a one-of-a-kind pizza party in the underwater-viewing area. Watch puffins, seals and sea lions dance through the arctic water while you fashion your own puffin out of clay to take home.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Kenai Peninsula

Day Six

Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center Visit

Surrounded by mountains and hanging glaciers, the Center is the perfect setting to see firsthand the conservation efforts taking place in Alaska. After exploring the Center with a naturalist and getting up close and personal with bears, moose and bison, learn how they have been rescued and rehabilitated. Get a good seat when one of the Center's rescued family members makes an exclusive appearance.

Salmon Bake Lunch

Sit down for a mouth-watering salmon bake outside the hotel, where the surrounding Chugach Mountains frame your view.

On Your Own in Girdwood

The afternoon is yours as you explore the year-round resort community of Girdwood. Explore the trails around your hotel for a refreshing nature walk. Or take a shuttle into town. Charming shops and friendly folks are just a few of the things you'll come across as you leisurely stroll the streets of this historic gold-mining town. Ask your Adventure Guides for dining ideas.

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

Kenai Peninsula

Day Seven

Alaska Railroad Journey

Rise and shine for breakfast at the hotel before you board the iconic Alaska Railroad for a 2.5-hour scenic ride to Spencer Glacier. Wide windows deliver the ideal view as you explore America's Last Frontier by train.

Picnic Lunch at Placer River

Take a lunch break in the shadow of Spencer Glacier along the pristine Placer River and enjoy a deli-style spread.

Spencer Glacier Rafting Excursion

After lunch, pull on some rubber boots for a chance to take in Alaska's natural beauty from a new perspective. Step into your raft and let your professional guide steer you on a tranquil float among towering icebergs and down the idyllic Placer River.

Farewell Dinner at Hotel Alyeska

As your Alaskan adventure comes to a close, join your travel friends back at the resort for a farewell dinner. Get into the rhythm during a performance of traditional dancers and drummers as Alaska's Native heritage comes to life before your eyes.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day Eight**Breakfast and Transfer to Airport**

After your last breakfast in the Land of the Midnight Sun, board pre-arranged transportation to the airport and bid each other farewell.

Meal included: Breakfast