



**CRUISE & TOUR | JUNE 11-25, 2018**

**ALASKA**

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# ITINERARY

## DAY 1: MONDAY, JUNE 11

### ARRIVE ALASKA

Begin your adventure and depart for The Last Frontier today. Alaska's "Golden Heart City" of Fairbanks is a great introduction to the heart of this unique state. Check in to your hotel and get ready for an experience of a lifetime.

## DAY 2: TUESDAY, JUNE 12

### FAIRBANKS

A full day in Fairbanks gives you time to get a feel for the unique culture and history of the region. You'll take a cruise on an authentic Sternwheeler Riverboat down the Chena River then enjoy a Gold Dredge tour with the chance to pan for your own gold. The evening is at leisure.

## DAY 3: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

### DENALI

Travel by scenic motorcoach to Denali National Park and check into the Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge. This afternoon, travel into the park for an educational Natural History Tundra Tour.

## DAY 4: THURSDAY, JUNE 14

### MT. MCKINLEY

The morning is free to choose an optional excursion or just relax. Then travel by motorcoach to the south side of the park for an overnight stay at the Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge. Take in the sensational views with a glass of wine in the Great Room or on the expansive deck. The 20,320 Alaskan Bar & Grill is the perfect place for a relaxed dinner to end your day.

## DAY 5: FRIDAY, JUNE 15

### ANCHORAGE

Take in the final views of the mountain, perhaps over a leisurely cup of coffee, before your transfer to Talkeetna and your Princess Rail journey to Anchorage. The evening is yours to get to know this unique city.

## DAY 6: SATURDAY, JUNE 16

### WHITTIER

Travel to Whittier with a stop at the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center enroute.

This evening, set sail on your Alaska cruise aboard the Star Princess. From her relaxed ambience to tantalizing dining options and incredible features like the piazza-style Atrium, Movies Under the Stars and The Sanctuary, a tranquil retreat reserved for adults, you're sure to feel indulged every moment of your stay.

## DAY 7: SUNDAY, JUNE 17

### HUBBARD GLACIER

The largest tidewater glacier in North America, Hubbard Glacier measures 76 miles long and plunges 1,200 feet into the depths of the bay. Its immense beauty and phenomenal blue hues are enchanting, even from afar. But it's when your cruise ship draws closer that its towering surface really impresses, dwarfing even the uppermost deck on your ship at a whopping 40 stories high. There, with the snowcapped mountains serving as a glorious backdrop, you'll have a prime viewing spot from which to witness the glacier calving, as it often expels icebergs the size of 10-story buildings – imagine the splash!

The area around Hubbard Glacier is also renowned for its wildlife, where whales, harbor seals and otters swim, brown bears, moose and black-tailed deer roam ashore, and a wide variety of seabirds soar gracefully across the sky.

Gather with your fellow Mayo Clinic travelers for a welcome cocktail party aboard the ship tonight.

## DAY 8: MONDAY, JUNE 18

### GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK

Just west of Juneau, this breathtaking national park and preserve boasts some of the world's most spectacular tidewater glaciers, such as Margerie Glacier, which often drops colossal chunks of ice into the sea. Not surprisingly, Glacier Bay National Park and its epic ice giants are part of a UNESCO World Heritage Site comprising Alaska's magnificent park system.





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During your scenic cruise, friendly park rangers will join the ship to share their knowledge of this amazing place and host a fun Junior Ranger program for kids. They may even be able to help you identify Glacier Bay's abundant wildlife, including humpback whales, sea otters, porpoises, harbor seals, black bears, mountain goats, bald eagles and large colonies of seabirds.

Take in the awe-inspiring scenery as you enjoy an unforgettable day of sailing through this dazzling park, where you'll glide along emerald waters and past calving icebergs, and can breathe in the crisp, fresh air to your heart's content.

## DAY 9: TUESDAY, JUNE 19

### SKAGWAY

Skagway was the gateway to the gold fields for the thousands who flocked to Alaska and the Yukon with the hope of striking it rich. Skagway may have boasted the shortest route to the Klondike, but it wasn't the easiest.

Over 100 years ago, the White Pass route through the Coast Mountains and the shorter but steeper Chilkoot Trail were used by countless stampedes. Many a would-be miner perished on the treacherous Chilkoot Trail.

The gold rush was a boon and by 1898, Skagway was Alaska's largest town with a population of about 20,000. Hotels, saloons, dance halls and gambling houses prospered. But when the gold yield dwindled in 1900, so did the population as miners quickly shifted to new finds in Nome.

Today, Skagway has fewer than 1,000 residents and still retains the flavor of the gold rush era.

## DAY 10: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

### JUNEAU

In 1880, it was slow going for Joe Juneau and Richard Harris as they searched for gold with the help of native guides. After climbing mountains, forging streams and facing countless difficulties, they found nuggets "as large as beans."

From their discovery came three of the largest gold mines in the world. By the end of World War II, more than \$150 million in gold had been mined. Eventually the mines closed, but the town Joe Juneau founded became the capital of Alaska and the business of gold was replaced by the business of government.

Some 30,000 people live in Juneau today. Its total area makes it one of the biggest towns, in size, in the world. Only Kiruna, Sweden, and Sitka, Alaska, exceed Juneau's 3,248 square miles.

Today Juneau is famous not only for gold and government but also for its breathtakingly beautiful glaciers and stunning views of both water and mountains.

## DAY 11: THURSDAY, JUNE 21

### KETCHIKAN

Ketchikan is known as Alaska's "First City" because it's the first major community travelers come to as they journey north. Located on an island, Ketchikan began life as an Indian fishing camp. The name Ketchikan comes from a Tlingit phrase that means "eagle with spread-out wings," a reference to a waterfall near town.

In the early 1900s, when gold was Alaska's claim to fame, fishing and timber industries were established in Ketchikan. The growth of these industries helped make this Inside Passage port Alaska's fourth-largest city.

Visitors to Ketchikan will be intrigued by its rich Native Indian heritage, which includes the world's oldest collection of totem poles at Totem Heritage Center. The Haida, Tlingit and Tsimshian are all a part of the city's colorful history. Ketchikan, with its

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abundance of salmon, is also a sportfishing paradise. Sightseers will be impressed with both the scenic town and its surroundings, especially Misty Fjords National Monument.

## DAY 12: FRIDAY, JUNE 22

### DAY AT SEA

A day at sea is the perfect opportunity to reminisce about your favorite moments over the last several days. Plus, the activities onboard the Star Princess are endless — movies in the theatre, relaxing treatments at the spa, a Vegas-style casino, and more!

Gather with your fellow Mayo Clinic travelers for a cocktail party tonight.

## DAY 13: SATURDAY, JUNE 23

### VANCOUVER

Disembark the ship this morning and continue on our journey to our last stop - Vancouver. As Canada's third-largest city, Vancouver is a cosmopolitan place with a European feel and a personality all its own. It's a community with a rich ethnic mix - including the second-largest Chinatown in North America - and stunningly beautiful parks.

Today, our tour includes a visit to Stanley Park, a 1000-acre peninsula of old growth rainforest in the heart of the city, Canada's largest Chinatown; the historic Gastown area; the beautiful VanDusen Botanical Gardens and Granville Island. You'll learn about the history, hear the stories and experience the sights and sounds of this metropolitan city set amidst an abundance of natural scenery.

## DAY 14: SUNDAY, JUNE 24

### VANCOUVER

Today is completely free for you to explore Vancouver as you wish.

## DAY 15: MONDAY, JUNE 25

### RETURN HOME

Bid a final farewell and transfer to the airport for our return flight home.

# REGISTRATION

## Please sign me up for the Mayo Clinic Alaska Cruise and Tour!

- ☐ Inside Category Cruise Cabin **\$4,780 per person (\$4,950\*)**
- ☐ Outside/Oceanview Cruise Cabin **\$5,680 per person (\$5,880\*)**
- ☐ Balcony Cruise Cabin **\$6,130 per person (\$6,345\*)**

\*Price based on non-cash/check payment.

All prices quoted are per person, based on double occupancy and include all items listed under the Tour Inclusions.

## Submit completed registration by fax to 612-866-9644 or email to [mayo@carrouseltravel.com](mailto:mayo@carrouseltravel.com) or mail with check payable to:

Carrousel Travel  
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Minneapolis, MN 55423

## Please include a photocopy of the first page of your passport.

- ☐ **Enclosed is:**
  - ☐ \$1,000 per person deposit for \_\_\_\_ people
  - ☐ Full Payment (Due March 16, 2018)
- ☐ **Please bill my credit card:**
  - ☐ American Express
  - ☐ Visa
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ACCOUNT # EXP. DATE CVV CODE

SIGNATURE

TRAVELER 1 NAME (legal name as it appears on your passport)

TRAVELER 2 NAME (legal name as it appears on your passport)

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TRAVELER 2 NAME PREFERENCE (for name badge)

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- ☐ I will require airfare from a city other than Minneapolis/St. Paul.

DEPARTURE CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

## AIRLINE SEATING PREFERENCE

TRAVELER 1: ☐ Aisle ☐ Window ☐ Adjacent  
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# TOUR INCLUSIONS

- Roundtrip economy-class air from Minneapolis/St. Paul (MSP)
- Roundtrip transfers between Rochester and MSP
- All transfers between airports, hotels and ship
- Accommodations for 2 nights at Fairbanks Hotel, 1 night at the Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge, 1 night at the Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge, 1 night at Captain Cook Hotel in Anchorage, 7 nights aboard the Star Princess, 2 nights at Sutton Place Vancouver
- Guided sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary (optional tours during land tour and shore excursions during the cruise are at an extra cost)
- Sternwheeler Riverboat Cruise & Gold Dredge Tour in Fairbanks
- Natural History Tundra Tour in Denali
- Wildlife Conservation Tour in Anchorage
- Vancouver city tour
- All meals (breakfast, lunch & dinner) are included during the cruise
- Daily breakfast in Vancouver
- \$50 shipboard credit per cabin
- Two cocktail parties aboard the cruise
- Port charges
- Services of a Carrousel Travel escort throughout the trip

## NOT INCLUDED

- Gratuities to guides (during land tour or shore excursions)
- Shipboard gratuities (suggested amount: \$13.50/person/day)
- Optional tours during land tour and shore excursions during cruise
- Meals during land tour
- Sodas, alcohol, wine and other beverages that are not included during cruise
- Airline fuel surcharges (if any)
- Baggage fees (if any)
- Items of personal nature
- Anything not listed under Tour Inclusions

# TERMS & CONDITIONS

**RESERVATIONS** Reservations must be accompanied with a \$1,000 per person deposit and signed registration form. Payments can be made by check or credit card. Checks should be made payable to Carrousel Travel. Final payment is due March 16, 2018. A reminder notice will be sent prior to the final payment date.

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