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Alaska's Glaciers and the Inside Passage

aboard the exclusively chartered, all-suite

Five-Star STAR BREEZE

July 13 to 20, 2023



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Highlights include:

- Cruise British Columbia's protected Inside Passage, one of the most spectacular coastal waterways in the world.
- Explore historic Ketchikan,
 "salmon capital of the world," and its famous Gold Rush-era Creek Street.
- Visit the remote fishing village of Elfin Cove on pristine Chichagof Island.
- Cruise stunning Tracy Arm Fjord to see South Sawyer Glacier.
- Optional excursion to remotely situated Anan Bear Observatory.



Saint Michael's Cathedral in Sitka

Humpback whales, Sawyer Glacier

8 Day Itinerary

- 1 Depart home city/ Embark the STAR BREEZE
- 2 Cruising the Inside Passage
- 3 Ketchikan, Alaska
- 4 Wrangell
- 5 Sitka
- 6 Elfin Cove/Point Adolphus
- 7 Tracy Arm Fjord/ Sawyer Glacier/ Endicott Fjord/ Dawes Glacier
- 8 Juneau/Disembark ship/ Return to home city

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Dear Council Traveler,

Alaska's picture-perfect small towns nudge up against a dramatic wilderness where grizzly bears pluck salmon from clear waters, and moose and caribou preen freely along the roadside. Home to king salmon that exceed 70 pounds and humpback whales 50 feet long, the 49th state defies hyperbole. Traverse between near-vertical rock walls and cobalt-blue icebergs, discover snowcapped peaks, steep fjords, and plunging waterfalls, and prepare to be enchanted by a staggering array of wildlife on this exceptional cruise.

Cruise aboard the exclusively chartered, five-star, all-suite STAR BREEZE, with 156 suites, most with a balcony. This small ship is ideal for traversing narrow fjords and isolated coves inaccessible to larger ships while carefully navigating through the marine ecosystem. Experience thrilling wildlife up close and the unforgettable scenery of southeastern Alaska and Northwestern Pacific Canada from observation decks and during Zodiac excursions.

Call at colorful Ketchikan, rich in Alaskan art and tradition, and historic Sitka, a cultural fusion of Tlingit and Russian heritage. Travel through the serene Inside Passage and into remote inlets in search of harbor seals, porpoises, sea lions, and sea otters. Cruise Tracy Arm Fjord and witness mesmerizing waterfalls and serrated peaks to the face of the monumental Dawes and South Sawyer Glaciers.

Experience the best of Alaska's legendary landscapes on an unforgettable Alaskan adventure. Extend your journey with the Vancouver Pre-Program and Denali Post-Program Options. This popular program is an excellent value with the finest accommodations and the ideal itinerary, so book now while space and the extended booking discount are available. Other educational groups share this departure, so make your reservation today. Call (800) 942-5004 x 209 (email: travel@wacphila.org).

Warm Regards,

Andrew Haught, Director of Travel

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The safety and well-being of our travelers remains our highest priority. Cruise lines and some other providers of services (as well as, potentially, some countries) require all passengers traveling on our programs to present confirmation of a full COVID-19 vaccination, and, as well, passengers may have to produce evidence of a recent negative COVID test. All our staff are committed to adhering to all health and safety protocols from the start of your trip to the end as directed by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, overseas health officials as well as those protocols mandated by your cruise company (if applicable) and other suppliers of services. Detailed protocol information tailored to your travel program will be mailed to you along with additional pre-departure information.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Exploring the Inside Passage



Shaped by the Ice Age and sheltered from the Pacific Ocean by one thousand miles of islands lining North America's Pacific Coast, the Inside Passage renders untamed Alaska a picturesque panorama of magnificent glaciers, snowcapped mountains, and pristine wilderness. Stand on the deck of our five-star, all-suite small ship as you cruise protected cliff-rimmed fjords and inlets of serene waters. Watch for wildlife such as bald eagles, harbor seals, humpback whales, and brown bears. Cruise into Tracy Arm Fjord and Endicott Arm Fjord and see the thunderous calving of the Dawes and South Sawyer Glaciers, and explore the Passage's hidden treasure—seldom-visited Elfin Cove. Along the way, encounter the indigenous culture of the Tlingit, onion-domed churches built by Russian fur traders, quirky fishing villages, trading outposts settled by American pioneers, and Gold Rush settlements built over a century ago.





Depart home city/ Vancouver, Canada

Day 1

Arrive in dynamic Vancouver, originally built as a small 19th-century timber milling settlement and today the cultural and financial heart of Canada's Pacific Northwest. Embark the STAR BREEZE.

Cruising the Inside Passage Day 2

Experience the Inside Passage, one of the most scenic waterways in the world, from our small ship. Cruise amidst countless islands, thickly blanketed forests, hidden bays, and coves, sandy beaches, and lofty waterfalls. Be on deck to watch for cavorting sea lions and breaching orcas in the deep waters and look for Sitka black-tailed deer, mink, and river otters roaming the shores and mountainsides. Attend the Captain's Welcome Reception this evening.

Ketchikan, Alaska Day 3

The fishing city of Ketchikan is known as the "salmon capital of the world." Stroll the Gold-Rushera boardwalks of Creek Street and watch spawning salmon swimming upstream along the well-known "Salmon Ladder." See a master craftsperson demonstrate the ancient technique of hand carving a totem pole at Potlatch Totem Park.

Wrangell Day 4

Walk through Wrangell's quaint downtown to Kiks. ádi Totem Park and discover the history of these intricately carved totem poles. Transfer to Petroglyph Beach, a state historic beach home to rock carvings created 8,000 years ago. Later, visit the Wrangell Museum, where more than 5,000 artifacts and exhibits display the local trades in Alaska fishing, mining, and logging. An optional excursion for viewing brown and black bears at the Anan Wildlife Observatory is

than 100 injured eagles are rehabilitated and released each year. Explore Sitka National Historical Park, where artists demonstrate their totemic art forms, and enjoy opportunities to walk the forest trails or converse with native artists. Visit St. Michael's Cathedral, North America's first Russian Orthodox church.

Elfin Cove/ Point Adolphus Day 6

Go ashore to explore pristine Chichagof Island and visit the small fishing community of Elfin Cove. Situated across from Glacier Bay National Park



available at an additional cost; be sure to sign up in advance as space is limited.

Sitka Day 5

In Sitka, visit the Alaska Raptor Center, Alaska's foremost bald eagle habitat where more with a population of only 20 permanent residents, this hamlet flourishes in summer with fishing enthusiasts. From the observation deck, search for humpback whales and orcas feeding in the nutrient-rich waters of Point Adolphus



while cruising through the lcy Strait, where tidal waters teem with marine life.

Tracy Arm Fjord/ Sawyer Glacier/ Endicott Fjord/ Dawes Glacier Day 7

Cruise into the deep and narrow fjord of Tracy Arm,

where waterfalls cascade from bluffs, forests fade to sheer rock, and icebergs glint in the sunlight. In Endicott Arm Fjord, look for harbor seals hauled out on ice platforms, inquisitive whales, and bears hunting for fish. At the remote end of Tracy Arm, listen to ice calving off the soaring South Sawyer Glacier.

Venture to the edge of Dawes Glacier. Attend the Captain's Farewell Reception this evening.

Juneau/Disembark ship/Return to home city Day 8



Always Included with Gohagan & Company

- Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/ departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom and on excursions.

- Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
- Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
- Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
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Luxury Small Ship, Innovative Design

The exclusively chartered, five star, all-suite STAR BREEZE offers the ultimate cruising lifestyle. Enjoy the small ship experience of docking in ports inaccessible to larger vessels and tucking into delightful tiny harbors and hidden coves that others can't reach.

Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies

Newly renovated in 2021, each of the 156 five-star suites features one queen bed (many convertible to two twin beds), a private bathroom with granite-accented countertops, shower, and the amenities of a fine hotel—including luxurious Egyptian cotton linens, L'Occitane bath products, individual climate control, and flat-screen satellite television with DVD. Every suite also offers a minibar, safe, hair dryers, dressing table, plush robes, and slippers.



Category	LAND/CRUISE RATES excluding taxes	Extended Booking Discount through June 29, 2023	Rate after June 29, 2023
10	Suite with separate sitting area and two portholes. Deck 3, midship.	\$4,995	\$5,745
9	Suite with separate sitting area and one picture window. Deck 4, forward.	\$5,395	\$6,195
8	Suite with separate sitting area and one picture window. Deck 4, midship, forward and aft.	\$5,895	\$6,775
7	Suite with separate sitting area and one picture window. Decks 4, 5 and 6 midship.	\$6,295	\$7,235
6	Suite with separate sitting area and one picture window. Deck 5, midship, forward and aft.	\$6,695	\$7,695
5	Suite with separate sitting area and one picture window. Deck 6, forward and midship.	\$6,995	\$8,045
4	Suite with separate sitting area, floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door and French balcony. Deck 5, midship.	\$7,495	\$8,615
3	Suite with separate sitting area, floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door and French balcony. Deck 5, midship.	\$7,795	\$8,965
2	Suite with separate sitting area, floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door and French balcony. Deck 6, midship.	\$7,995	\$9,195
1	Suite with separate sitting area, floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door and French balcony . <i>Deck 6, midship.</i>	\$8,595	\$9,885
Deluxe Suite	Large Suite with separate sitting area and two picture windows or suite featuring French balcony , queen bed, living room with sofa bed, separate bathtub and shower. <i>Decks 4, 5 and 6 midship</i> .	\$9,295	\$10,685
Classic Suite	Large Suite with partial-view private veranda , fixed queen bed, living area, two spacious closets, bathtub. <i>Decks 5, forward</i> .	\$10,295	\$11,835
Owner's Suite	Larger Suite with private veranda , fixed queen bed, separate living room and dining areas, bathtub and additional half bath. <i>Deck G, forward and midship</i> .	\$11,995	\$13,795

Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Taxes are an additional \$290 per person. Additional fuel surcharge fees may apply. Customers will be notified of any fuel surcharge fee prior to final payment. This fee will then be charged and collected by the vessel operating company while onboard.

The STAR BREEZE has been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or upon request. Gohagan & Company reserves the right to correct errors or omissions and to change any and all fares, fees, promotions, and surcharges at any time.



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Vancouver July 11 to 13, 2023

Start your adventure in Vancouver with a three-day prelude that includes a walking tour of historic Vancouver—rich in art and culture gleaned from the indigenous people of the Pacific Northwest and Alaska. See Chinatown, Gastown, and Stanley Park—featuring a photo stop at the Totem Poles. Visit the tranquil, 55-acre VanDusen Gardens with leisure time at Queen Elizabeth Park, featuring 360-degree views of the city center. Accommodations are in the deluxe FAIRMONT HOTEL VANCOUVER.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$995 Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$1,195

Post-Program Option

Fairbanks and Denali July 20 to 25, 2023

Join us on this exclusive, specially arranged and comprehensive postlude to discover more of Alaska's natural wonders and its unfathomable scale. Our four-day tour extension includes a stop in Anchorage, where you visit the headquarters of the famous Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, before traveling from Talkeetna on the deluxe DOME RAIL CAR to the pristine wilderness of Denali National Park. Spend one night at the deluxe MARRIOTT ANCHORAGE, two nights at the GRAND DENALI LODGE, and one night at PIKE'S WATERFRONT.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$2,895 Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$3,495

Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

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Please make my/our reservation(s):
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Double (one queen bed).
Single accommodations.
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Vancouver Pre-Program Option: July 11 to 13, 2023
Double \$995 per person.
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Wrangall Anan Bear Observatory Optional Excursion
□ At \$475 per person.
Fairbanks/Denali Post-Program Option: July 20 to 25, 2023
Double \$2,895 per person.
□ Single \$3,495 per person.
□ I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

Reservation Form

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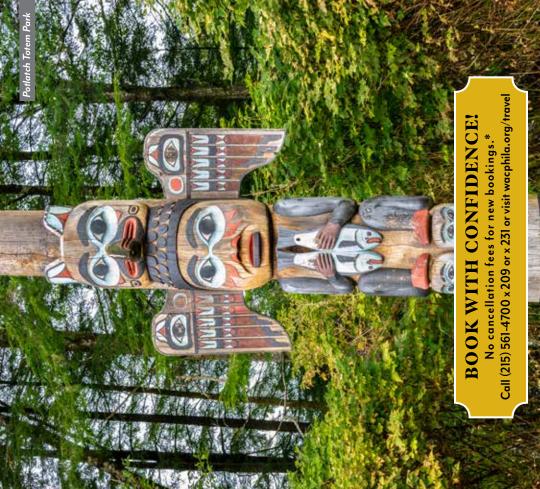
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