

# ALASKA

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ALASKA'S WILD UNDERSEA

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**Lindblad  
Expeditions**



**NATIONAL  
GEOGRAPHIC™**







DEAR TRAVELER,

Among the planet’s most iconic destinations, Alaska is a must-see for those who love wild nature. There’s so much wildlife richness—from breaching and bubble-netting whales to foraging bears, soaring bald eagles, and frolicking otters. Witnessing these majestic animals up-close and in their element is just one of the myriad reasons we have been drawn to exploring Alaska for over 35 years, and why you might want to consider joining us there next year.



The 2019 season will be particularly exciting as we proudly welcome the brand-new *National Geographic Venture* to our fleet. *Venture* will join her sister ship *National Geographic Quest* in Alaska, along with our beloved *National Geographic Sea Bird* and *National Geographic Sea Lion*. Like *Quest*, *Venture*’s bow has been uniquely designed to provide for unobstructed wildlife viewing so you won’t miss a moment in this magnificent landscape. Plus, an expansive observation deck one level up provides a unique perspective of the surrounding scenery and plenty of space for you to linger and take it all in.

And all of our ships feature shallow drafts that let them sail deep into this authentic wilderness—along coastal waters and into shallow coves and narrow channels where abundant wildlife congregates. Our fleet also travels with an undersea specialist to give you rare access to a surprising facet of Alaska: its vivid undersea. Equipped to dive and record video, they’ll share amazing footage with you of vast kelp forests, unusual jellyfish, vibrant anemone, curious octopus, and so much more.

Few know how dazzling and colorful the undersea is, especially in cold waters like those found in Alaska. The wealth of biodiversity is astonishing and truly worthy of protection which is why I’m also very proud to announce that our fleet is now 100 percent free of all single-use plastic bottles, cups, straws, and stirrers. It is enormously gratifying that our team has achieved this milestone in our elimination program. You can read more about it on page 53.

I hope you are inspired to discover all the wonders Alaska offers. If you join us I promise it will exceed every expectation.

All the best,

Sven-Olof Lindblad

**TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE SPECIAL OFFERS**

- **Savings for families on all itineraries:**  
Take \$500 off the double occupancy rate for each child under the age of 18 on any Alaska expedition.
- **FREE AIRFARE**  
Free Round-trip or one-way airfare on select departures. See page 52 for details.

Cover: Dawes Glacier in Endicott Arm, Inside Passage © David Vargas. This Page: Close up of a Humpback Whale tale dripping water as the whale dives in Lynn Canal, Southeast Alaska © Design Pics Inc / Alamy.

Ship’s registry: United States

# OUR ALASKA: AWESOME, AUTHENTIC & EXCLUSIVE

Since the United States acquired ‘Seward’s Folly’ from Russia in 1867, this mythic landscape has drawn travelers like iron filings to a magnet. Thanks to our 50 years of expedition experience and 35+ years of Alaska expertise, we have earned the knowledge and the privileges that enable us to take you deep inside authentic Alaska. Special permits from the National Park Service and U.S. Forest Service allow us to sail far into Glacier Bay National Park and remote wild regions of the Tongass National Forest. Our connections with welcoming locals and First Nations communities we visit in Alaska and British Columbia create moving and memorable encounters to take away.

Discover a maze of fjords lined in ancient forests framed by snowcapped mountains. Hear the thunderous crack of glaciers. Linger in calm bays with humpback whales. See foraging bears, hauled-out Steller sea lions, feeding puffins, and mountain goats picking their way along a rocky outcropping, and bald eagles perched in massive Sitka spruce trees.



*Brown bear.*



*Guests photographing the rich and vibrant tide pools.*





American bald eagle.



Guests celebrate an enjoyable, successful kayak adventure.



Exploring by expedition landing craft nets lounging Stellar sea lions.



# THE ONLY WAY TO TRAVEL WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE ALASKA WHALE FOUNDATION



The whale-watching experience we provide in Alaska is genuinely extraordinary because of our staff and expert guests like **Andy Szabo, the director of the Alaska Whale Foundation**. The AWF is our Southeast regional conservation partner and a longtime grantee of the LEX-NG Fund. Thanks to our exclusive alliance, he regularly comes aboard our ships to discuss his latest findings, observe whales on deck with guests, and illuminate the fascinating cultural behaviors of the humpback population in this region. Andy recently took time to share some of his best whale wisdom with us—read on for a taste of what it's like to travel alongside him.

## What makes Southeast Alaska's humpbacks so intriguing?

Anything a humpback has ever been observed doing, has also been observed doing here in Alaska—but there are also a number of things they've been observed doing here that they've never been seen doing anywhere else on Earth, including cooperative bubble-net feeding. And within the population of about 4000-6000 humpbacks here in SE Alaska we have only identified 50 or 60 whales that routinely engage in this fascinating coordinated behavior. These working groups, which we've been observing for over 25 years, stay together for decades and have learned to divvy up their roles—you have your bubble blowers and your vocalizers, and the one who corrals the fish. So, it is a pretty remarkable population, and of course everything is set against this incredible backdrop of Alaska's rain forest, glaciers, and mountains.



Humpback whales cooperatively bubble-net feeding in Iyoukeen Inlet off of Chichagof Island, Alaska.

*“It’s not always clear just how special these encounters are that you’re having. I can come along and point to a specific individual and say ‘that’s Melancholy and she’s had this many calves’, or ‘that whale there is 70 years old, the leader of this group and one of the most remarkable individuals anyone has ever observed in the wild.’ Once people start to hear those kinds of things it really changes the whole experience.”*





Guests observing three transient killer whales from a Zodiac in South Passage of Icy Strait in Southeast Alaska.

**You definitely add a unique and engaging layer to our guest experience! Can you also talk a little bit about how we've been able to help your efforts in return?**

Absolutely. We've asked your captains and staff to help deliver real-time information on the whereabouts of specific animals we're looking for. And since Lindblad vessels travel a lot further than we can, they can also give us information from areas we aren't able to frequent. On the flip side we're compiling all this data so on any given day when your expedition leaders know they're going to be in an area where we're working they can contact us and we can steer them in the direction of where we've been encountering either large numbers of whales in general or more often these specific groups of bubble-netting whales which everyone wants to see. So, we've developed a really nice back-and-forth relationship.

**Is there a time of year you love being in Alaska the most?**

People ask me that all the time and bar none, I'd have to say, it's May. First of all, the weather is spectacular—you have the most days of sun, spring comes out in full force so hiking around the forest the birds are all singing, and everything is verdant and lush. You also find humpback whales doing some of the more interesting behaviors we've been observing of late including depredating. They exploit juvenile salmon being released from hatcheries in the area which means you frequently find solitary whales just moving up and down literally feet from the shore bubble-netting alone on salmon in four feet of water. It's something I'd never seen 10 years ago, a new behavior, and it's pretty cool to watch!

August is also a wonderful time to predictably see large numbers of whales, and of course you have bears grabbing salmon right out of the water and many other iconic wildlife moments that tend to happen later in the season.



*This is Viking Petal, my favorite whale who I've seen for over 18 years. He has this way of appearing at the right place at the right time—we can go an entire year and just happen to be cruising through Frederick Sound and he pops up. Here, we photo ID'd him using the fluke prints on the underside of his tail—they are like 15-foot-high billboards advertising each whale's identity.*

**▶ READ MORE FROM ANDY SZABO AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/ANDY](https://www.expeditions.com/andy)**



# SEE MORE ALASKA THAN YOU EVER IMAGINED POSSIBLE

Who knew, right? No one thinks about what is under the sea when they think about Alaska. That's what makes exploring it during your time aboard our ship so surprising and exciting. Because what's under the water is vital to your understanding of Alaska, we've committed the technology and personnel resources to offer what no other travel company in Alaska does—an exploration of the vivid and surprising world beneath our ship. During the voyage, your undersea specialist will don special cold-water diving gear to explore and shoot video of the Alaska marine environment and its otherworldly creatures. You'll get to see this amazing world on TV screens in the warm comfort of the lounge, with our undersea specialist as your guide. You'll see the vast kelp forests swaying in the currents and discover strange and wonderful anemones, jellies, rockfish, perhaps even an octopus, and other unusual life forms that are only found deep beneath the surface. As a result, you'll have a unique 360° experience of Alaska. (Not available on the *Wild Alaska Escape* itinerary).

▶ LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EXCLUSIVE UNDERSEA ALASKA EXPERIENCE AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/UNDERSEA](https://www.expeditions.com/undersea)

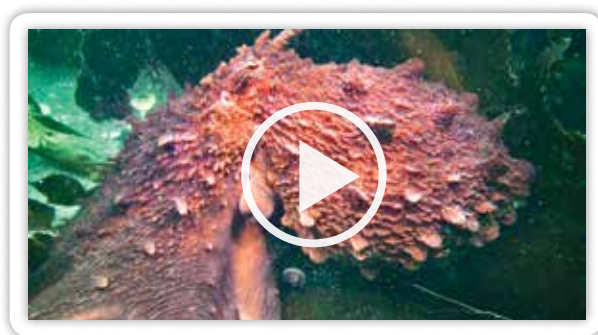




Left: Copper Rockfish; Above: Anemone;  
Below: Giant Pacific Octopus.

*“We found ourselves in a forest of giant plumose anemones...among them hundreds of species of marine invertebrates—each more vibrant than the last. Hermit crabs whose shells had been fully engulfed by sponges, a rare butterfly crab, and six species of sea stars—including the largest on Earth. Sharing the images with everyone aboard brought excitement and shed light on the seldom-seen underwater world.”*

—JEFF LITTON, UNDERSEA SPECIALIST



▶ WATCH A FASCINATING PACIFIC OCTOPUS ENCOUNTER AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/OCTOPUS](https://www.expeditions.com/octopus)

# ALASKA WAS MADE FOR FAMILY MEMORIES

An Alaska expedition is smart fun for all ages, and for all types of families, from tiny to clan-sized. Join us to discover how this wild, beautiful land and uncommon adventure can unite everyone in shared activities—kayak side-by-side through a quiet cove, hike the forest, draw safely near a thundering glacier, spot bald eagles, or watch humpback whales

surge as they feed. Our expeditions ensure seamless family getaways where everything is taken care of—all you have to do



is relax and enjoy the adventure. Kids thrive in the sociable confines of the ship where they can exercise some autonomy, and our naturalists are excellent role models who ably embed learning in every fun activity. And options for activities—short, medium, or long hikes, or a peaceful cruise by expedition landing craft with minimal walking—ensure all fitness levels are accommodated.

*“In this era of devices and seemingly limitless connectivity, it’s become far too easy for family members to spend more time with their phones and tablets than each other. Expedition travel, with its mix of fresh daily sights, wildlife, undersea wonders, and activities for every age and fitness level, is the perfect antidote—to disconnect your family from screens, and re-connect you with each other.”*

—SVEN-OLOF LINDBLAD, CEO & FOUNDER  
LINDBLAD EXPEDITIONS

## SHARE THE ADVENTURE & SAVE!

We believe going on an expedition with your kids or grandkids is a life-enhancing experience—so take **\$500 off the double occupancy rate for each person under the age of 18**. Traveling with a big family? **Groups of 8 or more save 5%**.



Guests getting in the rhy







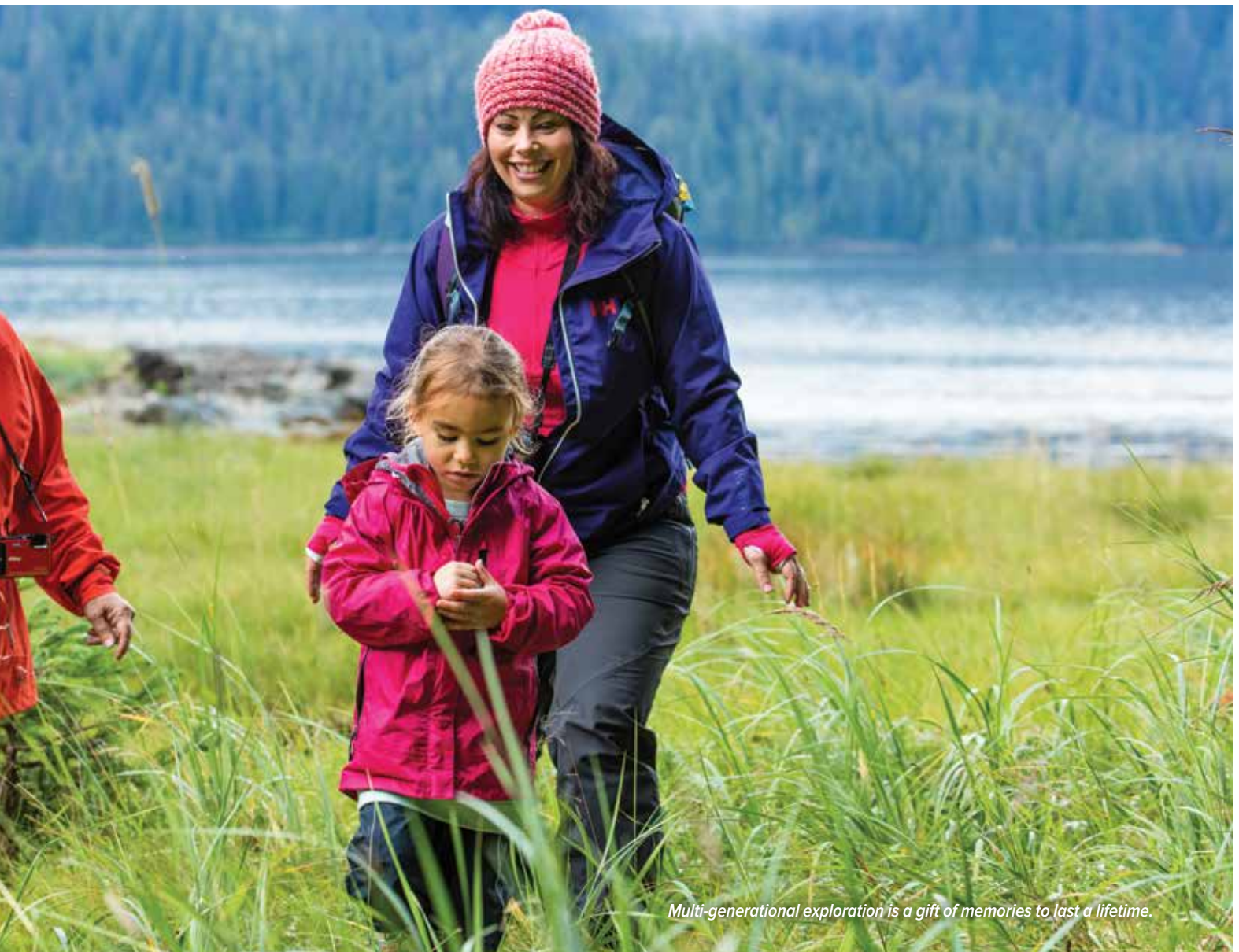
*...thm of kayaking together.*



*Exciting exploration by Zodiac.*



*A chunk of glacial ice plucked from the water by a smiling guest.*



*Multi-generational exploration is a gift of memories to last a lifetime.*



*Clockwise from top: Young guests exploring by Zodiac and each participant gets the opportunity to earn their Zodiac license; inquisitive young guest photographs in the forest; National Geographic Global Explorers ice painting activity on board; learning what lichen looks like under a microscope.*



*Kids working on the National Geographic Global Explorers field notebook on the Lake Eva Trail in South East Alaska.*





## FIELD-TESTED, FAMILY APPROVED! NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC GLOBAL EXPLORERS PROGRAM



Our exclusive family program debuted in Galápagos in 2017 to the acclaim of kids and parents. Developed in conjunction with National Geographic Education, this unique exploration-based program is designed to help kids develop the attitudes, skills, and knowledge of an explorer. A variety of optional activities, tailored by age, and outlined in their keepsake field notebook, engage kids with the Alaska experience.\*



Guests under 18 are invited to:

- ✓ **Have fun!:** They'll take part in all kinds of cool activities—like learning about glaciers by making ice cream sundaes, or using glacial ice to paint water colors
- ✓ **Benefit from National Geographic certified field educators:** They'll optimize daily learning opportunities and fun for all ages
- ✓ **Connect with nature:** Kids and teens have direct contact with wildlife and wonders, on land and in the sea
- ✓ **Learn to be a storyteller:** Kids and teens will be encouraged to use their creativity—with photos, videos, music, writing, drawing and more, to tell stories about all they'll see and do
- ✓ **Develop their observation skills:** Daily activities will prompt kids to watch out for specific wildlife, and record observations in their Field Notebook

\*Available on the *National Geographic Quest*, *National Geographic Venture*, *National Geographic Sea Lion* and *National Geographic Sea Bird*.

▶ LEARN MORE ABOUT THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC GLOBAL EXPLORERS FAMILY PROGRAM AT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/NGGE](https://www.expeditions.com/ngge)





*Fresh Dungeness Crab to be served at dinner*

## CATCH OF THE DAY: SAVOR ALASKA'S WILD BOUNTY

In all of the regions where we travel, our team is committed to sourcing sustainable products with minimal processing and provisioning local and seasonal produce whenever possible, but when it comes to Alaska, like nowhere else, it's all about the seafood! Our relationships with suppliers like Haines Packing Co. in Haines, plus Tonka Seafood and Coastal Cold Storage out of Petersburg keep us stocked with the best, most sustainable choices for both our guests and the ocean. When we learned that stock levels of king salmon were low we immediately removed it from the menu and reinstated Pacific yellow rockfish which are once again thriving. Throughout the journey you'll savor a phenomenal selection fished from the very waters you're exploring: wild-caught Alaskan sockeye and coho (silver) salmon, halibut, black cod, and of course Dungeness crab, a crowd favorite that's paired with freshly baked cheddar chive biscuits, corn on the cob, and tricolor fingerling potatoes.

▶ [LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR CULINARY PROGRAM & SUSTAINABLE SEAFOOD SOURCING AT WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/CPSS](http://WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/CPSS)



*A Dungeness Crab feast awaits guests after a day exploring in Alaska.*



*“Alaska’s tonic air combined with the time we spend on deck or actively engaged in exploring works up a healthy appetite. And there’s no better place to satisfy it than in Alaska, where our commitment to sustainable seafood rewards us every day. Our chefs have their choice of local seasonal fish varieties, from line-caught salmon and Pacific halibut to live Dungeness crab for the majority of the season, all sourced from providers we’ve known and worked with for years. We keep enhancing our network of farms to pick up local produce from sustainable local growers. Fresh bread is made from scratch and baked aboard for breakfast, lunch and dinner, as are breakfast pastries and desserts. Berry season is celebrated aboard, for sure! We are committed to bringing you the best of the region and our culinary focus and skill ensures you will experience Alaska with all your senses.”*

—ANA ESTEVES, DIRECTOR, HOTEL OPERATIONS, LINDBLAD EXPEDITIONS



*Clockwise from top: Ana Esteves, Director of Hotel Operations; the National Geographic Quest’s window-lined dining room; healthy berry drink option; Guests enjoy a delicious Dungeness crab dinner.*



# THE PERFECT PLATFORMS TO EXPLORE WILD ALASKA

The key to our expedition style is how we view our ships: they're tools for getting you to, and deeply into, the remarkable places we explore. In turn, all our ships—*National Geographic Sea Bird*, *Sea Lion*, *Quest*, and *Venture* are equally equipped with a roster of exploration tools. A fleet of expedition landing craft on each allows us to explore, and land, in pristine wild places where no infrastructure of docks and ports exist. A fleet of kayaks and paddleboards enable you to get out on personal adventures. In addition, ours are the only ships in Alaska with an undersea specialist and undersea video technology

aboard—to provide video presentations of the world beneath the ship for all to enjoy in brilliant HD from the comfort of the ship's lounge. *Quest* and *Venture* are equipped with an ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) capable of exploring depths of up to 1,000 feet. Other advantages of our ships include: spacious decks ideal for fresh-air wildlife-watching with your naturalists; and generous windows that bring in the jaw-dropping scenery—to keep you constantly connected everywhere on board to the iconic Alaska you came to experience.

*On National Geographic Quest (shown above) rear deck, twin marina platforms are used to disembark guests quickly and safely—get right to exploring!*







*This page, clockwise from top: Guests on the bow get close enough to feel the waterfall's spray on their faces; Undersea Specialist, Paul North, prepares to send a compact Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) out into the water. The ROV can go hundreds of feet deeper than a scuba diver and captures parts of undersea that are as unexplored as the moon; young guest explores on a paddleboard; guests kayaking amidst ice; a guest preparing to capture incredible views from deck.*



# OUR AWESOME TEAM WILL ILLUMINATE ALASKA FOR YOU

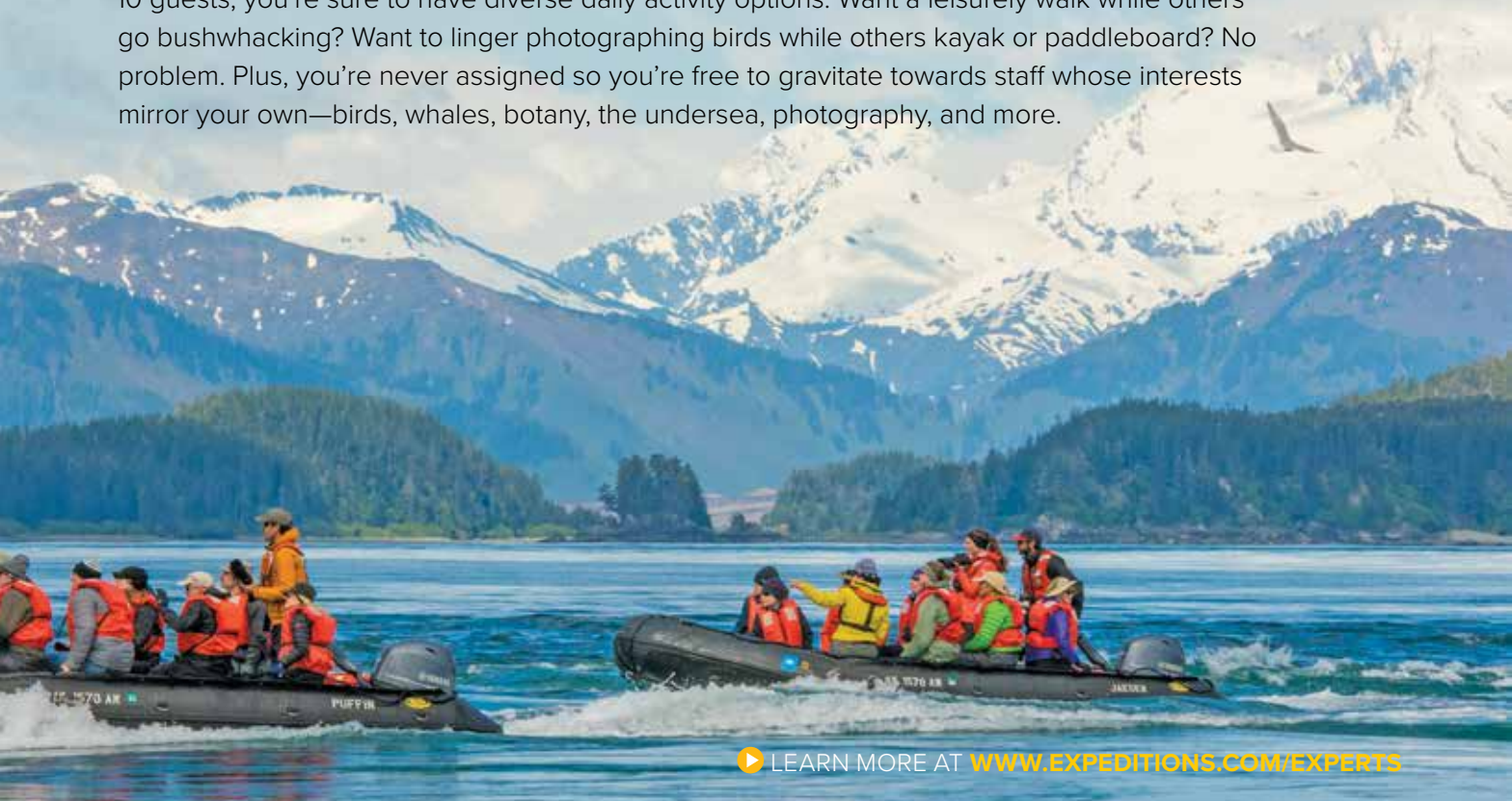


*At left, representing our expert team for the 2018 & 2019 season, clockwise from upper left: Rab Cummings; Jarad Funderburk; Paul North; Linda Burback.*





When you share the adventure with our large and dedicated team you're guaranteed to experience Alaska in the most in-depth and exhilarating way possible. Everyone aboard—from our naturalists and expedition leaders to our captains, officers and hotel staff—is committed to doing whatever it takes to ensure you have the most memorable voyage ever. Whether that means repositioning the ship to bring you right up to a pod of bubble-netting whales or get within range of the magnificent thundering of a calving glacier. And with one staff member for every 10 guests, you're sure to have diverse daily activity options. Want a leisurely walk while others go bushwhacking? Want to linger photographing birds while others kayak or paddleboard? No problem. Plus, you're never assigned so you're free to gravitate towards staff whose interests mirror your own—birds, whales, botany, the undersea, photography, and more.



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*We were hanging out on deck with Expedition Leader John Mitchell after an amazing day, when he casually mentioned there was a chance we might have the opportunity to see a very rare experience, the Northern Lights that night. We all got excited and hopeful. John said he would stay up to keep an eye out. That night we were sound asleep when his gentle, nearly whispered 2 a.m. announcement came over the*

*PA asking us to join him on deck for a wonderful opportunity. We threw parkas over our pjs, thinking we'd be the only ones excited enough to do it, and raced to the aft deck. To our surprise, everybody showed up! John went above and beyond, to give us the best experience possible—an awesome sky show that we would otherwise have missed.*

— ANGELA ROBINSON, GUEST,  
WILD ALASKA ESCAPE, 2017



*The Northern Lights, an exceptional and rare experience.*





NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

# READY, AIM, CREATE! ALASKA IS IDEAL FOR EXPEDITION PHOTOGRAPHY



Guests using their telephoto lenses on an Epic Alaska Photo Expedition.

There is a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor (CPI) aboard every Alaska departure. As you discover this spectacularly scenic region they'll be at your side and at your service to help with anything from camera settings and photo basics, to expert tips for advanced hobbyists. And our CPIs are also trained naturalists, so they'll help you understand wildlife behavior—that can lead to capturing great shots which tell the story of what you saw, did, and even felt in Alaska. On select departures, you might also travel with a National Geographic photographer, too—glean inspiration, advice and more from these top pros and take home the best photos of your life.



## NEW—ONBOARD GEAR LOCKER!

Along with the *National Geographic Sea Bird*, *National Geographic Sea Lion*, and the *National Geographic Quest*, the inaugural season of the *National Geographic Venture* will feature the debut of the B&H Photo Video gear locker.

Field test new glass, camera bodies and more during your expedition. And to get you ready you'll have access to special gear recommendations, packing tips and a photography webinar. And check out teaching videos from our annual photography event with B&H at [www.optic2018.com](http://www.optic2018.com). Ask your expedition specialist for details.







Guests discuss Alaska's grandeur and all the opportunities to photograph on expedition.

Choose a select departure and learn from these National Geographic photographers:



**RICH REID**  
**A Remarkable Journey to Alaska, British Columbia & Haida Gwaii**  
*National Geographic Sea Bird*  
Sep. 2, 2019  
See page 38.



**FLIP NICKLIN**  
**Treasures of the Inside Passage: Alaska & British Columbia**  
*National Geographic Quest*  
May 12, 2019. See page 34.  
**Exploring Alaska's Coastal Wilderness**  
*National Geographic Quest*  
May 25, 2019.  
See page 26.




**JONATHAN KINGSTON**  
**Wild Alaska Escape**  
*National Geographic Sea Bird*  
Aug. 23 & 28, 2019  
See page 30.



**DAN WESTERGRE**  
**Epic Alaska: Misty Fiords to the Lynn Canal**  
*National Geographic Sea Bird*  
Aug. 3, 2019  
See page 41.

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*“Everything is bigger here, outsized somehow, bigger in life and legend, story and song... It’s a world of volcanoes and birds; of blue Arctic foxes and wildflower carpets and vast tidal flats and shaggy coastal brown bears and salmon streams and rafts of sea otters...”*

*—Kim Heacox, former ranger in Katmai, Denali and Glacier Bay National Parks, and veteran Lindblad naturalist. Author of 15 books, including the novel, Jimmy Bluefeather, the only work of fiction in 20+ years to win the National Outdoor Book Award.*





## THE ARCTIC SIDE OF ALASKA

New for 2018! Traverse the breadth of the iconic Bering Strait and venture deep into the two distinct worlds it joins. Encounter the Cold War-era military outpost of Provideniya, with its intriguing history, “the Gateway to the Arctic,” before exploring the Pribilof Islands, sometimes referred to as “the Galápagos of the North.” From those lively breeding grounds continue on to explore the dynamic history and natural wonders of the remote islands along Alaska’s rugged coast—Katmai National Park and Kodiak. Look forward to exceptional brown bear viewing, and to discovering a unique petrified forest, among the many other experiences this expedition affords.



*Kodiak Island.*



NEW

# BERING SEA WILDERNESS: PRIBILOFS, KATMAI, AND KODIAK

13 DAYS/12 NIGHTS—ABOARD *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION*

PRICES FROM: \$16,230 to \$31,250 (See page 51 for complete prices.)

BOOK BY DEC. 31, 2018 TO GUARANTEE 2019 PRICING FOR 2020 DEPARTURES.

Traverse the depth and breadth of the iconic Bering Sea and venture deep into the two distinct worlds it joins. Encounter the rich history of Provideniya, “the Gateway to the Arctic,” before exploring the Pribilof Islands, a naturalist’s paradise sometimes referred to as “the Galápagos of the North.” From those lively breeding grounds continue on to explore the dynamic history, culture, and natural wonders of the remote islands along Alaska’s rugged coast. A visit to Katmai National Park, one of the premier brown bear viewing areas in the world and a unique petrified forest round out this immersive expedition.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Cross the iconic Bering Strait and the length of the Bering Sea.
- ▶ In the Pribilof Islands, witness the largest breeding rookery of northern fur seals, comprising about half the world’s fur seal population.
- ▶ Spot rafts of sea otters in the Baby Islands.
- ▶ Walk among a forest of petrified sequoia stumps scattered along the shores of Unga Island.
- ▶ Observe brown bears digging for clams or fishing for salmon in Katmai National Park.

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

### RALPH LEE HOPKINS

Ralph Lee Hopkins is a popular photo instructor and geologist who also serves as an expedition leader aboard the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet. He is aboard **July 9, 2019**.



Visit our website to read staff and guest speaker bios for this expedition. Learn more at [expeditions.com/photo](http://expeditions.com/photo)

*Relaxing time, brown bear, Alaska.*





**DAY 1: ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, U.S./  
NOME/EMBARK**

Arrive in Anchorage and fly to Nome, Alaska. Embark *National Geographic Orion*. (D)

**DAY 2: AT SEA/CROSSING THE  
BERING STRAIT**

Spend the first day at sea crossing one of the most iconic bodies of water on the planet. If conditions and timing permit, we may stop at the very remote Little Diomed Island, in the center of the Strait. (B,L,D)

**DAY 3: PROVIDENIYA, RUSSIAN  
FEDERATION**

At the western limit of the rich transboundary area known as Beringia, Provideniya is often called “The Gateway to the Arctic”. It’s also the administrative center where we will conduct our clearance in Russia. Visit the excellent museum, and witness a traditional Yupik dance performance. (B,L,D)

**DAYS 4–6: AT SEA/PRIBILOF ISLANDS,  
U.S.**

A naturalist’s paradise, the Pribilof Islands welcome three million seabirds and a million marine mammals each summer as they arrive to breed. Go ashore at St. Paul to explore on land, at St. George go by Zodiac to view puffins, kittiwakes and red-faced cormorants, as well as a northern fur seal rookery. (B,L,D Daily)

**DAYS 7 & 8: UNALASKA/ALASKA  
PENINSULA**

This morning, arrive at Dutch Harbor, site of a fierce WWII battle and now one of the world’s

most important fishing ports. Continue to the Baby Islands, just east of Unalaska, where dynamic tides offer exciting potential to spot sea otters and fur seals, as well as rare seabirds, both from the ship’s deck and from Zodiacs. Continue along the eastern shore of the Alaska Peninsula, with time for exploration and wildlife watching. (B,L,D Daily)



*Tufted puffin, Pribilof Islands.*

**DAY 9: SHUMAGIN ISLANDS**

Go ashore on Unga Island to explore incredible tundra and scattered remnants of a unique petrified forest of sequoia trees that were buried in a volcanic mudslide nearly 25 million years ago. (B,L,D)

**DAY 10: KATMAI NATIONAL PARK**

Spend today exploring the shorelines and waters of coastal Katmai National Park & Preserve, known for its abundant brown bear population, this area provides countless opportunities to watch and photograph bears digging for clams at low tide, or fishing for salmon in the creeks. (B,L,D)



**DAY 11: KODIAK ISLAND**

The second largest island in the U.S., Kodiak is best known for its brown bears and its fishing industry. Less well known is its unique mix of Native Alutiiq and Russian-American history. Join your Undersea Specialist for a “dock walk” among the commercial fishing boats in Kodiak’s inner harbor. Photograph the beautiful Holy Resurrection Church on a photo walk, or peruse native art and artifacts at the Alutiiq Museum. Later, explore one of the island’s outer bays by Zodiac. (B,L,D)

**DAY 12: EXPLORING THE KENAI  
PENINSULA**

Nearly 40 glaciers flow out of the Kenai’s Harding Icefield, so the opportunities for exploration abound. Cruise one of the ice-scoured fjords to the face of a tidewater glacier, while searching for wildlife along the way. (B,L,D)

**DAY 13: SEWARD/DISEMBARK/  
ANCHORAGE/HOME**

Arrive in Seward this morning, transfer to the airport in Anchorage for flights home or onward. (B)



*Northern fur seal pups, St. Paul Island, Pribilof Islands.*

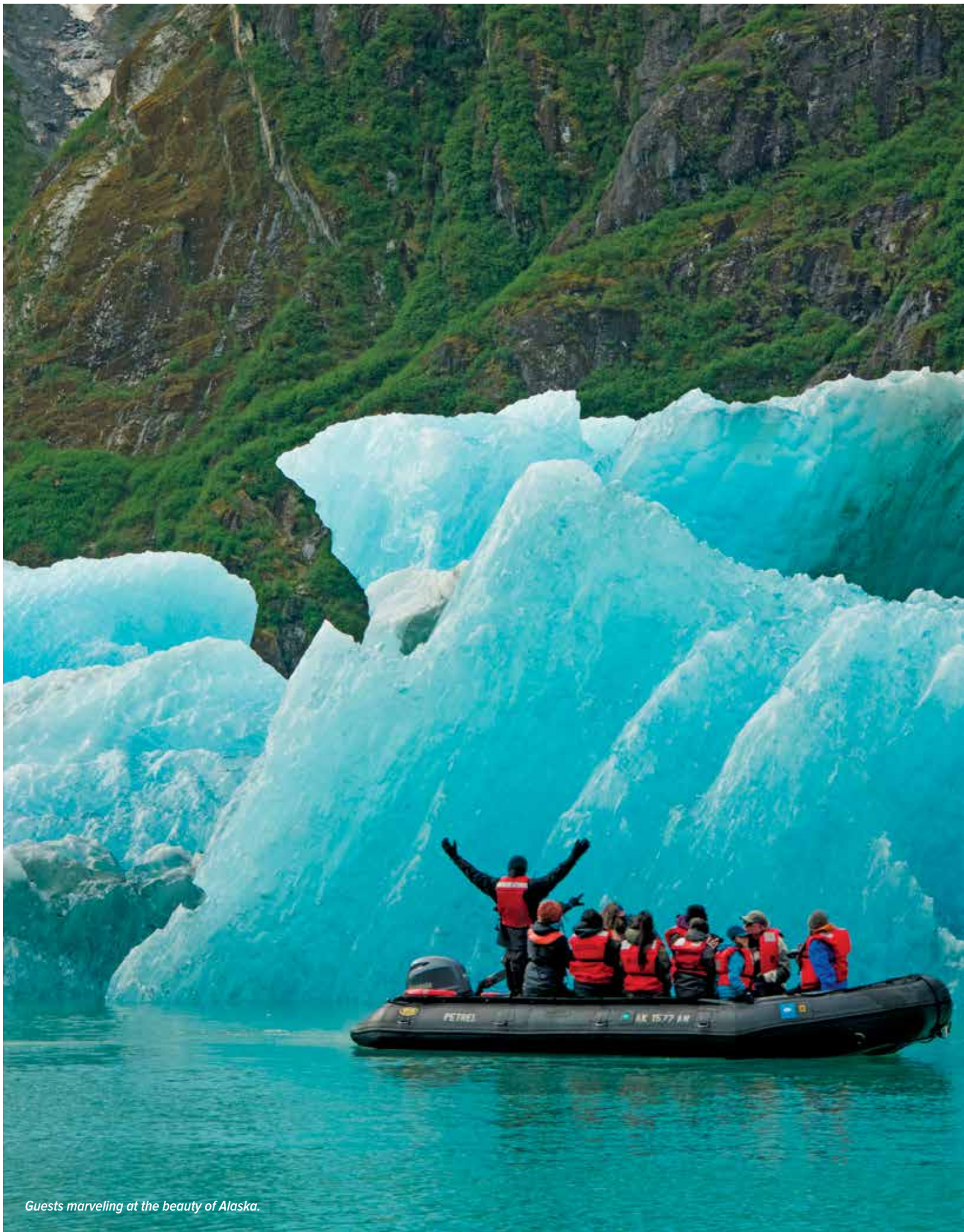
**EXPEDITION DETAILS**

**DATES:** 2019 Jul. 9 2020 Jul. 5

**SPECIAL OFFER:**

Book by **October 31, 2018** to receive free air from Seattle to Nome and return Anchorage to Seattle on the Jul. 9, 2019 departure. Plus, we will cover your bar tab and tips to the crew.





*Guests marveling at the beauty of Alaska.*





## EXPLORING ALASKA'S COASTAL WILDERNESS

For over 35 years our classic Alaska expedition itinerary has consistently delivered unparalleled experiences in this capital of wildness. We know the protected coves where sea otters congregate, the river rapids where bears fish for salmon, and the rich channels where whales feed. And now, we're able to offer the luxury of choice in exploring—sail aboard the new 50-cabin twin ships in our fleet, *National Geographic Quest* and *National Geographic Venture*, or choose the 31-cabin *National Geographic Sea Lion*. All offer the same exploration into the breathtaking beauty and wildlife of Southeast Alaska. *Quest* and *Venture* offer more spacious cabins, while *Sea Lion* sails with a bit more intimate of a group. With more naturalists aboard *Quest* and *Venture* to accommodate more guests, you're able to explore with the benefit of more perspective and a wider breadth of expertise.



*Brown Bear.*



# EXPLORING ALASKA'S COASTAL WILDERNESS

**8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC QUEST, AND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC VENTURE**

PRICES FROM: \$5,990 to \$11,430 (See pages 47 & 49 for complete prices.)

BOOK BY DEC. 31, 2018 TO GUARANTEE 2019 PRICING FOR 2020 DEPARTURES.

Experience the remarkable beauty of Southeast Alaska on a voyage aboard the *National Geographic Sea Lion*, *National Geographic Quest*, or *National Geographic Venture* into a land of mist-shrouded fjords, tidewater glaciers, and islands teeming with wildlife. Search for killer whales and humpback whales, explore the coast by kayak, spend a full day in Glacier Bay National Park \*, and learn about Alaska's rich Tlingit heritage.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Hike through lush forests to cascading waterfalls, and ride an expedition landing craft into secluded inlets to look for brown bears.
- ▶ Meet with our conservation partners from the Alaska Whale Foundation to learn about the local whale population, and get a first-hand perspective on Alaska's indigenous people from a Tlingit cultural interpreter.
- ▶ Discover Alaska's seldom-seen, vibrant marine life revealed by our undersea specialist.
- ▶ Hike and Kayak by special permit in the wild and remote areas of the Tongass National Forest in Southeast Alaska.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

**30+**  
YEARS  
EXPERIENCE

Our unparalleled 6-person expedition team aboard the *Sea Lion* or 10-person teams aboard the *Quest* and *Venture* are key to an in-depth experience. An expedition leader, 4 naturalists (depending on the ship), a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and undersea specialist, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler all contribute to your understanding of Alaska's wonders. Certain departures will feature a National Geographic photographer or expert.

Visit our website to read staff and guest speaker bios for this expedition.

*A humpback whale breaches.*



### DAY 1: JUNEAU/EMBARK

Explore the newly constructed Alaska State Museum, with its sprawling collection of natural history and cultural artifacts, and explore downtown Juneau. Settle into your cabin before dinner. Later, explore the port of Juneau on your own. (D)

### DAY 2: TRACY ARM—FORDS TERROR WILDERNESS

Voyage into Tracy or Endicott Arm, both spectacular fjords, with waterfalls cascading from glacially carved walls. See the soaring Dawes or South Sawyer Glacier up close and take a cruise in an expedition landing craft for an unbeatable view among sculpted icebergs. Keep an eye out for harbor seals, harbor porpoises and arctic terns. (B,L,D)



Petersburg.

### DAY 3: PETERSBURG

Search for humpback whales as we head towards the small, true Alaskan fishing town of Petersburg on Mitkof Island. Explore a unique Southeast Alaskan ecosystem, the “muskeg,” with stunted trees and carnivorous plants. There is an opportunity for bike riding and an optional flightseeing excursion. Enjoy a crab feast this evening. (B,L,D)

### DAY 4: FREDERICK SOUND AND CHATHAM STRAIT

Explore along the rugged coast seeking out humpback whales in their summer feeding grounds. Expert staff will interpret their life histories and behaviors. Later we will explore the shoreline by kayak or go ashore to explore the rainforest ecosystem. (B,L,D)

### DAY 5: ICY STRAIT AND THE INIAN ISLANDS

Explore among the Inian Islands, where an abundance of Steller sea lions and sea otters reside. We'll search for marine mammals in the rich waters of Icy Strait and choose

the perfect spot around Chichagof Island to hike where sightings of bald eagles are very common. (B,L,D)

### DAY 6: GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK

See glaciers that end abruptly at the water's edge and possibly observe them “calving”—tons of ice crashing into the sea—accompanied by an exhilaratingly thunderous sound. Wilderness abounds—mountain goats roam the steep cliffs and brown bears patrol the shore; Steller sea lions and puffins live in the icy waters. A native Tlingit cultural interpreter joins us to share the lore and legend of the area. We will also be joined by a National Park Service Ranger. (B,L,D) Please note: *Sea Lion* departures do not call at Glacier Bay National Park. Alternate options are provided on this day.

### DAY 7: SOUTHEAST ALASKA'S ISLANDS, BAYS AND FJORDS

Today, nature is our guide. We may explore an isolated beach to take a closer look at tide pools, beachcomb, or hike stunning forest trails, or see bear tracks worn into the soil while walking an isolated meadow. If conditions permit, we'll do some kayaking, always watching for marine and terrestrial life. (B,L,D)

### DAY 8: SITKA/DISEMBARK

After breakfast we disembark in Sitka, Southeast Alaska's only oceanfront town. Visit the onion-domed St. Michael's Russian Orthodox Church. At the Raptor Rehabilitation Center, we enjoy close-up views of bald eagles, owls and other species normally seen at a distance. (B)



Steller sea lions.



## EXPEDITION DETAILS

### DATES: 2019

*Sea Lion*: May 18\*, 25; Jun. 1\*, 8, 15\*, 22, 29\*;

Jul. 6, 13\*, 20, 27\*; Aug. 3, 10\*, 17

*Quest*: May 25\*; Jun. 1, 8\*, 15, 22\*, 29;

Jul. 6\*, 13, 20\*, 27; Aug. 3\*, 10, 17\*, 24

*Venture*: May 19\*, 26; Jun. 2\*, 9, 16\*, 23, 30\*;

Jul. 7, 14\*, 21, 28\*; Aug. 4, 11\*, 18, 25\*; Sep. 1

\*These departures travel in the reverse order, from Sitka to Juneau, making all the same stops.

Note: The exact order of stops may vary in order to maximize your experience.

2020: From May through August, expeditions depart every week. See our website for specific departure dates.

### SPECIAL OFFER:

Book now and receive **FREE ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE** between Seattle and Alaska on select May 2019 departures.



North Face Lodge

### ADD AN INLAND ADVENTURE—EXPLORE DENALI NATIONAL PARK FROM NORTH FACE LODGE

7-day pre- or post-voyage extension.

See pages 44-45.

Visit [www.expeditions.com/denali](http://www.expeditions.com/denali)

### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

Phil Schermeister joins the May 18 & 25, 2019 departures on the *National Geographic Sea Lion* and Susan Seubert joins the Aug. 10, 2019

departure on the *National Geographic Sea Lion*.









## WILD ALASKA ESCAPE

For some time now, travelers have communicated how much they wanted to explore Alaska with us—but needed a shorter time frame. We listened, and responded with this compact itinerary that packs the best of iconic Alaska into six days. Perfect for active travelers, especially families, this nonstop, high-energy expedition sets a keen pace. Grab a kayak or a stand-up paddleboard from our onboard fleet, head out in expedition landing craft to observe bears feeding up-close, or to land and hike old-growth forests. Bike against the backdrop of Alaskan wildness, or float a river through a preserve where bald eagles congregate. And get heart-stopping glacier views on a flightseeing adventure. You'll miss nothing—eagles, bears, leaping salmon, whales breaching and bubble-net feeding, plus the finest collection of Tlingit art—you'll see and do everything Alaska offers.

*Clockwise from left: Paddleboarding in Dundas Bay, exploration by kayak, flight-seeing over glaciers; majestic bald eagle. Above: Guests explore Haines by bike.*





# WILD ALASKA ESCAPE

**6 DAYS/5 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD**

PRICES FROM: \$4,290 to \$7,490 (See page 49 for complete prices.)

BOOK BY DEC. 31, 2018 TO GUARANTEE 2019

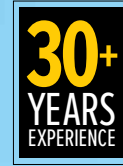
PRICING FOR 2020 DEPARTURES.

Explore wild Alaska on an active, exciting expedition to see the region's iconic wildlife and epic landscapes in the compact timeframe of one work week. Take long hikes on world-class trails through forests of towering trees, kayak deep into glacially carved fjords, stand-up paddleboard in calm bays, and raft from an ancient Alaska native village—all with our nimble expedition ship as your moving basecamp.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Paddle on long, naturalist-guided kayaking journeys into Alaska's dramatic bays.
- ▶ Explore Haines, the "adventure capital of Alaska," via raft, bicycle, or hiking boots.
- ▶ Board expedition landing crafts to view icebergs and the face of a glacier in Tracy or Endicott Arm.
- ▶ Choose optional flightseeing offering breathtaking aerial views of Glacier Bay National Park.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



Our unparalleled 6-person expedition team is key to an in-depth experience. An expedition leader, three naturalists, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler, all contribute to your understanding of Alaska's wonders. Certain departures will feature a National Geographic photographer or expert.

*Visit our website to read staff and guest speaker bios for this expedition.*

*Explore by bike in Haines.*





**DAY 1: SITKA/EMBARK**

Arrive in Sitka, Southeast Alaska’s only oceanfront town. Stretch your legs by walking the Totem Trail in Sitka National Historic Park or other local nature trails before stopping in at the Raptor Rehabilitation Center for an upclose look at Alaska’s birds of prey. Embark *National Geographic Sea Bird*. (D)

**DAY 2: EXPLORING BARANOF OR CHICHAGOF ISLAND**

Immerse yourself in the wilds of Alaska as you kayak deep into one of Baranof or Chichagof Island’s countless, breathtaking bays. Hear bald eagles call from the tops of towering spruce and hemlock trees as you paddle through these mirror-calm waters. In the afternoon, learn the stories of this ancient rain forest on an adventurous hike with your naturalist guide. (B,L,D)



*Floating down the Chilkat River.*

**DAY 3: ICY STRAIT & THE INIAN ISLANDS**

Spend today searching for wildlife in these rich waters where the Pacific Ocean meets the Inside Passage. Options include a Zodiac cruise among the Inian Islands, where an abundance of Steller sea lions reside, quiet kayaking in the outer waters of Glacier Bay or hikes in lush temperate rainforest. (B,L,D)

**DAY 4: HAINES**

Haines is known as the “adventure capital of Alaska” for a very good reason. If you’re feeling extra adventurous, you can choose from one of many world class hikes, cycle along the edge of a glacial fjord, or take an optional flightseeing excursion over Glacier Bay National Park. Or

you may also choose to raft down the Chilkat River, calling into the ancient Chilkat Tlingit village of Klukwan for a dance demonstration and cultural interpretation. The day is full of options. (B,L,D)



*Optional flightseeing.*

**DAY 5: TRACY ARM—FORDS TERROR WILDERNESS**

Awake this morning in the stunningly beautiful Tracy Arm, part of the Tracy Arm-Fords Terror Wilderness. Enter this glacially carved wilderness aboard our nimble ship, then set out to explore by expedition landing craft for a view of South Sawyer or Dawes Glaciers. If conditions permit, hop into one of our kayaks to paddle along fjord walls that soar straight from the sea, as you spot curious harbor seals trailing your wake. Cap off your adventurous voyage with the Captain’s farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

**DAY 6: JUNEAU/DISEMBARK/SEATTLE**  
Disembark in downtown Juneau. (B)



**EXPEDITION DETAILS**

**2019** May 25, 30\*; Jun. 4, 9\*; Jul. 4, 9\*, 14, 19\*; Aug. 13, 18\*, 23, 28\*

**2020** May 17, 22\*, 27, June 1\*, 26, July 1\*, 6, 11\*, Aug. 5, 10\*, 15, 20\*, 25, 30\*

\*These departures travel in the reverse order, from Juneau to Sitka, making all the same stops.

**SPECIAL OFFER:**

Book now and receive **FREE ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE** between Seattle and Alaska on select 2019 departures. Subject to availability. New bookings only.

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER**

Travel with National Geographic photographer, **Trevor Frost** on the May 25 & 30, 2019 voyages.



*Zodiac exploring glacial ice.*



# TREASURES OF THE INSIDE PASSAGE:



*Sea lions gather on a rock located in the Inian Islands.*



# ALASKA & BRITISH COLUMBIA



If there is such a thing as a charismatic coast, the one *National Geographic Quest* and *National Geographic Venture* will trace would certainly be it. Or rather—them—since you'll explore not just one stunning coast but many on this expedition. Our nimble small ship threads the Inside Passage, tucks into straits and sounds, and weaves through island groups known for their charm: the San Juan Islands, Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. There is much to see, and even more to do—from scanning the horizon for signs of killer whales and wildlife sightings, to personal forays into nature by expedition landing craft, kayak or paddleboard, and active engagement with the culture and beauty of the First Nation lands, and cosmopolitan Victoria. In addition, we have curated exclusive opportunities for you—avoiding crowded locations in garden-rich Victoria, for example, to instead enjoy special access to 'secret gardens' with an expert docent, and a private cocktail reception at Robert Bateman's incredible museum in Victoria. Spring and Fall are a great time to explore.



Guests watch a performance in the big house in Alert Bay.



# TREASURES OF THE INSIDE PASSAGE: ALASKA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA

14 DAYS/13 NIGHTS ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC QUEST  
AND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC VENTURE

PRICES FROM: \$9,990 to \$15,960 (See page 47 for complete prices.)

BOOK BY DEC. 31, 2018 TO GUARANTEE 2019 PRICING  
FOR 2020 DEPARTURES.

Board the newest ships in the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet, *National Geographic Quest* and *National Geographic Venture*, on an in-depth exploration of the San Juan Islands, British Columbia, and Alaska. Linger in the temperate rain forests and wildlife-rich channels of British Columbia, and enjoy ample time to explore the breathtaking fjords and towering glaciers of Southeast Alaska. Plus, discover the cultural facets of this coast during captivating performances and interactions with the Kwakwaka'wakw people of Alert Bay.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Explore the charming city of Victoria, British Columbia via custom curated tours and enjoy a private reception surrounded by incredible artwork at the Robert Bateman museum.
- ▶ Experience the wild and sublimely tranquil San Juan and Gulf Islands.
- ▶ Observe a moving Kwakwaka'wakw performance at the Big House at Alert Bay.
- ▶ By special permit, spend a full day exploring Glacier Bay National Park.
- ▶ Extend the adventure: consider our 7-day Denali extension which includes a stay at Denali's North Face Lodge on select departures. Visit [expeditions.com/denali](http://expeditions.com/denali) or call for details. See pages 44-45.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

**30+**  
YEARS  
EXPERIENCE

Our unparalleled 10-person team aboard the *Quest* and *Venture* is key to an in-depth experience. An expedition leader, four naturalists,

a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and undersea specialist, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler all contribute to your understanding of Alaska's wonders. Certain departures will feature a National Geographic photographer or expert.

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*A small pod of orca whales, British Columbia.*





**DAY 1: SEATTLE/EMBARK**

Arrive in Seattle this afternoon and embark the *National Geographic Quest* or *National Geographic Venture*. (D)

**DAY 2: SAN JUAN ISLANDS, WASHINGTON**

Spend a full day exploring the San Juan Islands via naturalist-led hikes and kayak. Search for killer whales. (B,L,D)

**DAY 3: VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Clear into Canada in the charming city of Victoria and choose from several tailor-made options to explore based on your interests. Visit private gardens, bike along the waterfront, take a historical stroll through Old Town or peruse the collections at local art galleries. In the evening, enjoy a private reception at the Robert Bateman Centre while taking in the incredible collection of paintings. (B,L,D)



*Inner Harbour, Victoria, British Columbia.*

**DAY 4: GULF ISLANDS**

Located in the Strait of Georgia, between the mainland of British Columbia and Vancouver Island, the Gulf Islands are a kayaker's paradise. Explore the myriad islets and rocky coasts and keep an eye out for harbor seals and an array of sea birds, shore birds and birds of prey. (B,L,D)

**DAY 5: ALERT BAY AND JOHNSTONE STRAIT, BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Observe a traditional First Nations performance in Alert Bay, visit the Big House, and learn from the Kwakwaka'wakw people. (B,L,D)

**DAYS 6 AND 7: INSIDE PASSAGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Head northward along the pristine coastline in search of whales, dolphins, bears, deer, and other wildlife. Go ashore to explore or kayak among the many bays and inlets. (B,L,D)

**DAY 8: MISTY FIORDS, ALASKA**

Cruise past glacially-carved cliffs and kayak in the stillness of Misty Fjords' forested backwaters. (B,L,D) Daily

**DAY 9: PETERSBURG**

Search for humpback whales as we head towards the small, fishing village of Petersburg on Mitkof Island. Go ashore for a walk along a quiet forest trail and explore the unique Southeast Alaskan ecosystem, the "muskeg," with stunted trees and carnivorous plants. Later, enjoy an evening crab feast. (B,L,D)

**DAY 10: TRACY ARM-FORD'S TERROR WILDERNESS**

Voyage into Tracy or Endicott Arm, both spectacular fjords, with waterfalls cascading from glacially carved walls. See the soaring Dawes or South Sawyer Glacier up close and take a Zodiac cruise for an unbeatable view of sculpted icebergs. (B,L,D)

**DAY 11: GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK**

Via special park permit, spend the entire day among the enormous glaciers and expansive wilderness. Listen as the quiet stillness of the area is broken by the thunder of tons of ice calving into the sea. A Park Ranger and Tlingit cultural interpreter will join us to share the lore and legend of the area. Wilderness abounds! (B,L,D)

**DAY 12: INIAN ISLANDS / ICY STRAIT**

Cruise among the Inian Islands, where an abundance of Steller sea lions reside. Hike nearby islands, kayak, and search for whales in rich waters of Icy Strait. (B,L,D)

**DAY 13: EXPLORING BARANOF OR CHICHAGOF ISLAND**

Spend a full day searching for humpback whales in the rich waters off Chichagof or Baranof Island, kayak, hike and enjoy the Captain's Farewell Dinner this evening. (B,L,D)

**DAY 14: SITKA/DISEMBARK**

Visit Saint Michael's Russian Orthodox Cathedral with its picturesque spire; walk through the Sitka National Historical Park, where totem poles line trails; and meet eagles up close at the Raptor Rehabilitation Center. (B)



**EXPEDITION DETAILS**

2019 *Venture*: May 6, Sep. 8\*

*Quest*: May 12; Aug. 31\*

2020 *Venture* May 4; Sep. 6\*

*Quest* May 10; Aug. 29\*

\*These departures travel in the reverse order, from Sitka to Seattle, making all the same stops.

**SPECIAL OFFER:**

Book now and receive **FREE ONE-WAY AIR** (Sitka/Seattle) on the May 6 & 12, 2019 departures. Subject to availability. New bookings only.

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER**

Flip Nicklin joins the May 12, 2019 departure.



*Sea otter eating urchins.*



# A REMARKABLE JOURNEY TO ALASKA, BRITISH COLUMBIA & HAIDA GWAII



Though Haida Gwaii, a spectacular archipelago off British Columbia, is known as the “islands at the edge of the world,” it is well within reach aboard *National Geographic Sea Bird* and *Sea Lion*—the only U.S. vessels permitted to visit these hallowed islands in over 20 years. The Haida are legendary Pacific coast artists and artisans. We were granted permission to visit Haida

lands because of our commitment to artisans, evidenced by our Artisan Fund (financed by a percentage of sales from onboard Global Galleries) and the environment in which they create their works. To see their works, most strikingly the totems created by master carvers, and to hear the stories woven into the very fibers of Haida regalia, is indeed a privilege. Haida cultural interpreters will introduce us to a wealth of cultural objects—including the legendary site, SḠang Gwaay Llanagaay, where silvered totem poles some 150–200 years old, line the shore.

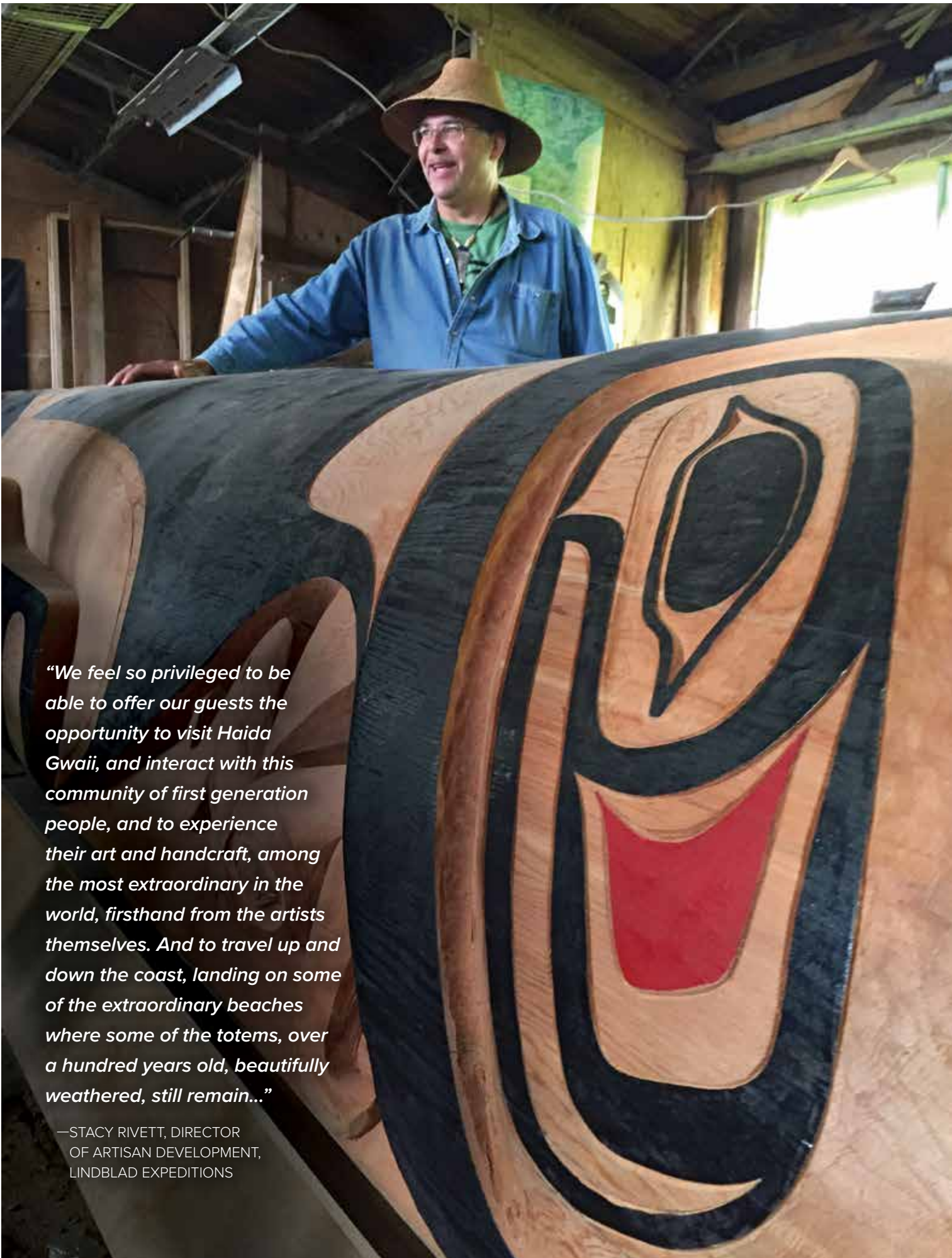
## Plus An In-Depth Southeast Alaska Exploration

Sail into mist-shrouded fjords and see the thundering glaciers of Southeast Alaska. See whales, bears, eagles—all of the region’s iconic wildlife—on an expedition to the state’s famed natural wonders as well as some out-of-the-way regions we’ve uncovered in our 35 years here. This long expedition gives us a richer opportunity for more wildlife observations.

*Clockwise from top left: Wood carver at work in Old Massett; masks created by world-renowned Haida artist in his home studio; Haida artist Christian White stands next to an unfinished totem pole he is carving; a traditional Haida dance performance.*







*“We feel so privileged to be able to offer our guests the opportunity to visit Haida Gwaii, and interact with this community of first generation people, and to experience their art and handcraft, among the most extraordinary in the world, firsthand from the artists themselves. And to travel up and down the coast, landing on some of the extraordinary beaches where some of the totems, over a hundred years old, beautifully weathered, still remain...”*

—STACY RIVETT, DIRECTOR  
OF ARTISAN DEVELOPMENT,  
LINDBLAD EXPEDITIONS



NEW! SPEND 4 DAYS IN  
HAIDA GWAI IN 2019!

# A REMARKABLE JOURNEY TO ALASKA, BRITISH COLUMBIA & HAIDA GWAI

**15 DAYS/14 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD  
AND NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION**

PRICES FROM: \$10,900 to \$19,860 (See page 49 for complete prices.)  
BOOK BY DEC. 31, 2018 TO GUARANTEE 2019  
PRICING FOR 2020 DEPARTURES.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

**30+**  
**YEARS**  
EXPERIENCE

Our unparalleled 6-person expedition team is key to an in-depth experience. An expedition leader, three naturalists, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, Haida Cultural Interpreter, and undersea specialist, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler, all contribute to your understanding of Alaska's wonders. Certain departures will feature a National Geographic photographer or expert.

*Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.*

Join a unique expedition in Alaska's Inside Passage and British Columbia including Haida Gwaii (formerly the Queen Charlotte Islands) off the coast of British Columbia. We are the only company with ships carrying more than 22 guests permitted to visit Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve, National Marine Conservation Area Reserve, and Haida Heritage site in over two decades. Here, you'll see the ancient totems at SGang Gwaay (Ninstints), a UNESCO World Heritage site, and meet with local artisans in a region rich with history seldom-seen.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ New! Guest requested 4 days in Haida Gwaii: Experience ancestral Haida villages, see ancient totem poles, take part in a traditional dance performance, and much more.
- ▶ Explore glacially-carved fjords, Glacier Bay National Park, and search for humpback whales in their summer feeding grounds.
- ▶ Kayak spectacular bays, see waterfalls cascading from glacially-carved walls, and hike old-growth forest where paw prints outnumber footprints.
- ▶ Extend the adventure: include a 6-day pre-voyage stay at Denali's North Face Lodge on select departures. See pages 44-45 for details.

*Standing totem pole at SGang Gwaay.*



### DAY 1: SEATTLE/EMBARK

Arrive in Seattle this afternoon and embark *National Geographic Sea Bird* or *National Geographic Sea Lion*. (D)

### DAY 2: GULF ISLANDS, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Cruise amid the lush Gulf Islands in the Strait of Georgia—which runs between mainland British Columbia and Vancouver Island—and search for some of the many marine mammals that inhabit these waters. (B,L,D)

### DAY 3: JOHNSTONE STRAIT AND ALERT BAY, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Visit the U'mista Cultural Centre in Alert Bay, where we'll watch traditional First Nations performances and learn about the art and culture of the Kwakwaka'wakw people. (B,L,D)

### DAYS 4 AND 5: INSIDE PASSAGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sail northward along steep and rugged coastline looking for whales, dolphins, bears, deer and other wildlife. Go ashore to explore or kayak the remote bays and inlets. (B,L,D) Daily



Guests visit with carvers, Haida Gwaii.

### DAYS 6–9: HAIDA GWAI

With very special permission, we explore the islands of Haida Gwaii, including the incredible Gwaii Haanas National Park & Haida Heritage Site. We will be joined by two Haida Interpreters for our days among the islands, wildlife and cultural sites. In the Haida ancestral town of Old Massett, we'll join in a ceremonial potlatch celebration, meet Haida artists and see their workshops. Visit the Haida Heritage Center at Kay Llnagaay to learn about the incredible history of the Haida people and their renowned artwork, a spiritual endeavor. See the ancient totems at S'Gaang

Gwaay (Ninstints), kayak and take Zodiacs around the incredibly biodiverse islands in Gwaii Haanas. (B,L,D) Daily

### DAYS 10, 11, AND 12: ALASKA'S INSIDE PASSAGE

Spend three days encountering spectacular scenery and wildlife in Alaska's famed Inside Passage. Explore the forested backwaters of Misty Fjords National Monument by kayak or expedition landing craft. Go ashore to visit the charming fishing village of Petersburg, and explore the surrounding area on a forest walk bicycle ride, or an optional flightseeing excursion. Cruise and kayak past the glacially carved cliffs of Tracy or Endicott Arm—both spectacular fjords that harbor orcas, humpback whales, and Steller sea lions. See the soaring Dawes or South Sawyer Glacier up close and take a cruise on an expedition landing craft for unparalleled view of sculpted incandescent icebergs. (B,L,D) Daily

### DAYS 13 AND 14: GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK / INIAN ISLANDS / CHICHAGOF ISLAND

By special park permit, spend a full day among the enormous glaciers and expansive wilderness of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve. A national park ranger joins us to interpret the area geology and ecosystems, and a native Tlingit interpreter will share the lore and legend of the area. Then spend two days kayaking and hiking among incredible wildlife around the Inian Islands and Chichagof Island. Conditions permitting, we'll lower the ship's hydrophone to listen for whale communications. Enjoy a farewell dinner on our final night. (B,L,D) Daily

### DAY 15: SITKA/DISEMBARK/SEATTLE

See the picturesque city of Sitka on Baranof Island and meet eagles up close at the Raptor Rehabilitation Center. (B)



### EXPEDITION DETAILS

**DATES:** 2019 *Sea Lion*: May 4; Aug. 24\*

*Sea Bird*: May 11📷; Sep. 2\*📷

2020 *Sea Lion*: May 2; Sep. 5\*

*Sea Bird*: May 3;📷 Sep. 4\*📷

\*This departure travels in the reverse order, from Sitka to Seattle, making all the same stops.

📷 Photo Expedition

Note: The exact order of stops may vary in order to maximize your experience.

### SPECIAL OFFER:

Book now and receive **FREE ONE-WAY AIR** (Sitka/Seattle) on the May 4 & 11, 2019 departures. Subject to availability. New bookings only.

### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHER

National Geographic Photographer **Rich Reid** joins the Sept. 2, 2019 departure.









# EPIC ALASKA: MISTY FIORDS TO THE LYNN CANAL

If the name of this itinerary suggests photography to you— you're right! Using your viewfinder as a route to exploring is ideal on this event-rich voyage. Explore the Inside Passage aboard the 31-cabin *National Geographic Sea Bird* as she sails from the glacially carved cliffs of the southern Misty Fiords all the way to the northernmost reach of the passage, Haines—Alaska's adventure capital. Spend a full day shooting legendary Glacier Bay National Park from the bow of our ship, getting photo tips and tricks from your onboard National Geographic photographer and two Lindblad-National Geographic photo instructors. Add photos of all of Alaska's incredible wildlife—whales, bears, eagles—to your portfolio. Shoot the mist-shrouded landscapes or early morning and snow-capped mountains glowing at dusk with outings specially timed to take advantage of lighting ops. Plus, enjoy all the same tools for exploration and insights from our natural history staff on every Alaska expedition we offer.

## TRAVEL WITH THESE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

**Jonathan Irish:** Jun. 14 & 24, 2019; **Katie Orlinsky:** Jul. 24, 2019;  
**Dan Westergren:** Aug. 3, 2019.



*Clockwise from far left: Humpback whale breaching near Pinta Point; brown bear fishing for pink salmon; bald eagle in flight; see an abundance of unique plant life; Alaskan Sea Otter with baby; pod of orca surfacing.*



# EPIC ALASKA: MISTY FIORDS TO THE LYNN CANAL

**11 DAYS/10 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD**

PRICES FROM: \$8,990 to \$15,740 (See page 49 for complete prices.)

BOOK BY DEC. 31, 2018 TO GUARANTEE 2019 PRICING FOR 2020 DEPARTURES.

Sail aboard the *National Geographic Sea Bird* on this immersive, wide-ranging expedition through Alaska's famed Inside Passage. Experience the perfect mix of small-town life and the grand expanse of the wild landscape that surrounds it, from the northernmost limit of the Alaska's Inside Passage to the southernmost. Capture it with the help of a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Raft through the Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve, which boasts the largest congregation of bald eagles in the world.
- ▶ Explore Glacier Bay National Park, Misty Fiords National Monument, and search for humpback whales in their summer feeding grounds.
- ▶ Kayak amid glacial ice, hike the Tongass National Forest and learn about the region's rich Tlingit heritage.
- ▶ Explore Tongass National Forest: By special permit hike and kayak in the wild and remote areas of the Tongass National Forest in Southeast Alaska.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE

**30+**  
YEARS  
EXPERIENCE

Our unparalleled 6-person expedition team is key to an in-depth experience. An expedition leader, three naturalists, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and undersea specialist, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler, all contribute to your understanding of Alaska's wonders. Certain departures will feature a National Geographic photographer or expert.

*Visit our website to read staff and guest speaker bios for this expedition.*

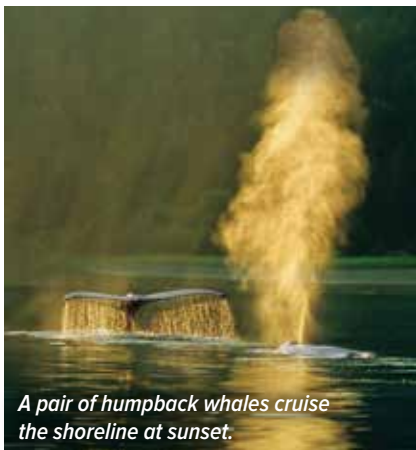


**DAY 1: KETCHIKAN/EMBARK**

Arrive in Ketchikan, view the priceless collection of 19th-century Tlingit totem poles at the Totem Heritage Center. Embark *National Geographic Sea Bird*. (D)

**DAY 2: MISTY FIORDS**

Wake amid the glacially-carved cliffs of Misty Fiords National Monument. Explore by expedition landing craft and kayak for a closer perspective. (B,L,D)



*A pair of humpback whales cruise the shoreline at sunset.*

**DAY 3: BEHM CANAL/CLARENCE STRAIT**

Explore the verdant Tongass National Forest. Cruise through steep-walled fiords in search of photogenic wildlife. (B,L,D)

**DAY 4: THOMAS BAY/PETERSBURG**

Call at the quaint Alaskan town of Petersburg on Mitkof Island. See a unique muskeg ecosystem with stunted trees and carnivorous plants. Explore by bike or optional flightseeing. (B,L,D)

**DAY 5: TRACY ARM—FORDS TERROR WILDERNESS**

Navigate the spectacular Tracy or Endicott Arm fjords to South Sawyer or Dawes Glacier, and, if conditions permit, venture closer in our expedition landing craft for unparalleled photo opportunities. (B,L,D)

**DAY 6: HAINES**

Explore Alaska's "adventure capital" on a world class hike or bike ride along the edge of a glacial lake. Or raft the Chilkat River to a bald eagle preserve, and call at the ancient Chilkat Tlingit village of Klukwan for a cultural interpretation. (B,L,D)

**DAY 7: LYNN CANAL**

Hike and kayak where the mighty Chilkat River meets the sea, in the shadow of snow-capped peaks and at the northern limit of Alaska's Inside Passage. (B,L,D)

**DAY 8: GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK**

We spend the entire day amidst the coves, fjords, tidewater glaciers, and majestic mountains of Glacier Bay National Park. Search for mountain goats, harbor seals, Steller sea lions, and puffins. A native Tlingit cultural interpreter and a National Park Service Ranger join us to share the local legends of the area. (B,L,D)

**DAY 9: ICY STRAIT/INIAN ISLANDS**

See an abundance of Steller sea lions. Hike nearby islands, kayak, and search for whales in the rich waters of Icy Strait. (B,L,D)

**DAY 10: EXPLORING BARANOF OR CHICHAGOF ISLANDS**

Kayak, hike, and explore where conditions are best and wildlife is most active. Cap off the day with the Captain's farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

**DAY 11: SITKA/DISEMBARK**

After breakfast, disembark to visit picturesque Saint Michael's Russian Orthodox Cathedral then visit the Raptor Rehabilitation Center. (B)



**EXPEDITION DETAILS**

**DATES: 2019**

Jun. 14\* 📷, 24 📷; Jul. 24\* 📷 Aug. 3 📷

**2020:** Jun. 6, 16\*; Jul. 16\*, 26

📷 Photo Expeditions

\*These departures travel in the reverse order, from Sitka to Ketchikan, making all the same stops.

Note: The exact order of stops may vary in order to maximize your experience.

**TRAVEL WITH NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS**

Jonathan Irish: Jun. 14 & 24, 2019

Katie Orlinsky: Jul. 24, 2019

Dan Westergren: Aug. 3, 2019



*Brown bear fishing.*



# DON'T MISS DENALI! EXPERIENCE IT PRE-OR POST-VOYAGE

With the idyllic North Face Lodge as your base camp, you'll enjoy special access. North Face Lodge's relationship with the Park ensures exclusive opportunities for you to explore Denali's most pristine backcountry areas for prime hiking and wildlife viewing. Set deep in the heart of the Park, this unique wilderness retreat offers unparalleled views of Mt. Denali, a wide range of outdoor activities and nightly presentations that emphasize Denali's natural and cultural history, plus locally sourced cuisine.







# DENALI NATIONAL PARK FROM THE NORTH FACE LODGE

## PRE- OR POST-VOYAGE EXTENSION | 7 DAYS

Cost Per Person: \$6,350 double occupancy; \$8,750 single occupancy

### DAY 1: DISEMBARK / FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

Arrive in Fairbanks, transfer to your hotel and settle into your river view room at Pike's Waterfront Lodge. This evening meet your leader and traveling companions at a welcome dinner. (D)

### DAY 2: FAIRBANKS / DENALI NATIONAL PARK / NORTH FACE LODGE

In the morning visit the University of Alaska Fairbanks Museum featuring collections that represent over 11,000 years of cultural traditions in the North. In the late morning we depart on a wilderness drive to our temporary home located within the heart of the park, the North Face Lodge. We'll travel in the lodge's private bus, on the otherwise highly restricted Denali Park



North Face Lodge.

Road, in order to access prime wildlife viewing areas; a privilege extended to the owners of North Face Lodge and their guests. The seven-hour, 90-mile drive is rife with opportunities to look for Denali's famed wildlife: grizzlies, caribou, moose, Dall sheep, wolves, eagles, Arctic terns and more. We'll enjoy a hearty, picnic-style dinner, served at the midpoint of the drive alongside the East Fork River. Regular bathroom stops at National Park Service facilities provide additional chances to stretch your legs. (B,L,D)

### DAYS 3-5: DENALI NATIONAL PARK / NORTH FACE LODGE

Immerse yourself in the remote wildness and north country charm of the North Face Lodge, and become

one with nature. See Denali's rich wildlife, flora and fauna firsthand and learn about its natural history during the daily activities of your choice – hiking, canoeing, fishing and biking. Hiking is among guests' favorite activities, as the lodge offers exclusive opportunities to hike with trained naturalist guides in the protected wilderness backcountry of Denali National Park. Optional flightseeing offers breathtaking aerial views of Alaska and is available at an additional cost. Days wind down with nightly presentations by the fireplace that focus on various aspects of Denali's natural and cultural history, including birds, mammals, wildflowers, tundra ecology, geology, mountaineering, land use and natural resource issues. Sleep in well-appointed, comfortable rooms and enjoy delicious meals featuring fresh baked goods and locally-grown produce throughout your stay. (B,L,D) Daily

### DAY 6: DENALI NATIONAL PARK / ANCHORAGE

This morning we depart the North Face Lodge and enjoy the scenic drive back out to the park entrance. Continue to experience the grandeur of Alaska aboard the Alaska Railroad, enjoying the first class, GoldStar Service en route to Anchorage. Lavishly appointed cars feature custom-designed interiors highlighted with original Alaska art and a private outdoor viewing deck. Dinner will be served on board the train. Overnight at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel. (B,L,D)

### DAY 7: ANCHORAGE / SITKA OR JUNEAU / HOME

This morning transfer to the airport for connecting flights home. (B)

Depending on your departure date, you may be responsible for one night on your own before or after joining the Denali extension. Please call for details.

▶ SEE A VIDEO OF A DAY IN DENALI VISIT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/DENALINOW](https://www.expeditions.com/denalinow)

*Above: Wonder Lake reflects a stunning view of Mount McKinley as a canoer contemplates the scene. Left: Denali National Park and Preserve tundra flowers; dall sheep; grizzly bear.*





NEW SHIPS



# NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC QUEST & NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC VENTURE

**CAPACITY:** 50-cabins accommodating 100 guests  
**REGISTRY:** United States. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 238 feet.

Sister ships *National Geographic Quest* and *National Geographic Venture* (launching 2018) are the latest additions to our fleet. Designed with over 50 years of expedition heritage and built in the U.S.A., both ships will set a new standard in exploration and comfort.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Global gallery; fitness center; LEXspa; lounge with full service bar and facilities for films and presentations; observation deck; mudroom with lockers for expedition gear, and a partially covered sundeck with chairs and tables. Our “open bridge” provides guests an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

**MEALS:** Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Breakfast and lunch are wide selection buffets with chef action stations, while dinners are primarily served plated. Menu emphasizes local fare.

**CABINS:** All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Category 4 cabins have step-out balconies.

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** A fleet of 8 Zodiacs and 24 kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, splash-cam, underwater video camera, video microscope, paddleboards, snorkeling gear for all guests (where applicable).

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** Guest internet access, elevator, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, a video chronicler and undersea specialist.

**WELLNESS:** The vessel is staffed by a Wellness Specialist and features a gym with an elliptical machine, treadmill, exercycles, handweights and resistance bands. Treatments in the LEXspa are available by appointment.



*Insets clockwise from top: The lounge, with 270° views, is the hub of the expedition community; Enjoy big views and regional fare in the inviting and informal dining room.*





Left to right: Category 5 cabin is our most spacious; Category 4 cabin with lower single beds (which can be converted to a Queen) and a private step-out balcony. Select cabins connect via an inside doorway.

**CATEGORY 1:** Main Deck #301-306 Cabins feature two lower single beds that can convert to a Queen, a writing desk and two portholes.

**CATEGORY 2:** Main Deck #307-315 Cabins feature two lower single beds that can convert to a Queen, a writing desk and two portholes.

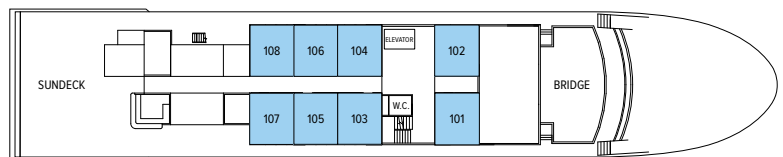
**CATEGORY 3:** Upper Deck #201-206 Cabins feature two lower single beds that can convert to a Queen, a writing desk and two large view windows.

**CATEGORY 4:** Upper Deck #207-229 Cabins feature two lower single beds that can convert to a Queen, a writing desk, sliding glass door, and small, private balcony.

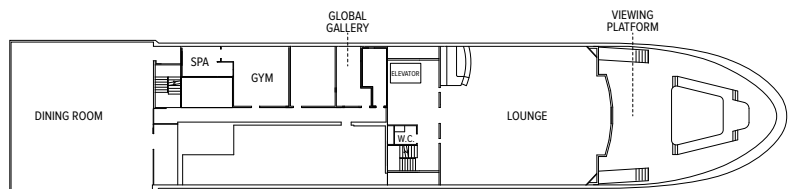
**CATEGORY 5 (SUITE):** Observation Deck #101-108 Cabins feature two lower single beds that can convert to a Queen, large view windows, an expanded bathroom, writing desk, ample storage space, and a convertible sofa bed to accommodate a third person.

**NOTE:** Sole Occupancy cabins are available in Categories 1 and 2 only. Third person rates are available in Category 5 cabins at one half the double occupancy rate.

**Connecting Cabins via internal doorway access:**  
Main Deck: #312-314, #311-315, #306-308, #305-307; Upper Deck: #224-226, #225-227



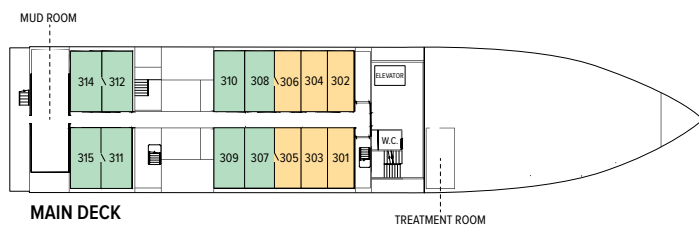
OBSERVATION DECK



LOUNGE DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK

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ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5 SUITE	CAT. 1 SOLO	CAT. 2 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Exploring Alaska's Coastal Wilderness – Page 26	2019/20	\$6,890	\$7,620	\$8,100	\$8,990	\$9,990	\$10,330	\$11,430	\$750	Sample Airfares: Seattle/Juneau/Sitka/Seattle or vice versa: Economy from \$350; Business Class from \$800.
Treasures of the Inside Passage: Alaska and British Columbia – Page 34	2019/20	\$9,990	\$10,640	\$11,190	\$11,990	\$12,890	\$14,990	\$15,960	\$1,000	Sample Airfares: Seattle/Juneau/Sitka/Seattle or vice versa: Economy from \$200; Business Class from \$620.





## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD & SEA LION

**CAPACITY:** 62 guests in 31 outside cabins.

**REGISTRY:** United States.

**OVERALL LENGTH:** 152 feet.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Our twin sister ships feature a library; global market; lounge with full-service bar and facilities for films, slide shows and presentations; observation deck; partially covered sun deck with chairs and tables, and LEXspa. Our “open bridge” provides guests an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

**MEALS:** Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Breakfasts are wide selection buffets and lunch is often served family style. Dinners are primarily served plated. Menu emphasizes local fare.

**CABINS:** All face outside with windows, private facilities and climate controls.

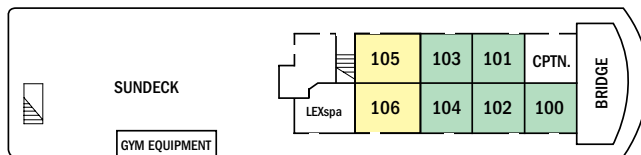
**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Bow camera, hydrophone, kayaks, snorkeling gear, fleet of paddleboards, splash-cam, underwater video camera, video microscope, wet suits in Baja and expedition landing craft.

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** Guest internet access. A Lindblad-National Geographic photo instructor and a video chronicler are on board all voyages. An undersea specialist is on board on select Alaska departures.

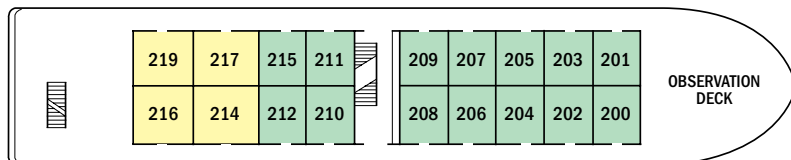
**WELLNESS:** The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features exercise equipment, LEXspa and outdoor stretching area.



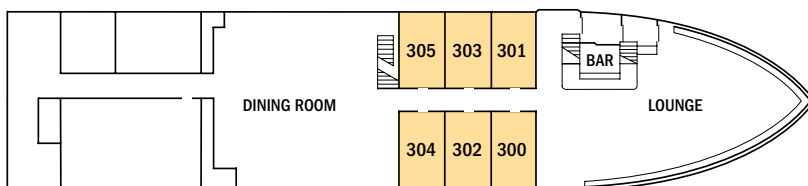
Guests enjoy the view of Glacier Bay National Park from the sun deck while exercising.



### BRIDGE DECK



### UPPER DECK



### MAIN DECK





**CATEGORY 1:** Main Deck #300-305—Conveniently positioned between the dining room & lounge, these cabins feature two single lower beds, and a large view window.

**CATEGORY 2:** Bridge Deck #100-104; Upper Deck #200-212, 215—These well-located cabins include two lower single beds & a view window.

**CATEGORY 3:** Bridge Deck #105, 106; Upper Deck #214, 216, 217, 219—These cabins feature a seating unit with table and two large view windows. Upper Deck cabins include two lower single beds, which can convert to a double bed and a pull-out single bed for a third person; Bridge Deck cabins include two lower single beds only.

**NOTE:** Sole Occupancy cabins are available in Categories 1 and 2 only. Third person rates are available in certain categories at one half the double occupancy rate.

**SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS:** Shares can be arranged at the double occupancy rate in Categories 1 and 2 only.

*Photos (clockwise from left): Expedition ship National Geographic Sea Bird can access hard-to-reach locations; twin beds can be pushed together to form a double bed in Category 3 cabins on the Upper Deck; enjoy an assortment of wine selections while dining; a comfortable Category 2 cabin.*

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ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 1 SOLO	CAT. 2 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Exploring Alaska's Coastal Wilderness – Page 26	2019/20	\$5,990	\$6,890	\$7,990	\$8,990	\$10,340	\$750	Sample Airfares: Seattle/Juneau/Sitka/Seattle or vice versa: Economy from \$350; Business Class from \$800.
Wild Alaska Escape – Page 30	2019/20	\$4,290	\$4,990	\$5,990	\$6,440	\$7,490	\$750	Sample Airfares: Seattle/Juneau/Sitka/Seattle or vice versa: Economy from \$350; Business Class from \$800.
A Remarkable Journey to Alaska, British Columbia & Haida Gwaii – Page 38	2019/20	\$10,900	\$12,450	\$14,530	\$16,350	\$19,860	\$1,500	Sample Airfares: Seattle/Sitka: Economy from \$200; Business Class from \$620.
Epic Alaska: Misty Fiords to the Lynn Canal – Page 42	2019/20	\$8,990	\$10,490	\$11,890	\$13,490	\$15,740	\$1,000	Sample Airfares: Seattle/Ketchikan/Sitka/Seattle or vice versa: Economy from \$360; Business Class from \$700.





## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

**CAPACITY:** 102 guests in 53 outside cabins.

**REGISTRY:** Bahamas. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 338 feet.

The state-of-the-art *National Geographic Orion* (built in 2004) joined the Lindblad-National Geographic fleet in 2014. A fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, with an Ice-1A steel reinforced forward hull, it enables us to navigate polar passages in exceptional comfort.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Outdoor café, lounge with bar and state-of-the-art facilities, restaurant, sundeck, reception desk, observation lounge and library, global gallery, and marina platform. The whirlpool hot tub doubles as a plunge pool in warm climates. Our “open Bridge” allows guests to meet our captain and officers and learn about navigation.

**MEALS:** All meals are served in a single seating with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. The cuisine is international with local flair, featuring tastes of the regions we explore.

**CATEGORY 1:** Main Deck with oval window  
#316, 318, 319-321

**CATEGORY 2:** Main Deck with oval window  
#302-312, 314, 315, 317

**CATEGORY 3:** Upper Deck—Suite with window  
#401-412, 414-419

**CATEGORY 4:** Bridge Deck—Deluxe suite with window  
#511, 515

**CATEGORY 5:** Bridge Deck—Suite with French balcony  
#501, 503-506, 508

**CABINS:** All cabins feature ocean views, private facilities, climate controls, and a flat-screen TV with interactive system. Equipped with ethernet and wifi connections and USB ports for mobile devices. Some cabins have French balconies. Single cabins in Category 1 and Category 3 include #301, 322, 323, and 512.

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Zodiac landing craft, a fleet of 24 double kayaks, crow’s nest camera, hydrophone, underwater video cameras, video microscope, and a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV).

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** Laundry, a full-time doctor, video chronicler, National Geographic photographer and Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus an undersea specialist.

**WELLNESS:** A wellness specialist, fitness center, LEXspa treatment room and sauna are on board.

**CATEGORY 6:** Bridge Deck—Owner’s suite with French balcony  
#502, 507, 509\*, 510

\*Cabin 509 has two windows in lieu of a French balcony.

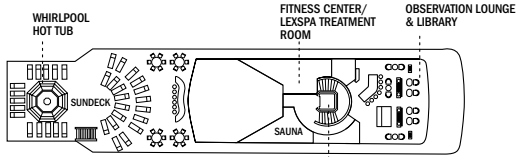
**CATEGORY 1 SOLO:** Main Deck with oval window or two portholes #301, 322, 323

**CATEGORY 3 SOLO:** Bridge Deck—Suite with two windows #512

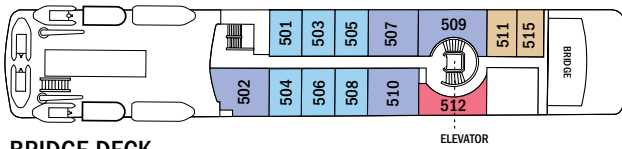
NOTE: Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories 1 and 3. Shared accommodations available in Categories 1 and 2.

NOTE: Third person rates available at one-half the double occupancy rate in designated triple occupancy cabins.

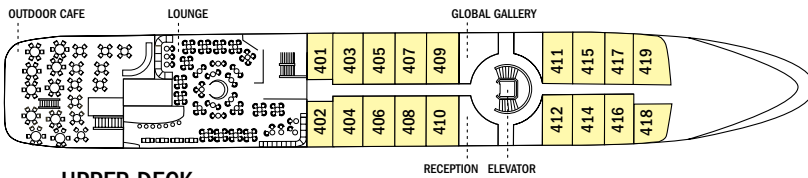




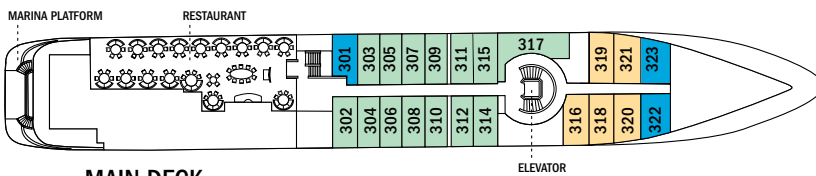
OBSERVATION DECK



BRIDGE DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



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*Clockwise from top left: Guests on open bridge; bartender in the lounge; Category 3 cabin; standard bathroom; spacious closet.*

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**WITH COMPLIMENTS, YOUR BAR TAB & ALL CREW GRATUITIES ARE INCLUDED**

ITINERARY	YEAR	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. 1 SOLO	CAT. 3 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE
Bering Sea Wilderness: Pribilofs, Katmai, and Kodiak – Page 23	2019	\$16,230	\$17,440	\$19,430	\$23,480	\$26,850	\$31,250	\$24,340	\$29,140	\$2,500	Sample Airfares: Round-trip Seattle/Anchorage: Economy from \$400; First class from \$900. Charter airfare: Anchorage/Nome from \$305.



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## INCLUSIVE PRICING

We include just about everything you have the opportunity to do as part of your expedition aboard ship and ashore. The only things not included are those of a personal nature—internet usage, wellness treatments and other specialized arrangements.

### **ABOARD SHIP**

- ✓ All meals and nonalcoholic beverages
- ✓ 24-hour coffee, tea and soda on demand
- ✓ Hors d'oeuvres and snacks during nightly Recap
- ✓ Environmentally-friendly refillable water bottle
- ✓ Morning stretch classes with wellness specialist
- ✓ Fitness equipment
- ✓ Access to reference books and board games in the library
- ✓ The guidance and company of our expedition staff

### **ASHORE**

- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
- ✓ Transfers to and from group flights
- ✓ The expertise of our expedition staff

### **ACTIVITIES**

- ✓ Expedition landing craft explorations
- ✓ Kayaking
- ✓ Presentations & photo instruction, including a special Alaska Whale Foundation presentation



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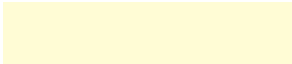




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