

# WILD ALASKA ESCAPE

NEW 6-DAY ITINERARY!  
PACK A TON OF ADVENTURE INTO  
ONE WEEK STARTING AT \$4,290

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*Clockwise from top left:  
Breathtaking views of  
breaching humpback whales;  
bald eagle; a Klukwan totem;  
explore Haines by bike; A  
young brown bear fishing for  
pink salmon; plenty of double  
kayaks available along with  
photo opportunities; guests  
enjoy an expedition landing  
craft cruise.*





DEAR TRAVELER,

Flexibility, spontaneity, a commitment to authentic exploration—these are the hallmarks of our Alaska expeditions. So, I'm delighted to bring you our newest take on exploring Alaska—the new Wild Alaska Escape—which embodies them all. Our most active expedition yet, this 5-night voyage immerses you in the wild reaches of Southeast Alaska, a travel goal for many; provides all the majesty and wonder of Alaska, plus opportunities for big adventure—all in a compact timeframe. Some of the highlights include:



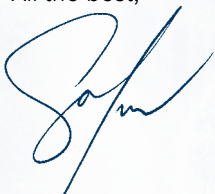
- In [Haines](#) (Alaska's Adventure Capital), we'll offer a 3 hr. bicycling trip around a stunning glacial lake; half-day hikes up a few of the region's most dramatic mountains or, for the most fit, a trek up [Mt. Riley](#). Others may choose to float down the [Chilkat River](#), through an area rich with native tradition as well as the largest congregation of bald eagles in the world;
- In the more remote stretches of the voyage, we'll offer guided, point-to-point long kayak trips with the *National Geographic Sea Bird* as our moving basecamp. Or, head out in expedition landing craft to zip around sculpted icebergs, or to land on remote beaches for hikes in dense and dramatic [Tongass National Forest](#).

Now you can go deep into the real Alaska, expend energy in "big nature," get all the tonic benefits of being there, and be back at your desk in a single week.

And it's a boon for parents of teens. I know: I am one. Expeditions are great for families in general, but if you have teens, the prospect of sharing an active adventure together is both necessary, and great!

We are also introducing stand-up paddleboarding this year in Alaska, which is sure to be a hit with guests of all ages. On behalf of our expedition teams eager to share the adventure with you, I hope you'll join us to experience Alaska actively this season.

All the best,



Sven-Olof Lindblad







# ESCAPE THE OFFICE FOR 6 DAYS OF ACTIVE ADVENTURE



This highly active expedition aboard the 62-guest *National Geographic Sea Bird* packs a whole lot of Alaska adventure into one workweek. Take a long, point-to-point kayak trip far into spectacular bays and fjords while the ship repositions to meet us. Set off on a rugged hike high into the mountains to soak up incredible views. Or choose a float plane excursion over the snow-capped peaks and emerald-green forests of iconic Glacier Bay National Park for one of the most dramatic, flightseeing experiences in the world. In Haines, Alaska’s “adventure capital” the action kicks up even further. You’ll have the opportunity to mountain bike,

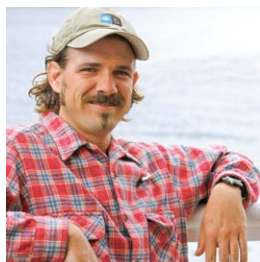
hike, raft, stand-up paddleboard and visit a preserve that’s home to the highest concentration of bald eagles. Then recharge at night like the locals do—with a pint of ale in one of the small town bars. To add a fascinating cultural layer to the breathtaking scenery, we’ll also call on the ancient Chilkat Tlingit village of Klukwan. Here, an immersion in tribal dance and culture connects us with the timeless roots of Alaskan life.



*From top to bottom: Float plane comes in for a landing; guests enjoy a tandem kayak ride near the National Geographic Sea Bird; now offering opportunities for guests to try rafting in the Alaskan waters.*

# SHARE THE ADVENTURE WITH OUR A+ TEAM

From pointing out wildlife on the trail to helping you capture a dramatic shot of Endicott Arm, our expedition team will illuminate every facet of your expedition with their knowledge and enthusiasm. All our departures include a veteran expedition leader, a team of naturalists, a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler—one staff member for every 10 guests, the best guest-to-naturalist ratio in Alaska. You'll also benefit from a greater variety of expertise and peerless flexibility—we never assign you to a staffer, so you can join the individuals whose interests reflect your own. Whales, botany, the undersea, photography or something different daily, learn, see and do more of what matters to you most.



*Representing our expert team for the 2017 season: Rab Cummings, expedition leader; Paul North, undersea specialist; Alberto Montaudon, naturalist/certified photo instructor; and Julia Huggins, naturalist.*



## TRAVEL WITH NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERTS



### JONATHAN IRISH

Explore alongside professional outdoor adventure and travel photographer Jonathan Irish on the **Jul. 11 & 16, 2017** departures. Specializing in documenting adventure lifestyles, landscapes and cultures abroad, he has photographed on all seven continents and is currently completing a year-long road trip shooting all 59 of America's national parks.



### ANDREW HOWLEY

Join author and expert, Andrew Howley on the **Jun. 3, 2017** voyage and get a taste of his enthusiasm for expedition travel. His assignments for National Geographic have brought him all over the world from the Pitcairn Islands to South Africa's Gauteng province.

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# WILD ALASKA ESCAPE

6 DAYS/5 NIGHTS—PRICES FROM: \$4,290 TO \$7,490

## 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.
- ▶ Zip around incredible icebergs and to the face of a glacier in Tracy or Endicott Arm.

### 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 up close look at Alaska's birds of prey. Embark *National Geographic Sea Bird*. (L,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, hear the stories of this ancient rain forest on an adventurous hike with your naturalist guide. (B,L,D)



Hiking Cascade Creek Trail.

### DAY 3: LYNN CANAL

At the northern limit of Alaska's Inside Passage, the Lynn Canal offers ample opportunity for active exploration. Spend today hiking and kayaking in the shadows of snow-capped peaks where the mighty Chilkat River meets the sea. Tonight we'll call into the small town of Haines for an Alaskan evening as the locals do. (B,L,D)

### DAY 4: HAINES

Haines is known as the "adventure capital of Alaska" for a very good reason. Many, in fact. If you're feeling extra adventurous, you can choose from one of many world-class hikes, cycling along the edge of a glacial fjord or an optional float plane 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)

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

Awake this morning in the stunningly beautiful Tracy or Endicott Arm, part of the 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 and transfer to the airport for flights to Seattle. (B)



## EXPEDITION DETAILS

**DATES:** 2017 Jun. 3\*; Jul. 6, 11\*, 16, 21\*; Aug. 15, 20\*, 25, 30\*

\*Indicates itineraries in the reverse order, from Juneau to Sitka.



Guests cruise through Tracy Arm Fjord.



Klukwan group song and dance.

# NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD

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

**REGISTRY:** United States.

**OVERALL LENGTH:** 152 feet.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** Our ships feature a library; global market; lounge with full-service bar and facilities for films, slide shows and presentations; observation deck; partially covered sundeck 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. Breakfast is a wide-selection buffet and lunch is often served family style. Menu emphasizes local fare.

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

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Bow camera, hydrophone, kayaks, Splash-Cam, underwater video camera, video microscope, and expedition landing craft.

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** Guest Internet access. A video chronicler and undersea specialist are on board all voyages.

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

Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.

**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. \$4,290

**CATEGORY 2:** Bridge Deck #100-104; Upper Deck #200-212, 215 — These well-located cabins include two lower single beds & a view window. \$4,990

**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. \$5,990

**CATEGORY 1 SOLO:** \$6,440

**CATEGORY 2 SOLO:** \$7,490

**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.

**For Reservations: Contact your travel advisor or Lindblad Expeditions**

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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**Cost Includes:** All accommodations aboard ship or in hotels per itinerary or similar, all meals and nonalcoholic beverages aboard ship, meals on land as indicated, air transportation where indicated as included, shore excursions, sightseeing, and entrance fees, use of kayaks (where available), special access permits, transfers to and from group flights, tips (except to ship’s crew), taxes and service charges, and services of our expedition staff.

**Not Included:** Air transportation (except where shown as included), extensions, passport, visa, immigration fees, meals not indicated, travel protection plan, items of personal nature such as alcoholic beverages, e-mail, voyages DVD, laundry. Gratuities to ship’s crew are at your discretion.

**Airfare:** For all programs, airfare is an additional cost unless otherwise indicated. Sample airfares are subject to change. We will gladly assist in making your air arrangements for a \$50 per person service fee.

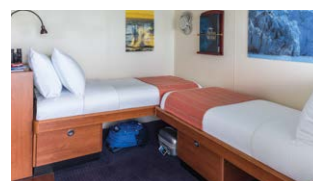
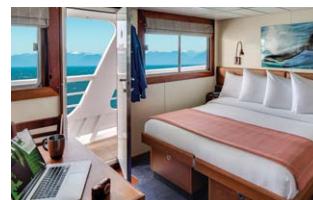
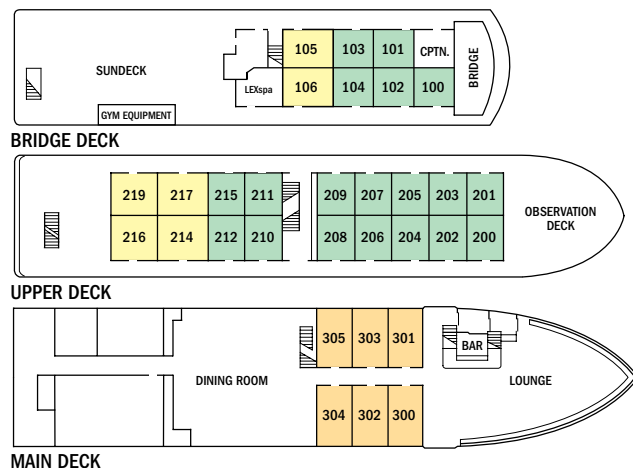
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**Important:** Cancellations are subject to penalty. Visit our website for details on our Cancellation Policy and travel Protection Plan.

**Note:** Itineraries and prices listed in this brochure are as of publication date, and are subject to change.

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Photos: Comfortable Category 2 cabin freshly redesigned; Twin beds can be pushed together to form a double bed in Category 3 on the Upper Deck; enjoy an assortment of wine selections while dining.





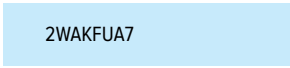
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- » Condé Nast Traveler’s Readers’ Choice Award—  
Top Small Ship Cruise Lines, 2016, 2015, 2014
- » Virtuoso “Best VAST Partner” Award, 2016
- » Cruise Critic Editor’s Pick Awards “Best for Ad-  
venture,” 2016, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010
- » 2016 World Tourism Award
- » Andrew Harper’s Reader Choice Awards:  
Best Cruise Lines, 2016
- » Town & Country Cruise Awards: Best for Families  
and Onboard Activities, Expedition Cruises, 2016
- » Porthole Cruise Magazine Readers’ Choice  
Awards: Best Expedition Cruise Line, 2015
- » Tourism Cares Travel Philanthropy Awards:  
Legacy in Travel Philanthropy, 2015
- » Condé Nast Traveler’s “Gold List,” 2013, 2009,  
2008, 2007, 2006, 2005
- » Virtuoso “Sustainable Tourism Leadership-Supplier”  
Award, 2013
- » Travel + Leisure “World’s Best” Award for Small-Ship  
Cruise Lines, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008
- » Travel + Leisure “World’s Best for Families” Award  
for Small-Ship Cruise Lines, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009
- » Climate Champion Award to Sven Lindblad by  
Clean Air-Cool Planet, 2009

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