

Alaska and Yukon Discovery | Fly drive circle from Anchorage

Holiday Duration: 14 Nights



Overview

You will visit several national parks and historic sites on this driving holiday that combines Alaska and Yukon which features Alaska's coastal towns of Skagway and Juneau and a trip to Glacier Bay National Park, as well as driving the exciting Top of the World Highway, and visiting the gold rush town Dawson City and Yukon's capital, Whitehorse.

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Here's a day-by-day guide to your itinerary. Feel free to ask us to add other days or ideas and excursions by contacting us directly, so we can give you the best price.

Day 1



Anchorage

Fly from the UK to Anchorage and on arrival, transfer independently to your downtown hotel, where you will spend your first night in Alaska.

1 night Anchorage.

Day 2



Anchorage to Talkeetna

Today you will collect your hire car and take the 2-hour journey to the quaint town of Talkeetna. During your stay, take time to explore the downtown area and enjoy the shops, restaurants and bars.

1 night Talkeetna.

Day 3



Talkeetna to Denali National Park

Before you leave Talkeetna, head in to town and enjoy breakfast at the famous Roadhouse; it is a local institution.

Today you will be continuing on to Denali National Park where you will spend two nights close to the park entrance.

2 nights Denali National Park.

Day 4



Denali National Park

Today you will enjoy a 6-8 hour bus tour into Denali National Park. This beautiful park is inhabited by different animal species such as bears, caribou, moose, sheep, wolves and a variety of birds. The peak of Denali can be seen if the weather is clear.

Days 5



Denali National Park to Fairbanks

Today you will drive on the Parks Highway north to Fairbanks., where you will spend the next 2 nights.

Drive through incredible forest and mountain landscapes as you drive through the communities of Healy, Nenana and Ester, an old mining camp.

2 nights Fairbanks.

Day 6



Fairbanks

Today you are free to enjoy Fairbanks, called the 'Golden Heart of Alaska' and is a town renowned for retaining it's 'frontier' feel. A tour of Gold Dredge No. 8 will give you an authentic look at mining life and at El Dorado Gold Mine, if you find any gold you are allowed to keep it!

Alternatively, take a Fairbanks highlights tour where not only can you learn about interior Alaska and how important the oil industry is but also visit Santa Claus at his home in the North Pole and buy Christmas decorations and Alaska souvenirs.

Day 7



Fairbanks to Tok

Today you will drive southeast on the Alaska/Canada highway to the border town of Tok. You will pass through the quaint towns of North Pole and Delta Junction. There are also views of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline and the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge along the route. This scenic drive also follows the Tanana River, one of Alaska's longest.

1 night in Tok.

Days 8-9



Tok to Dawson City

You will be driving the amazing Top of the World highway today (partly gravel road) which brings you through spectacular backcountry and gold mining areas. When the highway reaches its highest elevation, you will get incredible views over the countryside. Before you reach Dawson City, you cross the Yukon River by state ferry. On arrival in Dawson City, where you will spend the next 2 nights, you may feel you have gone back in time; this old Klondike city has a unique feel all of its own.

You will have a full day to explore the Klondike goldfields and enjoying the Gold Rush atmosphere of Dawson City. Visit Diamond Tooth Gertie's casino, cruise down the Yukon River, or take a walking historical tour.

2 nights in Dawson City

Day 10



Dawson City to Whitehorse

Today's longer drive you will travel the Klondike Highway east to Yukon's capital city, Whitehorse. For part of the route, you will follow the Yukon River.

Day 11



Whitehorse to Skagway

Today's journey will take you south along the Klondike Highway, one of Alaska's most spectacular with Emerald Lake, Carcross desert and the small community of Carcross. You will cross the Yukon River Suspension bridge, providing amazing scenic views from above. You will cross the Canada/US border (passport and ESTA required) and continue to Skagway, which is part of Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park.

During your visit to Skagway, a Summit excursion trip on the White Pass and Yukon Railway is a must.

You will drop your rental car in Skagway this evening.

1 night in Skagway.

Day 12



Skagway to Juneau

You will be taking a short 45-minute flight to Juneau, Alaska's capital where you will spend the next 2 nights.

2 nights in Juneau

Day 13



Juneau to Glacier Bay National Park

A highlight of the holiday today with a full day tour to Glacier Bay National Park which includes a morning flight to Gustavus, transfers and a Glacier Bay National Park boat cruise and a late afternoon/early evening flight back.

Day 14



Juneau to Anchorage

You will be flying from Juneau to Anchorage where you will spend the final night of your holiday.

1 night in Anchorage.

Day 15



Anchorage

Your holiday in Alaska will end today and you will be flying from Anchorage back to the UK.

If you are interested in a holiday to Canada please contact us on 020 8776 8709 to discuss your plans with a Canada expert, or send an email to canada@frontier-travel.co.uk with your requirements and we will put together your ideal itinerary and quotation. Let us take you there.