ALASKA'S Glacier Country



A sharp crack sounded – then, as if Mother Nature had timed it so on purpose, a section of glacier sheared off from its face. Cheers from on board echoed the thunder of ice tumbling into the water. This was the most astounding geology "lesson" anyone in our group had ever experienced — and in the most enthralling classroom we ever set foot in — Glacier Bay.



DATES - EVERY FRIDAY

2025 - May 23-Sep 5

2026 – May 15-Sep 4

DURATION – 8 days/7 nights

EMBARKATION – Juneau, AK
DISEMBARKATION – Juneau, AK

SHIPS - M/V Safari Quest

From - \$6,500 (Plus Port Charges \$375)

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Visit restricted wilderness areas that can only be accessed on this ship
- Take a skiff or kayak ride in Fords Terror Wilderness Area
- Visit Admiralty Island National Monument, home for the "Fortress of the Bears"
- Explore areas with the highest population of brown bears per mile on earth
- Search for humpback whales in Frederick Sound and Icy Strait

ITINERARY:

DAY 1 - Juneau

In Juneau your captain and crew welcome you aboard. Set sail, bound for Icy Strait! (D)



DAY 2 - Icy Strait

Kick start the morning with on-deck yoga stretches and a strong cup of coffee. Energized and snug in your kayak, glide around in remote bays off Icy Strait through giant bullwhip kelp that can grow to over 100 feet long. Join the gang in a skiff to a rocky outcropping to watch sea lions play. Or step into mud boots for a forest hike with your top-notch, naturalist guides who have plenty to share about everything Alaska—marine biology, plants, and even geology. On board, soak it all in as you soak in the hot tub. (BLD)

DAY 3 - GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK

Glacier Bay National Park This national park covers 3.3 million acres (that's a tad smaller than the state of Connecticut). Let that sink in. Most visitors see the same sliver of the park as everyone else. Not you. You're going the furthest and exploring parts that 99% of visitors never go to. Hike the outwash field of glaciers winding down the Fairweather Mountain Range. The cool breeze off the nearby snow and icefields is energizing.

DAY 4 - Admiralty Island National Monument

At Admiralty Island National Monument kayak, skiff, and weave in and out of the bays and islets keeping your eyes out for Alaska brown bears and nesting bald eagles. Tlingit call the island Kootznoowoo, meaning "Fortress of the Bear", and Admiralty Island has a higher density of bald eagles than all the other states combined. After another big day, pop up to the bridge to look over charts with your captain and mates. (BLD)

DAY 5 - Frederick Sound

You'll enjoy humpback whales and pods who feed here seasonally on krill, zooplankton, and herring. Watch for whales feasting in these abundant glacial waters. Hang out and enjoy the show. Based on wind and weather, your expedition team has the lineup of



adventures all mapped out. Cruise past Five Fingers Lighthouse, Alaska's oldest light station, and The Brothers Islands, where sea lions nap on rocky nobs. Somewhere nearby, carrot-billed black oystercatchers are saying hello. Tonight, toast another big day in Alaska. (BLD)

DAY 6 - Windham Bay & Stephens Passage

Humpback and orca are frequent visitors of this Southeast passage. A misty spout is a sure sign they're in the neighborhood. Your captain navigates Wyndham Bay and Stephens Passage. And you're in for a boot-sucking, paddle-smacking day of adventure with your guide team. The routes are all picked out. Make your choice and make your move. Slip off the kayak launch and take it slow spotting sea stars and shore birds. Hard chargers take a long wild paddle to the salt chuck at the back of the inlet. Or, hike into the Tongass. It's a landscape of hanging waterfalls and shades of green. (BLD)

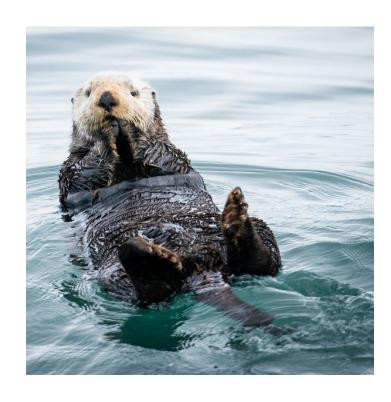


DAY 7 - Endicott Arm / Dawes Glacier

Skiffing up Endicott Arm, harbor seals laze around on icebergs. If the tides are right, slip into Fords Terror, the steep walls of this narrow opening streaked with waterfalls. Back in the Arm, gasp at the deep glacier-carved valleys. It's at the end where you meet the piece de resistance: Dawes Glacier. Blue ice marches down from the Coast Mountains. With a sharp crack, the white thunder of a calving slice makes a megasplash. Tonight, celebrate with a festive Farewell Dinner and "photo journal" from your expedition team. (BLD)



DAY 8 – JuneauEnjoy one last breakfast before transferring to the Juneau airport or your extended stay. (B)





SAFARI QUEST 2025-26 RATES				
2025	NAVIGATOR	PATHFINDER	ADMIRAL	SINGLE
MAY 23	\$6,500	\$7,900	\$9,200	\$9,700
MAY 30; AUG 29	\$8,000	\$9,800	\$11,400	\$12,000
JUN 06 - AUG 22	\$9,400	\$11,500	\$13,400	\$14,100
2026	NAVIGATOR	PATHFINDER	ADMIRAL	SINGLE
MAY 15, 22; AUG 21, 28; SEP 4	\$8,000	\$9,800	\$11,400	\$12,000
MAY 29-AUG 14	\$9,400	\$11,500	\$13,400	\$14,100

RATES INCLUDE: All onboard meals; premium spirits, wine, microbrews; non-alcoholic beverages; exclusive transfers and baggage handling between airport/vessel on embark/disembark days; entry fees to national parks/preserves; all from-the-boat adventure activities and equipment; wellness program: hot tub, fitness equipment, yoga mats.

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE: Port charges of \$375 per person; Visa and passport fees (if applicable); Airfare; Luggage, trip cancellation and Emergency Evacuation Insurance; Personal expenses such as laundry and telecommunication charges; Staff gratuities; fuel surcharge may be applied for all bookings; Pre- or post-cruise travel expenses.



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