Discover Southeast Alaska by Small Ship

JULY 30 - AUGUST 6, 2021

with optional
DENALI NATIONAL PARK
PRE-TOUR

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safety protocols
Dear Carolina Alumni and Friends,

Please join fellow Tar Heels and friends for a summertime expedition through some of nature’s more secluded landscapes as we discover the remote inner reaches of Alaska’s Inside Passage aboard the 76-guest Chichagof Dream.

Enjoy the agility and flexibility of small-ship travel, up-close encounters with wildlife, stunning scenery, cultural experiences and the guidance of two expert naturalists including an Orbridge Expedition Leader.

Capture the sight of whales breaching next to your boat, bears fishing along the shoreline and eagles looking down from their nests—all part of nature’s amazing show.

This program also offers an optional pre-tour to Denali National Park. Explore this vast and stunningly beautiful wilderness—home to Denali, the highest mountain in North America. Ride the Alaska Railroad, stay at a hilltop lodge with panoramic views just north of the park entrance and learn how this magnificent landscape became one of our nation’s most breathtaking conservation areas.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than $1,000 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly, so be certain to reserve your spot today and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested in traveling with you.

Book this experience today by calling (877) 962-3980 or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

We are hopeful for a “new normal” in the months ahead and recognize that many travel dreams have been put on hold. Know that travel safety and peace of mind remain the highest priorities for the GAA and Orbridge.

We look forward to welcoming you aboard a Tar Heel Travel tour when you are again comfortable traveling.

Yours at Carolina,

Douglas S. Dibbert ’70
President, UNC General Alumni Association

As we embark on this new world of group travel, the health and well-being of our guests, our team, and the communities we visit remain our top priority. For a detailed listing of the enhanced safety measures and hygiene protocols specific to our tours, please visit www.orbridge.com/wellness.

Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an on-going initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at orbridge.com/going-green.
Discover the endless beauty, abundant wildlife and native cultures of Southeast Alaska.

Aboard the nimble, 76-passenger Chichagof Dream, you'll have access to the breathtaking byways of Alaska's Inside Passage.

With skilled naturalists by your side, you'll encounter magnificent peaks and fjords, and ice-blue glaciers of unfathomable proportions—while learning about the traditions of Alaska’s indigenous cultures.
Your 8-Day Itinerary  
(subject to change)

Day 1: Arrive in Juneau – Embarkation (D)  
Alaska State Museum, Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Center  
Overnight: Chichagof Dream

Day 2: Icy Strait / Chichagof Island (B,L,D)  
Kayak, skiff excursions, wildlife viewing  
Overnight: Chichagof Dream

Day 3: Glacier Bay National Park (B,L,D)  
Dynamic glaciers, ranger and cultural presentations  
Overnight: Chichagof Dream

Day 4: Tracy Arm Fjord (B,L,D)  
Kayak, skiff excursions, wildlife and glacier viewing  
Overnight: Chichagof Dream

Day 5: Petersburg / Frederick Sound (B,L,D)  
Wildlife viewing, Petersburg tour, hike  
Overnight: Chichagof Dream

Day 6: Eastern Baranof Island / Hidden Falls (B,L,D)  
Hidden Falls Hatchery  
Overnight: Chichagof Dream

Day 7: Lake Eva (B,L,D)  
Wildlife viewing, hike, farewell dinner  
Overnight: Chichagof Dream

Day 8: Sitka – Disembarkation (B)  
(B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

Due to the nature of our explorations, itineraries are guidelines and may change in order to maximize wildlife and natural encounters.

Activity Level: This program offers a variety of activities, typically not strenuous for guests with average mobility, including skiff rides, hiking, and kayaking. Walks and hikes are at a leisurely pace in order to see and learn as much as possible about the region. It’s our expectation that guests are able to walk with good balance, and go up and down stairs easily without assistance. NOTE: The Chichagof Dream does not have an elevator.
Explore
• See the spray of whales only yards away and venture into secluded inlets as you get up close to nature, whether from the decks of the Chichagof Dream or aboard its skiffs and kayaks.

Interact
• Accompanied by expert naturalists, including an Orbridge Expedition Leader, learn surprising details about animal behavior, glacier activity, and the wealth of natural spectacles along these protected waters.
• Discover Alaska’s culture and living history during a visit to the Alaska State Museum.
• Cruise around Glacier Bay National Park alongside a Native Huna Tlingit Cultural Heritage Guide.

Admire
• Take a guided tour of the Norwegian fishing community of Petersburg.
• Joined by a Park Ranger, cruise the pristine waters of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve to see the sanctuary’s deep fjords, tidewater glaciers, and snow-capped mountain ranges.

What’s Included
• 7 nights aboard the Chichagof Dream
• All onboard hand-crafted meals: 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 7 dinners—including a special Captain’s Farewell Dinner, and complimentary wine and beer at dinner
• An onboard lecture program and educational guidance of two expert naturalists, including an Orbridge Expedition Leader, and a Park Ranger and Native Huna Tlingit Cultural Heritage Guide during a visit to Glacier Bay National Park
• Guided kayaking, hiking, walking, skiff excursions, and wildlife viewing
• All port fees and entry fees to parks, preserves, museums, attractions and special excursions as described in the itinerary
• Gratuities for Orbridge Expedition Leader, airport transfer drivers, and drivers/guides on included land excursions
• Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times
Accommodations

Aboard the Chichagof Dream, you will go where large ships cannot—gaining exclusive access to channels and bays full of wildlife.

The ship’s well-appointed, intimate, and unassuming style allows travelers to experience the true heart and soul of Alaska. The Chichagof Dream features expansive viewing areas on the bow and aft outdoor promenade decks, a hull design optimized for supreme comfort in Alaskan waters, and forward-facing windows in the spacious lounge that extend from the deck to the ceiling, offering panoramic views off the bow.

Enjoy a relaxed cruising speed ideal for viewing the endless surrounding fjords, glaciers, and wildlife. The ship offers complimentary expedition gear while touring, including rain jackets, rain pants, and boots. Plus, each stateroom is outfitted with binoculars. Nothing will be missed as you leisurely traverse the channels, bays, and islands of Southeast Alaska.

Every morning, indulge in early-riser pastries in the lounge. After each exciting day of exploration, enjoy delectable hors d’oeuvres and convivial conversation in the lounge before delighting in a five-star dining experience—where talented onboard chefs create mouthwatering masterpieces using fresh, locally sourced ingredients.
Journey into the scenic wilds of America’s most northern state, through Alaska’s rugged forests and wildlife. Your destination: the magnificent, six-million acre Denali National Park and Reserve. A final highlight of this adventure includes an afternoon traveling aboard the historic Alaska Railroad with superior viewing from your upgraded GoldStar glass-dome seat.

**Pre-Tour Itinerary** *(subject to change)*

**Day +1:** Arrive in Fairbanks *(R)*
- Welcome reception
- Overnight: Pike’s Waterfront Lodge

**Day +2:** Fairbanks / Denali National Park *(B,D)*
- Travel through expanses of boreal forest and tundra of interior Alaska; visit the Denali National Park Visitor Center; special dinner event and presentation
- Overnight: Grand Denali Lodge

**Day +3:** Denali National Park
- Wilderness Excursion *(B,L)*
- Guided backcountry adventure, evening at leisure
- Overnight: Grand Denali Lodge

**Day +4:** Denali National Park *(B,R)*
- Optional excursions or activities like self-guided hikes or ranger-led talks, wine and hors d’oeuvres with an Alaskan homesteader
- Overnight: Grand Denali Lodge

**Day +5:** Denali National Park / Anchorage *(B,L,D)*
- Travel to Anchorage by Alaska Railroad
- Overnight: Hotel Captain Cook

**Day +6:** Depart Anchorage / Arrive Sitka / Day 1 of Main Program *(B)*

**Optional Excursions:**

- **Husky Homestead Dog Sled Tour:** A behind-the-scenes look at championship Alaskan Huskies and their training with Iditarod, four-time winner, Jeff King.

- **Denali Glacier Landing Flight:** A 100-minute plane tour of Denali, viewing the continent’s deepest gorge, glaciers, surrounding peaks and valleys and a landing on one of Denali’s pristine glaciers.

- **Arctic Circle Flight Tour:** This 6-hour tour includes a flight crossing into the Arctic Circle, ground tour of the only year-round village in the area, and visit to Coldfoot Camp.

**Highlights & Inclusions**

- Be on the lookout for vast wildlife including moose, Dall sheep, eagles, wolves, migrating caribou, and grizzly bears.

- Familiarize yourself with Denali National Park, walking its trails with naturalists nearby.

- Enjoy a special dinner including a presentation by a Murie Science & Learning Center educator.

- Listen to an Alaskan homesteader’s tale of summiting Denali.

- Admire the rugged forests and wildlife with superior viewing from your upgraded GoldStar glass dome seat aboard the Alaska Railroad.

- **What’s included:** 1 night accommodation in Fairbanks, 3 nights accommodations in Denali, and 1 night accommodation in Anchorage; 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners, and 2 receptions; motor coach transportation from Fairbanks to Denali National Park; hotel courtesy shuttle between Grande Denali Lodge, the Denali Park Visitor Center, town, and the rail depot; a full-day wilderness tour into Denali National Park (including a box lunch); a lively dinner event with a special presentation from a Murie Science and Learning Center educator, plus an engaging discussion with Jimmie Hendricks, a colorful local who will share his experiences of summiting Denali; transport aboard the distinguished Alaska Railroad with upgraded GoldStar Service, including reserved seating in the upper-level glass-dome car, priority seating in the dining room for lunch and dinner (with two alcoholic beverages/ unlimited non-alcoholic beverages); gratuities for Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers, porters, housekeeping, and wait staff for included meals; transfers between the airport and hotel for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times.

*Not all excursions listed may be available. Availability is also subject to sufficient participation, weather conditions, seasonal suitability and group interests. For flight excursions, weight and minimum age requirements apply.*
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Denali Pre-Tour: July 25-30, 2021

Reserve by Credit Card:
Online: unc.orbridge.com
Call: UNC’s GAA at (877) 962-3980
Fax: (919) 843-4144

Reserve by Check:
Made payable to Orbridge, LLC
Mail to: UNC GAA, P.O. Box 660
Chapel Hill, NC 27514-0660

Tour participants who are not members of the General Alumni Association must join the Association ($50 for single, $60 for couples) to participate. Please pay by separate check made payable to the General Alumni Association and mail with this reservation form.

GUEST INFORMATION:
Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): ________________________________
Email: ______________________________________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________________ Alt. Phone: ________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________________
City: ______________________________________________________ State: _______ Zip: _____________
Home Phone: ____________________________________ Alt. Phone: ________________________________
City: ______________________________________________________ State: _______ Zip: _____________

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DEPOSIT PAYMENT:
Check ■ ACH (Automated Clearing House) ■ MasterCard/Visa ■ American Express ■ Discover
Card #: ____________ Exp. Date: _______ CW: ____________
Billing Address (if different from above):
City: ______________________________________________________ State: _______ Zip: _____________

CATEGORY SELECTION & DEPOSIT:
Category Preference: ____________________ 2nd choice ____________________
# __________ guests joining pre-tour ($500/person) +
# __________ guests joining program ($850/person) = TOTAL DEPOSIT: $ __________

DENALI PRE-TOUR OPTIONALS (added to your final invoice):
# __________ guests joining Husky Homestead Dog Sled Presentation ($59/adult)
# __________ guests joining Denali Glacier Landing Flight ($599/person)
# __________ guests joining Arctic Circle Flight Tour ($519/person)
Participants’ dressed weight: Guest #1 _____________ Guest #2 _____________ (for flights only; to balance the aircraft)

Reservations, Deposits and Final Payment. To secure your reservation, deposits are due upon placing a reservation as follows: $850 per person per program and $500 per person for any pre-tour and/or post-tour. Deposits are payable by check, ACH, wire transfer or major credit card. Final payment, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, is payable by check, ACH or wire transfer and is due no later than 90 days prior to the program’s scheduled departure date. If your reservation is made between the final payment due date and the program’s scheduled departure date, the full cost of the program, plus any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees due to your cancellation made at

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Airfare not included. Single availability limited. Internal airfare from Anchorage to Main Program is an additional $350 per person.
*Compliment to the educational component of this journey, Expedition Libraries are curated collections of useful resources and background reading tailored to this program. Place your deposit on or before the specified date, and one Expedition Library per household will be sent after receipt of final payment. Libraries may be purchased; please call for details.
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Special Alumni Rate: Save more than $1,000 per couple

FREE Expedition Library
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Reserve your space by October 30, 2020
to receive the FREE Orbridge Expedition Library we’ve assembled for this program.**

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What Guests Are Saying...

Fantastic ship and the crew was wonderful. Food was amazing—four star! Lots of opportunities to see different things and make individual choices. Highlights were wildlife sightings, bears, humpbacks, orcas, otters, seals and sea lions and on and on. Wonderful trip—everything we hoped for.
~Ron & Terry D., Florissant, MO

The naturalists were amazing. They added a lot to the trip and were wonderful folks. It was an amazing trip! Thank you!
~Fred H. & Gail S., Wilmington, DE

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