



7 Day
Alaska Exploration Adventure
Ketchikan – Sitka
Via Endicott Arm
Sample Itinerary

Please note that your final cruise itinerary will be determined in consultation between you and the Captain in light of weather and other considerations he may present.

July 30

Board Sundance, settle in to your staterooms, have an orientation with your captain and crew and depart heading north to the small, remote village of Meyers Chuck of about 55 people. You will have the opportunity to visit the gallery there and although very small, it is filled to the brim with a variety of wonderful local art. After departing Meyers Chuck we will continue our journey north our next anchorage where we can set our shrimp pots and explore the surrounding area by kayaks and rowing skiff or speedboat.



July 31

Very early this morning we will cruise to our shrimp pots and bring them onboard. Sundance will continue northward stopping for a easy to moderate 1.3 mile hike to one of Alaska's beautiful and serene 3 million lakes..



We will then continue northward for about two and a half hours and transit scenic Wrangell Narrows, widely used by fish boats and at some points is barely wide enough to accommodate the Alaska State ferry.

Wrangell Narrows is a rich, fast waterway, about 22 miles long, with tides varying from a high of 19 feet to a low of -4 feet in one day. There are some 60 plus lights and buoys to mark it - it's one of those "keep your finger on the chart" places for navigators. We will spend the night in Petersburg.

August 1

Very early this morning your captain and crew will get Sundance underway towards our next stop at Cape Fanshaw. Here we can kayak and beachcomb and explore the abandoned cannery and set our crab pots.

August 2

Early this morning we will continue our journey to Endicott Arm. The "arm" pierces 30 miles into the Coast Mountain Range. Views are spectacular! Watch for whales and other marine mammals, especially as we enter Endicott Arm, where an underwater glacier moraine creates nutrient-rich up-welling currents. We may see huge icebergs that have survived their journey all the way out from the Dawes Glacier at the head of the fjord. As we



we cruise up Endicott Arm, the scenery changes dramatically as we enter a vertical world of granite cliffs and glacier-carved cirques. The granite walls of the fjord tower over us, with waterfalls cascading down on either side.

August 3

This morning we will cruise into the heart of "Whale Country." This area of Frederick Sound is world-famous and possibly THE best place in the world to watch whales. Humpbacks, Orcas, Steller sealion and Dall porpoise are all residents of this special place.

We will overnight in one of the more beautiful and mystical bays in SE



August 4

Up with the sun, your Captain will guide the Sundance along the east side of Baranof Island stopping at Warm Springs Bay, where you may avail yourself of the very beautiful and remote hot-springs, returning to the Sundance and ready to continue, relaxed and refreshed on the day's journey. We will have several hours of cruising in Peril Straits and exploring the shoreline anchoring for the evening in yet another very beautiful bay.



August 5

This morning we will navigate narrow passages continuing to arrival and your journeys end.



through the very scenic and the town of Sitka for a morning

Beautiful Sitka by the Sea, the the site of the handover of "Seward's Folly" to the United States.

capital of Russian America and

One look at lovely Sitka and you'll know why Alexander Baranof, governor of the Russian American Company, decided to build his "castle" here. With views of island-studded waters and stately spruce forests reaching to the water's edge, Sitka is considered Alaska's most beautiful seaside town. Sitka's past is a unique blend of Tlingit culture and Russian history. This historic and scenic community is situated on Baranof Island, nestled between forested mountains and the great Pacific Ocean, on the outer waters of Alaska's Inside Passage. Sitka offers a combination of Native culture, Russian history, and Alaskan wilderness which will provide a diverse and unequalled experience.



We hope you enjoyed your true Alaskan Adventure!

Disembark Sundance – End of Itinerary

