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Alaska Aurora Rail Adventure | Bettles Lodge

2025/2026 Winter

Alaska Winter Rail Vacation

7 Days / 6 Nights Anchorage to Fairbanks
Priced at USD \$3,380 per person

INTRODUCTION

Combine Alaska's Northern Lights with Alaska Railroad Aurora Winter Train. Located directly under the Auroral Band with the most clear weather days and cloud-free nights, Bettles Lodge is one of the best places to see the magical Aurora Borealis in Alaska. On this 7-day trip you'll have multiple chances to see the lights, plus ride the Aurora Winter Train, go dog sledding and explore Anchorage and Fairbanks.

Itinerary at a Glance

DAY 1	Anchorage Arrival
DAY 2	Anchorage to Fairbanks Alaska Railroad
DAY 3	Fairbanks to Bettles Lodge Flight
DAYS 4 - 5	Bettles Lodge Activities
DAY 6	Bettles Lodge to Fairbanks Flight
DAY 7	Fairbanks Departure

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MAP



DETAILED ITINERARY

The below itinerary reflects our recommendations for this specific trip. This itinerary is also available in the reverse direction.

Day 1 Anchorage | Arrival

Upon arrival in Anchorage transfer at your own cost to your hotel, the rest of the day is at leisure to enjoy the sights.

Day 2 Anchorage to Fairbanks | Alaska Railroad

Today you'll have the chance to experience a scenic winter Alaska railroad trip aboard the Aurora Winter Train. You'll ride in a heated railcar with comfortable seats, large picture windows and onboard dining options. The full-day railroad trip follows the same backcountry stretch of tracks as the summer Denali Star Train and offers spectacular views of the pristine snow-covered landscape and North America's highest mountain peak. The train will stop as needed in Talkeetna, Healy, and Nenana before arriving to Fairbanks.

Day 3 Fairbanks to Bettles Lodge | Flight

Today you'll fly across the great interior region of Alaska landing 35 miles across the Arctic Circle in the remote outpost of Bettles. The area surrounding Bettles boasts the clearest weather days in the entire state and sits directly below the Aurora Band which increases opportunities to witness the Northern Lights first-hand. Enjoy a brief tour of the Bettles area in the afternoon, then after dinner step outside and watch the Northern Lights from the Aurora viewing cabin. (Dinner is included)

Days 4 - 5 Bettles Lodge

Spend two peaceful days immersed in the remote beauty of Alaska's Arctic wilderness at Bettles Lodge. Embrace the stillness as you explore at your own pace—glide along snow-covered trails by snowshoe or cross-country skis (weather permitting), or opt for unforgettable Arctic adventures like dog sledding, snowmobiling, flightseeing, or ice fishing (available at an additional cost). Warm winter gear is available at the lodge for your comfort. As night falls, bundle up and head outside for another chance to witness the awe-inspiring Aurora Borealis shimmer and swirl above the untouched northern landscape. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner included)

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Day 6 Bettles Lodge to Fairbanks | Flight

Breakfast is your last included meal at the lodge before returning to Fairbanks by small plane. The rest of your day is at leisure to enjoy Fairbanks. (Breakfast is included).

Day 7 Fairbanks | Departure

Upon check-out of your hotel it's now time to say goodbye to your magical Alaskan Aurora rail adventure.

**INCLUDED****Package Includes:**

- 1 night accommodation in Anchorage
- 3 nights Bettles Lodge
- 2 nights accommodation in Fairbanks
- Alaska Railroad - Anchorage to Fairbanks Aurora Winter Train
- Round trip flights between Fairbanks & Bettles Lodge
- Bettles Lodge Inclusions:
- Meals from lunch day of arrival to breakfast day of departure
- Snacks & soft drinks
- Village Tour with tour guide
- Cross country skiing (ski boots, skis, and poles included)
- Guided snowshoe excursions (snowshoes included)
- Arctic gear: Parkas, snow pants snow boots, mittens, face masks, hats
- Evening bonfires
- Dry sauna

Optional activities:

- Alaskan husky sled dog ride
- Ice fishing
- Snowmobiling
- Flightseeing

Anchorage Hotel's

- Hotel Captain Cook | Deluxe Room
- Hilton Anchorage Hotel | Deluxe Room

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- Anchorage Marriott Downtown | Standard Room

Fairbanks Hotel's

- Pikes Waterfront Lodge | Riverview Room
- Springhill Suites | Double or King Suite

Arctic Circle Lodge

- Arctic Circle - Bettles Lodge Jacuzzi Room with all meals

Not Included:

- Gratuities
- Activities other than specified
- Portage fees
- Anchorage and Fairbanks transfers between hotel and train station

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DATES & PRICING

Departs Anchorage

(Tour Code: TRAW7) Oct 17, 24, 31 Nov 07, 14, 21, 28 Dec 05, 12, 19, 26 Jan 02, 09, 16, 23, 30 Feb 06, 09, 13, 16, 20, 23, 25, 27
Mar 02, 04, 06, 09, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30 Apr 03, 10

Departs Fairbanks

(Tour Code: TRAW8) Oct 14, 21, 28 Nov 04, 11, 18, 25 Dec 02, 09, 16, 23, 30 Jan 06, 13, 20, 27 Feb 03, 06, 10, 13, 17, 20, 22, 24, 27
Mar 01, 03, 06, 08, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24, 27, 31 Apr 07

DATE	TWIN	SINGLE	TRIPLE	CHILD
14 Oct 25 - 10 Apr 26	\$3,380	\$4,565	-	\$1,498

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