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Alaska Northern Lights Tour | Anchorage to the Arctic

2025/2026 Winter

Alaska Winter Rail Vacation

7 Days / 6 Nights Anchorage to Fairbanks
Priced at USD \$2,812 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, Fairbanks 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.

Itinerary at a Glance

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| DAY 1 | Anchorage Arrival |
| DAY 2 | Anchorage to Fairbanks Alaska Railroad |
| DAY 3 | Fairbanks Day at Leisure Arctic Circle Northern Lights Tour |
| DAY 4 | Fairbanks Day at Leisure Evening Chena Hot Springs Northern Lights Tour |
| DAY 5 | Day at Leisure Evening Fairbanks Northern Lights Tour |
| DAY 6 | Fairbanks Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 4 Excursions |
| | Option 1. Fairbanks afternoon City Tour Evening at Leisure |
| | Option 2. Evening Fairbanks Northern Lights Tour Day at Leisure |
| | Option 3. Dog Sledding & Mushing Evening at Leisure |
| | Option 4. Half Day Ice Fishing Evening at Leisure |
| 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 Day at Leisure | Arctic Circle Northern Lights Tour

How many people can say they've crossed the Arctic Circle? Experience the landscapes of a lifetime on this 14 hour expedition along the famous James Dalton Highway, that was featured in the TV series Ice Road Truckers. you will cover a total of 400 miles and view the Trans-Alaska-Pipeline, cross the Arctic Circle, and Yukon River. You may see moose, lynx, and fox in their natural habitat! On the way back, witness the splendor of Aurora Borealis.

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Day 4 Day at Leisure | Evening Chena Hot Springs Northern Lights Tour

Pair the Aurora with hotel pools and you get a Northern Lights experience like no other! This night trip from Fairbanks takes you to Chena Hot Springs Resort for an exciting but relaxing array of activities. Discover eye-popping sculptures at the on-site Aurora Ice Museum, then unwind in the resort's leg-endary mineral water baths. When the conditions are right, lift your eyes to the sky and watch for the ethereal Northern Lights

Day 5 Day at Leisure | Evening Fairbanks Northern Lights Tour

This evening enjoy an unforgettable journey to seek out and view the mesmerizing aurora borealis. This expedition ventures into the greater Fairbanks area's most picturesque locations, offering unparalleled opportunities to witness and capture the luminous beauty of the northern lights. Whether you're an avid photographer or simply a lover of natural wonders, our tour provides a unique experience to explore Alaska's nocturnal magic, guided by experts familiar with the best viewing spots and times.

Day 6 Fairbanks | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 4 Excursions

Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of these excursions

Option 1. Fairbanks afternoon City Tour | Evening at Leisure

Discover the highlights of Fairbanks on this afternoon city tour. Visit the Morris Thompson Cultural Center, see the Trans-Alaska Pipeline, explore the Museum of the North, and stop at the festive Santa Claus House in nearby North Pole, Alaska.

Option 2. Evening Fairbanks Northern Lights Tour | Day at Leisure

Experience an unforgettable night chasing the northern lights from 8:00pm to 4:00am. Explore scenic spots near Fairbanks with expert guides for prime aurora viewing and photography. A magical Alaskan adventure under the stars awaits.

Option 3. Dog Sledding & Mushing | Evening at Leisure

Enjoy Alaska's winter landscapes with a team of happy hounds speeding you through across snowy fields. On this dog-mushing adventure from Fairbanks, learn about the popular sport and what it takes to lead a team of dogs. Then take the reins of the dog sled and pull! Enjoy an hour-long thrilling ride before you warm up in a cozy cabin

Option 4. Half Day Ice Fishing | Evening at Leisure

Experience the thrill of ice fishing in Interior Alaska from a cozy, heated hut on a scenic frozen lake. Learn traditional techniques, enjoy warm drinks, and take in the crisp Arctic air on this peaceful afternoon adventure.

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

- 1 night accommodation in Anchorage
- 5 nights accommodation in Fairbanks
- Alaska Railroad - Anchorage to Fairbanks Aurora Winter Train
- Arctic Circle Northern Lights Tour
- Evening at Chena Hot Springs with Aurora Northern Lights & Ice Museum Tour
- Evening Fairbanks Northern Lights Tour
- Fairbanks | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 4 Excursions
- Fairbanks afternoon City Tour
- Evening Fairbanks Northern Lights Tour
- Dog Sledding & Mushing
- Half Day Ice Fishing

Anchorage Hotel's

- Hotel Captain Cook | Deluxe Room
- Hilton Anchorage Hotel | Deluxe Room
- Anchorage Marriott Downtown | Standard Room

Fairbanks Hotel's

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

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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 from Anchorage:

(Tour Code: TRAW3) Nov 07, 14, 21, 28 Dec 05, 12, 19, 26 Jan 02, 09, 16, 23, 30 Feb 06, 13, 20, 27 Mar 06, 13, 20, 27 Apr 03

Departs from Fairbanks:

(Tour Code: TRAW4) 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

DATE	DOUBLE	SINGLE	TRIPLE	CHILD
04 Nov 25 - 03 Apr 26	\$2,812	\$3,797	\$2,553	\$1,455

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