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Alaska Train with Denali Icebergs & Bears

2026

Alaska Rail Vacation

7 Days / 6 Nights Anchorage to Anchorage
not yet on sale

INTRODUCTION

This popular 7-day Alaska Denali train tour highlights the best of Alaska with your choice of tours in Denali National Park. Begin with a cruise through Prince William Sound, see icebergs then go bear viewing in the Katmai region by float plane. Then, travel Northbound on Alaska Railroad to Denali National Park and witness endless views sweeping past your window. At Denali, enjoy your choice of four tours and keep an eye out for moose, bears, wolves, eagles and other wildlife.

Itinerary at a Glance

- DAY 1** Anchorage | Arrival
- DAY 2** Prince William Sound 26 Glacier Cruise | Coach | Rail
- DAY 3** Anchorage | Floatplane Fly-in Bear Viewing Excursion
- DAY 4** Anchorage to Talkeetna | Alaska Railroad | Denali Flightseeing with Glacier Landing
- DAY 5** Talkeetna to Denali National Park Entrance | Alaska Railroad
- DAY 6** Denali | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 4 Excursions
 - Option 1. Denali Highway Jeep Excursion | Self-Drive Guided 4x4 Excursion
 - Option 2. Tundra Wilderness Tour | Coach Tour
 - Option 3. Upgrade Option: Denali Summit Flightseeing | Small Aircraft
 - Option 4. Upgrade Option: Denali Glacier Landing | Helicopter

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DAY 7

Denali to Anchorage | Choose 1 of 2 Options

Option 1. Denali to Anchorage | Coach

Option 2. Denali to Anchorage | Alaska Railroad | Upgrade option

**MAP****DETAILED ITINERARY****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 Prince William Sound 26 Glacier Cruise | Coach | Rail

Depart Anchorage by coach for an adventure into the exciting world of Alaska's glaciers. The 26 Glacier Cruise travels over 140 miles into Prince William Sound. Watch for playful sea otters, harbour seals, kittiwakes, bears, whales or mountain goats. Get face to face with these towering masses of ice, so close you can "hear" the glaciers move and gaze at their brilliant blue hues. On the 26 Glacier Cruise, you'll see several types of glaciers, including Alpine (hanging), Piedmont and Tidewater. Glacier calvings (when broken pieces of ice fall into the water and become icebergs) are normally seen on each cruise. Back in Whittier, board Alaska Railroad's Glacier Discovery train for the final leg of the tour to Anchorage. (Lunch is included onboard)

Day 3 Anchorage | Floatplane Fly-in Bear Viewing Excursion

Experience an unforgettable half-day guided tour to witness Alaska's black and brown bears in their natural habitat. Your adventure begins with a scenic float plane flight from Anchorage, taking you southwest to one of several prime bear-viewing locations—Redoubt Bay, Katmai National Park, Lake Clark, or Chinitna Bay—depending on the season and where the bears are actively foraging for food. Once there, you'll have the rare opportunity to observe Alaska's magnificent brown bears up close as they fish, forage, and interact in their untouched environment.

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Day 4 Anchorage to Talkeetna | Alaska Railroad | Denali Flightseeing with Glacier Landing

Depart early on the Denali Star Train by Goldstar Railcar to Talkeetna, best known as base camp for climbers attempting Mount Denali and for the stunning views of this famous mountain. Take a stroll down the main street for river views, local brews and great eats. This afternoon view Denali from the air on this small-group flight over the Alaskan wilderness. Soar over rivers, valleys, and glaciers, and experience landing and walking on a glacier. (Breakfast is included onboard the train today)

Day 5 Talkeetna to Denali National Park Entrance | Alaska Railroad

This morning take the Denali Star, Alaska Railroad's flagship train, in the Goldstar Railcar to Denali National Park. The afternoon is open for optional activities such as whitewater rafting down the Nenana River, helicopter flightseeing over the Park, landing on a glacier or hiking. (Lunch is included onboard the train today)

Day 6 Denali | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 4 Excursions*Option 1. Denali Highway Jeep Excursion | Self-Drive Guided 4x4 Excursion*

Ranked #2 in Drives of a Lifetime by National Geographic Traveler magazine, experience the natural wonders of Alaska's Denali Highway — this time by Jeep! This 4-hour guided excursion travels along a 135 mi (217 km) gravel road & takes you off the beaten path in a 4 x 4 to enjoy scenic views of Denali, the Alaska Range, glaciers and wildlife.

Option 2. Tundra Wilderness Tour | Coach Tour

This half day tour offers incredible scenery, a narrated history of the park road and opportunities to view the park's wildlife inhabitants. Picturesque highlights include the craggy cliffside of Cathedral Mountain, wildlife rich Sable Pass and braided wash of the East Fork River in Denali National Park.

Option 3. Upgrade Option: Denali Summit Flightseeing | Small Aircraft

Get a closer look at Alaska's majestic Denali from the comfortable window seat of a small aircraft. Slip on your provided headset to hear commentary from your guide as you fly over the snow-covered peaks, jagged ridgelines, and glacier carved valleys of Denali National Park, and get within half a mile of the mountain peak.

Option 4. Upgrade Option: Denali Glacier Landing | Helicopter

Be immersed in the vastness of the Denali National Preserve. On your way to the massive Yanert Glacier, your pilot will serve as your guide through this unique glacially carved environment. Soar over the rolling tundra, keeping an eye out for local residents – caribou, moose, bear, and Dall sheep. Snow capped peaks and glaciers abound on this journey before you set down on a river of ice.

Day 7 Denali to Anchorage | Choose 1 of 2 Options*Option 1. Denali to Anchorage | Coach*

Early this morning depart Denali aboard a comfortable motorcoach. The driver will provide narration as you travel on the nationally recognized Parks Highway through Alaska's spectacular scenery and small historic towns. Arrive in Anchorage mid-day where your incredible Alaskan adventure comes to an end.

Option 2. Denali to Anchorage | Alaska Railroad | Upgrade option

This morning is open for optional activities such as: whitewater rafting down the Nenana River, helicopter flightseeing over the Park, landing on a glacier, or hiking. At midday, board the Alaska Railroad and travel by Goldstar Railcar for the day trip to Anchorage. As you travel along the Susitna River, you may catch a glimpse of the majestic Mount Denali or black bears along the banks of the river. Arrive in Anchorage this evening where your incredible Alaskan adventure comes to an end. (Lunch & dinner included onboard the train today)

INCLUDED**Package Includes:**

- Accommodation including taxes for 6 nights
- Prince William Sound 26 Glacier Cruise + Lunch | Coach + Rail
- Fly-In Bear Viewing Safari with lunch
- Alaska Railroad - Anchorage to Talkeetna Goldstar Service
(Dome car seating & private outdoor viewing deck with meals included onboard train)
- Denali Flightseeing with Glacier Landing
- Alaska Railroad - Talkeetna to Denali Goldstar Service
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- Tundra Wilderness Tour
- Upgrade Option: Denali Summit Flightseeing by Plane
- Upgrade Option: Denali Glacier Landing by Helicopter
- Denali to Anchorage Options:
- Scheduled Coach Transfer with limited driver commentary (Included)
- Upgrade Option: Alaska Railroad - Goldstar Service
(Dome car seating & private outdoor viewing deck with meals included onboard train)
- Meals as per Itinerary

Hotel & Rail Information | Moderate Grade:

- Anchorage - Hilton Anchorage Hotel | Standard Room
- Talkeetna - Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge | Main Lodge Room
- Denali Park Entrance - Denali Cabins | Standard Cabin

Hotel & Rail Information | Superior Grade:

- Anchorage - Hotel Captain Cook | Deluxe Room
- Talkeetna - Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge | Mountainside Lodge Room
- Denali Park Entrance - Grande Denali Lodge | Standard Room

Alaska Railroad | Goldstar All our itineraries except the Glacier Discovery Train includes Gold Star Dome Service. These railcars feature large curved glass windows that run the full length of the car, allowing excellent 360 degree viewing plus a private outdoor viewing deck. The service is inclusive of all meals that are served in the lower level dining room.

Not Included:

- Gratuities
- Activities other than specified
- Portage fees

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