



OCEANIA CRUISES®

OCEANIA CRUISES OFFERS MORE TO EXPLORE AND EXPERIENCE IN ALASKA Small Ship Cruising Offers More Ports to Explore and Uniquely Alaskan Experiences

Hong Kong, April 1, 2019 - Oceania Cruises, the world's leading culinary- and destination-focused cruise line, presents a new twist on America's "Last Frontier" with a magnificent array of uniquely Alaskan experiences. With more ports to explore and more time to do so, Oceania Cruises presents travelers with a distinctly different Alaska. Sailing conveniently from San Francisco, Seattle, Seward, and Vancouver, adventurous travelers can sail for 7, 10, 11, 12, or 14 days on itineraries that sail roundtrip from Seattle or Vancouver or between Vancouver and Seward, Seattle and Vancouver, San Francisco and Vancouver, or Vancouver and Los Angeles. Itineraries include a rich bounty of must-see destinations blended with a bevy of off-the-beaten-path ports that larger ships cannot access such as Haines, Kodiak, Prince Rupert, Wrangell, and Nanaimo.

"Those who travel with us to America's Last Frontier do so with an expectation of experiences which are wholly unique and utterly Alaskan. We've crafted dozens of shore excursions to offer our guests the most unforgettable ways to explore Alaska like a local," stated Bob Binder, President & CEO of Oceania Cruises.

Explore More, Explore Longer

Oceania Cruises' unique itineraries blend more ports and experiences and stay longer in port to afford travelers the opportunity to see and do all that they desire in this unique land of lore, nature, and adventure. In most ports, Regatta arrives early morning and almost always departs 6 pm or later, sometimes departing as late as 11 pm. Voyages include up to nine ports of call with almost all departures calling on majestic Hubbard Glacier, and with six 2020 departures visiting both Hubbard Glacier and stunning College Fjord, which is home to 20 awe-inspiring glaciers.

A Sampling of Unique Experiences

Explore a Glacier on Foot and by Helicopter

Majestic and impressive Mendenhall Glacier, just outside Alaska's capital city of Juneau, is a slow-moving river of ice that has enchanted naturalists such as John Muir since the late 19th century. Board a modern five- to six-passenger turbine helicopter and lift off for adventure, flying high above rugged terrain as you quickly approach the glacier. Soar over indigo blue crevasses, fanciful ice spires, intriguing icefalls, and jagged rock sentinels such as Mendenhall Towers, which rises thousands of feet into the sky like daggers. Upon landing, walk the surface of the glacier with boots specially designed for comfort and traction. Hike to nearby fascinating features, accompanied by a guide who will steer you along the safest and most interesting path, providing enlightening information on glacial formation, life cycles, and the impact of glaciers on the landscape. Where else but Alaska can you hike a glacier from your helicopter?

Go Crabbing in the Bering Sea

From Ketchikan, embark on the *Aleutian Ballad*, one of the legendary crab boats featured on the Discovery Channel series *Deadliest Catch*. Unlike the tribulations of the show, you'll sail only in calm, protected coastal waters, taking in the stunning scenery of southeastern Alaska, tiny islands dotting the straits, mountains soaring from sea to clouds and the light dancing across the primeval waters. In a comfortable and heated on-deck amphitheater, hear stories of the men who have plied these seas and given their lives. Below, the crew haul up crab pots and long lines from deep beneath the waves, bringing to light not just crab but shark, octopus, prawns, and rock fish. The bounty is carefully placed into an on-deck aquarium so you can view and interact with these creatures of the deep before they are returned, unharmed, to their natural habitat.

Partake in Russian Tea Time

Alaska seems to be a thoroughly American destination today, yet it was once part of Russia before its purchase in 1867, and though Sitka was the former Russian capital, the Russian influence extends throughout the state in both architecture and traditions. In Kodiak, the Russian legacy lives on at the Kodiak Inn, where traditional Russian tea, a variation on the English classic, is a beloved staple. Rather than scones and finger sandwiches, enjoy borscht, Russian teacakes and pirozhkis while entertained by the Balalaika Players, a local band performing traditional music from the mother country. While the tour includes visits to Cannery Row, the heart of Kodiak's fishing economy, as well as a Russian Orthodox Church and local art gallery, Russian tea time is the undisputed highlight.

Kayak Icy Strait Point

Push off from the beach along Icy Strait Point in a two-person kayak and paddle the protected waters around Port Fredrick. Float along for two hours in bays and coves so unspoiled that you'll feel as if you're the first to ever explore the region. From a kayak in Alaska, the air is purer, the shoreline greener, the sea more soothing and the profusion of wildlife more thrilling. As you kayak the calm waters accompanied by a guide, you'll discover the secret to finding the humpback whales that feed along the same route you'll be traversing. Search for a whale's fluke as it begins its dive or catch one in the act of spy-hopping, which is when a whale pokes just its head out of the water to look around. The nutrient-rich waters of Icy Strait are also home to orcas, sea lions, porpoises, sea otters, and seals. During your excursion, you'll also paddle to an even more serene area frequented by bald eagles. There are few sights more visually arresting than following the flight of one of these majestic creatures as it rides the wind until swooping down to catch a fish with its talons.

Jetboat Glacial Lakes and Rivers

While Wrangell provides a slice of traditional Alaskan life, a jetboat ride through the surrounding 500,000-acre Stikine-LeConte Wilderness is a distinctly contemporary escapade deep into an area revered by famed American naturalist John Muir. The Stikine River is the fastest flowing navigable river in the United States and your customized, purpose-built jetboat, thoughtfully heated and covered, is the perfect vehicle for exploration. Look for passing moose, bear or deer as you enjoy spectacular views of distant mountain peaks, spy on spawning salmon and listen to thundering waterfalls. Follow the river to Shakes Lake, a narrow strip of water cradled by soaring granite crests featuring diamond-bright icebergs dotting its sparkling topaz waters. Come ashore at a specially selected wilderness location and absorb the true grandeur of your surroundings before reboarding your jetboat for a jubilant wine and cheese interlude and an exhilarating return to Wrangell.

A Better Than New Ship for the Last Frontier

Featuring 324 brand new suites and staterooms along with dramatically re-fashioned public spaces, Oceania Cruises' *Regatta* is the only better than new ship sailing Alaskan waters. As part of a \$100 million program of enhancements known as OceaniaNEXT, *Regatta* sparkles with new Italian crystal chandeliers, is adorned with designer residential furnishings from Baker and Donghia, and is resplendent in designer fabrics and upholstery from Rubelli and Kravet. With only 684 guests catered to by 400 professionally trained staff, nothing on board is left for want. Sleek and elegant, she features four unique, open-seating restaurants serving The Finest Cuisine at Sea, a world-class fitness center and spa, eight lounges and bars, and a Monte Carlo-style casino.

2019 Voyage Highlights

Glaciers & Gardens – June 19 – 10 Days – Seattle to Vancouver

Wrangell, Juneau, Skagway, Sitka, Ketchikan, Victoria

Wildlife & Frontiers – July 26 – 11 Days – Seattle to Vancouver

Ketchikan, Juneau, Hubbard Glacier, Icy Strait Point, Skagway, Prince Rupert, Victoria

Great Outdoors – August 6 – 14 Days – Vancouver to Seattle

Wrangell, Sitka, Icy Strait Point, Seward, Kodiak, Skagway, Ketchikan, Prince Rupert, Victoria

2020 Voyage Highlights

Scenic Northwest – May 2 – 12 Days – San Francisco to Vancouver

Astoria, Ketchikan, Sitka, Hubbard Glacier, Skagway, Juneau, Wrangell, Victoria

Enchanting Alaska – May 14 – 11 Days – Roundtrip Vancouver

Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Sitka, Icy Strait Point, Wrangell, Victoria

Alaskan Glory – May 25 – 10 Days – Vancouver to Seattle

Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Hubbard Glacier, Icy Strait Point, Sitka, Nanaimo

Glaciers & Fjords – June 4 – 14 Days – Roundtrip Seattle

Ketchikan, Icy Strait Point, Hubbard Glacier, College Fjord, Seward, Kodiak, Juneau, Sitka, Wrangell, Victoria

Stunning Scenery – June 18 – 7 Days – Roundtrip Seattle

Ketchikan, Juneau, Sitka, Victoria

Gold Rush Discovery – June 25 – 11 Days – Seattle to Vancouver

Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Hubbard Glacier, Sitka, Icy Strait Point Wrangell, Victoria

Glaciers Galore – July 6 – 7 Days – Vancouver to Seward

Ketchikan, Icy Strait Point, Skagway, Juneau, Hubbard Glacier

Glaciers & Wildlife – July 13 – 10 Days – Seward to Vancouver

College Fjord, Hubbard Glacier, Icy Strait Point, Juneau, Skagway, Sitka, Ketchikan, Nanaimo

Summer Vistas - July 23 and August 24 – 7 Days – Vancouver to Seward

Ketchikan, Icy Strait Point, Haines, Juneau

Forests & Fjords – July 30 – 11 Days – Seward to Vancouver

College Fjord, Hubbard Glacier, Icy Strait Point, Juneau, Haines, Sitka, Ketchikan, Prince Rupert, Nanaimo

Frontiers & Glaciers – August 10 - 14 Days – Vancouver to Seward

Ketchikan, Wrangell, Juneau, Skagway, Haines, Icy Strait Point, Sitka, Hubbard Glacier, College Fjord, Kodiak, Homer

Glacier Explorer – August 31 – 10 Days – Roundtrip Vancouver

Ketchikan, Icy Strait Point, Juneau, Skagway, Hubbard Glacier, Sitka, Nanaimo

Gateway to Glaciers – September 10 – 12 Days – Vancouver to Los Angeles

Ketchikan, Juneau, Hubbard Glacier, Sitka, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Astoria

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About OceaniaNEXT

OceaniaNEXT is a sweeping array of dramatic enhancements so transformational, they are inspirational. The Regatta-Class re-inspiration is the first in a line of exciting announcements and enhancements to come in 2018, 2019, and beyond. This ambitious brand initiative will elevate every facet of the Oceania Cruises guest experience to new levels. From thoughtfully crafted new dining experiences and reimaged menus to the dramatic re-inspiration of the iconic Regatta-Class ships, guests will savor The Finest Cuisine at Sea™, be pampered aboard intimate and luxurious ships, and be enriched through in-depth destination exploration.

About Oceania Cruises

Oceania Cruises is the world's leading culinary- and destination-focused cruise line. The line's six intimate and luxurious ships which carry only 684 or 1,250 guests offer an unrivaled vacation experience featuring the finest cuisine at sea and destination-rich itineraries that span the globe. Expertly crafted voyages aboard designer-inspired, intimate ships call on more than 450 ports across Europe, Alaska, Asia, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, New England-Canada, Bermuda, the Caribbean, Panama Canal, Tahiti and the South Pacific and epic 180-day Around the World Voyages.

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