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ALASKA

NORTHERN PASSAGES & GLACIER BAY (TOUR CODE: 12309)

STARTS AND ENDS

Juneau to
Sitka

TRAVEL PERIODS

27 Apr 24 - 21 Sep 24 & 26 Apr
25 - 20 Sep 25

EXPERIENCE

Cruising
Wildlife

TRAVEL STYLE

Cruise

View glaciers, whales, wildlife and more on this 8-day small-ship adventure cruise into the wilds of Alaska.

Highlights

- Be fascinated by **Margerie and Grand Pacific Glaciers**
- Discover Alaska's UNESCO World Heritage Site, **Glacier Bay National Park**
- Cruise onboard the **Safari Endeavour**
- Kayak, paddleboard, and skiff in **glacial fjords**
- Visit **South Marble Island** to see the haulout of birds and sea lions
- Wildlife spotting for bears, whales, sea otters, harbor seals and sea lions

Skiff, kayak, and paddle board through fjords and inlets as wildlife greets you from land and sea. Explore the wilderness of the Tongass National Forest and Glacier Bay National Park while onboard the Safari Endeavour.

Polished, unwavering, and upscale, the Safari Endeavour may be the workhorse of the fleet but it's her zest-for-life persona that's remembered most. Wood fixtures and accents shine and artwork highlights the warm and cool waters where she sails. No other UnCruise vessel covers more territory, and like her namesake, Captain Cook's Endeavour, both the ship and crew are true explorers. Her roomy lounge, dining room, and sun deck are undisputed.



INCLUSIONS

- 7 nights onboard Safari Endeavour
- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner onboard
- Margerie and Grand Pacific Glaciers Viewing
- Full day in Glacier Bay National Park
- Whale watching in Icy Strait, Lynn Canal or Chatham Strait
- Wildlife viewing of bears, sea otters, harbor seals, sea lions, and Dall's porpoise
- Hike and bushwhack in the Tongass National Forest
- Kayak, paddleboard, and skiff in Glacial Fjords
- Experienced Expedition Team

ITINERARY

Ship Onboard Safari Endeavour

Safari Endeavour is a small ship that has wood fixtures, accents that shine, and artwork that highlights the warm and cool waters where it sails. Four decks are fully equipped for comfort and action. From the exercise equipment and lounge chairs in the Bridge deck, to the twin hot tubs on the Upper deck, to the Bow viewing area on the Cabin deck, to the library and dining room on the Main deck, everything you need is easy to reach.

Onboard Features: EZ Dock launch platform; kayaks, paddleboards, inflatable skiffs, hiking poles; underwater bow-mounted camera; two on-deck hot tubs; fitness equipment and yoga mats; DVD and book library; wine bar.



SAFARI ENDEAVOUR | CREDIT: UNCRUISE / DAVID A LEE

Day 1

Juneau

There's nothing like a hearty greeting from your crew and some bon voyage bubbly. With all souls settled in on board, you're underway. From the bow, Southeast Alaska welcomes you with Coast Mountain views.

Overnight stay onboard the **Safari Endeavour**

Dinner



JUNEAU | CREDIT: TRAVEL ALASKA

Day 2

Captain's Choice Cruising

Lynn Canal or Chatham Strait, your captain makes the call. Either choice, go with the flow. The water is fine. The guides help you gear up and lead your adventure along the rocky outcroppings. By kayak or paddle board, take in the size of this wilderness. Bald eagles dot the tree tops. Harbor seals bob up and under. Pods of orcas, the largest in the dolphin family,

skim along the water's surface.

Overnight stay onboard the **Safari Endeavour**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **3**

Glacier Bay National Park

Privilege abounds as you sail through Southeast Alaska west of Juneau. At 3.3 million acres, this UNESCO World Heritage Site and Biosphere Reserve is massive. Orange-beaked puffins, guillemots, and marbled murrelets are just a few possible sightings. Keep a tally, and the list will grow.

Arriving at South Marble Island, you can hear and smell 'em before you see 'em, it's a haulout for sea lions. Perched above around the bend, watch for mountain goats, and lower along shore, foraging bears. Up bay, glacial silt turns the water a milky white. **Margerie** and **Grand Pacific Glaciers**, one holding steady, the other retreating. Lounging harbor seals laze on bits of bergs. And if time allows, tuck up in Tidal Inlet. End this very full day with your feet up for the sail into Icy Strait.

Overnight stay onboard the **Safari Endeavour**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



MARGERIE GLACIER | CREDIT: STEPHEN MEYERS

Day **4**

Icy Strait

Nearly to the Pacific Ocean, Icy Strait is remote and wild. The plan? Whales and marine mammals. Spouts and fin slaps are certain giveaways. More rollicking sea lions and birds. But don't forget to look straight down. Porpoises and dolphins may hitch a ride on the bow wave. And don't worry about missing any wildlife; it's a favorite mission of the crew to point out any creatures they spot. Make a break for it and head for a quiet pocket along the rugged coastline. A different sort of wild than the open strait, muskeg leads to forest bushwhacks. Skiff the shore and down along kelp-threaded channels.

Overnight stay onboard the **Safari Endeavour**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



WHALES BUBBLE NET FEEDING | CREDIT: UNCRUISE

Day **5**

Chichagof Island

Kick off the morn with on-deck yoga stretches (your guides love it when you join them). Meander through glacier-carved fjords along the Chichagof coast. Then stop. It's a prime time to lower the kayaks and skiffs. Closer inspection by skiff, moss-dripping trees run right down to the water. Any bears in there? With one of the world's largest populations of bears, it's possible.

Go searching for giant trees and tidal pools. Hiking in the Tongass, it won't take long to find them. Your eagle-eyed guides lead the pack and pull up the rear. Later, wend along a twisting channel known for dramatic currents. Peril Strait runs 50 miles to Salisbury Sound.

Overnight stay onboard the **Safari Endeavour**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **6**

Baranof Island / Peril Strait

Wend along a twisting channel known for dramatic currents. Peril Strait runs 50 miles to Salisbury Sound. The shorelines are close and it's good territory for play. Skiff ashore and hike into the backcountry. Otters back float working to crack snacks resting on their bellies. Opening at Hoonah Sound, the squeeze is back on. Wind into Neva Strait. Watch the scenery change in the late fading light—from the hot tub of course.

Overnight stay onboard the **Safari Endeavour**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **7**

Krestof & Nakwasina Islands

There aren't many straight lines along Baranof Island. Its western side is spattered with remote, uninhabited islands. These features mean endless opportunities for adventure. Secluded coves. Treecovered islets. Drop anchor, pick your modus operandi, and get going. Kayak, paddle board, or skiff, you're on the level with curious sea lions and possibly whales.

Rocky intertidal zones make good beach combing. Turn a stone or two to see what's underneath. There are no groomed trails here, get out on a guided hike John Muir would approve of. Toast your voyage with a Farewell Dinner and a "photo journal" of your trip. A gift to you, from your expedition team.

Overnight stay onboard the **Safari Endeavour**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



PADDLING ON BARANOF ISLAND | CREDIT: UNCRUISE

Day **8**

Sitka

Cruise into Sitka this morning over breakfast. Farewell new friends! Disembark and transfer to the airport or your hotel stay or land tour.

Breakfast



SITKA SOUND | CREDIT: STATE OF ALASKA | MARK KELLEY

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

English

LOCAL CURRENCY

USD

2024 Departures

- April - 27
- May - 4*, 11, 18*, 25
- June - 1*, 8, 15*, 22, 29*
- July - 6, 13*, 20, 27*
- August - 3, 10*, 17, 24*, 31
- September - 7*, 14, 21*

**These dates operate in the reverse direction from Sitka to Juneau.*

2025 Departures

- April - 26
- May - 3*, 10, 17*, 24, 31*
- June - 7, 14*, 21, 28*
- July - 5, 12*, 19, 26*
- August - 2, 9*, 16, 23*, 30
- September - 6*, 13, 20*

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Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package
- Gratuities are shared among crew members and are not included in your fare. Recommended amount is typically USD\$25-35 per day per person.