



## Coastal Alaska Adventure

August 15-24, 2026 10 days | 9 nights



Experience an unforgettable coastal adventure with ODC Network by joining Jamie Krupka for an all-inclusive 10-day journey that begins in Gustavus, Alaska. Partnering with Sea Wolf Adventures, we offer a remarkable small-group, private, and customized coastal experience.

Explore the wonders of Glacier Bay, where you can discover the glacially carved fjords, stunning glaciers, and the lands that connect them. Witness this 270-year-old region, which provides a breathtaking glimpse into a rapidly evolving geological landscape and the succession of plant and animal life. This area is home to numerous glaciers and boasts a diverse array of plants, mammals, birds, and marine species that thrive in this iconic, moss-covered coastal setting.



After spending four days in Glacier Bay National Park, we will sail south around Baranof Island, navigating past Point Adolphus to Freshwater Bay, through Peril Straits, and into Sitka Sound. This rugged region, rich with marine life, bears, moose, and wolves, features magnificent mountains and a temperate rainforest that continually captivates visitors.

# 😚 Day 1

#### **Travel to Gustavus**

Arrive at Glacier Bay Lodge. We will have our first meal as a group at the lodge and explore the park on foot before sunset.







#### **Board the Sea Wolf**

Our first day aboard the Sea Wolf will include vessel orientation and safety. Then we will be underway up the bay to Geike Inlet which has several salmon streams that may have fish heading up to spawn. To help us get closer, we will take our first kayak paddle here in the hopes of seeing bears and eagles in the streams and maybe a few Humpback whales foraging nearby. After our paddle, we will pull anchor and head to an anchorage near Reid Glacier.





#### **Reid Glacier**

At Reid Glacier, we will explore the inlet and take a hike on foot. All eyes will also be peeled for wildlife as Coastal Brown bears, Black bears, wolves, and moose live in the surrounding valley. Back aboard the Sea Wolf, we will have lunch as we motor to Johns Hopkins Fjord for an epic afternoon paddle a safe distance from this stunning active glacier framed by steep cliffs and soaring mountains. In the evening, we will move to an anchorage near Russell Island along Alaska's Inside Passage.





## Lamplough, Marjorie, and Grand Pacific Glaciers

After breakfast, we will motor to Lamplough Glacier to access a trail that takes us up for a bird's eye view of the glacier. Then we'll descend to the lateral moraine in hopes of seeing calving icebergs. Next we will hike back to the beach to board the skiff on our way back to the Sea Wolf for lunch. Our next few hours will be spent leisurely cruising down Tar Inlet to the Marjorie and





Grand Pacific glaciers. Here we will paddle past a Black Legged Kittiwake rookery which also supports a small group of puffins, including both Horned and Tufted, and past the face of the Grand Pacific glacier to watch from a safe distance her possible calving. We will then continue on to our evening anchorage in Queen Inlet.





#### **Gloomy Knob and Tidal Inlet**

After breakfast, we will take a slow bell cruise past Gloomy
Knob looking for terrestrial wildlife, whales, sea lions, and
porpoises. We will have lunch aboard the Sea Wolf followed by an
amazing geology paddle down Tidal Inlet. There, we will be greeted by waterfalls and have
the opportunity to see a variety of wildlife. Depending on the tide and wildlife, we may have a
hike along the river shed. Then we will head down bay to South Marble Island - a Stellar Sea
Lion Haul Out and Sea bird rookery. Otters, sea lions, seals, and whales forage in these waters
as well as puffins, Common Murres, cormorants, several species of gulls, and Bald Eagles. We
will then head to our evening anchorage at Fingers Bay.



#### **South Fingers and Point Adolphus**

After a peaceful night in Fingers Bay and morning breakfast, we will take a skiff ashore for a morning hike from South to North Fingers and back. Returning to the Sea Wolf, we will have another delicious meal while underway to Point Adolphus for whale watching en route to a courverdan anchorage.







#### **Freshwater Bay**

After a filling Alaskan breakfast, we will be underway to whale waters near the lyoukeen Peninsula (pronounced l-youk-een in the Tinglet language) and will travel up Freshwater Bay off Chichagof Island. After securing anchor, we



will paddle the shoreline and perhaps take a hike. Our anchorage will be in a small cove in front of an estuary system that supports a large population of brown bears. During fish runs, bears congregate near the entrance of a fish ladder that allows returning salmon access to their spawning streams - bypassing the dam that was built decades ago to support logging operations.

# Day 8 Peril Straight

Our morning will begin with breakfast as we navigate out of Freshwater Bay to Peril Straits. Our course will take us through the winding Peril Strait, searching the shores of the narrow passageway for the land creatures that travel the shoreline. Along the way, we will take opportunities to kayak and hike before our nighttime anchorage in the Peril Straits.







#### Sitka Sound and Disembark the Sea Wolf

Awake on your last morning aboard the Sea Wolf to a delicious breakfast while underway to our last kayaking destination in Sitka Sound. Our adventures today will be tide and weather-dependent. We hope to see many species of Pelagic birds including Cassin's Auklets, Rhinoceros Auklets, Puffins, Murres, and Pelagic Cormorants. Lunch will be while underway before we arrive in Sitka in the afternoon. Disembark and say goodbye to our new friends from the Sea Wolf.

Before nightfall, you are invited to take a walking tour of Sitka including a visit to Sitka National Historical Park, Baranof Castle State Historic Site, St Michael's Cathedral, and the Russian Bishop's House.

Dinner will be on your own. One night's accommodation in Sitka is included.



#### **Depart from Sitka**

After breakfast on your own in Sitka, we will transport you to the Sitka Airport for return flights.

Jamie can help coordinate add-on activities listed on the following page and additional night's accommodations if desired.





These charters will be coordinated with departures from Sitka and are available for individuals up to small groups.

Sea Plane Charter to Bear Viewing

- 6-8 hour day trips from Sitka
- \$900-\$1,000/person
- Does NOT include tax and gratuity

#### **Fishing Charter**

- 7 hour charter
- Up to 4 persons for \$1,800
- Salmon, halibut, rockfish, and lingcod fishing
- Does NOT include tax, gratuity, fish processing, and fishing license

These activities may be booked at a later date than registration for this Explorer Network trip.



### TRIP COSTS

\$10,500 per person based on double occupancy

Trip cost includes all taxes, park & guide fees, tips, lodging, meals & ground transportation associated with the itinerary, and a collection of high-quality photos taken by ODC staff. It does NOT include flights to/from Alaska, trip insurance, and personal items/souvenirs.

Payment Schedule: \$4,500 deposit due at registration \$3,500 due November 1, 2025 Balance due April 1, 2026

Please note there is a 4% surcharge for credit card payments

\*Itinerary subject to change based on weather, wildlife, and environmental conditions.

#### CANCELLATION:

If ODC Explorer Network must cancel a trip, we will issue a full refund of amounts paid to us for the trip less ODC's administrative costs and any nonrefundable expenses incurred. However, we cannot be held responsible for personal expenses incurred in preparation for the trip such as the cost of non-refundable airline tickets or prepaid hotel expenses. If you cancel, no refund will be made unless a replacement can be found for your spot on the trip. In that case, a reimbursement will be made less ODC's administrative costs and any nonrefundable expenses incurred. Travel Insurance is strongly recommended.

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