

Alaska's Inside Passage

Do more than just see Alaska—be an active participant in all that it has to offer. Voyage into majestic fjords, come face to face with glaciers and kayak along the coast in search of marine life. Learn about whale behavior and watch for breaching and spy-hopping humpbacks and orcas. Enjoy a full day immersed in the beauty of Glacier Bay National Park.

From
A$ 8,500 / per person
Does not include flights

DATES
May, Jun, Jul, Aug and Sep

DURATION
8 Days

SHIPS
National Geographic Venture
National Geographic Quest

STARTS AT
Juneau, Alaska

→

ENDS AT
Sitka, Alaska

Please review the Essential Eligibility Criteria for hiking activities on this voyage.

The National Park Service, Department of Interior authorizes Lindblad Expeditions as a Concessioner to provide Tour Vessel Services within Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider .

Highlights

- Hike through lush forests and muskegs, kayak into secluded inlets, and cruise by Zodiac among electric blue icebergs and curious wildlife
- Encounter iconic Alaska wildlife such as humpback whales, bears, otters, and bald eagles
- Immerse yourself in the awe-inspiring grandeur of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve
- Meet our conservation partners from the Alaska Whale Foundation (schedules permitting) and learn how you can contribute to their research throughout your voyage








Glacier Bay N.P.
Inian Islands
Icy Strait
Juneau
Endicott Arm
Frederick Sound
Sitka
Petersburg
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Day by day

■ DAY 1

Juneau, Alaska / Embark Ship

Arrive in Juneau, Alaska's capital—one of only two U.S. capital cities not accessible by car, it lies at the base of the picturesque Mt. Roberts.

Embark this evening in time for cocktails and an introduction to staff and crew. On select departures, begin your Alaska adventure with an optional pre-voyage Denali National Park extension .

Arrival Time: Arrive by 3:00 p.m. local time.
Arrival City: Juneau, Alaska

Meals included: dinner

◇ DAY 2

Endicott Arm

Explore the wild and remote areas of southeast Alaska by special use permit with the Tongass National Forest.

Voyage into Endicott Arm, a spectacular fjord with waterfalls cascading from glacially carved walls. See the soaring Dawes Glacier up close and take a cruise in a Zodiac for an unbeatable view among sculpted icebergs. Keep an eye out for harbor seals, harbor porpoises and arctic terns.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 3

Petersburg

Visit the small, true Alaska fishing town of Petersburg on Mitkof Island, which still retains much of its Norwegian heritage. Explore a unique Southeast Alaska ecosystem, the muskeg, with stunted trees and carnivorous plants. There is an opportunity to stretch your legs with an optional bike ride around town. This evening, enjoy a crab feast.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 4

Frederick Sound and Chatham Strait

These waters are prime areas for both orca and humpback whales. With luck, guests may observe their fascinating behavior—breaching, tail-slapping and variations on feeding—as you listen to the play-by-play from your expert naturalists. Explore spectacular bays and inlets, following bear trails and salmon streams. Once ashore, you'll have the opportunity to walk along a quiet forest trail. The still waters are excellent for kayaking, offering another option for up-close exploration.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 5

Icy Strait and the Inian Islands

Explore among the Inian Islands, a busy feeding ground for myriad wildlife species, including Steller sea lions and sea otters. Search for marine mammals in the nutrient-rich waters of Icy Strait and choose the perfect spot around Chichagof Island to hike where sightings of bald eagles are common.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 6

Glacier Bay National Park

Spend a full day exploring the spectacular wilderness of Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve. This UNESCO World Heritage Site showcases the dramatic landscapes that define Southeast Alaska—from towering mountains and

deep fjords to pristine coastlines and diverse ecosystems. Gain insight on the natural history and geology, while keeping watch for wildlife.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

◇ DAY 7

Southeast Alaska's Islands, Bays and Fjords

Today, nature is your guide as you set forth with the flexibility to take advantage of wildlife and weather conditions. You might stop at an isolated beach to take a closer look at tide pools, beachcomb and hike stunning forest trails. Keep an eye out for old bear tracks worn into the soil as you move from forest to meadow. Sightings of bald eagles are common. If conditions permit, you'll have the opportunity to do some kayaking, always watching for marine and terrestrial life.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

■ DAY 8

Sitka / Disembark Ship

Disembark in Sitka and transfer to the airport for flights home.

On select departures, continue your Alaska adventure with an optional post-voyage Denali National Park extension.

Departure Time: After 10:30 a.m. local time.
Departure City: Sitka, Alaska

Meals included: breakfast

Westbound

Juneau, Alaska → Sitka, Alaska

2027 DEPARTURE DATES

Aboard *National Geographic Quest*

15 May				
12 Jun	26 Jun			
10 Jul	24 Jul			
07 Aug	21 Aug			
04 Sep	18 Sep			

Aboard *National Geographic Venture*

09 May	23 May			
06 Jun	20 Jun			
04 Jul	18 Jul			
01 Aug	15 Aug	29 Aug		
12 Sep				

2028 DEPARTURE DATES

Aboard *National Geographic Quest*

07 May	21 May			
04 Jun	18 Jun			
02 Jul	16 Jul	30 Jul		
13 Aug	27 Aug			
10 Sep				

Aboard *National Geographic Venture*

06 May	20 May			
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09 Sep				

Alternative Routes

Visit Expeditions.com for more information.

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16 May, 22 May, 30 May, 05 Jun, 13 Jun,
19 Jun, 27 Jun, 03 Jul, 11 Jul, 17 Jul, 25 Jul,
31 Jul, 08 Aug, 14 Aug, 22 Aug, 28 Aug,
05 Sep, 11 Sep, 19 Sep, 25 Sep

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23 Jul, 05 Aug, 06 Aug, 19 Aug, 20 Aug,
02 Sep, 03 Sep, 16 Sep, 17 Sep



National Geographic Venture

GUESTS	CABINS
100	50

The *National Geographic Venture* is a state-of-the-art expedition ship ideal for discovering remote locations in domestic waters.

Following the build of *National Geographic Quest* at Nichols Brothers shipyard, her sister ship, *National Geographic Venture*, floated into the bay on Whidbey Island, Washington, becoming the 4th ship in the Lindblad fleet built at this storied shipyard. In the 1970s, Nichols Brothers built the twin ships *National Geographic Sea Bird* and *National Geographic Sea Lion*, which continue to sail the waters of the west coast of North America and Central America.

National Geographic Venture, like much of the wildlife she follows, is migratory. She follows the seasons from Alaska, along the coast of British Columbia, up the Columbia and Snake Rivers and along the Baja California coast. In each region, her design innovations were informed by 50+ years of expedition expertise to ensure extraordinary discoveries. *National Geographic Venture*'s shallow draft enables her to provide intimate 'insider' experiences of the charismatic regions we explore.

Like her sister ship *National Geographic Quest*, *National Geographic Venture* has dual boarding platforms. Enabling our team to load two Zodiacs at once means guests get off ship quickly to take advantage of wildlife sightings and maximize exploring time. Modern and clean-lined, with large expanses of glass to keep you connected to the extraordinary views, *National Geographic Venture* enables you to see, do and experience the best of her geographies.





Cabin Categories

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MAIN DECK **#301-306**

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Category 2

MAIN DECK **#307-315**

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Category 3

UPPER DECK **#201-206**

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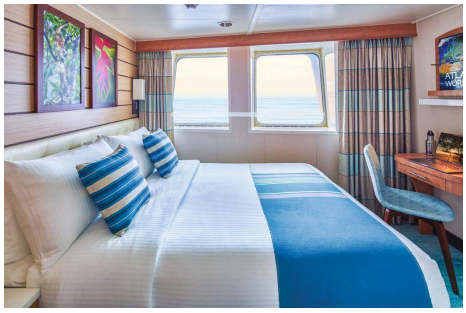

Category 4

UPPER DECK **#207-229**

Cabins feature two single beds that can convert to a Queen, a writing desk, closet, two nightstands, full-length mirror, reading lights, sliding glass door, and a small, private balcony.



Note:

Solo occupancy cabins are available in Categories 1 and 2 only. Third person rates are available in Category 5 cabins at one half the double occupancy rate.

Connecting Cabins via internal doorway access:

Main Deck: #312-314, #311-315, #306-307;
Upper Deck: #224-226, #225-227

Category 5

OBSERVATION DECK **#101-108 (SUITE)**

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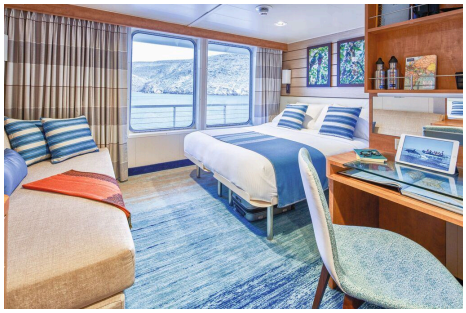
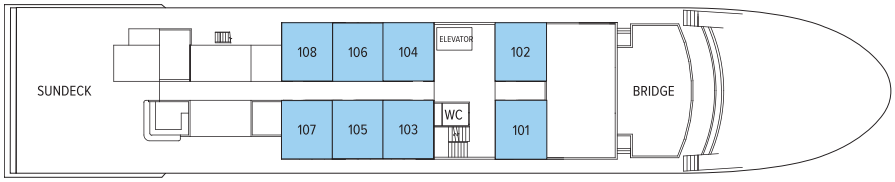


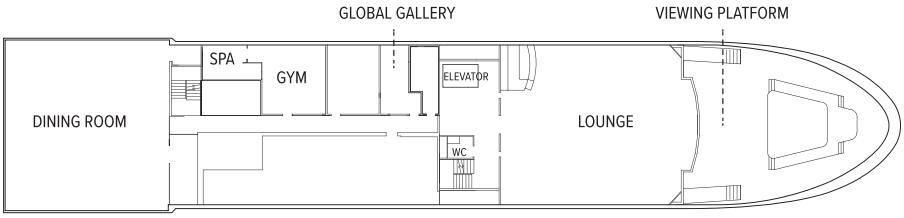
Deck Plans

Observation Deck

Category 5



Lounge Deck



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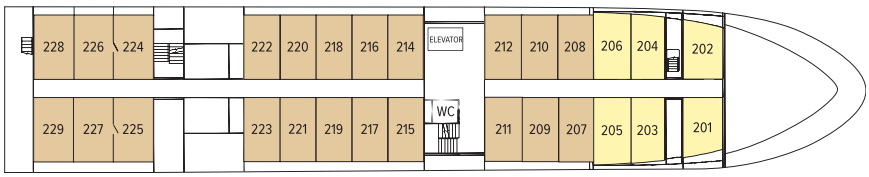

Main Deck

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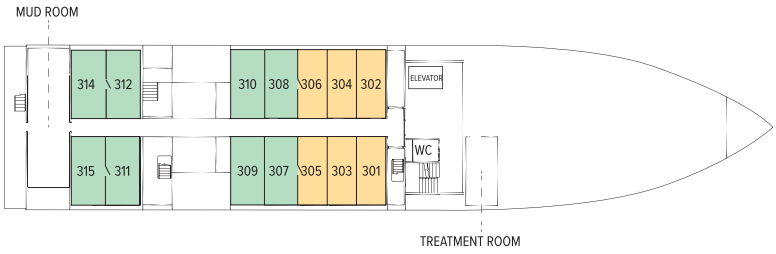

Ship Amenities

Public Areas

Reception; main dining area; global gallery; fitness center; lounge with full-service bar and state-of-the-art presentation facilities; observation deck; mudroom with lockers for expedition gear; partially-covered furnished sundeck; plus open access to the Bridge, the Captain, officers and on-duty wildlife spotters.

Meals

Meals are served in the dining room at a single seating with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Menus feature sustainable choices, local where possible.

Cabins

50 outside cabins. All cabins face outside with windows, private bathroom, and climate controls. Cabins are equipped with Wi-Fi, phone, multiple electrical and USB outlets, and phones. Luxury linens and pillows. Botanically inspired shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, and lotion are all available in cabin bathrooms, as well as an Expedition Essential Kit. Hair dryers, complimentary insulated water bottles and a National Geographic Atlas are also available in each cabin.

Expedition Equipment

A fleet of 8 Zodiacs, 24 kayaks, paddleboards; an ROV, hydrophone, splash-cam, underwater video camera, video microscope; snorkeling gear and wet suits for all guests (where applicable).

Special Features

Internet access. Elevator. The design of the outside decks—with the perfect wildlife viewing platform. The proximity of the Lounge to the deck gives you instant access to spontaneous sightings. Have your camera ready!



Wellness

A fitness center with elliptical, treadmill, weights and resistance bands; LEXspa treatment room, staffed by wellness specialists.

Self-Disinfecting Ships

ACT Clean Coat™ is a light-activated, self-disinfecting cleaning process that continuously breaks down viruses, bacteria, mold, and airborne allergens across all ship surfaces. Not only does this create a cleaner, healthier shipboard environment for guests and crew alike, but this non-toxic, chemical-free system also saves more than one million gallons of water each year in our cleaning procedures, and reduces our carbon footprint as well as the amount of plastic and waste in our supply chain.



National Geographic Quest

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National Geographic Quest, built in 2017, is designed for sailing into fast-moving channels and shallow coves in pan-American waters.

When she rolled out of Nichols Brothers shipyard and into the bay on Whidbey Island, the 100 guest National Geographic Quest became the third ship in the Lindblad fleet built at this storied Pacific Northwest shipyard. In the 1970s, Nichols Brothers built the twin ships *National Geographic Sea Bird* and *National Geographic Sea Lion*, which continue to sail the waters of the west coast of North America and Central America.

National Geographic Quest was purpose-built to explore the fast-moving channels and narrow straits of Alaska, along the coast of Costa Rica and into the gray whale nursery lagoons of Baja, her design and engineering informed by our nearly 40 years of experience in these regions. Her twin boarding platforms, for example, were suggested by a veteran staffer. Enabling our team to load two Zodiacs at once means guests get off the ship quickly to take advantage of wildlife sightings and maximize exploring time.

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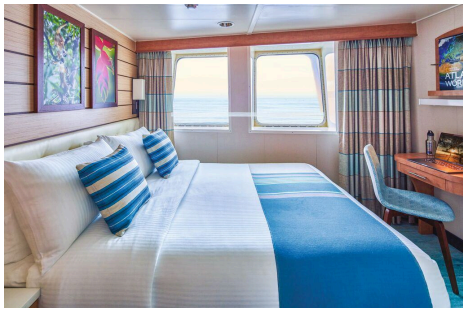

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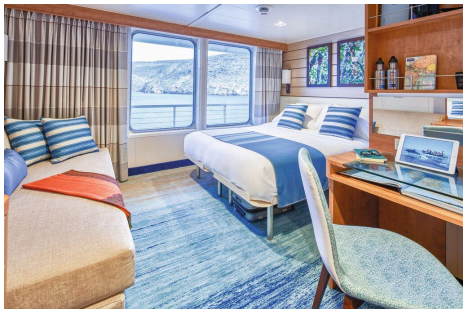

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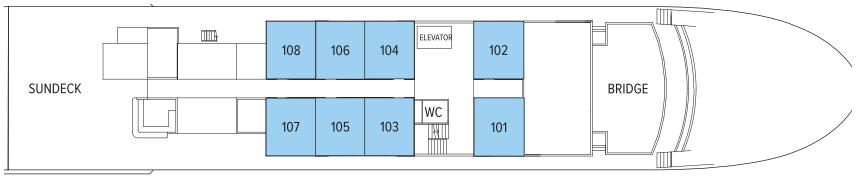

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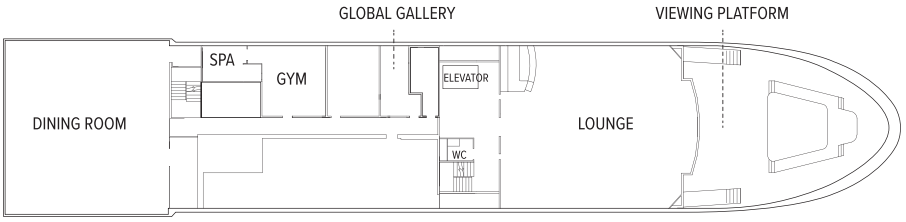

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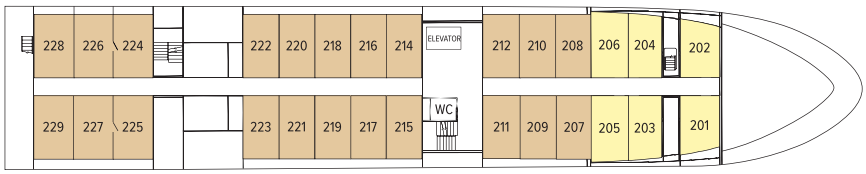

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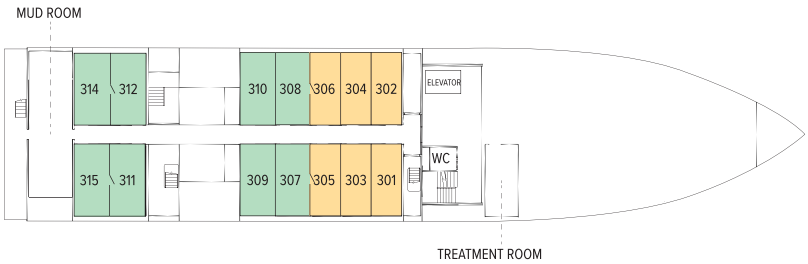

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Special Offers

SUITE EXCLUSIVES

Spacious living areas and incredible views immerse you in the beauty of your marine surroundings. Our new Suite Exclusives package helps make your voyage all the more memorable. **Learn more**

SAVE 5% TRAVELING AS A GROUP

Save 5% when traveling as a group of 8 or more people. Valid for new bookings only on select departures, subject to availability, not applicable on extensions, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

CELEBRATE LIFE'S MILESTONES

Celebrate a milestone with a group of eight or more and enjoy a special amenity package including: 5% savings on voyage fares, custom group photo, US$150 shipboard credit for the group, and other special gifts. Milestone celebration to be communicated at time of booking.

COMBINING OFFERS

Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities, except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings.

INCLUDED IN PRICE

All accommodations aboard ship or in hotels per itinerary; all meals as indicated in the itinerary, both aboard and onshore; beer, wine, cocktails, liquors and spirits aboard the ship (except certain premium brands which are available for purchase); hors d'oeuvres, 24-hour access to snacks, premium coffees and teas, non-alcoholic beverages, and filtered water; excursions and airport transfers to and from recommended flights, as indicated in the itinerary; exploration tools curated to destination, such as Zodiacs, stand-up paddleboards, kayaks; guidance and company of our leading expedition staff; assistance by the Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic certified photo instructor; access to the OM System Photo Gear Locker; presentations by expedition staff and expert guest speakers; complimentary reusable water bottle; onboard physician consultations; morning stretch classes and 24-hour access to exercise equipment; 24-hour access to lounges, observation decks, library, and other shared spaces; basic WiFi, park and site entrance fees, special access permits, and port taxes. Unused services or items included in our programs are non-refundable.

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE

Airfare (except flights* when indicated as included); pre- and post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights (except when indicated as included); crew gratuities; private transfers; laundry, spa treatments, travel protection plans; and passport, visa, and immigration fees.

*Recommended flight costs include flight(s) that take place during the date range of your trip to transport travelers from one itinerary destination to another. This cost also includes ground transportation, luggage transfer, and airport assistance. If you prefer to arrange your own flights privately, have alternate means of transport, or wish to modify at a later time, please contact an Expedition Specialist at 1.833.400.0831

Additional costs associated with medical services outside onboard physician consultation.

TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN

We strongly recommend our guests to take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, damage or loss of baggage, medical assistance, and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date, Travel Protection premiums are non- refundable once plan is purchased. Learn more about our Travel Protection "Plus" Plan: https://www.expeditions.com/terms-conditions/travel-protection-plan/

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