



WITH ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, NEBRASKA



### YOU ARE INVITED

#### JOIN THE CONCORDIA FAMILY FOR A FUN ADVENTURE!

May 28-June 7, 2021 join Concordia University faculty and staff for a 7 day cruise and 3 day land tour to Alaska! From Vancouver to Anchorage with a 3 day tour of Denali National Park we will enjoy God's great creations! We will travel on Celebrity Cruises. All are welcome to join us—Alumni, Parents of Alumni/Students, Friends of Concordia University, Faculty, Staff, everyone!!! The more the merrier!

### **YOUR HOSTS**



**JEN FURR, CO '97, GR '03**Director of Alumni and University Relations



**JEN FRUEND**Assistant Professor of Biology



**DR. JACK KINWORTHY** Professor of Geography, Emeritus

# CRUISE & TOUR INCLUSIONS

- 7 night/8 day cruise onboard the Celebrity Millennium in chosen cabin category
- All meals while onboard the ship with coffee, tea, water and lemonade
- Deluxe motorcoach transportation from Seward to Talkeenta
- One night accommodations at the Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge
- Natural History Tour in Denali National Park
- One night accommodations at the Denali Park Village
- Optional excursions at Denali (at an additional cost)
- Motorcoach transportation from Denali to Talkeetna, then train transportation on the Wilderness Express glassdomed railcars to Anchorage
- One night accommodations at the Anchorage Marriott
- Airport to cruise ship transfers in Vancouver, hotel to airport transfers in Anchorage
- All-inclusive beverage package onboard the ship includes specialty coffees, juices, sodas, bottled water and alcoholic beverages (a \$450 per person value)
- Port taxes and fees

# **ITINERARY**

DAY 1: FRIDAY, MAY 28 VANCOUVER, B. C.

Departs 4:30PM

Among the world's most liveable cities - diverse, cultural, beautiful - this culinary capital treats you to fresh local seafood, farm-to-table produce, and authentic Asian flavors. West Coast architecture - modernism with a woodsy bent - emerged here. But while downtown shines with steel and glass, its epicenter is green Stanley Park, a 1,000-acre oasis of spectacular beaches, trails, and views. Transfer to the ship for your departure. (L, D)

#### DAY 2: SATURDAY, MAY 29 INSIDE PASSAGE

You'll sail beyond the Inside Passage into the more protected Alaska Inside Passage in southeastern Alaska. This complex labyrinth of fjords, bays, and lush green islands is home to an abundance of wildlife, including orca, mountain goats, bald eagles, bears, puffins, sea otters and much more. You'll never forget the sight of 40-ton whales hurling themselves into the air, almost completely escaping the water. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: SUNDAY, MAY 30

**KETCHIKAN** 

Arrives at 7:00AM, Departs at 3:00PM

You've never tasted salmon so fresh. Known as the 'Salmon Capital of the World', Ketchikan is also the ancestral home of the Tlingit people, who have carved the world's largest collection of totem poles. If you're up for an adventure, take a canoe and nature trail excursion through the rain forest or a wilderness exploration followed by a sumptuous crab feast you'll long remember. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 4: MONDAY, MAY 31**

**ICY STRAIT POINT** 

Arrives at 10:00AM, Departs at 8:00PM

For thousands of years, the Tlingit Indians have called this place home. Located near the city of Hoonah, and home to a historic cannery, Icy Strait Point also offers travelers the chance to view wildlife like humpback whales, orcas, seals, eagles, and brown bears, or to explore monuments to the region's fishing heritage. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 5: TUESDAY, JUNE 1**

JUNEAU

Arrives at 7:00AM, Departs at 9:30PM

Here's your chance to take a glacial dogsled adventure in Alaska's capital, where cultured sophistication meets the ruggedness of the Last Frontier. (B. L. D)

#### **DAY 6: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2**

**SKAGWAY** 

Arrives at 7:00AM, Departs at 4:00PM

The great Klondike Gold Rush lives on in Skagway's charming downtown of restored 19th-century buildings and its historic railway. Located on the edge of the wilderness, this small town saw its fair share of gold rush, get rich dreamers pass through. Today, you could head to Klondike Gold Rush National Park Museum for an in-depth look at Klondike and the two routes out of Skagway - Chilkoot Pass and White Pass. From the vintage train, admire the mountains and see the 1898 trail that fortune seekers traveled on foot. The White Pass & Yukon Route Railroad runs the vintage locomotives through the famously steep Chilkoot Trail and offers sweeping mountain views during its climb toward Canada. (B, L, D)



# DAY 7: THURSDAY, JUNE 3 HUBBARD GLACIER

The Hubbard Glacier is located about 30 miles north off the coast of Yakutat and is by far one of Alaska's most exciting natural treasures. Named after Gardiner Hubbard, the founder and president of the National Geographic Society, Hubbard Glacier is the longest tidewater glacier in the world. Dramatically massive at about 7-miles wide, 76-miles long and as tall as a 30-story building above the waterline, it's the largest river of ice in North America. While most of the world's glaciers are retreating, the Hubbard Glacier has continued to thicken over the years and on rare occasion will partially block Russell Fjord, temporarily damning its passage. Experience the wilds of Alaska as your ship makes its way through icy waters turning from Yakutat Bay into the narrow Disenchantment Bay to come face-to-face with the towering Hubbard Glacier. The strong currents and riptides that flow between Gilbert Point and the face of the glacier cause calving to occur on a daily basis, sending massive chunks of ice crashing into Disenchantment Bay. Our dedicated onboard naturalist narrates the experience and keeps an eye out for the whales, harbor seals, and otters that hunt and play in the waters of Yakutat Bay. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 8: FRIDAY. JUNE 4**

Arrives at 5:00AM

Meet your Tour Director at the pier in Seward. Board your deluxe motor coach, and travel to the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center. Encounter Alaska's famed wildlife up-close as you observe animals indigenous to the area before journeying to Anchorage, Alaska's most cosmopolitan city. Explore the downtown area and enjoy lunch on your own. Travel by deluxe motor coach to the charming Alaskan town of Talkeetna. The late afternoon and evening is free to explore. Stroll past Main Street's lively brew pubs and converted air streams, serving signature dishes. Take in breathtaking views of Denali and mingle with the locals who keep the backcountry spirit of Alaska alive. Overnight at the Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge. (B)

#### **DAY 9: SATURDAY, JUNE 5**

#### **TALKEETNA + DENALI**

SEWARD + TALKEETNA

Enjoy an early-morning scenic drive from Talkeetna to one of Alaska's most treasured landmarks, Denali. After lunch on your own at the Visitor Center, venture across Denali National Park on the Denali Natural History Tour. Discover the beauty of taiga forests and gaze at miles of rolling tundra, while searching for wildlife. After your tour, Denali is yours to discover. Book an optional land excursion (additional cost) with your Tour Director and soar over Denali, "The Great One," on a flightseeing plane, or raft down the Nenana River. Overnight at Denali Park Village.

#### DAY 10: SUNDAY, JUNE 6

#### **DENALI + ANCHORAGE**

Craft your own unique Alaskan adventure in the morning, such as a visit to the Denali Visitor Center, with its fascinating natural history exhibits and films, or book an optional land excursion to visit the sled dogs of the Husky Homestead. You will then take a relaxing ride on your deluxe motor coach to Talkeetna, boarding the Wilderness Express, a glass-domed railcar, for a picturesque ride to Anchorage. This evening Anchorage is yours to explore. Overnight at the Anchorage Marriott.

#### DAY 11: MONDAY, JUNE 7 DEPART ANCHORAGE

Your Tour Director will see that you are transferred to Anchorage airport for your flight home.



### **SHIP FEATURES**

The **CELEBRITY MILLENNIUM** is a ship for the whole family. Refurbished in February 2019, she's sleek, exciting and relaxing. The ship's rooms all come with Celebrity eXhale bedding which is developed to give you the most rejuvenating sleep experience of your life. The Millennium invites her passengers to indulge with delicious meals and have some fun at the theater where you'll catch a Broadway-style production. Dining aboard features main dining rooms and specialty restaurants. Onboard entertainment includes stage productions, dance shows, comedians, live music, DJ performances, Lawn Club concerts, and comedy shows. Onboard activities include the Cellar Masters wine bar, the Sky Observation Lounge, shopping, casino, pools, fitness center and other daily activities. And if you need some pampering, private spas and various spa treatments are available for an additional charge.



# VANCOUVER PRE-CRUISE PACKAGE

#### **PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

- )) Accommodations in Run-of-House rooms at the Westin Vancouver
- )) Breakfast daily at the hotel
- )) Concordia University Welcome Dinner
- Transfer to Vancouver Pier to meet the ship
- )) Hotel to airport transfers
- )) All applicable taxes and fees

2 NIGHTS / MAY 26, 2021 1 NIGHT / MAY 27, 2021 **TBA** per person **TBA** per person

All prices listed are per person, based on double occupancy. Single occupancy rooms and prices available upon request.

### **CRUISE & TOUR PRICING**

**INSIDE CABIN** \$2,789 per person, based on double occupancy

**OCEANVIEW CABIN** \$3,329 per person, based on double occupancy

**BALCONY CABIN** \$3,929 per person, based on double occupancy

\*Gratuities of \$101.50 per person are in addition to the prices above and will be added to your invoice.

Prices include cruise cabin, cruise taxes and fees, port charges, land tour, land accommodations, meals and tours as indicated in itinerary, and are based on a cash or check payment. Other forms of payment are subject to a 3.5% processing fee.

# **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

PLEASE NOTE A valid passport with 6 months validity from your scheduled return is required for U.S. citizens.

NOT INCLUDED Airfare, air taxes and fees, passport fees, airline baggage fees, meals (unless otherwise indicated in the itinerary), optional sightseeing, phone calls, travel insurance, onboard ship gratuities, land program gratuities for drivers and guides, or any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary.

**RESERVATIONS** All reservations will be handled directly with Carrousel Travel.

**DEPOSIT** \$750 per person due at time of booking

FINAL PAYMENT Due March 12, 2021

**AIRFARE** Carrousel Travel can assist with all of your airfare reservations if you wish. You are also free to book your own reservations. Airfare and flight schedules will be available approximately 330 days prior to your departure.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE** Trip cancellation insurance is available and details are available upon request.

CANCELLATIONS Cancellations must be received in writing and are effective upon receipt by Carrousel Travel.

From 1st deposit through March 12, 2021, \$750.

From March 13, 2021 through April 9, 2021, 50% of total. From April 10, 2021 through departure date, No Refund.

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