

# Explore Alaska in Winter



# Anchorage- Fairbanks 5/6/7 Days

Visit Two Alaskan Cities, the Aurora Winter Train, the Arctic Circle Drive Adventure, and View the Shimmering Aurora Borealis

Tour Code	Departure	Twin	Triple	Quadruple	Single
FF-5	Daily (9/15-4/5/17)	\$799	\$779	\$759	\$999
FF-6	Wed,Thu,Fri,Sat (9/15-2/28/17)	\$999	\$949	\$929	\$1249
FA-7	Wed (9/21-2/22/17)	\$1299	\$1239	\$1209	\$1599

#### Highlights:

- Anchorage city day tour: explore Anchorage, the largest city in Alaska, get a chance to take helicopter in winter (at your own expense);
- 2-Night Aurora Lodge: relax in warmth and comfort until the aurora appear;
- Receive extra 1-Night Lodge, valued at \$105 for free;
- Ticket worth \$190 from Anchorage to Fairbanks by Aurora Winter Train is included free;
- Arctic Circle Drive Adventure worth \$269 is included for free—drive the Dalton Highway across the Arctic Circle:
- Complimentary hotel breakfast and Wi-Fi;
- More optional (at your own expense) tours: Dog sled ride, Chena Hot Spring, or Ice Fishing—experience the unique style of an Alaskan winter;
- · Receive a luminous Aurora Borealis Certificate, a wonderful, impressive memory of the tour;
- · Receive an official Arctic Circle Adventure Certificate to record the extraordinary visit.

### Day 1 Arrive Fairbanks

Fairbanks—Fairbanks is the largest city in the Interior region of Alaska, located less than 120 miles (190 km) south of the Arctic Circle. One of the best places on earth for experiencing the beautiful and mysterious aurora. Aurora is visible on average more than 200 days per year in the vicinity of Fairbanks. Aurora Viewing Lodge—Take our coach to the aurora viewing lodge to experience the mysterious aurora at 10:00pm. (Night 1, the fee is included.) Experience the aurora from the heated lodge with a hot drink. (Our experienced tour guides will take you to the best place to view aurora according to the weather.) Plan to be back to the hotel at 2:00am.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fairbanks or similar

#### Day 2 Arctic Circle Winter Drive Adventure

Ground tour north from Fairbanks in the personalized, comfortable coaches. Dalton Highway—It is one of the most isolated roads in the United States. It directly parallels the pipeline. It begins at the Elliott Highway, north of Fairbanks, and ends at Deadhorse near the Arctic Ocean and the Prudhoe Bay oil fields. It became a legend through the hit TV show "Ice Road Truckers" on the History Channel. More chances to see wildlife, such as caribou, arctic fox, wolf, moose etc. Yukon River—Traverse the mighty Yukon River. Trans-Alaska pipeline—View the remarkable Trans-Alaska Pipeline. The Trans-Alaska Pipeline, one of the world's longest continuous pipeline systems, is more than 800-miles in length. It moves 500,000 barrels of crude oil a day. Arctic Circle—Cross the Arctic Circle and receive an official Arctic Circle Adventure Certificate. Chance to chase Aurora during driving back to Fairbanks.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fairbanks or similar

#### Day 3 Enjoy a free day in Fairbanks

Aurora Viewing Lodge—Take coach to the aurora viewing lodge to experience the mysterious aurora at 10:00pm. (Night 2, the fee is included.) Experience the aurora from the heated lodge with hot drink. (Our experienced tour guides will take you to the best place to view aurora according to the weather.) Plan to be back to the hotel at 2:00am.

\* Optional tours: Dog Sled Ride or Fairbanks City Tour, the most popular tours in winter in Alaska

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fairbanks or similar



## Day 4 Enjoy a free day in Fairbanks

Optional tours: Chena Hot Springs or Aurora Viewing Lodge •Chena Hot Springs-Depart from the Holiday Inn Express, enjoy the warmth of these natural Hot Springs in winter. Chance to visit the world's only all-year around open Ice Museum (to be enjoyed at your own expense), made of 1,000 tons of ice. It will be a memorable experience to see all of the creative things that are being carved out of ice! You can order an apple martini that comes in an ice molded martini glass (to be enjoyed by your own expense). • Aurora Viewing Lodge--Take coach to the aurora viewing lodge to experience the mysterious aurora at 10:00pm. Experience the aurora from the heated lodge with hot drink

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fairbanks or similar

## Day 5 1-Day tour of Denali-Anchorage / Fairbanks-Airport (5 Days Tour)

**5 Days Tour:** Take free hotel shuttle to airport. If your flight is after 9:00pm, Ice Fishing is recommended. Ice Fishing (English-speaking tour guide. Pick-up and drop-off at the specified hotels is included.)

**6 Days Tour:** Take Aurora winter train to Healy at 7:30am, start 1-day tour of Denali, which runs only at weekend in winter. The Alaska Railroad was built at the era of the "Gold Rush", more than 100 years ago. Along the way, the train travels through some of the most scenic and rugged territory in Alaska.

7 Days Tour: Take coach to Healy at 7:00am, start 1-day tour of Denali. Go to Denali National Park Visitor Center.

Take Aurora winter train to Anchorage at about 11:00am. The Alaska Railroad was built at the era of the "Gold Rush", more than 100 years ago. Along the way, the train travels through some of the most scenic and rugged territory in Alaska.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Fairbanks or similar

#### Day 6 Anchorage City Tour / Fairbanks-Airport (6 Days Tour)

7 Days Tour: Turn-again Arm--Just south of Anchorage, the gorgeous views of one of Alaska's most beautiful fjords. Chugach State Park's 3000-foot mountains jut up on your left.Potter Marsh--One of the most accessible wildlife viewing areas in Alaska. Alyeska Resort--Take tram (\$25/person, at your own expense) to a viewing deck with breathtaking panoramic views of mountains, hanging glaciers, streams, spruce, and an array of wildlife. Enjoy your lunch at your own expense. Earthquake Park--This 134-acre park is set in the woods where, in 1964, an entire neighborhood slid into the ocean during last century's most powerful earthquake. The earthquake was measured at a 9.2 on the Richter scale and lasted 4 minutes. Lake Hood--Watch ski planes taking off and landing on the frozen lake. During the summer, Lake Hood is host to nearly 200 daily operations and has become the largest and busiest seaplane base in the world. Anchorage Museum--The largest museum in Alaska, the Anchorage Museum connects people, expands perspectives and encourages dialogue about the North and its distinct environment. The museum tells the real story of the North, a multi-faceted story that weaves together social, political, cultural, scientific, historic and artistic threads. Captain Cook Monument--Captain Cook, the famed explorer is standing on a large wooden deck toward the sea when he explored Cook Inlet in 1778 aboard HMS Resolution. From this park you can see the same gorgeous views that Captain Cook has experienced. Susitna Mountain, known to locals as the "Sleeping Lady", is visible straight across the water. If you look towards the north on a clear day you're likely to see Mt. Denali, the highest mountain peak in North America. Other fun things to see here are the Anchorage dock and sunsets any time of year. Be back to Hotel at 5:00pm.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express Anchorage or similar

**6** Days Tour: Fairbanks-Airport, Take free hotel shuttle to airport. If your flight is after 9:00pm, Ice Fishing is recommended. \* Ice Fishing (English-speaking tour guide. Pick-up and drop-off at the specified hotel is included.)



# Day 7 Anchorage - Airport

Take hotel free shuttle to airport. Hotel breakfast, lunch and dinner are to be enjoyed at your own expense.

# \*\* Tours worth more than \$500 are presented for free!

#### Reminder:

- One free drop-off by 24-hr hotel shuttle to Fairbanks airport.
- Please arrive at the airport 2 hours early ahead of your flight time.
- 24-hr Airport Shuttle:
- Departure place: Lobby of hotel.
- Please tell the reservation time, number of people, and name in pinyin.
- If you need drop-off at unspecified time, the rate is:
- English-speaking tour guide: \$70/person/time;
- Chinese-speaking tour guide: \$100/person/time.
- Aurora is a natural phenomenon and depends on solar activity. You are not guaranteed to see it.
- All the itinerary schedules are as above, but they could be changed according to your travel date, and the weather.

#### Tour Include:

- Airport pick-up at specified time.
- Free shuttle to airport from hotel.
- Tours and tickets specified in the itinerary. Anchorage Museum, Aurora Winter train (Healy-Anchorage), 2 times Aurora Viewing Lodge, 1-day tour of Arctic Circle Drive Adventure, 1-day tour of Denali National Park.
- Breakfast at hotels described in the itinerary.
- Luminous Aurora Borealis Certificate.
- Arctic Circle Adventure Certificate.

# **Tour Do Not Include:**

- Lunch and dinner.
- Optional, out of package items.
- Unconventional airport pick-up time.
- Tours and tickets not specified in the itinerary.
- Tips to tour guide/driver: \$8-\$10/person/day of day tour; \$5-\$8/person/day of night tour; \$10-\$20/person/day of Arctic Circle tour. Please give the tips to the tour guide at the end of the day tour.





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