



USA, Alaska & Canada

18-DAY TOUR OF YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, ALASKA INSIDE PASSAGE, WITH RETURN INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS.

From
\$4999*
per person twin share
18 DAYS



As far as bucket list adventures go, this epic 18-day journey is up there with the best, taking in the stunning Yellowstone National Park, the vast Canadian Rockies, and Alaska's scenic Inside Passage.

At a glance

Experience the sleepless city of Seattle, including Pike Place Market on the waterfront, and get your cowboy fix with a drive through scenic Idaho and Montana.

Enjoy two unforgettable nights in Yellowstone National Park, known for its impressive geysers, mud pools and abundant wildlife, and keep your eyes peeled for resident bears.

Cross the border into Canada and discover the Icefields Parkway, Yoho and Mount Revelstoke National Parks, beautiful Banff, Lake Louise and more.

You'll then set sail on a dazzling seven-night Alaska Inside Passage cruise aboard the Celebrity Millennium. This flagship Millennium Class-ship features numerous fine-dining options, Broadway-style theatre productions, an indoor pool, day spa and more. Dock in Juneau, Skagway and Ketchikan, and witness the awe-inspiring scale of Hubbard Glacier.

This incredible trip includes return flights, eight nights' hotel accommodation, a seven-night cruise, English-speaking tour guides, return airport transfers, and so much more.

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Offer available for a limited time
or until sold out.



The itinerary

Day 1

Australia – Los Angeles/San Francisco – Seattle, USA

Today you depart from Sydney to Seattle! You'll fly with either Delta Airlines, United Airlines or American Airlines (subject to availability). Upon arrival, be met and transfer to your hotel by shuttle.

Overnight: Seattle, Washington

Meals included: In flight

Day 2

Seattle Sightseeing – Coeur d'Alene/Spokane Region

Today you'll visit Seattle's famous Pike Place Market; one of the oldest continuously operated public farmers' markets in the United States. Afterwards, continue through the rolling wheat fields and wine country of Eastern Washington State. Pass by the Columbia Gorge, partially tracing the historic route of Lewis and Clark. Listen to locals boast about the dozens of lakes left behind by glaciers of the ice age. This evening, you'll arrive in the Coeur d'Alene/Spokane Valley region (approximately 5.5 hours from Seattle) where you'll be transferred to your hotel accommodation for an evening at leisure.

Overnight: Coeur d'Alene, Idaho OR Spokane, Washington

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3

Coeur d'Alene/Spokane Region – Yellowstone National Park

Put on your boots, today you're travelling through the Cowboy Country: Idaho and Montana. This scenic drive is filled with American history. Take in meandering rivers and hills once brimming with gold and wildlife, attracting rugged mountain men, gold miners, and pioneers of the Frontier Days. Sparsely inhabited, you can picture the American West as it was many years ago.

Travel onwards to Yellowstone, approximately 8 hours from Spokane Valley and the world's first national park, established in 1872. You could spend a year in Yellowstone and still only

scratch the surface of its wonders. Watch in awe as Old Faithful's waters arc nearly 30 metres into the air – as it has done every 90 minutes since its discovery in 1870. Take a guided walk among the spouting geysers, bubbling mud pots and turquoise hot springs with a local specialist and learn about the geothermal dynamics of this amazing wonderland.

Special feature: Enjoy a two-night stay in the Yellowstone National Park area. Each lodge has its own unique setting and atmosphere. Lodges featured are Absakora Lodge, Big Rock Inn, Super 8, Rodeway Inn & Suites, and Comfort Inn. Specific lodges will be confirmed in your documents.

Overnight: Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4

Yellowstone National Park Sightseeing

Today you'll spend the day exploring Yellowstone on a guided tour. Be swept away by the natural beauty and complexity of this stunning environment. View geological wonders such as painted mud pots, geysers, prismatic pools and an abundance of wildlife. The exact routing of today's touring and areas visited within Yellowstone are subject to favourable weather and road conditions, to be confirmed with travellers the day prior.

Overnight: Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming

Meals included: None

Day 5

Yellowstone - Shelby

Leave Yellowstone National Park and travel across the plains of Montana towards the town of Shelby (approximately 6 hours), with a lunch stop along the way (not included). Shelby, Montana is the county seat of Toole, and is located in north central Montana, approximately 50km south of the Canadian border and 130km east of Glacier National Park. Upon arrival in Shelby, you're free to enjoy your evening at leisure.



The itinerary

Overnight: Shelby, Montana

Meals included: None

Day 6

Shelby – Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump – Banff, Canada

This morning you'll cross the Canada-US border into Alberta, Canada and visit Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This historic site bears witness to a method of buffalo hunting practised by the native people of the North American plains for nearly 6,000 years. Continue to the town of Banff and enjoy a sightseeing drive, including Bow Falls, which was featured in the 1953 Marilyn Monroe film 'River of No Return', plus the historic Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel. Afterwards, transfer to your hotel accommodation where you'll spend the next two nights. Banff is a world-class resort town, located within Banff National Park. The peaks of Mt. Rundle and Mt. Cascade dominate its skyline. On Banff Avenue, the main thoroughfare, boutiques and restaurants mix with chateau-style hotels and souvenir shops. The surrounding 6,500km² of parkland are home to wildlife including elk and grizzly bears.

Overnight: Banff, Alberta

Meals included: None

Day 7

Banff – Icefields Parkway – Columbia Icefield – Lake Louise – Banff

This morning you'll drive along the famous Icefields Parkway (Highway 93) from Banff and north towards Columbia Icefield Discovery Centre. Approximately 2.5 hours each way, this is considered the most beautiful drive in the world, with jaw-dropping scenery punctuated by more than 100 ancient glaciers, waterfalls cascading from dramatic rock spires, and turquoise lakes set in sweeping valleys. Views of Crowfoot Glacier, Bow Summit and Mistaya Canyon are sure to please all who journey to this amazing part of the world.

Upon arrival at the Columbia Icefield Discovery Centre, take an opportunity to ride on the specially designed 'Ice Explorer' (not

included), which takes you onto the surface of the stunning Columbia Glacier. In the afternoon you'll begin your return journey back to Banff. Along the way, stop to walk along the shores of the famous Lake Louise and soak in the tranquil beauty, history and geography of the area. Once arrived back to the hotel you're free to enjoy the remainder of the evening at leisure.

Overnight: Banff, Alberta

Meals included: None

Day 8

Banff – Kamloops – Abbotsford

This morning, journey through three of Canada's most breathtaking National Parks: Mount Revelstoke, Glacier and Yoho. On the way, stop at Eagle Pass and visit the 'Last Spike' of the transcontinental railway, where east connects to west. Continue onwards to the town of Abbotsford outside of Vancouver, where you'll check into your accommodation and enjoy the remainder of the evening at leisure.

Please note: this day will involve approximately 10 hours of travel, including rest stops along the way. Fortunately, you will be blessed with amazing sights along the way, including huge snow-capped mountains and beautiful tree-lined lakes.

Overnight: Abbotsford, British Columbia

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9

Abbotsford – Vancouver Sightseeing – Begin 7-Night Inside Passage Cruise

After breakfast, you'll head to Vancouver for an introductory city tour including Chinatown, Gastown and Stanley Park. You'll then transfer to Canada Place in Downtown Vancouver where you'll embark on your amazing Alaska cruise with Celebrity Cruise Lines, aboard the 'Millennium' ship. The cruise departs at 4.30pm.



The itinerary

Overnight: Celebrity Cruises: 'Celebrity Millennium' ship
Meals included: Breakfast, dinner

Day 10 Inside Passage Cruising

Today you'll sail beyond the Inside Passage into the more protected Alaska Inside Passage. Home to diverse wildlife including orca, mountain goats, bald eagles, bears, puffins, sea otters and more; the complex labyrinth of fjords and bays are where whales and sea lions find refuge during the summer months. You'll never forget the sight of 40-ton whales breaching, and if you're especially lucky, you could see them swimming together to create a bubble net, trapping and eating fish by the giant mouthful.

Overnight: Celebrity Cruises: 'Celebrity Millennium' ship
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 11 Ketchikan, Alaska – 7am to 3pm

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 (not included) through the rainforest, or a wilderness exploration followed by a sumptuous crab feast you'll long remember.

Overnight: Celebrity Cruises: 'Celebrity Millennium' ship
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 12 Icy Strait Point – 10am to 8pm

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 travellers the chance to view wildlife like humpback whales, orcas, seals, eagles and brown bears, or to explore monuments celebrating the region's fishing heritage.

Overnight: Celebrity Cruises: 'Celebrity Millennium' ship
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 13 Juneau, Alaska – 7am to 9pm

Today you'll dock in Juneau – the remote capital of Alaska – where cultured sophistication meets the ruggedness of the Last Frontier. Here you have the opportunity to enjoy a glacial dogsled adventure in Alaska's capital (not included).

Overnight: Celebrity Cruises: 'Celebrity Millennium' ship
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 14 Skagway, Alaska – 7am to 4pm

The great Klondike Gold Rush lives on in Skagway's charming downtown area of restored 19th century buildings and historic railway. From aboard a vintage train (not included), you can admire the mountains and observe the 1898 trail that fortune seekers travelled – on foot. The White Pass and Yukon Route Railroad runs vintage locomotives (not included) past the famously steep Chilkoot Trail and offers sweeping mountain views on its climb toward Canada.

Overnight: Celebrity Cruises: 'Celebrity Millennium' ship
Meals included: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 15 Hubbard Glacier – Scenic Cruising

Enjoy incredible, picture-perfect views from just about anywhere on the ship as the dedicated onboard naturalist narrates the experience. At the same time, keep an eye out for the whales, harbour seals and otters that hunt and play in the waters of Yakutat Bay. With its dramatic 7-mile-wide face and ever-changing wall of ice, the Hubbard Glacier lives long in the memory of any visitor to Alaska.



The itinerary

Overnight: Celebrity Cruises: 'Celebrity Millennium' ship

Meals included: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 16

Seward, Alaska – Arrive at 5am

Upon arrival in the port of Seward, Alaska you will disembark the cruise to be met and transferred the 2.5 hours to Anchorage Airport for your return flight home to Australia.

Please note: Flights from Alaska to Australia will fly via Los Angeles or San Francisco and this journey can take up to 30 hours. Customers who wish to break up their journey on the way home may stop in Los Angeles or San Francisco for a fee. Please see the Important Info for further information.

Meals included: Breakfast, in flight

Day 17

In transit

Day 18

Arrive in Australia



Tour inclusions

Highlights

- Experience a sightseeing tour of vibrant Seattle
- Visit Seattle's famous Pike Place Market
- Travel through Cowboy Country from Montana to Idaho
- Learn about the Frontier Days and American history
- Experience the Big Sky Country of Montana
- Explore Yellowstone, the world's first national park
- See the reliable Old Faithful geyser
- Visit the UNESCO listed Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump
- Discover Banff in the beautiful Canadian Rockies
- See Bow Falls and the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel
- Travel along the jaw-dropping Icefields Parkway
- Visit the Columbia Icefields Discovery Centre
- Admire the turquoise waters of Lake Louise
- Journey through the scenic Banff, Yoho, Glacier and Mount Revelstoke National Parks
- Stop at Eagle Pass and visit the 'Last Spike' of the transcontinental railway
- Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Vancouver
- Cruise to Ketchikan, Icy Strait Point, Juneau, Skagway and Seward in Alaska
- Experience the beauty of the Inside Passage
- Dock in Ketchikan, the 'Salmon Capital of the World'
- Sail through to historic Icy Strait Point
- Discover Alaska's remote capital city of Juneau
- Explore the gold rush town of Skagway
- Spot wildlife such as humpback whales, orcas and seals
- Witness the incredible Hubbard Glacier

Flights

Return economy class international flights from SYD

Accommodation

8 nights' hotel accommodation on tour

Cruise

- 7-night Alaska Inside Passage cruise with Celebrity Cruises
- Sail aboard the incredible 'Celebrity Millennium' ship
- Selected entertainment and standard pre-paid gratuities

Dining

Enjoy 24 meals including all meals aboard cruise

Tour essentials

- English-speaking tour guides
- Airline and cruise taxes and surcharges

Transport

Transportation by A/C vehicles

Transfers

Return airport and port transfers



Important information

Booking information

After purchase, you'll receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. The Passenger Information Form must be completed **within 72 hours of purchase**.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras must be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer, you are bound by the General Terms and Conditions, in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please Note: All additional charges are payable direct to the NRMA (unless otherwise stated).

Offer essentials

- Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until 8 August 2019
- Travel offer is valid for one person based on twin share
- Single traveller supplement
- For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies:
 - Inside Stateroom: \$3,350
 - Ocean View Stateroom: \$4,800
 - Verandah Stateroom: \$6,150

Departure dates (2019)

- May: 2, 16, 30
- June: *13
- August: 8

Surcharges

Dates/months with a * incur a high season surcharge of \$300 per person.

Departure cities

Sydney

Flights

Full service airline(s) used

Delta Airlines, United Airlines or American Airlines plus any codeshare partners, subject to availability

Please note: One way flights can not be accommodated. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

- Arrive early in Seattle, USA (Not available for arrivals before 22 April 2019)
- \$300 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

- This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking

Stay behind in Anchorage Alaska

\$300 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

- Blockout dates apply between 26 June 2019 to 26 July 2019
- Stay behind is not available for departures later 20 September 2019
- This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers



Important information

- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking

Stay behind in Los Angeles, USA

\$350 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

- If you are interested in this stay behind option, please contact our friendly reservations team at the NRMA to make this booking and provide your preferred travel dates. This stay behind option is not available through the online check out.
- Blockout dates apply between 26 June 2019 to 26 July 2019
- Stay behind is not available for departures later 20 September 2019
- This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers
- This fee includes an internal flight from Anchorage to Los Angeles. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly reservations team so we may secure your return flight back to Australia. Please note, by choosing to forfeit your connecting flight the cost does not change.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking

Stay behind in San Francisco, USA

\$450 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

- If you are interested in this stay behind option, please contact our friendly reservations team at the NRMA to make this booking and provide your preferred travel dates. This stay behind option is not available through the online check out.
- Blockout dates apply between 26 June 2019 to 26 July 2019
- Stay behind is not available for departures later 20 September 2019

- This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers
- This fee includes an internal flight from Anchorage to San Francisco. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly reservations team so we may secure your return flight back to Australia. Please note, by choosing to forfeit your connecting flight the cost does not change.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking

Stopover packages

Not available

Flight class upgrades

Please note: Upgrades are subject to request only. Availability and pricing will be confirmed once your Passenger Information Form is returned to the NRMA.

Cruises

Cabins

Please note: All cabins are subject to availability. Some cabins may have restricted views.

Accommodation

Accommodation used

3 star (self-rated)

- Seattle, Washington: Ramada Hotel Tukwila or Ramada Hotel Kent
- Coeur d'Alene, Idaho or Spokane Washington: My Place Hotel or Mirabeau Park Hotel
- Shelby, Montana: Comfort Inn or Best Western Shelby Inn & Suites
- Banff, Alberta: Inns of Banff / High Country Inn / Banff Inn OR Ptarmigan Inn



Important information

- Abbotsford, British Columbia: Quality Hotel or Best Western
- 2 star (self-rated)
- Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming: Absakora Lodge / Big Rock Inn / Super 8 / Rodeway Inn & Suites or Comfort Inn

Please note: Rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed no later than two weeks prior to travel.

Extra nights

Not available

Maximum room capacity

3 people and subject to availability

Child policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children/infants 8 years old and over

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple share

No discounts apply for 3rd person travelling. Full price applies and is subject to availability.

Bedding configuration

1 x queen/king or 2 x single (subject to availability)

Adjoining/interconnecting rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotel's discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

General tour information

Minimum group size 20, maximum group size 54 per vehicle

Optional tours/activities

- Columbia Icefield 'Ice Explorer' ride: \$95 CAD (approx. \$96 AUD)

Please note:

- Prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified.
- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate
- Shore excursions can be booked/reserved directly with the cruise line prior to travel (subject to availability)
- Shore excursions can also be booked whilst onboard (subject to availability)

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements (a ESTA Visa Waiver for the USA and an ETA for Canada are strict requirements if travelling on an Australian passport)
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary (including any specialty restaurants onboard cruise)
- Gratuities/tipping: Recommended on land: \$10 AUD per person/day in total for driver and guide. Mandatory on cruise: Additional gratuities are payable on additional items and services such as wines and spa treatments.
- Optional activities/tours, including any 'onshore' excursions as part of cruise
- Personal expenses
- Mandatory travel insurance

Please note: A comprehensive travel Insurance policy must be organised before all details can be finalised.



Other important information

Climate and average temperature

Seattle

July is the hottest month in Seattle with an average temperature of 18°C and the coldest is January at 5°C, with the most daily sunshine occurring in July with 10 hours.

Banff

The climate in Banff is cold and temperate due to its elevation of 1,400m. There is significant rainfall throughout the year, even the driest month still brings a lot of rain. Temperatures are the warmest during the summer months and are pleasant with an average high of 21.6°C and an average low of 7.3°C. Keep in mind that snow has been recorded in all months of the year.

Alaska

Alaska's Inside Passage region has a temperate summer climate. Dry in early summer, with slightly more rain likely from August onward, temperatures average between 4°C and 20°C. The weather is changeable. Expect long days of sunlight.

Tour guide vs. tour leader

Tour guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and ensuring guests have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour, they do not travel with the group.

Tour leader

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop.

A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

Cruise

- Disembarkation usually begins 2 hours after docking
- Due to security reasons, all guests must be on board 2 hours before sailing
- Itineraries are subject to change at any time without notice
- Check your specific sailing for exact departure and arrival times. All times are local to the port.

Coach tour

Meals

24 meals are included in the tour. For all other meals, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. You can also enquire about any allergies and food and if necessary request meals to be prepared with any medication you require.

Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. You must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and off-loading of the luggage from the coach.



Other important information

Gratuities

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip for the tour leader and driver is \$10 AUD per person per day, which will be collected on tour. Pre-paid gratuities on board the cruise are included in the package price. Any optional extras purchased on board the cruise will have up to an 18% gratuity added.

Fitness level required / mobility

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: A general level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Visas

- If travelling on an Australian Passport, an ESTA (Visa Waiver) for the USA is a strict requirement when travelling to or flying through the USA. Once a USA ESTA Visa Waiver is issued, it is valid for 2 years or until your passport expires (whichever is sooner), and will allow multiple entries into the USA. For information on ESTA eligibility or to apply, please visit: <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/>
- An ETA for Canada is also a strict requirement as of 15 March 2016. Apply via this link: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/eta-start.asp>
- Canadian dual citizens must check their visa/passport requirements prior to purchase, as consular changes were made on 10 November 2016. **Please follow this link for more information:** www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/dual-canadian-citizens.asp

Please note:

- Due to recent changes in USA Immigration policies, the NRMA recommend all travellers visit the US Customs & Border Protection website for current travel information.
- Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or a visa agency to determine their visa requirements and what personal identification is required.

Schedule of fees

Voluntary changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- 1st change: \$100.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.
- 2nd change: \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.
- Subsequent changes: \$250.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.
- Changes within 30 days of departure: \$350.00 person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.
- Changes within 14 days of departure: \$500.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Name changes due to passenger error

- If the incorrect name has been advised to the NRMA, charges of \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider will apply.