

Sea Wolf Adventures Juneau-Ketchikan 2017 Itinerary

Day 1: Docked Auke Bay or Downtown. Boarding at 9:00 AM. Once on board we will have an orientation and safety meeting so we can get underway for our first kayaking adventure. Our course will head us south down Gastineau Channel and out into Stephens Passage on our way to an anchorage Wood Spit. After lunch we will have a kayaking orientation and then launch our kayaks for an introductory paddle and beach exploration of this Glacial Fjord. LD

Day 2: We will be Underway in the very early morning into Endicott Arm. Breakfast will be on the move and soon after you will be on the bow as the Sea Wolf navigates through icebergs as we wind our way into the fjord. It is twenty-seven miles up the Arm to the face of Dawes Glacier where we will pause to observe the monumental calving of the glacier. Seals and their pups abound in these waters. After lunch we will launch our kayaks to paddle across the face of Dawes Glacier and down the fjord to the Sea Wolf. This is a lovely paddle with a break on a beach by the face of Dawes. BLD

Day 3: We will then make our way to Ford's Terror, an incredibly beautiful area where we will kayak through a narrow race into an amazing wilderness to explore. We need to come out on the last of the ebb and will have lunch on the beach with a hike to the top of the Mountain for an incredible view of the standing waves of the race on the flood. We then cruise back to Wood Spit for our anchorage. BLD

Day 4: We now head back to Stephens Passage and into Frederick Sound. We'll continue down the coast of Admiralty Island, keeping a constant lookout for whales along the route to the Brothers Islands. This group of islands is one of the prime summer feeding grounds for the migratory Humpback and where whales bubble net feeding is frequently observed. We will anchor up where the sounds of whale blows, the bellowing of Stellar Sea Lions hauled out close by, and the chortling of the eagles will be a feast for the senses as we dine on lunch. After lunch we'll kayak around the islands and explore the mature coastal rainforest by foot. BLD

Day 5 & 6: Breakfast underway as we cruise toward Admiralty Island, home of the largest concentration of Brown Bears in SE Alaska. We will be on the lookout for Humpback whales, Orca, Sea lions and migrating birds during this morning long cruise. Once we are anchored up we will spend the afternoon exploring the bays and estuaries by kayak and foot looking for fishing bears, spawning salmon and migrating waterfowl. BLD

Day 7: The morning after breakfast we will head to Thomas Bay and Baird Glacier. We hope to see Humpback whales and other marine mammals on our course to Thomas Bay. Our afternoon activity and evening anchorage are near Scenery Cove. We will skiff across to Baird Glacier-hiking across the massive moraine till that lies at the foot of Baird Glacier with a goal of standing on the glacier itself. BLD

Day 8: We will be underway early am the famous Wrangell Narrows- a 22 mile long channel offering safe inside waters for smaller vessels. We will pass by Petersburg, Alaska and then navigate through 60 navigation markers that guide us through its winding nature and navigation hazards. This is a beautiful passage to explore by cruising. Anchor up at the end of the passage for the evening, dinner underway. BLD

Day 9: In the morning after breakfast we will make our way to Eastern Passage that passes by Annan Creek. This is a less traveled, narrower and more serpentine passage that takes you past ancient forests. Transiting these iconic Alaskan channels is a rite of passage for all Northwestern navigators. We will be looking for an intriguing place to kayak along these waters. Black bears, eagles and whales all abound in these waters and islands. Brown and Black bears fish along Annan Creek. We hope to hike the Anan Creek boardwalk up to the observation falls area. BLD.

Day 10: We will have a morning kayak and hike then get underway for Ketchikan where we will be disembarking at 3 pm. BL

* This is a proposed itinerary; weather, wildlife and our collective whim may cause a change in course but it will all be wonderful!