

*For both trips shown you can select the dates that you wish to travel, as well adjust the itinerary to choose which activities will suit you best.*

*Trips are available in June, July, August and early September.*

*Please contact us to ensure the dates you want are available:*

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### *Itinerary for Camping/Kayaking Adventure*

#### *Day 1*

*Arrive Valdez, check into our comfortable accommodations at the Best Western Inn located right at the small boat harbor and directly across the bay from the famous Trans Alaska Pipeline Terminus. Dinner and plenty of daylight left to do some exploring around town.*

#### *Day 2*

*Breakfast at your leisure. Depart mid morning via van for adventure and sight seeing. We first visit Keystone Canyon and see the beautiful Horse Tail and Bridal Veil Falls on the fast moving Lowe River. From there we proceed north into Thompson Pass for breathtaking views of the Chugach Mountains, forests, valleys and rivers formed by the massive snow runoff. After that it's on to the Worthington Glacier National Park to explore one of the most accessible and magnificent glaciers in Alaska.*

*Returning mid afternoon for a late lunch and then on to our outfitters for a briefing on our trip and pick up gear we will need to get ready for our departure. We will show you how to pack your gear in dry bags and review the packing list.*

#### *Days 3-6*

*Early breakfast and on to the docks to meet our water taxi and load our gear and kayaks for transportation to our jumping off point on Glacier Island. From here we pack our gear into the kayaks and begin our fabulous journey. For the next 4 days and 3 nights we will circumnavigate Glacier Island, taking in the many sites and sounds. We will encounter a wide variety of wildlife that will include eagles, sea otters, river otters, sea lions and quite possibly Humpback/Orca whales!*

*We will camp on beaches as we travel along enjoying great meals prepared by our talented guides. After traveling around Glacier Island we cross over to Heather Bay for a fantastic journey through the ice fields of the Columbia Glacier. The stark beauty of seeing formations from ice that is hundreds of years old will be something you will always remember.*

#### *Day 7*

*We've set this day aside for you to pick from a variety of options that allow you to choose your desired level of activity. You can hike the beautiful Mineral Trail, rent a mountain bike and head north on the Richardson Hwy to the Valdez Glacier or just enjoy shopping and taking in the rich history of the area.*

*We depart in the afternoon for our journey 100 miles north to Copper Center where we will check into the Road House for the night, enjoying a fabulous dinner and preparation for morning departure for your white water raft/fishing or raft/hiking adventure on the beautiful Gulkana or Klutina Rivers.*

#### *Day 8*

*For those who have opted for a day of fishing, there will be an early departure from the Road House as we make our way to the launch site on the Gulkana River and spend the rest of the day rafting and fishing for Alaska King and Red Salmon in some of the most beautiful country you've ever experienced. Bears, Moose and a variety of wildlife is often seen on this trip.*

*If you've chosen not to fish, departure will be a little later for our rafting/hiking adventure.*

*After our adventure we will spend the night again at the Historic Road House enjoying more fantastic food a short distance from the Copper River.*

#### *Day 9*

*Breakfast at your leisure. We will depart for mid morning for a scenic*

*drive back to Anchorage arriving in time for additional sight seeing in the Anchorage/Girdwood/ Seward areas.*

*There will be time for a meal at the restaurant of your choice, we highly recommend the historic Millennium. From there, we will head out to the airport and you evening flight back to Chicago.*

### *Itinerary for Lodge Based Kayak Adventure*

*Day 1-Arrive Valdez, check into our comfortable accommodations at the Best Western Inn located right at the small boat harbor and directly across the bay from the famous Trans Alaska Pipeline Terminus. Dinner and plenty of daylight left to do some exploring around town.*

*Day 2-Breakfast at your leisure. Depart mid morning via van for adventure and sight seeing. We first visit Keystone Canyon and see the beautiful Horse Tail and Bridal Veil Falls on the fast moving Lowe River. From there, we proceed north into Thompson Pass for breathtaking views of the Chugach Mountains, forests, valleys and rivers formed by the massive snow runoff. After that, it's on to the Worthington Glacier National Park to explore one of the most accessible and magnificent glaciers in Alaska.*

*Returning mid afternoon for a late lunch, after which, we will move on to our outfitters for a briefing on our trip and pick up gear that we will need to get ready for our departure. We will show you how to pack your gear in dry bags and review the packing list.*

### *Days 3-6*

*After breakfast we head for the docks to meet our water taxi which will transport us to the beautiful Columbia Glacier for a day of paddling among the moraines and ice flows. Some of the ice we will paddle through has been in the glacier for hundreds of years and is amazing to see up close to examine their magical colors.*

*After a full day, we will be picked up by our taxi and transported about 25 miles to our lodge near the native village of Tatitlek where our host will greet us and prepare the first of many gourmet meals that you will enjoy over the next 3 days.*

*Relax and unwind in the wood fired sauna or sit on the deck and enjoy the view while the tides come in.*

*Over the next two days, you can choose to take a daily tour by kayak of this rugged coastline, hike the trails and road or just hang around and read a book.*

*On the 4<sup>th</sup> day, we will be picked up by our water taxi and delivered to Glacier Island for a day of paddling and exploring in this magnificent place. You will get a look eagles, sea otters as well as river otters, orca and humpback whales (taking in some of the most coveted, natural wonders of the world).*

*After a full day, our taxi will pick us up for our return to Valdez.*

#### *Day 7*

*We've set this day aside for you to pick from a variety of options that allow you to choose your desired level of activity. You can hike the beautiful Mineral Trail, rent a mountain bike and head north on the Richardson Hwy to the Valdez Glacier or just enjoy shopping and taking in the rich history of the area.*

*We depart in the afternoon for our journey 100 miles north to Copper Center where we will check into the Road House for the night, enjoying a great dinner and preparation for morning departure for your white water raft/fishing or raft/hiking adventure on the beautiful Gulkana or Klutina Rivers.*

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*If you've chosen not to fish, departure will be a little later for our rafting/hiking adventure.*

*We will spend the night again at the Historic Road House enjoying more fantastic food a short distance from the Copper River.*

*Day 9*

*Breakfast at your leisure. We will depart for Anchorage mid morning for a scenic drive back to Anchorage, arriving in time to do additional sight seeing in the Anchorage/Girdwood/ Seward areas.*

*There will be time for a meal at the restaurant of your choice, we highly recommend the historic Millennium. From there, we will head to the airport and your evening flight back to Chicago.*