

# Alaska's Inside Passage

## Photo and Wilderness Tour – August 3 - 9 , 2002

**Space is limited, so reserve now!**

*Join One World Journeys and documentary and environmental photographer Natalie Fobes on an extraordinary photo and wilderness tour along Alaska's Inside Passage.*

Experience and photograph one of the world's greatest wilderness areas. Witness the abundant wildlife of the Alaskan coast including humpback whales, orcas, and sea lions as well as a chance to spot grizzlies, bald eagles, puffins and more.



Photo: Richard Friedman

You will travel in tandem aboard the Explorer ([www.yachtexplorer.com](http://www.yachtexplorer.com)) and the Ursa Major in comfort with a highly experienced crew providing



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gourmet meals, great accommodations and enjoyable company. The six-day trip will begin and end in Sitka, and, in between, you will be introduced in style to the beautiful and majestic scenery and teeming wildlife of Alaska, in the places the big ships cannot visit.

Photographers will draw upon Natalie's experience as a documentary and environmental photographer through one-on-one instruction, mini-workshops and evening discussion groups. Natalie has photographed and traveled extensively in the Alaskan and Pacific Northwest wilderness. She will share her knowledge of the wild salmon and the Pacific Northwest ecosystem and culture.

Participants on this trip will also have an opportunity to contribute their photography and their words for use in a special photo feature about Alaska's coastal wilderness to appear on [OneWorldJourneys.com](http://OneWorldJourneys.com).



Photo: Natalie Fobes

Non-photographer spouses or friends are encouraged to join. The non-photographer will have opportunities to kayak, fish or simply experience the wilderness through a different perspective.

This is a great trip for photo clubs or individuals. Space is limited to 12 participants, so reserve now if you are interested in this unique Alaska wilderness opportunity.



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### About Natalie Fobes

With a third book in progress, a traveling museum exhibit, and a thriving assignment and stock business, Natalie Fobes is one of the most diverse photographers in the country.

Natalie's ideal assignment is one that explores the complex relationship between humans and the environment. Her dedication to this theme is exemplified by her award-winning coverage of the Exxon Valdez oil spill and her ten-year project on salmon and the people of the salmon, published in National Geographic Magazine and her book *Reaching Home, Pacific Salmon, Pacific People*.



Concerned that the number of magazines willing to commission documentary projects was declining, Natalie co-founded Blue Earth Alliance in 1996. The non-profit foundation is dedicated to helping photographers pursue stories about endangered environments and threatened cultures.

You can see more of Natalie's work on her website at [www.fobesphoto.com](http://www.fobesphoto.com).

# Alaska's Inside Passage: Itinerary

*This trip will begin and end in Sitka, Alaska. It is your responsibility to arrange travel to Sitka. See information below about air travel to Alaska. All participants will meet at a predetermined time and location. Details will be provided upon registration and receipt of deposit.*

**Day One** - Depart at noon from Sitka for Port Krestof, a scenic cove at the foot of the eastern slope of Mt. Edgecombe. This area is home to numerous seals, eagles, and a wide variety of birds. Frequent visitors include sea otters and brown bears.

**Day Two** - Depart for Klag Bay - The outer coast of Chichigof Island is a National Wilderness Area and has abundant wildlife and very few visitors. Expect to see humpback whales, sea otters, sea lions, coastal brown bears (grizzlies) and all manner of bird life including puffins, herons, falcons, harlequin ducks, bald eagles, hummingbirds, and more.

**Day Three** - Cruise to White Sulfur Hot Springs in the middle of the wildest stretch of coastline imaginable. Soak in a natural mineral hot springs overlooking the boat with the Pacific ocean as a backdrop. Cruise north to the charming fishing village of Pelican and a slice of real Alaska with a summer population of 300.

**Day Four** - If the weather allows, cruise up the coast to Deer Harbor on the outside of Yacobi Island. The salmon and halibut are so abundant here that it takes only a short time to catch dinner. Continue north by Taylor Bay at the foot of the massive Brady Glacier. Anchor in Dundas Bay for the night. A great place to kayak and explore, there are usually many sea otters and whales nearby as well as lots of unusual bird life. Dundas Bay is also home to brown and black bears and the rare "Glacier" bear.

**Day Five** - Cruise east in Icy Strait and south through Chatham Strait to Pavlof Harbor. Frequent sightings of orcas and porpoises, and humpback whales are the norm in these waters.

**Day Six** - Cruise through Sergius Narrows to Kalinin Bay. This perfectly sheltered cove at the edge of the ocean has some of Alaska's best fishing just a short skiff ride away. We frequently see brown bears, sea otters and many bald eagles while at anchor here. This is a pleasant place to launch the sea kayaks before dinner.

**Day Seven** - Cruise into Sitka arriving around noon.

For detailed information about the yachts Explorer and Ursa Major visit the web site of Alaska Yacht Charters at <http://www.yachtexplorer.com/>

## Costs:

### Master Suite

(Includes double bed and private bathroom)

\$4,500 per person, based on double occupancy.

\$6,500 per person, based on single occupancy

### Guest Cabin

(Includes 2 single berths, shared bathroom)

\$4,000 per person, based on double occupancy.

\$5,500 per person, based on single occupancy

If you are traveling alone and wish to share a Guest Cabin, we will make our best effort to pair you with a roommate. If that is not possible the single occupancy rate will apply.

## Getting to Alaska:

Please note that our trips do not include airfare to and from Alaska. Wherever you are coming from you will need to arrive in Seattle and then take a flight on Alaska Air Lines to Sitka. To help you make your flight arrangements you can consult with Island Travel at (360) 221- 6996, your personal travel agent or visit the Alaska Air Lines web site at [www.alaskaair.com](http://www.alaskaair.com)

## Reservations:

This trip will fill up quickly, so call now for detailed reservation information and to receive a Trip Registration Form.

Contact One World Journeys at: 360-341-2020 or email: [feedback@oneworldjourneys.com](mailto:feedback@oneworldjourneys.com)

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# Alaska's Inside Passage: Trip Terms

Alaska's Inside Passage Photo and Wilderness Tour is organized by FusionSpark Media (FSM), producers of OneWorldJourneys.com. FSM is the organizer of the trip aboard the boats *Explorer* and the *Ursa Major* owned and operated independently. You can learn more about the boats, the crew and the tour by logging on to the Explorer's website at [www.yachtexplorer.com](http://www.yachtexplorer.com).

## RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS & PAYMENTS

Reservations can be made by calling the FSM office or by faxing the Trip Registration Form to the FSM office. A deposit of 25% of the total cost must be received within two weeks of your reservation; 50% of total cost must be received by March 5, 2002. The balance of the charter fee is due on June 4, 2002.

All prices are in US dollars. Payments can be made with credit card (VISA, MasterCard, AMEX), personal check, wire transfer or money order payable to:

FusionSpark Media Inc.  
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Clinton, WA 98236  
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Space on this trip is limited to 12 participants. This trip will fill up early, so we recommend that you reserve as soon as possible. Also, airlines serving the Northwestern U.S. and Alaska sell out of their lowest fares months in advance. We suggest that you make airline reservations as soon as you have reserved your trip.

Upon receiving your Trip Registration Form, we will send you a confirmation letter detailing your payment schedule and the trip itinerary. Each participant must submit a separate signed registration form prior to departure.

## TRIP INSURANCE

Many travel advisors recommend trip insurance. Good trip insurance will cover cancellation due to your illness or that of a family member as well as cancellation due to inclement weather. It will even cover pre-existing medical conditions if purchased at the time you book your trip and you are capable of traveling at that time. Such coverage is available through Explorer Yacht Charters at modest premiums. To learn more about TravelProtect trip insurance go the TravelProtect web site at: [www.travelprotect.com/explorer.htm](http://www.travelprotect.com/explorer.htm)

## CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

FusionSpark Media is required to make substantial non-refundable payments in advance to organize this charter and photo tour. If you need to cancel your trip, deposits are fully refunded if your space on the trip is filled by another person. Otherwise the fees for trip cancellation are as follows:

### *Cancellation Schedule and Fees:*

Prior to Dec. 31, 2001 ----- Deposit fully refunded  
Jan. 1- Mar. 31, 2002 ----- 50% of Deposit Refunded  
April 1 – June 4 , 2002 ---- 25% of Deposit Refunded  
June 5 – Aug. 3, 2002 ----- No refund unless space is filled.

FSM reserves the right to cancel any trip prior to departure for any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to insufficient signup. The refund of all land payments received shall release FSM from any further liability. A trip canceled due to insufficient signup will occur a minimum of one month prior to departure. Participants holding reservations may be given the option to pay a higher rate in the event that minimum number of reservations is not achieved in order to guarantee the trip.

In the unlikely event that we cancel a cruise due to a mechanical breakdown, you will receive a full refund of all monies paid to us. If this trip is canceled, FSM is not responsible for expenses incurred by participants in preparation for this trip. These expenses include but are not limited to: nonrefundable air tickets or other travel-related expenses, equipment, etc.

If a trip is canceled due to force majeure (acts of God, labor strikes, earthquake, flooding, etc.), FSM will refund the portion of the trip cost not advanced to suppliers and use its best efforts to recover and refund the balance as promptly as possible. However, FSM does not guarantee recovery of any or all of the advance payments made.

## CHANGES OF SCHEDULE AND CREW

Explorer Yacht Charters reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary for any reason up to 6 months before the charter or at any time when necessary for the safety of the guests.

In the event of mechanical breakdown, Explorer Yacht Charters reserves the right to make a timely substitute to another boat of comparable or superior size and quality. We also reserve the right to change or substitute crewmembers and master photographer as workshop leader.