



# THE TRAVEL CLUB

## Pre-Departure Itinerary

### Alaska Discovery

Including a 7 night Princess Cruise in Balcony Cabins

Thursday, May 20 –Tuesday, June 1, 2010

This exploration of Alaska by land and sea is an irresistible “call of the wild.” Begin in Fairbanks with a sternwheeler cruise and some leisure time. In magnificent **Denali National Park** you’ll enjoy a natural history tour with a park expert and learn about this six-million acre pristine wilderness. Arrive in Whittier aboard the Denali Express train and board your **Princess** cruise ship—the luxurious **Coral** (or *Island*), both impressive floating resorts. Your southbound cruise begins with a sail past mammoth Hubbard Glacier. Continue into **Glacier Bay**, filled with tidewater glaciers and coastal islands. You’ll enjoy ports-of-call in **Skagway**, the “Gateway to the Klondike” and the original gold rush town; **Juneau**, Alaska’s lively capital and **Ketchikan**, home to the world’s largest collection of totem poles. Your cruise winds down with an amazing journey through the **Inside Passage** whose natural beauty will leave you breathless. After disembarkation in Vancouver, you’ll have time for sightseeing before your return home.

#### Includes

- Round-trip regularly scheduled flights from Boston to Fairbanks, AK and Seattle, WA to Boston
- Five nights’ first-class hotel accommodations
- Seven night Princess cruise in Balcony Cabins
- Twenty one meals: seven breakfasts, six lunches, eight dinners
- Round-trip airport/hotel transfers
- Sightseeing and touring

#### Trip Planner

Day 1 Flight from Boston  
Days 1-2 Fairbanks Princess Riverside Lodge, Fairbanks, AK  
Days 3-4 Princess Wilderness Lodge Denali, AK  
Days 5-11 Coral or Island Princess  
Day 12 Holiday Inn, Renton WA  
Day 13 Return to Boston

#### Rates

**\$4,139** per person double occupancy  
Call for triple and single reservations. Add \$554 for port charges, current air taxes, fees, charges and surcharges. Cancellation waiver and travel insurance is \$235. Although not required, we recommend purchasing the waiver. Purchase must be made at time of booking. Passport required.

Cabins are confirmed in Balcony category BD. Please note: Onboard gratuities are not included in the price of your vacation. For your convenience, Princess Cruise Lines automatically applies a \$10 per guest per day service charge to your shipboard account. Separately, a 15% gratuity is added for bar drinks and spa services.

## DAILY ITINERARY

### Day 1: Thursday, May 20, 2010 Fairbanks, Alaska - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in Fairbanks, in the great state of Alaska. What better way to explore such a vast and undisturbed region than with a Collette vacation that combines the best of both land and sea, highlighted by accommodations confirmed in a balcony cabin, on an unforgettable 7-night Princess cruise!

### Day 2: Friday, May 21, 2010-Fairbanks

Begin your day on an amazing cruise aboard the popular Stern Wheeler, Discovery, an unforgettable journey showcasing Alaska’s diverse culture and rich history. The remainder of your day is at leisure to discover Alaska’s second largest city on your own.

### Day 3: Saturday, May 22, 2010-Fairbanks - Denali National Park

Depart Fairbanks for a scenic motorcoach ride to Denali National Park. Tonight, enjoy an entertaining evening at the Music of Denali Dinner Theater which tells the story of the first ascent of Mount McKinley. **(D)**.

**Day 4: Sunday, May 23, 2010-Denali**

This morning, join a park expert and embark on a natural history tour into Denali National Park. This tour teaches you about the six million acres that make up this pristine wilderness. The scenery alone is worth the trip, but you may be lucky enough to view some wildlife as well! The remainder of your day is at leisure.

**Day 5: Monday, May 24, 2010-Denali Rail Station - Whittier - Board Cruise Ship**

Transfer to the rail station and ride the Denali Express direct to Whittier for an unforgettable journey. As you relax in the Domed car, the views are so spectacular that you feel as though you can touch the sky. Be on the lookout for bald eagles, bears, whales and more! Once in Whittier, embark the ship to begin your 7-night cruise aboard Princess's Island or Coral. The Island Princess is a fabulous floating resort designed to make your stay onboard truly memorable. You will be dazzled by the entertainment in the state-of-the-art lounges and a myriad of dining options. The Coral Princess is a luxurious way to escape completely, with all the amenities for an amazing cruise. It features an impressive array of dining options, as well as a European-style casino, cigar lounge and retro martini bar. While on board, breakfast, lunch, dinner and nightly entertainment are included. **(D)**.

**Day 6: Tuesday, May 25, 2010-Cruising - Hubbard Glacier**

Your ship cruises past the mammoth Hubbard Glacier, Alaska's only advancing glacier. Your day is filled with amazing natural sights as you linger along its shimmering five-mile long face. **(B,L,D)**.

**Day 7: Wednesday, May 26, 2010-Cruising - Glacier Bay**

Cruise through Glacier Bay, a spectacular national park and preserve that is a treasure trove of tidewater glaciers and scenic coastal islands. Its rich world of marine life and large concentration of tidewater glaciers is Alaska at its best. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 8: Thursday, May 27, 2010-Cruising – Skagway**

Relive Alaska's Gold Rush days in this "Gateway to the Klondike" and home of the famed Chilkoot Trail. In historic Skagway, Alaska's past lives on in a spectacular natural setting and cries of "gold in the Yukon!" can still be heard. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 9: Friday, May 28, 2010-Cruising – Juneau**

From massive scenic mountains to historic buildings, explore Juneau, Alaska's gorgeous capital city with something for everyone. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 10: Saturday, May 29, 2010-Cruising – Ketchikan**

Your port of call today is Ketchikan, known as the "Salmon Capital of the World" and the "City of Totems." Located on the tranquil Revillagigedo Island, Ketchikan is home to the world's largest collection of totem poles. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 11: Sunday, May 30, 2010-Cruising - Inside Passage**

A wonderful day of sightseeing is in store for you as your ship sails along the amazing Inside Passage, an extensive stretch of land known for its natural beauty and abundant wildlife. You will be awe-struck with this natural wonder. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 12: Monday, May 31, 2010-Vancouver, B.C. - Disembark Cruise - Seattle, WA Airport Area**

Your cruise ends in the vibrant city of Vancouver. Choose an optional city tour featuring Stanley Park, Chinatown and Gastown, home to the world-famous steam-powered clock. Or, explore this lovely city on your own. Next, board your coach for your drive to the Seattle airport area for an overnight stay. **(B)**

**Day 13: Tuesday, June 01, 2010-Seattle Airport Area - Tour Ends**

Your tour ends, leaving you with many wonderful memories of your vacation to the last of the great frontiers. This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *This pre-departure itinerary is designed to give you an idea of how this itinerary is structured.* We reserve the right to make any changes to your final itinerary if deemed necessary, at any time prior to departure.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is *not* your final itinerary. You will receive final documents (itinerary, tickets (if applicable), etc.) approximately 2–3 weeks prior to departure. Although we try our best to ensure that information is accurate at the time of publication, we are not responsible for any error, omission, misprint or liability that results from the use (or misuse) of this information.