



Days 1 - 3 are the same for both trips.

Day 1 - After a gear check and orientation, we'll look for Beluga Whales, bald eagles, and mountain sheep as we take one of the most scenic drives in the world to our kayak put-in on Prince William Sound. The afternoon will be spent paddling past waterfalls and bird rookeries to our campsite in the rainforest.

Day 2 - A full day paddling! Our goal is Blackstone Bay where we paddle past huge tidewater glaciers. It's an ambitious goal requiring some mental stamina but we still have time to look for wildlife along the way.

Day 3 - After a short paddle we're picked up by a water taxi for a quick ride back to town.

Extreme Week

Day 3 cont. - After dinner in Anchorage, we head on to the Matanuska Valley. Here you'll enjoy a bed and hot shower in a historic inn.

Day 4 - We're up early to explore the Matanuska Glacier. You'll use mountaineering crampons to explore the glacier and try out the exciting frozen vertical world of ice climbing. At the end of the day we'll have an Alaskan-style barbecue and a night at our Base Camp; complete with a soak in our wood-fired hot tub.

Days 5 to 7 - It's time to head into the backcountry for three days of hiking and mountaineering. Exact locations depend on weather and trail conditions, the abilities of the team, and our un-ending motivation to explore new areas.

Included: all related local transportation. All meals from lunch on day of pick-up to lunch on last day. Accommodation as listed in the itinerary. All guides and instruction. Group and specialized equipment (tents, kayaks, rafts, safety equipment etc.)

Not included: Anchorage accommodation before and after the trip. Personal expenses such as beverages, etc. Personal gear and clothing (sleeping bag, pad, backpack, boots, outerwear, all other clothing)

Xtreme Week

Day 3 cont. - Time to head a little further south to the Kenai Peninsula and the historic gold mining town of Hope. We'll stay at a campground and enjoy the local nightlife at the Seaview Inn.

Day 4 - Six Mile Creek! Class IV - Class V rapids, thundering canyons and lots of fast, cold water make this one of the most exciting raft trips in the area. Dry suits provided, practice swim test required. An unforgettable experience not for the faint-hearted. After the river we'll hit the road north, grabbing a hot shower in Girdwood and pizza in Anchorage before getting to our homestead and Base Camp for the night.

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Days 6 & 7 - It's time to head into the backcountry for a fast and light overnight backpacking trip. Exact locations depend on weather and trail conditions, the abilities of the team, and our un-ending motivation to explore new areas!

NOTE: Six Mile Creek is a very serious raft trip and can only be run at certain water levels. If Six Mile cannot be run due to high water, we will try to adjust the itinerary to include rafting on the "Lion's Head" run of the Matanuska River.



Although these are some of our toughest trips, you need not be a hard-core outdoors person or an athlete.

If you're relatively fit, mentally tough, and up for the challenges of the Alaskan backcountry you'll probably do just fine. **But come ready to play hard - rain or shine!**

Challenge Level: 4-5; Difficult backcountry travel on and off trail. May include snow, glacier and river crossings. Primitive camping.

No experience required but you must be over 18, in good physical condition and prepared for the challenges of the Alaska backcountry.

Cost: \$2195

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