

DISCOVER ALASKA

SUMMER 2026 EDITION



MSC

EXCURSIONS

Discoveries designed for you

EXPLORE WITH MSC EXCURSIONS

Can a day trip last a lifetime? With our incredible range of MSC Excursions, they can. Whether you prefer adventure, nature, culture, or history, you can create lifelong memories for yourself and the whole family.

DISCOVER & ENJOY

Make the most of your time ashore by having all transportation, timings, and itineraries prepared for you with the benefit of priority disembarkation.

MEET YOUR PREFERENCES

Choose excursions catered to your travel style, interests, and schedule preferences to unlock deeper knowledge of each destination. Allotments can be limited on some tours. Book early, before the cruise or on embarkation day, to secure your space.

MSC'S SEAL OF APPROVAL

Reliable local providers vetted by MSC Cruises for your safety with expert guides who prioritize an authentic and smooth excursion experience. Relax and enjoy in comfort and safety, knowing that your excursion guide can always contact the ship should the unforeseen happen.

PRICE TRANSPARENCY

Stick to your budget with confidence knowing that all planned activities of your excursion are included in the price. Enjoy the freedom of a flexible cancellation policy.



PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

TICKET DELIVERY

Tickets for the excursions booked before your cruise will be sent to your cabin prior to the port call. Once tickets are received, please check that the excursion name, language, and your cabin number are correct.

Excursion details are subject to change for reasons beyond our control. To stay informed please check the Tour Guide in your cabin or scan the QR code on public area screens and at the Shore Excursions Desk (Deck 6).

EXCURSIONS MEETING POINT, DEPARTURE AND DURATION

Excursions may have multiple departures during the day.

Meeting times and locations, along with your bus number, will be clearly indicated on your excursion ticket. Departure times to leave from the ship and excursion duration are approximate and may vary due to weather, traffic, or local conditions beyond our control. Despite this, it is necessary that you respect the time assigned to your meeting point location. Excursion cancellation or changes to the departure time, duration or program, will be promptly communicated on board.

On the day of your excursion, instructions and important details will be provided at the meeting point by our Shore Excursions Staff. We ask that you wait at the meeting point until your group is called, this will help ensure a safe and smooth operation.

Please note that crowded piers or local authority procedures may cause delays.





EXCURSIONS MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM ALLOTMENTS

Excursions have limited seats and can sell out quickly, we recommend booking early, before cruising, to secure your spot and benefit from the best price.

If minimum participation requirements are not met, excursions may be cancelled. Should this happen, our Shore Excursions Team on board will let you know as soon as possible and propose other experiences.

LANGUAGES

Our Alaskan excursions are primarily guided in English. Due to the remote and rugged nature of this region, guides in other languages may be limited. Whenever possible, we strive to accommodate additional languages; however, some tours may operate exclusively in English when multilingual guides are not available.

VENUES & TRANSPORTATION

Every site and venue included in our program is detailed in our official tour descriptions available on our website and MSC for Me Mobile App before your cruise.

On board you can consult the Tour Guide in your cabin, the MSC for Me mobile app, or Digital Signage.

ACCESSIBILITY

Accessibility solutions, including wheelchair facilities, may not be present in all excursions. Please review your excursion descriptions for more information on accessibility details (Icons indicating difficulty level, wheelchair access and mobility, as well as additional notes, can be found in the excursion descriptions.)

Guests with mobility requirements who book an excursion offering accessibility solutions are encouraged to inform the Shore Excursions Team on board at the earliest opportunity. This allows us to plan thoughtfully and ensure the smoothest, most enjoyable experience possible.

ALLERGIES

Guests with allergies or food intolerances planning to participate in an excursion including food and beverages are asked to consult with the Shore Excursions Team once on board at the earliest convenience.



SPECIAL REQUESTS

If you are travelling with friends and would like to be in the same excursion group, let us know once on board in order for our Team to make the best arrangements.

To plan a private service experience please reach out to our Contact Center before cruising or the Shore Excursion Team on board.

SAVE THE DATE: EXCURSIONS PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Our Shore Excursions Team on board will give all the necessary information about excursions during a dedicated session taking place close to embarkation day, all the event details will be communicated on a flyer you will receive in your cabin. This is the perfect opportunity to ask your questions and get an overview of the available excursions to organize your trip in the best way possible.

SHORE EXCURSIONS CONTACT REFERENCE BEFORE CRUISING

For any questions or queries regarding MSC Excursions before cruising, our Contact Centre will be happy to assist.

SHORE EXCURSIONS CONTACT REFERENCE ON BOARD

Our Shore Excursions Team is available to assist you during office opening hours on Deck 6. You can also reach them directly from your cabin by dialing one of these three numbers; 2433 / 2804 / 2805.

YOUR FEEDBACK MATTERS

After each excursion, you will receive a short survey by email, it is a wonderful opportunity to share your experience with us. Your feedback is truly invaluable. It helps us continuously refine our offerings and create even more meaningful, memorable moments ashore for the future.



LOCAL INFORMATION

POPULATION

Seattle: 749,000 residents within the city proper, with the greater metropolitan area home to around 4.1 million residents.

Ketchikan: 8,100 residents.

Icy Strait Hoonah: 894 residents.

Juneau: 31,500 residents.

Victoria: 102,856 residents within the city proper. However, including the surrounding municipalities, the Greater Victoria region is home to over 430,000 residents.

ETHNIC GROUPS

Seattle

Seattle is home to a diverse mix of cultural communities, including people of Irish, German, English, Norwegian, and Italian heritage, as well as large Chinese, Filipino, Vietnamese, Japanese, and Indian communities. The city also has vibrant Hispanic and Latino communities from Mexico, Central, and South America.

These groups contribute to Seattle's rich cultural traditions, festivals, cuisine, and community life.

Ketchikan, Juneau

Home to the Tlingit, Haida, Tsimshian, and Eyak peoples, Southeast Alaska Natives are celebrated for their rich cultural heritage, including totemic art, intricate weaving, and traditional storytelling. Organizations like Sealaska and the Sealaska Heritage Institute work to preserve their traditions and support cultural and educational initiatives across the region.

Icy Strait Hoonah

The Huna Tlingit are the original inhabitants of this region of Southeast Alaska, with ancestral ties to Glacier Bay and the surrounding coastal waters. For generations, their culture has been shaped by a deep respect for the land and sea, reflected in traditions of salmon fishing, storytelling, carving, song, and dance. Clan crests and totem poles share stories of lineage and significant events, preserving



history through art and oral tradition. Today, the Huna Tlingit continue to honor their heritage while welcoming guests to experience the living culture, values, and enduring connection to place that define their community.

Victoria

Victoria is one of Canada's most culturally diverse and historically rich cities. It is home to Canada's oldest Chinatown, located on Fisgard Street, which dates back to the 1850s gold rush era. The city also has strong British influences, reflected in its architecture, gardens, and afternoon tea traditions. Visitors will also find a vibrant arts scene, Indigenous cultural history, and a welcoming coastal atmosphere that blends small-city charm with international appeal.

WEATHER

We recommend dressing in layers and bringing a light rain jacket, regardless of the season, as conditions can shift throughout the day.

Seattle

Seattle has a mild, oceanic climate. Summers (June through September) are generally warm and dry, with temperatures typically ranging from the mid-60s°F to low 80s°F (18–28°C).

Ketchikan, Juneau

From May through August, Southeast Alaska offers cool to mild temperatures along with frequent rainfall. Rain is common throughout the season, helping to keep the landscapes vibrant, green, and beautifully misty.

- In May, daytime highs typically reach the upper 50s°F (14–15°C).
- June brings slightly warmer weather, with highs in the mid-60s°F (17–19°C).
- July is the warmest month, with temperatures rising to the low 70s°F (21–23°C).
- August remains mild and lush, with similar temperatures.

Icy Strait Hoonah

Hoonah experiences a classic Southeast Alaska coastal climate - cool, fresh, and beautifully dynamic. During the primary cruise months (May through September), daytime temperatures typically range from the mid-50s°F to low-60s°F (12–18°C), offering comfortable conditions for exploring both land and sea. Thanks to its location within a temperate rainforest, light rain showers are common and contribute to the region's vibrant greenery and cascading waterfalls. Weather patterns can shift quickly, with sunshine, passing clouds, and mist often blending throughout the day.



Victoria

Victoria enjoys one of the mildest and most temperate climates in Canada, thanks to its coastal location along the Pacific Ocean. The nearby Olympic Mountains create a rain shadow effect, meaning Victoria receives significantly less rainfall than Vancouver. Humidity levels typically range from 75–80%, while steady ocean breezes help maintain comfortable conditions. Extreme heat or cold is rare. Spring temperatures range from 59-66°F (15-19°C), and summer temperatures range from 66-80°F (19-27°C).

LOCAL CURRENCY

Seattle, Ketchikan, Icy Strait Hoonah, Juneau: USD.
Victoria: CAD.

PAYMENT METHODS

Seattle: Seattle is largely cashless-friendly. Credit and debit cards (Visa, Mastercard, American Express, and Discover) are widely accepted, as are mobile payment options such as Apple Pay and Google Pay. While cash is accepted at most establishments, many smaller vendors and markets, including Pike Place Market, prefer cards. ATMs are widely available throughout the city.

Ketchikan: cash or credit cards are accepted in most venues.

Icy Strait Hoonah: cash or credit cards.

Juneau: cash or credit cards are accepted in most venues.

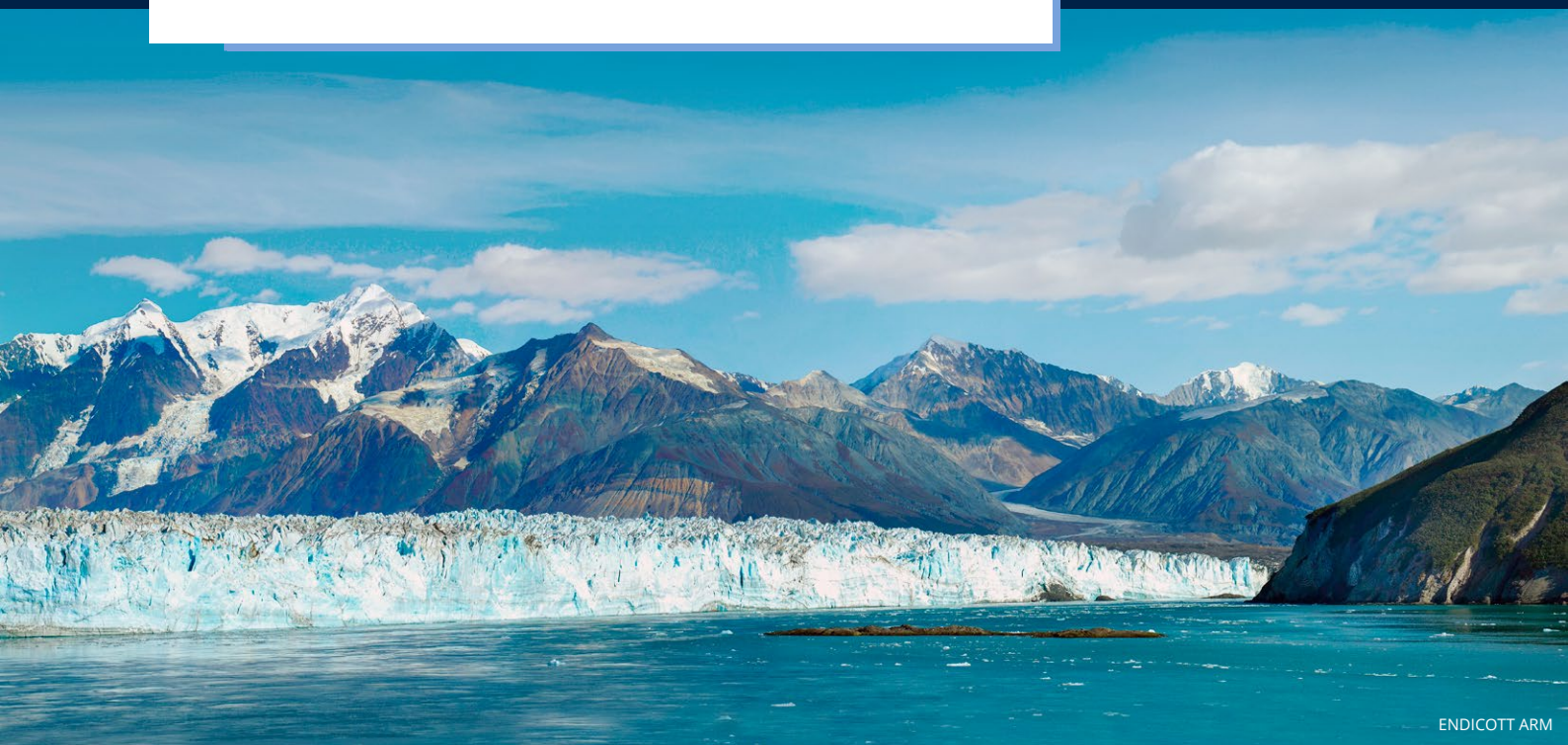
Victoria: most venues accept cash (CAD preferred, but some businesses may accept USD), debit cards, credit cards, mobile payments (Apple Pay, Google Pay).



DISCOVER **ALASKA**

WHERE NATURE TELLS THE STORY

Step into the wild beauty of Alaska, where towering glaciers, untouched landscapes, and rich local cultures create unforgettable experiences. Each destination reveals a different side of this extraordinary land, from charming coastal towns to breathtaking natural wonders waiting to be explored.



SEATTLE



Set in the northwest of *Washington State*, Seattle is known fondly as the *Emerald City* and boasts a whole lot of unique cultural attractions and a thriving culinary scene. Discover *Pike Place Market*, walk through the city's musical past and present in the *Museum of Pop Culture*, or ascend the *Space Needle* for an aerial perspective.

DID YOU KNOW SEATTLE

Experience the “Soul of Seattle” at Pike Place Market, while you’re there, look for **Rachel the Pig**, a 550-pound bronze piggy bank that collects thousands of dollars in spare change every year to support the local community.

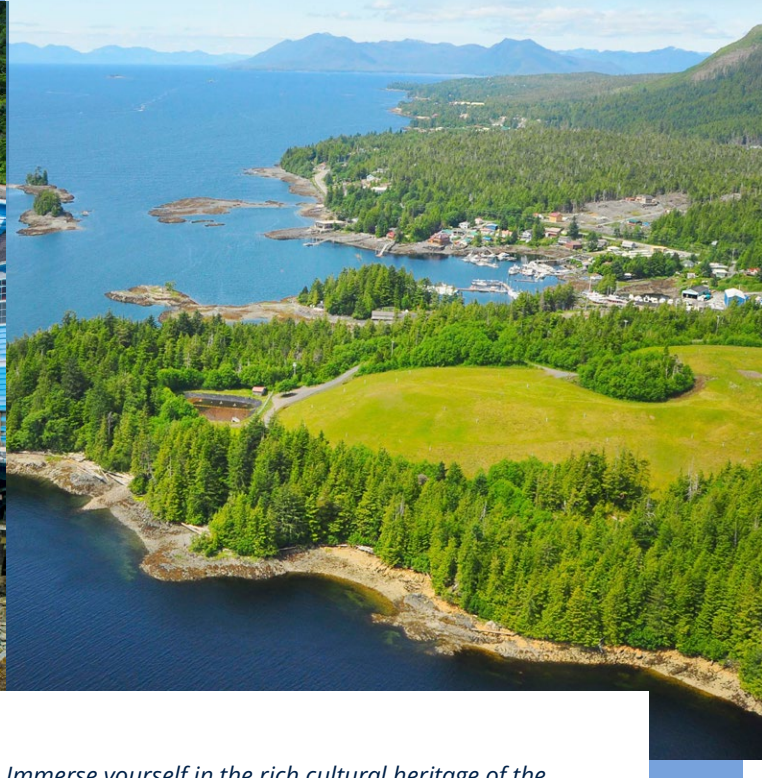
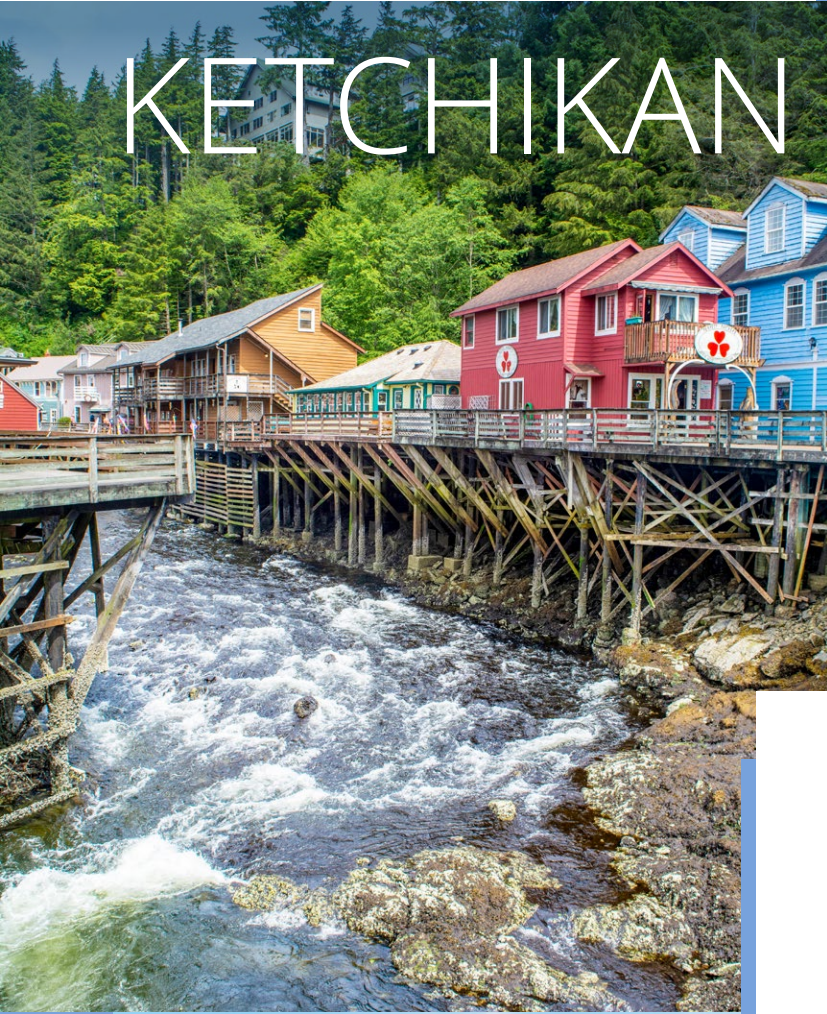


SEATTLE MUST-SEE HIGHLIGHTS

Excursions		Space Needle	Pike Place Market	Chihuly Garden of Glass
SEA01D	Seattle's Best: Space Needle & Pike Place ending at Seatac Airport	✓	✓	
SEA01T	Seattle's Best: Space Needle & Pike Place in transit	✓	✓	
SEA02D	Space Needle & Chihuly Garden of Glass ending at Seatac Airport	✓		✓
SEA02T	Space Needle & Chihuly Garden of Glass in transit	✓		✓

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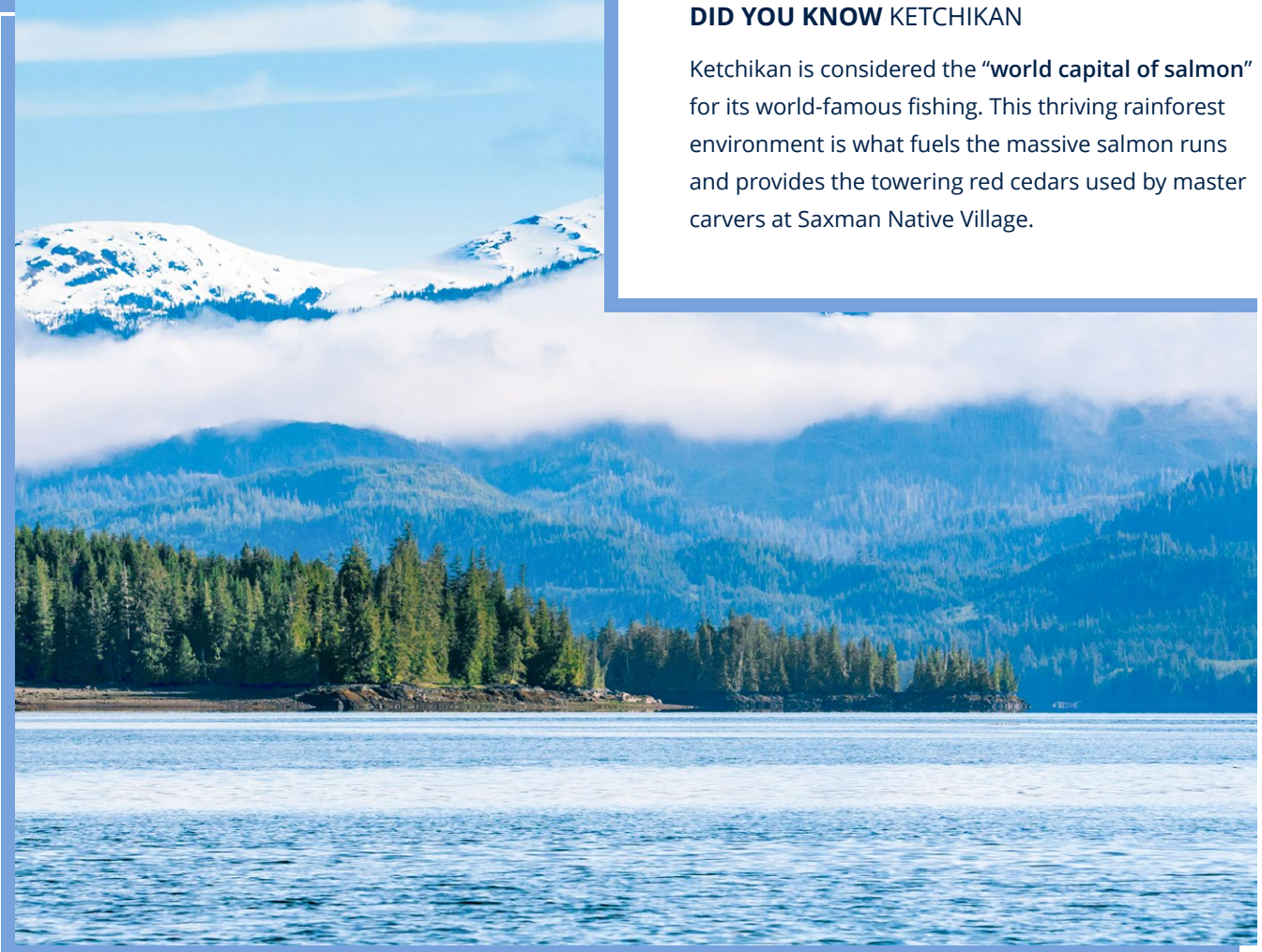
KETCHIKAN



Immerse yourself in the rich cultural heritage of the Tlingit people at Totem Bight State Historical Park. Explore this 11-acre rainforest sanctuary, home to 14 meticulously restored totem poles and a traditional clan house.

DID YOU KNOW KETCHIKAN

Ketchikan is considered the “world capital of salmon” for its world-famous fishing. This thriving rainforest environment is what fuels the massive salmon runs and provides the towering red cedars used by master carvers at Saxman Native Village.



KETCHIKAN MUST-SEE HIGHLIGHTS

Excursions	Totem Park	Saxman Native Village	Lumberjack show	Wildlife Sightseeing	Traditional Food	Traditional Fishing	Herring Bay Lumber Company Sawmill	Misty Fjords
KET01 Totem Bight & Ketchikan City Tour	✓							
KET02 Great Alaskan Lumberjack Show			✓					
KET03 Misty Fjords & Wilderness Explorer				✓				✓
KET04 Misty Fjords Flightseeing				✓				✓
KET05 Bering Sea Crab Fishermen's Tour				✓		✓		
KET06 Alaska Fishing and Wilderness Dining					✓	✓		
KET07 Alaska Bear & Flightseeing Adventure				✓				
KET08 Rainforest Sanctuary & Totem Park	✓			✓			✓	
KET09 Protectours: Saxman Native Village	✓	✓						
KET10 Lighthouse, Totems and Eagles Excursion	✓			✓				
KET11 City Highlights, Totems & Creek Street By Trolley		✓						
KET12 Lumberjack Show & Crab Feast			✓		✓			
KET14 Black Bear & Wildlife Exploration				✓			✓	
KET16 Authentic Alaska Fishing						✓		
KET18 Alaskan Culinary Tastings, Tlingit Traditions and Lumberjack Show		✓	✓		✓			
KET19 Historic Highlights, Dungeness Crab & Mimosa Brunch		✓			✓			
KET22 Totem Bight and Rainforest Canoe Combo	✓							
KET26 Saxman Native Village and Lumberjack Show		✓	✓					
KET27 Totem Bight & Lumberjack Show	✓		✓					
KET28 Great Alaskan Lumberjack Show & Axe Throwing			✓					
KET32 Tales & Tides: Alaskan Lore & Wildlife Cruise				✓				
KET33 Alaskan Bear Encounter by Land & Sea				✓				
KET34 Alaska Lodge Adventure & Seafeast				✓	✓			

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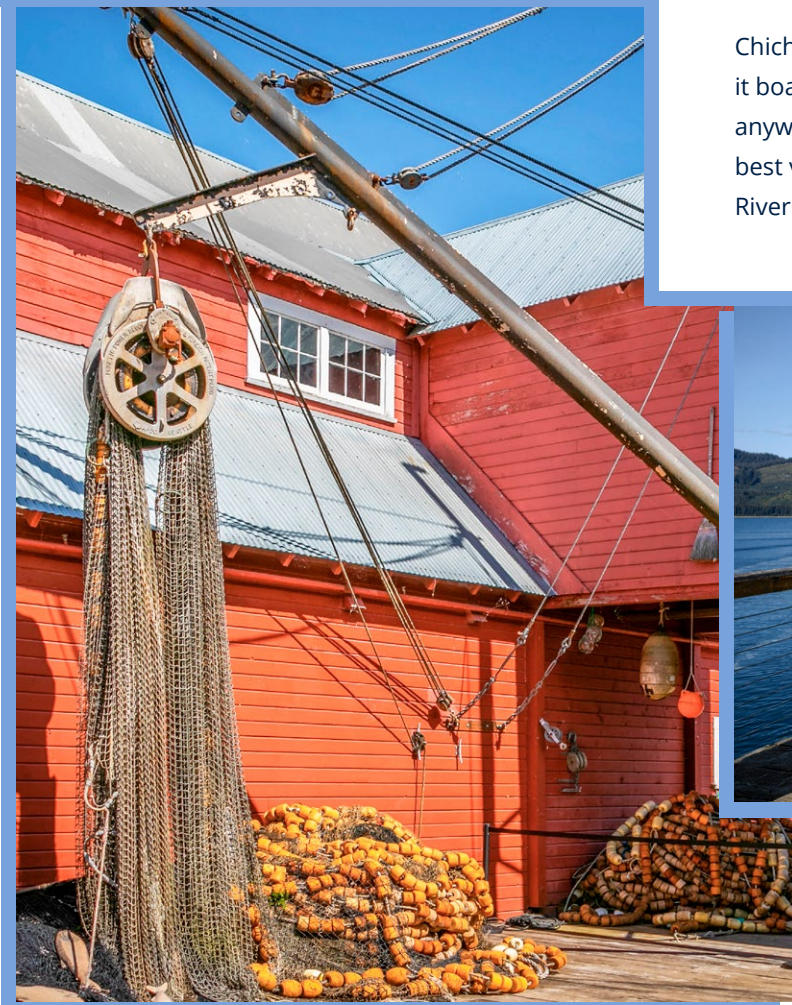
ICY STRAIT HOONAH



Experience the wild beauty of Alaska at Icy Strait Point. Owned by the Huna Tlingit Native Corporation, this coastal town offers breathtaking scenery and a deep connection to nature.

DID YOU KNOW ICY STRAIT HOONAH

Chichagof Island is nicknamed "Bear Island" because it boasts more **brown bears per square mile** than anywhere else on Earth, offering some of the world's best viewing opportunities right from the Spasski River platforms.



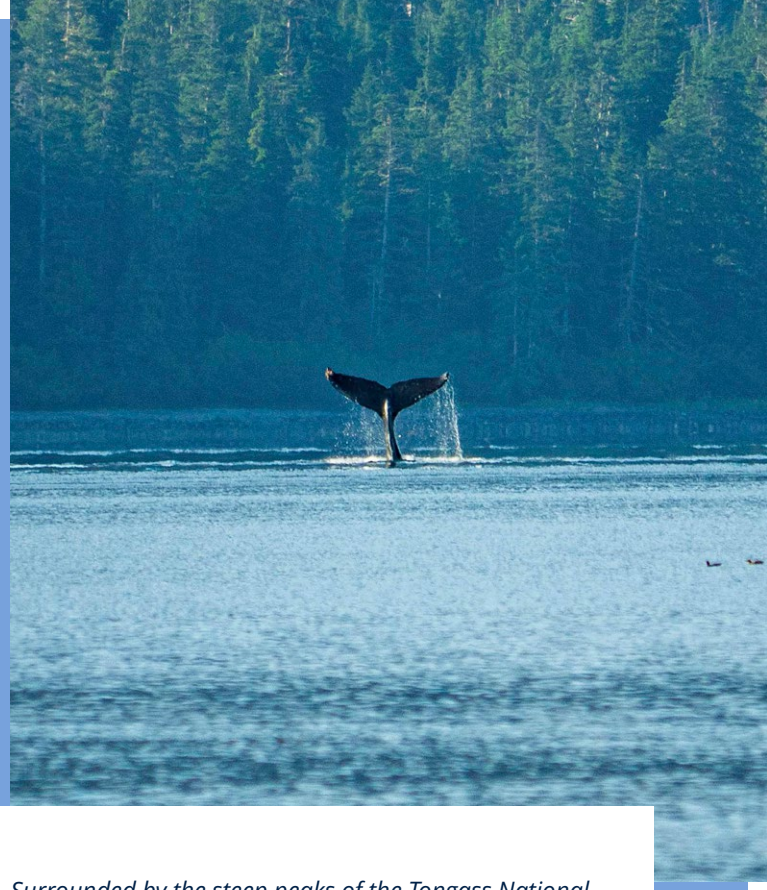


ICY STRAIT HOONAH MUST-SEE HIGHLIGHTS

Excursions	Spasski River Valley	Wild bear sightseeing	Whale Watching	Heritage Center Native Theater	Port Frederick views	Sky Peak Gondola	Chichagof Island	Traditional Food
ICX01 Whales, Wildlife, and Bear Search	✓		✓				✓	
ICX02 Whale Watching & Seafood Feast		✓	✓		✓			✓
ICX04 Spasski River Valley Wildlife and Bear Search	✓	✓					✓	
ICX05 Hoonah Sightseeing & Tribal Connections				✓				
ICX06 Mountaintop Forest Excursion					✓	✓		
ICX07 World's Largest Ziprider	✓					✓		
ICX09 Back Country Jeep Adventure		✓					✓	
ICX11 Protectours: Icy Strait Point Kayak Adventure					✓			
ICX14 In Alaska's Wildest Kitchen								✓
ICX15 Seafood Feast & Tribal Connections				✓				✓

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JUNEAU



Surrounded by the steep peaks of the Tongass National Forest and the vast Juneau Icefield, Alaska's capital is a world-class wilderness hub that feels like a coastal island.

DID YOU KNOW JUNEAU

Juneau is the only U.S. capital city inaccessible by road, meaning every visitor, and even the local sled dogs, must arrive by sea or air. This "island-like" isolation is exactly why nature remains so untouched, allowing you to fly directly from the city to wander across the ancient Mendenhall Glacier or witness humpback whales at the very same time.



JUNEAU MUST-SEE HIGHLIGHTS

Excursions	Glacier Views	Sightseeing Flight	Whale Watching	Dog Sledding	Gold Panning	Traditional food	Tongass National Rainforest	Water Activities
JNU02 Mendenhall Glacier, Hatchery and Salmon Bake	✓					✓	✓	
JNU03 Mendenhall Glacier & Guided Walk By Helicopter	✓	✓						
JNU04 Dog Sledding on the Mendenhall Glacier By Helicopter	✓	✓		✓				
JNU07 Alaska Culinary Experience and Evening Whale Quest			✓			✓		
JNU08 Self-Guided Jeep Tour (4-Door; Price Per Vehicle)	✓							
JNU11 Protectours: Bike & Brew Glacier Tour	✓						✓	
JNU13 Taku Lodge Feast & 5-Glacier Seaplane Discovery	✓	✓				✓	✓	
JNU14 5-Glacier Seaplane Exploration	✓	✓					✓	
JNU19 Mendenhall Lake Kayaking & Salmon Bake	✓					✓		✓
JNU22 Gold Creek Salmon Bake					✓	✓	✓	
JNU23 Whale Watching & Salmon Bake			✓			✓		
JNU24 Mendenhall Lake Canoe Adventure	✓							✓
JNU25 Glacier View Sea Kayaking	✓							✓
JNU26 Gold Panning & Salmon Bake Combo					✓	✓	✓	
JNU27 Alaska's Whales, Glacier and Rainforest Trails	✓		✓				✓	
JNU29 Pilot's Choice	✓	✓						
JNU30 Whale Watching and Lighthouse Adventure	✓		✓					
JNU31 Norris Adventure: Seaplane, Paddle & Glacier Hike	✓	✓						✓
JNU32 Paddle With Whales Kayak Adventure			✓					✓
JNU33 Mendenhall Glacier Canoe, Paddle, And Hike	✓							✓
JNU34 Mendenhall Glacier Guide's Choice Trail Hike	✓						✓	
JNU35 Musher's Camp And Sled Dog Discovery				✓			✓	
JNU37 Helicopter Glacier Dog Sled Adventure	✓	✓		✓			✓	
JNU38 Helicopter Glacier Trek	✓	✓						
JNU39 Helicopter Glacier Walk-About	✓	✓						
JNU40 Taku Glacier Helicopter and Airboat Adventure	✓	✓					✓	

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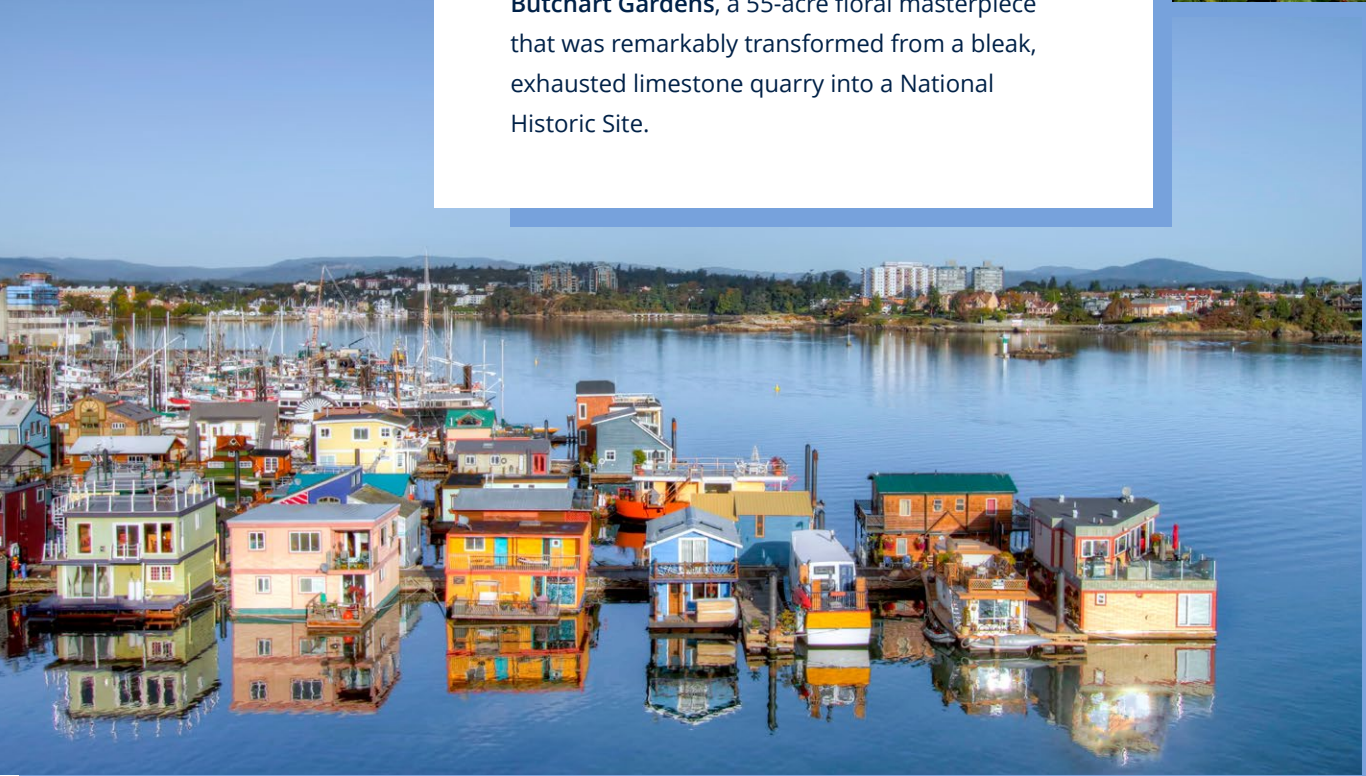
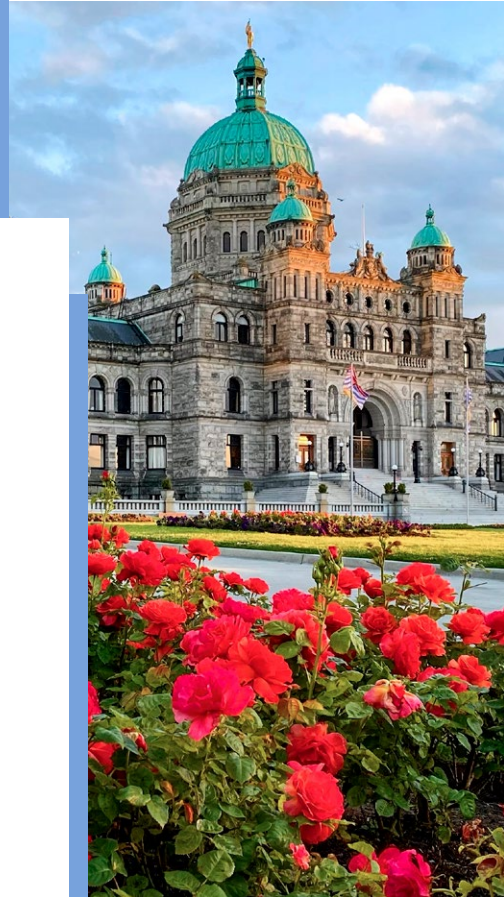
VICTORIA



Often called “The City of Gardens,” Victoria is an enchanting blend of old-world British tradition and rugged West Coast beauty. Nestled on the southern tip of Vancouver Island, it offers a walkable landscape of fairy-tale architecture and blooming floral displays that feel worlds away from the untamed wilderness of the north.

DID YOU KNOW VICTORIA

Victoria is home to the **second-oldest Chinatown in North America**, where you can walk through **Fan Tan Alley**, the narrowest street in Canada at just 35 inches wide. To see the city’s “Garden City” nickname in action, visit the world-famous **Butchart Gardens**, a 55-acre floral masterpiece that was remarkably transformed from a bleak, exhausted limestone quarry into a National Historic Site.





VICTORIA MUST-SEE HIGHLIGHTS

Excursions	Empress Hotel	BC Legislative Building	Chinatown	Old Town	Fisherman's Wharf	Butchart Gardens
VIC01 Evening Butchart Gardens Experience and Sightseeing Tour	✓	✓	✓			✓
VIC03 Historical and Cultural Evening Walking Tour	✓	✓		✓	✓	
VIC04 Mini Hop-On Hop-Off City Sightseeing Tour	✓	✓	✓	✓		
VIC06 Protectours: Discover Victoria by E-Bike	✓	✓	✓	✓		
VIC07 Victoria by Horse Drawn Trolley	✓	✓		✓		
VIC08 BC Bites and Sights	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
VIC09 Victoria Highlights	✓	✓	✓	✓		

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