

TITLE: THE BEST ALASKAN CRUISES FOR KIDS

INTRODUCTION

If your children love animals, adventure, nature, and having fun in the outdoors, try a family friendly Alaskan cruise for your next vacation. The best Alaskan cruises for children are those where both the ship's physical design, and the programs cater to children. If you have both teenagers and grade school aged children look for a cruise that has connecting staterooms, and fun separate programs for teens and children. For grade school aged and younger children "open door" programs where children can drop in whenever they want, let everyone relax and have fun when they want.

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1) Seven Day Glacier Bay Explorer Cruise--Holland America

Holland America offers seven-day Alaskan cruises departing from Seattle, Washington. The different routes allow you to choose a theme that fits your children's interests. Choose the Glacier Bay Explorer cruise if your children love animals. You will see puffins, whales and can opt for a dog sledding shore excursion. The cruise ship gets close enough to the Glacier Bay glaciers to see them calf (break off) into the ocean. (See References 1) The ships have youth programs for ages 3 to 17. The "open door" drop in and leave whenever you choose format for these programs lets you relax and keep whatever schedule you like. (See References 2)

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<http://www.hollandamerica.com/cruise-destinations/alaska-cruises>

<http://www.hollandamerica.com/cruise-destinations/alaska-explorer-cruises>

<http://www.hollandamerica.com/cruise-vacation-onboard/Service.action>

2) Seven Night Alaskan Cruise on the Disney Wonder Ship--Disney Cruise Vacations

Choose Disney's 7-night Alaskan Cruise on the Disney Wonder ship if you have children grade school aged or under. The cruise starts and ends in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Highlights include onboard Walt Disney Theater, whale watching in Juneau Alaska, cruising through a glacier lined fjord, and seeing the collection of 1800's totem poles at the Ketchikan Totem Heritage Center. This cruise is fun for children, and it has many opportunities for you and your spouse to have a relaxing romantic date knowing that your children are cared for by world famous Disney childcare services.

(See References 3)

<http://disneycruise.disney.go.com/cruises-destinations/alaska-pacific-coast/>

<http://disneycruise.disney.go.com/cruises-destinations/alaska-pacific-coast/itineraries/7-night-alaskan-cruise/>

Disney Cruise Vacations

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3) Norwegian Cruise Lines

Norwegian Cruise Lines has very family friendly cruises to Alaska. These would be an excellent choice for families with teenagers and younger children. Both the programs and the ship design cater to family needs. Free Kids Crew (2-12 years old) and Teen Crew (13 to 17 years old) club programs, onboard child-minding (nominal fee), Nintendo Wii, organized sports, giant chess, arts and crafts, kids only pool and PlayStation arcade. The Norwegian Pearl has connecting state rooms for larger families and even a rock-climbing wall and a bowling alley. The seven-night Natural Wonder Alaska cruise focuses on experiencing the animals and natural environment of Alaska—sure to be a hit with

your animal and outdoor loving children and teens. Unlimited beverages packages for children, teens and adults are available for just a few dollars a day.

(See References 4>Itinerary, Norwegian Pearl details, and Freestyle Cruising)

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<http://www2.ncl.com>

http://www.ncl.eu/itinerary/search_details.php?sail_id=17780

<http://www.ncl.eu/itinerary/search.php?nights=7&dest=5>

<http://www.ncl.eu/itinerary/search.php?nights=7&dest=5>

REFERENCES

1 Holland America: 7 Day Alaskan Explorer

<http://www.hollandamerica.com/cruise-destinations/alaska-explorer-cruises>

2 Holland America: Shipboard Life—Onboard Services—Childcare & Youth Programs

<http://www.hollandamerica.com/cruise-vacation-onboard/Service.action>

3 Disney Cruise Vacations: 7-Night Alaskan Cruise

<http://disneycruise.disney.go.com/cruises-destinations/alaska-pacific-coast/itineraries/7-night-alaskan-cruise/>

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Norwegian Cruise Lines: 7 Night Natural Wonder Alaska

http://www.ncl.eu/itinerary/search_details.php?sail_id=17780

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RESOURCES

Frommer's: 7 Clauses to Beware of in Your Cruise Contract

<http://www.frommers.com/articles/6969.html>

World Atlas.com: Alaska Landforms

<http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/namerica/usstates/lgcolor/akcolorlf.htm>

NOTES TO EDITOR

Norwegian Cruise Lines is challenging to reference, as:1) the information for one cruise

is spread out over many different pages, and 2) most of the links are generated searches. I hope that you can find all of the information from the notes "(See References 4>Itinerary, Norwegian Pearl details, and Freestyle Cruising)".
