

2019 ALASKA ALUMNI TREK

August 18, 2019	Fly to Anchorage	Evening welcome dinner, and meet with Planet Earth Adventures, our Alaska tour guide. Overnight, Anchorage hotel.	
August 19, 2019	Morning biking tour of Anchorage, sack lunch. Afternoon visit to the Alaska Heritage Museum.	Overnight, Anchorage. Dinner on your own. Meals included: B, L	
August 20, 2019	Depart Anchorage; travel about 80 miles to the seaside town of Seward. Late morning, board an expedition style vessel to sightsee one of the most magnificent places in Alaska, Kenai Fjords National Park. On this 6-hour cruise we will watch humpback whales; Orca killer whales; dall porpoises; steller sea lions; harbor seals; cliff dwelling bird rookeries including puffins and also visit a large tide-water glacier. This cruise returns to the Seward Harbor at 5:30pm.	Overnight, Seward. B, L, Dinner on own.	
August 21, 2019	Full-Day Sea Kayaking Tour: While kayaking we'll watch for sea otters, sea lions, porpoise, eagles and sea birds. If time allows, our day will include a hike up to Fort McGilvray, an abandoned subterranean World War II military fort. This is an active day including up to 10 miles of kayaking and five miles of hiking with a 650 ft elevation gain and loss.	Alaska Railroad train back to Anchorage. Overnight, Anchorage. B, L, D	
August 22, 2019	Depart Anchorage en-route Talkeetna, the gateway to Denali. Stop at Matanuska Glacier.	Use our mountaineering crampons to literally "walk on water" as you hike the glacier with a professional guide. Our Ice Fall Trek features close-up views of the best accessible features of the glacier including crevasses, seracs and unique ice formations, as well as a high point with views of the beautiful ice fall. Glacier hiking is for virtually everyone! With proper equipment and an experienced guide, explore the hidden treasures of the Matanuska Glacier. Overnight, Talkeetna. B, L, D	

August 23, 2019	Talkeetna; wildlife hike.	We will spend the day in Talkeetna area. This little quaint village takes you back in time to the 1900's. Talkeetna is the gateway to the Alaska Range & Mt. Denali, the highest peak in North America (20,310 ft) Wildlife hikes in Alaska take you into the heart of the Talkeetna Mountains wilderness, which is known for its spectacular scenery and excellent wildlife viewing opportunities. While on the hike, you may encounter moose, bear, caribou, sheep, bald eagles, and wolves. Hiking in this remote area will provide you with an unparalleled opportunity to enjoy the solitude of the rugged Alaskan wilderness. Our guided wildlife hike offers fantastic views of Denali, and the beautiful Talkeetna Mountains. Wildflowers abound mid-July through August. The long days of summer bring awesome sunrises and the tranquility of the Midnight Sun as it slips behind Denali is a sight to behold. Overnight, Talkeetna, B, L; Dinner on your own
August 24, 2019	Morning free to explore Talkeetna.	Mid-day, take a scenic flight to the Alaska Range & Denali National Park (includes landing on the Ruth Glacier). Later, fly back to Anchorage. B, L, Final celebration dinner. Overnight Anchorage.
August 25, 2019	Depart Anchorage for home.	