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## Key to Activity Levels and Tour Feature Icons

Please refer to the back pages for the key and other important information

## Tour Descriptions for Sitka, Alaska

### BEST OF SITKA - BEAR SANCTUARY, EAGLE RESCUE & NATIVE TRAILS

Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_01

You'll depart the pier with a native Alaskan guide who will provide commentary and point out sites of interest during your transfer to Sitka's Raptor Hospital for a close-up encounter with Alaska's bald eagles. The Alaska Raptor Center is an educational facility that provides medical treatment to injured bald eagles and then releases them back into the wild. During your visit, the facility's trained staff will escort you through a variety of exhibits containing bald eagles, owls, falcons and other birds of prey. The center presents a rare opportunity to observe these majestic creatures at close range including a bird-on-the hand show and indoor flight center.

Next, enjoy a scenic 7 mile drive along Sitka's rainforest coast to the Fortress of the Bear non-profit sanctuary for orphaned brown bear cubs. Watch resident brown bears as they frolic and play in their 3/4 acre habitats created from a re-used mill site. The brown bears of Baranof Island are genetically unique and the founders here have a passion for saving them. These kings of coastal Southeast Alaska provide a glimpse into the clash between humans and wild bear brethren. You'll then visit the 112 year old Sitka National Historical Park to enjoy totem-lined forest paths. Make your way to a natural salmon spawning stream in season or learn about edible and medicinal plants and carved history. A beautiful visitor's center surrounded by both modern and ancient totems offers historical artifacts, modern artistry samples and a video presentation of Sheet'ka's story. Truly delight in this ultimate combo of Sitka's most popular attractions.

ACTIVITY LEVEL	Adults from	Children from	Approximate Duration	Tour Features
<b>1</b>	\$83*	\$51*	3¼ hours	—

### DISCOVER SITKA, TOTEM PARK & NATIVE DANCE

Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_02

Explore Sitka's Russian, Tlingit and American culture, past and present, with a native Alaskan guide. This tour reaches into the past with a panoramic drive past the Alaska Pioneer's Home, St. Michael's Russian Orthodox Cathedral, Castle Hill, World War II Fort Ray and the Russian Bishop's house. Discover what makes Sitka a classic Alaskan small town, with its resident "sourdoughs", dynamic native community, a vibrant fishing industry and flourishing performing arts. All sides of Sitka come alive as you travel through time in this former Russian capital that calls itself the "Paris of the Pacific". At Sitka National Historical Park, wander through the lush rain forest where totems depict the rich culture of the Tlingit people. A short optional walk gives your guide a chance to tell you about the edible and medicinal plants, the life cycle and traditional uses of the various salmon species and rain forest ecology.

Discover the park's visitor center featuring a fascinating video presentation of Sheet'ka's Story as told by all the peoples of Sitka. Explore the totem trail in a 112 year old park that commemorates the last battle between the Russians and the Kiksadi people. Next experience authentic Tlingit native stories and songs inside a traditional clan house built. The Naa Kahidi Community House features the largest carved house-screen in the Pacific Northwest. Sharing ancient stories passed down through generations around a traditional cedar fire brings the house alive with songs and voices, including your own. Beautiful regalia clothing will captivate you while you learn to speak a few words of Tlingit and hear the legend of the "lovebirds"—the eagle and the

raven. Your tour ends back at your ship or a town drop-off to visit the main street laid out over the original Russian roads and Tlingit trails.

Note: Participates fully confined in wheelchairs, please advise a Shore Excursion Representative at time of booking.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
<b>1</b>	\$62*	\$41*	2½ hours	

## **RUSSIAN AMERICA AND RAPTOR CENTER**

**Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_05**

This unique excursion explores the historical highlights of this former "Russian" capital city and includes a tour through the Alaska Raptor Center. The Bald Eagle Center operates with bird care professionals assisted by volunteers to rescue birds, provide them with rehabilitative care and hopefully release them back into the wild. After your introduction to the center, a presentation with one of the Center's educational birds will take place. Time will be available to view the flight center, clinic window, outside deck habitat areas and gift shop.

Next, you'll visit the Sitka National Historical Park, where the 1804 "Battle of Alaska", was fought. The park hosts totem lined trails, cultural exhibits and carving rooms where native Alaskan artisans demonstrate their totemic art form. Time may be spent walking the forest trail, viewing cultural exhibits and video presentation, or talking with local native artists about their cultural art form. The final stop will be at St. Michael's Cathedral and to view original Icon Artwork dating back to the early 16th Century. The Cathedral is the mother cathedral for orthodoxy for all of America. After the church you may disembark on the main street to shop or be returned directly to the pier. If you wish to explore more of Sitka, the transfer bus leaves downtown Sitka every 15 min to the pier.

Note: Maximum combined weight with wheelchair and guest cannot exceed 550lbs.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
<b>1</b>	\$72*	\$62*	3¼ hours	

## **HISTORIC SITKA NATURE WALK**

**Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_04**

Your tour begins with a transfer to the Alaska Raptor Center, where you'll encounter the swamp-like muskeg soil and alpine meadow where most of Alaska's bird, plant and wild berries thrive. Then explore and photograph the Raptor Center's open bird habitat and new Eagle Flight Center, home to bald eagles, owls, hawks and other birds of prey. During your visit, the staff will explain the Raptor Center's mission and answer questions. Next, you'll proceed for a visit to Sitka National Historical Park, where walking trails lined with authentic totem poles will guide you through the lush Tongass National Forest.

As you cross the bridge at Indian River, you'll learn about the rain forest's ecosystem, local plant and animal

life. Afterward, you'll walk along the harbor's shoreline to visit St. Michael's Russian Orthodox Cathedral and the Russian Bishop's House. St. Michael's Cathedral is always the last stop on the tour. The Russian Bishop's House is a place the tour will pass. However, a visit inside the Bishop's House is not included in the walk. Along the way, you will see many Victorian-style homes and ornate churches before passing Sheldon Jackson College. Your tour will conclude with a transfer back to the pier. If you wish to explore more of Sitka, the transfer bus leaves downtown Sitka every 15 min to the pier.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
		\$62*	\$62*	3 hours	—

## SEA OTTER & WILDLIFE QUEST

Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_08

Enjoy a cruise that guarantees wildlife viewing and offers you the opportunity to observe sea otters, whales, sea lions, porpoise, harbor seals, brown bears, black tail deer, bald eagles and a variety of marine birds. An onboard naturalist will explain the workings of this remarkable ecosystem. You'll also learn about the sea otters' recovery, following their near-extinction at the hands of Russian fur hunters in the early 1800s.

Your waterjet-driven tour vessel has been designed to navigate Southeast Alaska's narrow island passages, allowing for wildlife viewing at close range. The vessel features a warm, spacious cabin with enclosed seating, large windows and a topside observation deck for unparalleled photo opportunities and to fully experience your quest with all your senses. This award-winning tour guarantees you'll view sea otters, a whale or a brown bear. If not, you'll receive a \$100 cash refund as you disembark the vessel. You'll have a generous amount of free time to explore beautiful Sitka on your own, before or after the cruise.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
		\$135*	\$135*	2½ hours	

## JET-CAT WILDLIFE QUEST & BEACH EXPLORER

Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_07

Combine luxury and excitement aboard an expedition Jet boat on your quest to see whales, sea otters, puffins, bald eagles or even brown bear in pristine Sitka Sound. You'll also experience the rugged Alaskan coast from ashore on a remote island. Every tour is uniquely designed by your Captain with the day's tides, weather and wildlife sightings in mind. Enjoy animal encounters from the comfort of the spacious, window lined cabin or indulge all your senses from out on deck.

During your beach adventure discover colorful tide pools, trace wildlife tracks and explore the stunning beauty around you. Also, keep an eye out for Japanese fishing floats and other exotic flotsam deposited by mysterious ocean currents. An expert naturalist, dedicated crew and limited group size make this the ultimate Alaska close-up experience. Enjoy a gourmet snack as you sail back to Sitka in catamaran comfort, including a full restroom and mini-galley.

Note: Participants must be at least 8 years of age and be able to hike at least 1/2 mile over wet and uneven terrain.

ACTIVITY LEVEL	Adults from	Children from	Approximate Duration	Tour Features
2	\$209*	\$198*	3 hours	AGE 

## SEA OTTERS, RAPTORS & BEARS, OH MY!

Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_15

Enjoy three unique wildlife experiences in Sitka! You'll sail on the award-winning Sea Otter & Wildlife Quest, take a guided tour through the renowned Alaska Raptor Centre, and visit a sanctuary for orphaned Alaska Brown Bears. This adventure is both educational and fun for the entire family.

You'll board a deluxe, waterjet-powered catamaran and set out to explore the marine wilderness, to observe sea otters, whales, Steller sea lions, porpoise, harbour seals, brown bears, blacktail deer, and a variety of marine birds. An onboard naturalist will explain this remarkable ecosystem as your skilled Captain maneuvers the vessel to provide you with the best-possible views. You're guaranteed to observe sea otters, a whale or a bear. If not, you'll receive a \$100 cash refund as you disembark the vessel.

A short ride takes you to the renowned Alaska Raptor Center, where injured birds of prey receive medical care. A wildlife guide will bring you through the Bald Eagle Flight Building, and introduce you to some of the raptors perched in outdoor habitats. You'll then have some time to explore the river trail and enjoy the interactive exhibits.

Your adventure continues with a narrated drive along a coastal road to visit the Fortress of the Bear, a rescue facility at Silver Bay. Here, you can view and photograph brown bears up-close from a raised platform and learn about an Alaskan family's dream to provide a life- saving alternative for bears. You'll have some free time to explore beautiful Sitka on your own after the tour.

Note: Dress warmly and bring a rainproof jacket to wear on the vessel observation deck and at outdoor wildlife-viewing facilities. Complimentary-use binoculars and souvenir route guides are provided.

ACTIVITY LEVEL	Adults from	Children from	Approximate Duration	Tour Features
1	\$209*	\$135*	5 hours	 

## TONGASS RAINFOREST HIKE

Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_11

Enjoy great mountain views and explore the unique environments of Southeast Alaska while hiking in the world's largest temperate rainforest. You'll be transported to Old Sitka and the Starrigaven trail head where guides will lead you through a number of connecting trails. Each group sets the pace for this hike and typically travel 2 to 4 miles through a number of environments unique to the Southeast region including the temperate rain forest, muskeg, estuary, and rocky beach intertidal zone. Guides are well versed in local flora and fauna,

as well as history and culture and explain each one as guests explore them.

Note: Participants must be at least 8 years of age and be in reasonable physical health.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
<b>2</b>	\$83*	\$62*	3 hours	<b>AGE</b>

## OCEAN RAFT ADVENTURES

**Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_14**

An Ocean Rafting Adventure is the perfect way to make your visit to Sitka an exciting and unforgettable one. You'll begin by being equipped with state of the art gear for this extreme adventure. The gear includes a coast guard style exposure suit, balaclava, safety glasses and gloves. At up to 50 mph fun on the waves comes with a blast of fresh air in the open seating of raft. Specially designed straddle seats provide comfortable and secure seating for this exciting trip out into nature. This thrill ride takes you off shore in ocean waters where you'll fly over the ocean swells while watching seabirds glide past.

Watch for whales and sea otters on your way to explore the ravaged volcanic coastline of Kruzof Island. While exploring this coastline you'll get up close to towering cliffs, where sea birds nest and go right into volcanic sea caves (weather permitting). At opportune times the Captain stops the boat and shuts down the engine so you can listen to the surf crashing off of volcanic cliffs and the songs of nesting seabirds or for whales breathing. Welcome to a world filled with the sights, sounds and smells of the ocean. This is an intimate glimpse of Alaska's wild splendor that will excite your senses and leave you with lasting memories.

Note: Participants must be at least 9 years of age and be able to handle hard turns, jolts, large bumps and have no preexisting conditions with their back, knee, hip, joint or neck problems.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
<b>3</b>	\$146*	\$146*	2½ hours	<b>AGE</b>

## WILDERNESS SEA KAYAKING ADVENTURE

**Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_06**

Embrace the exceptional beauty of Sitka's pristine surroundings from a unique perspective during this memorable sea kayaking adventure. In keeping with the philosophy of Jean-Michel Cousteau's Ocean Futures Society, we hope that this tour will inspire people to act responsibly for the protection of our planet's vital ecosystems. Meet your guide on the dock in Sitka and prepare for your adventure by suiting up in quality raingear and lifejackets. Climb aboard the fast, custom-built vessel for an exciting sightseeing tour en route to a floating base camp. Your knowledgeable Captain will scan the sea for wildlife, including whales, and identify points of interest along the way.

Upon arrival at the floating base camp, you'll be instructed in the use of your safe, oceangoing, two person kayaks by your knowledgeable guide. These stable yet maneuverable craft let you enjoy the beauty of the

protected bays and inlets near Sitka from a serene, natural perspective. Groups of up to six kayaks will be led by an experienced guide, well versed in paddling techniques and the marine environment of the area. Each of the waterways traveled holds unique attractions in store, be it colorful intertidal invertebrates, an eagle swooping from the tree tops, or the grandeur of the lush rain forest. You may even see brown bear, harbor seals, or a Sitka black-tailed deer. Afterward, you'll return to the base camp for a hot beverage and snack before returning to the pier.

Note: Participants must weigh between 40-260 lbs and be able to use upper body strengths to paddle their kayak for about an hour and a half.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
		\$146*	\$114*	3 hours	 

## DRY SUIT SNORKEL

Sitka, Alaska Tour Code: SIT\_10

This tour is for guests who wish to explore the underwater world of Southeast Alaska, as well as learn about the marine environment of the Sitka Sound. You'll be picked up dock side and transported to the changing area. Once geared up, you'll be transported to the snorkel site - Magic Island. It is not a true island as at low tides, you can walk out to it and the sound waters are teeming with life! Sea life that may be seen includes sea stars, sun stars (up to 60lbs.), crab, a variety of fish, sea anemones, sea urchins, sea cucumbers, and the colorful bio-mass of the rocky bottom.

Snorkelers will glide over the giant kelp forest and eel grass beds unique to Southeast Alaska. Guests are encouraged to go slowly and look in every nook and cranny to find all the hidden treasures the ocean floor holds. Safety is priority one and each tour is guided by a certified PADI Dive Master and provides all the safety equipment and information to guests. And the dry suits really do work! You'll stay toasty warm as you explore and take in all of the beautiful sites. Guests wear normal street clothes under the suits. Towels are provided.

Note: Participants must be at least 10 years of age and weigh between 85-245lbs and be in reasonable physical health.

<b>ACTIVITY LEVEL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Adults from</b>	<b>Children from</b>	<b>Approximate Duration</b>	<b>Tour Features</b>
		\$146*	\$104*	2½ hours	<b>AGE</b> 

## Activity Levels

- ACTIVITY LEVEL 1** Involves walking over relatively level terrain, possibly some cobblestone, gravel or a few steps. Comfortable shoes are recommended.
- ACTIVITY LEVEL 2** Involves a considerable amount of physical activity such as substantial walking over cobblestone streets, climbing stairs or steep terrain. They're not recommended for guests with walking difficulties. Comfortable, sturdy shoes are recommended.
- ACTIVITY LEVEL 3** Involves physical exertion for extended periods. The terrain may be uneven or steep. It can also indicate a need for swimming in a light current, biking or horseback riding. Recommended only for physically fit and adventurous travelers.



## Tour Features Icon Legend



**Age Requirement** - This tour has specific age requirements.



**C-Card** - Must present a nationally recognized Scuba certification card, logged a dive within the past 12 months and bring a physician's note if you have a medical condition or are taking medication at the time of cruising.



**Debark** - Tour will conclude at the airport, a Norwegian Cruise Line program hotel or an assigned central location for your convenience. Guests are responsible for ensuring their debarkation tour is compatible with their departure flight times. Please allow extra time in case of unforeseen delays, and note that the tour will still run in it's entirety. Refer to the details section of the selected tour for more information.



**Family Recommended** - This tour is great for families.



**Flightseeing Tours** - Due to aircraft weight and balance limitations, the flight company charges an additional rate for passengers that weigh 250 lbs. or more. Space is capacity controlled, please call 1.866.625.1167 for assistance.



**Guests with Disabilities** - This tour accommodates guests that are full-time wheelchair users. Guests can remain in their wheelchair for the duration of the Excursion. Please contact the Shore Excursion staff upon boarding to ensure that your needs can be accommodated.



**Height Requirement** - This tour has specific height requirements.



**Hiking** - Sturdy walking shoes required.



**Limited Mobility** - This tour requires guests to transfer from their wheelchair to board the motorcoach (wheelchairs must be collapsible). Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this.



**Meal** - A meal and beverage is provided on this tour.

**Outerwear** - Outerwear/speciality equipment as noted will be provided by the Tour Operator.



**Passport** - This excursion crosses an international border so you'll need a valid passport. Some guests from certain countries may also need a visitor's visa.



**Shopping** - Time permitting, shopping is available on this tour.



**Snack** - A light snack or refreshment is served on this tour.



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