



# Ultimate ALASKA 2

## Brown Bears



WORLD  
PHOTO  
ADVENTURES

PHOTO TOUR - Starts Seward and finishes Anchorage.  
July 15-22, 2025 - updated 22/2/23

with Darran & Julia Leal

### HIGHLIGHTS

- \* Targeting stunning brown bears
- \* This is one of the world's greatest bear experiences
- \* Beautiful wild Alaska landscapes
- \* Fantastic nature from flowers to ancient forests
- \* Unique wilderness location

### INCLUSIONS

- \* Professional WPA Photo escort - your images come first
- \* Two small plane flights
- \* All accommodation (limited)
- \* All transport
- \* Meals as per itinerary
- \* Local expert guide



Our 22nd tour to beautiful Alaska, will offer you a unique holiday! This is an exclusive WPA small group land based expedition for just 6 adventurers. Darran and Julia Leal will be your guides along with our expert local team from Alaska.



#### WHAT TO EXPECT TO SEE AND EXPERIENCE

- \* Exclusive small group adventures.
- \* Bears, mainly brown - incredible shoots!
- \* Eagles and other nature.
- \* Limited access location - true Alaskan wilderness.
- \* Stunning Alaskan scenery.

For over 40 years, the local land owners have habituated wild bears to ignore people. With a local experienced guide, we then go looking for the bears and 'join them' as they look for food. This varies from 'clamming' on the low tidal zones to catching salmon in the nearby creek. We also explore beautiful meadows. While bears will be a key target, the surrounding landscapes and nature are spectacular!

*"Each visit is unique and each visit offers our you outstanding images. We are talking the true Wild Alaska Experience! You will love the quality time offered shooting bears and other fascinating nature and landscape subjects."* Darran

Exclusive Small Group Expeditions: WPA offers small group expeditions limited to 6-7 adventurers. This ensures a more intimate and personalised experience, allowing you to connect with fellow travelers and experience some of life's most amazing adventures.

Quality Time for Photography: The Leal family, guarantees quality time for photography, ensuring you have ample opportunities to capture the unique landscapes, nature and creative images that the targeted region offers. Whether you're a seasoned photographer or simply enjoy taking photos, this tour will provide outstanding results.

Experienced and Qualified Team: WPA is backed by the expertise of Darran and Julia, who have over 80 years of combined experience in photography, travel, and tour industries. Their sons Pearce and Frazer also contribute their unique experiences and knowledge. With their extensive backgrounds, you can trust that you're in capable hands throughout the journey.



Registered and Insured Tour Operator: WPA is a registered tour operator with the Queensland government and is covered by Tour Operator Insurance. This accreditation ensures that the business adheres to strict standards and procedures, providing you with peace of mind and professionalism. For more details, go to: <https://www.qtic.com.au/industry-development/accreditation/qtf/>

By joining WPA, you'll have the opportunity to explore and photograph some of the world's most stunning locations while being guided by experienced professionals who are passionate about creating memorable journeys.



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Itinerary to photo adventure ...  
July 17-24, 2025

Just 6 adventurers. How exclusive!

Check out some of our past Alaska adventures filmed for Snap Happy the Photography Show on YouTube. This is the Wrangell area, not Silver Salmon. Copy and paste this link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6PtAVOWgenw&t=3s>

## **DAY 1 - Anchorage July 15**

We include accommodation tonight at Seward. Seward is a small fishing village and close to our departure point for flying to our lodge. It is easy to walk around and explore this small fishing village. It also offers nearby adventures that might interest you from day trips for whales, to fishing.

We meet at 5pm at reception for more information and our first workshop.  
Hotel Accommodation.

## **DAY 2 - Anchorage to Silver Salmon Creek July 16**

We are transferred to Saldotna and fly to Silver Salmon Creek Lodge. (Flight 1 - this flight is included.) (Note that we return to Anchorage.) Flight departure time will be confirmed by your guides the day before. Luggage is limited to a maximum of 20kg including your camera gear. This is easy to achieve and more information will be offered about 3 months before departure including a suggested storage location for extra luggage in Anchorage.

Silver Salmon Creek is a wilderness location with no roads, stunning scenery and a premier bear and wilderness adventure region. (Mainly brown bear ...) You will most likely see bears on our short drive from the beach to the lodge, or even while we are landing! How exciting! Have your camera ready! We enjoy lunch and then maximise your first afternoon exploring the region close to our lodge.

Bears are very commonly seen walking out in the meadow or on the beach flats. This is a very special place on our planet! You are already filling those cards with amazing images...  
Silver Salmon Creek Lodge. (L,D)



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## **DAYS 3/4/5/6 - Silver Salmon Creek July 17/18/19/20**

Four full days targeting bears, (brown in particular) cubs and stunning scenery. Each day will offer you new images and experiences. Your WPA guides will optimise your photo shoots, while our local expert guides will maximise your experiences. We are talking about up close experiences 'walking with the bears'. Our last tours here blew us all away - so much, that photographers have re-booked this tour. Yes it is that incredible! Also, the group size is limited to 6 plus your professional photo guide. A typical day is - we depart early after tea and coffee for a short 2 hour exploration of the beach. Bears are scavengers, hunters and browsers, so depending on the tide, we can witness them playing a different role in the environment. Back to the lodge for a cooked breakfast. After breakfast, we head out again in our quad bike pulled train - a great way to get around. We stop at the right distance from a bear and then walk slowly towards it, shooting as we go. Eventually, we are near the bear as it feeds or explores. Most often, the bear ignores us totally, so you need to be ready when it turns its face our way. Lunch is sumptuous! After lunch and a break, we drive out again to a new location. The nearby meadows are a magic place to walk through and shoot anything from flowers to bears. After a great day, we are back at the lodge to relax around the fire, tell a few stories and enjoy dinner. Have your camera ready - a bear might walk past the window! Rustic Lodge accommodation. (B,L,D)

## **DAY 7 - Silver Salmon Creek to Anchorage July 21**

Morning shoot as time allows. A final chance to target that special image that you have always dreamed about capturing in Alaska. We fly back to Anchorage, (Flight 2 is included) this offering more photo's and a great overall story of where you have explored. We transfer to our hotel in Anchorage. Free time to relax or explore. Option to get together for dinner.  
Hotel Accommodation - (B)

## **DAY 8 - Anchorage - tour ends... July 22**

You can depart today to suit your flights.

Interested in more of Alaska?

Join our other linked Alaska adventures. They are all different.

(B,L,D) - Confirms if Breakfast - Lunch - Dinner - are included that day. Itinerary and price is subject to change.



# PHOTO TOUR PRICE

## **TOUR PRICE - AU\$14,995.00** **Twin Share per person**

Details include, as per itinerary - small group size of just 6 adventurers - multiple boat trips in protected waters, accommodation, meals, access to unique photo opportunities - local driver/guide, and professional photographer.

## **EVENT DEPOSIT REQUIRED - AU\$3,000.00 pp.**

Please read our terms & Conditions and fill in our booking form. At this time, you should organise travel insurance, including deposit protection insurance. Note that your deposit is refundable up to one year before departure, except for a US\$500 cancellation fee. After this time, deposits are non refundable. NB: Some events have special terms and conditions.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

If requested, we will try our best to find someone to share with you. On most occasions this is possible. However, part of the booking conditions is that a single supplement is applicable if no one is available to share.

## **SINGLE SUPPLEMENT - AU\$2,195.00 pp.**

This offers you private accommodation throughout the tour. Julia will confirm this with you.

**TO BOOK & FOR OUR TERM & CONDITIONS: Please use our on line booking form:**  
<https://worldphotoadventures.com.au/booking-form/>

**Or ask Julia for our booking form with T&C's.**

## **NEED MORE HELP?**

For booking contact Julia:  
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or call - 0427205331

For equipment or tour information, contact Darran:  
darran@worldadventures.com.au  
or call - 0416205330

## **SICKNESS WHILE TRAVELLING**

Viruses, bacteria and other health risks have always been possible when travelling. We select accommodation and operators to limit risk to your health. Before departure, we suggest that you consider limiting your exposure to large groups and other high risk location/situations at least 7 days before departure. Please bring face masks, and hand sanitizer. Should you feel unwell during the event, please let your tour leader know ASAP. Some form of isolation maybe required, or professional medical help maybe sort. Your tour leader is happy to help at all times. Please look at the following site for more helpful details. You can also register at this site for updates.

<https://www.smartraveller.gov.au>



# OTHER DETAILS

## THE COST INCLUDES

- All land tour costs as per itinerary.
- Accommodation - lodge/one night group house
- All meals as detailed in the itinerary.
- Entrance fees to parks as per itinerary.
- Professional photo guide.
- Local expert driver/guide.
- Special boat tours as per itinerary

## NOT INCLUDED

- International Air tickets & flights
- Personal expenses
- Items not included in the itinerary
- Tips and drinks
- Travel Insurance

## PRE TOUR

Accommodation, and services start for this tour - DAY 1. All travel services before this are not included. We suggest that you arrive in Alaska at least 48 hours before this tour starts. This timing will give you a chance to relax and acclimatise to the new time zone. We generally commence booking pre/post tour accommodation/flights about 8/9 months before departure.

NOTE: This itinerary is flexible to allow your guides to maximise your photo and travel interests to weather and unique opportunities. Specific targeted subjects will be offered the night before departure each day. This will offer you 'the best of the region'. Meals not included in the itinerary, are organised to 'fit in' with the days shoots.

## FINAL ITINERARY

Note that a final itinerary will be sent to you about one month before departure.

## IMPORTANT

To make sure you book the correct dates and times, we would request the following:

1. Don't purchase any air tickets, until our guides flights have been booked, which we will do approximately 8 - 9 months prior to the tour departure. We will advise you when the guides flights are booked and you can then use this itinerary, to help you use points or similar. This will also coincide with confirming the tour departure, making sure we have met minimum passenger numbers for the tour and the logistics of the tour have not changed.
2. We suggest you arrive a minimum of 24 hours prior to the tour departure - even 48 hours - to help with jet lag and in case of airline delays.



# OUR GOALS

There are many reasons our tours are so successful. Here are just a few ...

## **WHO BOOKS OUR PHOTO HOLIDAYS?**

From animated 'point and shoot' amateur photographers to seasoned photographic veterans, we get a broad cross-section of photo enthusiasts on every tour. Not super keen on snapping? No problem. You are still guaranteed a great time. Whether your finger never leaves or hits a camera during a tour, you will have an unforgettable experience. Our unique locations, top guides and small travel groups ensure it. While our clients vary in age and experience, all attend with the same goal – to have a fantastic holiday. We ensure every client gets exactly that.

## **UNTAMED QUALITY AND EXPERIENCE**

With over 100 years of combined experience in tailoring premium travel quests, our family team ensures you never settle for less than the best. We predominately offer lovely 4 star accommodation for your comfort and enjoyment.

## **EXCEPTIONAL END-TO-END EXPERIENCE**

We work towards delivering the time of your life. Our office gem Julia helps you with all your pre-and post-tour needs. Once you are 'out in the field,' our professional local drivers and guides are right by your side. Your photo guides are the best in the world! World Photo Adventures and its expert team know this beautiful land better than anyone.

## **GREAT TOURS COME IN SMALL GROUPS**

Small group travel gives you flexibility and the ability to follow your interests. That's why we keep our group sizes small so you can savour your travel experience.

## **FIRST TIME ON TOUR WITH US?**

We'll happily answer your questions, offer advice or connect you with the experiences that will satisfy your wanderlust. Contact Julia at: [julia@worldadventures.com.au](mailto:julia@worldadventures.com.au)

## **SAFETY AND SECURITY**

Your safety and security are essential to us. Apart from the experience of your WPA guides, our local operators are outstanding and very experienced in local cultures and customs. Our itineraries, accommodation and tour information all add up to helping you enjoy a great adventure.

Julia is happy to help with any further questions - [julia@worldadventures.com.au](mailto:julia@worldadventures.com.au)



