

# Stanford **TRAVEL/STUDY**

## **ALASKA'S INSIDE PASSAGE**

**JUNE 17 TO 25, 2022**

Immerse yourself in Southeast Alaska's natural treasures as we cruise along unspoiled coastline aboard the MV *Admiralty Dream*. Marvel at groaning and cracking tidewater glaciers and take in stunning wilderness vistas in the company of Stanford faculty leader Margot Gerritsen, local naturalists and cultural heritage guides. Witness the "calving" of Margerie Glacier in Glacier Bay and travel along the 4,000-foot-high cliffs of Tracy Arm Fjord. Throughout our voyage, we'll encounter the incredible wildlife that call this place home. Watch for breaching humpback whales in the waters of Frederick Sound, and keep an eye out for bears and moose while traveling by skiff along a pristine shoreline.

## **FACULTY LEADER**

### **Margot Gerritsen**

Margot Gerritsen, PhD '97, is a faculty member in the Department of Energy Resources Engineering and the Institute for Computational and Mathematical Engineering, which she formerly directed. She teaches courses in energy-related topics and advanced computational mathematics for engineers and scientists. Her research focuses on computer simulation and the mathematical analysis of engineering and natural processes, and she specializes in renewable and fossil energy production. Margot is the co-founder of the global Women in Data Science organization, the former senior associate dean of educational affairs of Stanford's School of Earth, Energy & Environmental Sciences and the current chair of the board of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics. Born and raised in the Netherlands, Margot is an avid traveler and active outdoor sportswoman. She first became interested in Alaska when, as a would-be ornithologist, she fell in love with bald eagles and learned that their largest population was in Alaska. Margot has found Alaska factoring strongly in her work in energy production due to its oil, gas and geothermal resources. During her lectures she will discuss the impacts of climate change on Alaska's geology, human history, wildlife, energy and sustainability.

- Fellow, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, 2018
- Faculty Research Fellow, Clayman Institute for Gender Research, 2008–2010
- Oswald G. Villard University Fellow in Undergraduate Education, 2014–present
- Recipient, Richard W. Lyman Award, 2014
- Fellow, Leopold Leadership Program, 2009
- Frederick E. Terman Fellow, 2002–2004
- Honorary doctorate, Uppsala University, Sweden
- Honorary doctorate, University of Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- PhD, scientific computing and computational mathematics, Stanford

## **ITINERARY**

Friday, June 17

### **SITKA, ALASKA**

Arrive in Sitka, located on the west side of Baranof Island in the Inside Passage. Flanked by majestic snowcapped mountains to the east and the Pacific Ocean to the west, this picturesque community is a

fascinating mix of native Tlingit, Russian and American cultures. Meet fellow travelers and staff at this evening's welcome reception and dinner. WESTMARK SITKA HOTEL (D)

Saturday, June 18

**SITKA**

On this morning's walking tour, explore Sitka's rich cultural and natural history in visits to the Alaska Raptor Center and the Sitka Sound Science Museum. Later stroll through the Sitka National Historical Park along forest trails lined with spectacular totem poles collected throughout Alaska. Board the MV *Admiralty Dream*, our home for the next seven nights. *ADMIRALTY DREAM* (B,D)

Sunday, June 19

**SAGINAW BAY / KAKE**

After breakfast, enjoy an excursion in Saginaw Bay by kayak or durable inflatable boat (DIB) along the secluded coastline of northern Kuiu Island. Later today visit the village of Kake for an introduction to the intriguing culture of the Tlingit people. Meet with tribal members to discuss their approach to preserving Native cultural traditions and their subsistence lifestyle. See one of the world's largest totem poles and watch a carving demonstration. *ADMIRALTY DREAM* (B,L,D)

Monday, June 20

**PETERSBURG**

The Tlingit used the area now known as Petersburg as a summer fish camp for hundreds of years prior to the arrival of European immigrants in the late 1800s. Norwegian fishermen made their way here more than 100 years ago and, as a result, Petersburg is nicknamed Alaska's "Little Norway." Today Petersburg is the home port of one of the most productive and diverse commercial fishing fleets in Alaska. Learn more about Tlingit culture as we explore this vibrant community and experience the region's Scandinavian influence during a lively folk dance show. *ADMIRALTY DREAM* (B,L,D)

Tuesday, June 21

**FREDERICK SOUND / HOBART BAY**

Frederick Sound is the feeding ground for hundreds of humpback whales. Humpbacks are famous for behaviors that create incredible viewing and photography opportunities, including tail lobbing, lunge feeding, pectoral slapping, breaching and dives that showcase their massive flukes. Spend the afternoon in Hobart Bay, a rarely visited area that is perfect for hiking or kayaking. Our local interpreters will describe medicinal plants and tell traditional stories about life in the wilderness. *ADMIRALTY DREAM* (B,L,D)

Wednesday, June 22

**TRACY ARM FJORD / ORCA POINT LODGE**

Journey through Tracy Arm Fjord, an area naturalist John Muir referred to as "a wild, unfinished Yosemite." This glacial fjord is renowned for its pristine waterfalls, towering icebergs, abundant harbor seals and granite cliffs rising from sea level to 3,000 feet. Thirty-two miles long and on average just a mile wide, Tracy Arm's natural features are contained in a small space, enhancing its dramatic beauty. As ice conditions permit, we'll navigate the entire length of the fjord, stopping to view both the Sawyer and South Sawyer glaciers. End the day's adventure with a relaxing evening at Orca Point Lodge, our ship's exclusive day lodge on Colt Island. Dine on Alaskan salmon, Alaskan king crab or prime rib in the warmth of the lodge or nestled next to a beachside bonfire. *ADMIRALTY DREAM* (B,L,D)

Thursday, June 23

### **GLACIER BAY**

Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve is a treasure trove of natural wonders, home to glaciers and snowcapped mountains and teeming with wildlife, including brown and black bears, Steller sea lions, mountain goats, whales and more than 250 species of birds. One of the park's highlights is the Margerie Glacier, known for its dramatic calving displays. Watching from our ship's sundeck, experience "white thunder" as immense spires of ice cleave away from the glacier wall and crash into the sea. A Glacier Bay National Park Service ranger joins us for the day, as does a native Huna Tlingit interpretive naturalist, who will reveal traditional cultural ties to this ancient treasure. *ADMIRALTY DREAM* (B,L,D)

Friday, June 24

### **INIAN ISLANDS**

This morning visit the stunningly beautiful Inian Islands, the site of the Tidelines Institute, a nonprofit organization founded by Stanford alumni whose mission is to educate and inspire rising environmental leaders (pending confirmation). *ADMIRALTY DREAM* (B,L,D)

Saturday, June 25

### **JUNEAU / HOME**

Disembark from our ship in Alaska's capital city and transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)

## **INFORMATION**

### **Covid-19 and Travel**

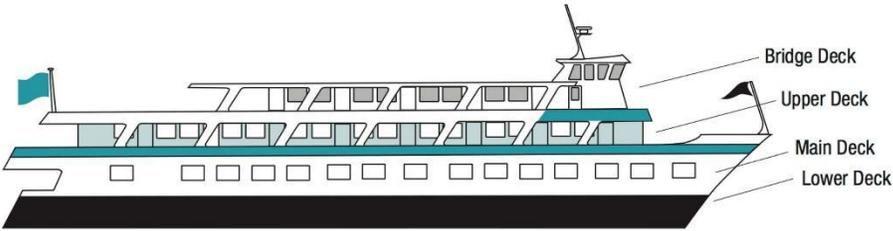
Due to the fluid nature of travel requirements and local Covid-19 conditions, travel protocols for our program will be shared closer to departure. To read more about Travel/Study's general approach to ensuring traveler health and safety, visit [alumni.stanford.edu/get/page/covidtravel](https://alumni.stanford.edu/get/page/covidtravel).

### **Size**

This trip is limited to 41 participants. Single accommodations are limited.

### **About Our Ship**

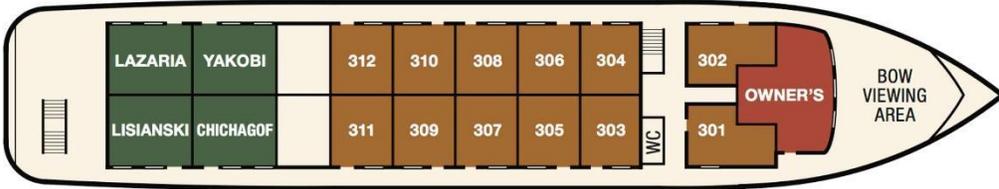
Constructed in 1980 and renovated in 2012, the *Admiralty Dream* has 27 cabins, each with a private bathroom (complete with complimentary Alaska-made toiletries), a wardrobe, complimentary-use binoculars and a window for watching the beautiful scenery of Southeast Alaska as we pass by. See the same views as the captain from the front-facing lounge and from the bow viewing area, which is located directly under the bridge. Enjoy a drink at the well-stocked bar, borrow a book from the library, chat with fellow travelers over tasty meals in the well-appointed dining room and relax on the sundeck. The ship's small size and shallow draft allow it to access smaller bays that are inaccessible to larger vessels. Kayaks are carried on board.



**BRIDGE DECK**



**UPPER DECK**



**MAIN DECK**



**Cost\***

Rates are per person, based on double or single occupancy, as specified.

		<b>Double</b>	<b>Single</b>
Category A	Two twin beds; picture window; approx. 93 sq. ft.	\$9,895	-
Category AA	Two twin beds or one double bed; picture window; approx. 95 sq. ft.	\$10,595	\$14,795
Category AAA	Two twin beds or one queen bed; large picture window; approx. 122 sq. ft.	\$11,895	-
Deluxe	One queen bed or two twin beds; large picture window; approx. 134 sq. ft.	\$13,795	-
Owner's Suite	One queen bed; forward views from large windows; approx. 135 sq. ft.	\$14,995	-

\*Stanford Alumni Association nonmembers add \$300 per person.

### Included

- Educational program with lecture series and pre-departure materials, including an education resource list and travel information
- Services of our professional tour manager to assist you throughout the program
- All tours and excursions as described in the itinerary
- Gratuities to guides, drivers and ship crew for all group activities
- 1 night of comfortable hotel accommodations
- 7-night cruise aboard the MV *Admiralty Dream*
- Port fees and embarkation taxes
- 8 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 8 dinners
- Welcome and farewell receptions
- Transfers and baggage handling on program arrival and departure days
- On-tour quarantine-related trip-cancellation, -interruption and -delay insurance coverage
- General medical, accident and evacuation insurance

### Not Included

- Your personal flights to and from the program
- Immunization costs
- Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- Independent and private transfers
- Non-quarantine-related trip-cancellation, -interruption and -delay insurance coverage
- Baggage insurance
- Excess-baggage charges
- Personal items such as internet access, telephone calls, laundry and gratuities for non-group services

### Air Arrangements

You are responsible for booking and purchasing airfare to the start location and from the end location of the program. These air purchases are NOT included in the program cost. To assist you in making these independent arrangements, we will send you details with your confirmation materials on when to arrive and depart.

### What to Expect

We consider this program to be moderately active. Participants should be prepared to walk over uneven ground for up to two miles. During the cruise many excursions and landings require guests to board inflatable boats. Bear in mind that weather in Alaska can change quickly, especially in the parks and preserves. Travelers will have ample opportunity to take in the beautiful Alaskan scenery from the comfort of our ship. We welcome travelers 6 years of age and older on this program.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### Eligibility

We encourage membership in the Stanford Alumni Association as the program cost for nonmembers is \$300 more than the members' price. The nonmember fee is waived for anyone traveling as a paid guest of a current member, as well as for emerita or emeritus faculty and staff. To purchase a membership, call (650) 725-0692 or visit [alumni.stanford.edu/goto/membership](https://alumni.stanford.edu/goto/membership).

### **Deposits, Payments and Cancellations**

A \$1,000-per-person deposit is required to reserve space. Final payment is due 120 days prior to program start. Deposits and any payments are refundable, less a \$500-per-person cancellation fee, until 120 days prior to program start. After that date, refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and we resell your place(s), in which case a \$1,000-per-person cancellation fee will apply.

### **Insurance**

Stanford Travel/Study provides all travelers who are U.S. or Canadian residents with minimal medical, accident and evacuation coverage, as well as on-tour quarantine-related trip-cancellation, -interruption and -delay insurance coverage, under our group-travel insurance policy. Our group policy is intended to provide minimal levels of protection while you are traveling on this program. You may choose to subscribe to optional nonquarantine-related trip-cancellation, -interruption and -delay insurance coverage and/or baggage insurance. Information offering such insurance will be included in your confirmation materials. The product offered includes special benefits if you purchase your insurance within 14 days of receiving your welcome email.

### **Responsibility**

The Stanford Alumni Association, Stanford University and our operators act only as agents for the passenger with respect to transportation and ship arrangements and exercise every care possible in doing so. However, we can assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity in connection with the service of any automobile, motor coach, launch or any other conveyance used in carrying out this program or for the acts or defaults of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the program. We cannot accept any responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, force majeure or other causes beyond our control. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the passenger as tour rates include arrangements only for the time stated. We reserve the right to make such alterations to this published itinerary as may be deemed necessary. The right is reserved to cancel any program prior to departure in which case the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. The right is also reserved to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of the program. No refund will be made for an unused portion of any tour unless arrangements are made in sufficient time to avoid penalties. Baggage is carried at the owner's risk entirely. It is understood that the ship's ticket, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the passenger and the cruise company. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. Neither the Stanford Alumni Association, Stanford University nor our operators accept liability for any carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable ticket in connection with the tour. Program price is based on rates in effect at the time the brochure is published and is subject to change without notice to reflect fluctuations in exchange rates, tariffs or fuel charges. As a condition of participation, all confirmed participants are required to sign an Assumption of Risk.

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