Your Guide to Amazing Adventures Before + After Your Alaska Cruise
Seattle has been the gateway to Alaska since 1897 when adventurers and dreamers created the historic Alaska Gold Rush. With that same adventurous spirit, Seattle provides today’s travelers with the excitement they seek before and after their Alaska cruise. Half of all cruises to Alaska start and end right here in the ‘Emerald City’ with 270 roundtrip departures in 2023 on the world’s best cruise line brands.

270 Roundtrip Alaska Cruises from Seattle in 2023
7 to 11-day itineraries, April through October

**Carnival Cruise Line**
- Carnival Luminosa: 20 Sailings
- Carnival Spirit: 21 Sailings

**Celebrity Cruises**
- Celebrity Solstice: 18 Sailings

**Holland America Line**
- Eurodam: 24 Sailings
- Westerdam: 22 Sailings

**Norwegian Cruise Line**
- Norwegian Bliss: 28 Sailings
- Norwegian Encore: 25 Sailings
- Norwegian Sun: 18 Sailings

**Oceania Cruises**
- Regatta: 10 Sailings

**Princess Cruises**
- Crown Princess: 21 Sailings
- Discovery Princess: 21 Sailings
- Royal Princess: 21 Sailings

**Royal Caribbean**
- Ovation of the Seas: 20 Sailings
- Quantum of the Seas: 20 Sailings

**Best North American Home Port**

**Cruise Critic**

2016 2019
PIER 91 serves as home port for Carnival Cruise Line, Celebrity Cruises, Holland America Line, Princess Cruises, and Royal Caribbean.

Located at the north end of Seattle’s waterfront on historic Smith Cove, it’s just 10 minutes from the city’s retail core.

Cruise guests enjoy easy access to bus parking, taxis, airport shuttles, a private vehicle drop off area, and a dedicated app-based rideshare lot.

+40 Minutes from SEA Airport

FREE Post-cruise Luggage Transfer

The Port of Seattle provides a complimentary, convenient, and secure Port Valet luggage service.

- Sign up on-line or on board
- Receive airline boarding pass
- Bags are transferred to departure airline
- Visit Seattle without heavy luggage
- It’s Free!

PIER 66 at the heart of Seattle’s downtown waterfront, is home to Norwegian Cruise Line and Oceania Cruises.

The famous Pike Place Market, Seattle Aquarium, Great Wheel, and numerous shops and restaurants are within walking distance.

Ground transportation at the terminal entrance provides cruise guests with easy access to bus parking, taxis, airport shuttle service, and private vehicle drop off with a dedicated app-based rideshare zone.

+35 Minutes from SEA Airport

EASY Access by Air

With over 91 domestic nonstop flights, SEA Airport is conveniently located just 15 miles from the cruise terminals accessible by Sound Transit Link light rail, taxis, rideshare services, and airport shuttles. SEA was named the 2022 Best Airport in North America by Skytrax World Airport Awards.
Seattle’s climate is classified as temperate marine with long, pleasant summer days. Cruise season temperatures average 70°F (21°C). Surprisingly, Seattle is ranked 44th in the list of rainfall amounts in the USA, less than Miami and New York City.

**Where Alaska Cruise Guests Stay + Play in Seattle**

The Seattle Metropolitan area, beyond its famous Space Needle and Pike Place Market, offers many rich and varied experiences to cruise visitors. Over 70% of cruise guests stay multiple nights pre + post cruise to see for themselves why the Pacific Northwest is one of the country’s most sought-after places to live, work and visit.

**Discover Pre + Post Cruise Experiences for Every Interest**

**Seattle**
- Historic Waterfront + Downtown
  - A bustling blend of hip sophistication, coffee culture, and flourishing arts scene, Seattle delivers its adventurous past and innovative outlook through a compact array of sights to keep any cruise vacation in high gear.

**Southside**
- Airport + Activities Homebase
  - With Seattle Southside’s location near the airport, many cruise visitors love the combination of convenience, value, and Southside activities including the Museum of Flight and tours to Mt. Rainier’s millennial old growth forests.

**Eastside**
- Nature, Wineries + Upscale Fun
  - A world of upscale restaurants, shopping and accommodations, the city of Bellevue is also the launching point for forested activities in the Cascade Mountains and Woodinville Wine Country — home to the largest concentration of wine tasting rooms in the U.S.
Music, science fiction, and pop culture all come together at the Museum of Pop Culture where colorful exhibits cover everything from video games and horror films to Hendrix and Nirvana.

An iconic symbol of innovation with two viewing levels and the world’s first revolving glass floor, the Space Needle offers stunning 360-degree views. Nestled below are spectacular galleries of Chihuly artwork.

The Nation’s longest continuously operating farmer’s market draws 10 million annual visitors with fresh produce, shops, restaurants, and the famous salmon-throwing fishmongers.

Seattle’s original neighborhood features the perfect balance of old coexisting with new. Imagine the history you will discover waltzing through its storied streets. Come experience the beauty of the Square brimming vibrant shops, lively arts, and top-rated eateries.

Seattle Aquarium takes head-on the responsibility to protect and restore our marine environment — and it all starts with interactive educational inspiring marine displays.

For more information on Downtown Seattle activities and accommodations: visitseattle.org
Seattle Southside

Indoor Skydiving
Jump into the Thrill
Experience the sensation of flying in state-of-the-art vertical wind tunnels. iFLY is a family-friendly activity safe for all ages, experience levels, and abilities.

Seattle Chocolate Tour
Taste + Sensation Delights
Explore a chocolate factory and enjoy all the delicious chocolate samples. This immersive experience educates and inspires visitors to delight in the chocolate-making process.

Museum of Flight
Travel through Time + Space
Discover the largest independent, non-profit air and space museum in the world with 175 aircraft and spacecraft, artifacts, and rare photographs.

Westfield Southcenter
Shopping + Dining + More
The largest Northwest shopping destination has more than 200 retailers and many great choices for dining. There is something for everyone including spa and entertainment options.

Light Rail to Seattle Sights
Cruise visitors with a late flight arrival or early departure time love Seattle Southside just minutes away from the airport. From your Southside home base, it’s easy to access Seattle’s top sights by light rail, rideshare, or an organized small group tour. See transportation page 14.

Find Out More:
For more information on Seattle Southside activities and accommodations: seattlesouthside.com

Miles of Beaches + Coastline
Des Moines Beach Park is one several easily accessible beaches in the area showcasing the rugged Pacific Northwest coastline.
Bellevue + the Eastside

The Shops at Bravern
Luxury Inspiration + Style
The Bravern has paired the best customer service with the ultimate luxury brands in the world, featuring endless inspiration and style for visitors and global fashion enthusiasts.

The Bellevue Collection
Shop, Eat + Stay
Discover over 200 shops, 50 restaurants and 3 luxury hotels—all in one place. With concierge services, valet parking, and a host of visitor amenities, this is your upscale place to play.

Bellevue Arts Museum
Explore Art, Craft + Design
Bellevue Arts Museum provides a public forum for the community to contemplate, appreciate, and discuss visual culture. The Museum works with audiences, artists, makers, and designers to understand our shared experience of the world.

REI Boathouse
Rentals + Guided Tours
REI’s Boathouse in Enatai Beach Park is the perfect place to experience nature in an urban area close to Seattle with easy paddling access to the water trails around the Mercer Slough and Lake Washington.

Spa + Wellness
Just Breathe.

Find Out More:
For more information on Bellevue activities and accommodations: visitbellevuewa.com

Wine Tasting
Home to the largest concentration of wine tasting rooms in the United States, the nearby community of Woodinville is yours to discover with group or private tours originating in Bellevue.
Activities + Attractions

Top Sights for All Interests
- Chihuly Garden and Glass chihulygardenandglass.com
- Pacific Science Center pacificsciencecenter.org
- Pike Place Market pikeplacemarket.org
- Seattle Chocolate seattlechocolate.com
- Seattle Great Wheel seattlegreatwheel.com
- Seattle Aquarium seattleaquarium.org
- Skyview Observatory skyviewobservatory.com
- Smith Tower Observation Deck smithtower.com
- Snoqualmie Falls snoqualmiefalls.com
- Space Needle space_needle.com
- Wineries and tasting rooms woodinvillewinecountry.com
- Wings Over Washington wingsoverwa.com
- Woodland Park Zoo zoo.org

Outdoors & Active
- Bainbridge Island bainbridgeisland.com
- Ballard Locks Walk ballardlocks.org
- Bellevue Botanical Garden bellevuebotanical.org
- Botanical Garden Walk highlinegarden.org
- Family Fun Center bulbwinkles.com/Tukwila
- REI Boathouse at Enatai Beach destinations.rei.com/seattle
- Indoor Skydiving iflyworld.com/seattle
- Paragliding seattleparagliding.com
- Seattle Floatplane Tour kenmoreair.com
- Seattle Waterfront Walk
- Waterfront Cruises argosycruises.com
- Zipline Tours bellevueziptour.com

Discoveries for the Curious
- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Discovery Center discovergates.org
- Bellevue Arts Museum bellevuearts.org
- Boeing Future of Flight boeing.com/company/tours
- Burke Museum burkemuseum.org
- Center for Wooden Boats cwbo.org
- KidsQuest Museum kidsquestmuseum.org
- Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park nps.gov/klse
- Museum of Flight museumofflight.org
- Museum of History and Industry (MOHAI) mohai.org
- Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP) mopop.org
- National Nordic Museum nordicmuseum.org
- Northwest African American Museum naamnw.org
- Seattle Art Museum seattleartmuseum.org
- Seattle Asian Art Museum seattleartmuseum.org/visit/seattle-asian-art-museum
- Seattle Children’s Museum seattlechildrensmuseum.org
- Wing Luke Museum wingluke.org

Shopping Districts
- Ballard visitballard.com
- The Bellevue Collection bellevuecollection.com
- The Bravern thebravern.com
- Capitol Hill visitseattle.org/neighborhoods/capitol-hill
- Pike Place Market pikeplacemarket.org
- Pacific Place pacificplace.com
- Westfield Southcenter westfield.com/southcenter

Relax + Rejuvenate
- City Sweats Spa citysweats.com
- Elia Spa hyatt.com/en-US/spas/Elaia-Spa/home
- Le SPA de l’hotel LOTTE lespalotte.com
- Spa Noir spanoir.net
- The Spa at Cedarbrook Lodge cedarbrooklodge.com
- TRUCE Spa trucespa.com
- Yuan Spa yuanspa.com

Scan for more information:
Get Where You Want to Go

From shuttle bus and rideshare, to motor coach and light rail, Seattle offers convenient and affordable transportation options.

Cruise Terminal Locations:
- Smith Cove Cruise Terminal at Pier 91
  2001 W Garfield Way, Seattle, WA 98119
- Bell Street Cruise Terminal at Pier 66
  2225 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA 98121

Transportation Options

Rideshare + Taxis
At SEA airport, the app-based rideshare pickup area is located on the third floor of the SEA Airport parking garage in parking rows G thru J (stalls 1-34) in the orange and purple sections of the garage. Taxis are stationed on the third floor of the SEA airport parking garage on the north and south curb.

Motor Coach Transfer
Major cruise lines offer motor coach transfer service from SEA airport direct to the two cruise terminals. The Cruise and Charter Bus lot is located on the 1st floor of the parking garage and reached by a 10-minute walk on a signed pathway.

Hotel Courtesy Shuttle Services
Seattle Southside hotels near the airport offer courtesy shuttles and arrangements can be made through each Hotel. Courtesy Shuttles will pick up and drop off on the courtesy island shuttle lane located on the 3rd floor of the parking structure on Islands 1 + 3.

Light Rail
Train service from and to the airport is available to downtown Seattle only. There is no direct mass transit option from SEA Airport to either of the cruise terminals. The Link light rail station can be reached by a 10-minute walk by crossing Skybridge 6 from baggage claim or by catching courtesy shuttle.

Airport Shuttle
Airport shuttle services provide Seattle cruise ship and downtown transfers. They also provide door to door shuttle service to hotel locations in Seattle and Bellevue. You can view options at portseattle.org/sea-tac/ground-transportation

Enjoy Seattle Luggage Free
The Port of Seattle lets Cruise guests enjoy Seattle after their cruise without their bags in tow through the complimentary Port Valet luggage service. Cruise guests can sign up online or once on board to receive their airline boarding pass before even leaving the ship. Checked luggage is transferred directly to the airline and through to its final destination. Best of all, it’s Free!
Here, We Mean Green

For over 20 years, Port of Seattle has prioritized protecting the environment while becoming the largest and fastest growing cruise market on the West Coast.

Our long history of environmental leadership includes working with our cruise partners to make Seattle the cleanest, greenest, most energy efficient port in North America. Beyond compliance, the Port of Seattle works closely with the industry to minimize the climate change, air quality and water quality impacts from cruise ship operations through use of cleaner fuels, access to shore power, and a strong collaborative relationship focused on environmental leadership.

Port of Seattle

Environmental Firsts

- The only home port in North America with a voluntary clean water agreement between the Port, the cruise lines, and our regulators.

- The first cruise home port in the world to offer two shore power connections for cruise ships (with a third connection on the way).

- First Mover Partner announcing a collaborative effort between ports and cruise lines toward a zero-greenhouse gas emission ‘Green Corridor’. (From Seattle to Alaska)

Blue Carbon Pilot Project: Port of Seattle oyster, kelp and eelgrass seeding to capture carbon, reduce ocean acidification, and improve water quality.

Shore power connections reduce emissions while at berth.
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