

DENALI ADVENTURE by RAIL & TRAIL with FAIRBANKS

7 Nights • Fairbanks to Anchorage • Land Tour

Discover Alaska's wild interior on this 8-day journey from Fairbanks to Anchorage. Walk with reindeer, pan for gold, and learn about Alaska Native culture in Fairbanks before venturing deep into Denali National Park on a narrated wilderness tour. Ride a scenic dome railcar to quirky Talkeetna, hike with local guides, and kayak across Byers Lake with views of Denali on clear days. Comfortable lodge stays, most meals, and guided activities blend Alaska's frontier charm with unforgettable outdoor experiences. **Note: If there is a night in between your cruise disembarkation and the start of your Denali tour, that hotel night will not be covered.*

Included Highlights

- Walk with reindeer and pan for gold in Fairbanks, Alaska's interior hub.
- Take a five-hour narrated tour deep into Denali National Park.
- Ride a deluxe dome railcar from Denali to Talkeetna.
- Hike with local guides in Denali and Talkeetna.
- Kayak on Byers Lake in the heart of Denali State Park.



Itineraries and maps are guidelines. Variations in itinerary, ship, and order of days may occur to maximize your experience.

DAY 1: Fairbanks, Alaska

Drin gwiinzii (welcome) to Fairbanks, Alaska, the largest Interior city. Upon arrival, you will be met by an UnCruise Adventures representative and transferred to your hotel. Please arrive no later than 5:00 pm to attend the Welcome Reception where you'll toast with a welcome beverage and get to know your fellow adventurers over cheese and crackers.

Overnight: Pike's Waterfront Lodge or similar **Meals:** Light bite

DAY 2: Fairbanks – Reindeer and Gold

After breakfast, visit a local reindeer farm. You'll connect with them through walks and learn about their importance in this amazing space. Continue with a visit to a local gold mining family to test your luck as you pan for gold and hear about Fairbanks' mining heritage. In the afternoon, explore the Morris Thompson Cultural & Visitor Center and hear from a local Alaskan about life in the Interior.

Overnight: Pike's Waterfront Lodge or similar **Meals:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner

DAY 3: Fairbanks to Denali

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before boarding your coach south to Denali National Park. Stop at the Denali Discovery Center in Healy for a box lunch and a short hike with a local naturalist guide. Continue to the Denali National Park Visitor Center to explore exhibits, talk with a ranger, or walk nearby trails.

Overnight: Denali Bluffs Hotel or similar **Meals:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner

DAY 4: Denali National Park

After breakfast, travel into Denali National Park on a Tundra Wilderness Tour of approximately five to five-and-a-half hours. Your guide shares stories about the park as you watch for wildlife such as bears, moose, and caribou. In the afternoon, take a guided hike with Northern Epic Adventures of about three hours on trail.

Overnight: Denali Bluffs Hotel or similar **Meals:** Breakfast, snack, lunch, dinner

DAY 5: Denali to Talkeetna by Rail

Enjoy a leisurely morning before transferring to the Denali Rail Depot for your scenic train ride south aboard a deluxe dome railcar. Have lunch on the train as landscapes roll by. Arrive in Talkeetna, a quirky town that serves as basecamp for Denali climbers. Dinner is on your own at the lodge or in town.

Overnight: Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge or similar **Meals:** Breakfast, lunch

DAY 6: Talkeetna – Hiking and Kayaking

Enjoy breakfast with a view before setting out on a hike along the Curry Ridge Trail. Take in sweeping views of the surrounding landscape, flora, and fauna. Later, kayak on Byers Lake in the heart of Denali State Park. The Curry Ridge hike is approximately five to six miles and four to four-and-a-half hours, so come prepared with good footwear, layers, water, and snacks.

Overnight: Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge or similar **Meals:** Breakfast, box lunch, dinner

DAY 7: Talkeetna to Anchorage

After breakfast, set out on a guided hike in the Talkeetna Lakes area. Look for loons, kingfishers, moose, and bears along the trail. Lunch is included in Talkeetna before you travel south to Anchorage by motor coach. The Talkeetna Lakes hike has about a 200-foot elevation gain and some uneven terrain, so proper footwear and layers are important.

Overnight: The Voyager Inn **Meals:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Note: In 2026, guests will take a motorcoach from Talkeetna to Anchorage. In 2027, guests will take the scenic train ride from Talkeetna to Anchorage and enjoy dinner on the train.

DAY 8: Anchorage

Transfer to Anchorage Airport for your departure flight (booked on own).

Meals: Breakfast