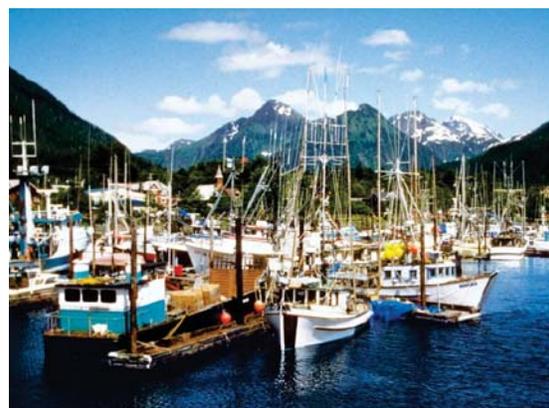
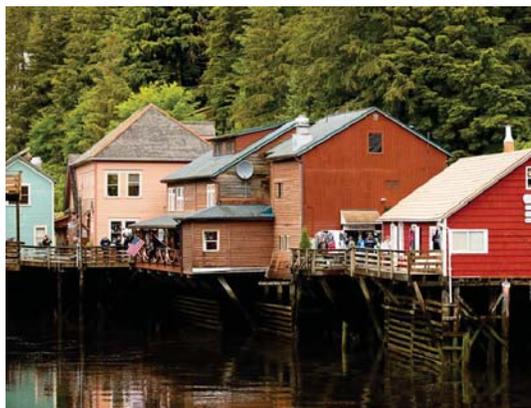




EPIC ALASKA

by the Dutch Liner ms Maasdam sailing round-trip from San Francisco on an epic 21-night voyage through Alaska

May 26 - Jun 18, 2019
24 Days from \$3,995 per person



In the history of Alaska cruising, there has never quite been an itinerary as visually stunning or as remarkable in terms of ports of call and cruising areas as our one-time 'EPIC ALASKA' holiday next May. Starting with a splendid ship, the Maasdam of Holland America, this is an itinerary worthy of the word 'Epic'. With ports of call or cruising areas that include Ketchikan, Sitka, Hubbard Glacier, Prince William Sound, Valdez, College Fjord, Homer, Kodiak, Haines, Tracy Arm, Juneau, Frederick Sound, Wrangell, Victoria, British Columbia and Astoria, Oregon, this is an itinerary that may defeat the best efforts of the English language to capture it.

With an office in the San Francisco Bay Area we are biased but another visual treat is San Francisco and the joy of sailing under the Golden Gate Bridge twice, beginning in the shadow of Coit Tower before skirting Alcatraz and passing the Presidio is a great adventure and we have made it more so with some magical highlights before sailing. We begin with two-nights in the most evocative of San Francisco locations-atop Nob Hill at the Stanford Court Hotel with plenty of free time for the "City by the Bay". Union Square, Chinatown and Fisherman's Wharf are right nearby.

We have included two legendary restaurants in San Francisco as well. Historic John's Grill, home of the Maltese Falcon made famous by Dashiell Hammett for our welcome dinner and wonderfully retro 'Original Joe's' in North Beach for a special bon voyage lunch on sailing day.

Other nice extras include special cocktail parties aboard the Maasdam, dinner in the Pinnacle Grill one evening and Afternoon Tea at the storied Empress Hotel in Victoria. This itinerary is offered only once and is certain to sell out. With complimentary or low-cost travel to San Francisco, a fine ship, a stunning itinerary and indulgent features like a grand hotel atop Nob Hill and the Empress Hotel, the only real question should be whether or not to have Earl Grey or Oolong tea at the Empress in Victoria since reasonable people could disagree on this. Happily, deciding on this epic voyage is a far easier decision. All Aboard!

FEATURES

- Fully escorted from start to finish by a professional tour manager with special cocktail parties and events, both aboard and ashore for our guests.
- Two-nights in San Francisco before sailing atop Nob Hill at the elegant Stanford Court Hotel
- Special sailing-day lunch at Original Joe's in North Beach, a San Francisco landmark. Happily, the pier is only a ten minute drive after lunch.
- Afternoon tea included at the Empress Hotel during our port call in Victoria.
- Epic 21-night voyage round-trip from San Francisco to Canada & Alaska aboard Holland America Line's ms Maasdam.
- Dinner with our compliments in the Pinnacle Grill aboard Maasdam.
- Free train travel from any California point to San Francisco with reduced fares from all other US cities. Low airline add-on fares from over 200 major US cities as well.



Itinerary

Meals on Land are indicated. All meals included aboard ship

Date	Day	Port / Activity
May 26	Sun	Arrive San Francisco Guests arrive today in San Francisco and check into the elegant Stanford Court Hotel atop Nob Hill. A perfect location for seeing City sights
May 27	Mon	San Francisco A full to relax and explore the "City by the Bay". Tonight is our Welcome Dinner at historic John's Grill. (B,D)
May 28	Tues	Sailing Day! A midmorning departure from our hotel brings us to a special sailing day lunch at Original Joe's in North Beach, a San Francisco legend. (B,L)
May 29	Weds	Cruising the Pacific Coast
May 30	Thur	At Sea
May 31	Fri	Ketchikan, Alaska Ketchikan has long been an important hub of the salmon-fishing industry—visitors can savor the fresh seafood at one of the local restaurants. It is also one of the best spots along the Inside Passage to explore the rich cultural sights of Native Alaskan nations like the Tlingit, Haida and Tsimshian.
Jun 01	Sat	Sitka, Alaska Sailing into Sitka today, you'll still see vestiges of Tsarist Russia's influence, including the unmistakable onion dome of St. Michael's Cathedral and the Russian Bishop's House.
Jun 02	Sun	Hubbard Glacier Hubbard is the longest tidewater glacier (meaning it ends at the ocean) in North America. But unlike nearly every other tidewater glacier on the continent, Hubbard is advancing, not retreating; it's forever pushing a little further into the bay.
Jun 03	Mon	Cruising Prince William Sound / Valdez, Alaska
Jun 04	Tue	College Fjord
Jun 05	Wed	Homer, Alaska Today the area around Homer is known as the Halibut Fishing Capital of the World, and it captivates audiences around the globe from its appearance on the Discovery Channel.
Jun 06	Thu	Anchorage, Alaska Anchorage is a city where you can see the northern lights on a clear dark night. There are also plenty of active things to do and attractions to hike, bike and see wildlife such as the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail or Flattop Mountain Trail inside Chugach State Park.
Jun 07	Fri	Kodiak, Alaska Shrubs and bushes cover the rolling hills here, giving Kodiak its Emerald Isle nickname. It was once a prime native hunting ground for the Alutit, but their population plummeted after Russian traders and fur trappers settled the area in the late 1700s. Bought by the United States in 1867, Kodiak grew into a commercial fishing center.
Jun 08	Sat	At Sea
Jun 09	Sun	Haines, Alaska In the late 1890s the town emerged as a stop for prospectors headed to the Yukon for the Klondike Gold Rush. Decades later it became a logging town, before turning to tourism beginning in the 1970s.
Jun 10	Mon	Scenic Cruising Tracy Arm / Juneau, Alaska Juneau, Alaska may well be the most remote, most beautiful and strangest state capital in the United States. Surrounded by water, forest and mountain sights, can hike a glacier, eat fresh-caught fish on a seaside patio and tour a grand capitol building.
Jun 11	Tue	Scenic cruising Frederick Sound
Jun 12	Wed	Wrangell, Alaska Natural beauty surrounds Wrangell. The mountains, the islands, the rainforest. Visitors can experience it all: glaciers, wildlife, adventure, outdoor activities, and fun.
Jun 13	Thu	Scenic Cruising of the Inside Passage
Jun 14	Fri	Victoria, British Columbia Take time for a jaunt to the famous Butchart Gardens, a truly stunning show garden or a shopping trip to Market Square or along Government Street. A special treat for our guests is an included Afternoon Tea at the famed Empress Hotel, built by the Canadian Pacific Railway. (AT)
Jun 15	Sat	Port Alberni, British Columbia
Jun 16	Sun	Astoria, Oregon Scenic Astoria, Oregon, is awash in history and raffish port town charm. For a city of just 10,000 people, there's much to do. Climb its famous column to see a vast panorama of water and woods. Pub-crawl the waterfront Riverwalk.
Jun 17	Mon	At Sea
Jun 18	Tue	San Francisco, California Guests disembark this morning and journey home.

Complete Fares & Accommodations

Listed fares are per person, based on Double Occupancy.



A Vista Suite	\$10,995
B Vista Suite	\$9,995
BA Vista Suite	\$9,895
BB Vista Suite	\$9,595

2 lower beds convertible to 1 queen sized bed, whirlpool bath & shower, sitting area, private verandah, mini-bar, refrigerator, floor to ceiling windows.



C Large Ocean-View	\$5,995
D Large Ocean-View	\$5,895
DA Large Ocean-View	\$5,695
DD Large Ocean-View	\$5,495

2 lower beds convertible to 1 queen sized bed, bathtub and shower.



I Interior Stateroom	\$4,995
K Interior Stateroom	\$4,595
M Interior Stateroom	\$4,195
N Interior Stateroom	\$3,995

Two lower beds convertible to 1 queen sized bed, shower.

Port taxes of \$245 per person are additional and not included in the above fares. All prices listed are per person, and based on Double occupancy.

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