

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

WINGS OVER ALASKA

PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION FOR NON-U.S. CITIZENS

A passport is required to travel by air between Canada and the United States. Your passport needs to be valid for **at least six (6) months** after your journey ends, and should have a minimum of one (1) blank visa page for entry and exit stamps.

Holders of Canadian passports are not required to obtain a tourist visa for entry into the United States for stays of up to 180 days.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

REAL-ID REGULATIONS FOR U.S. CITIZENS

Effective May 3, 2023, U.S. citizens must present a REAL ID-compliant driver's license, or other accepted form of identification (including a valid passport), to board domestic flights within the United States.

COVID-19 COUNTRY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & TRAVEL ADVISORIES

A&K requires proof of full COVID-19 vaccination for travel on this journey.

The following are the current COVID-19 screening requirements for entry into the United States for Canadian residents. Visit the Government of Canada at travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories for up-to-date information.

- All non-U.S. Citizens or Legal Permanent Residents are required to present an original COVID-19 vaccination certificate indicating full vaccination completed no less than 14 days before arrival. The current approved vaccines are Pfizer (Comirnaty), Moderna (Spikevax), AstraZeneca (Vaxzevria) and Janssen/Johnson & Johnson (Ad26.COV2.S). To meet changing requirements, a booster shot is recommended.

LOCAL HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Wearing a mask is currently recommended in vehicles, indoor spaces and any outdoor spaces where physical distancing is not possible. Wearing a mask may be required in select locations. We encourage you to bring your own masks; a supply will be on hand where needed. Note all protocols are subject to change in accordance with relevant guidelines, local regulations and conditions.

If your journey includes travel in Alaska's high elevation regions, you may experience altitude sickness. Please consult your healthcare provider for suggestions on prevention and treatment.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

During your journey you will be exposed to the elements. Make certain to review the **Packing List** suggestions for your season of travel and check the weather before your trip.

In the summer months, National Parks and their surrounding areas are often home to a few pesky plants and insects. Poison oak is one such plant to keep on the lookout for. Your guides will help you identify it if you are not sure what to look for. If you come in contact with poison oak, it is very important to wash with soap and water as quickly as possible. Keep in mind that the irritating oils from the plant are easily transferred from you, your clothing or equipment to other persons or equipment, so even if you are not sensitive it is important to consider others.

The mosquito population in summer is quite high. Mosquitoes are large and aggressive. Be certain to pack insect repellent with a high percentage of DEET as well as some After Bite. Those more sensitive to mosquitoes may also consider bringing head netting. Ticks are also present in the spring and early summer - check yourself after hiking through grass or brush.

Indigenous wildlife – such as bears – are also commonplace in some areas. Your guides will take you through a few extra precautions with regard to local wildlife encounters.

CASH & CREDIT CARDS

Cash transactions must be made in U.S. currency. Major credit cards are widely accepted for goods and services. Access to ATMs is widespread in larger cities such as Fairbanks and Anchorage but may be limited in smaller towns and rural areas.

PACKING LIST & BAGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

On charter air flights, each passenger is limited to 1 standard size piece of checked luggage with a maximum weight of approximately 50 pounds (22.5 kilograms), and 1 small piece of carry-on luggage. Soft-sided luggage or duffels are preferable to hard luggage.

Please use the provided A&K luggage tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for A&K staff to collect and manage your luggage for you.

Safe Travel Essentials

Be sure to bring personal protective equipment (PPE), including face masks, travel-sized hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, facial tissues and disinfecting wipes or spray.

Clothing

Choose versatile, casual clothing that can be layered if the weather requires. Please note: dark colors tend to attract insects such as mosquitoes. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual slacks | <input type="checkbox"/> Walking shorts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses | <input type="checkbox"/> Long sleeve shirts or blouses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof, well broken-in hiking boots | <input type="checkbox"/> Comfortable walking shoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight raincoat | <input type="checkbox"/> Two-piece rain suit with hood |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fleece jacket or vest | <input type="checkbox"/> Warm hat and gloves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweater or lightweight jacket | <input type="checkbox"/> Brimmed hat for sun protection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleepwear (light and warm) | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal garments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socks | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimwear/cover-up |

Other Recommended Items

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun block |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insect repellent with DEET | <input type="checkbox"/> After Bite |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Simple first-aid kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging) |

- Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Smartphone
- Charging cables for electronics
- Foldable umbrella

Optional Items

- Small LED flashlight
- Foldable walking stick
- Lightweight binoculars
- Small daypack or fanny pack

Laundry service is available at most hotels and dry cleaning is available in larger cities. Check costs and return times before using these services.

TIPPING GUIDELINES

While decisions regarding tipping rest entirely with you, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars) depending on the type of journey.

	All Small Group Journeys and Pre/Post Tour Group Extensions	Tailor Made Journeys
Resident Tour Director or Group Extension Guide	\$15 per person, per day	Not applicable
Local Guides	Included	\$50 per person, per day (full day)
Flightseeing Pilots	Included	\$25 per person, per day (full day)
Drivers	Included	\$15 per person, per day (full day)
Airport Transfer Drivers	Included	\$5 per person, per transfer
Hotel Porters	Included	\$2 per bag
Yacht Cruise Staff, Staff at Remote Lodges or Specialty Inns (if applicable)	Included	\$50 per person, per day.* Gratuities are accepted on site and shared among the staff. *For private charter vessels please refer to "Life on Board" document.
Housekeepers	Included	\$2 per person, per night
Included Meals	Included	Included
Restaurants or Room Service on Own	10-15% unless already added	10-15% unless already added

For extra nights or Tailor Made services added to a Small Group Journey, please follow the Tailor Made Journeys guidelines for these days only.