

## OUR BEARS



The Alaskan Coastal Brown Bear is an intelligent and impressive animal. Although classified as "loners" the coastal brown bears we visit during our Alaska Bear Viewing Tours in the Alagnak Wild River and Katmai National Park, are quite social, and often congregate in large groups around food sources such as salmon runs and sedge grass meadows. Bears often interact with one another, which makes for entertaining bear watching. Bears communicate with one another using body language, posturing, and vocalizations that can range from roars to huffs to sharp popping sounds. Bear on Bear confrontations are rarely physical, unless the bears are playing for fun. Cubs as well as adult bears often tumble, wrestle, play chase, and hang out with other bears during their free time.

One reason Alaska Brown Bears are such exciting animals to be watching in the wild is their intelligence. There are many fascinating examples of brown bear intelligence and tool use. Alaska Brown bears live for 20 to 25 years and have distinct personalities. Although called "brown" bears they vary in coloration from almost black to a very light blonde. Grizzly bears and brown bears are the same species, although "brown" bear is more often used to describe coastal bears. The Alaska grizzly bear population is estimated at about 30,000, and about 3,000 grizzly bears reside in Katmai National Park.





# YOU WILL SEE MORE BEARS



THAN
PEOPLE

# OUR WILDLIFE

The pristine lakes and rivers that empty into Bristol
Bay support world-renowned spawning and
harvesting of all five species of Pacific salmon-King, Sockeye, Silver, Chum, and Pink--as well
as Rainbow

Trout, Arctic Char, Grayling, Northern Pike, Lake Trout and Dolly Varden.

Our location on the Alagnak is deep in bear country and we often have bears within sight of our lodge. We are able to access the river by jet boat and find perfect spots for camera crews to set up and spend a whole day surrounded by these magnificent creatures. In the height of our season it is not rare to see over 20 bears in a day as well as an array of other wildlife. Our lodge based bear viewing tours, provide clients with comfortable private riverfront cabins, delicious meals and guided jet boat tours in prime bear viewing country. These majestic creatures are an incredible sight to behold. Get your camera ready and take the pictures of a lifetime.

The region also supports healthy populations of:

Moose

**Brown Bear** 

Seal and Walrus

Beaver

Wolverine

Porcupine

**River Otter** 

Fox

Caribou

Wolves

Bald Eagles

Waterfowl & Migratory Birds



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YOU WILL SEE MORE BEARS THAN PEOPLE

DAY 1: (Sunday)

DAYS 2 & 3: (Monday & Tuesday).

Early in the morning arrive at King Salmon airport, (you are requested to be there before 9am)

Each day starts at 7:00 AM with breakfast.

Depart King Salmon
Arrive Alaska Trophy Adventures

The staff will escort you and your belongings to your cabin and ensure that you have everything you need. After lunch, there will be a brief orientation and then you will be free to relax and spend your afternoon in whatever manner you choose. There are no guided activities on the day you arrive, but feel free to wade-fish the productive riffles and pools in front of the lodge.

After breakfast the fleet of jet boats will be ready to depart by 8:00 AM. All you need to do is discuss with your guide what you are most interested in achieving in terms of photographic opportunities so as to get the best possible result in accordance with your objectives. If you wish we can arrange fly out trips to various destinations at an additional cost. Or you could spend part of the day fishing as well, I mean let's face it, that's why the bears are here as well!

Overnight accommodation: Alaska Trophy Adventures Lodge (Twin Rooms) F/B Overnight accommodation: Alaska Trophy Adventures Lodge (Twin Rooms) F/B

#### DAYS 4 & 5: (Wednesday & Thursday).

Photography each day is based on 2 guests to one guide with access to the river systems via our jet boats. If you wish we can arrange fly out trips to various destinations at an additional cost. Or you could spend part of the day fishing as well, I mean let's face it, that's why the bears are here as well!

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#### DAYS 6 & 7: (Friday & Saturday) Fishing Days.

Enjoy your last two days on the river with your guide either taking more fabulous photos of the wildlife or fishing for the species of your choice/or arranging other fly out adventure activities. There is no set itinerary as we like to whatever you wish to target.

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DAY 8: (Sunday)

In the morning you will be picked up for the flight back to King Salmon.

Depart Alaska Trophy Adventures
Arrive King Salmon

Depart King Salmon
Arrive Anchorage



# WHY BOOK WITH US

Our well-seasoned and knowledgeable guides have developed a strong understanding and respect for these wonderful creatures, built up by living and working amongst them.



Our Lodge is chosen By renowned National
Geographic & Canon Exploer of Light Photographer
Charles Glatzer



# GETTING TO US

On your departure day we strongly encourage our guests schedule a late afternoon flight out of King Salmon to Anchorage in order not to miss your connecting flights. As I'm sure you can imagine, weather can occasionally cause delays in Alaska.

If you have any questions about your travel arrangements, please contact us via email or phone prior to booking a non-refundable ticket(s).



After booking your flight to Anchorage (ANC) you will need to arrange a flight from Anchorage to King Salmon (AKN). Only 2 airlines fly to King Salmon daily: Alaska Airlines and Pen Air. All guests are requested to be at the King Salmon airport by 9:00 am on the day they are scheduled to start their week at ATAL. This means that you will need to either arrive on the first flight in the morning, or arrive the night before and stay overnight in King Salmon at a local hotel. We have never had a guest miss their charter flight if they choose to come in the night before and stay over in King Salmon. Flights to ATAL start in the morning around 10:00 AM from King Salmon. A friendly local air charter service handles all flights to our lodge. The fee is \$300 p.p for your roundtrip journey between King Salmon and our Lodge. All their pilots are highly experienced and their aircraft meet the strictest safety regulations. Lean back and have your camera ready for an incredible flight over the Katmai National Park.



If you want to know more about our Bear Photo Safari, or would like to book (spaces are very limited), then get in touch with us straight away. Owner Wayne McGee, knows everything there is to know about this trip, so get in touch to speak with him and discuss your requirements.

#### FIND OUT MORE OR BOOK

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