

## Glacier Island Daytrip

The Glacier Island Daytrip is designed for those with a moderate to advanced level of paddling proficiency. It and Gold Creek are our only day trips not recommended for absolute beginners.

The trip begins at 8AM at the Anadyr Offices at 225 N Harbor Street in Valdez. After a short orientation and paddling skills meeting, we board a water taxi for the trip out to Jackson Cove on the south side of Glacier Island. Boarding our kayaks in Jackson Cove, we paddle out across Chamberlain Bay towards the Stellar sea lion haulout at Bull's Head. Along the way we explore some of the finest sea caves in Alaska. Puffins and cormorants frequent the area and nest inside the sea caves. At Bullshead we are often joined by adolescent sea lions who frolic and play around the sea kayaks for miles along the coast. Humpback whales and orcas frequent this stretch of water.. There are several hikes available along the route. The paddle ends at Finski Point. From Bullshead to Finske, the paddling is frequently among growlers and icebergs shed by Columbia Glacier.

On rare occasions water conditions along the south and east coast of Glacier Island may make paddling this trip hazardous. On these days, Anadyr Adventures reserves the right to take you to Heather Bay at Columbia Glacier and force you to spend the day paddling among icebergs and hiking on glacial moraine!

Skill Level – moderate

Price \$239

Total time 10 hours

Time on water 6 hours

# Day Trips

## What Clothing Should You Bring?

**The basic principles of layering for outdoor activities apply to Sea Kayaking in Alaska.**

**We recommend: 2 sets warm clothing – Be ready for rain or shine!**

**Base Layer or Undergarments:** top and bottom layer, made preferably of wool, silk, capilene or polypropylene. They are excellent sources of warmth even when wet. This thin layer wicks moisture away from skin, keeping you warm and dry!

**Upper Body:** midweight insulation layer of wool, capilene, or fleece.

**Lower Body:** base layer should be sufficient under rainpants, however a pair of fleece, or nylon travel pants are always a good option. Leave those jeans at home!

**Feet:** wool, smart wool, synthetic, or neoprenesocks. We provide high top rubber boots for all participants, however, if you have your own, we suggest you bring them to insure proper fit and maximum comfort.

**Hands:** wool, synthetic or neoprene gloves. Neoprene is always preferred in rainy conditions. "Pogies", which are coverall mittens that attach to the paddle, are also good.

**Head:** 80% of your body heat escapes from your head. Be sure to bring adequate headwear. A wool or synthetic hat is recommended. A wide brimmed hat is also nice to protect you from the rain or sun.

**Rain Gear:** There is no substitute for quality rain gear. We do provide basic rain gear if your's is inadequate.

### **Second Set:**

This can be any additional clothes in case you get cold or wet.

### **Also bring:**

**Sack Lunch**

Water Bottle

Sun glasses (and holders such as croakies or chums) Sun screen

Insect repellent

Toilet paper

**Optional:** camera, film and binoculars (preferably water proof)

**\*We will provide you with dry bags for your lunch, clothes, and gear!**

**Warning: Cotton is inappropriate for paddling. It holds water and will keep you cold!**