

# Travel Destinations

## It's All About The Ice On An Incredible Glacier Cruise

(NAPSA)—ICE. Imagine ice, a mile wide, tall as a 30-story building reaching back 17 miles into the Chugach Mountains. This ICE is called Surprise Glacier, one of the stops on the 26 Glacier Cruise. It's blue as a robin's egg, jagged, cracked and ready to drop a house-sized chunk of ice into Harriman Fjord. Passengers onboard come within a 1000 feet of these active tidewater glaciers on this single day adventure.

The Klondike Express glides stealthily across Port Wells from Whittier, Alaska. With 3 viewing decks and reserved inside booth seating for each guest this state-of-the-art vessel is the most luxurious catamaran operating in Alaska today. A complimentary copy of the "Captain's Log" at each table provides a map of the cruise route and other pertinent information about the journey. This 4½ hour, 135-mile trip visits both College and Harriman Fjords, traveling farther than any other local day cruise operator. Informative narration provided by knowledgeable crew-members combines history, culture and humor along the way.

The vessel slows down often to view wildlife and guests are reminded to keep their eyes open for Orca and the rare Minke whales known to inhabit the area. There are 7 resident pods of killer whales residing in these waters,



**Pods of whales and glaciers with ice as blue as a robin's egg are two of the sights on a remarkable catamaran day cruise in Alaska.**

so the chances of seeing them are excellent. Rafts of sea otters can be spotted dining while floating on their backs and comically dive and reappear as the Klondike Express approaches. En-route to the first glacier a hearty hot snack is served fortifying passengers for their digital and video camera workouts.

Over and over the incredible size of nature's creations humbles all onboard and reminds visitors of the wonders of this amazing state. So sit back, sip a local microbrew and anticipate the remainder of this afternoon of ICE, wildlife, and extraordinary scenery.

For more information on the 26 Glacier Cruise and getting to Whittier, call Phillips Cruises & Tours at 1-800-544-0529 or email them at [info@26glaciers.com](mailto:info@26glaciers.com). Download a brochure from their website at [www.26glaciers.com](http://www.26glaciers.com).