



## Cruise Details

Name:	Hokkaido, Aleutian Islands And Alaska - A Real Explorer's Trilogy From Asia To Alaska
Reference:	HAPAGINS2609
Operator:	Hapag-Lloyd Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Expedition
Ship:	HANSEATIC inspiration
Regions:	Alaska
Departs On:	21 Jun 26
Departs From:	Sapporo
Arrives On:	09 Jul 26
Arrives At:	Seward, Alaska
Cruise Nights:	19
Total Vacation Days:	20

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Sapporo (Japan)

Arrives On: 21 Jun 26

### Day 2: Rishiri Island (Japan)

Welcome to the Pacific Ring of Fire, on a route that takes you to some of the most remote corners of the world. The small HANSEATIC inspiration combines great pioneering spirit with Asian and North American contrasts. Together with your experts, first discover Japan's unknown faces in the island world of Hokkaido. A new land of smiles and a touristically blank slate, from which your expedition shapes new images of Asia daily in the style of origami. Right at the beginning, explore the diverse nature of the small volcanic island of Rishiri on hikes with your experts. Feeling adventurous? At a sea urchin station, you can catch them yourself, then open and enjoy them. You

can also discover the rugged rocky island of Okushiri on an individual landing together with the experts. The waters off Okushiri are known for abalone, perhaps you will try one of these typical seafoods yourself. From Hakodate, focus is on the volcano, birdlife, and vegetation of Onuma National Park<sup>1</sup>. Alternatively, inspect fresh fish and crabs at a market visit before continuing your city tour with a visit to Goryokaku Fort, the first western-style fortress in Japan. From Kushiro, the paths lead into Akan-Mashu National Park<sup>1</sup>, known for high volcanoes, clear lakes, deep forests, and Mount Iou – here you experience bubbling sulphur fumaroles. The Kushiro Shitsugen Wetlands<sup>1</sup> can be explored by kayak<sup>1</sup> or on an easy walk<sup>1</sup> along wooden boardwalks.

Arrives On: 22 Jun 26

#### Day 10: Aleutian Islands, Alaska (United States)

After relaxed days at sea, during which you can fully enjoy the service and comfort on board, anticipation and excitement fill the air. Slowly, the outline of a coastline appears on the horizon and the HANSEATIC inspiration reaches a very remote chain of islands in the Pacific: the Aleutians. At the southern edge of the Bering Sea, it is lonely, vast, and pristine, and nature appears as it is now rarely seen. Look forward to many exciting sights and insights during your landings and as the HANSEATIC inspiration cruises flexibly through these waters. On Adak Island, follow the history of the former military base with your experts, today almost a ghost town. Cruising becomes livelier before Chagulak Island, accompanied by thousands of storm petrels. On your flexible route through the island maze, there are good chances to spot sea otters, orcas, and humpback whales. Dutch Harbor on Unalaska Island tells the story of Russian America, as Alaska was called until the mid-19th century. A walk on Popof Island leads into the homeland of the bison.

Arrives On: 30 Jun 26

#### Day 14: Chignik, Alaska (United States)

Alaska satisfies your longing for great adventures in vast wilderness. The stuff of explorers' dreams is revealed to you on this unforgettable journey in impressive form. Upon arriving at the Alaska Peninsula, gain initial insights into the life of the inhabitants of the small fishing village of Chignik under the motto "Meet the locals." Will you spot Steller sea lions and horned puffins while cruising past the bird cliffs of Kak Island?

Arrives On: 04 Jul 26

#### Day 15: Katmai National Park and Preserve, Alaska (United States)

With luck, you may even observe bears from the deck as the HANSEATIC inspiration cruises through Katmai National Park and heads for secluded bays.

Arrives On: 05 Jul 26

#### Day 16: Kodiak, Alaska (United States)

The main settlement of Kodiak Island was the second-largest community of Russian America until 1867. Today, the Russian Orthodox Church and the Kodiak History Museum recall this period. Explore the small, charming Alaskan town on your own. A transfer takes you to Fort Abercrombie State Park<sup>1</sup>: walk through the moss-covered coastal forest, past Arctic flower meadows. With luck, you may even spot whales off the coast.

Arrives On: 06 Jul 26

#### Day 17: Homer, Alaska (United States)

Homer is your starting point for spectacular tours focused on bear watching<sup>1</sup> in the vast wilderness. A seaplane takes you on a scenic flight to Brooks Falls<sup>1</sup>, where with some luck you can observe brown bears fishing for salmon. Alternatively, fly to Lake Clark National Park<sup>1</sup> – on a walk with a ranger, you can also see brown bears in their natural habitat here. You can also actively explore Alaska's pristine nature from Homer on a hike<sup>1</sup> to the glacier lake or on a boat trip<sup>1</sup>.

Arrives On: 07 Jul 26

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While cruising at Aialik Glacier, the deck of the HANSEATIC inspiration once again becomes your observation platform before the curtain of nature's spectacle slowly falls and this journey from Asia to North America comes to an end in Seward.

Arrives On: 08 Jul 26

#### Day 19: Seward, Alaska (United States)

Arrives On: 09 Jul 26

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