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Thank you for choosing AlpenView for your Alaskan experience. We will do our best to live up to your expectations. The following information will help to acquaint you with our policies and help you to better plan your trip. You may also access this information at:

www.alpenview.com/tripplan.html

(A) How to get here.

You, or your travel agent, can make arrangements for flights between your home town and the City of Kodiak.

Round trip travel from the City of Kodiak to AlpenView's facility is provided as part of your trip.

To the lodge.

For the lodge, this travel is accomplished by a car/boat combination. Outbound, car will leave Kodiak at 8:30 AM. You should plan to be available in Kodiak, either at your hotel lobby or the airport lobby with your bags packed and ready to go, no later than 8:00 AM on the day your trip begins.

Most people choose to over night in Kodiak on the evening before their trip begins. The Kodiak Inn (888 563-4254 or 907 486-5712) is our suggested hotel. A great source for more lodging options and things to do while in the City of Kodiak is the Kodiak Island Convention and Visitors Bureau web site, www.kodiak.org

If your travel plans won't allow for an overnight in Kodiak, it is also possible to get flights from Anchorage to Kodiak early in the morning.

As soon as you reach the City of Kodiak, contact Kodiak Island Taxi at (907)539-5485. The taxi dispatcher will explain how to meet your car for the ride to Pasagshak Bay. You will cross the beach to board AlpenView's boat at Pasagshak Bay and will often fish your way back to the lodge. If you have boots, raingear, etc. it is a good idea to wear them for boarding the boat and fishing. Home bound you will depart the lodge at 8:00 AM, via boat to Pasagshak Bay, and then car, to arrive in Kodiak by 10:30 AM.. Plans are quite often delayed due to weather so it's best not to plan departures from Kodiak until midafternoon. Remember that Kodiak Island is a very remote location and travel here may be quite different than it is where you live. Please leave yourself as much time as possible when booking your transfers into and out of Kodiak.

If your travel plans simply will not allow you to make the above mentioned schedule, we can arrange special charter flights to accommodate you, at your own expense.

When your travel arrangements are complete, please send us a copy of your itinerary including hotel reservations. This information will help us to coordinate the services we provide and to spot possible problems.

(B) Personal items to bring.

To the lodge.

(1) Waders, (2) Rain Gear

You can choose to use our wading equipment and rain gear.

Lodge and lodge/camp combination packages include rain gear, boots or waders as needed for

each activity. If you choose to use our gear, please supply us with your hight, weight and shoe size so we can fit you.

Or, you can choose to bring your own wading equipment and rain gear.

If you bring your own you can better insure a proper fit. Breathable waders made from materials like Gore-Tex are the best choice. Breathable waders are easily adjusted for the season by changing the garments you wear under them.

Stocking foot waders with a separate wading shoe are best. They can be turned completely inside-out to dry or repair. The wading around the lodge is generally quite nice and we travel a lot in boats. Cleats or studded soles on wading shoes are not recommended. Felt soles are illegal in Alaska.

All excursions require that you be completely protected from both rain and wind. With chest waders, a waist length rain coat is all you need. With short boots you will need a long rain coat and rain pants.

Under your waders you will need garments for insulation. Perspiration can build up under your waders so undergarments should be built of materials that tend to wick moisture away from your skin. Wool, polyester, nylon and silk are good choices. Cotton is a very poor material for these purposes. In the colder temperatures of late September and October you will want to add an extra layer of undergarments.

(3) Fishing License

A fishing license is required. Be sure to purchase your license before you depart Kodiak for the lodge or camp. You will also need a king salmon stamp if you intend to target king salmon during your trip. Fishing licenses can be purchased at many locations in the City of Kodiak, or on line at www.admin.adfg.state.ak.us

(4) Shoes

A comfortable pair of hiking shoes is nice if you want to hike. Trails around AlpenView's facilities can be rough and muddy in wet weather. Hiking shoes should be waterproof and about ankle high. A pair of slip on clogs or sandals is nice for evenings.

(5) Clothes

It's best to dress in layers beginning with wick dry synthetic, wool, or silk underwear. Add a warm long sleeve shirt or sweater, then perhaps a fleece pullover. Top this off with your rain gear and waders and you'll be set.

Nylon and/or fleece pants go equally well under waders during the day and in the evenings after excursions. Cotton is a poor fabric in wet coastal climates.

Here again, do not over pack. A couple changes of clothes should be adequate. If you bring extra of anything make it socks, your feet get used a lot. Temperatures average in the 60's from June to August, 50's in September and sometimes there is frost in the mornings. October temperatures average in the 40's, nights below freezing are common and whole days below freezing are not rare. Dressing in layers allows you to compensate for changes in temperature and level of activity.

(6) Gloves

Even in summer, some people get uncomfortably cold hands. The best way to battle this is with wool or neoprene fingerless gloves. Both stay warm when wet and being fingerless they allow you to operate your fishing and camera gear.

(7) Hat

A baseball cap is nice. They fit well under a hood. The bill will help to move your hood when you turn your head so you can see well. The bill will also protect your eyes from bright sun or light rain. In late September and October, it's nice to have a hat with a bill and flaps that can cover your ears for protection in cold and windy weather.

(8) Camera

Photo opportunities abound for both wildlife and personal memories. Think about weather/water

protection.

(9) Personal Items

Toothbrush, shampoo, prescription drugs, and so on.

(10) Back Pack.

Our fishing program involves some walking and wading along streams so it is best if you can carry your equipment comfortably on your person. Bags or large tackle boxes that you must set down are often far away when you need them. A small light day pack is a good idea.

(11) Polarized Sunglasses

Polarized sunglasses help to cut through the glare on the water. This lets you see past the surface and down into the water where the fish are. The key word here is "polarized". Glasses also protect your eyes. Sport fishing, and fly fishing in particular, provide a lot of flying hook hazards.

(C) Tackle.

At the lodge.

Conventional trolling, spinning and mooching tackle are provided for the salt water portion of our fishing program. Fly fishing tackle is provided for the fresh water portion of our program. If you wish to bring your own tackle, please do so.

(D) Daily schedule.

The daily schedule changes a bit depending on the activities planned and the weather. Generally speaking the day runs about like this: Breakfast is served in the dining room, 7:00 to 7:30AM. Guided excursions depart 8:00 to 9:00 AM. Lunch is served in the field, or the dining room, 12:00 to 1:00 PM. Guided excursions return 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Dinner is served in the dining room, 7:00 to 8:00 PM. Guests can make un-guided excursions after dinner.

(E) Liquor and beer.

AlpenView Wilderness Lodge, Inc. does not serve alcohol. However guests are welcome to bring their own. Larger groups who anticipate bringing a substantial amount should let AlpenView know well in advance so transportation can be arranged. We do provide a variety of soft drinks and juices for guests.

(F) Weather delays.

AlpenView Wilderness Lodge, Inc. assumes no liability for arrival or departure delays due to weather. Guests who are delayed at AlpenView's facility will receive food and lodging at no extra cost.

(G) Fishing closures.

AlpenView will make every effort to provide our customers with the fishing experience they are expecting. However, Mother Nature can provide us with circumstances which are beyond our control. In the event of a poor run, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game may close a particular fishery or fishing area. AlpenView accepts no liability for fluctuations in wild fish populations and will not refund money. Should a fishing closure occur, AlpenView will provide services (food, lodging, transportation and daily guided fishing) in an alternate location and/or target an alternate species of fish. The trip will proceed during the contracted time, for the contracted price.

(H) Gratuities.

Gratuities for the staff are greatly appreciated. As a guide line, the average tip per customer in 2014 was \$350. Generally, gratuities are given to the senior staff person who equally divides them among the entire staff. Guests may, of course, tip in any amount or method they feel appropriate.

(I) Getting your catch home.

Taking home fish from your Alaskan trip is a great way to share some of your experience with family and friends. It does require some planning!

Traveling home from the lodge.

During your stay at the lodge, AlpenView staff will provide these services for up to 50 lbs of finished product per person:

*Clean your fish (gut, filet and etc.).

*Smoke (cold and/or hot process) up to 10 lbs of fish per person.

*Instruct you and supply you with facilities and materials to vacuum pack and freeze your fish.

*Supply you with one insulated fish box to transport your fish home.

*Transport you and your fish to the City of Kodiak at the end of your trip.

For guests who wish to take more than 50 lbs, AlpenView will supply the same services for an additional charge of \$2.75 per pound and \$25.00 per box.

Please Note, AlpenView does not ship fish.

Getting your fish from the City of Kodiak to your home is your responsibility. We have some suggestions to help you with this job.

(1) Take your fish home as baggage.

When you leave the lodge your fish will be frozen and packed in an insulated container. Under normal traveling conditions, they will keep well for 24 hours before you will need to get them back into a freezer. Some of the fish on the outer extremities of the container may thaw slightly during this time but will still be kept cold.

If your travel plans allow you to keep your time between freezers under 24 hours, taking your fish home as baggage is the cheapest method.

(2) Ship your fish home from Kodiak.

ISLAND SEAFOODS and THE ICE HOUSE are two services providers in the City of Kodiak who can store your fish in their freezer and ship it via FedEx Overnight Delivery.

For planning purposes you can figure on \$10.00 per day to store a box and \$3.60 per pound to ship a box (\$180.00 for a 50 pound box). Actual prices may vary.

You will need to stop by one of these service providers on your way through Kodiak to drop off your fish, give them your shipping and payment information.

ISLAND SEAFOODS, (888)355-8575, sales@islandseafoods.com www.islandseafoods.com

THE ICE HOUSE, 328 Shelikof St, Kodiak, AK 99615, (907) 539-2366

(J) Reservations.

Trip reservations are accepted up to 24 months in advance of the trip dates. A reasonable representation of AlpenView's availability is published on this web site. To confirm available openings contact AlpenView by phone or e mail. A deposit is required to secure a reservation. The deposit required to secure a reservation is 25% of the total trip cost. 5% is due within 15 days of the date the reservation is made. The remaining 20% is due by January 1 of the calendar year in which the trip is to occur, or, within 15 days of the date the reservation is made, whichever is later. Deposits are tabulated per person in the case of group reservations. Deposits are not refundable. Final, full payment is due 30 days prior to the date the trip begins. Final, full payment is not refundable.

Reservations are 100% transferable to another person or persons in the case of group reservations. Reservations are 100% transferable to other available dates in AlpenView's schedule for the same or prior calendar years. Price variations may apply in transferring trip dates.

That about wraps it up. We want your trip with AlpenView Wilderness Lodge, Inc. to be a great success. If we can be of any more help in planning your trip, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Dave Jones/Manager