









#### **ALASKA**

# SILVERSEA VANCOUVER TO SEWARD - SILVER NOVA (TOUR CODE: 12964)

STARTS AND ENDS	TRAVEL PERIODS	EXPERIENCE	TRAVEL STYLE
Vancouver to Seward	09 May 24 - 29 Aug 24	Cruising Luxury	Cruise

Experience the awe-inspiring wonders of Alaska's pristine wilderness, where every moment is a breathtaking adventure waiting to be captured!

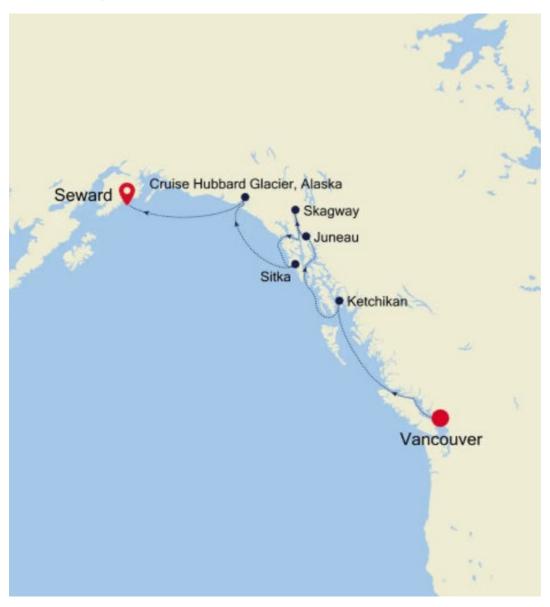
# Highlights

- Unique Shore Excursions: Silversea offers a range of shore excursions that allow you to explore the Alaskan wilderness.

  Whether it's taking a helicopter ride to a glacier, going on a wildlife-watching tour, or embarking on a guided nature hike, these experiences provide a deeper connection to the destination.
- All-Inclusive Luxury: Silversea is known for its all-inclusive approach, which means you can enjoy top-notch service, gourmet dining, fine wines and spirits, gratuities, and even some shore excursions as part of your cruise fare. This level of luxury sets Silversea apart and ensures that you can fully relax and indulge during your Alaskan adventure.
- Intimate and Small-Ship Experience: Silversea's ships are smaller than many other cruise liners, which allows for a more intimate and personalized experience. With a lower passenger-to-crew ratio, you can expect exceptional service and attention to detail throughout your journey.
- Wildlife Viewing: Alaska is home to incredible wildlife, and Silversea cruises often feature opportunities to spot animals like
  whales, bears, eagles, and sea lions. The open decks and expert guides provided by Silversea enhance your chances of having
  unforgettable wildlife encounters.

Alaska is a bucket list destination if ever there was one. So, get your binoculars and cameras ready because you'll be marvelling at horizons topped by the snowy heights, holding your breath at the stupendous beauty of the Hubbard Glacier, and going wildlife spotting looking for bears as big as bison and breaching whales. Be humbled, overwhelmed and excited all at once as you glide through the frozen landscape. If you like your nature with a capital N then this is the voyage for you!

Embark on an extraordinary journey, beginning in the vibrant heart of Vancouver, where the urban skyline dances with the snow-capped peaks beyond. Then, set sail on a mesmerizing voyage through Alaska's Inside Passage, a living masterpiece of natural art. Witness killer whales guiding you through icy passages, seals resting on floating ice, and glaciers dramatically calving into the sea. Encompassing glaciers, remote villages, and sculpted fjords, this passage offers breathtaking vistas. In Ketchikan, discover Misty Fjords National Monument's wildlife, including grizzlies, whales, and bald eagles. Explore totem poles, uncovering indigenous heritage, and delve into the city's colorful past. Juneau, nestled in an isolated Alaskan wilderness, boasts the monumental Mendenhall Glacier and epic landscapes. Exhilarating outdoor adventures await, from soaring over the icy peaks to observing bears, eagles, and migrating humpbacks. Skagway takes you back to the gold rush era, with thrilling train rides and historical trails. In this breathtaking natural kingdom, encounter rivers teeming with salmon and bears amidst endless forests. Sitka offers diverse wildlife and a unique blend of Russian and Tlingit culture. Admire St. Michael's Church, totem poles in Sitka National Historical Park, and the iconic Mount Edgecumbe. Lastly, marvel at the immense Hubbard Glacier before concluding your journey in Seward, a gateway to Kenai Fjords National Park's awe-inspiring beauty. Immerse yourself in the wonder of fjords, icefields, and glaciers, including Holgate Glacier, in the company of whales and serene mountain vistas. This is a voyage that promises unparalleled natural splendor and unforgettable adventures at every turn!



# **INCLUSIONS**

- · 7 nights onboard Silver Nova in a Classic Veranda Suite
- Onboard meals and entertainment
- · Multiple restaurants, diverse cuisine, open-seating dining
- 24-hour dining experience
- Beverages in-suite and throughout the ship, including champagne, select wines and spirits
- · Butler service in every suite
- Onboard gratuities
- Included shore excursions
- · Unlimited free Wi-Fi

# **ITINERARY**

#### Sail Onboard Silver Nova

Introducing **Silver Nova** – the twelfth ship to join Silversea's fleet. The ship's innovative asymmetrical design introduces the world like never before, offering an immersive destination experience to the guests. With a gross tonnage of 54,700 tons she will offer a space-to-guest ratio of 75 GRT-per-passenger becoming one of the most spacious cruise ships ever built. What's more, Silver Nova will be the most environmentally friendly, and thanks to her groundbreaking technological solutions, she will propel Silversea into a new era of sustainable cruising. It's the Nova way to travel.

The ship preserves all the Silversea's trademarks and delivers a new way of luxury cruising. Her revolutionary horizontal design ensures outstanding public areas, which fuse seamlessly together. Silver Nova will introduce a brand new selection of superb, spacious suites, many of which promise a 270° view from sea to sky. Nine dining venues and an unprecedented choice of bars complete the experience, offering delicious drinking and dining at any time of the day.

The Classic Veranda Suite is located at the bow and aft of the ship, Classic Veranda Suite will offer travellers a taste of Silversea's famous on-board luxury. After a busy day of exploring, welcome home to the haven of the Classic Veranda Suite. With butler service, a queen-sized bed (which can be separated on demand) and a beautiful marble bathroom, you won't want to leave! However, the best part of the Classic Veranda suite is by far the large (5m2) private, teak veranda which offer sweeping views of the destination. Pure bliss.



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Boasting mountains, sea, culture, art and so much more, many cities claim to have it all, but few can back it up like Vancouver. Famously livable, just visiting this highrise city - surrounded by staggering natural beauty - is a thrill. Offering all of the creature comforts of an ultra-modern, worldly metropolis - even downtown has a hint of mountain-freshness to its air and part of Vancouver's appeal is how easily you can swap the skyscrapers for whale-filled oceans and mountain-punctured skies. Head up to the Vancouver Lookout Tower for the ultimate 360-degree views of the city glistening, amid the beautiful embrace of the beckoning wilderness beyond. But what to see first? Art lovers might choose the Vancouver Art Gallery or the Contemporary Art Gallery. Nature lovers might rush for the ferry to visit Vancouver Island - where they can encounter grizzly bears, whales and orcas. Culture vultures, on the other hand, will probably head for the sights and sounds of Canada's biggest Chinatown. From steaming dim sum for lunch to Chinese apothecaries offering herbs to soothe any illness, it's all here thanks to the migrant workers of the 19th century. The one-of-a-kind treasure of Stanley Park brings wild wonder and natural beauty to this cosmopolitan city's doorstep, and the pine-tree clad park offers isolated trails and amazing views. Wander the Seawall that encircles it - a 20-mile coastal path, full of joggers, whizzing skaters and wandering couples. Grab a bike and cycle between Coal Harbour and Kitsilano Beach. You can top up your tan on the shore, as you soak in the glorious views of the mountains and cityscape from the sands.

#### Overnight onboard the Silver Nova in a Classic Veranda Suite

#### Dinner



#### Cruise Inside Passage

Navigate through the intricate outlays of some of Alaska's most staggering winter scenery, threading a needle between craggy, snow-dusted islands, and slipping glacial giants. To cruise this 500-mile stretch of Alaskan beauty is to sail through a living work of natural art - with perfectly sculpted mountains soaring from the shoreline, and clutches of islands scattered across the dark waters with delicate attention to detail. A common sailing route due to its calm sheltered waters, gorgeous natural set pieces constantly play out here - whether it's killer whales accompanying you through the breathtaking icy passages, harbour seals catching a break on floating hunks of ice, or wisps of cloud clinging to distant mountain peaks. Witness Mother Nature at her most dramatic and elaborate along this Alaskan coastline, where glaciers groan and creak melodramatically, before finally releasing colossal shelves of ice, allowing them to free fall into the waters below, and explode with angry booms and thunderous splashes. While fundamental displays of nature's power always awe and amaze, it's the tranquil beauty of this passage - amid still waters, splitting only to reveal the smooth backs of breaching humpback whales – that is relentlessly moving. A journey of glaciers, remote hidden villages, and carved fjords - the Inside Passage is a breathtaking voyage through the intricate mesh of Alaska's fractured, raw and spectacular coastal landscapes.

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#### 34 Juneau

Extraordinary adventures amid nature's wildest staging await at Juneau. The majestic Mendenhall Glacier sprawls down from Juneau Icefield, which provides an icy cap to the area's rip-roaring scenery. State capitals simply don't get more dramatic than this isolated, remote city lost amid the Alaskan wilds. Even the roads eventually peter out, absorbed by forests and viewpoints, firmly underlining the isolated location, hidden behind an impenetrable wall of rigid mountains. Rise up to Mount Roberts Tramway's viewpoint, to see the city swallowed by this most colossal backdrop. This is glacier country, and no fewer than 38 ice flows branch off from the main Juneau Icefield, slowly carving out valleys in their wakes. Taku Glacier cuts deep into the mountain, forming a colossal sculpture that is one of the world's thickest - almost a mile deep. Mendenhall Glacier cascades down, just 12 miles away from downtown, terminating in its own lake and visitor centre. With 1,500 square miles of ice field to explore, one of the best ways to take in the magnitude and majesty of this epic ice sculpture is to hold on tight on as the propeller whirs, and you soar into the skies on an exhilarating sightseeing flight. Cruising up above the icy world that fills in these serrated mountain peaks is a once in a lifetime experience. The animals that inhabit the Southeast Alaskan wilds are just as inspiring as the landscapes – families of bears patrol the riverbanks, bald eagles survey the surroundings watchfully, and Pacific humpbacks migrate from Hawaii's waters to feast on the krill rich, icy waters. Fish for huge catches, power across the ice in a snow-sledge, or kayak just below glaciers. However you choose to immerse yourself in it, Juneau's incredible outdoor adventures never disappoint.

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# § 5 Skagway

Feel the same rush of excitement as the gold rush chasers did, when they first arrived in Skagway, intent on finding their fortune. While the gold may now be gone, a treasure trove of natural glory waits to be discovered here. The adrenaline of America's legendary gold rush still pulses along Skagway's streets, especially in Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park and the historic downtown area - which sprang up during the heady heights of the 1890's goldrush. The jagged mountain ridges - with peaks of white snow above a treeline of soaring pine forests - provide a reward for the ages. Recapture the evocative sense of adventure, as you ride one of the world's most spectacular railroads. Your engine will puff steam below the precipitous, colossal scenery, while the vintage carriages curve around the White Pass & Yukon Route, alongside tumbling waterfalls and spanning deeply-etched gorges. Wander historic trails like the Chilkoot Trail Hike, to walk in the well-trodden footsteps of the gold seekers. Set on the northern tip of the Inside Passage, Skagway luxuriates in a remarkably beautiful and dramatic landscape. Explore mighty rivers teeming with thick salmon leaping over rapids and see brown bears edging from the shelter of the trees. Endless forests spread as far as the eye can see, while bald eagles perch on treetops, surveying the surroundings from above. Whales roam offshore, and glaciers creak and calve nearby, in this magical natural kingdom.

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#### § 6 Sitka

A distant land of bears, wild landscapes and icy adventures, sail between glorious islands and witness the diverse wildlife of the Inside Passage. Eagles watch over the scenery overhead, while whales and sea lions add glorious weight to the animal life that thrives and thrashes in these icy seas. With a quintet of Pacific salmon species filling the rich rivers and waterways with life, settle back to enjoy the show, as Sitka's immense setpieces play out before you. You might notice the onion-shaped dome atop St. Michael's Church – a relic of the area's Russian history. Sitka formed a part of the Russian Empire until a deal was struck in 1867, and the territory was sold to the United States, with the handover ceremony taking place here in Sitka. The native Tlingit culture is an important presence, and elaborate totem poles rocket up in Sitka National Historical Park. They mark the battleground of 1804, when the indigenous people clashed fiercely with the Russians. The snow-capped peak of the dormant volcano, Mount Edgecumbe, draws understandable comparisons with Mount Fuji's symmetrical cone. Climb to thrilling heights, as you arrive on Kruzof Island, and enjoy richly spellbinding views of the scattered Pacific islands, while hiking. Whether you want to spend your time flying above snow-dusted mountain ridges, fishing for colossal King salmon, or savouring Northwest frontier cuisine in waterfront restaurants, there's no shortage of ways to experience Sitka's natural wonders.

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## 7 Cruise Hubbard Glacier

Hubbard Glacier, off the coast of Yakutat, Alaska, is the largest glacier in North America, with a calving front that is more than six miles wide. One of the main sources for Hubbard Glacier originates 76 mi inland. It has been a very active glacier, experiencing two major surges in the past 30 years. This glacier was named after Gardiner Greene Hubbard, a U.S. lawyer, financier, and philanthropist. He was the first president of the National Geographic Society.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# § 8 Seward

Monumental scenery surrounds you in this remote corner of the world, where glaciers calve and whales cruise through inky waters, before an immense mountain backdrop. Almost totally submerged by the colossal landscapes around it, Seward - and the wonders of Kenai Fjords National Park - offer some of astonishing Alaska's most thrilling scenery. Located in a deep

gash in the Kenai Peninsula, Seward is a place to immerse yourself in nature's majesty. Fjords carve into the landscape, while the Harding Icefield - which caps Kenai Fjords National Park - reaches out its icy fingers, with glaciers spilling down between mountain peaks. Head to Holgate Glacier, to come face to face with a breathtaking stack of intense blue and white ice. Get up close in a kayak or boat ride, to slalom through the discarded confetti of ice chunks, and perhaps even witness the powerful spectacle of an ice ledge creaking and groaning, before plunging to the waters below. The city of Anchorage is easily within reach from here, offering an incongruous contrast to the wild wonders of Alaska. A place where deep-sea fishermen bump shoulders with businesspeople on the 9-5, it's a fascinating, remote city. Home to almost half of the Alaskan population, Anchorage and its humble skyline is dwarfed by the snowy peaks of the wilderness beyond. Don't miss the opportunity to immerse yourself in the unique culture, traditions and heritage of the First Nation people of these lands too.

#### Breakfast



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE LOCAL CURRENCY
English USD

## 2024 Departures

May - 9, 24 June - 6, 20 July - 4, 18

August - 1, 15, 29

#### Excluded

- · Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- · Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- · Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package
- Not included in your cruise fare are: selected shore excursions, meals ashore, fuel surcharges, dinners in La Dame (Per guest reservation fee of US\$60/ US\$160 for new Silver Nova and Silver Ray), Seishin Restaurant (Per guest reservation fee of US\$40) and Kaiseki Restaurant (Per guest reservation fee of US\$40/ US\$80 for new Silver Nova and Silver Ray), and S.A.L.T. Chef's Table (Per Guest reservation fee of US\$180), accommodations whilst ashore, casino gaming, laundry or valet services, purchases from the ship boutiques or any item or service of a personal nature such as medical care, massages, spa treatments, private fitness instruction, hair styling and manicures. Some champagne, premium wine and spirit selections, caviar, cigarettes and cigars are not included in your fare and may not be available at all times.