



Alaska Expedition

7 June – 14 June 2009



Expedition Outline

Alaska is one of the last true wildernesses in the World. We will spend 7 days and 6 nights out in the majestic Price William Sound. The area is well known for its amazing marine life and calving Glaciers. Taking everything we need to survive with us in our fibreglass sea kayaks we will explore the Sound looking out for Killer Whales, Grey Whales, Dolphins, Sea Lions and possibly even Bears, we will most certainly see many Bald Eagles as we paddle past waterfalls cascading into the sea from the many glaciated hanging valleys. At the end of each days paddling we shall be setting up camp in a true wilderness setting.

Experience needed

Distances covered will vary between days and will depend on the weather conditions, but we would expect members of the expedition to be able to manage somewhere between 15-25km per day.

To get the most out of the expedition you should be at or around the BCU UKCC 3* syllabus or the old BCU 4* (sea proficiency award). Camping experience is needed but we will go through how to camp in a wilderness setting. Bears are an indigenous species and strict campsite discipline is required where food is concerned. If you have any questions regarding the required ability please feel free to get in touch. We would recommend that if you have no previous expedition experience that you attend one of our expedition training courses.

What it includes

The course/expedition fee includes all of the equipment needed and instruction where necessary. The equipment we can supply is jackets, buoyancy aids, spray decks, paddles and fibreglass sea kayaks. We can also supply tents, sleeping bags and stoves should you need. The price includes food whilst camping, accommodation on the first and last night and transport from anchorage to Whittier. The price does not include your flights out to Anchorage. You should make sure you have adequate travel insurance.

Cost

£1200 Instruction, camping food, shuttle, 2 night's accommodation and all equipment needed

Location and times

We will meet on the 7th of June at a bed and breakfast in Anchorage and then travel together to Whittier on the 8th of June. We will be out on the water until the afternoon of the 14 of June.

What to bring

Sleeping Bag, Tent (can be supplied)

Camping Stove (can be supplied)

Plates bowls and KFS

Warm clothes

Sleeping Mat

Water containers/hydration packs

Paddling Equipment (can be supplied)

Dry bags

Camera

Passport! And all the other bits you normally need when camping.....!