

# Inside Passage, Southeast Alaska, USA

A thousand miles of protected waterway threading through ancient rainforest, tidewater glaciers, and some of the richest wildlife habitat on earth — no port stop required.

Scenic Cruising Day (no port stop)

Full day at sea — 8-12 hrs of scenery

USD (no going ashore)

English

World-class wildlife viewing

## MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrive: \_\_\_\_\_ All aboard: \_\_\_\_\_

Excursion: \_\_\_\_\_ Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## GETTING ASHORE

**Docking:** Scenic cruising — no port call, ship sails through

**Best For:** Wildlife, glaciers, dramatic fjord scenery

**Route Length:** ~1,000 miles, Vancouver Island to Skagway

**Don't Miss:** Whale spouts at dawn; misty fjords at dusk

Getting around:

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- Whale & Wildlife Watch from Deck** — Humpback whales, orca, Dall's porpoise, Steller sea lions, and harbor seals are regularly spotted from the ship's open...
  - Glacier & Fjord Scenery** — Many Inside Passage itineraries include a slow pass through Tracy Arm Fjord or Endicott Arm, where sheer granite walls...
- Onboard Naturalist Program** — National Park Service rangers and ship naturalists give lectures on Southeast Alaska ecology, Tlingit culture, glacier...
  - Tongass National Forest Backdrop** — The world's largest temperate rainforest lines both sides of the passage.

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

**CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

|     | Mon | High | Low | Rain |
|-----|-----|------|-----|------|
| Apr |     | 43°  | 34° | 18d  |
| Jun |     | 60°  | 49° | 19d  |
| Aug |     | 63°  | 53° | 20d  |
| Sep |     | 57°  | 47° | 21d  |
| Oct |     | 47°  | 38° | 21d  |

**DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 5:44AM–8:11PM · Jun 3:51AM–10:05PM · Aug 5:21AM–8:41PM · Sep 6:28AM–7:15PM · Oct 7:34AM–5:50PM

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## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Layer up, even in summer. Wind chill on a moving ship in the passage can feel 20°F colder than the air temperature. Fleece + waterproof shell is the minimum; add a beanie.
- Bring binoculars — your phone won't cut it. 8×42 or 10×42 optics turn a distant black dot into a grizzly bear. This is the single most-recommended upgrade for an Alaska cruise.
- No cell service for most of the day. Download offline Google Maps of Southeast Alaska before departing so your GPS still works for orientation while offline.

# Inside Passage, Southeast Alaska, USA — Port Map

[cruiseports.org](https://cruiseports.org)

Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| <b>1</b> | <b>Liquid Alaska Tours</b>    | Book kayaking, whale watching, and other water adventures here.     | <b>2</b> | <b>AJ Mine Gastineau Mill Tours</b>         | Explore an historic gold mine and mill with guided tours.      |
| <b>3</b> | <b>The Whale Project</b>      | See a life-size humpback whale sculpture near the cruise ship dock. | <b>4</b> | <b>Alaska State Museum</b>                  | Discover Alaska's rich history, art, and diverse cultures.     |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Savikko Park</b>           | Enjoy waterfront trails, a dog park, and scenic views.              | <b>6</b> | <b>Glacier Gardens Rainforest Adventure</b> | Explore unique upside-down trees and a lush rainforest garden. |
| <b>7</b> | <b>Alaska State Capitol</b>   | Visit Alaska's state government building, offering free tours.      | <b>8</b> | <b>DIPAC Macaulay Salmon Hatchery</b>       | Observe salmon lifecycle at this working fish hatchery.        |
| <b>P</b> | <b>Cruise port / terminal</b> |                                                                     |          |                                             |                                                                |