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THE WORLD'S LARGEST HOTEL CHAIN

The Great Land Tour: Anchorage/Homer/Kodiak



GETTING YOU STARTED:

Length of Tour:

7 Day driving tour from Anchorage to Homer and Kodiak

Places to Stay:

Best Western Golden Lion, Anchorage, AK
Best Western Bidarka Inn, Homer, AK
Best Western Kodiak Inn, Kodiak, AK

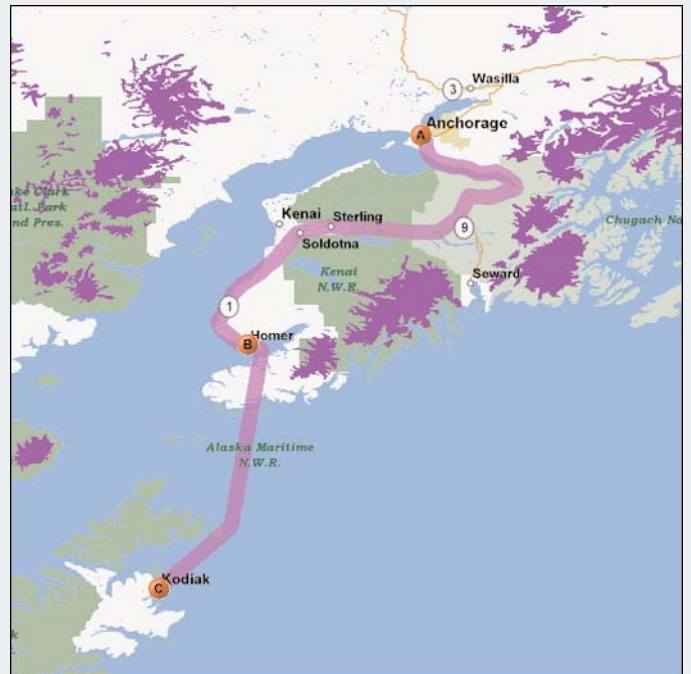
From the Airport:

Directions from Anchorage International Airport (ANC) to
Best Western Golden Lion, Anchorage, AK

- Head out traveling N. on N. Tug Road toward De Havilland Ave.
- Turn right onto De Havilland Ave.
- Turn right onto Postmark Dr.
- Turn left onto W. International Airport Rd.
- Turn left onto C St.
- C St. becomes A St.
- Turn right onto E. 36th Ave.
- Arrive at 1000 E. 36th Ave. (Best Western Golden Lion)

Total Distance of Tour:

380 miles | 610 km





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DAY 01:

Alaska Zoo

+1 907 346 2133
4731 O'Malley Rd
Anchorage, AK 99507-6573
United States

Description:

View 85 species of wildlife from the Arctic, including glacier bears, brown/grizzly bears and black bears, on this 25-acre wooded area. See caribou, moose, dall sheep, wolves, musk oxen and many others. Some non-Alaskan species such as elephants, bactrian camels and even a Siberian tiger are housed in the zoo. A gift shop and a refreshment stand are on the premises.

Admission: Adults \$7; Children \$4; Seniors \$6; Students \$4.
Hours: Seasonal
Website: www.alaskazoo.org
Distance from Hotel: 6.8 miles | 11 km

Directions from Hotel:

- Start at 1000 E. 36th Ave. (Best Western Golden Lion)
- Turn left on AK-1 S.
- Take the O'Malley Rd. exit
- Turn left on O'Malley Rd.
- Arrive at 4731 O'Malley Rd.

Anchorage Museum of History & Art

+1 907 343 4326 or +1 907 343 6174
121 West Seventh Ave
Anchorage, AK 99501-3611
United States

Description:

The main attraction at this multi-galleried museum is the Alaska Gallery with more than 1,000 pieces of history, artwork and photography by Alaskans. Five other galleries are housed in the downtown-area museum, showcasing a variety of temporary

exhibits from all over the world and a Children's Gallery. This is a fascinating museum to visit. During the months of June through August, see educational evening programs at 7pm.

Admission: Adults \$6.50; Seniors \$6; Children 6-17 \$2; Children under 6 are admitted free.
Hours: May-Sep: 9am-9pm daily; Oct-Apr: 10am-6pm Tue-Sat
Website: www.anchoragemuseum.org
Distance from Alaska Zoo: 8.5 miles | 13.5 km

Directions from Alaska Zoo:

- Head out W. on O'Malley Rd. toward Janet Lee Cir.
- Turn slight right onto Brayton Dr.
- Merge onto AK-1 N. toward Anchorage
- Turn left onto E. Northern Lights Blvd.
- Turn right onto A St.
- Turn left onto W. 7th Ave.
- End at 121 W. 7th Ave.

Crystal Gallery of Ice

+1 907 279 5650
500 W 6th Ave
Anchorage, AK 99501-2224
United States

Description:

Beginning in 1989, each year dozens of international teams work feverishly for 48-hours to turn blocks of ice into a work of art. Using chainsaws, chisels and other tools, the sculptors are fascinating to watch and always draw a large crowd. Only skill and time limit the artists who produce a wide variety of pieces from life-size wildlife,

angels or architectural designs. Be sure to check out the sculptures at night as they are lit up by colored lights that reflect through the ice.

Admission: FREE
Hours: 24-hours daily. Unlimited viewing.
Distance from Anchorage Museum of History & Art:
0.5 miles | 0.8 km



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Directions from Anchorage Museum of History & Art:

- Start out heading W. on W. 7th Ave. toward C St.
- Turn right onto E. St.
- Turn right onto W. 6th Ave.
- End at 500 W. 6th Ave.

DAY 02:

Alaska Botanical Garden

+1 907 770 3692
4601 Campbell Airstrip Road
Anchorage, AK 99507
United States

Description:

This 110-acre garden includes native perennials, an enclosed herb garden and an outdoor rock garden. Created in 1991 by volunteers, the garden has become an educational resource as well as a stunning showcase of Alaskan plants and wildflowers. Paths throughout allow for easy travel and a 1.2-mile hike provides views of the Chugach Mountains, a natural wetland and nearby Campbell Creek. One unusual feature is a still-used dog-mushing trail that travels through the garden. Guided tours are available upon request. Adults \$5; Children & Seniors \$3; Children under 2 and Members free

Hours: Summer 9AM - 9PM. Winter daylight hours.

Website: www.alaskabg.org

Distance: 4.2 miles | 6.8 km

Directions from Best Western Golden Lion:

- Start at 1000 E. 36th Ave. heading toward Commerce St.
- Turn left on AK-1 S.
- Take the Tudor Rd. Exit
- Turn left on E. Tudor Rd.
- Turn right on Campbell Airstrip Rd.
- Arrive at 4601 Campbell Airstrip Rd.

DAY 03:

Drive to Homer, AK

Directions from Best Western Golden Lion to Best Western Bidarka Inn:

- Head W. on E. 36th Ave. toward Commerce St.
- Turn left on AK-1 S.
- Continue on AK-1 S. following signs.
- Arrive at 575 Sterling Hwy. (Best Western Bidarka Inn)

Distance: 220 miles | 350 km

DAY 04:

Inlet Charters Saltwater Adventures

+1 907 235 6126 / +1 800 770 6126
P.O. Box 2083
Homer, AK 99603
United States

Description:

Halibut fishing, salmon, kayaking, and Marine wildlife tours. Let the most experienced captains in Homer show you a great time while looking for the big ones. Your halibut charter will begin at 6:30am and can last from eight to ten hours so be prepared for a full day on the water. All of the guides at Inlet Charters are experienced, coast guard licensed and insured and committed to providing a safe comfortable day on the water. Your guide will assist you in the proper technique of bottom fishing as well as bait your hooks, gaff your fish and pull them on board.

Directions: Call ahead for travel information and reservations.

Website: www.halibutcharters.com



DAY 05:

**Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies:
Guided Tour Across Kachemak Bay**

+ 1 907 235 6667
P.O. Box 2225
Homer, AK 99603
United States

Description:

Guided and self guided land tour hikes available daily. Naturalists guide 1-1 1/2-hour hikes featuring forest and plant ecology and traditional uses of plants at 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. Self-guided land tour loop and spur trail to viewing platform with accompanying brochure can be hiked during the open hours of 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Admission: \$5 per person, \$3 for youth under 18.
Directions: Call ahead for travel information and reservations.
Website: www.akcoastalstudies.org

DAY 06:

Drive to Kodiak, AK

Directions from Best Western Bidarka Inn (Homer, AK) to Best Western Kodiak Inn (Kodiak, AK):

- Start out heading E. on Sterling Hwy/AK-1
- Turn slight right onto Lake St.
- Turn left onto Ocean Dr.
- Ocean Dr. becomes Homer Spit Rd.
- Turn slight right onto Alaska Marine Hwy./Homer-Kodiak ferry.
(Check ferry schedules/fares in advance).
- Go straight.
- Turn left onto Marine Way W.
- Marine Way W. becomes Alder Ln.
- Turn left onto Rezanof Dr. W.
- Arrive at 236 W. Rezanof Dr.

Distance: 160 miles | 258 km

DAY 07:

Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge

+1 907 487 2600
1390 Buskin River Road MS 559
Kodiak, AK 99615
USA

Description:

Famous for its Kodiak brown bears, the refuge is known around the world. Bears, bald eagles, salmon and a diversity of other fish and wildlife abound on the 1.9 million acres of pristine upland and waters. Terrain is mostly mountainous dissected by fiords and deep river valleys carved by ancient glaciers. Varied terrain fosters diverse vegetation - ranging from ancient Sitka spruce forest through alpine meadows to rolling tundra.

Directions from Best Western Kodiak Inn:

- Head out traveling SW on Rezanof Dr. W. toward Cope St.
- Turn slight left onto Buskin River Rd.
- Arrive at 1390 Buskin River Rd.

Distance: 4.0 miles | 6.5 km