



Great scenery as a backdrop © Katmai Wilderness Lodge

KATMAI WILDERNESS LODGE

From 4 days/3 nights
 From \$6693 per person twin share
 Departs ex Kodiak 29 May-18 Sep

	4D/3N Tue to Fri	5D/4N Fri to Tue	8D/7N Tue to Tue Fri to Fri
Tour cost from:			
Twin share or single	\$6693	\$7559	\$9134

INCLUSIONS

Return float plane Kodiak to lodge, full board accommodation, local beer & wine with lunch & dinner, soft drinks, guided trips.

May-June departures: Due to the possibility of fog we recommend you spend the night prior to departure in Kodiak.

Best Western Kodiak Inn:	Twin	Single
May-Sep	\$230	\$460

Katmai Wilderness Lodge claims to offer “the world’s most spectacular bear viewing” and our CEO Steve Cameron was absolutely in agreement when he visited Katmai. On just one afternoon Steve saw 20 bears and was able to approach several individuals

quite closely on foot. The scenery is spectacular and unspoiled as the lodge is the only private establishment on the coast of Katmai National Park. The lodge is situated in Kukak Bay against a backdrop of majestic mountains and dramatic glaciers. Comfortable accommodation is provided in modern log cabins whilst the main area has a warm lounge and dining room serving hearty meals.

ITINERARY

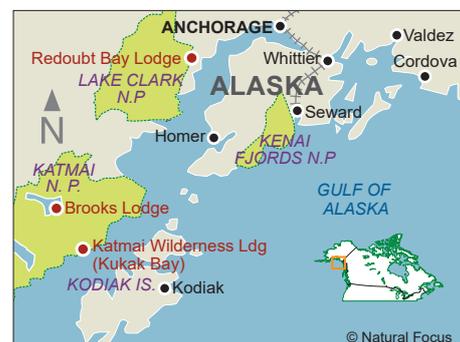
Day 1 Katmai Wilderness Lodge
 Noon transfer by float plane from Kodiak to the lodge, arriving 1330. Afternoon activity.

Days 2/3 Katmai Wilderness Lodge
 Each day you will set out by boat with your guide to explore this beautiful wilderness area. Activities include guided bear viewing and photography, guided wilderness hikes, sea kayaking and birding. Apart from bears, there are moose and fox in the area and many marine mammals such as otters and seals.

Day 4 Tour ends Kodiak
 Breakfast and morning activity before your flight at 1330 to Kodiak Airport. Tour ends.



Aerial shot of the lodge © Katmai Wilderness Lodge



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Katmai National Park © Lynn Rogers

KATMAI NATIONAL PARK

Katmai National Park is famous for brown (or grizzly) bears, fish, volcanoes and rugged wilderness. Originally created in 1918 to preserve the famed Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes, the area was designated a National Park in 1980. The park covers an area in excess of 16,000 sq km.

Brown bears are very active in Katmai, with numbers increasing to more than 2,200. As they are not hunted, and food during the summer months is plentiful, the bears are extremely tolerant of humans, and extraordinary viewing is possible. Males can grow to an amazing 3 metres in height and to observe their behaviour at close quarters is a privilege few people will ever experience.

Despite the park's size, there are only a few places where you can view bears in Katmai and we feature Katmai Wilderness Lodge (this page) and Brooks Lodge (p22). For an unrivalled bear viewing experience, we recommend you incorporate one of the tours on these pages into your itinerary.



Spacious lodge living room © Katmai Wilderness Lodge



Bald Eagle and hatchlings © Katmai Wilderness Lodge



Boating excursion © Katmai Wilderness Lodge



Grizzly bear and cub © Lynn Rogers



Brooks Falls, lots of action! © Scott Cindrich: www.flickr.com/scottmichaels



Viewing platform, Brooks Falls © Brooks Falls Lodge

BROOKS LODGE

From 3 days/2 nights
From \$3189 per person twin share*
Departs daily ex Anchorage Jun-Sep

Tour cost per person from:* † 3D/2N 4D/3N^
\$3189 \$3924

*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

^Special 4D/3N discount rates available for select dates. Please contact us for details.

†Rates and dates are provisional and subject to change.

INCLUSIONS

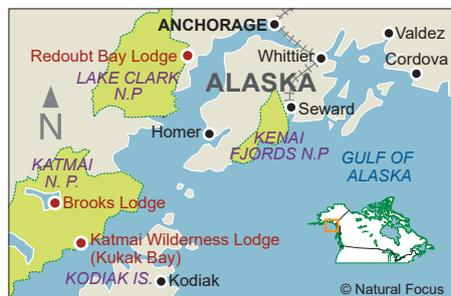
Roundtrip air transportation to/from Anchorage, 2 or 3 nights accommodation at Brooks Lodge (room only), all park fees and the Valley of 10,000 Smokes tour including lunch.

Day trip from Anchorage from: \$1658 per person
Includes round trip air transportation Anchorage/Brooks Lodge via King Salmon, buffet lunch and half day at Brooks Falls.

Brooks Lodge overlooks famous Brooks Falls in the heart of Katmai National Park. Each year from mid-June to mid-September‡ large numbers of bears congregate here to catch spawning salmon. There are 16 comfortable ensuite rooms at this historic property, as well as an inviting

central building which boasts a circular fireplace and stunning views of turquoise Naknek Lake. Aside from grizzly-viewing, you can also explore the impressive Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes – formed by the violent eruption of Novarupta Volcano in 1912. Brooks Lodge can become crowded during peak season so if you're seeking a more intimate experience, consider Katmai Wilderness Lodge (p20).

‡Note: Whilst these months constitute "bear viewing season", please note that we cannot ever guarantee sightings. July and September are considered the optimum viewing periods.



A grizzly attempting to catch spawning salmon © Shutterstock

BOOK EARLY

With its prime location overlooking the Brooks River, demand for Brooks Lodge is very high and early bookings are essential. We suggest booking up to 18 months in advance, particularly for July which is considered the peak viewing month.

REDOUBT BAY LODGE

From 3 days/2 nights
From \$4021 per person twin share*
Departs daily ex Anchorage
06 Jun-28 Aug

Tour cost per person from:*^

3 days/2 nights \$4021
4 days/3 nights \$5143

Full Day Bear Viewing Tour ex Anchorage \$1408
Overnight Bear Viewing Tour ex Anchorage \$2503

*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

^Prices for overnight tours based on arrival at 1330 and departure at 1330.

INCLUSIONS

Transfers by float plane between Anchorage and Redoubt Bay Lodge, guided nature excursions, full board accommodation, house wine and specialty beer at lunch and during appetiser time on overnight tours, courtesy return transfers between some Anchorage hotels and the airport.

Accessible only by float plane, family-run Redoubt Bay Lodge nestles amongst spectacular scenery at the entrance to Lake Clark National Park. It is the only privately owned property within a 171,000 acre wilderness area that harbours a very healthy population of brown bears. Day trips (approx. 8 hours) to the lodge can be arranged from Anchorage, including a guided natural history tour. However, we recommend spending at least two nights at Redoubt Bay Lodge, so you can enjoy activities such as hiking and kayaking in addition to bear-viewing.



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