Air Crossroads Of The World: Anchorage, Alaska





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Tour Summary

Known as the Air Crossroads of the World, Anchorage is an extremely popular international destination and one of the busiest air freight gateways in the world. Yet the city retains a friendly, small town feel. Anchorage is home to over 1,000 nondomesticated moose, a sharp reminder that the untamed wilderness lies in the city's backyard.

In this tour, an experienced Alaska traveler will act as your personal guide as you explore both the famous tourist attractions and the lesser-known delights. Along the way, you will learn tips and tricks for living like a local, saving money, and maximizing your enjoyment.

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Introduction





Anchorage, Alaska--"Air Crossroads of the World."



Home to 300,000 people, nearly half the state's population,

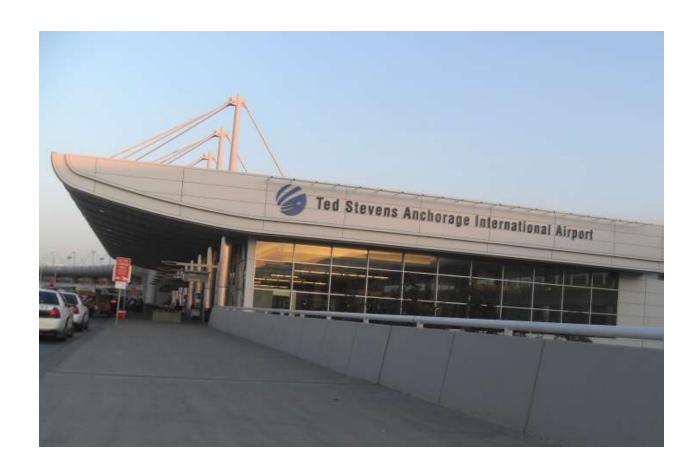


and more than 1,000 non-domesticated moose, Anchorage is Alaska's largest city.

(Thanks to Ricardo Martins for the great photo.)



Well-connected to the rest of the state via railroad and highway,



Anchorage is the primary hub for visitors from the Lower 48, a popular international stopover, and the only city in the United States offering direct air service to Russia's Far East.



Those who arrive after hiking or backpacking in Alaska's backcountry may initially experience big city culture shock,



but this fades quickly upon talking with the down-to-earth locals. After all, how seriously can a city in which moose and bears roam the streets actually take itself?



Although the city of Anchorage is sprawling, its pedestrian-friendly downtown retains a small town vibe.



In this tour, an experienced Alaska traveler will act as your personal guide.



We will visit the famous tourist attractions



and the smaller, off the beaten path delights.



You will also learn tips and tricks for living like a local, minimizing costs, and maximizing your enjoyment.

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