

BEST OF WASHINGTON STATE PRICING & REGISTRATION

Orca wannabees:

Follows are instructions for getting on the Best of Washington State hiking tours. Coach has resurrected the Orcas training team name from the 2010 trip. We are opening the trip for registration, however this time your deposit is the next step after becoming a Training Partner. We will later use the registration form to submit additional information. When you are ready to commit to the trip send in your deposit. The amount of your deposit will tell us what airfare class to get for you – you have a choice. (See the Class Comparison for details) 1 checked bag will cost \$40 each way. Anyone wanting First Class must book their own and register for a Ground Package for this hiking tour. After we finish negotiating all the contracts we may have a lower final cost, if so the saving will reduce the balance due. The attached itinerary is a rough draft, Coach is still fine tuning it. We were to explain at the orientation tomorrow, but did not want to delay opening registration. Please call me with any questions. Thom 269.462.0683

1. **TRAINING PARTNER:** You must be a 2026 Training Partner to register for the *Best of Washington State* hiking tour.
2. **DEPOSIT:** A non-refundable deposit is your **next step** to register for this trip. Deposit amounts are: \$600 Main Cabin, \$750 Premium or \$500 Ground Package (you book airfare – this works to fly First Class and those not living locally.) [see Ways To Pay on website for options]
3. **COST:** For planning purposes presume these estimated final prices for D/O: Main Cabin \$3,350, Premium Cabin \$3,500, Ground Package \$2,950. For S/O add \$1500.
4. **BALANCE:** Final trip payment will be calculated. (It will be the difference between the final trip price and your deposit paid. Final price after completing all contracts).
5. **INSURANCE:** Highly recommend Trip Cancellation Insurance (Note: May be time sensitive from date of deposit). [See INSURANCE page on our website]
6. **TWO TOURS** are planned if there's enough interest to fill both trips with a minimum of 40 hikers each.
7. **PREFERANCES:** After we receive your deposit you will receive instructions for any additional information we will need, such as ID, TSA numbers, trip and roommate preferences.

DESCRIPTION: 13 day hiking tours of Washington State, SEP 5-17 and SEP 19-OCT 1, 2026. Departing from and returning to Niles, Michigan. Inclusive of R/T airfare from Chicago to Seattle. Inclusive of 12 nights lodging, ground transportation, park fees, ferry fees and whale watch and some breakfasts. Not included are most meals and gratuities. [Links to hikes, hotels, restaurants and more will be added to the website over the next few weeks. (see 2026 WASHINGTON page)]

TRIP 1

SAT SEP 5	Alaska Air AS274	ORD 1:03PM	SEA 3:44PM
THU SEP 17	Alaska Air AS429	SEA 10:52AM	ORD 5:01PM

TRIP 2

SAT SEP 19	Alaska Air AS274	ORD 1:03PM	SEA 3:44PM
THU OCT 1	Alaska Air AS429	SEA 10:52AM	ORD 5:01PM