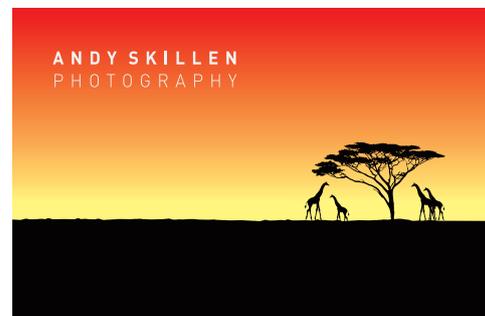


The Grizzlies of Kodiak: up close and personal

An unique, exclusive, six person photographic experience to the remote bear habitat of Alaska's Kodiak Island with Andy Skillen.

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GBP6,595; US\$8,350 (per person based on double occupancy)



Itinerary:

Day 1 – Kodiak-to-Camp Island and the lodge

On arrival in Kodiak you will be met for transfer to a floatplane base where you'll embark on a 45 minute Alaska bush plane flight to the lodge located on Camp Island on Karluk Lake. Karluk Lake has over 30 miles of shoreline with countless tributaries creating one of the richest & highest salmon concentrations on Kodiak. This adventure offers visitors unparalleled access & opportunities to observe & study these legendary bears in their natural habitat & surroundings from viewing areas strategically located in the field as well as from the 30' aluminum catamaran. After a safety orientation & lunch you will be immersed into a guided bear viewing adventure. The evening dinner is served in the dining cabin. After dinner you'll settle into your comfortable & well-appointed cabin for your first overnight stay at the lodge. All guest cabins are directly at the water's edge and each cabin has a private outdoor deck where bears and other wildlife can often be seen as well.

Days 2-7 Bear viewing

Camp Island is 58 acres and affords a lodging buffer from the abundant bear activity around the perimeter of the Lake as well as providing a curious and entertaining population of local wildlife such as deer, fox and river otter. After breakfast each day we will embark for a day of guided bear viewing to one of three prime viewing areas aboard the heated catamaran vessel, or to an alternative location if we feel the opportunities for viewing will be optimal elsewhere. At all times we will maintain flexibility. This is one of the most researched bear habitat areas in the world and you will likely have opportunities for interactions with researchers. Each day will consist of two principal outings with a break for lunch, although it will also be possible to take lunch with us on some days if we think that will suit the viewing conditions. Note - coffee, tea, water and chocolate are always available in the galley.

Day 8 – Lodge-to-Kodiak

In the morning after breakfast, you'll have the opportunity to participate in a guided activity (bear viewing, kayaking or fishing). After lunch, you'll check out and prepare for the return floatplane flight to Kodiak at approximately 1:00pm (13:00H). All participants are advised to book their return flight from Kodiak to Anchorage for late afternoon/evening, or, alternatively, why not stay on Kodiak for a couple more days and enjoy some of the other sights that this unique part of the world has to offer? Transportation to either airport or your hotel will be laid on for you and is included.

Accommodation notes:

The lodge facilities include newly constructed, deluxe cabins with 24/7 power, full bathroom facilities with hot/cold running water, an oil heater, towels & toiletries, a queen bed and a twin bed, wireless internet access, and a deck overlooking the Karluk Lake. If you need access to a refrigerator or a hair dryer, this can also be potentially arranged. Please note that the lodge does not provide or offer alcoholic beverages, however guests are welcome to bring their own. An Alaskan Native Banya (sauna) is also available and offers relaxation after a day of activities!