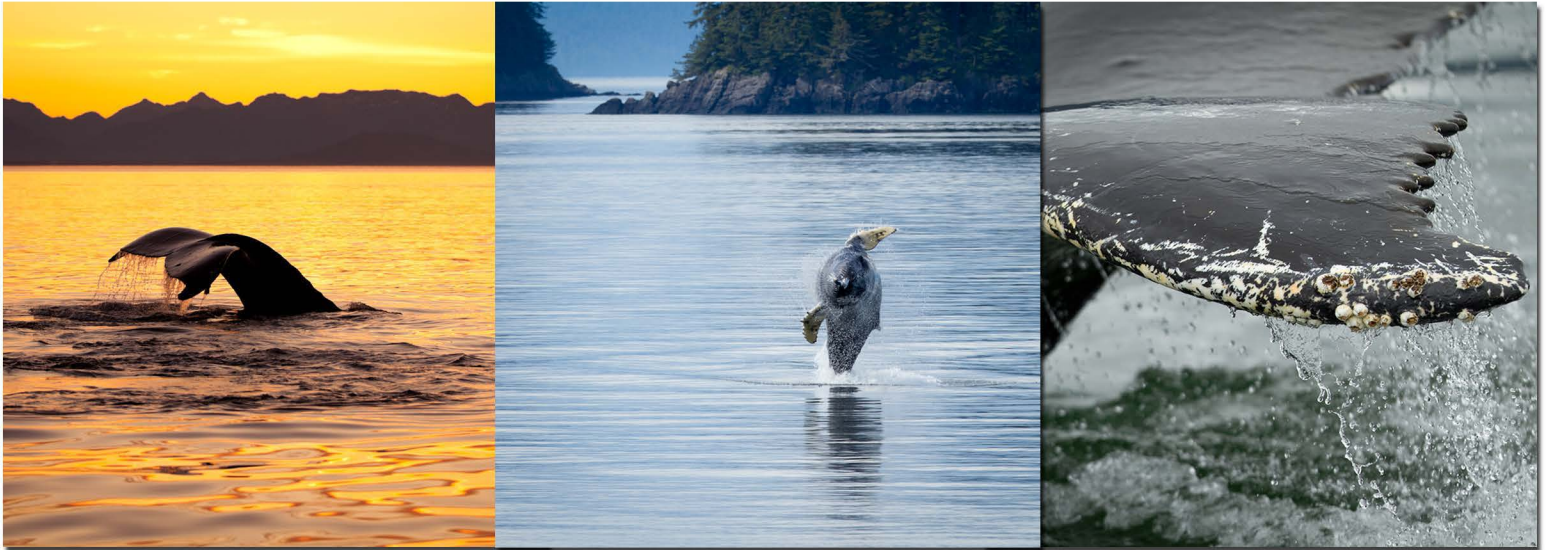


# Alaska's Inside Passage - Whales, Glaciers, and Eagles

Hal and Victoria Schmitt

05 - 12 July, 2012



Prepare for a life changing experience as you join Hal and Victoria Schmitt for 8 days and 7 nights of Alaskan photography immersion. The sheer volume and quality of amazing subjects and opportunities are unrivaled by any other photo adventure; whether wildlife, landscape, pano, or HDR get ready to photograph in a "target rich environment." The adventure is yacht-based but do not think large cruise ship or even NatGeo size boats, the small, yet stable Northern Song allows close and low (water level) photography unmatched anywhere else in Alaska.

To ensure the best possible photography, this trip is limited to 6 participants. With a student to instructor ratio of 3:1 you will always have the guidance, advice, and artistic and technical support you need to make the best images.

This trip does not have a set itinerary or daily schedule. Instead we will depart Petersburg and Hal and Captain Dennis will take us to the Inside Passage's summer action of whales, eagles, glaciers, and more. Each summer Humpback whales migrate to Alaska's nutrient rich waters in order to feed and play. Our destination is one of the largest concentration of Humpback whales found anywhere on the planet and the protected waters of the Inside Passage offer a photographer's paradise as the whales cavort and feed cooperatively. We will also have the opportunity to photograph more wildlife including eagles, Orca, bears, huge numbers of seabirds, and more. The diverse wildlife and landscape will keep you shooting from dawn to dusk (14+ hours in July!)

All of the action is set against one of the most spectacular backdrops anywhere on the planet, South East Alaska and the Inside Passage. Dramatic glacier covered mountains rise sharply from the calm, blue waters providing a landscape photographer's dream. Pine, spruce, and fir are everywhere delivering a rich, dark green; a beautiful background to all of our action shots.

We will explore the Inside Passage and photograph the incredible scenery including close up visits to huge calving glaciers, dramatic fjords, and isolated islands. Shore excursions are available where we get up close and personal with the incredible temperate rain forest of the Tongass.





## The Yacht

The Northern Song, captained by Dennis Rogers, will be our home, transport, and shooting platform for the photo adventure. The Northern Song is an 85' luxury yacht with a crew of three: Captain, First Mate, and Chef. With spacious, comfortable staterooms, amazing food, and a Captain who puts the yacht in position for the perfect shot, you will love the Northern Song.

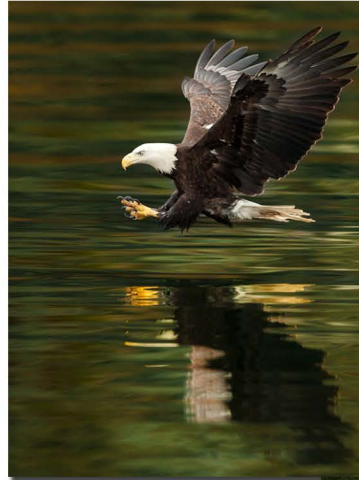
Captain Rogers has over 30 years experience sailing Alaskan waters. The professional crew and the best in navigation and safety gear ensure a safe and productive cruise. Scan or click the code to view a video of Tim Grey demonstrating a critical yacht safety feature.

## The Details

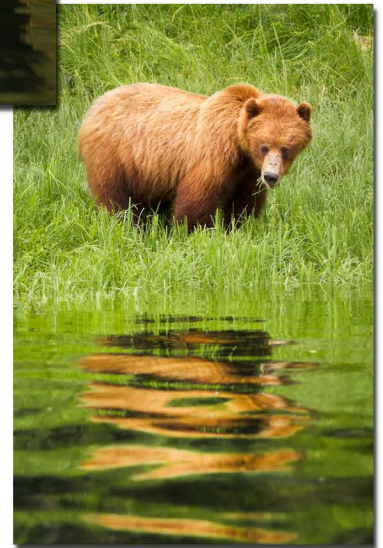
8 days and 7 nights on the Northern Song  
Embark 1200 05 July, Petersburg, AK  
Disembark 1600 12 July, Petersburg, AK  
Plan to arrive in Petersburg no later than 04 July.  
Plan to depart from Petersburg no earlier than 13 July.  
Two lower staterooms have two beds.  
Master suite has one large bed.  
Each stateroom has a private head and shower.  
All staterooms are double occupancy (single rate available.)

The fee for this photo adventure is \$6,850 for double occupancy. A discount is offered when booking a full state room. Fee includes: 8 days and 7 nights on the yacht, photo instruction, computer instruction, and all meals, snacks and beverages including beer and wine but not hard alcohol.

Fee does not include: airfare to and from Petersburg, AK, lodging for 04/12 July, tip for Northern Song crew, travel or medical insurance costs, or trip insurance (highly encouraged.)



Scan or click for glacier action



Scan or click for feeding whales

For more information or to join this photo adventure please contact Hal or Victoria Schmitt at 805.528.7385, via e-mail at [info@Lightworkshops.com](mailto:info@Lightworkshops.com), or visit [Lightworkshops.com](http://Lightworkshops.com).

