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Adventures Beyond Dreams

Welcome to Points North

We would like to personally invite you to experience **Points North Heli-Adventures Inc. (PNH)** here in Cordova, Alaska. **PNH** is a place where you will experience adventures beyond dreams.

We established **PNH** in order to provide a true Alaskan experience for our guests. We chose Cordova as our home base for operations because of its unique location and ambiance. Surrounded by the majestic Chugach Mountains, Cordova is located on the southeast corner of Prince William Sound. Accessed only by ferry or plane, Cordova is unlike any other community in the state. Alaska Airlines flies into Cordova twice daily from Seattle and Anchorage. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by one of our staff members who will cater to your every need. A short, fifteen-minute drive to the Orca Adventure Lodge offers you your first of many opportunities to see bald eagles, moose, sea otters and the beautiful town of Cordova. Along the way you will also view the breathtaking peaks on which you will soon be standing.

PNH is the only heli-skiing operation in the state utilizing this portion of the Chugach Mountains, distinguishing us from the numerous operations flying out of Valdez. **PNH** has access to over 1000 square miles of skiable terrain, perfect for the average intermediate skier through the world-class athlete. At **PNH**, taking care of you and keeping you safe is our most important objective.

Thank you for taking the time to explore PNH and all that we have to offer. Once again, we invite you to come this spring and see for yourself, the magic of the Chugach! We are certain you will have the time of your life.

Kevin & Jessica Quinn
Owners/Guides



Am I ready for Alaska?

You don't have to be an expert to come to Alaska and experience all it has to offer. Movies and magazine photos have made it look that way, but in reality, there is something for everyone in the Chugach. At **PNH** we match your ability to the terrain.

We recommend that guests be in moderate shape, at least intermediate level riders and comfortable in a variety of snow conditions. Due to the frequently deep snow conditions, we highly encourage the use of fat skis and if you do not have a pair of your own, we have a rental fleet that will meet your needs.

Skiing in Alaska is a great adventure and you can relax knowing that the PNH guides' top priorities is your experience and safety. They will always assess the slope prior to your descent. If the slope seems unsafe in any way, the guide will call in the aircraft for immediate pickup. We always descend slopes one at a time and each client carries a small radio for communication with their guide.



Weather

The Chugach Mountains receive more snowfall than any other place in all of North America with annual snowfalls often in excess of 25 feet. When you visit Alaska be prepared for weather. Japanese currents send warm, moist air into these mountains mixing with the cooler glacial climates, producing the legendary snow quality that is unique to Alaska.



Other Activities

When the weather is not conducive to flying we have a number of options to entertain you. We have a great local ski area, Mt. Eyak, that allows you to ski back to our base when conditions permit. The Mt. Eyak chairlift is one of the oldest in North America and was Sun Valley's first. The \$15 lift ticket is worth the ride itself. The views from the lift are unsurpassed, not to mention the incredible terrain and skiing. In addition to our local chairlift access and ski touring options, we also have activities that include guided ice climbing on one of the 4 glaciers, hikes through the temperate rain forest, a local surf break, fishing, bicycles, a gym, an Olympic size indoor pool, and of course, the quintessential foosball and ping pong tables in the lodge. In addition to the active options, we also have a massage therapist and wood fired sauna.



PNH ski packages include:

- All-inclusive lodging located directly on Prince William Sound
- Gourmet meals
- Round trip transportation from Cordova airport
- Transportation for the duration of your stay
- Activities (Mt. Eyak not included)
- Four heli-hours (approx. 3 full days of riding) more heli-hours available

Accommodations:

We are located 2.5 miles from the town of Cordova. Our facility, The Orca Adventure Lodge, established in 1887, is one of the oldest non-working canneries in Alaska. No longer utilized for the fishing industry, Orca Adventure Lodge and **PNH** are now a worldwide destination. Our lodging facility at Orca is a 27-room, two story, newly remodeled lodge on the water's edge, immediately adjacent to your helicopter's landing pad. We have wireless internet throughout the facility and everything here at **PNH** is all-inclusive. Our lodge and its setting are one-of-a-kind and beautiful.



Cuisine

You will be served a variety of hearty, family-style meals in our café area that will guarantee you're not left hungry. You will enjoy local seafood from some of the richest waters in the world, including Cordova's famous Copper River Salmon. Upon request, we also cater to special dietary needs.

Air Fleet

PNH utilizes the best in high altitude helicopters, the A-Star B2. This aircraft has proven, time and again, to be the best for heli-skiing and flight-seeing. North Star Helicopters and all of their pilots have thousands of hours and years of experience flying in countless scenarios in Alaska.



PNH has been flying with North Star and its pilots for the past 10 years.

Guides and Safety

PNH and its professional staff of high angle guides will escort you to terrain that will match your abilities. When you visit us, be assured that your safety is paramount! **PNH** is one of only three operators in Alaska that are members of, and meet the standards for, **HeliSki US Association**. All of our guides have extensive training in emergency care and their credentials range from EMT/WEMT to Paramedic. Every **PNH** guide holds a minimum of an avalanche level II certification, has received extensive training in mountain safety, glacier travel, high angle rescue techniques, helicopter operations and has years of experience skiing in Alaska. At **PNH**, a ratio of 4 guests per guide assures a personalized and safe experience.

Each guest has a thorough safety briefing, including the use of avalanche transceivers and helicopter protocol to assure you in the unfamiliar surroundings you are about to embark on.

PNH utilizes only the finest rescue safety equipment and we are continually updating our protocol as technology advances.

PNH is proud to be a member of the HeliSki US Association.



The **HeliSki US Association** is a professional organization dedicated to establishing the highest quality guide, safety and operations guidelines for helicopter skiing in the United States. There are only 3 heli-ski operations in Alaska that meet these standards and Points North is proud to be one of them. Make sure to look for the **HeliSki US** logo whenever you go helicopter skiing in the United States.



Alaskan Ladies' Camp

This is a fun, informal camp for women who want to progress their level of skiing in the big mountains of Alaska. The camp provides a smooth transition to skiing more technical lines with in-depth sluff management, line selection, airs and much more. We also go over extensive beacon training, helicopter orientation, rope skills and crevasse rescue scenarios. The camp is based on the concept that support and communication create a positive and productive environment. Your guide, Jessica Sobolowski-Quinn, has been skiing (filming for ski movies, participating in photo shoots and guiding) at PNH in Cordova, Alaska for the last 10 years.

"Enjoying the Chugach with a group of ladies like yourselves is a pretty amazing thing!" - Jessica



Ski Touring in the Chugach

We are now offering ski touring with the assistance of an A-Star. We have two tent camps set up where you can ski from one to the other. We will drop you off at the start of your trip and pick you up at the end. There is nothing like ski touring the Chugach! Options include single-day, overnight and multi-day tours. The camps are prepared for your arrival so carrying supplies from one camp to another is not required. The helicopter is available to assist as your group sees fit.



Maritime Maid - Private Heli Ski Cruise

This beautiful 85-foot vessel can take you to places you have only dreamed about! You and 7 friends can book this private boat with your very own helicopter for a 6-day ski adventure of a lifetime! This is an all-inclusive trip providing accommodations and meals on board, along with numerous other activities available to you from the boat (wake boarding, sea kayaking, fishing, surfing, beach combing and much more).





Summer Heli-Ski, Float, Fish and Photography

During the summer months, PNH has more opportunities than daylight. We invite you to come and experience our King Salmon and Heli-ski trip or join us for one of our remote float trips that we offer in several regions of the state. Our summer excursions start in June with excellent corn skiing and huge King Salmon on the end of your line. Having the daylight to ski around the clock and then end up at one of our favorite fishing holes is what summer is all about. This is truly an extraordinary trip and we guarantee you will enjoy the non-stop action and adventure!

If you have visions of huge trophy rainbow trout dancing on the end of your line, our remote float trip is like no other! You don't have to be an angler to enjoy this trip. This is also a fantastic photography trip as we float nearly 20 miles of river each day, camping along the way. This trip gives you access to unspoiled terrain and wildlife like you can only imagine.

Our trips include bush plane access to our remote starting points, spacious tents, all meals, and guides. We customize these trips so that they fit your schedules and needs.



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