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Whittier-Based Day Cruise Company Plans 2019 Expansion

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA -- Celebrating the 60th year of operation within pristine Prince William Sound, Alaskan-owned Phillips Cruises and Tours marks another successful season and looks ahead to a bright future as operations expand in Whittier, Alaska.

Offering itineraries from Whittier during a season stretching from early May to early October, Prince William Sound day cruise pioneer Phillips Cruises and Tours provides guests with an easily accessible, memorable day cruise excursion only 90 minutes south of Anchorage.

"As travelers try to see more in less time, Whittier has become the ideal destination for a quick getaway to see the abundant glaciers and wildlife of Prince William Sound," said company owner, Bob Neumann. "To meet this demand, we have been steadily growing our fleet and expanding tour operations."

Those expansions include the addition of new routes and more vessels as the M/V Glacier Quest arrived in 2012, a complete refit on the M/V Klondike Express was completed in 2017, and delivery of the M/V Bravest, due to receive guests spring, 2019. The Bravest, a high-speed catamaran that can carry 285 passengers, to complement a rotational fleet with a total capacity of 750 passengers daily. Fitted with modern, luxurious style, including USB charging stations at every table on the Bravest and the Klondike Express, these vessels operate with a highly skilled, professional and dedicated crew. With world-class views, along with outstanding customer service, Phillips Cruises and Tours is revered as one of the premier tour operators in Alaska.

The signature 26 Glacier Cruise offers guests stunning views of massive glaciers and wildlife. The Glacier Quest Cruise continues to impress visitors with the beauty of the glaciers in magnificent Blackstone Bay. For the past several years, Phillips Cruises and Tours has seen a marked increase among international travelers, organized groups, and multi-generational families visiting Alaska.

Phillips Cruises and Tours operates from Whittier, with easy transfer service via coach or rail from Anchorage and Girdwood. Every day cruise is backed by their exclusive *no seasickness* guarantee, along with a choice of delicious hot meals and narration by a Chugach Forest Service ranger. For more information, visit www.phillipscruises.com.

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