## APOGEE ADVENTURES 2025 Northwest Mountains & Coast Summarized Itinerary

**Trip Begins:** Seattle, Washington **Trip Ends:** Seattle, Washington

**Day 1:** Our group will meet at the airport in Seattle, Washington, this afternoon. Once everyone has

arrived and all bags have been collected, we will transfer by van to our first campground.

This afternoon will be spent getting to know one another, going over trip details, and getting

excited for our adventures to come.

- On the morning of Day 2, we'll travel to Olympic National Park, an area rightfully known as the "Land of Contrasts." Our first full days together will be spent breaking in our boots on some fantastically scenic day hikes in the park. We will hike the stunning ridgeline at Hurricane Ridge and will walk along the shores of Lake Crescent popping in to take a dip in some of the most scenic swimming waters we've seen!
- Days 5-8: We'll say goodbye to the Olympics on Day 5 and will head east, taking a ferry off the Olympic Peninsula and setting course for the San Juan Islands! We'll meet our professional seakayaking guides in Anacortes, Washington for a three-day paddle among Puget Sound's San Juan Islands. Paddling around Guemes and Cypress Islands, we'll spot seals, look for orca, camp on remote beaches, and take in the rocky coastline from a water view. We'll also give back to this beautiful area by volunteering with the Washington Department of Natural Resources to collect data that will increase knowledge about the ecosystem in the San Juan Islands.
- Days 9-11: After we come off the water, we'll head northeast to our second national park as we start our exploration of the North Cascades. Over the course of two days of hiking, we'll discover why this area is called the "American Alps." Views of snowcapped peaks and alpine meadows await us as we hike through this spectacular landscape. We'll wrap up our time in the North Cascades spending a day whitewater rafting the world-class Sauk River with professional guides: a true thrill!
- **Days 12 & 13:** On our last full day together we will head back to Seattle and explore its famous Pike's Place market (among other attractions) by foot. On the last morning of the trip, we will transfer back to the Seattle airport for flights home. We'll part with hugs and plans to keep in touch with new friends.

Please note that all itineraries are subject to change.