

Michelle, Shona and crew:

Three months ago today, Valerie and I flew with you and four other people on the Misty Fjords flight seeing tour. It was a fantastic experience. Little did any of us know that it would be Valerie's last cruise and Valerie's last thing to do that she really wanted to do before she departed this world. You see, she knew her life would be short, and neither of us knew when the time would come, but I am so glad I got to go on this last cruise with her and help her get on that plane... My real reason for writing this message...I wanted to thank you for making her life a little brighter considering the physical infirmities she was fighting. You already know that you help people create a lifetime of memories, but in Valerie's case it was an even greater impact. Thanks again for your services; I hope to see you again.

Ronald K.

Had a great time on your sightseeing  
tour this summer.  
Luke H.



Here's the photo. What people really find interesting about this picture is the way you separated the land and the water with the wings of your plane. It is a beautiful plane in a magnificent setting. Memorable moment? I will always remember that moment.

~David

Hi Michelle and Shona...We had the best time in Alaska...and your float plane was one of the highlights of our trip for sure. Bill needs to look over his video footage but he believes he may only have shots of the whale itself. I don't have any clear shots of the whale on my digital camera but I do have shots of the bubble net feeding circles. Thanks for everything. I'm advising four people I know who are going on my same Celebrity Cruise tour in two weeks to look up Island Wings to book a flight! They can't wait! All the best,

Maureen K.

Hello Michelle....

I was your "co-pilot" from the ship on Wednesday.

I took movies of the whale...it is huge. Have circular bubbles as you indicated.

I caught the tail going back into the water. Did not catch everything.

Maureen and I thoroughly enjoyed the experience...we are sharing this with our other travelers. You may need to invest in a larger plane!!!!

Bill K.

Thank you Michelle, this is wonderful. It's another chance to remember the unbelievable flight we had with you. I hope your petition works and you can continue flying and landing at those beautiful areas. Thanks again,

Jackie and Stuart S.



We just wanted to Thank You again for the enjoyable flight.

I also wanted to send you a link on YOU TUBE, of the song I was asking you for on the flight. I myself have a love for the outdoors. We live in Texas and I so much miss our Cabin in the mountains of IDAHO. Also a avid John Denver fan and enjoyed the songs during the flight. If you listen to this you'll understand why I wanted to play it. THANKS AGAIN

Jim, Josh, and Luanne R.



Our visit to Alaska was a major highlight of 2009 for us, and our Island Wings flight shared first place with whale watching for top spot during our week in the state.

We wish you well for Christmas and the year ahead.

Jean and Andrew B.

Hi there to all at Island Wings... Just got home from Alaska last night and I wanted to let you know how much we enjoyed our day with Island Wings !! The flight was simply amazing...the scenery...the take-off...the landing...the commentary...the service and of course the pilot, Michelle !! Thanks to all of you at Island Wings for giving us such a great memory of Ketchikan. If we find ourselves in Ketchikan again we will definitely call upon you again.

Thanks again, Debbie R.



Thank you for your kind message. I really enjoyed my flight with you, and also dealing with the people from your company. Here are a my favorite picture from our flight

☺ (Josee R.)

Michelle:

My husband and I were to take this tour with our friend Mary Louise Corn. The weather was horrible, but other flights went. I was so impressed that you said we could go, but that we would not see anything and would not enjoy it. Thank you for your genuine concern. We will definitely keep you in mind if we return and will send friends your way. I really hate that we did not get to take the trip, but would have been very hesitant considering the weather.

Peggy M.



I took this photo 9/9/09 during a Misty Fjords flightseeing tour with you. Thanks,  
Greg A.



Here are a few pics from the flight. I'll also send the video clip I was able to get of the bubble net feeding when we get back to LA.

Thanks again! Robert N.

Michelle...

Home at last and time to thank you soooooo very much for the awesome flight on your airplane with you! I have some fabulous photos and will send you a few. What a treat being with you and flying the skies of Alaska!

Took a great photo of your home. That was so sneaky how you talked expressly to me over the mic. and earphones. **THANK YOU.** I'll never forget the beauty and your kindness. I haven't talked with Evelyn and can't wait to tell her how much fun I had... My love and appreciation to you, Michelle. Melinda

On August 18, you took our family (party of six adults) for a tour through the Misty Fjords. I'm writing now to tell you that the experience exceeded our expectations. You provided us with a great deal of information and took us through areas that were spectacular. We know you aren't able to regulate wildlife, but we enjoyed your finding the eagles, bear and seals for us to view. We also enjoyed the experience of landing in one of the mountain lakes. Thank you for a wonderful experience. Betsy P.

Thank you for the highlight of our Alaskan trip. Our flight with you was beyond doubt the best part of the whole trip and the Lady Ester is a "thing of beauty". Here are a few pictures for your albums... Thank you again for your hospitality and we hope you have a great season. Duncan & Karin B.



Hi, we wanted to let Michelle know that we were so pleased with our flight on 6 Sep. It was breath taking and something we will talk about the rest of our lives... Thanks ever so much to you as well Shona for all the support. If the future brings us back to Alaska we hope to fly with you again .Regards, Carol W.



We flew with you on 6/17/10 at 3:00. Just wanted to let you know how much we enjoyed your tour. I was the one who had the co pilot seat and my wife and four year old daughter sat in the rear. You have sparked my interest in getting my pilots license! I said I would send a picture of my model airplane so here it is. Thanks again for the highlight of our trip.

Richard, Jackie and Kimberly

We were in Ketchikan a couple of weeks ago. I was able to photograph your DH Beaver on floats "Lady Esther" which also happens to be my wife's name. Wish we had more time to talk the day we were there but I could tell all of the operators were trying to get flights in before the weather closed back in. Thanks so much and both my wife and I love the color scheme on your Beaver!...

Sincerely, Stan A.



Photo submitted by Barbara K.

Hi Michelle...

What a superb flight that was yesterday! I wanted to let you know that I've also got 7,300 posts on the Alaska forum at CruiseCritic, so they'll be hearing about it as well.



Best regards, Murray

(Naturalist, Coral Princess) <http://www.explorenorth.com>

My husband and I went on a flightseeing tour with you on September 18, 2010. I wanted to drop a quick note to let you know how much we enjoyed the trip and to share with you a video I made of our tour. Thanks again and we hope to visit again someday!  
Summer and Robert A.

Just a little thank you from the Lilleys and the Rushs from the UK (we went on the Misty Fjords trip on 30th July) We had a great trip and can't thank you enough for the wonderful experience. We are home now and everything seems a distant memory until we sit back and look at our wonderful photos and share them around our friends. Many thanks again and we hope we get the chance to do it all again!

Doreen and Roy L.  
Peter & Rosemary R.

Submitted by Turdy S.



Thanks for giving us a second chance to get to fly with you last week. It was a great flight. I have been in bush planes before but never in a plane with floats. The landing has to be the smoothest landing we have ever been on. The scenery you have in your back door is the best... In looking at the interior of your plane I think you need just a little something from Husker land so I will see what I can find so you can proudly display it in your aircraft for all of your clients to see. I'm sure you get hundreds of pictures back from clients so as not to break that trend I have enclosed one for you and will send you one of all of us with you as soon as I get it. Have a great and safe day.

Craig & Betty P.



Sandee and I flew with you on Sept. 3rd. I just wanted to thank you for a wonderful experience. The flight to the Misty Fjords was the highlight of our two weeks in Alaska. Sandee, who was slightly apprehensive about flying in a small plane, has not stopped talking about how much she enjoyed the flight. One of the pictures you took of us on the island has become the "summary"

picture of our vacation. We hope to fly with you again before too long.

Bill M.

Good morning Michelle. Here's Rebecca's photo of the gecko on the rock at the lake, which you requested. Thanks for the pics of us at lakeside. Used one of them on our Facebook album which also includes a shot of you in the pilot's seat.

Jim D.  
Seattle



Thank you! It was a marvelous flight. Melissa and Jeffrey



I thought you might wonder who we are: Francine G linas and Robert Darce we visited on aug 19 2010. Regards.

Robert D.

Hi Michelle, was going through my files and thought you'd like these. (Pierrette and I the two on the right of the group) Thanks again for a wonderful experience.  
All the best, Noel



I would like to pass along big thanks for being so great on our flight. My family and I truly enjoyed your company and could have flown with, and questions of, you for hours and hours! We were very impressed with your operation. I wish you all the luck and success in the world and am happy to help you in any way that I can to preserve the beautiful areas of Alaska. Please feel free to use me as a reference if there are ever people in this area that would like my opinion. Karen A. – CA



11-18-10 Hello. My wife and I took your float plane trip in May and just wanted you to know how much we enjoyed the trip. It was one of our favorite things we did on our 2 week Alaska trip. Attached is a picture Michelle took of us at our landing spot. I have it framed in my office and most people who see it think it is us standing in front of a background picture. We are so glad we went on your trip and will recommend it to any and all of our friends who are visiting that area.  
Ricky J.

We just got back from our Alaska cruise following a stopover in Vancouver. I just wanted to tell you that our flight with you was the most memorable part of our 12 day odyssey. We've told several people about it and will definitely see you the next time we pass that way. It was REALLY good. And, although most



people probably don't notice, I saw what you did with a 1959 airplane. It was a beautiful job. I have a 1956 Chevy and, before that, had a 1957 Chevy showcar. Believe me, I know the effort you must have put in to make it that nice. Anyway, kudos to you for both the airplane and the fantastic treat we got. We'll remember it.

Best, Don and Janice K.



Hello All at Island Wings....Two weeks ago tomorrow was our "eventful" flight, the one where I fell and cut my head open! I am happy to report that I have healed up pretty well. As you know I did require 4 stitches on the ship (a "forever" reminder of my Alaskan cruise!), suffered a minor concussion and had a hell of a bruise on my hip that is just starting to lighten up! I have included a few pictures for your enjoyment! Since I really have minimal memory of the return flight to Ketchikan, could I ask for a discounted flight the next time I visit ☺! (just kidding!) Michelle, thanks again for your help out there! Have a great summer! -Felicia M.

Hi Michelle, We are now back home after our incredible holiday in Alaska which was just unbelievably beautiful. We thoroughly enjoyed our morning at Traitor's Cove and as it turned out, this was our only opportunity to see bears on the entire 14 day cruise as we were unable to get to Kodiak because of the weather. We did see a couple of brown bears along the shoreline, but at a huge distance and only visible with binoculars, and also at Icy Straight Point, again a very long way away.

You requested copies of the photos from our trip out to Traitor's Cove so have attached a few I took of the

unusual tidal run. Enjoy. Just wanted to thank you all for making our trip so worthwhile. We had a lovely morning with Island Wings and just wanted to say thank you so much.



I really want to say THANK You for an incredible journey into the Mystic Fjords!

You are an exceptional hostess!!! I returned from my Alaska vacation last week and I've just had the opportunity

to take a look at all my pictures. I thought you might enjoy seeing a couple of the pics I got of you...there's plenty more, but you know what the views look like, lol. If you would like, I would be happy to burn a disc of the "head cam" video and send it to you as well. It's not great since it was my first time using it, oops. Anyway, just let me know. Be Safe, Take care and thanks again!  
Warmest Regards from South Florida, ~ Lisa

Michelle, my wife and i really enjoyed our visit to Ketchikan and your tour was the highlight of the day. thanks so much... I had promised to send some pics... i know you weren't feeling all that well, but we really appreciate you making our trip special.  
Best, Mark and Michele C.



Hello Michelle! I had an incredible flight with you over the Misty Fjords at the end of June...Thank you so much for the great view - I'll never forget it!

Sincerely, Sandi W.

We loved your holiday greeting. I know you probably have a gazillion photos, but I thought you might like this one of your doing some yoga stretches since you posted one on this email. Can you by chance tell us if this little lake has a name?



Enjoy your holidays, and thanks again for the great memories!

Cindy and Gary H.