

**Eagles,
Homer
Alaska
March
5 - 10,
2025**



Every year, thousands of eagles winter in and around Homer, Alaska. During this tour we are going to spend 3 days concentrating on photographing eagles in their nature habitat, and one day touring the sites around Homer. The tour is limited to just 5 participants, so

there is plenty of time for one to one help. There will be images of eagles flying, fishing, fighting and more. And all at close range, where lenses from

70-200 and 100-400 will be all you need. When on shore with the birds you can be as close as 4-8 feet away and a wide angle may be more appropriate.



We will be going out in a boat on six excursions with a wonderful guide/captain that will get us in the best position for great images. While on the boat we will be feeding the eagles making sure that they are close and

plentiful. We will have ample opportunity to work on our flight images. I

will teach you how to photograph on manual and what settings you need to take razor sharp eagle images. I will be talking about shutter speeds, aperture, metering patterns, and ISO settings. From the boat our images will be hand held giving you lots of opportunities to make great images. Be prepared to take lots of pictures! Bring lots of memory cards as you will be taking between 2000-3000 images a day, downloading at night and doing it again the next day!



Beside just eagles, we will also have the chance of seeing, otters, seals, sea lions, other seabirds, and beautiful scenery. To take full advantage of being in one of

the most scenic areas of the world, I have scheduled an extra day of sightseeing, where will go out in a van and tour the area surrounding Homer. We will visit Old Ninilchik Village and its very scenic Old Russian Church with great views of views of Mount Illiamna and Mount Redoubt, weather permitting. While on the van excursion we will also be on the lookout for moose and other wildlife. On shore you may want to use a tripod and longer lenses to get wildlife portraits

This is a great trip and limited to only 5 participants, so don't wait, sign up now before it fills up!



Disclaimer

We will be feeding the eagles fish during the workshop, so if you have a problem with that please don't sign up for the tour.

Itinerary - March 5, 2025 - Travel to Homer Alaska and meet in the evening at [Land's End Resort](https://www.lands-end-resort.com/) on the Homer spit. (<https://www.lands-end-resort.com/>

[1-800-478-0400](https://www.lands-end-resort.com/)). Homer can be reached directly through flights on Ravn airlines



(<https://www.ravnalaska.com/>) from Anchorage to Homer. You need to arrange flights from your home airport to Anchorage, Alaska and then a separate flight to Homer via Ravn, and the same in reverse for the return. Give yourself 2 hours in Anchorage between flights in case of delays. You will also need to pick up your bags after arriving in Anchorage and take them to Ravn for check in. Ravn planes hold about 50 people, so they are smaller than the planes you will be flying into Anchorage, so make sure your carry on camera bag fits! You only need 2 lenses. I carry a 150-600 and a 24-120 and two camera bodies. Similar kits are all you need. You can also drive approximately 5-6 hours from Anchorage to Homer. (But be aware of winter driving conditions)

March 6 - 8 – Three full days of boat excursions to photograph eagles. The day consists of two 3-4 hour sessions with a break in between for lunch. Evenings will be spent downloading and editing pictures.

March 9 – Van excursion starting with sunrise at Anchor Point, one of the best viewpoints in all of North America and continue driving up the coast towards Ninilchik, stopping for landscape, and wildlife images.

March 10 – Departure

Price: \$2600 check, Zelle (lewis@lewiskemper.com) or cash; \$2750 credit card. Send check to Lewis Kemper 800 Saverien Dr, Sacramento, CA 95864. Fee includes 6 boat excursions, **boat guide tips**, photo instruction, van excursion. Not included – travel to and from Homer, lodging (I will be staying at Land's End, see info in itinerary), ground transportation from airport to Land's End Resort (although if timing works out, I may be able to pick you up, let me know your arrival times), meals. **Deposit - please send \$1000 ASAP to hold your space, balance due January 1, 2025. LIMITED TO FIVE.**

Refunds a refund minus \$150 will be available 90 days or more prior to trip; after 90 days a refund is only available if I fill your space with another participant.



Weather

Weather in Alaska in March is unpredictable. Days can be sunny and in the 40's to snowing, windy and in the teen's. You need to be prepared for everything!

Due to weather there may be condition too severe to take the boat out. If this happens (it is rare) we will try to make up time but there are NO GUARANTEES that all excursions will take place. There are no refunds due to weather.



Clothing suggestions

Clothing needs to be warm and comfortable enough to give you freedom of movement. I recommend dressing in layers as the weather can change. It will be in the teens and twenties in the mornings and hopefully warming up in the afternoons. I recommend moisture wicking long underwear, fleece pants, raingear; warm hats, gloves (either fingerless or lightweight) and warm boots. It is recommended to have warm knee high waterproof boots on the boat. You will need boots that are at least ankle high and waterproof. I recommend Muck Boots (<https://amzn.to/3P8WjGZ> mens; <https://amzn.to/3r7dcts> womans)or something similar. Here is a link to a less expensive version: <https://amzn.to/3PzHZbG> .

Another option would be Pak Boots such as <https://amzn.to/3PfZ6OD> or something similar.

For warm waterproof pants, I recommend Columbia ski/snowboard pants with Omnitech such as <https://amzn.to/48byDdK> mens <https://amzn.to/483mqYx> womens

For warm glove I recommend the system from Heat Company, expensive but great! <https://www.theheatcompany.com/en-us/gloves>

Don't forget plenty of hand and feet warmers!

<https://amzn.to/3PdVufX> 10 pairs (should cover the whole trip – 2 pairs a day

<https://amzn.to/3Zgey1F> These are the ones I prefer – warmer and last all day you will 3 of these packages

Foot Warmers – highly recommended I use 2 pairs a day, one in morning and one in afternoon.

<https://amzn.to/465H3Bn>

Camera Gear

Lenses in the 70-200mm, 100-400, will be all you need for the flight shots of the eagles. A 150-600mm may be useful for the portraits, otters, moose, etc. When we do shore landings and feed the eagles, a wide angle in the 24-70; 24-105mm range will be useful. Any other wide angles you want for scenery would be optional. I recommend bringing more than one camera body in case of emergency and also because it would be better to have one camera with a lens in the 70-400 range and one with the 24-100 range so you don't need to be changing lenses in the field if the weather is less than ideal.

Images taken from the boat will be hand held, so you need a good comfortable strap or something like Cotton Carrier. This is what I use.

Single camera - <https://amzn.to/465H3Bn>

Two cameras - <https://amzn.to/3r6CYhu>

On shore you may want a tripod for the van excursion day.

You also need lots of storage cards to hold 2000-3000 images a day, and ideally a way to download and view your images in the evenings.



RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Please Read Carefully

RETURN THIS FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

I, _____ Hereby acknowledge that I am aware that during a photography workshop or other trip that I am participating in under the arrangements of LEWIS KEMPER AND HIS AGENTS OR ASSOCIATES, certain risks and dangers may arise, including but not limited to, the hazards of traveling in wilderness and remote areas, travel by automobile, truck, boat, or other conveyance, the forces of nature and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. I am also aware and clearly understand that LEWIS KEMPER will have no liability regarding the provision of medical care or adequacy of any care that may be rendered.

I am voluntarily participating in these activities with knowledge of the dangers involved and hereby agree to accept any and all risk including injury and death.

AS LAWFUL CONSIDERATION for the agreement with LEWIS KEMPER to participate in such trips and activities, I hereby agree that I will not make a claim against LEWIS KEMPER or sue for bodily injury, emotional trauma, death, and/or property damage resulting from negligence or other acts, however caused, as a result of participation in the trip. I therefore release and discharge LEWIS KEMPER and his agents and employees from all claims, actions and demands that may have bodily injury, death or property damage arising from participation in the trip.

This release of Liability of Risk agreement is entered into on behalf of all members of participant's family, including any accompanying minors. This agreement is binding on participant's heirs, legal representatives and assigns. If any portion of this agreement is unenforceable, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect. Under no circumstances shall LEWIS KEMPER be liable to any participant for more than \$500.00. All applications are subject to acceptance by LEWIS KEMPER. Upon payment/deposit for trip, this agreement shall be deemed to have been entered onto at Sacramento, California and shall be construed according to the laws of the State of California. In the unlikely event a legal dispute should arise, I agree the dispute shall exclusively be brought before the appropriate court in Sacramento County, California.

I have carefully read and do agree to all conditions as stated under the heading "Registration Info" of the LEWIS KEMPER INFORMATION PACKET including conditions regarding cancellations and refunds. I have also carefully read this entire release of liability and assumption of risk and fully understand its contents.

Signature of Trip Participant: _____

Date: _____

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REGISTRATION FORM
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NAME: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

WORKSHOP NAME: _____

WORKSHOP DATES: _____

NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

ANY SPECIAL MEDICATIONS TAKEN?

ARE YOU ALLERGIC TO ANY MEDICATIONS? IF SO WHAT?

ANY SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS?
