



Holland America Line's *ms Noordam* Comes to the Rescue of 40 Sightseers and a Park Ranger in Glacier Bay, Alaska

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Seattle, Wash., June 15, 2015 — While in the vicinity of Jaw Point at Glacier Bay, Alaska, Holland America Line's *ms Noordam* assisted 41 persons on a disabled sightseeing boat Wednesday, June 10. *Noordam* responded to a call for aid at approximately 12:35 p.m. local time to assist the 79-foot sightseeing vessel *Baranof Wind*, which was experiencing mechanical troubles near Johns Hopkins Glacier.

The ship lowered a tender, which collected 40 tourists and one Glacier Bay National Park ranger and returned to *Noordam*.

"We are proud of the proficient response Captain van Donselaar and his team executed in assisting the passengers of *Baranof Wind*," said Orlando Ashford, president of Holland America Line. "Our crewmembers are highly trained to respond when needed and we were fortunate to have been nearby to provide support."

Following lunch onboard *Noordam*, the sightseers were brought to Bartlett Cove, where the *Baranof Wind* excursion originated, at approximately 5:30 p.m. local time. *Noordam* then sailed for its next port of call, Ketchikan, Alaska, where it arrived on Thursday, June 11.

Noordam was in the middle of a seven-day Alaska cruise that sailed roundtrip from Vancouver, British Columbia, Saturday, June 6.

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