



ALASKA BIKE TOUR

A MULTISPORT ADVENTURE IN AMERICA'S LAST FRONTIER

Join us for the ultimate Alaskan adventure. We begin our journey in Seward situated at the head of Resurrection Bay on the Kenai Peninsula, one of Alaska's oldest and most iconic communities. We'll explore Kenai National Park from several vantage points, a wildlife cruise, kayaking, and finally by foot up to Exit Glacier. A scenic train will bring us to our next destination, the Alyeska Resort in Girdwood, where we'll dine at the intimate mountaintop restaurant Seven Glaciers. Visit the interior at Talkeetna, district headquarters of the Alaska Railroad and the main outpost for expeditions to Denali. Stroll along the Sustina Riverfront Park and reflect on an amazing week of adventures with new found friends.

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From
\$3899

Rider Type
Leisure

Hotel Style
Explorer

Duration
6 days | 5 nights

Start | End
Anchorage, Alaska

Dates
2021/Jul/Aug

TRIP WOWS

Cruise Kenai Fjord National Park aboard a catamaran exploring the world of whales, puffins, orcas, and glaciers

Cycle the Gird to Bird trail as it hugs the dramatic shoreline of the Turnagain Arm and the 3,000-foot Chugach mountains

Kayak Seward's Resurrection Bay with an abundance of sea otters, bald eagles, and the occasional whale sighting

Explore the historic village of Talkeetna, in the shadows of North America's tallest peak Denali (formerly Mt. McKinley)

Enjoy a spectacular three-hour train ride from Seward to Girdwood on the world famous Alaska Railroad. The train winds through the backcountry wilderness of the Kenai Peninsula, where massive glaciers, towering waterfalls, moose, bear and eagles can be seen, up to the Turnagain Arm, where beluga whales, Dall sheep and one of the

largest bore tides in the world can be found



DAILY ITINERARY

2021

Day

1

TODAY'S RIDE:

Exit Glacier View Point

Approximately 20 miles with 575 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:

Welcome to America's Wild North. Alaska isn't just the Last Frontier; it's one of the deepest, most untouched natural playgrounds in the world. Greet your guides at the historic Hotel Captain Cook in downtown Anchorage before setting out on a two and a half-hour drive south towards the Kenai National Park. En-route, catch the mesmerizing bore tide of Turnagain Arm, catch glimpses of the Chugach Range, and grow anticipation of the adventure to come. Your guides will spoil you with a famous Trek Travel picnic before embarking on a quiet ride into the hills making your way towards Exit Glacier. Stop midway at the Exit Glacier View Point to take in the vast size, dense blue color, and subtle crackling of this glacier. Tonight, enjoy dinner together at a locals favorite spot and take in panoramic views of the Kenai Fjords National Park all night. You've got a big week of adventure ahead. Crack your window open to let the sounds of the harbor lull you to sleep at tonight's hotel; the waterfront Harbor 360 Hotel.

HOTEL:

Harbor 360 Hotel

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner

Day

2

TODAY'S ACTIVITY:

Guided Kayaking Tour of Resurrection Bay

TODAY'S ACTIVITY:

Major Marine's Kenai Fjord's National Park Cruise

DESCRIPTION:

With so much of the National Park being only accessible by water, today is the day to soak in the natural beauty and wildlife that this special peninsula has to offer. Get an early start to the day, grab a quick breakfast, and head to the harbor for a guided kayak trip through Resurrection Bay. Experience the sounds and sights of this intertidal zone under your own power. Paddle ashore on a remote rocky beach, disembark, and stroll through a magical temperate rainforest. Bring your camera and get ready to experience a true microcosm of Alaska: bald eagles perched high in a dead snag, seals rolling through searching for fish, and potentially even catch the once-in-a-lifetime experience of the summer salmon run. Next up, head back to the harbor to board the Major Marine's 360 catamaran for a cruise to marvel at alpine glaciers tucked in the surrounding Chugach and Kenai Mountain Ranges and cruise by Bear Glacier while passing by a few coves within Resurrection Bay. Don't expect to follow the same route as previous tours - this boat goes straight to where whales, puffins, and other wildlife were most recently spotted. Once back in Seward, a dip in the hotel's hot tub is the perfect closer to the day's buoyant activities. Tonight is yours to check out local fare and festivities, with great recommendations from your guides to point you in the right direction.

HOTEL:

Harbor 360 Hotel

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Breakfast | Lunch

Day

3

TODAY'S ACTIVITY:

Exit Glacier Hike

DESCRIPTION:

Today in Alaska truly embodies Trek Travel's motto: Your day, you decide! Start the morning early and hike to the base of Exit Glacier. Walk the flood plain, hike to a viewpoint looking face-to-face with this ultimate wonder. Feel the cool air, reach out and touch glacially polished stone, and dip a foot in the glacial run-off. Next, decide if you'd like to visit three-time Iditarod Champion Mitch Seavey's homestead to see the excitable Alaskan Huskies in action as they train for Alaska's historic Iditarod race. Alternatively, choose to meander through the inspiring Alaska SeaLife Center to get up close with rescued seals, starfish, and sea otters. (Please note: neither Mitch Seavey's homestead nor the Sealife Center are included in your trip cost; however, your guides can help arrange these appointments and assist with transportation.) Downtown offers plenty of intrigue as well, with cute shops and art galleries. This evening, you'll board the world-famous Alaska Railroad Train and steam north on one of the most magical railways for the three-hour trip through the Chugach National Forest to a truly authentic Alaskan ski town: Girdwood. You can enjoy the train's dinner fare during the ride, bring something light from Seward along, or wait to eat at one of Girdwood's late night spots - the sun won't set until well after you've arrived. Nestled in a deep valley and on the banks of Glacier Creek, the Alyeska ski resort will be your adventure hub for the next two nights.

HOTEL:

Alyeska Resort

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Breakfast

Day

4

TODAY'S RIDE:

Bird to Gird Trail with Shuttle

Approximately 17 miles with 925 feet of climbing

AVID OPTION:

Bird to Gird Trail Out and Back

Approximately 34 miles with 1,850 feet of climbing

TODAY'S ACTIVITY:

Explore Alyeska Resort

DESCRIPTION:

Prepare for a day of iconic riding and fine mountain top dining. Start off with a leisurely morning ride along the Bird-to-Gird Trail, one of the most breathtaking coastal trails in the US, punctuated with cinematic views of ocean and mountains. Possibly cross paths with a majestic moose, while ospreys and eagles cruise overhead. Ride along Turnagain Arm, through a skeleton spruce and fir forest—thanks to the famous 1964 earthquake which registered a bone-rattling 9.2 magnitude—and keep your eyes peeled for Beluga whales just off-shore. This afternoon, choose your own Alyeska adventure: go for a hike, bike to Portage Glacier, or visit the Alaskan Wildlife Conservation Center; summer adventures are right out of the hotel's door. This evening take the tram high above the resort to have dinner at the incredible Seven Glaciers restaurant for some amazing wild Alaskan cuisine. Don't forget to look for moose meandering the hillside on your way back down!

HOTEL:

Alyeska Resort

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Breakfast | Dinner

Day

TODAY'S RIDE:

Talkeetna to Birch Farm

Approximately 26 miles with 1,160 feet of climbing

TODAY'S ACTIVITY:

Your Day, You Decide

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DESCRIPTION:

Enjoy your last moments in Girdwood before heading north to the small climbing town of Talkeetna with fellow guests. Take in the unique charm this town has to offer as it is filled with many travelers, farmers, chefs, and more! Talkeetna is home to the convergence to three major glacial rivers, making this a perfect spot to be on the water in Alaska's summer sun. Explore this small hiking town at the base of Denali and don't forget to grab a small trinket from local vendors on Main Street. After spending a bit of time in the city, we will ride south to the largest Birch Syrup producing region in the world. Taste this syrup in the various stages of the process and learn exactly what it takes to be the leading producer of this delicious syrup. Or plan your own adventure either fishing the Talkeetna River or joining a local outfitter for a flight to the spectacular Denali glacier! (Please note: neither fishing nor the Denali flight costs are included in your trip cost; however, your guides can help arrange these appointments and assist with transportation.) Tonight we will join for social hour and dinner at Denali Brewing to reminisce about the incredible experiences we've all shared in Alaska.

HOTEL:

Susitna River Lodge

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Breakfast | Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner

Day

TODAY'S ACTIVITY:

Hike Talkeetna Lakes

DESCRIPTION:

Today, it's time to say goodbye to the glory of the Alaskan wilderness. This morning, after a frontier-style breakfast at the iconic Talkeetna Roadhouse, take your time to enjoy a light hike as one last farewell to America's northernmost gem. After your activity, pack your bags and climb into the Trek Travel van for your journey back to Anchorage. You and your fellow guests will bid farewell at 1:00 PM. Daydream of Alaska's wild wonders as you drift to sleep on your flight home.

INCLUDED MEALS:

Breakfast

WHAT'S INCLUDED

For us, the details matter most

Every moment of a Trek Travel bike trip has more than you could have ever dreamed. More romance. More scenery. More choice. It's the little additions to every Trek Travel cycling vacation that make it truly special. And that's how we help you create more memories.

What's Included

- Five nights of accommodation at casual hotels
- Two experienced guides to provide local knowledge, support, and camaraderie
- Daily route support with both guides and our support van
- Daily breakfast, three lunches and three dinners
- Two social hours of drinks and hors d'oeuvres
- Ride a Trek Electric-Assist or Trek FX S Hybrid bicycle
- Snacks and drinks for each day's ride
- Trek Travel Bontrager cycling jersey to keep
- Cinch sack day bag to keep
- Trek Travel water bottles to keep
- Each bike is equipped with a Garmin Edge 1030 GPS computer, flat pack, front and rear Bontrager Flare R lights, a Bontrager saddle, and pedals (Shimano clipless road pedals, Shimano clipless mountain pedals, caged, or flat pedals)
- Bontrager WaveCel helmets
- All gratuities for drivers, local experts, and hospitality staff
- All luggage transfers and transportation during your trip
- A personalized digital photobook of your trip
- Entrance fees for all activities, private tours, and events

Gear

- Trek Electric-Assist Verve+
- Trek FX S Hybrid bicycle

- Trek Travel Bontrager cycling jersey to keep
- Trek Travel water bottles to keep
- Shimano clipless road pedals, Shimano clipless mountain pedals, caged, or flat pedals
- Bontrager WaveCel helmet
- Bontrager men's and women's specific saddles
- Bontrager front and rear Flare R lights and a flat pack
- Garmin Edge 1030 GPS computer
- Coupon valued up to \$500 off a new Trek Bicycle. Your coupon will be delivered via email
- Cinch sack day bag to keep
- *For the most comfortable ride, you may choose to bring your own pedals, saddle, and helmet on the trip. Your guides will install your gear on the first day during your bike fit.*

THANK YOUR GUIDES, BY TIPPING

Gratuities for your Trek Travel guides are not included in your trip price. We recommend tipping 7.5-10% of your trip price for the guide team. Local currency is preferred and unless you want to tip separately, guides will divide tips amongst themselves. Please tip your guides at your discretion, based on their level of professionalism, guest care, and service.

What's Not Included

- Airfare and transportation to and from the trip pick-up/drop-off locations
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Personal items purchased during the trip
- Optional activities not scheduled by Trek Travel
- On select trips some meals are not included. On these trips, Trek Travel invites you to explore the local cuisine at your leisure.

HOTELS



HARBOR 360 HOTEL

SEWARD, ALASKA

The Harbor 360 is located right in the heart of the action of Seward. You're within walking distance to the town's best restaurants, shops, and the Alaska Railroad Depot. You're also on Seward's waterfront, with stunning 360-degree views: You'll see the Seward Small Boat Harbor and Resurrection Bay or the Kenai Mountains.



ALYESKA RESORT

GIRDWOOD, ALASKA

Luxury-resort living and Alaska-style adventure coexist beautifully at this beloved hotel just 40 miles from Anchorage. Located in the resort town of Girdwood, it sits tucked amid the Chugach Mountains on Alaska's south-central coast, and has a backdrop of glaciers, bald eagles, and towering spruce trees. Stay here and you'll be in for a treat—as well as the chance to experience some bucket-list adventures.



SUSITNA RIVER LODGE

TALKEETNA, ALASKA

This beautiful Alaskan lodge is set right on the east bank of the Susitna River in a beautiful braided river valley. A multi-room lodge and a number of private cabins are scattered about the property located within short walking distance to the quaint frontier town of Talkeetna. Don't feel like walking? A private town shuttle can also be arranged. This is quintessential Alaskan hospitality.



MEETING & DEPARTING

How To Get There

We suggest that you arrive at least

Meeting Time And Location

Your Trek Travel guides will meet you at the hotel lobby of Hotel Captain Cook

one day prior to the trip start, which will enable you to adjust to the time zone and minimize the risk of missing the trip start due to flight-related delays.

We recommend that you fly into Anchorage for the trip start. The airport is six and a half miles from the pickup location at Hotel Captain Cook. Transportation from the airport can be arranged through the hotel or guests may book a taxi from the airport for approximately \$25.

Before: Anchorage, Alaska

Anchorage, Alaska's largest city, is in the south-central part of the state on the Cook Inlet. It's traditionally been the gateway into the wilderness that makes this region famous, but that's not to say it doesn't have its own landmarks. Don't miss the Alaska Native Heritage Center and cement a connection to the native population with an education in their history, art, dance, and culture. We recommend the following accommodations for your pre and post-trip hotel:

(939 W 5th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501) at 9:00 AM on the first day of the trip. Afterwards you'll hop in the Trek Travel van for a two and a half hour journey south to the sleepy port town of Seward where you will enjoy a picnic lunch at Lowell Point State Reserve. Following lunch, your guides will introduce you to your Trek bike for the week and set you up with your perfect fit before heading out to ride the quiet roads around Seward.

If you will be late for the pick-up or are going to miss it altogether, please inform your guides. You will receive an email a week before the trip start with their names and contact details. If you cannot reach them, please call our first hotel, Harbor 360 Hotel (888-514-8687), and leave a message with your expected arrival time and contact details.

Departing Time And Location

You and your guides will shuttle back to Anchorage from Talkeetna on Friday morning back to the Hotel Captain Cook and bid farewell to your fellow travelers around 1:00 PM. From the Hotel Captain Cook, catch a shuttle to the airport or to your post-trip hotel to continue your Alaskan adventure.

HOTEL CAPTAIN COOK

The Hotel Captain Cook is luxury, Alaska-style. Here, the little things matter most, and they add up to singular experience that's second-to-none. It's a six-minute walk from the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts and less than a mile from the 5th Avenue Mall. Well-appointed rooms and suites feature free Wi-Fi, satellite TV, and views of the Cook Inlet or Chugach Mountains. Upgraded accommodations add access to a private lounge, plus complimentary hot breakfast, appetizers, and parking. There's a 9,000-sq-ft ballroom, as well as a health club with a fitness center, a hot tub, a sauna, and an indoor pool.

www.captaincook.com | \$310

HOTEL ALYESKA

The Hotel Alyeska has the look, feel, and adornment of a Swiss Chalet surrounded by majestic mountain peaks, and is located only two miles from Girdwood Forest Fair Park. The elegant rooms have sitting areas and free Wi-Fi. Some add mountain views, while suites provide living and dining areas, and upgraded suites feature loft bedrooms and/or panoramic views. There's a sleek, mountaintop eatery and multiple hotel dining options. There's also an aerial scenic tram, as well as an indoor saltwater pool and hot tub, a gym, and a spa. Skiing, disc golf and glacier jet skiing are also available if you're feeling adventurous.

www.alyeskaresort.com/hotel | \$170

EMBASSY SUITES ANCHORAGE

At once both modern, comfortable, and decorated with rustic charm, the newly renovated Embassy Suites by Hilton puts the entire city at your front door. You're just a short distance to the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts, Alaska Native Heritage Center, Alaska Zoo, and the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail. Choose an updated, spacious suite featuring a separate living room with a sofa bed plus WiFi, LED TV, mini-refrigerator, and microwave. Some suites feature mountain views and a whirlpool. Fuel each morning with a free, made-to-order breakfast. And unwind in the evening at the Territory Kitchen & Bar, which serves Alaskan seafood specialties and American classics.

www.embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/alaska/embassy-suites-by-hilton-anchorage-ANCESES/index.html | \$322

* Hotels listed above are local properties we love. We do not have special rates available.



FAQS

What Are The Daily Rides Like?

- Rider Type | 1 - Leisure
- Average Daily Mileage | 26
- Terrain | Flat
- Average Daily Elevation | 1,336 feet
- Total Miles | 80.5
- Total Elevation | 4,010 feet

Averages and totals are calculated from our "Today's Ride" options.

The terrain is mostly flat along the coastal towns of Seward and Girdwood. A slightly undulating landscape characterizes Talkeetna although the ride there is primarily on a rails-to trails system route. Two of the three bike routes are entirely on paved, designated bike paths. Alaska is best suited for our Type 1 Riders.

What are the options for a non-rider travel companion?

On most Trek Travel trips, we offer non-riding options for riders who want to take the afternoon off, or travel companions who want to spend little or no time in the saddle. Some of these options may need to be scheduled before your trip—please contact one of our Trip Consultants for more information. Expenses and/or related transportation to these activities may not be included in the trip price. Some non-riding options on this trip are:

- Resurrection Bay Guided Kayak Tour
- Aerial Tram Ride at Alyeska Resort
- Hiking in Girdwood
- Train Journey from Seward to Girdwood
- Train Journey from Anchorage to Talkeetna
- Raft the Susitna River
- Alaska SeaLife Center in Seward
- Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center in Girdwood
- Fishing
- Shopping

Trip Changes

See itinerary for specific daily ride distances and elevation options. On all of our vacations, Trek Travel seeks to find quiet, paved, secondary roads or bike paths to experience a region; busy roads are avoided as much as possible. Our itineraries are an approximation of our trips. Trek Travel strives to offer every guest a vacation of a lifetime on every trip. At times routes, hotels, activities, etc. listed here may change at the discretion of the trip designer or guides to improve the trip experience.