



Alaska Denali & Kenai Fjords Hiking

From Mount Healy to Harding Icefield

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Unrivaled Expertise

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Travel Company by Newsweek Readers' Choice Awards.

Unique Trip Design

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail — the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

Small Groups

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.





Leading the Way

World-Class Local Guides

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.





Why take this trip with us?

REASON 1

MT Sobek has been a pioneer in Alaska adventure travel since 1972, always placing a strong emphasis on responsible travel practices that support local communities and protect the natural environment.

REASON 2

A hiking trip designed to appeal to repeat guests, bucket-listers, and newcomers avid trekkers alike. A perfect mix of challenge and reward, expect long-hiking days followed by comfy lodgings and delicious Alaskan cuisine.

REASON 3

Travel with Alaska-based guides who hike these routes regularly. You'll gain a richer understanding of Alaska's landscapes, wildlife, geology, history, and culture.

At A Glance

ACTIVITIES

This is a Level 4 hiking trip. Expect moderate-to-strenuous hiking, including backcountry traverses and steep ascents.



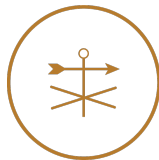
LODGING

Cozy, rustic retreats with Alaskan charm and with ample modern amenities.



CLIMATE

Expect long summer days, mild to cool temperatures, and fast-changing conditions, with possible rain, wind, and crisp evenings.



KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

"What a total comfort to know that with MT Sobek, you're in the hands of professionals who have been doing it so long and so well. That was part of why we landed on them as our operators for our dream trip, and everything about the experience they gave us—from tailored expertise to unswerving professionalism—confirmed the company's emphasis on excellence." - Alex M.



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Step into the Alaskan wilderness on this core hiking adventure in the company of MT Sobek's expert guides. Over nine breathtaking days, you'll journey from the massive ice fields of the Matanuska Valley to the towering peaks of Denali and the rugged coastal fjords of the Kenai Peninsula. Designed for avid hikers who want to earn their views, this itinerary pairs strenuous, rewarding summit pushes with authentic Alaskan lodge comforts. You'll hike through old-growth forests, cross alpine tundra, and stand eye-level with some of the largest glaciers in North America. From backcountry wilderness to delectable, locally sourced cuisine, prepare to experience some of Alaska's most incredible offerings.

9 Days

Start: Anchorage, Alaska

End: Anchorage, Alaska

Departing: June, July, August

Activities: Hiking & Trekking

Lodging: Luxury Hotels, Comfortable Hotels, Rustic Lodging

Group Size: 4-10 Guests

ACTIVITY:



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I would highly recommend Mt Sobek. Every detail was taken care of- transport, luggage, meals, and of course hiking trails and accommodations. It made for a stress free trip and one where you can truly enjoy the beauty and culture around you.

- Kristin W.

Check mtsobek.com for date-specific pricing.

The Itinerary

DAY 01

Welcome to Anchorage

Arrive at Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (ANC) where you will take a complimentary hotel shuttle for transport to the nearby Lakefront Anchorage Hotel, your lodging for the night. Get settled at the city's only lakeside property, admiring the lobby's extensive display of Iditarod memorabilia and watching float planes landing and taking off from the hotel's expansive viewing deck. Afterwards, gather in the lobby for a welcome meeting with your expert guides and fellow travelers, then kick off your trip with a group dinner and rest up for the adventure ahead.

MEALS: Dinner

DAY 02

Summit Lion's Head for Matanuska Glacier Views

After a hearty breakfast, drive through towering mountain peaks, expansive, glacier-carved valleys, and a mix of alpine and glacial landscapes, offering a stunning visual introduction to the Alaskan wilderness enroute to Glacier View. On arrival, enjoy a picnic lunch and a sneak peek at the phenomenal scenery you are about to hike into. Trek to the top of Lion's Head, ascending through a changing terrain of dense forests and alpine meadows. This steep climb rewards you at the summit with a spectacular panorama and bird's-eye views directly over the Matanuska Glacier—a massive, 27-mile-long ice field that's also the largest road-accessible glacier in North America.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 3 hours/4 miles hiking with 1,000' elevation gain and loss

DAY 03

Head into Denali's Great Wilderness

Travel deeper into the state and Denali National Park and Preserve, encompassing six million acres of Alaskan wilderness. Along the way, keep an eye out for caribou, moose, and grizzly bears and get your first glimpse of 20,310-foot-tall Mt. Denali, the continent's tallest peak. Today's out-and-back hike follows the Little Coal Creek Trail to Kesugi Ridge and offers some of the best alpine hiking in Denali. You'll traverse vast tundra and rocky ridges while enjoying sweeping panoramic views and occasional wildlife sightings, such as Dall sheep and marmots. After an exhilarating day on the trail, settle in for a cozy evening, sipping drinks around the firepit overlooking the river.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 2.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 7-8 hours/12 miles hiking with 2,500' elevation gain and loss



Tackle Two Summits in One Day

Today begins with an ascent through dense spruce forests and alpine meadows. Reaching the tree line, the views open up across the Denali wilderness as the trail climbs via switchbacks to Mt. Healy Overlook where magnificent panoramas await. Celebrate your accomplishment with a picnic lunch at the summit (weather permitting) before retracing your steps down the mountain. In the afternoon, get ready for your second climb of the day, a short, steep trek to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain culminating with marvelous Denali vistas. The route's rugged and unmaintained trail is ideal for adventure-seekers. Enjoy a fresh, locally sourced Alaskan dinner at The Perch, a popular eatery that sits "perched" atop a gravel moraine left behind by a glacier.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: x-minute private van transfer

ACTIVITY: Morning 5 hour/6 miles hiking with 1,700' elevation gain and loss; Afternoon 1.5 hours/2 miles hiking with 1,100' elevation gain and loss



Hike Triple Lakes and Enjoy Free Time in Denali Town

Fuel up on a homestyle breakfast before embarking on a full-day hike along Denali's point-to-point Triple Lakes Trail. This trek traverses dense forests, crosses rolling hills, and passes three crystal-clear alpine lakes. Bask in the beauty of their reflective waters while looking and listening for local wildlife, including moose, caribou, and various avian species. After a day of hiking, choose to relax or enjoy some down time in Denali, browsing the shops, perusing art galleries, or enjoying a snack at one of the local cafes. Enjoy a hearty dinner where Alaskan dishes and craft beers are the norm.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 15-minute private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 5 hours/9 miles hiking with 1,000' elevation gain and loss



Traverse Curry Ridge & Travel to Girdwood

Start off the day with a morning hike along Curry Ridge Trail through alpine meadows and spruce forests, offering spectacular views of the Alaska Range—including Denali itself—as you go. Along with its staggering panoramic vistas, summertime wildflower blooms make this out-and-back trail one of the park's most alluring hikes. Depart Denali for Girdwood, stopping to enjoy a casual lunch in the quirky town of Talkeetna, known for its creative arts scene. The drive along the Turnagain Arm offers breathtaking views of coastal mountains, glacial rivers, and the waters of Cook Inlet. Check in at Girdwood's Alyeska Resort and sit down to a delicious dinner before turning in for the night.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 3.5- to 4-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 3.5 hours/8 miles hiking with 1100' elevation gain and loss



Hike Old-Growth Forest & Ride an Aerial Tram

Enjoy a morning hike along Girdwood's Winner Creek Trail. This scenic route winds through a splendid old-growth forest filled with towering spruce and hemlock trees. Board the Alyeska Aerial Tram right at the end of the trail and ride to the mountain top for unparalleled wilderness views, including hanging glaciers and surrounding peaks. Refuel with a hearty lunch 2,300 feet above sea level, then settle in for the drive to Seward. Pass glacial lakes and wildflower-filled meadows on the way to this stunning coastal town that serves as the gateway to Kenai Fjords National Park. Dinner tonight is at a local favorite, where we enjoy delectable seafood and striking views over Resurrection Bay.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 2-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 2 hours/3.5 miles hiking with little elevation gain and loss



Hike the Epic Harding Icefield Trail & Exit Glacier

Hiking the Harding Icefield Trail alongside Exit Glacier in Kenai Fjords National Park is one of Alaska's most iconic backcountry adventures. Climb through mossy forests, alpine meadows, and along the edge of the 700-square-mile glacier, keeping an eye out for mountain goats, black bears, and various avian species en route. Once at the top, pause to admire awe-inspiring views of the vast Harding Icefield, brimming with crevasses, moraines, and snow-covered peaks bursting through the ice, and its surrounding mountains. Time permitting, explore Seward—browsing its independent gift shops, viewing its outdoor murals, and sussing out local sea life on your own. Then join your fellow adventures for a farewell dinner, savoring local-sourced seafood and produce while swapping stories of an unforgettable trip.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 10-minute private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 6-8 hours/8.2 miles hiking with 4,000' elevation gain and loss



Walk Along Resurrection Bay & Depart Anchorage

Begin your final day with a morning hike to Caines Head, passing through mossy forests and along rocky coastline as you go. Enjoy views of the stunning Resurrection Bay, colorful wildflowers, and occasional wildlife. Drive to Trail Lake and cap off the trip with a picnic lakeside—one last moment in the quiet beauty of Alaska's wilderness. Continue to Anchorage, where the trip ends. Catch homebound flights or travel onward with memories of awe-inspiring glaciers, ancient forests, majestic wildlife, and the soaring peak of Denali.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch

TRANSPORTATION: 2.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 1.5 hours/3 miles hiking with 250' elevation gain and loss



Where You'll Stay

These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.

The Lakefront Anchorage

On the shores of Lake Spenard, next to the world's busiest floatplane hub, Lakefront Anchorage Hotel offers a memorable introduction to Alaska just five minutes from the airport. Guestrooms pair comfort with distinctly Alaskan character, while sweeping lake views, floatplanes overhead, and occasional moose sightings from the property create a true sense of place before or after your adventure.

Majestic Valley Wilderness Lodge

Surrounded by the Chugach and Talkeetna mountains, Majestic Valley Wilderness Lodge is a family-owned retreat with 17 individually decorated guestrooms and outstanding views from its terrace. After a day of exploring, settle into the peaceful wilderness setting and enjoy hearty comfort fare at the onsite restaurant, from cook-to-order breakfasts to local favorites such as elk burgers.

McKinley Creekside Cabins

Located just beyond the boundaries of Denali National Park & Preserve, McKinley Creekside Cabins offers a welcoming family-owned stay in a beautiful creekside setting. Accommodations include lodge-style rooms and stand-alone cabins, giving guests a comfortable base near the park. The onsite cafe and bakery is a highlight, serving an entirely made-from-scratch menu with fresh-baked favorites each day.



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Alyeska Resort

Alyeska Resort is a refined mountain basecamp in Girdwood, surrounded by towering peaks, forested trails, and year-round access to Alaska's wild beauty. Its guestrooms blend Alaskan character with modern comforts, while resort amenities include a Nordic spa, saltwater pool, and eight dining options. It's an ideal place to unwind after active days in the mountains.

Seward Windsong Lodge

Tucked near the gateway to Kenai Fjords National Park, Seward Windsong Lodge offers a cozy, tranquil retreat surrounded by spruce forest and mountain scenery. Alaskan-inspired guestrooms provide a comfortable place to relax after days of coastal exploration, while convenient amenities such as onsite laundry and a 24-hour gift shop make it an easy, welcoming base in Seward.

Departure Dates

This trip is available to run in: June, July, August

Book early for a greater choice of available dates.
Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

July 11-19, 2027

July 25-August 2, 2027

August 7-15, 2027

What's Included

PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and portorage

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses



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