

## Travel Information – Anchorage, Alaska

Welcome to your upcoming trip with Alaska Mountain Guides. The following information is included to help you with trip planning and travel arrangements. Please forward along your travel itinerary as soon as possible so we can make the appropriate pick-up/drop-off arrangements.

**Anchorage:** As Alaska's largest city, Anchorage has a lot to offer visitors. From stunning views of the Cook Inlet and surrounding mountains, to a diverse collection of restaurants and breweries, you'll have plenty of options to explore before/after your trip with us!

### By Air:

Many commercial airlines operate daily flights to Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport. Located 5 miles southwest of downtown Anchorage. The airport is named in honor of Ted Stevens, the U.S. Senator from Alaska serving from 1968 to 2009.

**Alaska Airlines** – A major airline company operating in Alaska and the across the U.S. We highly recommend booking with Alaska Airlines due to their consistent on time arrivals and the quality of their customer service.

**Phone:** (800) 252-7522

### By Road:

For those looking to combine their trip with us as part of a larger vacation, driving the Alaska Highway offers the experience of a lifetime. Anchorage is connected to the Alaskan Highway at Tok where State Route 1 runs the remaining distance to Anchorage. All sections of the highway are paved and there are several campgrounds and lodges along the way. Guests coming from the south should plan at least 5- 7 days of travel from the lower 48 to make it to Haines (approx. 2,000 miles from Seattle).

### Pre-Trip Meeting:

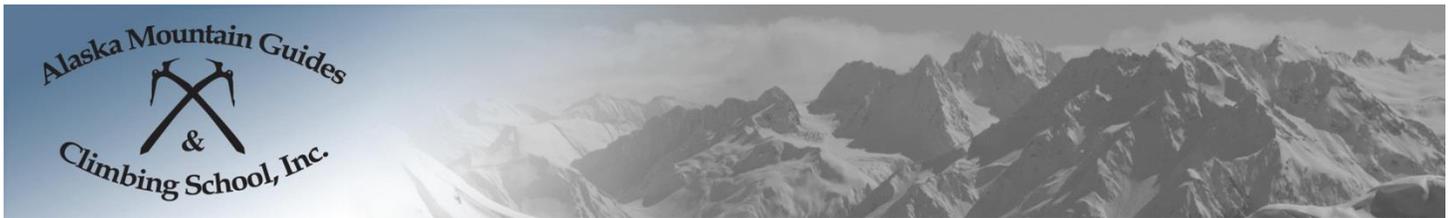
We ask that you arrive the day before your trip is scheduled to start, for a pre-trip meeting with your guide(s). If you are unable to schedule your travel to arrive the day prior to your trip or face unexpected delays while travelling, please contact us and we will be happy to make other arrangements. The pre-trip meeting is generally scheduled at 6:00pm (unless otherwise noted) the night before your trip starts.

Please have your gear prepared for a quick check as we will go over equipment, the itinerary and answer any pre-trip questions you may have. The next morning, we will pick you up from your lodging and begin our trip. You should plan on eating breakfast beforehand. Extra luggage that you do not need in the field can be stored at a secure location at our facilities for the duration of your trip.

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**Accommodations:** Anchorage has many lodging options to choose from, the following is a short list of recommendations we encourage our guests to look into. If you have any questions about where you should stay, don't hesitate to call or email our office!

## HOTELS/LODGING

**Aviator Hotel:** With competitive prices to many of the other hotels in downtown Anchorage, the Aviator offers friendly staff, a convenient location within walking distance of many attractions downtown, and standard rooms & amenities.

**Phone:** (907) 793-5555

**Website:** [www.aviatorhotelanchorage.com](http://www.aviatorhotelanchorage.com)

**Westmark Anchorage Hotel:** Across the street from the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts and 5 blocks from the Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center, this straightforward hotel features views of the Chugach Mountains and the Cook Inlet.

**Phone:** (907) 276-7676

**Website:** [www.westmarkhotels.com/destinations/anchorage-hotel/](http://www.westmarkhotels.com/destinations/anchorage-hotel/)

**Sheraton Anchorage Hotel & Spa:** An upscale hotel in downtown Anchorage, amenities include a steak-and-seafood restaurant, lounge/bar and a coffee shop. There's also a fitness center, spa, meeting rooms and a business center.

**Phone:** (907) 276-8700

**Website:** [www.sheratonanchorage.com](http://www.sheratonanchorage.com)

**Wildflower Inn:** This charming house offers a warm welcome and includes breakfast for guests; the inn is still within walking distance of downtown and offers a cozy atmosphere. A great alternative to standard hotel options!

**Phone:** (907) 274-1239

**Website:** [www.alaska-wildflower-inn.com](http://www.alaska-wildflower-inn.com)

## TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend travel insurance. In many case travel insurance will cover medical expenses, evacuation costs, lost baggage, travel delays, and other costs in the event you need to cancel your trip. We have worked with almost every provider of travel insurance and feel strongly that Travel Guard through AIG is the best travel insurance available. It is one of the only plans that covers high altitude climbing and has significant benefits if purchased within 15 days of making your trip deposit.

Details can be found on our website at [http://alaskamountainguides.com/?page\\_id=226](http://alaskamountainguides.com/?page_id=226)

Please contact us if you have any questions, or, if you would like any additional information.

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