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## The Historic Klondike Route



### Hike the Chilkoot Trail and Canoe the Yukon River!

“The Klondike Gold Rush captured the imagination of the world. Rich and poor, young and old, women and men were attracted to the Klondike from all parts of the globe. No imagine better represents this historic event than the endless line of stampedeers struggling over the Chilkoot Pass during the winter of 1897-98. Today the Chilkoot Trail National and Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park commemorate this extraordinary journey. The contrast between the scenic grandeur of the coastal mountains and the fragile remains of the stampedeers’ goods and temporary structures make the Chilkoot a unique backcountry trail.” A hiker’s guide to the Chilkoot trail



**In 2001, AMG took National Geographic on the Klondike Route and was featured as the cover story.**

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## **Historic Klondike Route Information**

Join us for 15 days of adventure in the Alaska and the Yukon. We'll start our trip in historic Skagway, Alaska with a 4-day hike over the Chilkoot Trail, traveling in the footsteps of gold rushers from 100 years ago. Once over the trail we'll trade hiking boots for paddles and begin the 400 miles of canoeing that will bring us to Dawson City Yukon, and the heart of the Klondike gold country. Along the way we'll pass derelict steam ships, native villages, gold dredges, current day fish camps, trappers cabins, Fort Selkirk, and other relics from the Gold Rush. We'll also visit Whitehorse, the capital of the Yukon, we'll run the famous Five Finger Rapids, and pass through Lake Labarge. Where Robert Service set his famous poem "The cremation of Sam Magee". We'll also pass by Henderson Creek where Jack London spent much of his time in the Klondike. Floating down the swift Yukon River will also allow us opportunity to fish for Lake trout, Arctic Grayling, and Northern Pike.

This trip is perfect for individuals and families wishing to enjoy the splendor of the Yukon Wilderness while traveling this historic route. In addition to the numerous historical sites, we will also have opportunity to view wildlife such as bear, wolf, moose, mink, wolverine, eagles, hawks and waterfowl.

### **Highlights:**

**THE CHILKOOT TRAIL:** The Chilkoot Trail is 33 miles of great scenery and interesting history. We will spend 4 days on the trail.

**THE YUKON RIVER:** Flowing over 2000 miles from Source to sea, the Yukon is one of the longest rivers in the world and rich in native and cultural history.

**SKAGWAY:** Skagway Alaska is the starting/finishing place for this trip. Skagway is a small community located at the top of the Inside Passage. The natural beauty, wilderness access and historical past are responsible for Skagway's reputation as a center for wilderness adventure in Alaska.



**WHITEHORSE:** Whitehorse (population 20,000) is the capital of the Yukon and a fun and unique city. We will spend one night here before starting the Yukon River.

**OUR GUIDES:** Alaska Mountain Guides & Climbing School Inc. instructors and guides are professionals. They are special individuals who have a passion for being in the

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mountain environment. They have a wealth of experience from guiding throughout Alaska and the world, and they genuinely enjoy sharing their knowledge. Their skill and positive attitudes help our guests to have the best possible experience during their trip. Your safety and enjoyment are their primary goals.

**INCLUDED:** Guides, camping equipment, canoes, transfers, food, permit fees, lodging, and transportation from Dawson to Skagway or Whitehorse

**NOT INCLUDED:** Meals and lodging in Skagway, Whitehorse and Dawson. AMG will make reservations for hotels in Whitehorse on day five and day 14 in Dawson. Participants will be responsible for these costs. Approx \$100 for double room

**ADDITIONAL TRAVEL OPTIONS:** Skagway based programs can easily be combined with rafting, sea kayaking, and mountain bike trips. Sea kayak and mountain bike rental are also available. Contact us if you would like more information.

**DATES/PRICES:** Please see our schedule for current dates and prices information.



### **ITINERARY:**

**Day 0:** Pre trip meeting at 6:00 pm at your hotel for gear check and introductions

**Day 1:** Begin hiking on the Chilkoot Trail, camping at Sheep Camp

**Days 2:** Hiking over the pass and on to Happy Camp

**Day 3:** Hiking to Bare Loon Lake

**Day 4:** Hiking to Lake Bennett, train to Fraser and van to Whitehorse, hotel

**Day 5:** Begin Canoe trip on Yukon

**Days 6-14:** Canoeing and exploring the Yukon River

**Day 14:** Evening in Dawson

**Day 15:** Traveling from Dawson to Whitehorse and Skagway

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