

The Iditarod National Historic Trail

“Southern Trek”

The Iditarod National Historic Trail (INHT) runs from Seward to Nome and includes 2,400 miles of trail linking communities and historic sites. The INHT was an artery of Alaska’s winter commerce during the last American gold rush. From 1911 to 1925, hundreds of people walked and mushed the trail delivering goods, gold, and mail to trading sites and outposts throughout Alaska, many of which are ghost towns today. On this map, much of what’s marked as INHT is a contemporary recreation route, as the original trail followed the railroad tracks. The route north of Anchorage is largely still in its original form and is used as a winter trail. The trail south of Eagle River, known as the “INHT Southern Trek,” is popular with recreators year-round.



The Alaska Long Trail (AKLT) is a recent effort led by Alaska Trails to connect existing trails to form a continuous route from Seward to Fairbanks. The INHT and conceptual AKLT are co-located for 120 miles from Seward to Eagle River, and both offer unparalleled diversity of climate, terrain, scenery, wildlife, and recreation. Learn more at www.alaskalongtrail.org

For the latest info and project updates, visit:
<https://bit.ly/SouthernTrek>



General Info & Safety

- Bear & Moose Country**

 - Black and brown bears throughout
 - Carry bear spray and know how to use it
 - Bear-resistant lockers at many campsites
- Water Sources**

 - Creeks & lakes are abundant; sterilize everything
 - Avoid drinking glacial silt-heavy water
- Seasonal Considerations**

 - Typically snow-free: late June - October
 - Best weather window: July - early September
- Leave No Trace**

 - Plan ahead and prepare
 - Travel and camp on durable surfaces
 - Dispose of waste properly
 - Leave what you find & take what you brought
 - Minimize campfire impacts
 - Respect wildlife
 - Be considerate of other visitors
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Iditarod National Historic Trail: SOUTHERN TREK

Exploration Map



Map Legend



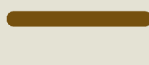
Iditarod National Historic Trail (INHT) (Contemporary recreation route)



INHT Segments Under Construction

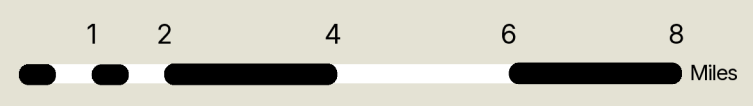


Other Chugach National Forest Trails



Chugach National Forest Boundary

	Campground		Lookout/Cabin
	Camping Area		Observation Site
	Day Use Area		Picnic Site
	Fishing Site		Trailhead
	Interpretive Site		Wildlife Viewing



1 2 4 6 8 Miles

