

Winter camping free with paid fee

The park collects entrance fees year-round. Payable at the **Winter Visitor Center** from mid-September to mid-May, the entrance fee is valid for seven days, and is \$10 for an individual or \$20 for all passengers of a non-commercial vehicle. Other passes are also sold and accepted.

The **Bear Loop** of the **Riley Creek Campground** near the park entrance is open for primitive camping all winter at no charge. Registration or permits are not required within this designated area. Toilets are provided. Snow can be melted or creek water can be boiled for drinking.

Camping in other areas requires a backcountry permit and in-person orientation with a ranger at the **Winter Visitor Center**.



Warm areas, shelter always available

Water, restrooms and warm areas are available at the **Winter Visitor Center** during daily operating hours, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Restrooms are also offered at **Park Headquarters** weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Shelter from the cold is available anytime day or night in the lobby of the **Post Office** near the park entrance and in a small entrance vestibule at the **Winter Visitor Center**.

More information is available at the **Winter Visitor Center**, by telephone, or at the park website.

EMERGENCY

Cell Phone: **911**

Satellite Phone: **(907) 474-7721**



http://www.nps.gov/dena/planyourvisit/things2do.htm

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Denali National Park and Preserve is a special place to visit year-round. Among locals and outdoor enthusiasts throughout Alaska, it's known increasingly as a destination for skiing, snowshoeing, snowboarding, dog mushing and skijoring.



More out there than ice and snow

Although many creatures are dormant, most of Denali's resident animals remain active in winter. Watch for fresh tracks in the snow.

Minimum viewing distance restrictions apply year-round. Any distance that alters the behavior of a wild animal is too close. Moose may fiercely guard winter trails, particularly in deep snow years. Make every effort to give them the right-of-way.



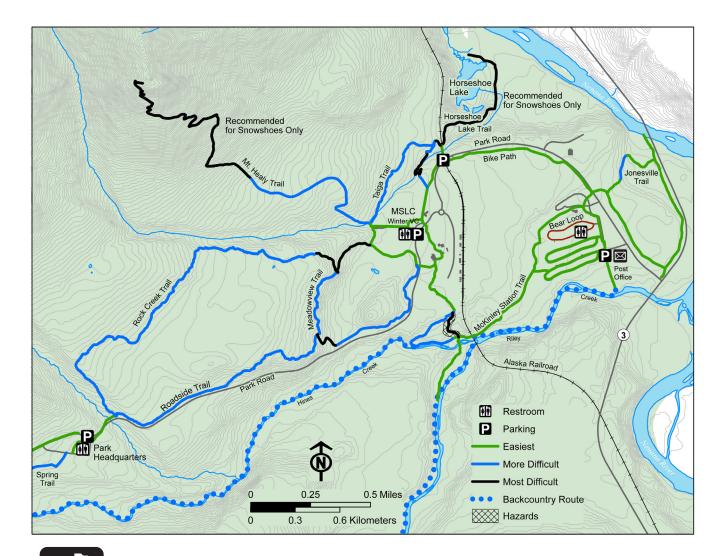
Come prepared to be challenged

The level of self-reliance required of winter travelers sets Denali's visitors apart from adventurers elsewhere.

Winter weather and trail conditions can change quickly along the Alaska Range. Visitors must be ready for the reality of deep, lasting, and severe cold weather. Be aware of avalanche dangers. Avoid steep slopes and drainages.

Notify someone of your plans and your expected return. Be prepared to set your own course, be self-sufficient and able to perform self-rescue. Do not count on traveling more than a few miles a day.

Trails have multiple uses. If you encounter ski tracks while you are walking or snowshoeing, avoid stepping on them. Footprints decrease grip and glide. While one may encounter tracks of previous users, no trail or frozen creek is maintained or groomed.



MSLC serves as Denali's Winter Visitor Center

Start off your visit at the Murie Science and Learning Center (MSLC), which serves as the park's Winter Visitor Center from mid-September to mid-May, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, at Mile 1.3 of the Park Road. A number of outdoor electrical outlets are provided to plug-in private vehicles at sub-zero temperatures. Take in an array of interpretive exhibits and park movies. Borrow a set of snowshoes. Ask about current trail conditions. Obtain a backcountry permit if you plan an overnight trip. Then wander into the cold under your own steam, and experience the stillness and wonders of a vast and pristine subarctic wilderness landscape.

The Park Road is usually closed in winter beyond Park Headquarters at Mile 3.2.