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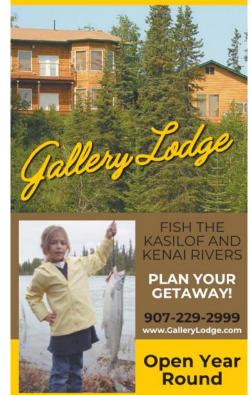
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# Welcome to Kenai

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Nestled at the mouth of the renowned Kenai River, Kenai, Alaska, is a coastal city of 7,800 residents with a rich history dating back 3,000 years to its first inhabitants, the Dena'ina people. From its origins as a small fishing village and former "Oil Capital of Alaska," Kenai has evolved into a diverse community celebrated for exceptional fishing, abundant wildlife, and natural beauty.

Explore the charm of historic Old Town, where the scenic bluff offers panoramic views of the Four Sleeping Giants across Cook Inlet. Immerse yourself in coastal beauty with activities like beach strolls, fat-tire biking, paddle boarding, and wildlife viewing. In winter, the city transforms into a snowy wonderland, offering ice fishing, snowmobiling, figure skating, and hockey beneath the captivating northern lights.

Kenai serves as the perfect gateway to explore the wonders of the Kenai Peninsula throughout the seasons. Whether captivated by its rich history or enticed by the array of outdoor adventures, Kenai promises an unforgettable experience for all who visit.



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#### Kenai Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center

Nestled in the heart of Kenai, The Kenai Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center is your premier destination for all things Kenai! Whether you're seeking historical facts, eager to witness the largest collection of bald eagles in North America, or simply interested in exploring local art and finding unique souvenirs, the Kenai Visitor Center has it all.

Discover our thoughtfully curated gift shop in the lobby, showcasing a diverse array of locally made items, from jams and jellies to intricately carved souvenirs. The collection extends beyond handcrafted goods, offering an assortment of books, knick-knacks, key chains, magnets, stuffed animals, toys, and much more! Delve into our lobby, home to one of the Kenai Peninsula's most extensive animal collections.

Immerse yourself in our Cultural Exhibit Room, featuring hundreds of artifacts from the Dena'ina & Athabaskan cultures. Explore the profound influence of the Russian Orthodox Church on the City of Kenai through insightful artifacts and information. Engage with exhibits detailing the Tustumena 200 Sled Dog Race, a crucial training ground for mushers preparing their teams for the Iditarod race.

Beyond our remarkable artifact collection and enticing gift shop, our event room hosts quarterly art shows and exhibits (Refer to the front desk for information on current and upcoming art shows). This space also showcases animal mounts, including Musk Ox, Black & Brown Bear, Alaskan Gray Wolf, and Mountain Goat, offering a captivating glimpse into Alaska's diverse wildlife.



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KENAI'S MOTTO, "Village with a past, City with a future," reflects the link between the community's long rich history and its opportunities for sustainable growth and development.

#### **People of the Flat Land**

The Dena'ina people lived in the region long before the first Russian explorers arrived in Alaska in 1741. While they do not measure their history in years, the Dena'ina consider they have lived in the area since time immemorial, a period that is beyond the reach of memory or record.

When the first Russians arrived, there was a thriving Dena'ina Athabascan Indian Village on the high bluff overlooking Cook Inlet near the mouth of the Kenai River.

At that time, about 1,500 Dena'ina lived in the Kenai River drainage with several hundred in the village of Shk'ituk't on the bluff above the Kenai River mouth.

The local Dena'ina people called themselves Kahtnuht'ana – "People of the Kenai River" (Kahtnu). The Russians, however, called them Kenaitze from the Dena'ina stem "ken," which refers to the flat wave cut terrace Kenai is built on, and the Russian "-itze," which means "people of."

#### **Underwater People**

The Dena'ina called the Russians "Tahdna," which means "underwater people," from the image of their ships coming up Cook Inlet. When viewed from afar, it looked like the ship was emerging from underwater.

The Russians built Fort (Redoubt) St. Nicholas at Kenai in 1791, the fifth Russian post in Alaska. The fort was an outpost for trading fish and furs. The log wall and blockhouses were built by the Russians as part of Redoubt St. Nicholas.

By the time British explorer Captain George Vancouver visited in 1794, about 40 Russians occupied the outpost. The Russian Orthodox religion took root, and Kenai's oldest buildings are Orthodox-related: a log rectory

(1886), the Holy Assumption of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church (1895), and the nearby log shrine (1906).

The United States established Fort Kenay in 1869, two years after the Alaska Purchase. Most of the Russian buildings were in disrepair by the time the American Army took over, and the post was abandoned in 1871.

#### **Commercial Fishing** and the Discovery of Oil

Commercial salmon canneries became a significant economic factor in the late 1800s. The first cannery at Kenai, the Northern Packing Company, was established in 1888. During the 1920s, commercial fishing and fish processing became important local industries. Opportunities for

homesteading in the 1940s led to further development. The first road connecting Anchorage and Kenai opened in 1951. The resulting access helped expand the community.

The Wildwood Army Base, built north of Kenai in 1953, was later converted to an Air Force base. During the Cold War, it served as a communications and Russian surveillance base.

A new economy took root with Alaska's first major oil strike in 1957 at the nearby Swanson River. The City of Kenai incorporated in 1960, and offshore oil was discovered in Cook Inlet in 1965.

Today's economy reflects the importance of the fishing, oil and gas, visitor, and service industries.

#### PRE-1700'S:

The Dena'ina Athabascans trace a long history of traditional use for sustenance and trade in the Kenai area.

English Captain James Cook sails up Kenai Bay (now Cook Inlet) in search of the Northwest Passage.

1778:

1848:

1957:

#### First Settlement of Kenai by Russian fur traders. Approximately 300 Dena'ina inhabitants reside in Kenai at this time

1791:

#### Nikolaevsk Redoubt built on the Kenai Bluffs in present day Old Town Kenai. Russian Orthodox Christianity is introduced to the Kenai area.

Father Nicholas starts

the first school on the

peninsula in Kenai.

1795

1864:

1797.

The Battle of Kenai between the Dena'ina Athabascans and the Lebedev Company. It was the first defeat of Russian fur traders in Alaska.

#### 1838:

1869:

A major smallpox epidemic devastates Kenai. Despite vaccination efforts, about 50% of the Cook Inlet Dena'ina dies of smallpox.

The U.S. military builds a fort close to present site of Fort Kenay- near the Russian Orthodox Church in Old Town.

#### Gold is first reported in Alaska by Russian mining engineer Peter Doroshin at the Kenai River.

1899: Kenai's first post office brings service to the area. delivery is via dogsled.



1934: The Indian Reorganization Act paved the way for Alaska Natives to have a legal voice in the U.S. government. The Kenaitze Indian Tribe I.R.A. has federal recognition through this legislation.

1867:

The United States of America purchases Alaska for \$7,200,000 from Russia

#### 1947:

After World War II, growth in Kenai expanded when homesteading was opened. Soldotna, Sterling and Nikiski have their beginnings.

#### 1956:

Kenai saw its first pavement-the Kenai Spur Highway.

Oil is discovered at Swanson River, which begins a period of great economic growth and population increase. The Kenai aas field is discovered in 1959. For a period of time, Kenai is known as the Oil Capital of Alaska.

Alaska becomes the 49th State, and Kenai formally incorporates with a mayor/council form of government.

1959 & 1960:

FUN FACT:

ON MARCH 30, 1867, Secretary of State William H. Seward agreed to purchase Alaska from Russia for **\$7.2 million**. At the time, critics thought Seward was crazy and called the deal "Seward's folly."

# **OLD TOWN KENAI**

Must see for those who love history in the heart of Downtown Kenai! Scan the QR code to get detailed info to the historical sites.





## Moosemeat John's Cabin

At the corner of Main Street and Overland – Given the name of "Moosemeat John" for hunting moose to feed his thirteen children, John Hedberg homesteaded with his family in Nikiski, often sharing the success of his efforts.

The cabin was donated to the Kenai Chamber of Commerce in 1976 and relocated to Kenai, where it stands today.

### Holy Assumption of Saint Mary Russian Orthodox Church The church itself was established 1849,

The church itself was established 1849, and the current building was constructed in 1894-96. In 1970, the church site was declared a National Historic Landmark (one of 50 in Alaska). The church is one of the oldest Russian Orthodox churches in Alaska.

The Church is available to view, for more information, call (907) 283-4122.



## Parish House Rectory

The Parish House Rectory was built in 1881 and is believed to be the oldest original building on the Kenai Peninsula. This is home to the priest of the Russian Orthodox Church. The buildings of Holy Assumption represent "fine" examples of a Russian village church and the type of home provincial Russian gentry would inhabit.

# **Chapel of St. Nicholas**

The chapel was built as a tribute to Igumen (Abbot) Nikolai, first missionary in the Kenai area. With the aid of his two assistants, Father Nikolai was responsible for bringing the smallpox vaccine to the Kenai Peninsula and vaccinating many people in the fight against this deadly disease.



### Oskolkof/Dolchok Cabin (Veronica's Cafe)

Built in 1918 as a home to the Oskolkof and Dolchok family. The cabin is a good example of what houses looked like in Kenai during that time. It is located where the Russian Redoubt (Fort) Nikolaevsk once stood. Veronica's is also located at the site where the "Battle of Kenai" took place in the summer of 1797 in which the Denaina natives attacked the Russian fort resulting in over 100 deaths from both sides.

## Kenai Firehall/Jail

Built in 1955 as the Firehall, two years later a jail was added to the rear of the building. After the Kenai Police and Fire Departments moved to their new facility in 1973, this building was leased to the Kenai Arts & Humanities Council. In 1980 it was renovated into a gallery and workshop for community artists and potters. It is now called the Kenai Fine Arts Center.



# Kenai Historical Cabin Park

The Arness Cabin was built The Miller Cabin in 1925 by Emil Berg, a well Pioneer Emil Ness built this the building had several uses since it's construction, it was and portrayed as such in it's two rooms downstairs and current state.

known registered guide and structure in Kasilof in 1910. In trapper on the bluff east of 1930, its logs were numbered Riverview Road in Kenai. While - it was disassembled and barged to Kenai, where it was pieced back together In 1937. first Kindergarten, in Kenai, The cabin was a residence with an attic that served as sleeping quarters.

was built in Kenai in 1922 by This cabin may have been built his family for many years.

#### The Dolchok/Juliussen Cabin The Three Scandinavians Cabin.

Mike Dolchok. He sold it in in the 1920s, but no one is the late 1940s to Julius Juliussen, certain. The Cabin depicts the who moved it near the present residence of a single male, site of the Peninsula Oilers and houses equipment that ballpark and lived in it with he might have used to make a living in log-cutting, fishing, and trapping.

Located in

**Old Town** 

Kenai



#### \*The Sanders Cabin is used to replicate a general store



# HISTORIC **CABIN PARK**

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#### **Embracing the Legacy of the Kenai River Marathon**

Every year, on the last Sunday in September, the Kenai Peninsula comes alive with the rhythmic pounding of running shoes against pavement as the Kenai River Marathon unfolds its 26.2mile journey through some of Alaska's most captivating landscapes. This event isn't just a race; it's a testament to the community's spirit, the runners' dedication, and the unparalleled beauty of our region.

#### A Tradition Rooted in Community

Established in 2006, the Kenai River Marathon has evolved from a local gathering into a celebrated event that attracts participants from across the nation. Hosted by the Kenai Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the City of Kenai, the marathon exemplifies our community's commitment to promoting health, wellness, and civic pride.

#### The Marathon's Unique Charm

What truly makes the Kenai River Marathon stand out is the combination of its scenic beauty and the sense of community it fosters:

- Scenic Splendor: The course winds along the Kenai River, offering runners stunning views of Alaska's wilderness, from towering spruce trees to the serene waters of the river. The landscape creates a perfect backdrop for the race and adds to the allure of the event. - **Community Warmth:** There's a special energy during the marathon that comes from the locals who support it. Volunteers line the route, offering hydration and encouragement, creating a truly welcoming environment for participants. The community support is an integral part of what makes the event so memorable.

- Well-Organized Events: The weekend is packed with races for all abilities, including the full marathon, a half-marathon, 10K, 5K, and even relay races. The pre-race spaghetti feed and post-race festivities help create a sense of camaraderie that extends beyond the finish line.

#### The Thrill of the Finish Line

The finish line experience at the Kenai River Marathon is unlike any other. As participants cross the line, they are welcomed with cheers from friends, family, and locals who have gathered to celebrate the achievement. This moment is not just about finishing a race but about feeling the pride and joy of accomplishment. The post-race atmosphere is one of celebration, complete with local food, music, and a shared sense of community.

#### Why You Should Experience It

If you're contemplating participating, here's why the Kenai River Marathon should be on your list:

- Challenge and Achievement: Whether you're aiming for a personal best or simply want to enjoy the course, the marathon offers a challenge that's rewarding in itself.
- **Community Engagement:** You'll meet fellow runners, volunteers, and spectators who are passionate about the event and the community.
- Alaskan Adventure: Beyond the race, the Kenai Peninsula offers endless opportunities for adventure, from fishing in the Kenai River to hiking local trails and exploring the area's history and culture.

The Kenai River Marathon is more than just a race; it's a celebration of community, endurance, and the breathtaking beauty of Alaska. Whether you're a runner or a spectator, this event offers an unforgettable experience that will make you eagerly anticipate next year's festivities.



# **4 SLEEPING GIANTS**

Augustine 4,134 ft Mt. Iliamna 10,016 ft

Drift River•

Cook inlet

ACROSS COOK INLET from the city of Kenai lie four sleeping giants. Mt. Redoubt is most prominent in stature when overlooking Cook Inlet, however, Mt. Spurr, Mt. Iliamna and St. Augustine are all visible from the western shores of Kenai beaches. These volcanoes are part of the Aleutian Mountain range which extends southwest along the Alaska Peninsula, eventually entering the Pacific Ocean and forming the Aleutian Islands. The Aleutian Mountain Range houses the majority of Alaska's 130 active volcanoes and volcanic fields. This mountain range makes up part of the "Ring of Fire".

#### **RING OF FIRE**

•Nikiski

•Kenai •Soldotna The "Ring of Fire" is an arc stretching from New Zealand, along the eastern edge of Asia, north across the Aleutian Islands of Alaska, and south along the coast of North and South America. The Ring of Fire composes over 75% of the world's active and dormant volcanoes. This huge ring of volcanic and seismic (earthquake) activity was noticed and described before the invention of the plate tectonics theory. We now know that the Ring of Fire is located at the borders of the Pacific Plate and other major tectonic plates around the Ring of Fire; the Pacific Plate is colliding with and sliding underneath other plates. This process is known as subduction and the volcanically and seismically active area nearby is known as a subduction zone. There is a tremendous amount of energy created by these plates and they easily melt rock into magma, which rises to the surface as lava and forms volcanoes.

> Spurr 11,070 ft

### Mt. Redoubt 10,197 ft

## LAST ERUPTIONS

Augustine - 2006 Mt. Iliamna - 1876 Mt. Redoubt - 2009 Mt. Spurr - 1992

# ORIGINAL PEOPLE

THE TRADITIONAL VALUES CIRCLE TEACHES EVERYONE, young and old, the traditional values of the Kenaitze Dena'ina people.

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**Kenaitze Indian Tribe** 

SINCE LONG BEFORE its formal designation by the federal government as an Indian Tribe in 1971, the Kenaitze Indian Tribe has been at the heart of Kenai-area the community. bringing economic and cultural benefits not only to tribal members, but also to the entire Kenai community. The 1,800-plus current members of the Kenaitze (pronounced, Keh-NITE'-zee) Tribe are Dena'ina people, branch of Athabascan Native Americans. Many centuries ago, their ancestors traveled from western Alaska to the shores of the Cook Inlet. Recognizing its abundance, the first Alaskans to this area named it Yaganen - the good land. They settled along the shores and rivers of this beautiful and rich place which is now named after them: the Kenai Peninsula. Today, the Kenaitze Indian Tribe conducts a wide range of services and educational programs which benefit people from youth to elder, reflecting the tribe's traditional values.

#### **Dena'ina Wellness Center**

The Kenaitze Tribe's Dena'ina Wellness Center is prominent in Old Town Kenai. The fully integrated healthcare facility offers a wide range of programs and services

that promote the wellness of its people and the community. The tribe also operates a tribal justice system, early childhood education center, Elders center, social services program, and more. Learn more at kenaitze.org

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#### **K'Bea'** Cultural Site

If coming from the north, take time to visit the K'Beq' Cultural Site before you reach Kenai. K'Beq' sits adjacent to Milepost 52.6 of the Sterling Highway near Cooper Landing at a Dena'ina place known as Sqilantnu, meaning "ridge place river." The Kenaitze Indian Tribe's K'Beg', meaning "footprints," gives visitors a glimpse into traditional Dena'ina customs and culture. Operated in partnership with the Chugach National Forest, the site features informational signs, a boardwalk that wraps around a prehistoric Dena'ina house foundation, and a gift shop. Tribal members and staff also host interpretive walks and presentations. It is open four days a week, June through August. Admission is free.



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## Z CENTENNIAL PARK

Accessed from Kalifornsky Beach Road, this is one of the more popular bank fishing areas on south side of Kenai River. There is approximately one mile of bank to fish from in the area; camping and restroom facilities are available. Day use permits available. Fish cleaning tables, boat launch. Excellent access for sockeye and silver salmon fishing.

STERLING HWY

#### MOUTH OF THE KENAI RIVER

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Accessed in the City of Kenai via Spruce Street. Provides access to bank sport fishing on north side of Kenai River. Access to dip net fishing (<u>Alaska residents only</u>.)

#### **2** KENAI FLATS STATE RECREATION SITE

Located on south side of Kenai River on Bridge Access Road. Interpretive panels, bulletin board, picnic tables, limited parking and toilet facilities. No boat launch. Foot access to dip net fishing (Alaska residents only.) Provides limited bank sport fishing opportunities because of steep banks and mud.

#### **3** CUNNINGHAM PARK

Located on north side of Kenai River and accessed from Beaver Loop Road. Limited parking, toilet facilities and picnic tables. Wood deck with stairs access. Primarily mud banks. Waders recommended. Excellent sockeye and silver salmon fishing.

#### **4** Eagle Rock Boat Launch

Accessed half way between Kenai and Soldotna on the Kenai Spur Highway between Robin Drive and Ross Street. Good bank access and boat launch.

#### 5 PILLARS BOAT LAUNCH

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Positioned on the north bank of the Kenai River and owes its popularity to its accessibility and close proximity to many of the more popular fishing holes. Viewing deck, day-use parking, and restrooms are available.

#### **6** SLIKOK CREEK STATE RECREATION SITE

Located on west side of Kenai River off Endicott Drive. There is a small parking lot, picnic tables, toilets and trail to the north and south sides of Slikok Creek. Preferred sockeye fishing area is on south side of Slikok Creek.

#### **B** SOLDOTNA CREEK PARK

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Accessed beside the Tesoro gas station in the center on Soldotna along the Sterling Highway. Here you will find a 500 foot long boardwalk provided for bank fishing. Popular for sockeye and silver salmon fishing

#### 9 SWIFTWATER CAMPGROUND

On north side of Kenai River, this Soldotna City Campground is reached via East Redoubt Avenue. Parking, restroom and overnight camping are available.

# Local Fishing HOT SPOTS

#### MOOSE RANGE MEADOWS

Several fishing platforms have been erected on the north bank of the Kenai River on Keystone Drive (off Redoubt).

SCOUT LAKE

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#### ROTARY PARK

Accessed via Funny River Road. Take Bridge Access to Kalifornsky Beach Rd. turn left, cross Sterling Hwy. and road becomes Funny River. Follow the road 2.5 miles, the park sits across from the Soldotna Airport. Parking is approx. \$5. Trail leads to "T" at "T" take a right for 625 foot long boardwalk, turn left for chest wader fishing access to the river via stairs off the bank system. Excellent sockeye fishing.

#### E FUNNY RIVER STATE RECREATION

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Located on south side of Kenai River at Mile 12 of Funny River Road. Site has a small campground and restrooms. Ladders down the bank provide access to bank fishing. River-waders recommended. Area closed to king salmon fishing. Excellent sockeye and trout fishing.

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#### MORGAN'S LANDING STATE RECREATION SITE

This recreation site is on the north side of the Kenai River and reached via Scout Lake Loop Road. The site has a campground, day use parking toilets and approximately 1.5 miles of bank fishing area. There are fishing area closures within this 1.5 miles to protect bank habitat. "Morgan's" is also the headquarters of Alaska State Parks. It's just a short hike from parking downhill to river accessfishing from platforms or downstream with waders. Beautiful vistas from parking lot and campsites. Good sockeye, silver salmon and trout fishing-Closed to king salmon fishing.

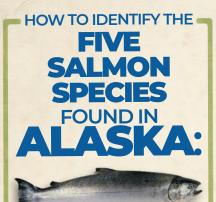
#### IZAAK WALTON STATE RECREATION SITE

This site is on north side of the Kenai River at confluence of the Moose and Kenai Rivers in Sterling. The site has a campground, boat launch and limited day use parking. Izaak Walton has bank closures to protect habitat. However, the area at the confluence of the Moose and Kenai rivers has good bank access, excellent area for sockeye, pink and silver salmon. Riffle above confluence excellent for trout. Waders recommended.

#### BING'S LANDING STATE RECREATION SITE

This site is on the north side of Kenai River at Mile 80 of Sterling Highway (just north of Sterling). The site provides campsites, day use parking and boat launch. This is the only public boat launch between Skilak Lake and Naptowne Rapids. Good river bank access down the trail to Naptowne Rapids. Waders recommended.

# Fishing on the Kenai 101



June &

**Coho (Silver) Salmon:** Greenish-blue back with silver sides. Small black spots on the back, dorsal fin, and on the upper lobe of the tail only. Black mouth with white gums at the base of teeth on lower jaw.



Chum (Dog) Salmon: Dull gray with yellow-silver sides. No distinct spots. Large eye pupil.



Sockeye (Red) Salmon: Dark blue- black back with silver sides. No distinct spots.



**Pink (Humpy) Salmon:** Large spots on the back and large black oval blotches on both tail lobes. Very small scales. Spawning males develop a pronounced hump.

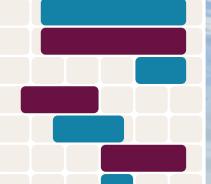


Blue-gray back with silver sides. Small, irregular black spots on back, dorsal fin, and on both lobes of the tail. Black mouth with black gums at the base of lower jaw.

Design Credit: Natalie Casebeer

#### Species

Rainbow Trout	Jun 11 - Oct 15
Dolly Varden	Jun 11 - Oct 15
Steelhead	Sept 1 - Oct 15
King Salmon	May 25 - Jul 31
Sockeye Salmon	Jun 20 - Aug 15
Coho Salmon	Aug 1 - Oct 15
Pink Salmon	August
Halibut	May 1 - Sept 15



May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct

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# **KENAI RIVER TIDE TABLES** JUNE JULY ----

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Day	High	Low	High	Low	High
01 Sun		3:12 AM 4.72 ft	8:43 AM 18.79 ft	3:44 PM 0.30 ft	10:02 PM 18.27 ft
02 Mon		4:15 AM 5.32 ft	9:45 AM 17.15 ft	4:40 PM 1.95 ft	10:59 PM 17.81 ft
03 Tue		5:27 AM 5.46 ft	10:54 AM 15.90 ft	5:39 PM 3.35 ft	11:54 PM 17.67 ft
04 Wed		6:41 AM 5.02 ft	12:10 PM 15.27 ft	6:39 PM 4.41 ft	
05 Thu	12:44 AM 17.80 ft	7:45 AM 4.13 ft	1:24 PM 15.34 ft	7:35 PM 5.11 ft	
06 Fri	1:28 AM 18.15 ft	8:38 AM 3.04 ft	2:27 PM 15.89 ft	8:25 PM 5.49 ft	
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# Dip Netting

#### **BRIEF HISTORY:**

In March 1996, the Board of Fisheries amended the Cook Inlet Personal Use Salmon Management Plan by liberalizing it and establishing a personal use fishery season for Alaska residents. The dipnet season is currently July 10 through July 31 and requires a personal use fishery permit. Mid-July marks the beginning of dip netting season for Alaskan residents. To dip net, anglers stand in the mouth of the Kenai River holding large nets with long handles. Dip netting is open to Alaska residents exclusively. For visitors, the dip netting is a spectator sport not to be missed!

#### WHERE THE DIP NETTING HAPPENS:

**KENAI NORTH SHORE:** Primary access is from South Spruce Street off the Kenai Spur Highway.

**CAMPING:** Camping on the beach is not permitted to the right of

S. Spruce St. towards Nikiski. Camping is permitted to the left towards the mouth of the river. Tents must stay 25 feet from any vegetation and your paid camping receipt must be visibly displayed on your tent. Your vehicle in the parking lot must also have a paid parking receipt visibly displayed on the rear view mirror. For additional information on other camping opportunities in Kenai, contact the KCCVC at 283-1991.

**FIRES:** Fires are permitted on sections of the North and South Beaches, but look for signage advising of prohibited fire areas. Ground fires must stay at least 25 feet from any vegetation. Please clean up the area, ensure fire is completely out, and haul out any debris before leaving area. Do not burn trash.

**KENAI SOUTH BEACH:** Access is from Old Cannery Road off of Cannery Road.

**TRAVELING ON THE BEACH:** Access onto the beach requires use of a four-wheel drive or all-terrain vehicle (approximately three miles to the mouth of river). Extreme caution must be exercised due to soft sand and unforgiving tides. Protect the dunes and vegetative areas by driving (including ATV's) below the high tide mark. The vegetative areas on the Kenai South Shore provide valuable habitat for shorebirds and other waterfowl.

#### **RESTROOMS/DUMPSTERS:**

Restrooms and dumpsters are limited, but are serviced daily. Use the restrooms provided and practice "pack-it-in, pack-it-out" standards as much as possible to keep the beach clean. **KENAI BOATING FACILITY:** Access to the Kenai Boating Facility is from Boat Launch Road. There is a one-way exit road to leave the facility. A large public parking area is provided; however, parking is limited.

No overnight camping is allowed.



#### **BLACK BEAR**

Black bear range over most of the accessible areas of the Kenai. The most abundant areas are the southern tip of the Kenai, the western Kenai lowlands, and the alpine areas of the Kenai Mountains. Most black bear meat is excellent table fare in the spring. Mountain black bears retain great eating qualities year through fall. Lowland bears, if their diet consists of primarily fish, can be a bit challenging to cook.

#### **BROWN BEAR**

Brown bears range much of the Kenai and feed on moose calves in the spring and spawning salmon in the late summer-fall. Areas with both have the highest density of brown bears, although there are some that reside in the mountains eating blueberries in the fall.

#### CARIBOU

Three of the four caribou herds on the Kenai support hunting and reside in the high country. The Killey River herd is found in the Wilderness Area of the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge and has minimal access, with horseback being the primary mode of travel. The Kenai Mountain herd roams the high country between Cooper Landing and Hope.

#### DALL SHEEP

The Kenai is home to a healthy herd of these beautiful and coveted game animals. There are two general areas available to hunt sheep on the Kenai: the western edge of the Harding Icefield and the Kenai Mountains north, east, and west of Kenai Lake. Prepare to spend some time in the mountains with minimal comforts, as sheep hunting is one of the toughest backpack-style hunts.

#### **MOUNTAIN GOAT**

Mountain goats are a common sight in the craggy rocks of the Kenai Mountains. Hunting is by registration or drawing permit. The best goat hunting is found on the southern part of the Peninsula where the goats live on the cliffs rising up from the ocean near Homer and Seward. At times,

goats can be seen down on the beach licking salt from the rocks.

#### MOOSE

The Kenai National Wildlife Refuge was originally created as the Kenai National Moose Range, where a combination of climate and habitat pro-duced huge and healthy animals.

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Kenai is no longer famous for moose hunting, and regulation changes due to habitat and predator factors have eliminated non-resident hunters except for the few drawing permits in the Tustumena Bench area. If you spend the time and take a moose, the coming winter will find the successful hunter eating quite well.

#### SMALL GAME

The Kenai hosts a variety of small game readily available to the hunter. Snowshoe hares are cyclic and may be prolific to near non-existent depending on where they are at in the cycle. Spruce grouse are best taken early in the fall season. By late November,

their diet consists of spruce needles and, while they can be eaten, it takes some skill in the kitchen to disguise the spruce smell and flavor. All three species of ptarmigan may be found in the Kenai Mountains.

#### WATERFOWL

The Kenai supports a healthy local population of birds and depending on weather, also sees a fair number of

weather, also sees a fair number of migrating waterfowl. The Kenai, Kasilof, Chickaloon, and Fox Rivers are popular for puddle ducks and divers. The Kenai area is a jump-off point to the Redoubt Bay Special Management Area on the west side of Cook Inlet, which is extremely prolific in waterfowl. Many local hunters utilize local air services to hunt the west side of the Cook Inlet. Sea duck hunting is quite good in the bays and coves south of Homer as well. of Homer as well.

# Vhy Silvers are the Perfect Salmo

& Owner of Fishology

When it comes to salmon fishing every angler has their favorite species. the fall, so don't put your boat away Some prefer king salmon for their too early! raw power and elusiveness, some prefer sockeye salmon for their accessibility, and others prefer pink Renowned for being delectable table or chum salmon due to their sheer fare, silver salmon is a delicious abundance. But there's only one salmon species that contains a touch of all these attributes, the silver stretches of the Kenai River, retaining salmon. Also known as Coho, these those bright chrome scales that gave salmon attract anglers from around the world for many reasons. Let's take mild taste compared to some of the fare, and are found in high enough a moment to go through each of the other salmon, and as a bonus they're abundances to keep even kids and silver salmon's most notable qualities jam packed with healthy Omega 3's newbie that make them the perfect salmon and vitamin D. Whether on the grill, entertained. for so many anglers.

#### The Fight

The first thing most anglers think experience. They are my favorite about when silver salmon are mentioned is the incredible fight that these fish unleash when they find themselves on the end of your line. On the Kenai River, silvers are August and September. notorious for their acrobatics, leaving the water almost immediately each and every time they're hooked. Not Silver salmon are the most abundant professional and versatile guide will only are they acrobatic, they're of the **biting** salmon that most powerful, and regularly use sudden anglers regularly choose to **harvest** code" when silvers are being a bit bursts of power in an attempt to on the Kenai River. Sockeye salmon picky, and it's really fun and rewarding shake the hook from their mouth are sometimes more abundant than to employ multiple methods & tactics and dodge your net. Silvers provide silvers, but typically require wading on a single fishing trip. The variety of an adrenaline-pumping challenge for even the most seasoned salmon enthusiast, so when you hook into a silver salmon you better hang on. They might streak upstream, they might run downstream, they might dart to the other side of the river, and they might decide to leap out of the water time and time again. In all reality, they usually do all of the above!

#### Run Length

One of the greatest attributes of silver salmon is the length of time they run river. We start to catch a few silvers starting in late July on the lower Kenai River, and the first run extends through the end of August. The second run of silvers, which is made up of larger fish, commonly in the 10-15lb range, peaks in mid/late September and extends all the way into early winter. While other salmon species make a relatively brief appearance in freshwater, you can legitimately expect to catch chrome silver salmon in the Kenai River for up to 4 months. We typically fish them all the way through September

weather becomes a challenge. Often technique that isn't suitable for

#### They're Delicious

eating fish. This is especially true when they are harvested in the lower them can be a frustrating challenge. them their name. Many enjoy their smoker, canned, baked, or any other culinary style, silver salmon offer a versatile and mouthwatering dining salmon to prepare fresh on the grill, and in fact you can expect to find a fresh silver salmon fillet on my grill a couple evenings a week during

#### **Abundance**

Articleby*MarkWackl*er-FishingGuide and well into October, until the in the river and a snagging times the best silver salmon fishing everyone. Pink salmon are often more of the year takes place very late into abundant than silver salmon, but pinks are far less palatable, and while they can be a lot of fun to catch, most anglers choose to release them and instead harvest the more desirable silver salmon that run alongside. King salmon are not found in high abundances and therefore catching especially for young and beginner anglers. In contrast, silver salmon are aggressive biters, make fantastic table anglers thoroughly

#### Lots of Ways to Catch Them

As I mentioned above, silver salmon are known to be very aggressive biters. They are also willing to strike many different baits and lures presented in many different ways. Anglers can fish actively by casting lures or flies, troll different lures behind the boat, or simply put bait on the bottom and relax. A do everything they can to "crack the



techniques that can be employed make silver salmon Combo Trips a welcome entry point to the world of salmon fishing for beginners, but also a stimulating challenge for seasoned veterans.



My personal favorite aspect of silver salmon is that they do not run alone! During the fall months there are also rainbow trout, pink salmon, and often sockeye salmon in the Kenai River all at the same time. Sometimes these fish are caught using the same techniques we employ when targeting silver salmon; other times you may spend half the trip targeting one species, then completely switch up the gear and spend the remaining hour's targeting another. Silver/Trout combos are by far our most requested guided trip during the fall months. They really make the perfect fishing trip with multiple techniques involved, and lots of opportunities for tight lines!

In my humble opinion, silver salmon are indeed the perfect salmon species. They're tenacious fighters, they run in strong numbers with several other species mixed in, they occupy the river for many months, they make a healthy & delicious meal, and they can be caught utilizing a variety of different methods. There's no doubt that other salmon species have their strengths, but none of them can boast so many coveted qualities at once.

Picture yourself casting a line into the emerald-green waters of the Kenai River surrounded by breathtaking scenery and nature all around you. Feel your adrenaline rush as a chrome-bright silver salmon grabs your line and takes off in a spectacular display of strength and agility. Imagine the rewarding feeling you'll get by feeding your family a delicious & healthy meal that you harvested yourself. All of this is very possible right here on the Kenai! I highly recommend that you try your luck at silver salmon fishing; I have a strong hunch you won't regret it.

9th Annual Renai Silver Salmon Derby

**TUESDAY SEPT. 9** 

TO

**SUNDAY SEPT. 14** 

\$1000 Overall

**Adult Prize** 

\$1000 Overall **Youth Prize DAILY PRIZES** 

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The Kenai Silver Salmon Derby reduces selective fishing practices which lead to catch-and-release injuries that compromise the health of the silver salmon population.

Family Friendly Fishing Tournament where ANYONE can win!



 @RenaiSilverSalmonDerby Tournament is subject to final determination of sustainability by Alaska Dept of Fish & Game

Alaska State Parks Special Use Permit #ASP34890 Alaska State Charitable Gaming Permit #482

KENAI RIVER SPORTFISHING

## Walking & Hiking Trails RYAN'S CREEK TRAILS - O Distance 1.31 miles Distance 0.76 miles

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Features: This gravel trail follows a heavily wooded stretch of Ryan's Creek located in the heart of Kenai. There are multiple trailhead locations, each marked with sign and post. Amenities include directional arrows, benches and trash receptacles. The trail segment leading north from Airport Way to Marathon Road was completed in 2014. This final segment will connect with Daubenspeck Family Park, a popular local park with water access, restrooms, BBQ grills and shelters.

How to find it: Access these trails from the Kenai Spur Hwy sidewalk (across from Louie's Restaurant), Main Street Loop, Granite Point Street, Airport Way or Daubenspeck Family Park.

#### **KENAI MUNICIPAL PARK TRAILS &** MEEKS TRAIL - 0/00 Distance 1.4 miles

Features: Accessing from Municipal Park, you meander through a natural forest that includes some unique Alaska flora, including wild berries and chocolate lilies during the summer months. The close proximity to the Kenai River made this area attractive for early settlement by the Dena'ina people; faint remnants of underground cold storage pits and traditional Dena'ina house pits remain throughout the park today. Continuing along Kenai Avenue leads you to the historic Meeks Trail and up the bluff into Old Town Kenai offering excellent views of the Upper Cook Inlet and tidal zone of the Kenai River.

How to find it: Access these trails from Kenai Municipal Park (South Forest Drive) or begin your hike in Old Town Kenai (Alaska Avenue).

### KENAI EAST END TRAILS - O

Features: Popular for biking, hiking, and cross-country skiing. Gravel trail meanders through a wooded forest and is home to the Kenai Eagle Disc Golf Course (18-holes). Trail amenities include trash receptacles and benches. These trails link to the Kenai Golf Course where winter ski trails are maintained throughout the winter months.

How to find it: Access these trails at the end of Tinker Lane or off Lawton Drive just east of the Coral Seymour Memorial Park (Peninsula Oilers Baseball).

#### **KENAI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE VISITOR CENTER - O** Distance 2.6 miles round trip.

Features: An excellent family hike. Cleared trail offers easy walking. Decking and viewing at Headquarters Lake, interpretive signage and a bonus of the visitors' center rounds out the experience.

How to find it: Trailhead is at the paved parking area of the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center located in Soldotna off Funny River Road from the Sterling Highway.

#### TSALTESHI TRAILS - O Various trail systems intermingle.

Features: A great area for hikers and bikers who'd like to stay closer to town. These trails are popular throughout the year with area residents, and are maintained by the Tsalteshi Trail Association. Woodland setting with rolling hills. www.tsalteshi.org

How to find it: Just south of Soldotna, behind Skyview Middle School. Also, Kalifornsky Beach access across from Soldotna Sports Center.

#### KENAI RIVER TRAIL - **O** Distance 10.2 miles round trip.

**Features:** A meandering trail through forest meadows. Wildflowers, berries and the only trail that actually takes you along the famous Kenai River. Fantastic views! Check out the nearby interpretive panels on Skilak Loop Road to learn more about the Pothole Lake forest fire that impacted this area in 1991. Be cautious of bear activity.

*How to find it:* At Mile 58 of the Sterling Highway, turn onto Skilak Loop Road. The trailhead is a half mile in on the left.

#### RUSSIAN LAKES TRAIL - **O/OO** *Distance 23.2 miles round trip.*

**Features:** The first three miles of the trail to Lower Russian River Campground Road, at Mile 52 of the Sterling Highway near Cooper Landing is a good family trail that follows along the Russian River. See the Russian River Falls, where sockeye salmon are making their upstream battle to spawn. It is especially important to make noise and watch for bears on this particular trail!

*How to find it:* Trailhead is one mile down Russian River Campground Road, at Mile 52 of the Sterling Highway near Cooper Landing.

#### RESURRECTION PASS TRAIL - **O/OO** Distance 39 miles one way with elevation gain of 2600 feet.

**Features:** Popular for hiking, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling. Ideal for lake fishing, day hikes, viewing waterfalls, scenic vistas and wildlife. Well-spaced public-use cabins and campsites make this an idea choice for a multi-day hike. Trail also connects with Devil's Pass trail for a 28-mile trip to Devils Pass trailhead.

*How to find it:* Cooper Landing trailhead begins at MP 52 of the Sterling Highway or you can access the Hope side trailhead by following the Hope turnoff to Resurrection Creek Road.

#### SKILAK LOOKOUT TRAIL - **OO/OOO** *Distance 4.1 miles round trip.*

**Features:** A good way to stretch out and work up a sweat, with several steep sections along this trail. It has an elevation gain of 750 feet. It ends on an overlook with spectacular views of Skilak Lake.

**How to find it:** Located along Skilak Loop Road, the trailhead is approximately two miles past Hidden Lake Campground. Skilak Lake Road is accessible just south west of Cooper Landing and north east of Sterling.

#### FULLER LAKES TRAIL - 00/000

**Features:** Upper and Lower Fuller Lake offer one of the few waters on the Kenai Peninsula which contain Arctic Grayling. The trail between the two lakes has little elevation change, but can be muddy. Once on top of the higher elevations past Upper Fuller Lake (this lake contains Dolly Varden trout) hikers are afforded extensive views of the Kenai Mountains. Look for Dall Sheep on these ridges. Excellent berry picking opportunities in the fall.

*How to find it:* Look for a pull-out parking area located at Mile 57.1 on the Sterling Highway in the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge just outside of Cooper Landing if heading towards Kenai. Follow the steps up the short bank to access the trail.

#### JOHNSON PASS TRAIL - **O/OO** Distance 23 miles long one way.

Features: This trail is a favorite for mountain bikers. Accessing from the north side, you will encounter beautiful alpine scenery. Lakes and streams can be found along the trail. Be sure to filter any water you pull from natural Alaskan sources. This is usually a longer backpacking trip, but offers a peaceful break on your drive through the Chugach National Forest.

# Kenai Parks

#### **4TH AVE. PARK**

**PHYSICAL LOCATION:** 1708 4th Ave. **Amenities:** Basketball Court • Grass field with Baseball Backstop • Picnic Pavilion • BBQ Grill Portable Restroom (seasonal)

This is a small neighborhood park tucked in at the end of quiet residential street. The park has a large open turf area suitable for throwing the Frisbee, playing baseball or other activities needing lots of space.

#### **BEAVER CREEK PARK**

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 6031 Kenai Spur Hwy Amenities: Playground Equipment • Basketball Court • Restroom Picnic Pavilion (available to reserve)• Barbeque Grill • Large Open Turf Field • Permanent • Bike Repair Station

Small community park located adjacent to the Kenai Spur Hwy approximately mid-way between Kenai and Soldotna. Accessible from the Unity Trail, the park is located on a bluff overlooking the Beaver Creek drainage. This park is one of the oldest parks in the system but recently upgraded in 2016 with new playground equipment.

#### **BIRD VIEWING PLATFORM**

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 1591 Boat Launch Rd. Amenities: Elevated Platform • Telescope

Elevated bird-viewing platform provides expansive views of the Kenai River tidal flood plains and a portion of the Alaska Range, including Mt. Redoubt and Mt. Spur. Opportunities for wildlife viewing include harbor seals, beluga whales, estuary and migratory birds, birds of prey, coyotes, bear, caribou and moose.

#### CORAL SEYMOUR MEMORIAL BALL PARK

**PHYSICAL LOCATION:** 103 Tinker Ln. **Amenities:** Collegiate Baseball Field Property is leased from the City by the Peninsula Oilers Baseball Club, Inc. Founded in 1974, the Alaska Baseball League includes five teams throughout Alaska. Teams play 44 league games and approximately 5 non-league games from June through August each summer.

#### **CUNNINGHAM PARK**

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 2432 Beaver Loop Rd. Amenities: Boardwalk • Benches • Picnic Table • Permanent Restroom • Kenai River Access (walking access only)

One of the few areas in the Lower Kenai River providing public access for bank fishing. Park is a popular designation particularly in the fall during the silver salmon season for both locals and visitors alike. This site provides a great example of a bank restoration project similar to what is occurring in other sections of the Kenai River. No overnight camping and parking is limited.

#### DAUBENSPECK FAMILY PARK

PHYSICAL LOCATION: Marathon Rd. Amenities: Permanent Restroom • Swimming Pond

Sand Beach Area • Picnic Pavilions • Trail Outdoor Ice Skating *(Winter)* 

Community park featuring a pond commonly used for non-motorized water activities (swimming, kayaking, paddle boarding, etc.) and is maintained during the winter months for ice skating. The shore of the lake offers a sand beach area and is a great area to watch the kids splash in the water. A .37 mile gravel trail circles the park with access to the Ryan's Creek Trail off Marathon Rd. This park is conveniently located near a large commercial shopping center.

#### **ELSON REST STOP**

PHYSICAL LOCATION: Kenai Spur Hwy Amenities: Picnic Table

Rest stop is situated along the Unity Trail between Kenai and Soldotna at approximately mile 18. A short gravel trail extends from the Unity Trail into a small clearing with a picnic table.

#### **ERIK HANSEN SCOUT PARK**

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 913 Mission Ave. Amenities: Benches • Boy Scout Statue • Interpretive Displays • Gardens • Telescope

Small community park containing a bronze statue of a Boy Scout overlooking the Kenai Cook Inlet. Interpretive displays point out many physical features of the lower Cook Inlet. This is a great area just to sit, relax, and enjoy the extensive views overlooking the lower Cook Inlet, tidal lands, and mouth of the Kenai River.

#### FIELD OF FLOWERS / WILDFLOWER GARDEN

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 10095 Kenai Spur Hwy Amenities: Gazebo · Benches · Wildflower Identification Signs · Wood Chipped Trails

Meandering trails wrap around this small parcel of Airport property adorned with wildflowers. Seeded in the spring, the field transforms into a wildflower display each fall providing visitors with amazing photography backdrops.

#### **KENAI CEMETERY**

**PHYSICAL LOCATION**: 840 First Ave. **Amenities:** Columbarium • Gazebo • Benches

Owned and operated by the City of Kenai, the Kenai Cemetery provides an attractive location of tranquility and reflection for the honoring and remembrance of those that have gone before us.

#### **KENAI NORTH & SOUTH BEACH**

PHYSICAL LOCATIONS: North Beach 600 - S. Spruce St. South Beach - Royal St. (off Cannery Rd via K-Beach)

Amenities (North Beach Only): Permanent Restroom Seasonal Portable Restrooms • Beach Access

Both locations provide access to the beaches of Cook Inlet and mouth of the Kenai River offering a perfect location for walking, beach combing, kite-flying, and fat-tire biking. There are no amenities on the south beach. There is a large parking area provided on the north beach but parking is very limited during the Kenai River Personal Use Fishery (July) and camping/parking fees apply during this time at both locations. Vehicular traffic on the north beach toward the mouth of the Kenai River is prohibited.

#### KENAI RIVER FLATS WILDLIFE VIEWING BOARDWALK

**PHYSICAL LOCATION:** Bridge Access Rd. **Amenities:** Boardwalk • Telescope • Paved Parking

This a viewing area overlooking the Kenai River tidal flood plains. Many migratory birds frequent this area, including other wildlife, such as caribou, coyote, moose

and occasionally bear. One can view the surrounding mountains here, including the Alaska Range and Kenai Mountains.

#### KENAI SOFTBALL GREENSTRIP & STEVE SHEARER MEMORIAL BALLFIELDS

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 400 Main Sreet Loop Amenities: Playground · Large Pavilion · Permanent Restrooms · Community Garden Plots · Skateboard Park · Steve Shearer Memorial Ball Park (Adult Softball Fields)

This linear greenstrip features a large pavilion where area residents come together for community events and activities. The adult softball fields are located adjacent to this area and home to the Kenai Softball Association. An outdoor skateboard park, community gardens, and a food forest are located in this vicinity.

#### **KENAI SPORTS COMPLEX**

**PHYSICAL LOCATION:** 13072 Kenai Spur Hwy **Amenities:** Four Regulation Size Soccer Fields Seasonal Portable Restrooms

Area contains 24 acres including a large gravel parking lot, access road and four natural turf soccer fields. The fields are extensively used by two organizations providing soccer programs, including the Kenai Peninsula Soccer Club and Boys & Girls Club of the Kenai Peninsula.

#### LEIF HANSEN MEMORIAL PARK

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 10959 Kenai Spur Hwy Amenities: Gazebo (available to reserve for weddings or memorial services) • Decorative Water Fountain Veteran's & Mariner's Memorial • Town Clock • Gardens Drinking • Fountain

This is a community memorial park and a focal point of town. Throughout the park are sidewalks containing memorial plaques and plantings purchased by individuals in memory of loved ones. Included are a Veteran's and Mariner's memorial, water fountain, town clock, gazebo and beautifully landscaped gardens. The gazebo area has been a popular wedding location for many years.

> MUNICIPAL PARK PHYSICAL LOCATION: 301 S. Forest Dr. Amenities: Playground Area · Basketball Court · BBQ Grills Sanded Volleyball Court · Covered

Picnic Pavilions • Picnic Sites • Restrooms • Pathways to Poetry Trail • Little Free Library Station • Interpretive Displays

Large community park located next to the bluff overlooking the lower Cook Inlet. A playground area, restrooms, two pavilions and a large turf area are located at the north entrance to the park. Two additional pavilions are located at the south end of the park along with a basketball court and a sanded volleyball court. Walking trails (1.4 miles) meander throughout the park, including a Pathways to Poetry leading to the Kenai beach. The close proximity to the Kenai River made this area attractive for early settlement by the Dena'ina people; faint remnants of underground cold storage pits and traditional Dena'ina house pits remain throughout the park today.

#### **OLD TOWN PARK**

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 816 Cook Ave. Amenities: 3 Playground stations w/ 4-bay swing set • ½ Court basketball • Small shelter w/ one picnic table • Portable restroom (seasonal) • Small BBQ Grill

This is a small neighborhood playground park. Park is fenced in and provides some turf areas and a basketball court. Playground equipment is designed for smaller children.

#### **EAST END PARK**

PHYSICAL LOCATION: 1100 Lawton Dr. Amenities: Disc Golf Baskets · Gravel Trails

Community trail system includes .75 miles of trails commonly used for walking, biking and skiing. This area is also home for the 18-hole Kenai Eagle Disc Golf Course. The main entrance for the disc golf course is located at the end of Tinker Lane (behind the Kenai Peninsula Oilers baseball field).

#### SCENIC BLUFF OVERLOOK

**PHYSICAL LOCATION:** 235 Spur View Dr. **Amenities:** Metal Framed Gazebo • Small Picnic Pavilion • Paved Parking

Situated on top of the bluff near the mouth of the Kenai River, this area is the perfect location to enjoy all the views the lower Kenai River and associated tidal wetland areas have to offer.

# Captain Cook State Park

**CAPTAIN COOK State Recreation** Area is virtually undiscovered by most visitors to the Kenai Peninsula. It offers a peaceful setting of forests, lakes, streams and saltwater beaches. The recreation area can be reached by driving 25 miles north of Kenai on the Kenai Spur Highway to milepost 36.

#### **RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

Captain Cook State Recreation Area offers a variety of recreation activities, from canoeing and boating on Stormy Lake to beach combing on Cook Inlet's tide-swept shores, bird watching, berry picking, and wildlife observation. The beaches are popular with agate hunters. Anglers may enjoy fishing for rainbow trout and silver salmon in Swanson River as well as rainbows and arctic char in Stormy Lake. Current fishing regulations give complete information on seasons and limits. Winter visitors enjoy ice fishing on Stormy Lake.

Wildlife you may see during your visit includes moose, bear, coyote, wolves, Beluga whales, harbor seals, beaver, muskrat, bald eagles, sandhill cranes, trumpeter swans, arctic and common loons, goldeneye ducks, mergansers, thrushes, warblers, and jays.

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This state recreation area is named for Captain James Cook, the famous English mariner, who in 1778 explored what is now known as Cook Inlet. At that time the area was occupied by Taniana Native Alaskans who harvested seasonal runs of salmon and other wild foods. Remains of Taniana house pits are evidence of the Native's earlier presence. Cook Inlet

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In recent years the beach area has been used for commercial fishing with beach set-nets. As with all parts of Cook Inlet and Turnagain Arm, be careful walking on mudflats... and remember that the tide can move in 4x faster than you can run.

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#### **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

State Park Rangers: (907) 262-5581 State Troopers: (907) 262-4453 or 911 To report a fire: (907) 260-4210 or 911

#### **ON THE WEB**

State of Alaska Online Resources dnr.alaska.gov/parks/aspunits/ kenai/captcook.htm

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# Fat Tire

The City of Kenai has miles of beautiful bikable coastline! Stroll for a few minutes, a few hours, a full day or make it an overnight beach trip. Safety Tips: Be sure to check the wind and tide tables before heading out. Avoid walking on the sensitive dune vegetation adjacent to the beach in some areas. Do not walk on mud flats and be mindful of private property and setnet sites next to the beach. Know water sources along vour route. Be bear aware and follow bear safety advice. For additional information, visit alaskabears.alaska. gov

#### **CAPTAIN COOK STATE PARK**

Head north from Kenai on the Kenai Spur Highway and go past Nikiski until the road ends. Park the car and turn right on the beach to head north towards Point Possession.

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Hard-packed sand and interesting rock formations make for beautiful beach travel. Tides are such that it is safe to be on the beach most times of the day. Going all the way to Point Possession is approximately 28 miles north from Captain Cook State Park, but this beach is enjoyable for any out and back distance. If you go the whole way to Point Possession and make it an overnight trip, be sure to stock up on water.

#### KENAI RIVER TO KASILOF RIVER

It's approximately ten miles between the mouths of the Kenai and Kasilof rivers. This can be done as an out-and-back or one-way with a shuttle set-up beforehand. If setting up a shuttle, leave a car at Kenai's South Beach parking lot off Cannery Road and ride south from the Kasilof River Special Use Area off Kasilof Beach Stub Road.

#### **KASILOF RIVER TO HOMER**

It's approximately 56 miles between Kasilof River and Anchor Point. Do not attempt to cross the Kenai or Kasilof rivers without a boat, but the Ninilchik River, Deep Creek, and Anchor River may be crossed at low tide. The beach gets rocky for the approximately 16 miles between Anchor Point and Homer-to avoid some hiking on the beach, plan to stop riding at Anchor Point. Don't miss stopping at picturesque Happy Valley Falls near Ninilchik and gazing at the volcanic Four Sleeping Giants [see page 16] in the distance. From Homer, you can keep riding another 16 miles to Kachemak Selo.

# Arts & Entertainment

## EXPLORE THE GREAT

Kenai has rich and diverse arts and culture. Take

the opportunity to see a theatrical production, a modern dance performance, or an Alaska Native drum performance. Learn the story historical artifacts have to tell and let the local art speak to you. For a more energetic pursuit, check out the youth and adult programs available year-round at the Kenai Recreation Center. Or check out one of the many events that the Kenai Chamber of Commerce Holds each year!

#### **CALL OF THE WILD**

Immerse yourself in the nature that we call home. Go beach combing for agates or shells, watch our abundant wildlife, reel in a fish on the famous Kenai River, and hike among the trees on our trail system. Visit the Kenai Municipal Golf Course for 18 holes of gorgeous Alaskan golf where it is common to see an assortment of wildlife, including moose, caribou, eagles, ducks, sandhill cranes, and coyotes. The possibilities are truly endless. You can visit the Recreation section of this guide for more information.

#### **PLAY AMONG THE STARS**

Kenai is home to the Challenger Learning Center of Alaska, which is part of a global network of Challenger Learning Centers, developed in the spirit of the Space Shuttle Challenger crew's educational mission. The center uses simulated space and earth science missions to educate students. You're welcome to stop by the Center at 9711 Kenai Spur Highway and, if a program isn't underway, have a look around the simulator.

Once the sun has set and the stars are out, grab your camera and head north of Kenai on Marathon Road for your opportunity to see the northern lights, getting as far away from city lights as you can and look toward the northern horizon. The lights can be observed from late August to mid-April and are best seen from September to March. You can find the forecast for viewing the lights by visiting

auroraforecast.gi.alaska.edu

Whether you are looking for an evening of performing arts, dance, music, or visual arts, Kenai has a rich and diverse arts and culture scene. Local non-profit organizations produce art exhibits, theater, dance, and music year-round.

#### CATCH A SHOW

Enjoy a theatrical production by one of our non-profit community theater organizations. These organizations produce several shows a season, and the BIG MUSICAL in early spring is not to be missed!

#### DANCE, DANCE, DANCE

Kenai offers a variety of dance troupes spotlighting diverse dance styles and musical genres. These companies showcase their performers many times a year at various venues and provide lessons for all ages. Check local listings and Facebook for the next show!

#### **HEAR THE DRUMS**

Kenaitze Indian Tribe's Del Dumi Drum Group encourages sobriety, respect, and pride through traditional drum songs. The group performs at tribal gatherings and travels to events around the state. Events in Kenai and at the K'Beq' Cultural Site are announced on the Kenaitze Indian Tribe website and Facebook page. kenaitze.org

#### **A VISUAL FEAST**

Originally used as the Kenai Police and Fire Department, the transformed Kenai Art Center provides changing art shows as well as community-juried exhibitions in its gallery space located in Old Town Kenai. Ask to see the original jail cell. This venue is also home to the Kenai Potters Guild. Make sure to stop by on the First Thursday of every month for the Exhibition Receptions. Visit their website for additional information www.kenaiartcenter.org

#### **KENAI CULTURAL EXHIBIT**

The Kenai Visitor & Cultural Center located in old town Kenai provides changing art exhibits along with a significant collection of historic items, indigenous artifacts and work by Alaska Native artists.

#### LIVE MUSIC

Visit one of our cafes, bars, or restaurants for a musically-enriched dining experience. The City of Kenai offers both casual and formal dining options where live music is performed, and some nightlife establishments host local bands. Check out the Live Like a Local section for more details on dining and nightlife.





# History atching

KENAI IS HOME TO a thriving diversity of wildlife. Keep your eyes peeled as you never know when you might see moose ambling down the street. Make time to explore and watch for beluga whales as they feed on fish in the Kenai River or Cook Inlet and take in the view of the rich bounty of wildlife at the mouth of the Kenai River.

#### HEAD TO THE KENAI BEACH!

Access the North Beach from South Spruce Street off the Kenai Spur Highway. If you prefer foot access, try the Meeks Trail from Old Town Kenai or walking from Kenai Municipal Park located next to the bluff overlooking the lower Cook Inlet lead to North Beach. There is staircase access to North Beach and a viewing point located at the end of Forest Drive. The South Beach is accessed from Old Cannery Road off of Cannery Road. There is easy parking and turnaround areas for RV's and campers at both North and South Beach. In July, both areas are busy with the personal use dipnet salmon fishery, and parking fees may apply.

#### KENAI RIVER FLATS AND THE KENAI WILDLIFE VIEWING PLATFORM

Stop by the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform located near the City Dock for bird viewing opportunities. Throughout the year, tour the different access points to the Kenai River flats to find the best wildlife viewing of the day. Watch for harbor seals and beluga whales from March through April. In early May, sandhill cranes and other migrating waterfowl feed, shorebirds work along the banks, and several species of owls patrol the flats. Caribou forage from June through August. Viewing locations may also be found at the Kenai River Flats Board Walk on Bridge Access Road and at the end of Cannery Road.

#### BLUFF OVERLOOK AND KENAI OPEN SPACES

Kenai's parks and trail system offers a variety of wildlife viewing opportunities. Watch for beluga whales as they feed on fish in the Kenai River and Cook Inlet from Cunningham Park, the Scenic Bluff Overlook located at the end of Spur View Drive, or from the overlook on the steep bluff at Erik Hansen Scout Park. Take in the view from East End Trail or Ryan's Creek Trail north of Airport Way and you might encounter the Kenai lowland caribou herd in the summer months. The herd often makes its way between the Kenai River flats to north of the City of Kenai along Marathon Road.

#### LAUNCH YOUR WILDERNESS ADVENTURE

Kenai is within easy road access of the nearly two-million-acre Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, an undisturbed wilderness that supports caribou, moose, brown and black bears, mountain goats, Dall sheep, wolves, lynx, wolverines, bald eagles, trumpeter swans, and thousands of shorebirds and waterfowl. Whether you hike a trail into the alpine, paddle through the 100-mile canoe trail system, or camp for the night, it is a true wilderness experience. If you are ready for a bear viewing experience of a lifetime, a short flight across Cook Inlet takes you to the world-class bear viewing locations in Lake Clark National Park, Wolverine Creek, or Chinitna Bay. Reserve a cabin, backcountry camp, or book an air charter today!



# Kenai, AK "Village with a Past, City with a Future"

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- 7 Eagle Disc Golf Course
- 8 Old Town Kenai
- 9 Meeks Trail to Kenai North Beach
- 10 Municipal Park
- 11 Forest Dr Beach Access Footpath
- 12 Leif Hansen Memorial Park/Cemetary
- 13 Daubenspeck Family Park/Bark Park
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- **16 Wildflower Garden**
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#### **SPRING TO FALL**

From spring to fall Kenai is a great place to observe nesting species and the growth of their young. However, do not forget winter on the Kenai. During this time period birds that nest farther north visit the Kenai area to winter.

The Kenai Peninsula has over 270 bird species one can find within an easy hour drive from Kenai and birding is a year round event.

#### NORTH AND EAST

A short drive North and East - from Kenai, the Kenai National Wildlife refuge offers additional birding opportunities. Birds associated with a boreal forest can be easily found and the numerous lakes harbor a variety of nesting waterfowl.

#### **DRIVE SOUTH**

A short drive south - Twelve miles south of Kenai is the Kasilof River estuary, a major wintering area for rock sandpipers which can number up to 6000 birds. These birds offer great photography opportunities.

In summary, stop, look, and listen for the Kenai area birds. You will not be disappointed.

#### **KENAI RIVER FLATS**

A must stop for bird-watchers! Siberian snow geese and other waterfowl stop to feed on this saltwater marsh in the spring. Kenai Flats State Recreation Site on the Bridge Access Road at the west end of Warren Ames Bridge; parking, picnic tables, outhouse and interpretive signs. A boardwalk and viewing telescope for wildlifewatchers is located on the Bridge Access Road east of the Warren Ames Bridge. Caribou may also be seen here in their late fall migration.





#### MORE INFORMATION

Additional information on bird watching in the Kenai area, as well as around the state can be found on the Alaska Department of Fish and Game wildlife viewing website.

www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm? adfg=birdviewing.main





THE KENAI WILDLIFE VIEWING GUIDE available at the Kenai Cultural & Visitor Center is an excellent source of information on how to get to access the various sites noted below. There are over 310 species of birds on the Kenai Peninsula.



**RED-THROATED LOON** - From the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform scan the river upstream of the platform. Also from the west side of the river look both upstream and downstream from Kenai Landing.



**RED-NECKED GREBE** - Headquarter Lake at the KNWR headquarters building has red-necked grebes, Moose river upstream of the confluence with the Kenai River has a number of them, along with various lakes of the KNWR.



**BALD EAGLE** - There are a number of bald eagle nests and bald eagles on the Kenai Peninsula. The Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform is a good spot to see eagles. Homer and Seward have a good number of eagles.



**SANDHILL CRANE** – The Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform is a good spot to view Sandhill cranes.



**PACIFIC GOLDEN PLOVER** - Shorebirds like Pacific Golden Plover are best viewed during the migration in the spring, but also during the reverse migration starting in mid-July. The Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform is a good spot along with Mud Bay or Beluga Slough in Homer.



HUDSONIAN AND MARBLED GODWIT

Can be found on the Kenai River estuary and viewed from the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform at the end of Boat Launch Road. Check upstream along the Kenai River bank in front of the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform. They are also found in Homer at Mud Bay during the spring and fall.



**DOWITCHERS** – During spring dowitchers are numerous in Homer and at the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform. They also can be seen during the reverse migration starting in mid-July, from the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform in the small ponds along the Boat Launch Road.

**PARASITIC JAEGER** – A pair of parasitic

**Background Photo** © Nicole Hall



jaegers nests on the Kenai River estuary. They are typically found near the Warren Ames Bridge on the west and north side of the river. They prefer barren areas. These birds are the dark phase and easy to spot along the numerous gulls so check out the birds flying over the river at the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform located off Boat Launch Road.

**BONAPARTE GULL** – Can be found at numerous public access spots along the Kenai River. From Sterling to the Kenai River mouth stop at the various public access points and glass the river for these birds.



**ARCTIC TERN** – Are fairly common and can be seen at Tern Lake, the mouth of the Kenai River, at the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform and up and down the Kenai River feeding on small salmonids.



**ALEUTIAN TERN** – Nest on Headquarters Lake at the KNWR visitor center in Soldotna. Take the Keen Eye Trail to the lake and scope the far end of the lake for these birds. Listen for their call as they fly overhead. In Homer a boat trip with Bay Excursions is the best chance to see these birds.

**STELLER'S JAY** – Can be hard to find. Sometimes driving in residential areas and watching feeders is the best idea.

**NORTHWESTER CROW** – Can be found in Seward, Homer and Kenai near the small boat harbors – in Kenai the best spot is from Boat Launch Road at the Kenai Wildlife Viewing Platform.



**BOREAL CHICKADEE** – Chickadees and other boreal forest birds can be found along a number of trails in Seward, Homer, Kenai and Soldotna. The Keen Eye Trail at the KNWR visitor center is a good choice. Burney Trail at Hidden Lake, Slikok Creek State Park, Carl Wynn Nature Center and other forest trails are all worth walking.

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#### **VERONICA'S**

*Cafe* 604 Peterson Way

907-283-2725 Tucked inside a historic cabin, Veronica's Coffee House offers a quaint, whimsical setting for brunch and lunch. Enjoy fresh soups, sandwiches, coffee, and tea—often accompanied by live local music that adds to the charm.

#### PLAYA AZUL

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#### **CHARLOTTE'S**

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#### THE FLATS BISTRO

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THERE ARE PLENTY of options for traveling to and from Kenai and getting around once you're here.

#### FLY INTO KENAI

The Kenai Municipal Airport is the commercial air transportation gateway to the Kenai Peninsula and West Cook Inlet. A strong transportation center with scheduled and charter passenger service for air cargo and general aviation, the Airport plays a vital role on the Peninsula.

Kenai Aviation and Grant Aviation offer daily scheduled flights to and from Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport. Approximately 100,000 passengers a year enjoy the easy, convenient, 25-minute flight over a spectacular landscape.

Once you arrive in Kenai, car rental agencies are conveniently located in the terminal and taxi service is located just outside the terminal. Visitors and locals enjoy food and refreshments in the café or lounge while waiting for a flight or just watching airplanes.

For more information about the Kenai Municipal Airport, visit www.kenai.city/airport

DRIVE THE 3-HOUR Seward Highway National Scenic Byway from Anchorage to Kenai. Stop along the way at numerous marked Accidents happen along the Seward Anchorage in Girdwood and two report every dangerous driver.

hours into your drive time in Cooper Landing. Public restrooms are available at numerous places along your route.

Bring your RV on the scenic route. RV parks, dump stations, chain retail stores and many local services in Kenai will provide convenience and access to the services you need to enjoy your travels.

Call 5-1-1 for travel advisories: Travelers in Alaska can obtain information about weather-related conditions, construction activities other relevant and travel information by dialing 5-1-1. The system is both voice and keypad activated. Travelers can also access the system by logging onto http:// 511.alaska.gov.

Please honor the state laws. Headlights must be on at all times. Travel the posted speed limit. If you are not comfortable or able to travel the full speed limit, pull over often and allow others to safely pass you. The law requires that you pull over at the nearest pull outs if you have 5 or more vehicles behind you.

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DRIVING MILEAGE	CHART	FROM KENAI
<b>DESTINATION CITY</b>	DRIVING MILES From Kenai	APPROXIMATE Driving time
Anchorage	156	3 Hours
Cooper Landing	62	1 Hour
Seward	106	2 Hours
Homer	89	1½ Hours
Ninilchik	62	1 Hour
Captain Cook State Recreation Park	26	30 Minutes



#### Kenai's Community Identity

THE CITY OF KENAI'S name and city logo signify a unique and distinctive community with Dena'ina and Russian roots, world-class recreational fishing, offshore energy resources, and spectacular mountain vistas.

Kenai's motto: "Village with a past – City with a future" – affirms the community's appreciation for its colorful history and its ambitions for tomorrow.

Kenai is located at the mouth of the Kenai River on the west coast of the Kenai Peninsula. Kenai incorporated as a city in 1960, and it became part of the Kenai Peninsula Borough when the Borough incorporated in 1964. The City of Kenai adopted the council-manager form of government in 1963 and has been operating under this form since that time.

The City of Kenai benefits from a number of social, economic and geographic characteristics.

◆The City lies within a rich natural setting above the Kenai River overlooking Cook Inlet, with views of Redoubt and Iliamna volcanoes and the distant Chigmit Mountains.

◆ A variety of land is available for future growth.

• The local economy is diversified, there is a well-qualified work force, and wages are competitive.

• The City government is in excellent financial condition.

 Residents enjoy a choice of residential neighborhoods and lifestyles.

◆A variety of world-class outdoor recreation opportunities are available to residents and visitors, including the Kenai River, Cook Inlet, State lands, and Kenai National Wildlife Refuge.

#### Economy

Unlike the rest of the country, Alaska did not experience a sharp recession in 2009. The Kenai Peninsula Borough has one of the most diverse economies in Alaska, and this diversity has softened negative impacts to the regional economy.

#### Forging Ahead in Cook Inlet

When one looks out across Cook Inlet and takes in the grandeur of the volcanoes towering above its pristine waters, it is difficult to imagine anything more impressive. But there is. Something that is the backbone and engine of the Alaska economy: Oil and Gas.

Alaska's Cook Inlet was the location of its first large oil and gas find back in 1957, even before statehood. Since then, this important basin has produced nearly 1.4 billion barrels of oil and 10 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. The U.S. Geological Survey scientists theorize that is only 4% of the available resource and believe we have only scratched the surface of what could be discovered. When oil was discovered on the North Slope in the late 70s, in amounts unimaginable at the time, all attention shifted north to drill and construct the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS), leaving Cook Inlet to languish quietly... until now.

#### Resurgence of Oil & Gas

◆Hilcorp bought out Chevron and recently acquired Marathon's assets, making it the largest producer in Cook Inlet. They are aggressively drilling for oil and gas and have contracted to supply gas to all Cook Inlet utilities.

◆ Buccaneer has found and developed gas at Kenai Loop and are exploring onshore east of Homer. Offshore they have announced a discovery at Cosmopolitan and will be exploring other Cook Inlet prospects.

◆ Furie has announced a discovery at Kitchen Lights unit and have indicated that they are developing to being production as early as the end of 2014.

• Armstrong has developed North Fork Unit and has recently sold it to Cook Inlet Energy.

◆ Cook Inlet Energy has brought Redoubt Shoals unit back into production and are exploring for gas onshore of West Cook Inlet.

◆ Nordaq is planning to delineate and develop Shadura in the Kenai Moose Range and have been exploring on the west Cook Inlet at Tiger Eye.

◆ Apache has acquired a large lease position offshore and onshore CI and have acquired 3D over much of the area and recently drilled an exploration well onshore west Cook Inlet.

#### Commercial Fisheries & Seafood Processing

The commercial fishing and the seafood processing industries, while cyclical, are still the foundation of Kenai's economy and still a driving economic force. In addition to some year round and many seasonal employment opportunities, the local commercial fishing and processing industry rely upon numerous local vendors to supply and support their business year round. Seafood processing continues to contribute to the local economy. Companies process salmon, herring, halibut, pacific and black cod and razor clams, including locally caught seafood as well as fish caught in other areas of the state such as Bristol Bay, Prince William Sound and Kodiak. The seafood industry in Cook Inlet originally focused on production of high quantities of Local seafood canned salmon. processors now focus on predominantly high quality fresh seafood delivered across the United States during the salmon and halibut season as well as fresh frozen products that are distributed to markets worldwide after the season

The Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute lists seven businesses in Kenai that supply seafood, and the Kenai Peninsula Borough recognized the importance of the area by designating it a seafood processing area in its 2008 Coastal Management Plan.

In 2009, Kenai was ranked as one of the top 50 U.S. ports for volume of seafood deliveries.

#### Visitor Industry / Tourism

The Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development estimates that about 500,000 people visit the Kenai Peninsula each summer. Tourism has been one of the fastest growing sectors in the Borough. Visitor patterns are highly seasonal with outdoor recreation and sport fishing representing the major visitor activities, and the historic Old Town Kenai is an important attraction. Alaska residents represent the largest group of visitors to the Kenai Peninsula.

The Kenai River provides a major recreation destination for both residents and visitors. The charter fishing industry provides economic benefits to the City of Kenai through employment and through local spending by clients.

# DAY TRPS

Kenai you may want to consider brave the icy waters of the polar mind, there is no shortage of visiting our southern and bear eastern neighbors. South and East of the city of Kenai offer great experiences. These communities are located along voted #1 fishing spot in North available. the scenic Sterling Highway and America, this community has a Seward Highway. Exploring the vast wildlife trail system known Kenai Peninsula will be a as the "Kenai Peninsula Wildlife fishing on the famous Anchor memory not soon forgotten.

#### **HEADING EAST**

com-munity has an extensive the Kenai National Wildlife canoe trail system that is Refuge. nothing short of wild! Sterling also offers great sportfishing HEADING SOUTH and guided hunting trips.

**COOPER LANDING** - Nestled in fishing off the Kasilof River and offers rafting, fishing, and hiking will want to visit the three state like no other. Allow yourself parks near Tustumena Lake, the some time to explore this little largest lake on the peninsula. gem.

trails. Summer Solstice Festival!

SEWARD - A place you can't NINILCHIK - You will fall in love SELDOVIA - A quiet little This mural clad with miss! community has no shortage of community. Take a detour to short boat ride or flight away, year long activities. Whether the historical Russian Village this town truly is one of Alaska's you jog up Mt. Marathon, visit and the Russian Orthodox best kept secrets!

Day trips remember your trip to Seward.

DANNY

Alaskan SOLDOTNA - Located on the at this small town with a big unique world-famous Kenai River and heart. Lodging and fishing Viewing Trail" where you can see River, and boast that you've the Kenai Peninsula's Big Four – Moose, Black Bear, Caribou, and **STERLING** - Like to canoe? This Brown Bear. It is also home to

**KASILOF** - This popular summer des-tination offers amazing the mountains, this community Johnson Lake. While there you

CLAM GULCH - Known for its **MOOSE PASS** - Surrounded by clam digging and beach **HALIBUT COVE** - A beautiful the Chugach National Forest, combing, Clam Gulch offers little art community tucked this town is known for an breath-taking views of St. away in Alaska's first State Park, amazing network of hiking Augustine, Mount Illiamna, Kachemak Bay State Park. This And don't miss their Mount Redoubt, and Mount community is only accessible by Spur.

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WHEN LEAVING the City of the famous Sea-life Center, or Church. If fishing is on your jump off, you will charter services offered in this community.

HAPPY VALLEY - Take a pit stop

**ANCHOR POINT** - Try your luck been to North America's most westerly community accessible by road.

**NIKOLAEVSK** - Russian Culture thrives in this tiny picturesque village. A great stop off the Sterling Hwy from Anchor Point.

**HOMER** - Known as the halibut capitol of the world, plays host to great artwork, beautiful scenery, and amazing fishing. If any of that sounds appealing then you will love Homer!

boat or float plane.

fishing getaway off the road system. A

#### SEE KENAI IN YOUR OWN HOME

on wheels on your schedule! Need a place to park? Check out our business directory on pages 47-61 or visit our website at www.visitkenai. com. Campgrounds can be found at the Division of Parks & Outdoor Recreation website (www.dnr.alaska.gov/parks).

Listed are RV dumpsites and propane services. Not all services are free and you may be required to be a guest to use these services. Questions? Contact the Kenai Visitors & Cultural Center at 907-283-1991.

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t	Centennial Campground	34246 Centennial Park Rd	\$20	3.93			
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THE CITY OF KENAI boasts one of the finest public libraries in the state with a facility that includes a children's room, fireplace, numerous study nooks, and a dedicated teen area. The library has two entrances, on Fidalgo Street and Main Street Loop with parking on both sides.

Library staff provide a variety of programs of interest to patrons of all ages. Children's programming includes weekly story times, a summer reading program, and a variety of craft and other programs including a Lego Club. Of interest to adults are the monthly Community Book Club, DIY Workshops, beading classes, cooking and family sewing. The Totem Tracers genealogical society group and Writers's Člub continue to have regular meetings at the library.

Several special collections located in the library include Alaskana, genealogy, audio books, music CDs, and DVD's. Several Alaskan papers

are received on a daily basis at the library, as well as the Sunday editions of the New York Times and the Seattle Times. The Alaska Digital Pipeline link available in the library and from our website provides access to full-text newspaper, journal articles, TV and radio transcripts, reference materials, live homework help and access to Mango Languages. The Library provides access to the Listen Alaska Plus program allowing patrons to download audio books, music and e-books.

The library has partnered with the Internal Revenue Service to offer users access via videoconferencing to the IRS Tax Advocate Service. The service allows taxpavers to consult in real time with an IRS representative and to get assistance with tax issues and forms.

Participation in the Alaska OWL (Online with Libraries) videoconferencing project allows users of the library to attend presentations from anywhere around the country and the world as well as to connect with other libraries in the state.

The library collection includes approximately 86,000 items. Patrons have access to the internet by using either one of our nine computers, twelve laptops, ten iPads, or the free wireless network.





Lively, Involved, and Energetic

The Kenai Senior Center provides a lively atmosphere as well as much needed assistance with available resources for seniors such as Meals on Wheels. Senior Benefits and Social Security Information.

Enjoy lunch Monday – Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or stop by for an exercise classes such as Zumba, Tai-Chi or Growing Strong (strength training). Learn a new skill, like guitar, Spanish or polish up on your writing skills! These classes happen at different times throughout the week. Find the schedule of activities and additional information about Kenai's Senior Center on their website, or stop by to say hello.

361 Senior Court Kenai, AK 99611 Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m Thursdays: 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.

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#### **Business Services**

VIP Monitoring Services LLC (907) 335-1935 www.vipmonitoringservices.com

#### <u>Car Wash</u>

KB Laser Wash (907) 398-3597 www.kblaserwash.com

#### **Catering**

Alaska Coastal Catering, LLC (907) 230-6184

**BZB Bakes and Cakes, LLC** (907) 741-9208

**The Hearth Eatery and Catering** (907) 283-9134 www.theheartheatery.com

Kamakani Kitchen (541) 515-0820 www.kamakanikitchen.com

Kenai Catering (907) 252-0404 www.kenaicatering.com

#### Dance Studio

Forever Dance Alaska (907) 262-1641 www.foreverdancealaska.com

#### Distributor & Repair Center

Superior Electric Motor Service (907) 283-9602 www.semsalaska.com

#### **Distributors**

**PepsiCo Inc.** (907) 522-1212 www.pepsico.com

**Peterkin Distributors, Inc.** (907) 283-4843

The Odom Corporation (907) 262-2626 www.odomcorp.com

#### Republic National Distributing Company Alaska (RNDC) (907) 563-3030

(90'7) 563-3030 www.rndc-usa.com

#### <u>Equipment Rental</u>

Bassline Sound www.facebook.com/basslinesoundalaska

Koch Sound (907) 252-0963 www.kochsound.com

#### **Financial Advisor**

**Coldstream Wealth Management** 9072152180 www.coldstream.com

Edward Jones - Glenese Pettey (907) 283-4567 www.edwardjones.com/glenese-pettey

Edward Jones - Josselyn O'Connor (907) 260-2670 www.edwardjones.com/josselyn-oconnor

Edward Jones Financial Advisor Rob Ross 907-260-2670 www.edwardjones.com/rob-ross

Edward Jones Investments - Jack Hester 907-252-5555 www.edwardjones.com/jack-hester

#### **Financial Institution**

**First National Bank Alaska** (907) 283-6800 www.fnbalaska.com

**Global Credit Union** (907) 2683180 www.globalcu.org

Northrim Bank (907) 261-6228 www.northrim.com

Nuvision Credit Union (907) 257-1669 www.nuvisionfederal.com

#### Fire Systems

**Fire Control Systems, Inc.** (907) 283-7518

#### Fish Processing & Market

Kenai Fish 9072833474 www.kenaifish.com

**Tustumena Smoke House** (907) 260-3401 www.tustumenasmokehouse.com

#### Freight/Shipping Services

Amazon Hub Delivery (605) 351-0090 www.amazon.com/hubdelivery **Lynden** (907) 260-6500 www.lynden.com

**TOTE Maritime** (907) 265-0461 www.totemaritime.com

#### Funeral Home

**Peninsula Memorial Chapel, Inc.** (907) 283-3333 www.alaskanfuneral.com

#### Graphic Design

Floyd Creative (907) 831-0706

#### Industrial Services & Supplies

**ARG Industrial** (907) 395-0575 www.alaskarubbergroup.com

Arctic Office Products (907) 283-1034 www.arcticoffice.com

#### Insurance Agency

Kristie Babcock State Farm Insurance (907) 283-7116 www.kristiebabcock.com

Walters & Associates Insurance, Inc. (907) 283-5116 www.waltersakinsurance.com

#### Janitorial Services

**Tim's Janitorial Services, Inc.** (907) 283-3362 www.timsjanitorial.com

#### Laundry & Dry Cleaning Services

Sophie's Suds (907) 262-7666 www.sophiessuds.com

**Alaska Wash and Dry - Kenai** (907) 283-8473



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#### Legal Services

Holmes Weddle & Barcott (907) 283-7167 www.hwb-law.com

Molloy & Schmidt LLC (907) 283-8383 www.molloyschmidt.net

#### Machine Service & Repair

Dukowitz Machine, Inc. (907) 776-8178 www.dukowitzmachine.com

#### Manufacturing Supplies

**GLM Energy Services, LLC** (907) 283-7556 www.glmenergyllc.com

#### Marine Fabrication and Repair

**Big Fish Boat works** (406) 366-2044 bigfishboatworks.com

#### Mortgage Lenders

**Global Credit Union Home Loans** (907) 395-4528 www.globalcu.org/home-loans/

Residential Mortgage, LLC NMLS #167729 (907) 260-9701 www.residentialmtg.mymortgage-online.com

News & Media Alaska Multiculture Corp 9072621439 www.alaskamulticulturecorp.com

**Great Lander Publications** (907) 274-0611 www.greatlander.com

**KDLL. Pickle Hill Public Broadcasting** (907) 283-8433 www.kdllradio.org

**KSRM Radio Group** (907) 283-8700 www.radiokenai.com

**Peninsula Clarion** (907) 283-7551 www.peninsulaclarion.com

#### Plumbing & Heating Services Tree Services

**AK Pro Plumbing & Heating** (907) 690-6370 www.akproplumbingheating.com

Living Waters Plumbing & Mechanical (907) 231-6034 livingwatersllc.com

**Preferred Plumbing & Heating** (907) 283-7909 www.pphak.com

#### **Postal Services**

**Kenai Freight Forwarders** 9073475564 www.kenaifreightforwarders.com

#### Printing Services

Kelley Create (907) 262-1200 www.printwithkelley.com

Local Print Alaska (907) 398-7044

#### Screen Printing/Embroidery

**Gamas Designs** (907) 262-6370 www.gamasdesigns.com

Walden Bros LLC. (907) 394-5510 waldenbros.store

#### Sians

Alaska Sign Source (907) 776-8503 www.alaskasignsource.com

#### **Title Insurance Agencies**

**First American Title** (907) 262-5708 www.firstam.com

Stewart Title of the Kenai Peninsula (907) 260-8031 www.stewartkenai.com

**Doug Koch Professional Tree Service** (907) 398-8733 www.protreeserviceak.com

#### Trucking Company

Weaver Brothers Inc. (907) 283-7957 www.weaverbrothersinc.com

#### Utilities

**Alaska Communications** (907) 297-3000 www.alaskacommunications.com

Alaska Waste (907) 283-9390 www.alaskawaste.com

**Enstar Natural Gas Co.** (907) 262-9334 www.enstarnaturalgas.com

**GCI Store - Soldotna** (907) 262-3266 www.gci.com

Victra - Verizon Retailer (907) 215-7681 www.victra.com

Homer Electric Association, Inc. (907) 283-5831 www.homerelectric.com

Kachemak Electric Co., Inc. (907) 283-3360 www.kachemakelectric.com

#### Video Production

Martin Media, LLC (907) 398-0797 www.martinmedia.us

#### Website Design

Weber & Co. (907) 290-2675 www.weberco.io



#### Chamber of Commerce

Alaska Chamber (907) 278-2722 www.alaskachamber.com

Anchor Point Chamber of Commerce (907) 235-2600 www.anchorpointchamber.org

Anchorage Chamber of Commerce (907) 272-2401 www.anchoragechamber.org

**Big Lake Chamber of Commerce** (907) 892-6109 www.biglakechamber.org

**Bristol Bay Borough Chamber of Commerce** (907) 246-2222 www.bristolbaychamber.com

(907) 595-8888 www.cooperlandingchamber.com

**Cordova Chamber of Commerce** (907) 424-7260 www.cordovachamber.com

**Delta Junction Chamber of Commerce** (907) 895-5068 www.deltachamber.org

**Funny River Chamber of Commerce Community Association** (907) 262-0879

**Girdwood Chamber of Commerce** (888) 999-9587 www.visitgirdwood.com

**GreaterCopperValleyChamberofCommerce** (907) 822-5555 www.coppervalleychamber.com

**Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce** (907) 452-1105 www.fairbankschamber.org

**Greater Juneau Chamber of Commerce** (907) 463-3488 www.juneauchamber.com

**Greater Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce** (907) 225-3184 www.ketchikanchamber.com

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**Greater Palmer Chamber of Commerce** (907) 745-2880 www.palmerchamber.org

**Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce** (907) 376-1299 www.wasillachamber.org

**Greater Whittier Chamber of Commerce** (907) 529-0235 www.whittieralaskachamber.org

Haines Chamber of Commerce (907) 766-2202 www.haineschamber.org

Homer Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center (907) 235-7740 www.homeralaska.org

Kodiak Area Chamber of Commerce (907) 486-5557 www.kodiakchamber.org

Ninilchik Chamber of Commerce (907) 567-3571 www.ninilchikchamber.com

North Pole Chamber of Commerce www.northpolechamber.us

**Petersburg Chamber of Commerce** (907) 772-3646 www.petersburg.org

Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce (907) 755-2626 www.princeofwalescoc.org

Seldovia Chamber of Commerce (907) 234-7612 www.seldoviachamber.org

Seward Chamber of Commerce (907) 224-8051 www.seward.com

Soldotna Chamber of Commerce (907) 262-9184 www.visitsoldotna.com

**Talkeetna Chamber of Commerce** (907) 414-0376 www.talkeetnachamber.org

U.S. Chamber of Commerce (202) 659-6000 www.uschamber.com

#### **Visitor Center**

Discover Kodiak (907) 486-4782 www.kodiak.org

Discover Valdez (907) 835-2984 www.valdezalaska.org

Explore Fairbanks (907) 456-5774 www.explorefairbanks.com

Ketchikan Visitors Bureau (907) 225-6166 www.visit-ketchikan.com

Haines Convention & Visitors Bureau (907) 766-6418 www.visithaines.com

Mat-Su Convention & Visitors Bureau (907) 746-5000 www.alaskavisit.com

Kenai National Wildlife Refuge (907) 262-7021 www.fws.gov/refuge/kenai

**Tok Visitor Center** (907) 883-5775 www.tokalaskainfo.com

**Travel Juneau** (907) 586-2201 www.traveljuneau.com

**Unalaska Convention & Visitors Bureau** (907) 581-2612 www.unalaska.org

Visit Anchorage (907) 257-2363 www.anchorage.net

Visit Sitka (907) 747-8604 www.visitsitka.org



#### **Dining & Spirits**

Casual Dining Ammo-Can Coffee 9072608888 www.ammocancoffee.ninja

**B&H Pizza** (907) 335-0307

Buckets Sports Grill (907) 262-7220 www.bucketssportsgrill.com

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Debbie's Bistro (907) 395-4498 www.debbiesbistro.com

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Hot Dogs A La Carte (907) 252-2259

Kamakani Kitchen (541) 515-0820 www.kamakanikitchen.com McDonald's of Kenai (907) 953-4255 www.mcdonalds.com

Odie's Deli (907) 260-9000 odiesdeli.com/

Pita Pit (907) 260-7482 www.pitapitusa.com

**Playa Azul** (907) 283-2010

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Veronica's Cafe (907) 283-2725

Whistle Hill (907) 262-2334 www.whistlehillsoldotna.com

#### Food Truck

Ammo-Can Coffee 9072608888 www.ammocancoffee.ninja

**Burger Bus** (907) 283-9611

The Hearth Eatery and Catering (907) 283-9134 www.theheartheatery.com

Honey Bee Cafe (720) 940-1699 Pita Pit (907) 260-7482 www.pitapitusa.com

#### Spirits & Brews

Buckets Sports Grill (907) 262-7220 www.bucketssportsgrill.com

Cooper Landing Brewing Company (907) 595-2522 www.cooperlandingbrewing.com

Kenai Joe's Taphouse 9079537004

Kenai River Brewing Co (907) 262-2337 www.kenaibrewing.com

Main Street Tap and Grill (907) 395-0394

The Upper Deck (907) 283-2277

Whistle Hill (907) 262-2334 www.whistlehillsoldotna.com

Wineries Alaska Berries (907) 252-8511 www.alaskaberries.com

Bear Creek Winery & Lodging (907) 318-2470 www.bearcreekwinery.com



#### Healthcare

Health Care Services LifeMed Alaska (907) 563-6633 www.lifemedalaska.com

#### Beacon Occupational Health & Safety Services (907) 222-7612 www.beaconohss.com

**Cook Inlet Counseling** (907) 283-3658 www.alaskacicada.org

**Denali Family Dentistry** (907) 222-0503 www.denalifamilydentistry.com

Kenai Vision Center (907) 802-6468 www.visionsource-kenaivision.com

New Hope Counseling Center (907) 260-7423 www.newhopesoldotna.com

#### Peninsula Community Health Services of Alaska (907) 260-7300 www.pchsak.org

Soldotna Professional Pharmacy (907) 262-3800 www.soldotnapharmacy.com

#### Hospital Central Peninsula Hospital (907) 714-4600 www.cpgh.org

Medical Clinic Odyssey Family Practice

(907) 313-4569 www.odysseyfamilypractice.com

Kenai Veterinary Hospital (907) 283-4148 www.kenaiveterinaryhospital.com

#### **Local Resources**

#### Alaska Native Corporations

Kenaitze Indian Tribe, IRA (907) 335-7200 www.kenaitze.org

Salamatof Native Association, Inc. (907) 283-7864 www.salamatof.com/

#### Borough Services

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**Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association** 907-283-9433 www.ciaanet.org Kenai Peninsula Borough (907) 262-4441 www.kpb.us

#### <u>Church & Religious</u> <u>Organizations</u>

Alaska Christian College (907) 394-1988 www.alaskacc.edu

Anchor in Christ Bible College (907) 570-8488

Kenai Fellowship (907) 398-9582 www.kenaifellowship.com

Kenai United Methodist Church (907) 283-7868

#### Educational Learning Centers

**Challenger Learning Center of Alaska** (907) 283-2000 www.akchallenger.org

**Friends of the Kenai Community Library** (907) 283-4378 www.friendskenailibrary.org

Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (907) 714-8888 www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us

Kenai Peninsula College, Kenai River Campus (907) 262-0318 www.kpc.alaska.edu

Kenai Peninsula Driving Instruction (907) 335-3333 www.alaskacdl.com

#### **Employment Services**

Peninsula Job Center (907) 335-3000 www.jobs.alaska.gov

#### Engineering

**Central Alaska Engineering Company** (907) 260-5311 www.akengineer.com

Lowell Perry Engineering, LLC (907) 953-7308 lowellperryengineering.com

Nelson Engineering, P.C. (907) 283-3583 www.nelsonengineeringalaska.com

**RESPEC** (907) 743-3200 www.respec.com

#### Local Government

City of Kenai (907) 283-7535 www.kenai.city

#### Senior Services

Aspen Creek Senior Living (907) 335-2050 aspencreekseniorliving.com

Frontier Community Services (907) 262-6331 www.fcsonline.org

Hospice of the Central Peninsula (907) 262-0453 www.hospiceofcentralpeninsula.com

Kenai Senior Center/Kenai Senior Connection (907) 283-4156 www.kenai.city/senior-services/page/senior-center

Nikiski Senior Center (907) 776-7654 www.nikiskiseniorcenter.org

Senior Helpers of the Kenai Peninsula (907) 260-3251 www.seniorhelpers.com/ak /kenai-peninsula/

Love INC of the Kenai Peninsula (907) 262-5140 www.peninsulaloveinc.org

#### Non-Profit Organizations

Alaska Salmon Alliance (907) 395-7068 www.aksalmonalliance.org

American Cancer Society www.cancer.org

American Red Cross of Alaska (907) 646-5401 www.redcross.org/ak/anchorage

Arctic Barnabas Ministries (907) 283-3377 www.arcticbarnabas.org

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Kenai Peninsula (907) 283-2682 www.bgckp.org Kenai Elks Lodge # 2425 (907) 283-7776

Kenai Historical Society 9072831946 www.facebook.com/kenaihistory

Kenai Lions Club (907) 398-9038

Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District (907) 283-3335 www.kpedd.org

Kenai Peninsula Fair Association (907) 567-3670 www.kenaipeninsulafair.com

Kenai Peninsula Food Bank, Inc. (907) 416-7619 www.kpfoodbank.org

Kenai River Sportfishing Association (907) 262-8588 www.krsa.com

ABC Life Choices (907) 283-9062 www.abclifechoices.org

Hope Community Resources (907) 460-3600 www.hopealaska.org

North Peninsula Recreation Service Area (907) 776-8800 www.northpenrec.com

Kenai Watershed Forum (907) 260-5449 www.kenaiwatershed.org

Rotary Club of Kenai (907) 740-3501 Kenairotary.com

Sterling Senior Center (907) 262-6808 www.sterlingseniors.org

The LeeShore Center (907) 283-9479 www.leeshoreak.org

United Cook Inlet Drift Association (907) 260-9436 http://www.ucida.org



#### **Oil & Gas Services**

**Airgas - An Air Liquide Company** (907) 283-7141 www.airgas.com

Alaska Oil & Gas Association (907) 272-1481 www.aoga.org

All American Oilfield LLC (907) 283-1048 www.allamericanoilfield.com

Arctic Design Mechanical LLC (907) 252-2294

**ConocoPhillips** (907) 776-8500 www.alaska.conocophillips.com

Cook Inlet Spill Prevention & Response, Inc. (907) 776-5129 www.cispri.org

Hilcorp Alaska LLC (907) 777-8300 www.hilcorp.com

MagTec Alaska LLC (907) 335-6305 www.magtecalaska.com

Marathon Petroleum Corporation (907) 776-3555 www.marathonpetroleum.com

**CCI Industrial Services** (907) 770-9402 www.cciindustrial.com

Nutrien (907) 776-8144 www.nutrien.com

Petroleum Equipment & Services (907) 335-2781 www.pesiak.com

Udelhoven Oilfield System Services, Inc (907) 344-1577 www.udelhoven.org



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Hair Salon/barber Affinity Salon & Day Spa (907) 283-9356 www.affinity-salon.com

**Raw Cuts Barbershop** (907) 512-1298

<u>Med Spa</u> Cheeky Medspa (907) 252-3198 www.alaskacheeky.com

Tanning Salon Bubblez N Bronze LLC (907) 741-2204

#### **Real Estate**

Building Supplies Morgan Steel, Inc. (907) 283-7136 www.morgansteelalaska.com

#### <u>Commercial Building</u> <u>Supplies</u> **Davis Block & Concrete** (907) 335-5106

(907) 335-5106 www.davisblock.com

#### Construction

**Spenard Builders Supply, Inc.** (907) 283-7584 www.sbsalaska.com

Alaskan Seamless Gutters (907) 262-6327 www.alaskanseamlessgutters.com

Hall Quality Builders, Inc (907) 260-7607 www.hallqualitybuilders.com

Hanson's Roofing, Inc (907) 252-2480 www.hansonsroofing.com

**Kenai Peninsula Builders Association** (907) 740-0176 www.kenaipeninsulabuilders.com

**MC and M Enterprises** (907) 283-9518

**Diamond Polish** (907) 912-0300 www.insulatedconcretesolutions.com

Insulated Concrete Solutions, LLC (907) 912-0300 www.insulatedconcretesolutions.com

**L&J Enterprises Excavating, Inc.** (907) 776-8656 www.ljalaska.com

**Peninsula Building & Design** (907) 229-2827 www.pbd-alaska.com

#### Real Estate Services

**Century 21 Realty Solutions** (907) 262-1770 www.century21.com/real-estate-office/profile/ realty-solutions-10018369

Kenai Business Connection (907) 394-3214 www.kenaiconnection.com Kenai Peninsula Association of REALTORS® (907) 262-1851 www.kprealtors.org

**RE/MAX of the Peninsula** (907) 283-5888 www.kenaihomes.com

#### Realtors

Fred Braun Jack White Real Estate-Kenai Branch (907) 395-0655

Kelly Griebel, CENTURY 21 Realty Solutions (907) 398-7293 www.kellyslistings.com

Redoubt Keller Williams Realty (907) 262-8855 www.redoubtrealty.com

Febra Hensley, Jack White Real Estate www.febrahensley.com

Natalia, Century 21 Realty (907) 830-1069 www.c21ak.com

Property Sisters (907) 398-2568 www.c2lpropertysisters.net

#### Residential & Commercial Building

**Airport Equipment Rentals, Inc.** (907) 335-5466 www.airporteqiupmentrentals.com

Nash Brothers Painting Services (907) 513-9522



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#### **Retail & Shopping**

<u>Cannabis/CBD</u> 5150 Vapes (907) 420-0660

**East Rip** (907) 283-7833 www.east-rip.com

Magical Gardens LLC (907) 283-4872 www.magicalgardensllc.com

Majestic Gardens LLC (907) 283-4872 www.majesticgardensllc.com

#### **Clothing Stores**

Kenai Performers & Curtain Call Consignment (907) 420-0599 www.kenaiperformers.org

**Little Alaskan** (907) 347-5564 www.little-alaskan.com

Sweeney's Clothing (907) 262-5916 www.sweeneysclothing.com

**Tundra River Boutique** (907) 388-5894

**Unique Boutique** (907) 252-9670

Florist Cook Inlet Gardens (907) 953-1964 www.cookinletgardens.com

<u>Gifts/Souvenirs</u> Alaska WildGear Clothing Company (907) 420-0855 www.alaskawildgear.com

**Cook Inlet Stone Products** (907) 283-4930

Kobuk Valley Jade Company (907) 262-8909 www.kobukvalleyjadeco.com

Madly Krafty 9073621364 www.madlykrafty.com Northcountry Fair (907) 262-7715 www.facebook.com/NorthcountryFairAK

The Fishing Grounds, LLC (907) 360-7232

#### Grocery/Liquor Store

**Country Foods** (907) 283-4834 www.countryfoods.iga.com

**Country Liquor** (907) 283-7651

**M&M Market** (907) 776-2127

**Safeway** (907) 283-6300 www.safeway.com

**Three Bears Alaska, Inc.** (907) 283-6577 www.threebearsalaska.com

Walmart (907) 395-0971 www.walmart.com



#### <u>Quilt & Fabric Store</u>

North Beach Quilting (907) 335-0010 www.northbeachquilting.com

#### <u>Retail</u>

**5150 Audio** (907) 395-4444

ARG Industrial (907) 395-0575 www.alaskarubbergroup.com

**Big Black Cauldron** 907-414-9907

Bullet Farm Manufacturing (907) 953-2802

Echo Lake Meats (907) 283-9456 www.echolakemeats.com

Kenai Generators (907) 513-1493 www.kpgen.biz

**The Salvation Army** (907) 283-3879 www.satruck.org

#### Transportation

Alaska Airlines (800) 252-7522 www.alaskaair.com

**Grant Aviation** (888) 359-4726 flygrant.com

Kenai Aviation (888) 505-3624 www.kenaiaviation.com

Alaska Railroad Corporation (907) 265-2494 www.alaskarailroad.com

**Central Area Rural Transit System, Inc.** (907) 262-8900 www.ridecartsak.org

**Red Eye Rides** (907) 769-1818 www.akredeyerides.com

# QUICK INFO

Population
Sales Tax6%
City Size 29 square miles
HOUSING & LIVING
Median Household Income\$74,907
Median Property Value\$249,400
Homeowners/renters68% / 32%
EMPOLYMENT BY INDUSTRY
Health Care and Social Assistance19.7%
Educational Services10.7%
Retail Trade11.9%
Construction9.8%
Public Administration
Accommodation & Food Service8.1%
Mining, Quarrying,
& Oil & Gas Extraction 6.1%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing
Finance & Insurance
Manufacturing4.5%
Transportation & Warehousing
Utilities 1.2%
Other Services Except Public Admin

City Contact Information							
City of Kenai	907-283-7535						
Kenai Police Department							
Kenai Fire Department							
Kenai Senior Center	907-283-4156						
Kenai Boating Facility							
Kenai Municipal Airport							
Kenai Animal Control							
Kenai Library							
Kenai Parks and Recreation							
Kenai Chamber of Commerce							
Kenai Peninsula Borough Contact Information							
Kenai Peninsula Borough Offices							
Central Peninsula General Hospital							
Kenai Peninsula Borough School District							
State Contact Information							
Alaska State Troopers							
Alaska State Parks							
Department of Fish and Game							



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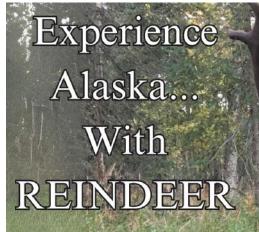


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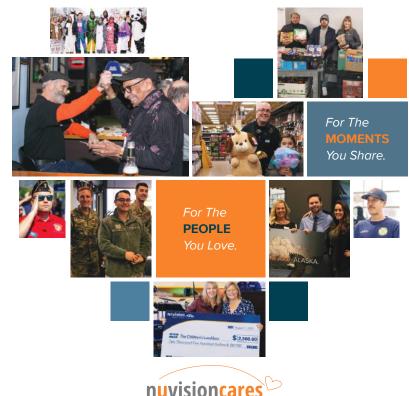
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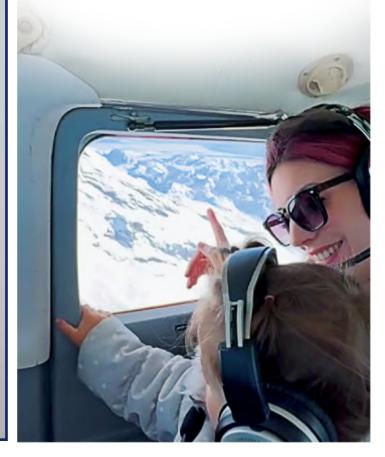
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