



"Babies in the Woods" is a treasure trove of practical, wise, and wonderful—a
includes everything families need to know to open the door to outside adventures."
— Children & Nature Network



OUTDOORS AND ON THE GO

Best bets for family-friendly activities in Alaska

This list represents a sampling of activities in Southcentral Alaska. Most are suitable for all ages and stages. Due to the outdoor nature of locations and activities, please bear in mind that conditions and situations may change at any time. Use this flyer as a *guide only*; contact appropriate agencies or organizations prior to departure for specific information.

DAY TRIPS:

Baxter Bog, Municipality of Anchorage www.muni.org/parks (hike, bike)

Campbell Creek Science Center (hike, bike, children's programs, interpretive info) www.friendsofcampbellcreek.org

Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge/Potter Marsh (walking, bird/wildlife watching, interpretive info) www.wildlife.alaska.gov

Arctic Valley/Alpenglow Ski Area (berry pick, hike) www.skiarctic.org

Alaska Botanical Garden (walk, children's programs, interpretive info) www.alaskabg.org

Goose Lake/UAA/APU campus trails (hike, bike, canoe/kayak) www.muni.org/parks

Eklutna village and lake (hike, canoe/kayak, bike, Native culture) www.eklutna-nsn.gov

Kincaid Park (hike, bike, canoe) www.muni.org/parks

Bird Creek to Girdwood trail (walk, bike) www.girdwoodalaska.com

Crow Creek Mine (gold panning, townsite interpretive info, hiking) www.crowcreekmine.com

Indian Valley Mine (gold panning, interpretive info, hiking) www.indianvalleymine.com

Winner Creek Trail, Girdwood (berry picking, hiking) www.girdwoodalaska.com

Eagle River Nature Center (children's classes, guided family hikes, interpretive info, presentations) www.ernc.org

Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge (biking, hiking, bird watching) www.palmerhayflats.org

**Hatcher Pass/Independence Mine: Gold panning, hiking, townsite interpretive info, berry picking) www.hatcherpasslodge.com ,
<http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/units/indmine.htm>**

**Kepler-Bradley Lakes, Mat-Su, (canoeing, kayaking, hiking, fishing)
<http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/aspunits/matsu/keplerbradlksra.htm>**

**Alaska Railroad to Spencer Glacier (hiking, rafting, mtn. biking)
www.akrr.com**

**Begich-Boggs Visitor Center/Portage Lake Cruise, (hiking, interpretive site, biking along newly constructed raised trail system)
907-783-2326**

OVERNIGHTERS:

Alaska State Parks cabins/yurts: www.alaskastateparks.org

Exit Glacier and Kenai Fjords Nat'l Park: www.nps.gov/kefj

Sheep Mountain Lodge: www.sheepmountain.com

Williwaw/Black Bear Campgrounds, Portage Hwy: www.alaskastateparks.org