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NPS: Denali National Park and Preserve - Plan your visit

- Getting to the park
- Ride a free shuttle to Savage River
- Stop in the Denali Visitor Center
- Hike one or more trails, such as the Horsehoe Lake Trail, Mount Healy Trail or Savage Alpine Trail. Or hike some of the short trails around the visitor center.

NatGeo: Denali offers soaring landscapes, abundant wildlife, and some of the continent's most awe-inspiring adventures.

- One of the best places to see the peak is at a scenic overlook along the road to the park, about a mile before the historic gold-mining town of Talkeetna. Denali Viewpoint South at Mile 135 on the Parks Highway in Denali State Park is another prime viewing spot.
- Horseshoe Lake Trail (3 miles). On the east side of the loop, follow a short spur to see a beaver dam; take advantage of photo ops from viewing platforms on the south end of the lake. The scenery is particularly stunning on the west side, and you may want to wander through the forest and along the Nenana River on the north end of the loop.
- Take the free Savage River Shuttle to pick up trails in the Mountain Vista and Savage River areas, including:
    - the short, flat 0.6-mile (0.9-mile) **Mountain Vista loop trail** with views of Mount McKinley on clear days
    - the two-mile **Savage River Loop** walk along the river

Following a five-year closure that cut short the only road through Denali National Park & Preserve, the park has reopened the entire route. In August 2021, the Pretty Rocks Landslide took out the 92-mile Denali Park Road around mile marker 45, halting access as a new bridge was constructed. The new 62-mile, 8-hour bus trek adds Stony Hill Overlook, a view of Denali from base to peak, and the duo of Wonder Lake and Reflection Pond

Itinerary: Denali National Park By Rail
This five-day train itinerary takes you through three of Alaska's biggest attractions: Anchorage, the big city; Denali National Park, one of the grandest wilderness areas on the planet; and the "Golden Heart City" of Fairbanks.

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