

Turnagain Pass Iditarod Trail

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Join us on this ski tour on the newest extension of the Iditarod Trail found in Turnagain Pass. We'll ski through open areas, and in trees, to gain splendid views of Turnagain Pass and the Turnagain Arm if weather conditions allow.

Although this trail is relatively flat, skiers should be able to negotiate short climbs and downhill on a narrow trail under various snow conditions. If you can handle skiing the first mile or two of the North Johnson Pass trail, you'll be fine with this trail. Bring adequate clothes for weather conditions and plenty of water and food for breaks including lunch.

We'll meet at the Chugach State Park headquarters parking lot at 9:00 am. This is the parking lot with the train and bathrooms south of Potter Marsh on the Seward highway about milepost 115. We anticipate arriving at the trailhead at mile 68 of the Seward Highway about 10:15 and plan to return back to the trailhead about 3:30 pm.

Please check the following weather information before you prepare for this ski tour. For up to date weather forecasts of the area check:

<http://pafc.arh.noaa.gov/pubfcst.php?fcst=FPAK51PAFC#AKZ125>

for current weather conditions check, we'll ski near this weather station:

http://ambcs.org/cgi-bin/siteCurrent.cgi?site=TURNAGAIN_ABD

and a nearby ridge which also had a camera which looks down at Center Ridge:

http://www.cnfaic.org/wx/wx_sunburst.php

All NSAA tour participants should sign a release form once a year. They are available for download and signing at: <http://anchorgenordicski.com/Forms/NSAATourReleaseForm.pdf>
They will also be available at the start of the tour.

All the NSAA tours are accompanied by the Anchorage Nordic Ski Patrol. If needed, they provide first aid and safety for tour participants. We thank them for their valuable help.

If you have more questions email us at anchorgenordicskitours@gmail.com or call 336-1717.



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You can help support the Tours section by purchasing an attractive knit ski cap. They'll be available at each tour.

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