

Ranger Guided Discovery Hikes



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Each hike is limited to 11 people. You must sign-up at the Denali Visitor Center Information Desk. Proper gear and purchase of a Discovery Hike shuttle bus ticket are required.

<p><u>Friday, August 31</u> Ranger : Frannie Christensen Elevation Gain : 500 ft. Difficulty : Moderate Location : Mile 43</p>	<p><u>The Footsteps of Murie</u> We'll follow in the footsteps of legendary researcher Adolph Murie as we start from the historic East Fork River ranger cabin and walk towards the Plains of Murie. We'll discuss his ground-breaking sheep-wolf study and be on the look-out for wildlife. Be prepared to travel through brush and a river crossing or two, as we make our way along the river. Be prepared for the river crossings, and come with plenty of water and food.</p>
<p><u>Saturday, September 01</u> Ranger : Jennifer Updyke Elevation Gain : 800 ft. Difficulty : Moderate Location : Mile 59</p>	<p><u>Highway Pass Getaway</u> Join Ranger Jennifer as she discovers the drainage at Highway Pass with her enthusiastic hikers. Please wear sturdy boots, bring plenty of food and water and a post card stamp. We will experience Denali in a special way, as we make our way up a drainage to eat lunch with a highly unusual view of Denali Wilderness.</p>
<p><u>Sunday, September 02</u> Ranger : Brandie Cheatham Elevation Gain : 1400 ft. Difficulty : Strenuous Location : Mile 61</p>	<p><u>Rock and Roll Denali Style</u> Come explore with me. We will climb high on the tundra as we investigate the landslide of 1956. We'll see what was left behind when massive mounds of mountainside were relocated to Stony Creek forming Bergh Lake. Sturdy boots and a desire to go up, up, and away are a must! Don't forget your adventurous spirit, food to nourish, and rain gear. See you there.</p>
<p><u>Monday, September 03</u> Ranger : Denise Zeigler Elevation Gain : 800 ft. Difficulty : Moderate Location : Mile 59</p>	<p><u>Tucked Away</u> As we follow a drainage up into the mountains we will tuck ourselves back into the wilderness. This hike will be relatively short but beautiful. Please be prepared with sturdy boots, a camera, lunch, and raingear. Join me...Denali awaits.</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, September 04</u> Ranger : Jenna Grady Elevation Gain : 940 ft. Difficulty : Moderate Location : Mile 55</p>	<p><u>Exploring the Seasonal Shift</u> We will gain enough elevation to get some views of the Denali landscape as it prepares for the harsh winter to come. A pleasant hike will be had as we make our way across a stream and up onto a mountain. Be prepared with extra shoes and/or socks as we may get our feet wet.</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, September 05</u> Ranger : Jennifer Updyke Elevation Gain : 900 ft. Difficulty : Moderate Location : Mile 56.5</p>	<p><u>Denali Discovery</u> Let's meander up a drainage to see what we can find, then make our way back to the road by skirting around tundra benches, all the while on the look-out for bears. Bring your lunch, lots of water and an adventurous spirit to guide our way.</p>