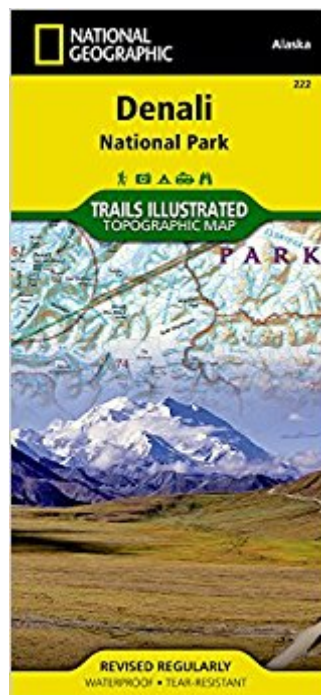




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Denali National Park And Preserve (National Geographic Trails Illustrated Map)



Synopsis

Waterproof Tear-Resistant Topographic Map Denali National Park and Preserve covers a staggering six million acres of truly wild and pristine wilderness, bisected by a single road. The crown jewel of the park is the towering 20,320 foot Mount McKinley, North America's tallest peak. Expertly researched and created in partnership with local land management agencies, National Geographic's Trails Illustrated map of Denali National Park provides an unparalleled tool for exploring this remarkable region. Key areas of interest featured on this map include Denali State Park; Krotov, Moose Creek, and Lake Creek recreation rivers; Lake Minchumina; and the Kantishna Mining District. The print version of the map includes a detailed inset of the park entrance and headquarters. If you wish to camp in the park, a chart of campground information that includes the distance from the entrance, number and type of spaces, facilities, access, and contact information for making your reservations will help you plan your stay. Private vehicle travel in the park is limited, but this map's coverage of the shuttle bus system will ensure you have the knowledge you need to access the entire park. Helpful information about regulations, avoiding close encounters with bears, hiking in the Kantishna Mining District, and safety tips, as well as clearly marked campgrounds, rental cabins, bush airstrips, trailheads, and more will help you enjoy all the park has to offer. The map base includes contour lines and elevations for summits, passes and many lakes. Every Trails Illustrated map is printed on "Backcountry Tough" waterproof, tear-resistant paper. A full UTM grid is printed on the map to aid with GPS navigation. Other features found on this map include: Bear Creek, Birch Creek, Broad Pass, Browne Tower, Chelatna Lake, Chulitna River, Chumilna Creek, Dall Glacier, Denali National Park, Denali National Preserve, East Buttress, Eldridge Glacier, Foraker River, Herron River, Kahiltna Glacier, Lacuna Glacier, Lake Minchumina, McKinley River, Moose Creek, Mount Foraker, Mount Hunter, Mount Mather, Mount McKinley, Muldrow Glacier, Portage Creek, Ruth Glacier, Sheep River, South Buttress, Stephan Lake, Talkeetna River, Tokositna Glacier, Yanert Fork, Yentna Glacier. Map Scale = 1:225,000 Sheet Size = 25.5" x 37.75" Folded Size = 4.25" x 9.25"

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Customer Reviews

Founded in 1915 as the Cartographic Group, the first division of National Geographic, National Geographic Maps has been responsible for illustrating the world around us through the art and science of mapmaking. Today, National Geographic Maps continues this mission by creating the world's best wall maps, recreation maps, atlases, and globes which inspire people to care about and explore their world.

This map's essential problem is that it covers all of Denali National Park and Preserve, which is a vast area. Only a tiny fraction of visitors, in a park that attracts seasoned outdoorsfolk, will ever get near most places shown on the map. For instance, the entire back side covers roadless areas west of Denali that are accessible only by bush plane. The huge territory forces the map to use a huge scale (1 : 225,000, or in human terms, 1 inch = 3.6 miles), which is only more problematic when you realize that the park has almost no trails and your whole day's cross-country route will only cover an inch or two. Long story short, this map is marginally useless even for planning your route. If you want to do your homework, buy the USGS quads for whatever region you want. Alternatively, just go to the backcountry information center inside the park, look at the map there, and talk to the rangers. So why three stars and not fewer? 1) This is the best overall map to just understand the geography of Denali and carry with you on the park bus. You'll even put it to good use just driving up and down the Parks Highway. 2) It shows the backcountry zones, which some visitors will find helpful. 3) We used this map to hike K'esugi Ridge in Denali STATE park. (I accidentally left our custom USGS topo behind, so this was all we had.) The level of detail was adequate to follow the well-marked trail from Coal Creek south to Ermine Hill, although I DO NOT RECOMMEND it as a sole resource.

This map really doesn't provide the level of detail one would desire when trekking through a largely trail-less park. However, on a positive note, this map does include the unit boundaries so it is helpful in understanding where the units are relative to the park road, or any other desired point of reference for trip planning. It also may have been a little wishful on my part for a highly detailed map by unit for a national park the size of Massachusetts. But on a side note, if one is taking the park bus (versus flying to a remote location), then there are really only two directions to consider - heading north from the road or south from the road so getting back to the road and catching a bus doesn't take a great sense of direction. Hope this helps!

Agree with other reviews - good if you want a map of the entire park but would have preferred a more detailed map of the areas accessible to backpackers by road. Back of map shows this is the only National Geographic option for Denali. Scale is 1:225,000 with 200' contour interval. Would not buy a map from again. Arrived folded in half (once more than maps are intended to be folded) and stuffed in a plastic bag. Bag was then placed in a large envelope that could have held the map easily without folding. Not sure what the purpose of the plastic bag is, considering the map is already waterproof.

Great Map. Came highly recommended by our guide book. Should technically have a topo map to keep with this as well.

If you plan to visit Denali National Park and get off the bus and do a little hiking, this map is a must have. It's easy to read and durable. More importantly, it sells out almost immediately within the park. Buy it before you go.

I love the tear proof and water resistant maps, great detail & lists all the camp grounds, ranger stations & points of interest along the park road. I am a park ranger and will be stationed at Denali national park this summer, this map will go with me the entire 5 months.

This is the map you need for hiking in Denali. It displays the sections of the park, which is essential to know where you can sleep when backcountry hiking/camping.

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