



DESTINATION HIGHLIGHTS

One of the best places in the world to see the aurora borealis, Fairbanks' location directly under the "Aurora Oval" combined with a good balance of clear nights, occurrence frequency and activity allows for excellent aurora viewing opportunities. **Aurora Season** runs from August 21 through April 21.

Fairbanks' **Midnight Sun Season** spans April 22 through August 20 and boasts 70 straight days of continual daylight from the middle of May to the end of July. Summer visitors can enjoy a historic sternwheeler on the Chena River, pan for gold, view wildlife and much more.

The Fairbanks region offers many large, unspoiled landscapes, including **local state and national parks**, that serve as **great habitat for wildlife**. Whether guests are planning a backcountry expedition, ice fishing in a local lake or hiking a nearby trail, the parks offer authentic experiences that excite the senses and engage the mind.

Fairbanks is the **basecamp** to explore other parts of Alaska, with **Denali National Park** just two hours away and the **Arctic Circle** four to five hours away.

Fairbanks' northern climate reveals a rich tapestry of **Alaska Native arts and culture**, with a multitude of ways visitors can experience them throughout the year.

Winter season offers a myriad of activities for visitors to enjoy, from viewing incredible outdoor ice sculptures to dog mushing, ice fishing, snowmachining and skiing, to name a few.

Local foods, spirits and farmers markets offer culinary delights year round. From fine dining to food trucks to seasonal markets, the local food scene is delightfully delicious. Fairbanks' eclectic palate has given rise to cosmopolitan cafes offering sushi, vegan, barbeque, Vietnamese, Italian, Thai and more.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Fairbanks offers a wide variety of one-of-a-kind opportunities for group tours. Whether your group is interested in sightseeing, adventure or perhaps a winter trip, the Explore Fairbanks tourism department can provide you with the building blocks necessary to create a most extraordinary tour. Let us help you and your clients discover the best of what Fairbanks has to offer.

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Summer Averages:
Daylight Hours and Temps

April 17.2 hrs 41°F/5°C	July 23.6 hrs 72°F/22°C
May 21.8 hrs 59°F/15°C	August 18.5 hrs 66°F/19°C
June 24 hrs 70°F/21°C	September 14.4 hrs 55°F/13°C



Winter Averages:
Snowfall and Temps

October 10.8" 32°F/0°C	January 10.3" 3°F/-16°C
November 13.2" 12°F/-11°C	February 8.1" 11°F/-12°C
December 12.1" 7°F/-14°C	March 4.9" 25°F/-4°C

Driving miles between
Fairbanks and:

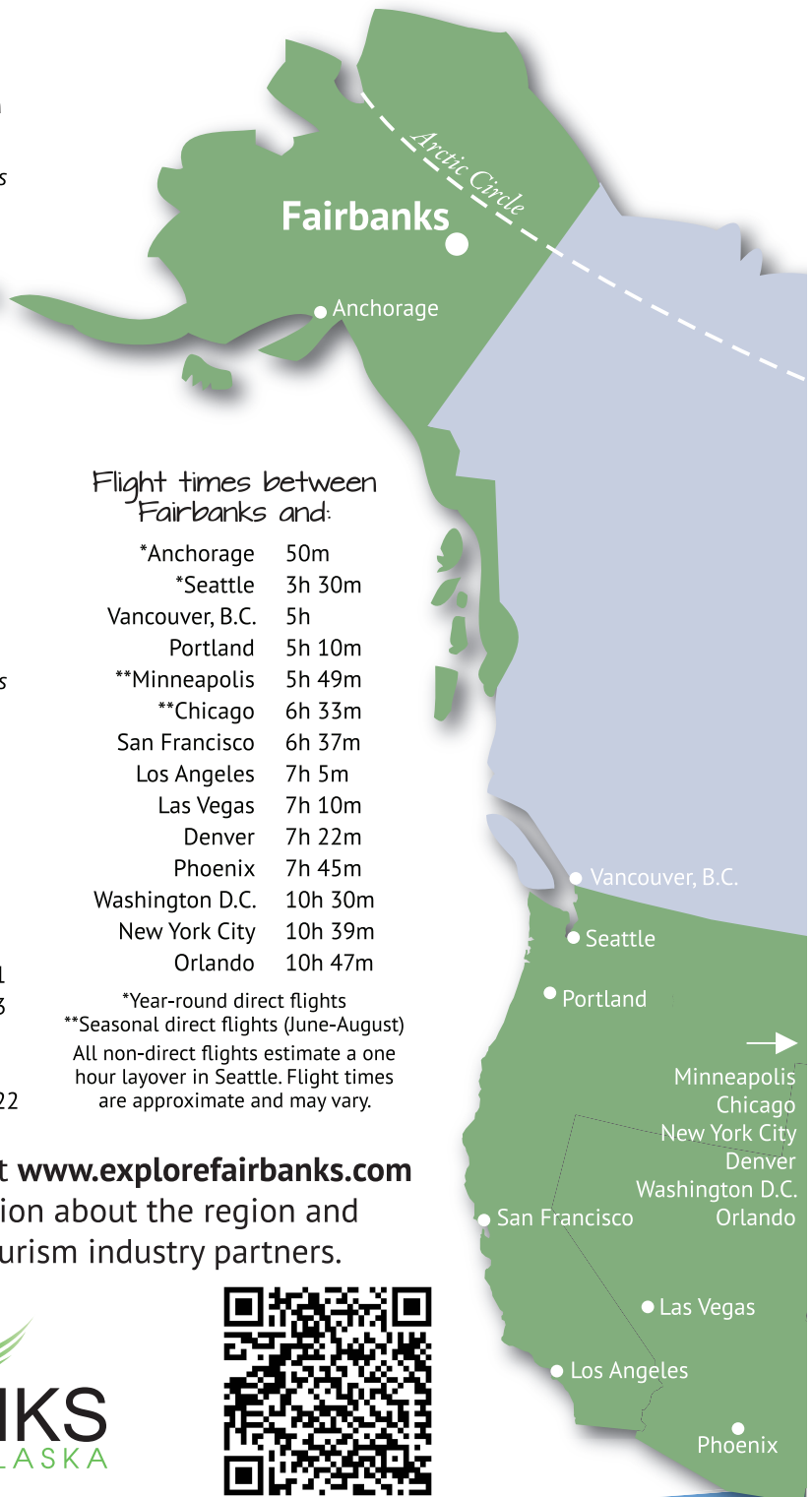
Parks Highway (#3)	Miles/Kms
Nenana	54/87
Denali National Park	122/196
Talkeetna	274/441
Anchorage	358/576

Richardson Highway (#4)	Miles/Kms
North Pole	13/21
Delta Junction	98/158
Glennallen	249/401
Valdez	364/586
Anchorage	429/690

Steese Highway (#6)	Miles/Kms
Chatanika	30/48
Chena Hot Springs	60/97
Circle	162/261

Dalton Highway (#11)	Miles/Kms
Yukon River	135/217
Arctic Circle	200/322
Coldfoot	260/418
Deadhorse	494/795
Prudhoe Bay	498/801

Beyond	Miles/Kms
Tok, AK	206/332
Eagle, AK	379/610
Haines, AK	653/1051
Skagway, AK	710/1143
Dawson City, YT	393/632
Whitehorse, YT	602/969
Seattle, WA	2313/3722



Flight times between
Fairbanks and:

*Anchorage	50m
*Seattle	3h 30m
Vancouver, B.C.	5h
Portland	5h 10m
**Minneapolis	5h 49m
**Chicago	6h 33m
San Francisco	6h 37m
Los Angeles	7h 5m
Las Vegas	7h 10m
Denver	7h 22m
Phoenix	7h 45m
Washington D.C.	10h 30m
New York City	10h 39m
Orlando	10h 47m

*Year-round direct flights
**Seasonal direct flights (June-August)
All non-direct flights estimate a one hour layover in Seattle. Flight times are approximate and may vary.

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