# Glacier Hiking & Climbing



For over 20 years, Alaska Mountain Guides and Climbing School (AMG) has been the premier outdoor adventure guide service and climbing school with guided trips in Alaska. Programs include, exceptional climbing, trekking, skiing, and sea kayaking adventures that visit some of Alaska's and the Yukon's most unique and intriguing places.

Leading remote wilderness expeditions and treks is our specialty and we employ the best guides and instructors in the business. They



are exceptional at helping individuals learn the best ways to approach a first glacier trek, an initial kayaking trip, or excel on more advanced expeditions. In addition to these programs we also work closely with the International Wilderness Leadership School (IWLS) and Mountain Guides International Inc. (MGI)

North to the Future



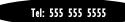
#### MORGAN HIGH SCHOOL

800 Raider Drive McConnelsville, OH 43756

Phone:740 962-2944 Fax: (749) 962-6005 mc-mcgrewk@seovec.org







We hope you can join us!

## Northern Lights—Aurora Borealis

Alaska is one of the best places on earth to see the northern lights – colorful bands of light that dance in the dark night sky. Travelers from all over the world come to Alaska each winter to see this stunning display and take advantage of other winter experiences like snowmobiling, dog



Northern Lights (aurora borealis) shining above Bear Lake, Alaska. *Photo by Image Editor on Flickr.* 

mushing, skiing, festivals and sporting events.

So what are the northern lights, exactly? The northern lights, also known as aurora borealis, occur about 60 or 70 miles above the earth's surface —about 10 times higher than a jet aircraft flies — and can extend hundreds of miles into space. The most common color displayed is a brilliant yellow-green, but the aurora borealis can also produce red, blue and purple patterns.

Aurora activity increases with sun spot activity, which generally occurs in 11-year cycles. The most recent solar peak, known as the solar maximum, occurred in 2001; the next is expected around 2012.

#### Backcountry and Hiking-

#### Endless Summers

Alaska has some of the most incredible scenery to be found in the United States. In order to enjoy all Alaska has to offer, visitors must get out and experience it for themselves.

With an amazing trail system that snakes through most major communities, Alaska has a trail for all abilities – from accessible nature paths to mountain hikes that are physically challenging. Cyclists, joggers and walkers will discover endless possibilities at their feet.



Long-distance riders can use the highways which vary in road surface and shoulder width. Wilderness lodges and resorts in Alaska offer secluded, all-inclusive luxury in the midst of the beautiful Alaska landscape, with access to the best sport fishing, national park tours, glacier viewing, kayaking and hiking imaginable. Most lodges or resorts include adventure packages, wildlife tours, and fishing packages, while the accommodations include all the sophistication expected of a high-end resort or lodge. For visitors looking for the ideal balance between luxury and adventure in Alaska, wilderness lodges and resorts are a perfect fit.

### Fishing

Alaska offers some of the most spectacular fly-fishing, saltwater fishing, freshwater fishing and even ice fishing in the world. It can be as easy as pulling off the side of the road and casting a line. Or you can charter a boat or float plane to whisk you off to a secluded fishing hole where you can reel in one of the more than 627 species that inhabit the Alaskan waters.



With over 3 million lakes, 3,000 rivers and countless fish-filled streams, you can see the challenge isn't catching fish, but deciding what kind to catch and where!

Every region of the state offers accommodations that cater to the needs of the angler - ranging from luxurious to rustic.

