

### The magnetic north

Harsh, rugged, and remote, Alaska has nevertheless drawn hardy settlers for as long as humans have known about it. At least 12,000 years ago, when sea levels were lower, North

in 1741. The promise of more than a century, with the Bering Strait in 1848, drew in fortune seekers





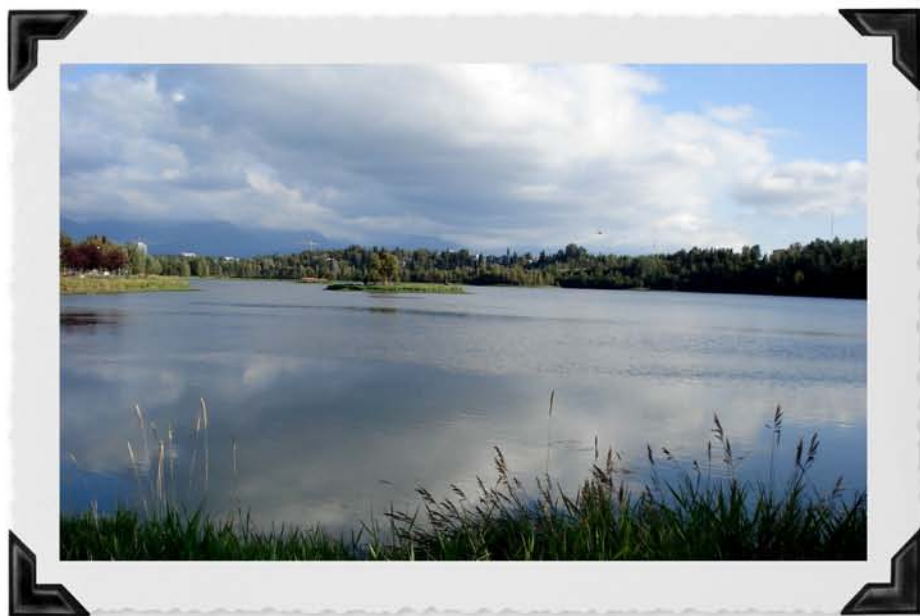
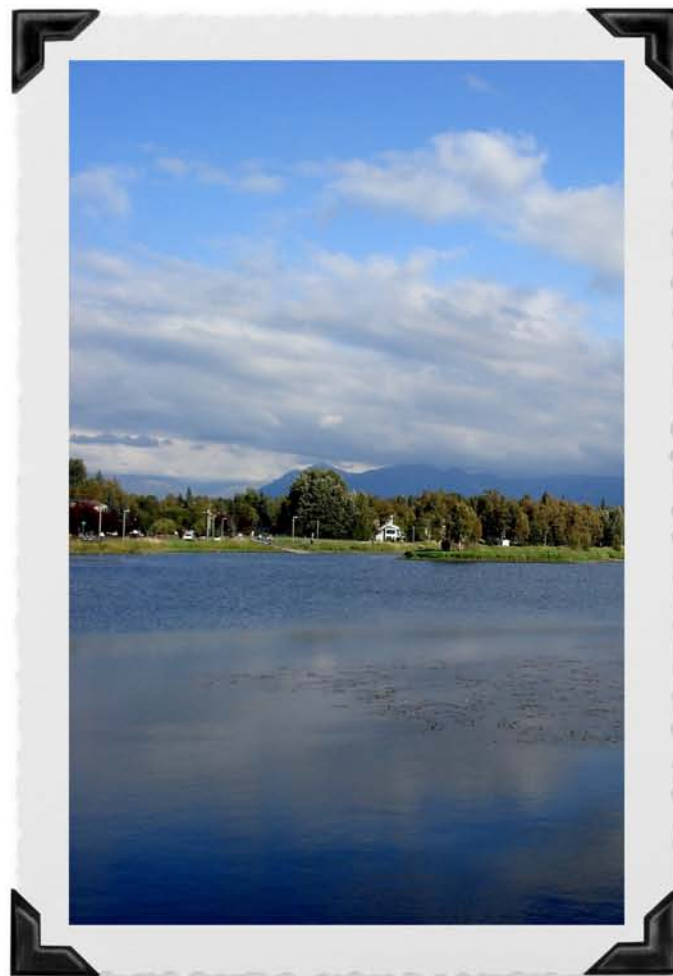
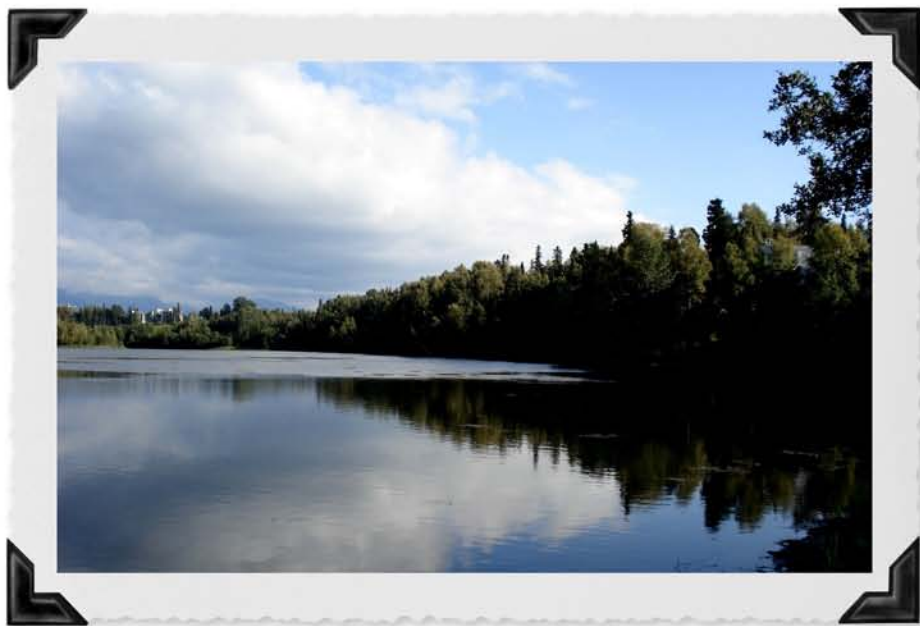




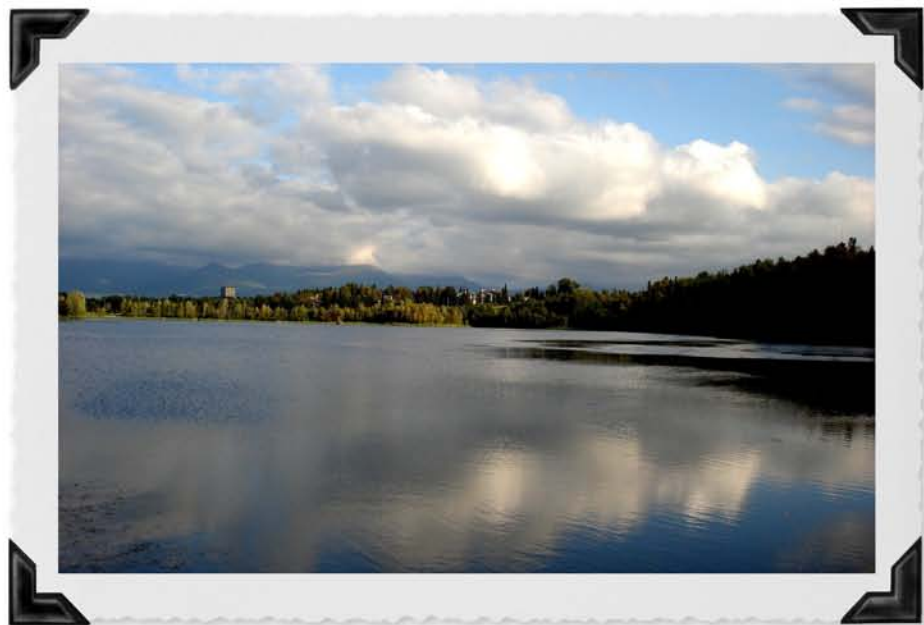
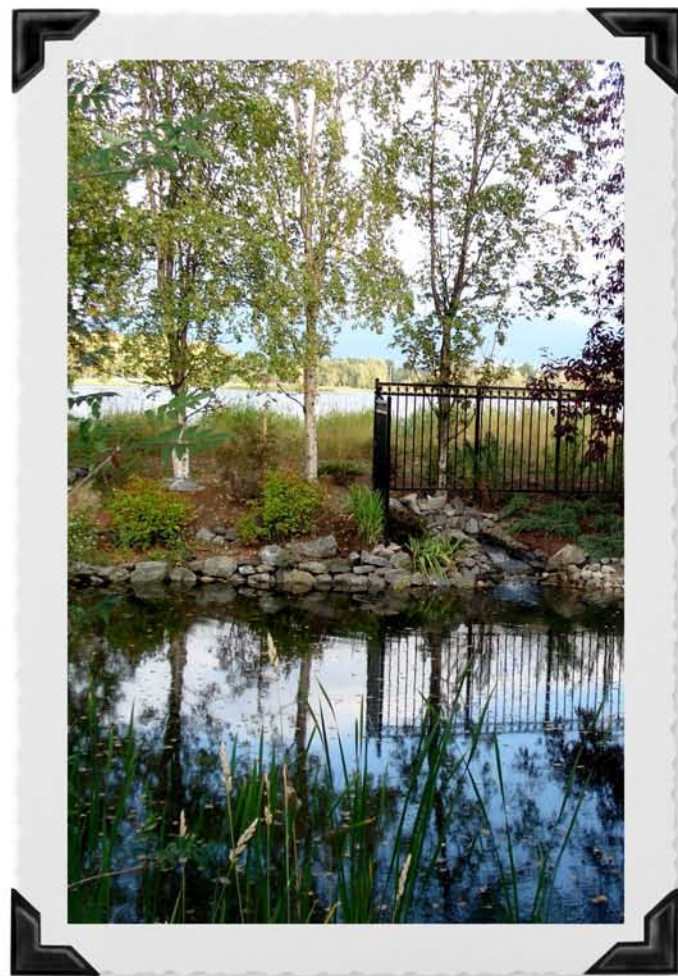






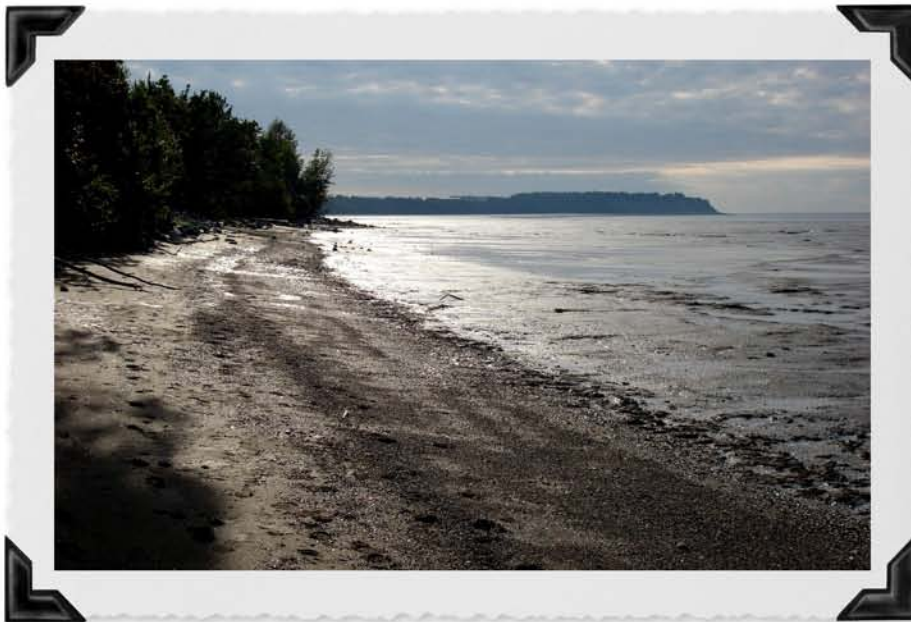




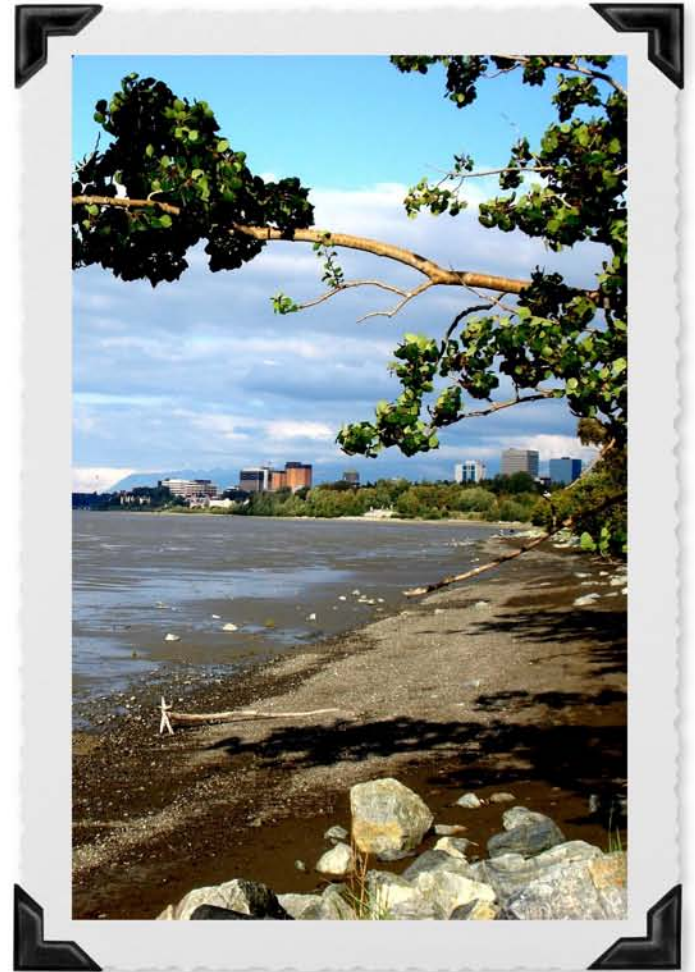


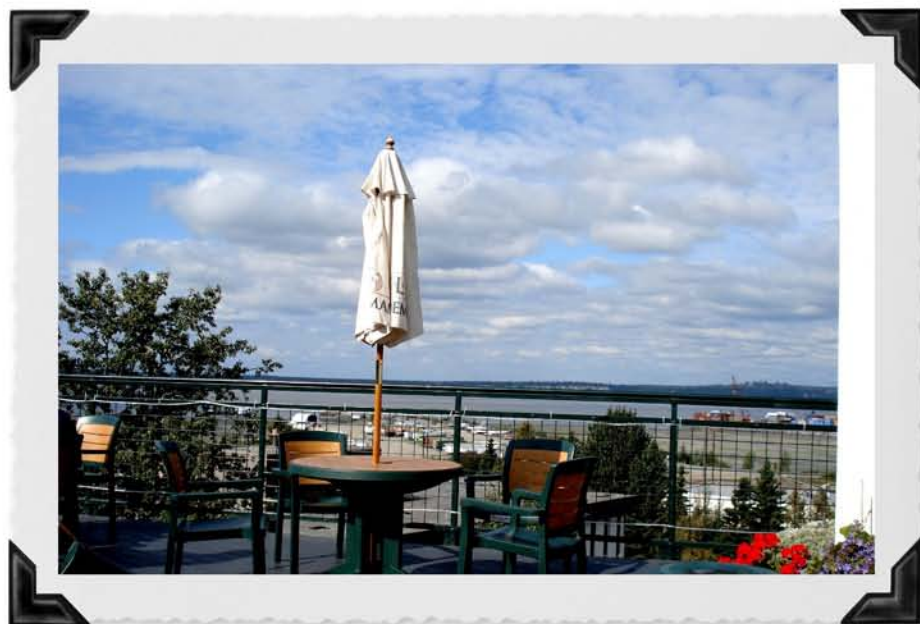
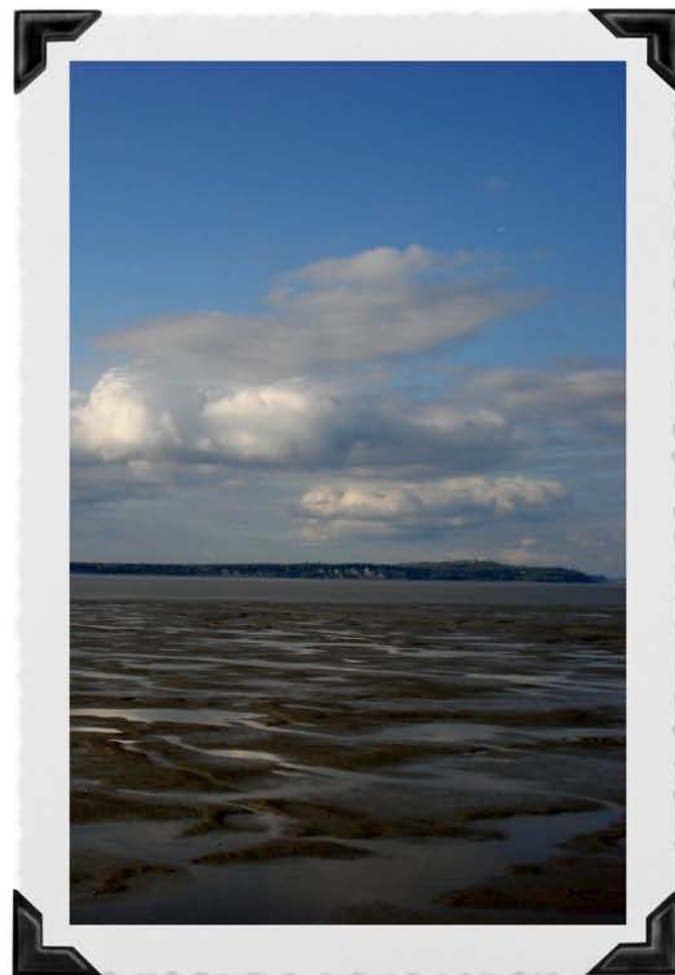




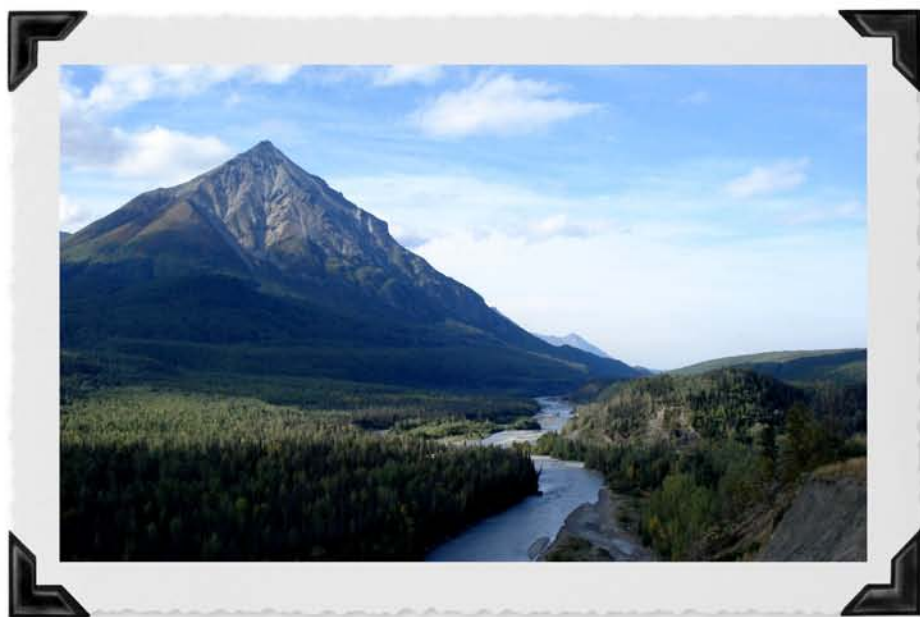
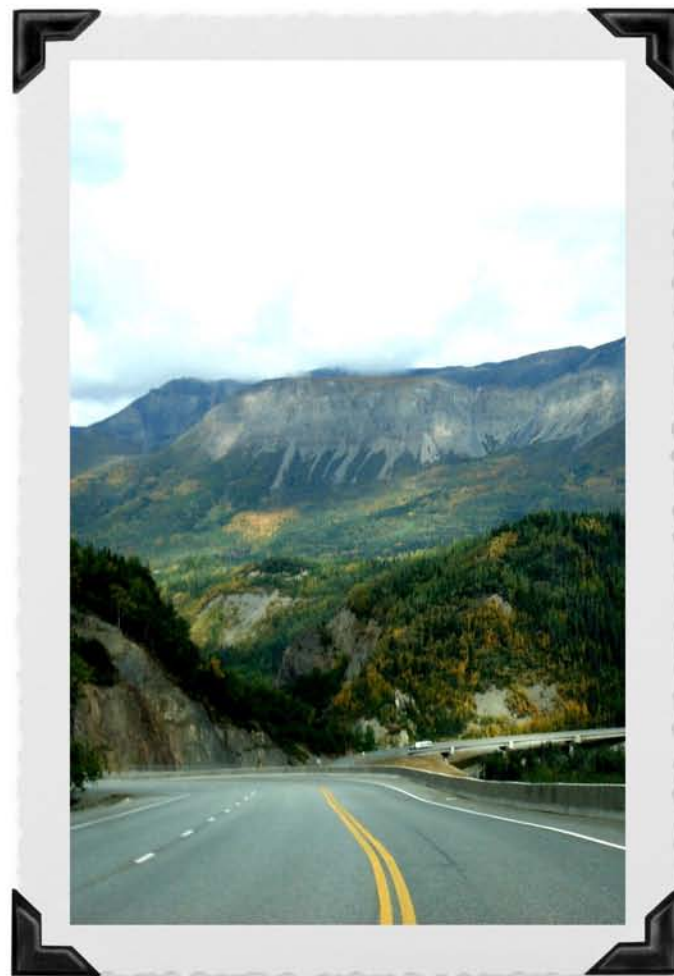
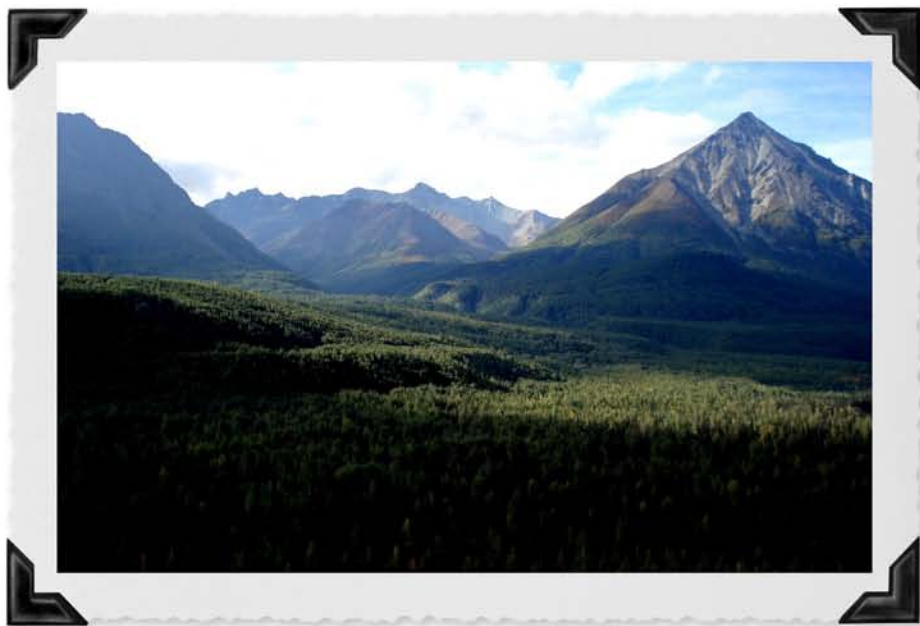














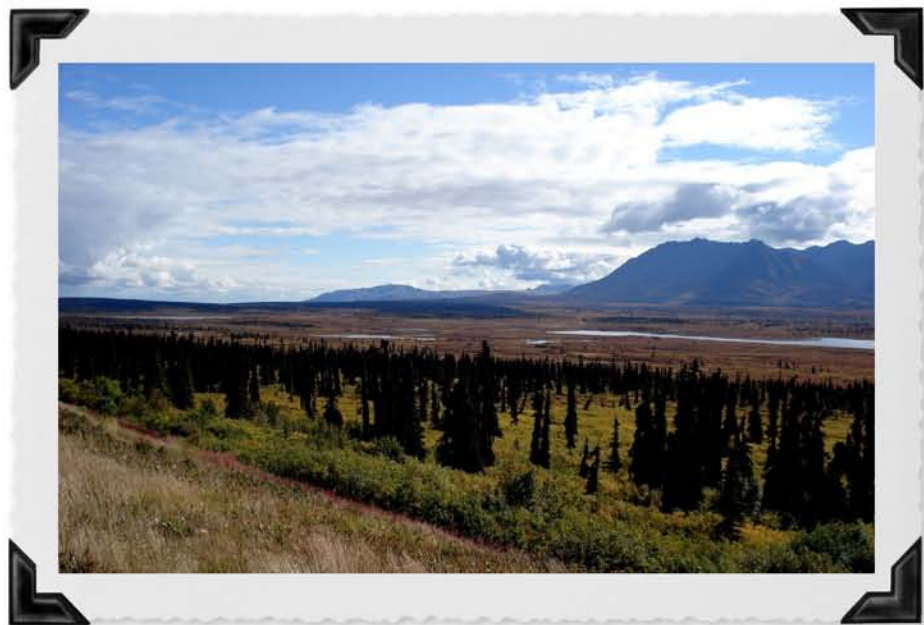




















∞ Alaska - September 2008 ∞



Mt. McKinley and the Alaska Range





Cook Inlet

∞.Anchorage.∞



Turnagain Arm



Mt McKinley - landing in Anchorage



The sign speaks  
for itself!



Black Bear and Musk Oxen



Anchorage  
International Airport





Campbell Lake and Chugach Mountains



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∞Anchorage - Wildflowers.∞





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One of the old  
homes



Highbush Cranberry



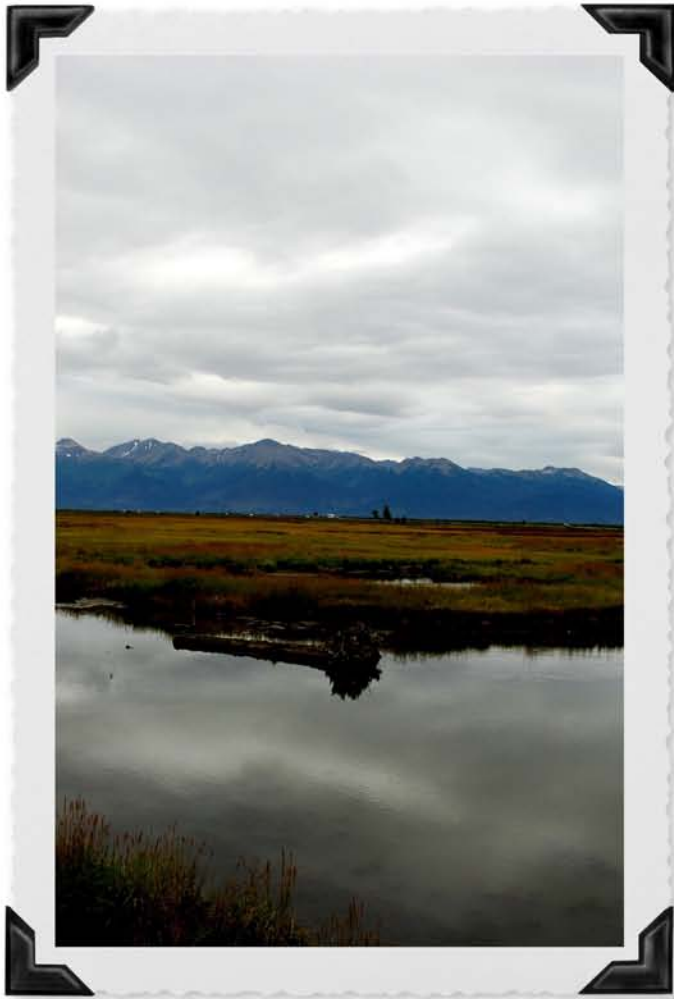
Delaney Park downtown

∞ Anchorage ∞





Potter Marsh  
 ∞ Anchorage ∞



Potter Marsh  
∞ Anchorage ∞





Alaska Railroad  
Steam Snow Plow



Potter Station - Kenai Mountains

## Chugach State Park

An Accessible Wilderness

*"Wilderness is the fundamental recreational resource... camping, hiking and similar activities are merely the salt and spices which give it savor and variety."*  
Aldo Leopold

With mountains close to every direction, and accessible wilderness at the doorstep, Chugach State Park is a gemstone for recreation. Chugach State Park's 4,000 acres provide the city of Anchorage with a beautiful backdrop. Within its bound-  
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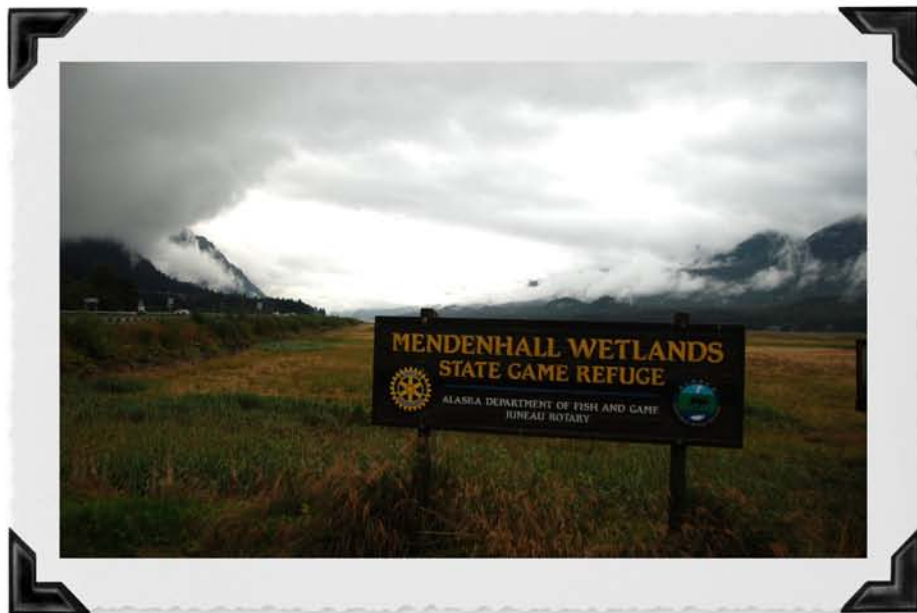
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Anchorage -  
Chugach State Park.



Mendenhall  
Wetlands - Juneau





Juneau - Cruise  
Ship Terminal



Cruise ship terminal



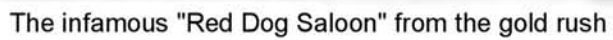
Mural on the wall of City Hall



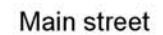
Float Plane Harbor

Juneau, Alaska.





## Juneau, Alaska.





Cruise ship  
terminal



Old downtown



Juneau at night - view from Douglas Island

Juneau, Alaska.





Gastineau Channel (Juneau on the left -Douglas Island on the right)

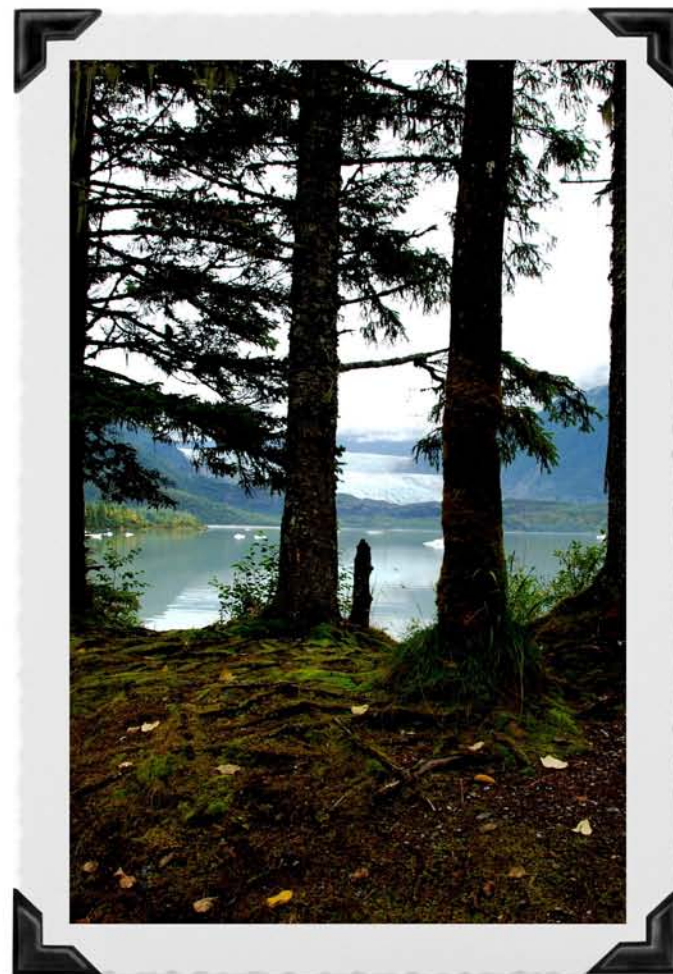


Juneau's residential area



Living on the side of a mountain

∞ Juneau, Alaska ∞

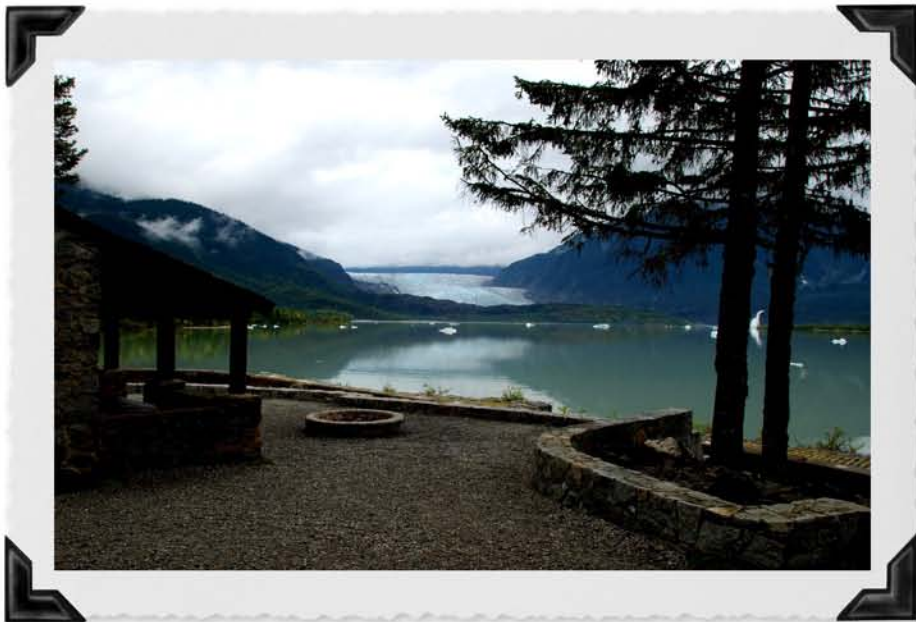


Juneau, Alaska  
~Mendenhall Glacier~





∞Mendenhall Glacier∞



∞Mendenhall Lake∞



## ∞ Mendenhall Glacier ∞





Trail closed due to Bears feeding on salmon



Salmon spawning in Mendenhall Creek



The sign speaks for itself

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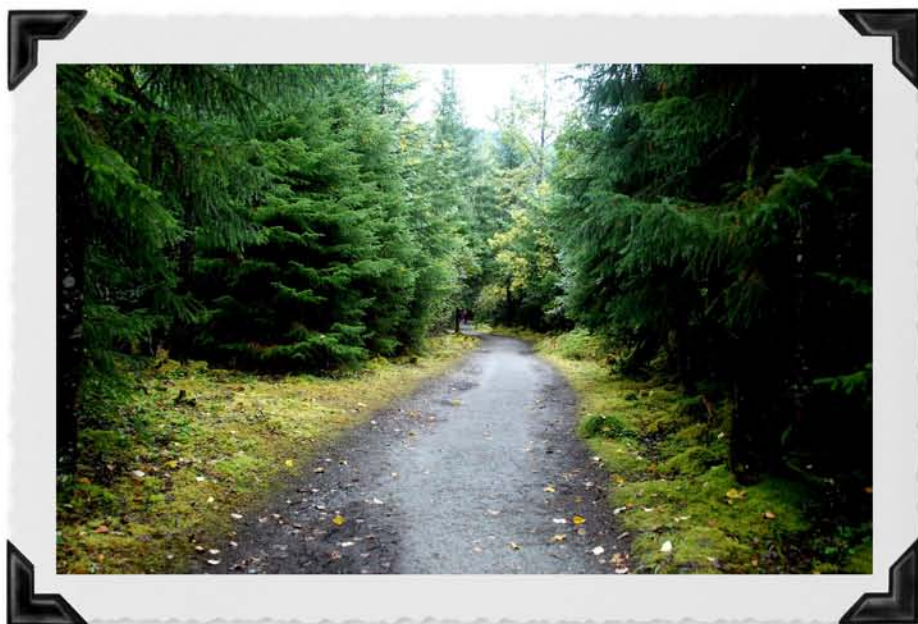
∞ Mendenhall Glacier ∞





Native artwork

## Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Center



Trail through the rainforest





Mendenhall Glacier -  
East Glacier Trail





Mendenhall Glacier -  
∞ East Glacier Trail ∞



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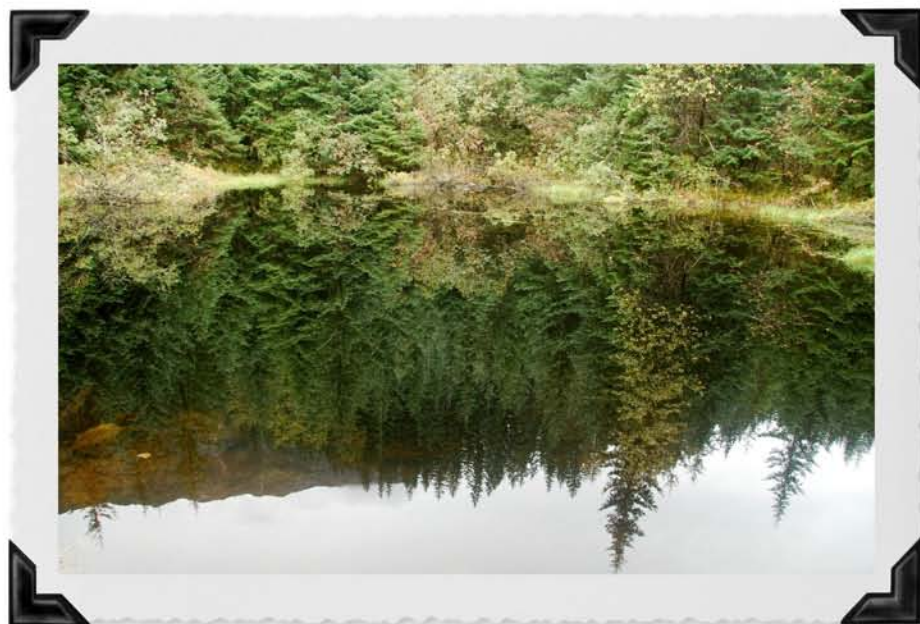






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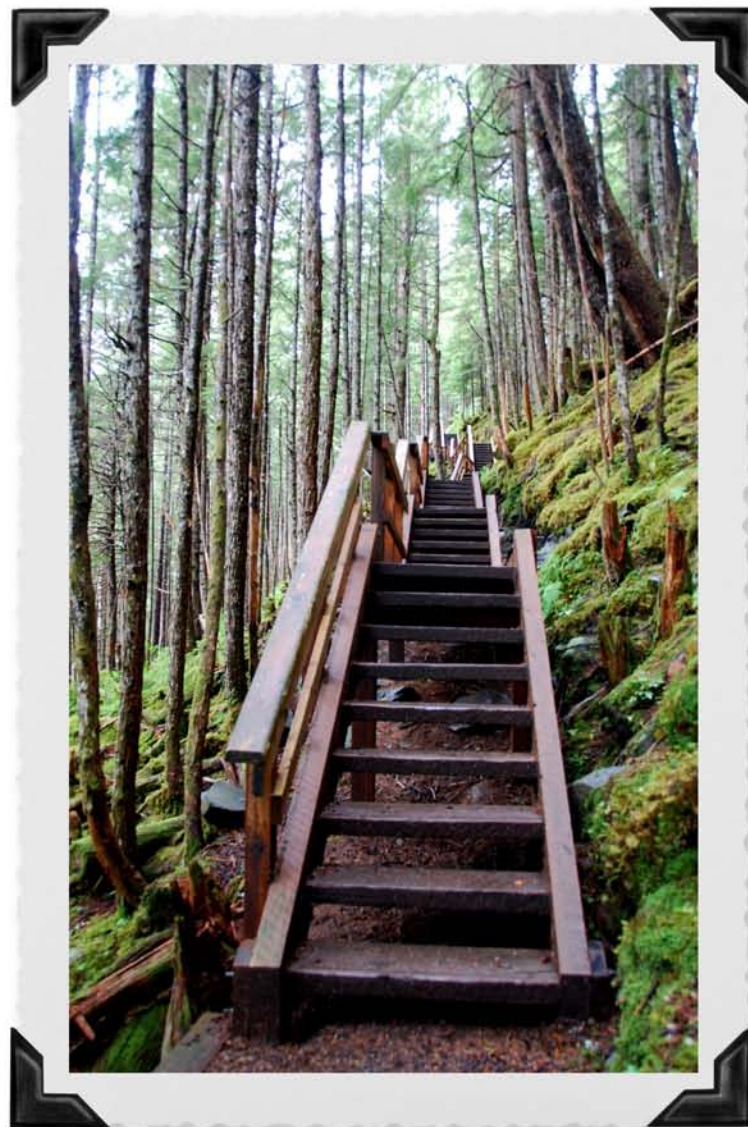


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Going Down!



Going Up!

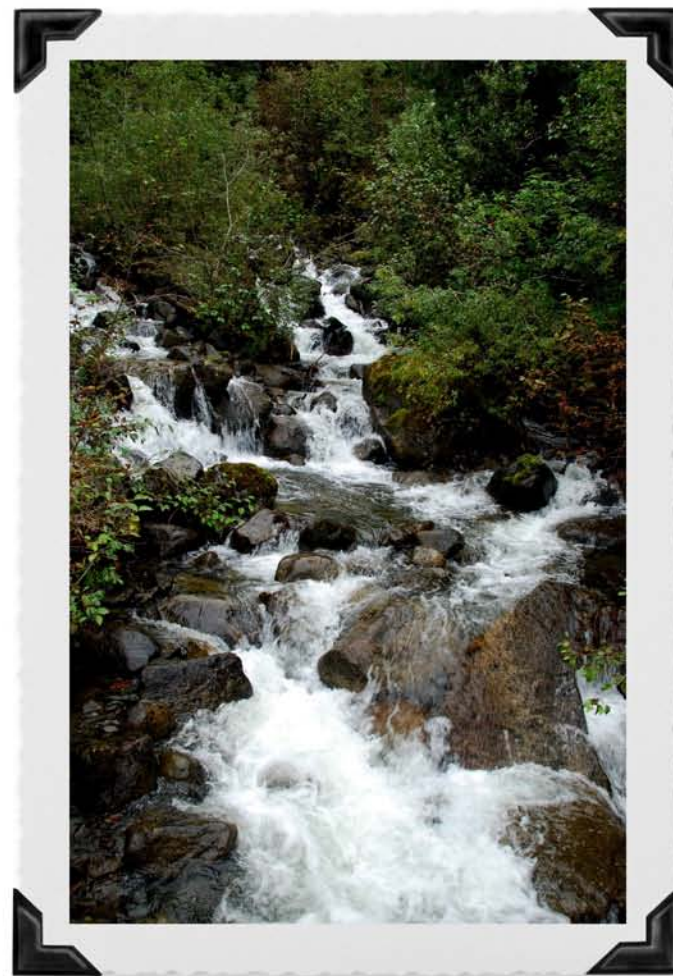
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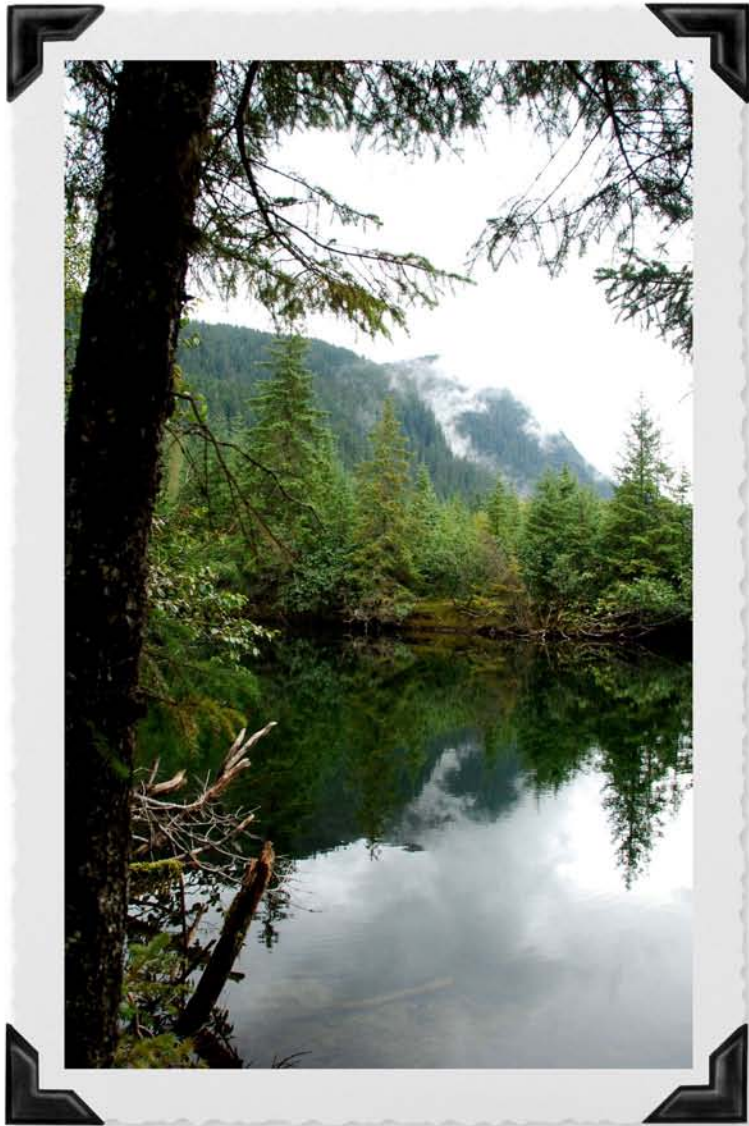
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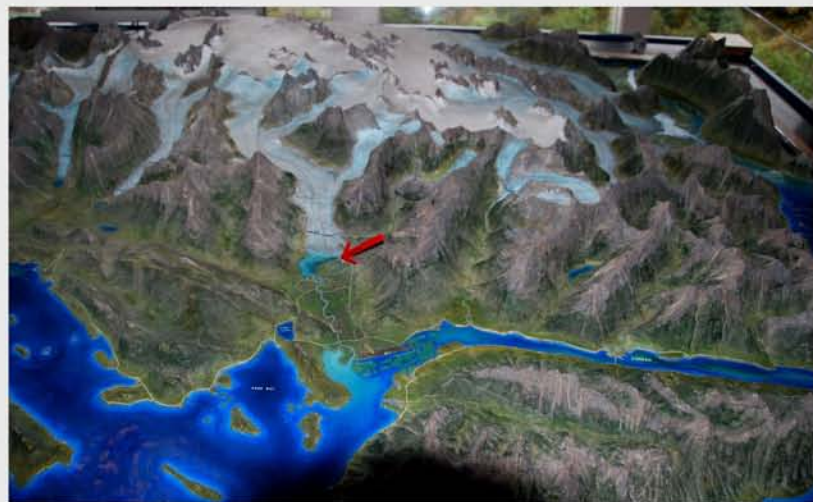


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∞ East Glacier Trail ∞





∞Mendenhall Lake∞



∞ Mendenhall Glacier ∞

"You are here"





Spotting a Black Bear



View of the glacier from the Visitor Center

## Mendenhall Glacier - Visitor Center



Float plane harbor

∞ Juneau, Alaska. ∞



View from the "Hangar Bar"







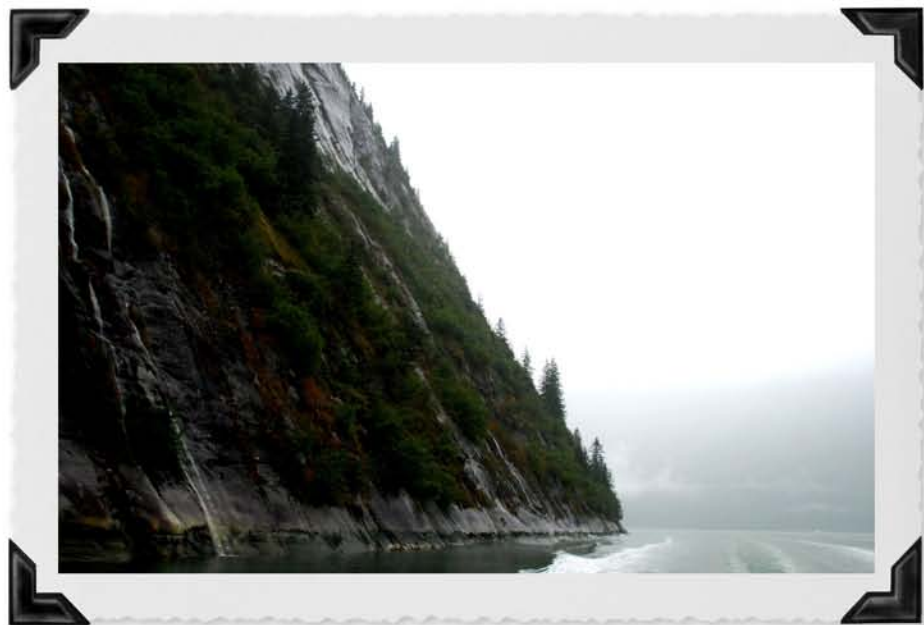
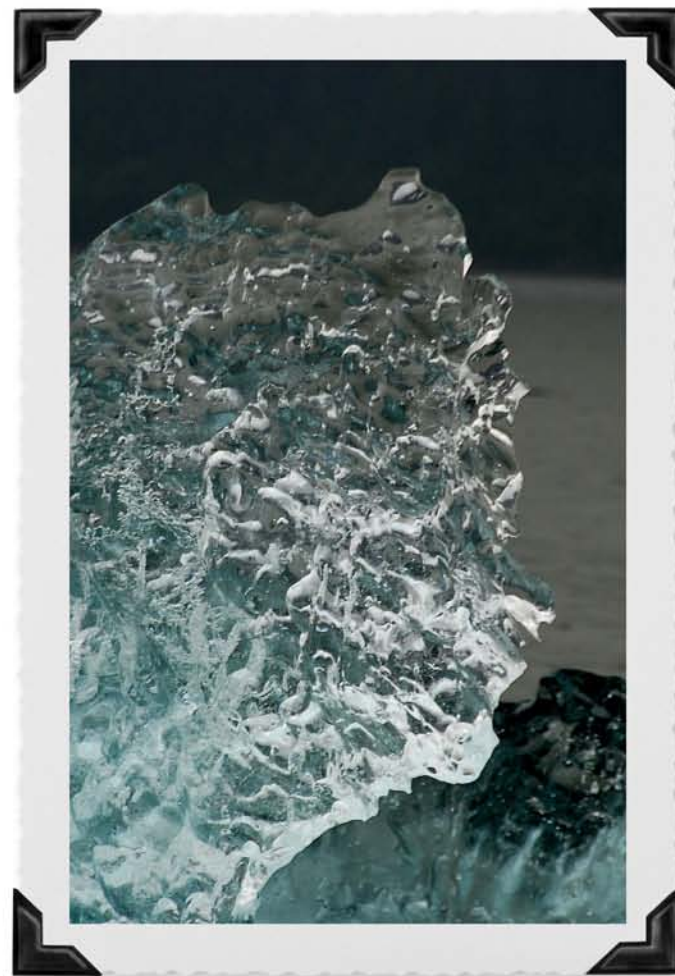
Cruise Ship - Inside Passage



Iceberg from the Sawyer Glacier



Tracey Arm fjord.



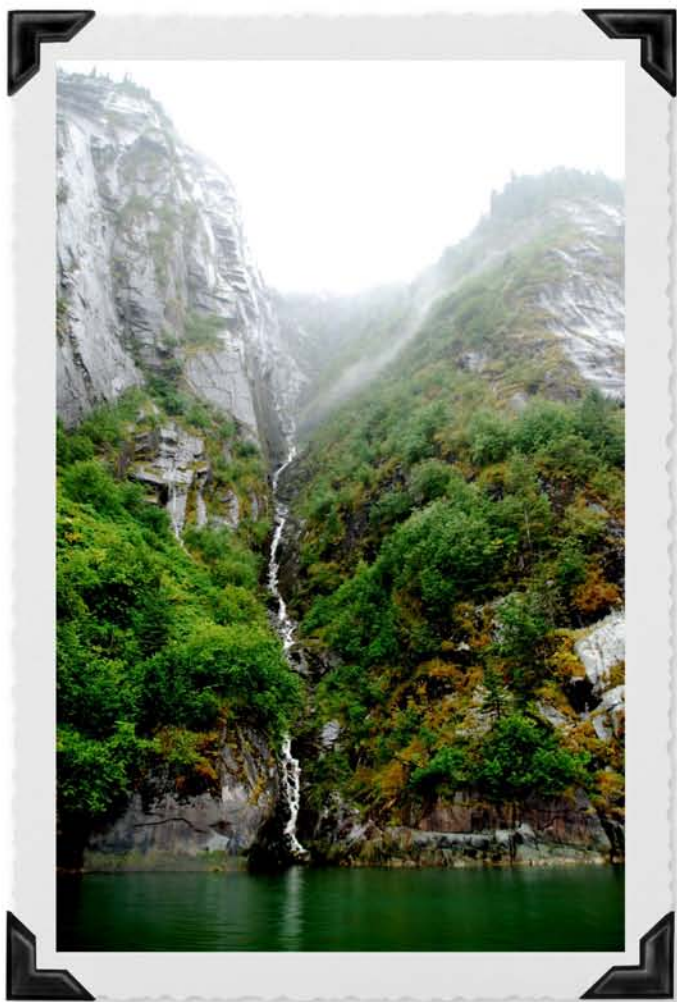
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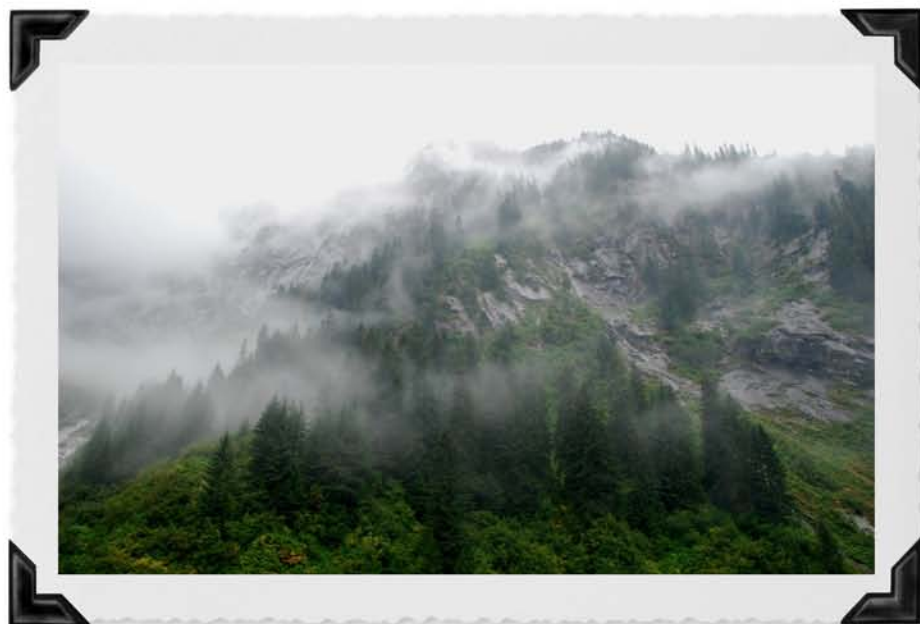
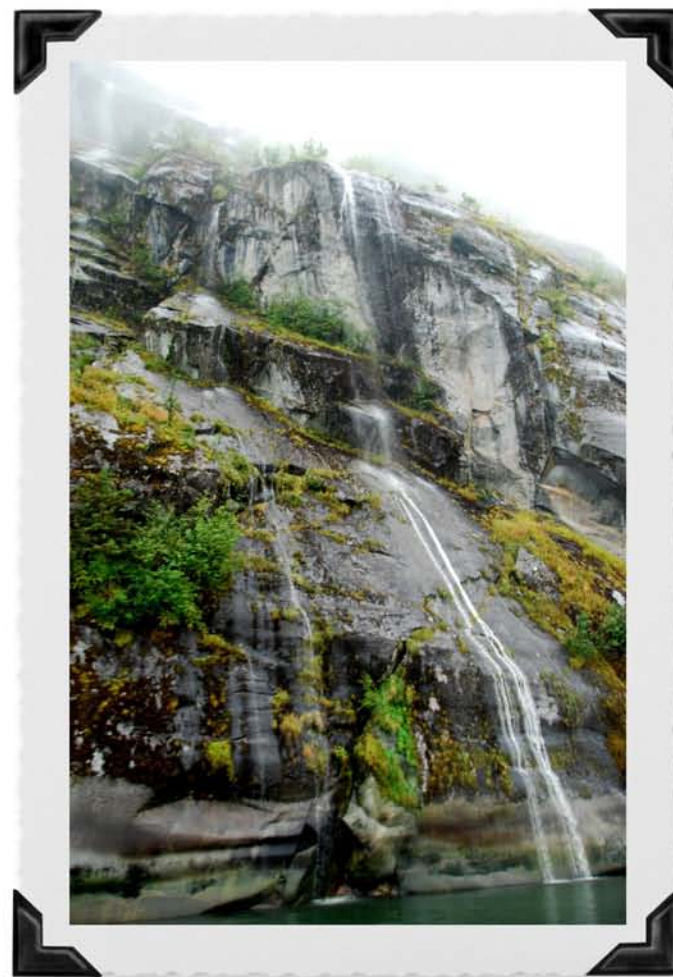


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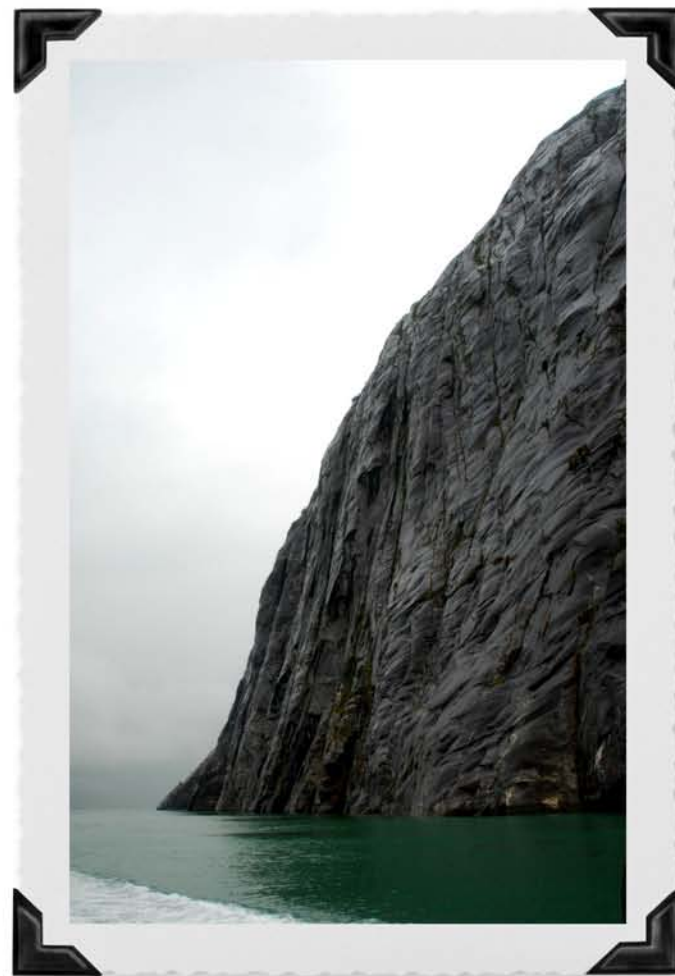




Straight down for a thousand feet!

∞ Tracey Arm fjord. ∞





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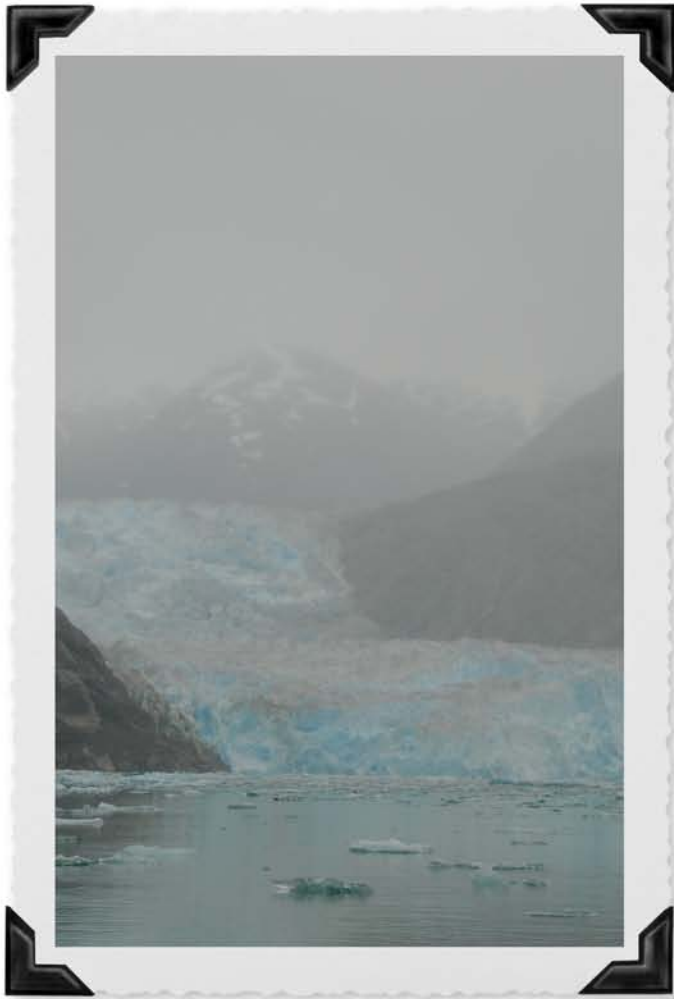




First view of the Sawyer Glacier



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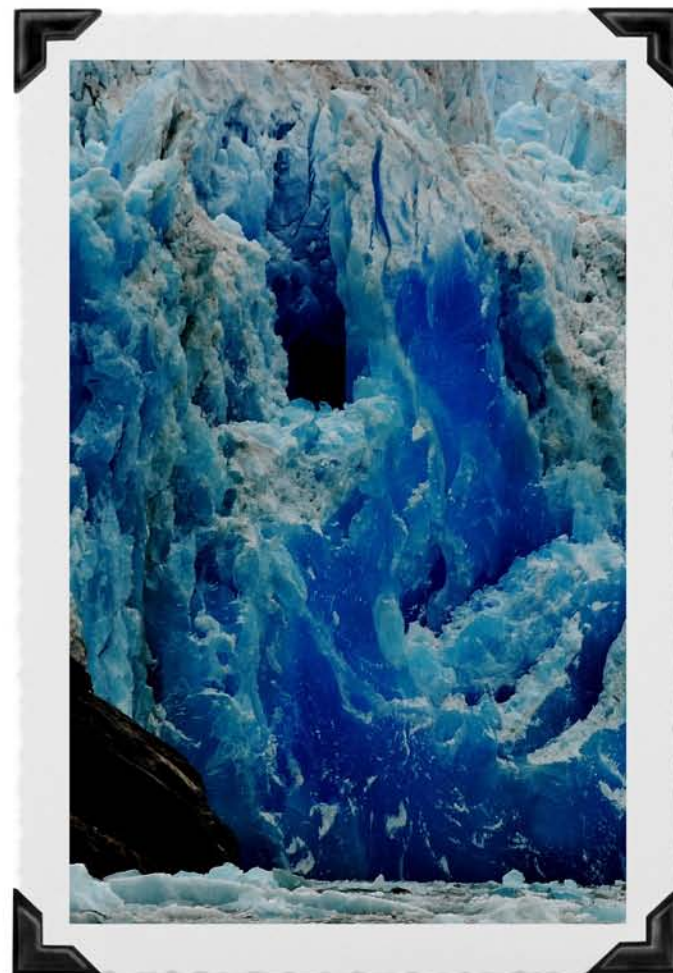
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Sawyer Glacier



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The face of Sawyer Glacier

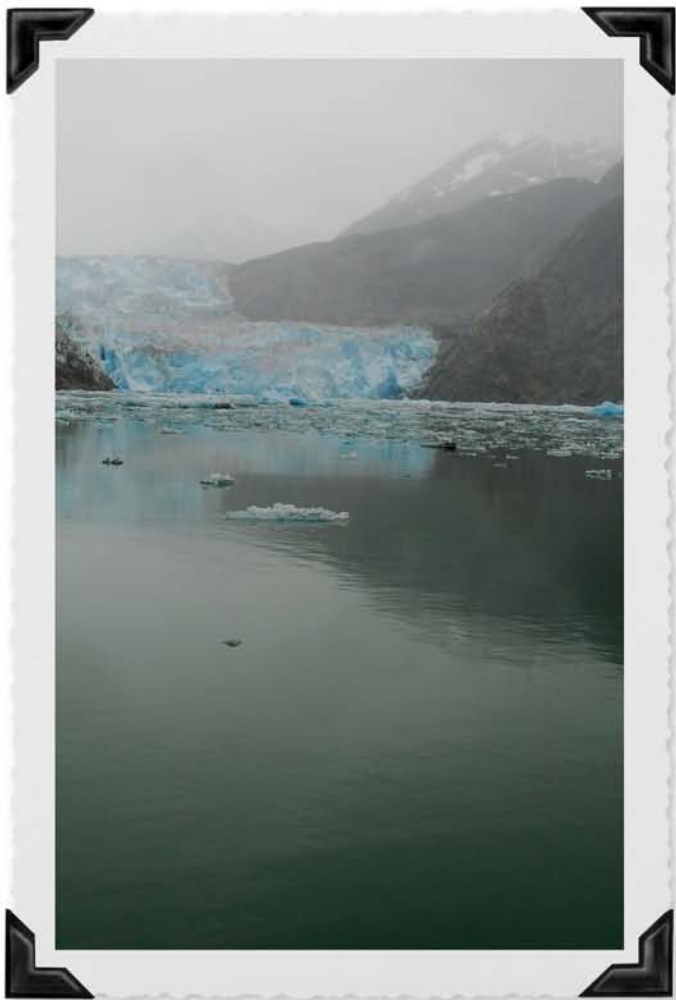


The dense glacial ice absorbs only the blue light



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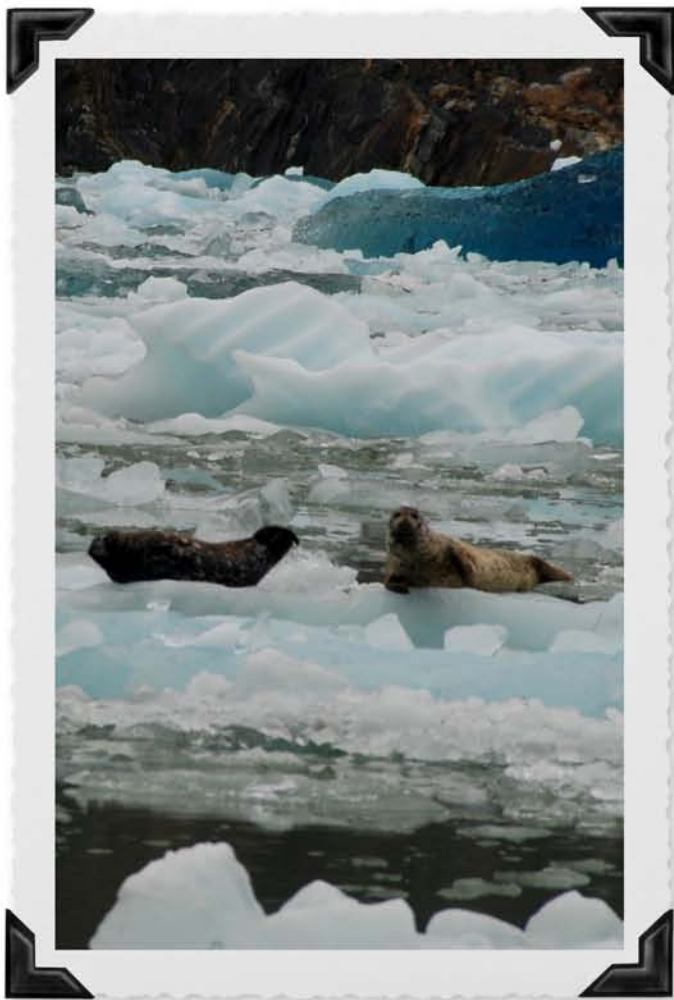




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Closeup of an Iceberg



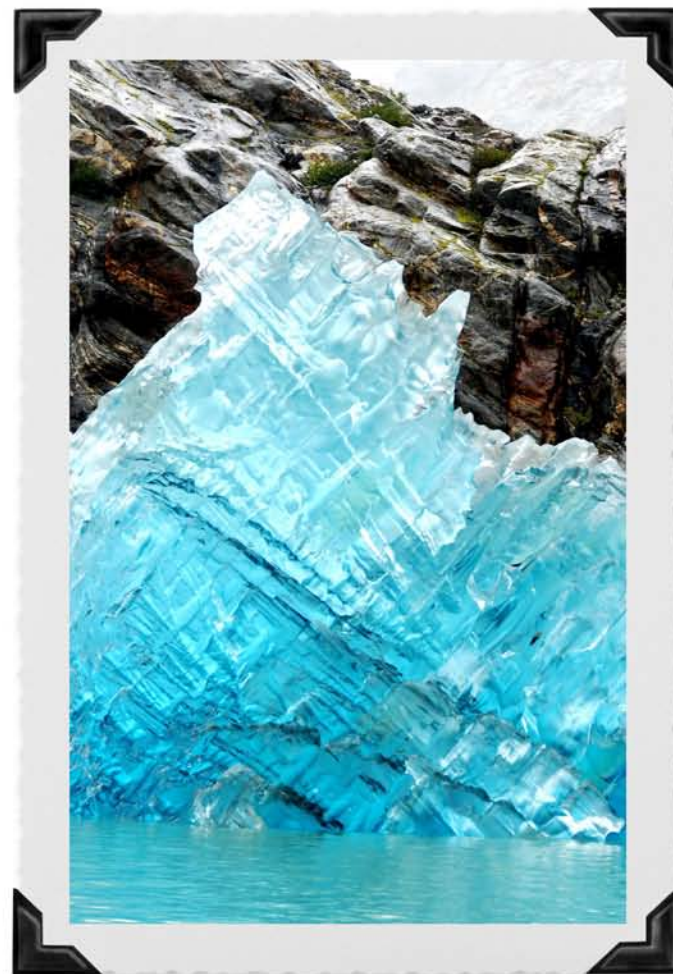
Tracey Arm fjord.



Breeding ground for Harbor  
Seals







Glacier Iceberg



Harbor Seals on ice floes

Tracey Arm fjord.



Tracey Arm fjord  
South Sawyer Glacier.



∞ Tracey Arm fjord - South Sawyer Glacier. ∞

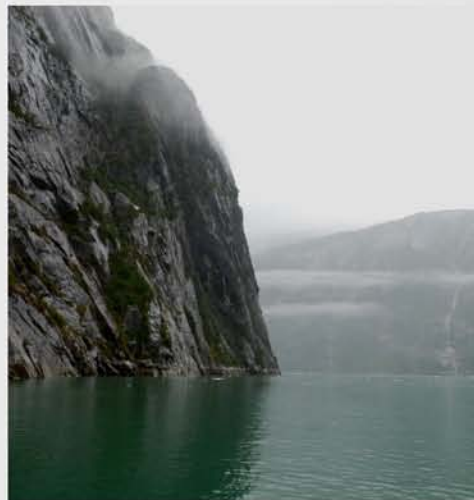


Dense glacial ice absorbs nothing but blue light



Close enough to touch the waterfall

Tracey Arm fjord.







Aurora View Inn  
- the Spa



View from the Aurora View Inn



Tracey Arm tour boat in the shadow of a cruise ship!

Juneau, Alaska.

## ∞The old Alaska - Juneau Gold Mine∞

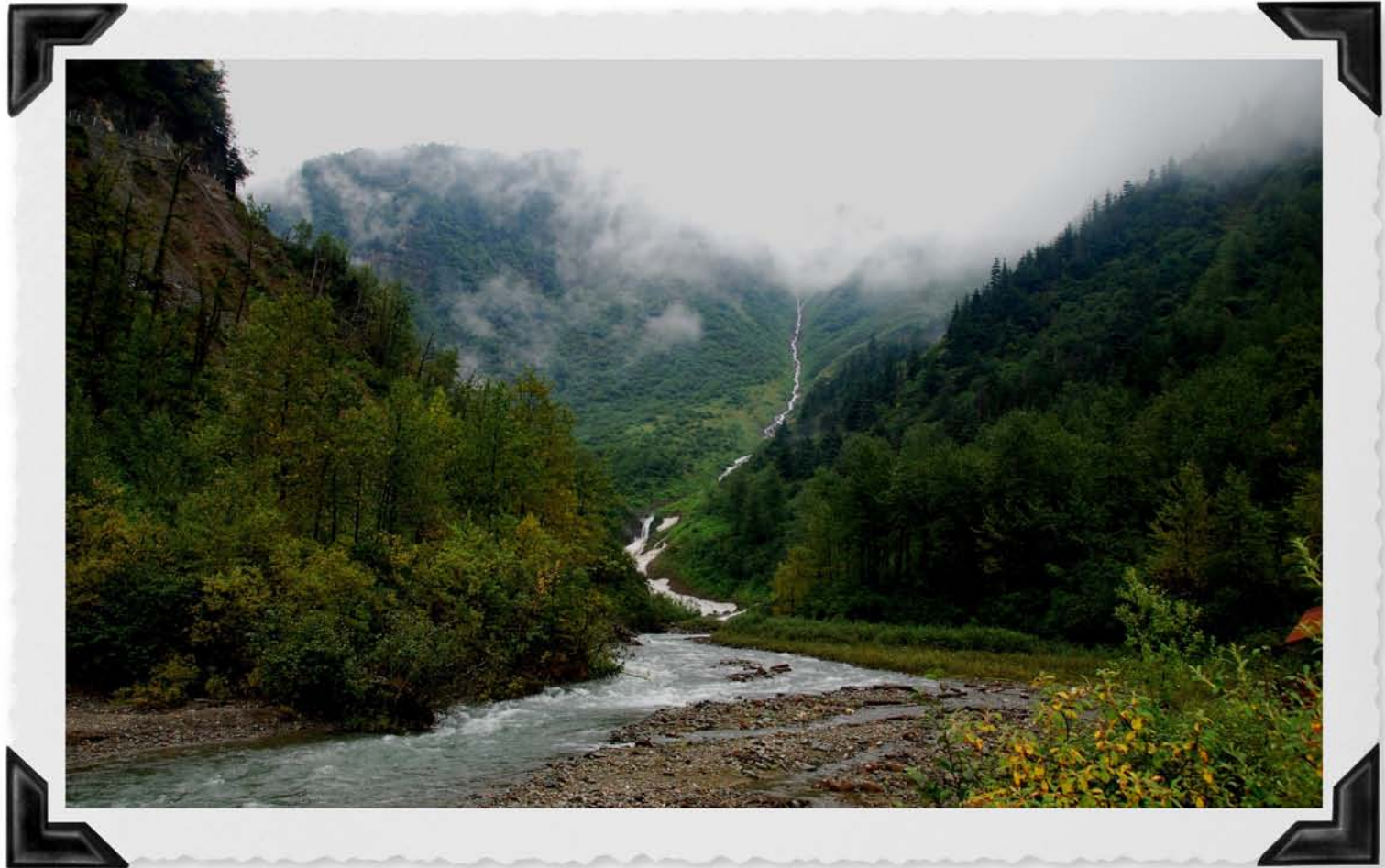


The world's largest hard rock gold mine





## Juneau Gold Mining Museum.



Last Chance Creek

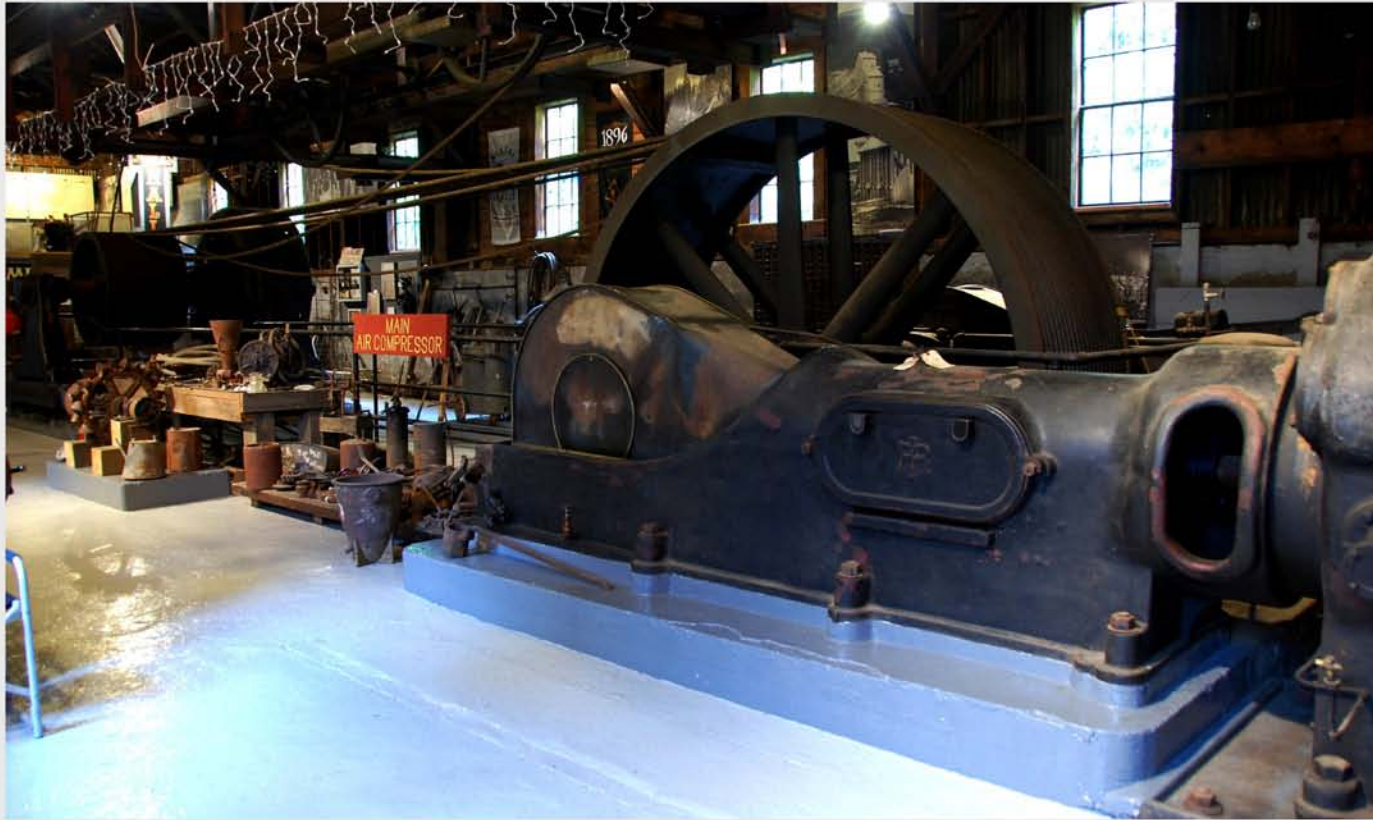




World's largest Compressor

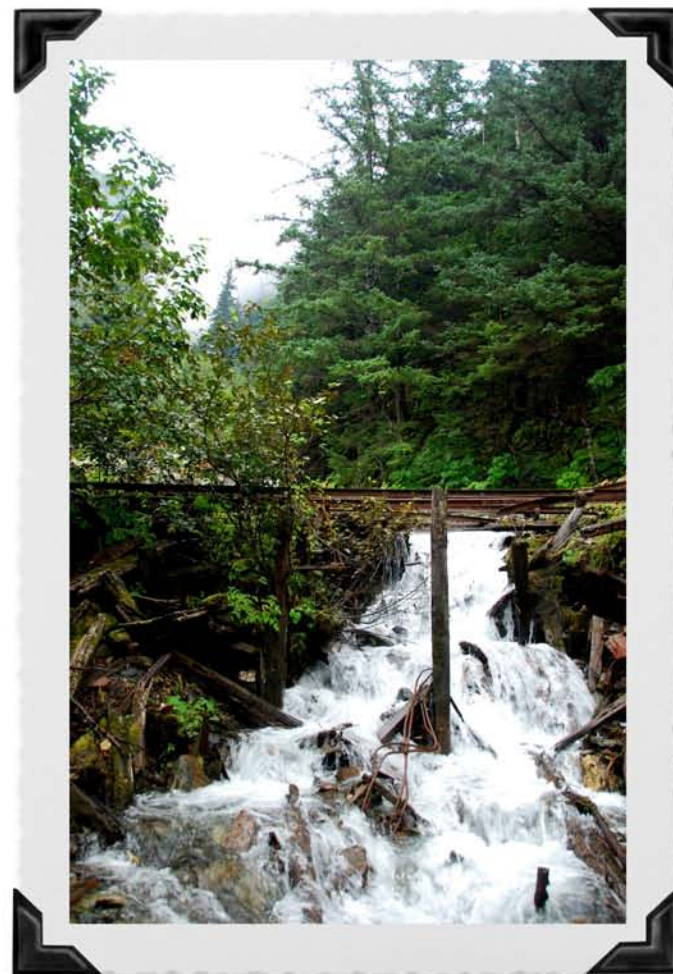
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World's largest Compressor





Remains of the train that carried miners to the mine and gold ore to the mill

## Juneau Gold Mining Museum





"The Last Run"



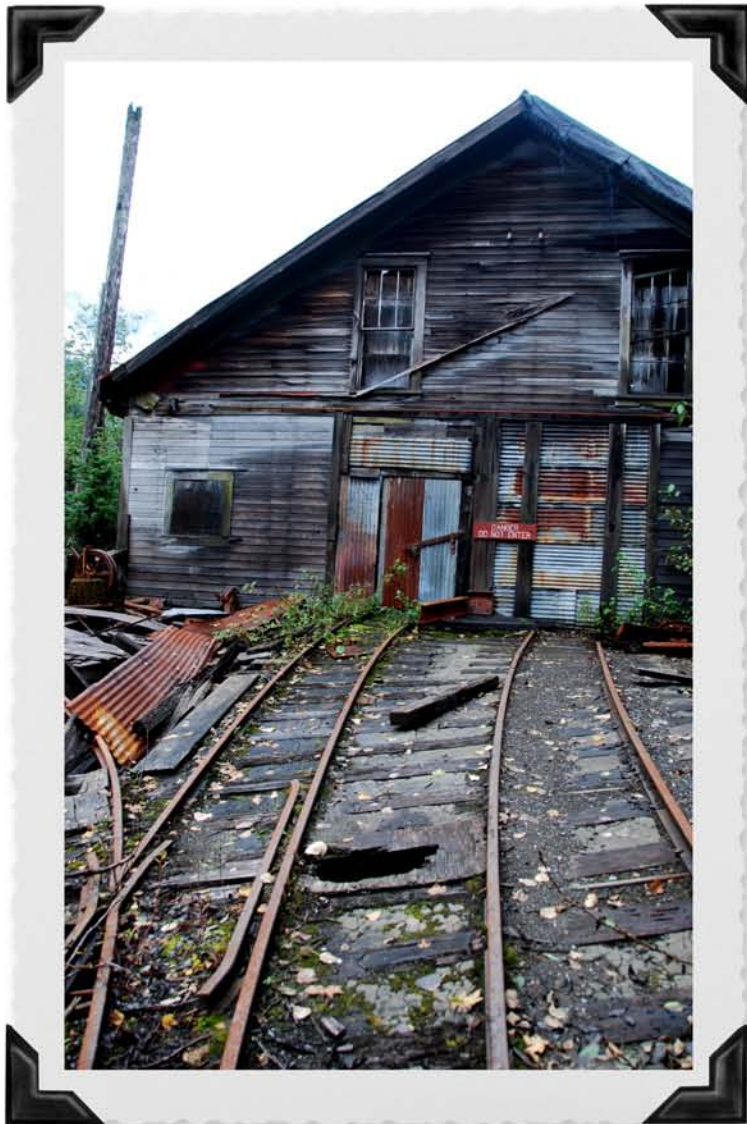
Old Electric locomotive



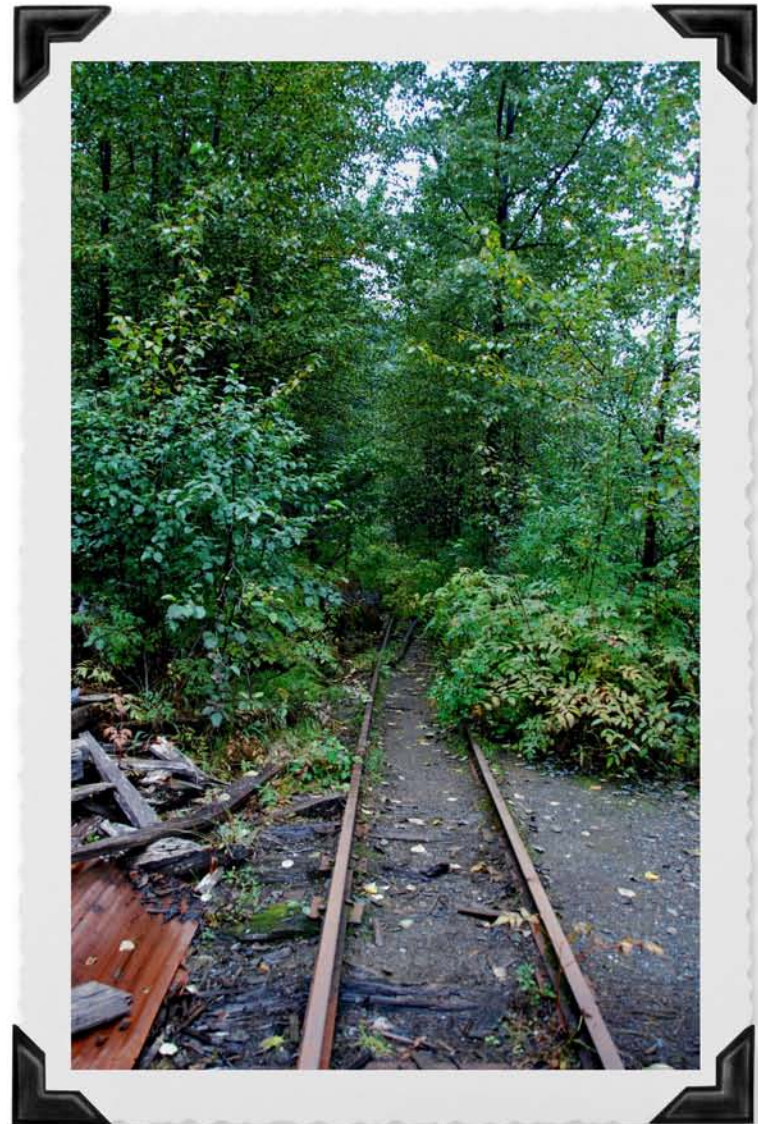
Railcar to carry miners to the mine shaft

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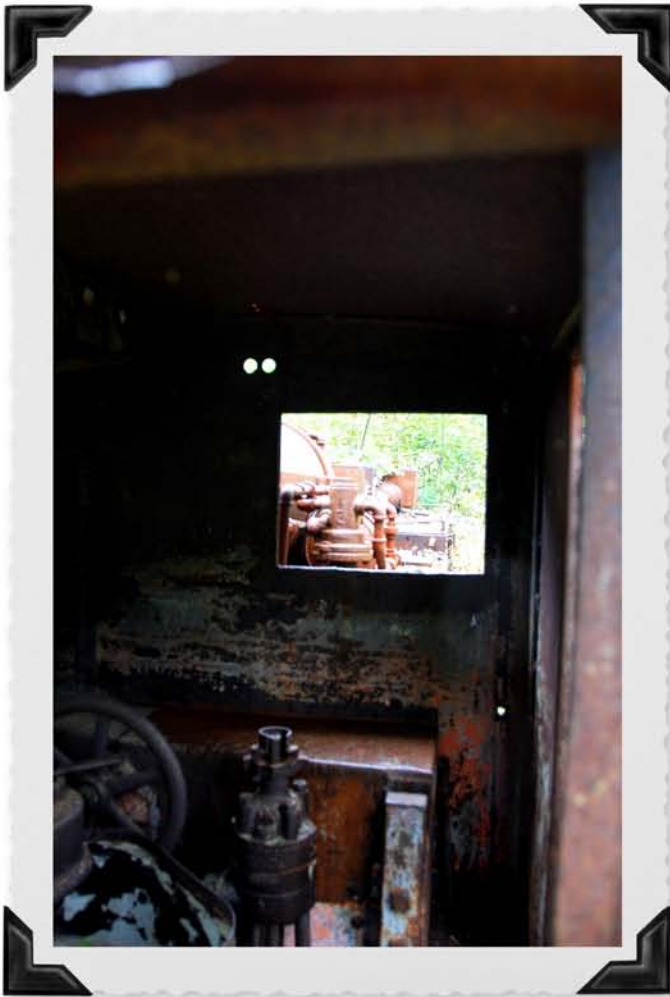
Old Locomotive repair shop



Track to the mines - abandoned

❧ Juneau Gold Mining Museum ❧





Inside the cab of an old electric locomotive



"End of the line"



Old electric locomotive

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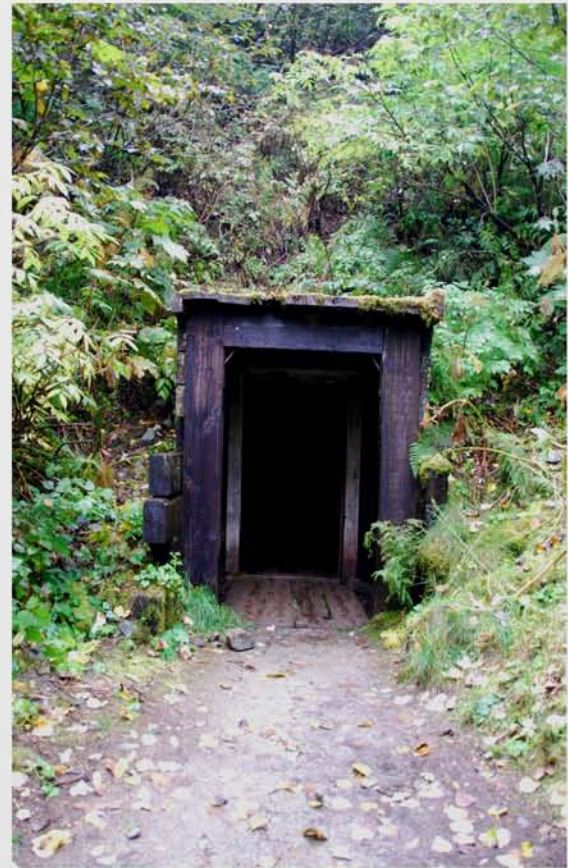




Ore loading facility north of downtown Juneau - circa 1920



Compressor building & railroad shop - 1920



Entrance to one of many old mine shafts - abandoned

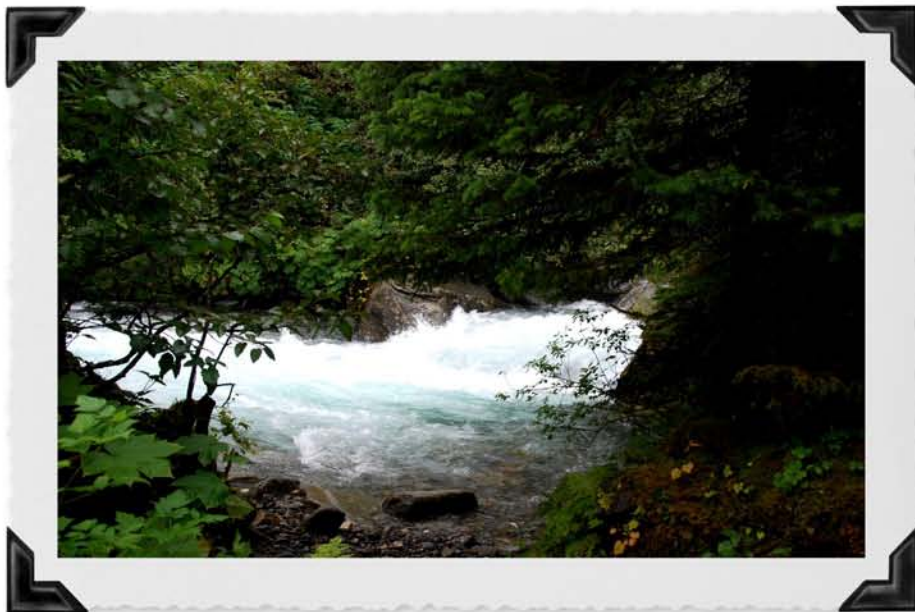
## Juneau Gold Mining Museum







Remains of the Compressor building & Railroad shop



∞Perservance Trail∞



Ebner Falls-  
hydroelectric



Site of the first stamp mill - circa 1920

## The First Stamp Mill



Webster Mill (left) and Ebner Mill (right) in Gold Creek Valley near Juneau, Alaska, circa 1920.

supplied only 150 of the 1000 tons of ore promised. Webster developed the Humboldt Mine to save his investment. It was a good business decision; that mine provided ore to the mill for twenty-five years.

Another mill, built by J. A. Johnson near Ebner Falls in 1886, began working on a 600-ton stockpile of ore. Johnson added a two-story boarding house for miners near the mill in 1887. The mill failed. The Alaska Mining Record wrote of the Johnson operation as "better adapted to grinding wheat than hard flinty quartz".

Johnson Boarding House and Mill, about 1887.



Built near Ebner Falls, this five-stamp mill began crushing ore in August of 1882 just two years after Richard Harris and Joe Juneau discovered gold along this creek. The builders of the mill, W. I.

Webster and his son Edward, contracted with several local prospectors to mill their ore, but the miners

~Perservance Trail~



## ∞Perserverance Trail∞



"Devil's Club" in fall foliage



Last Chance Creek



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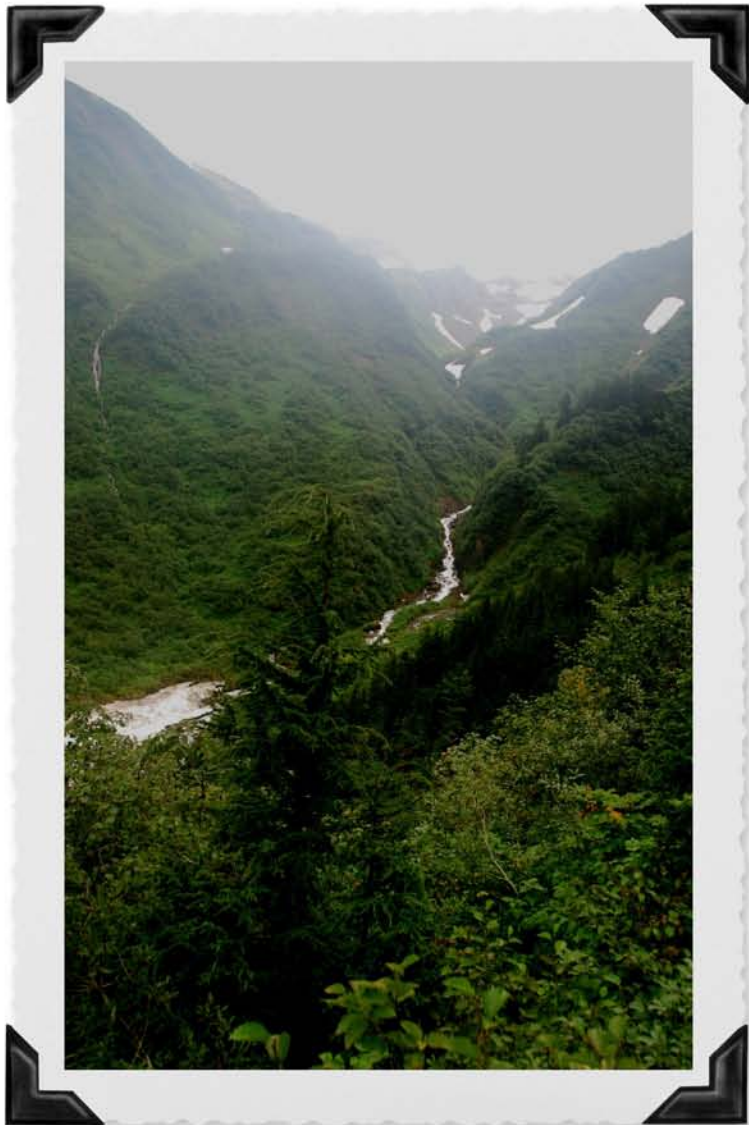




∞ Perserverance Trail ∞



Wild Red Raspberries (favorite food of bears!)



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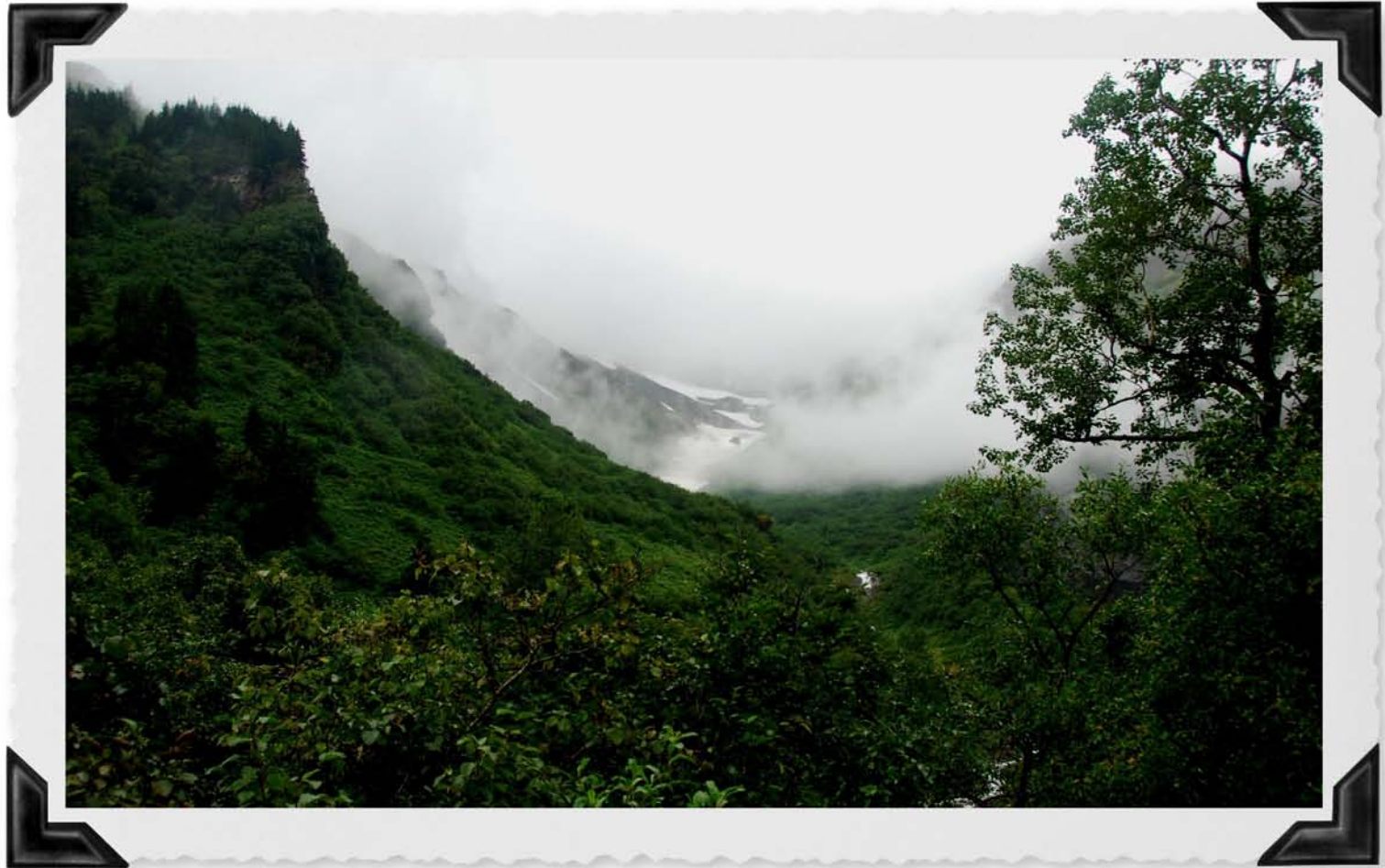




Remains of miner's camp chimney

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Headwaters of Last Chance Creek



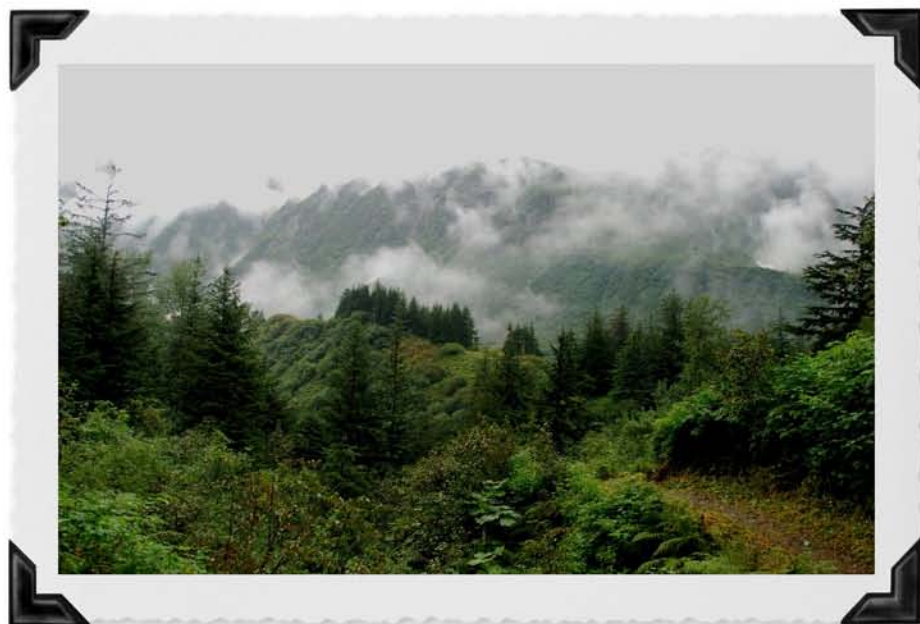
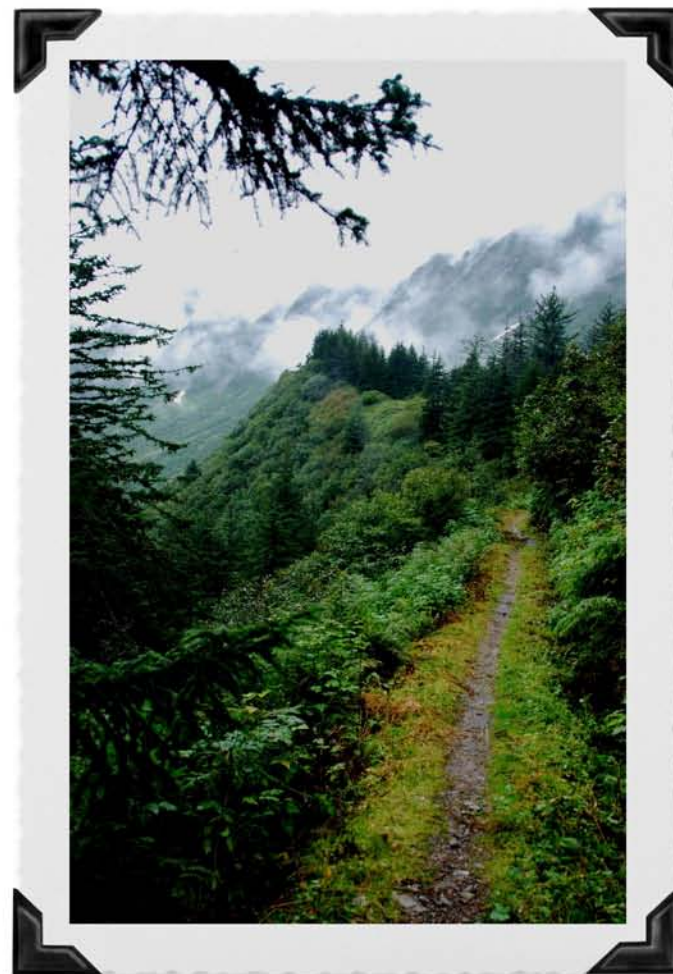


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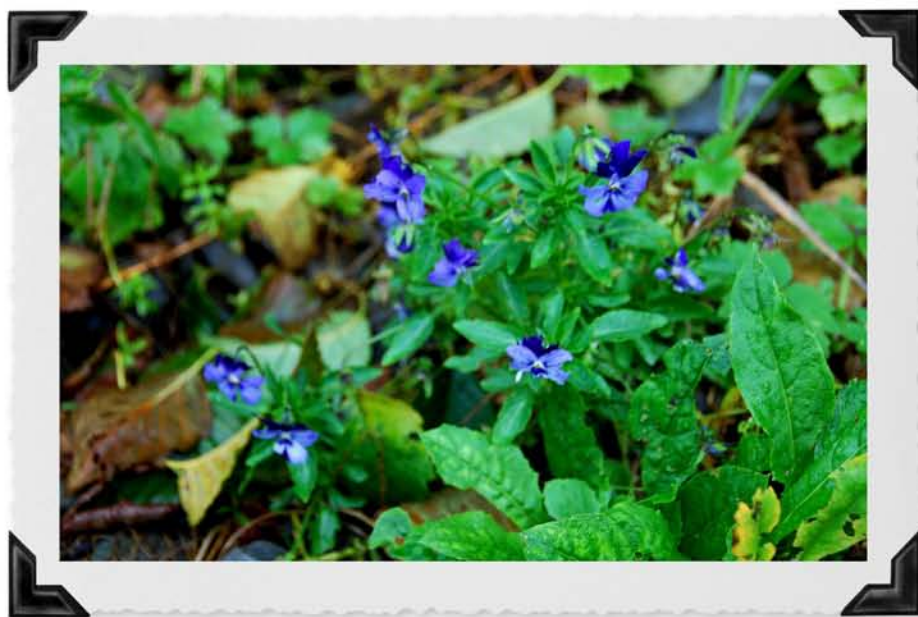
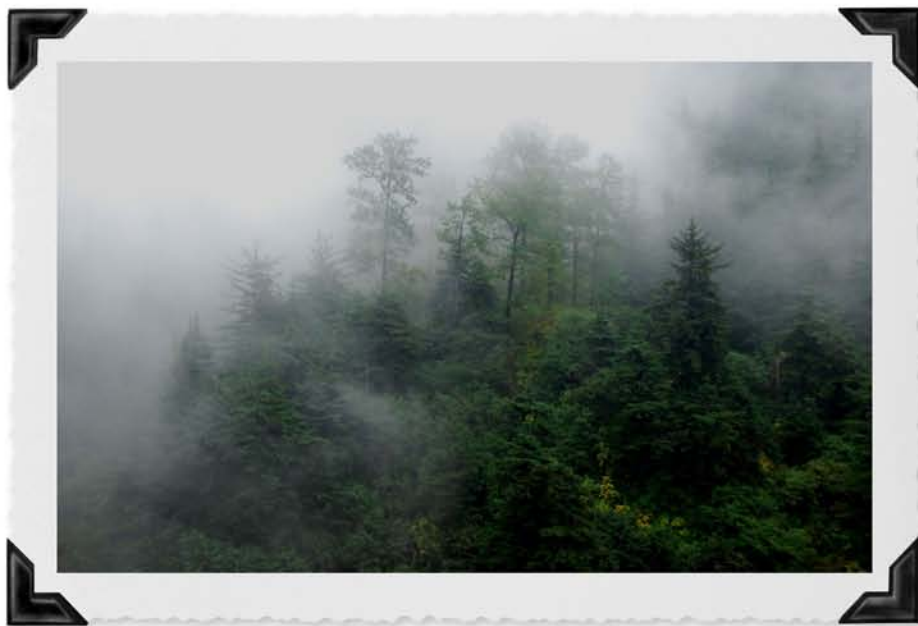
"Devil's Club"

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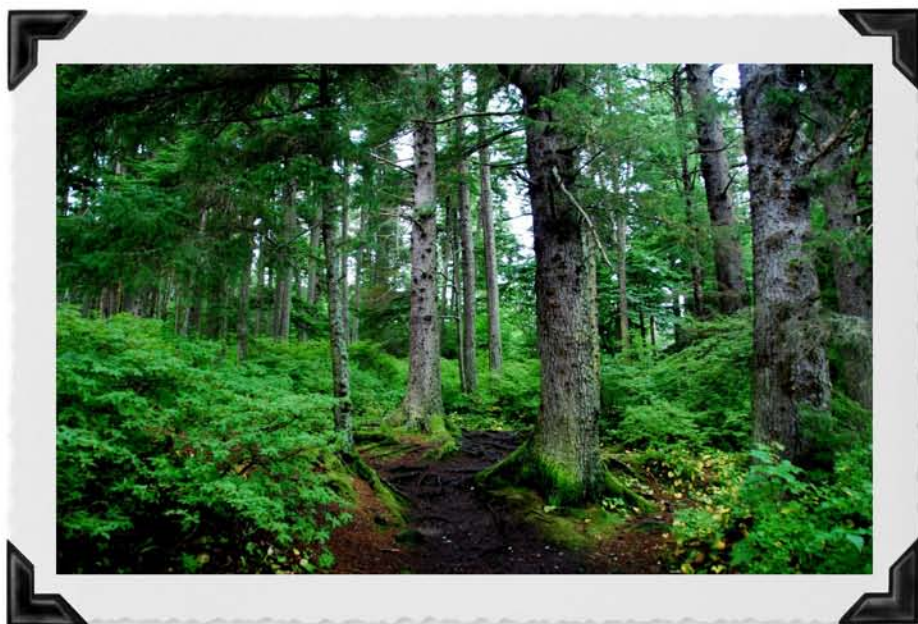
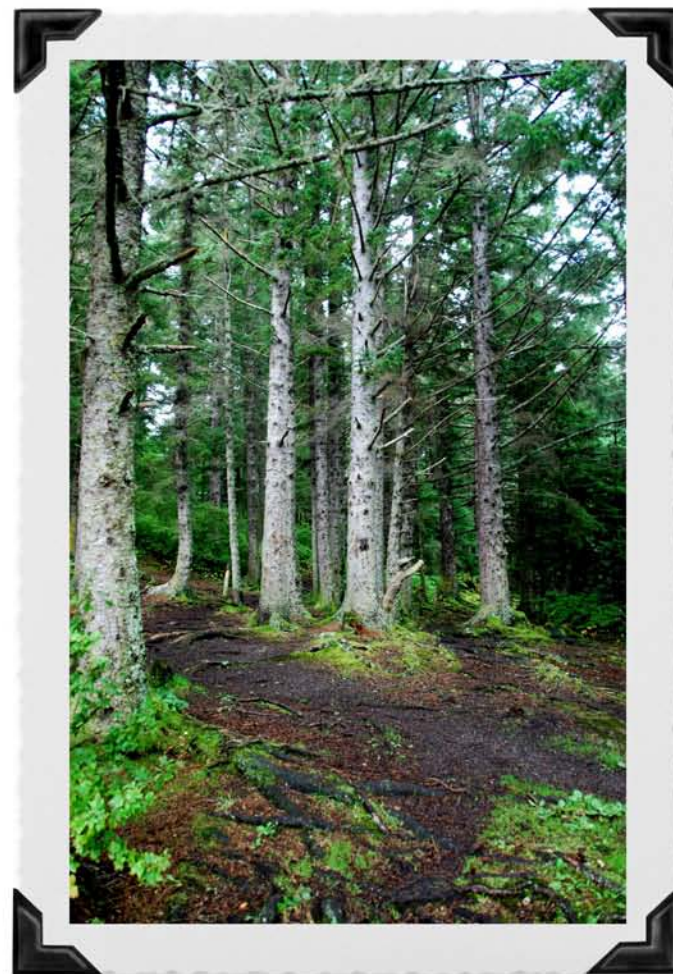


Pair of Bald Eagles feasting on a salmon run

∞.Auke Bay.∞







Old growth Sitka Spruce forest

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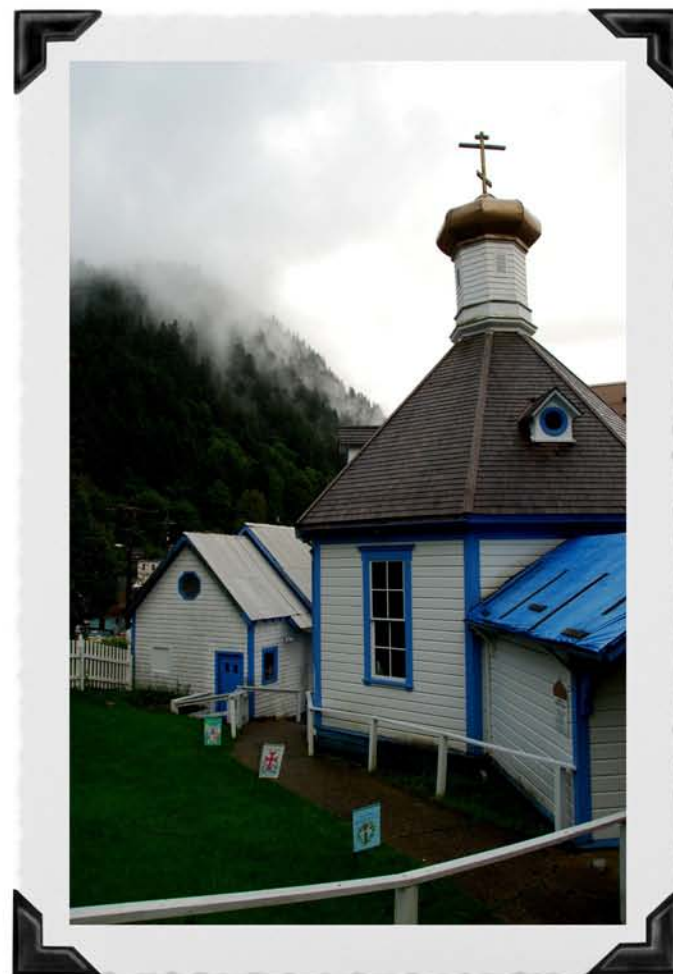
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Juneau



St Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church



Juneau





Old downtown

Juneau



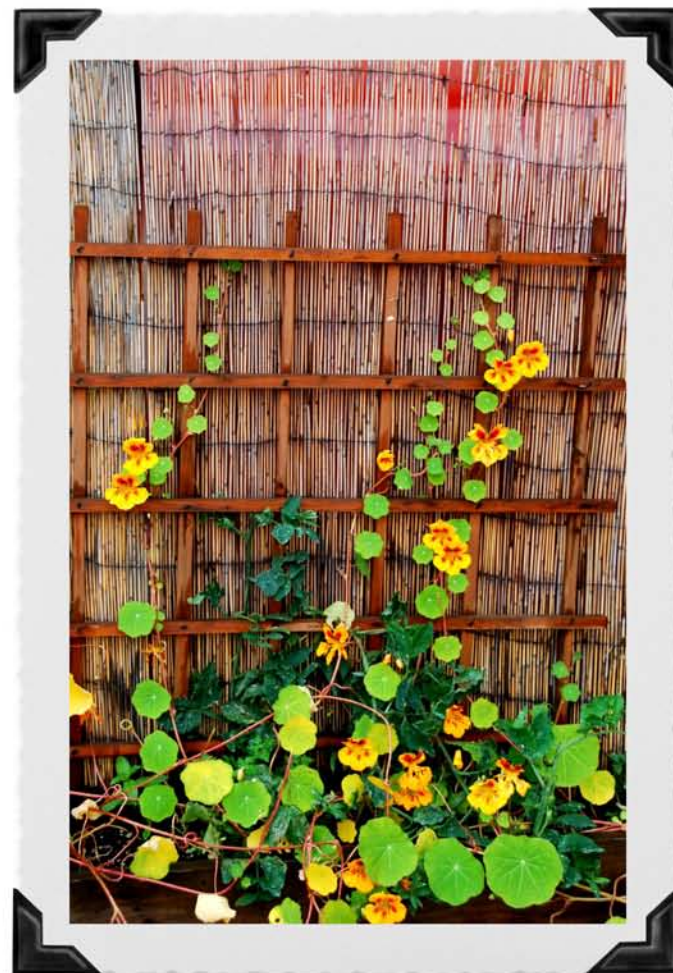
Main Street



The "Red Dog Saloon"



Art in the Park



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Governor's Mansion



∞ Juneau, Alaska - circa 1920. ∞





Wrangell-St Elias Range



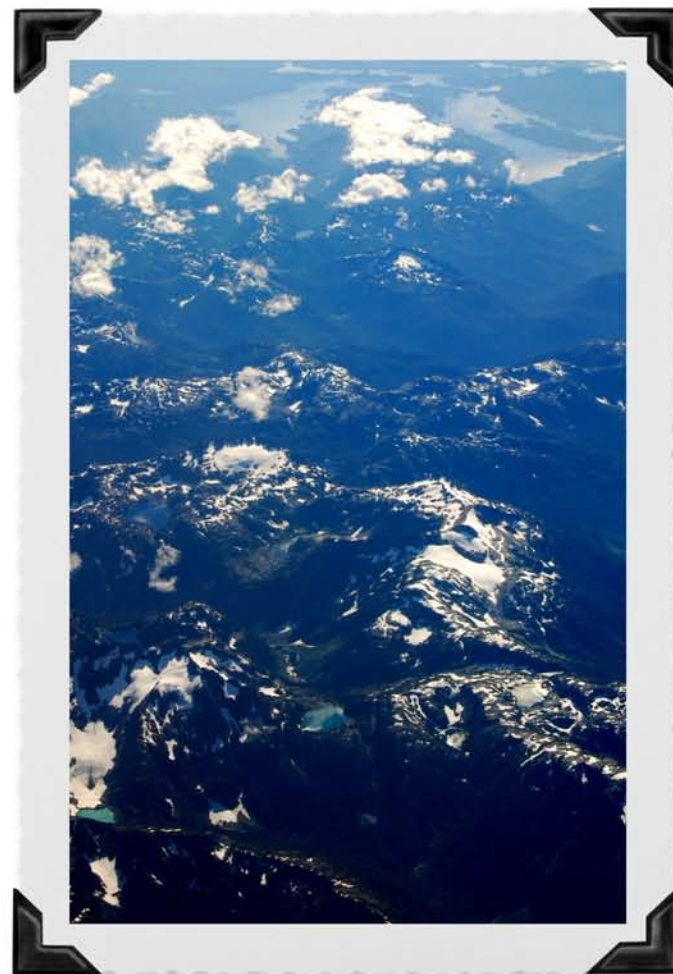
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Views from the  
plane over Alaska.

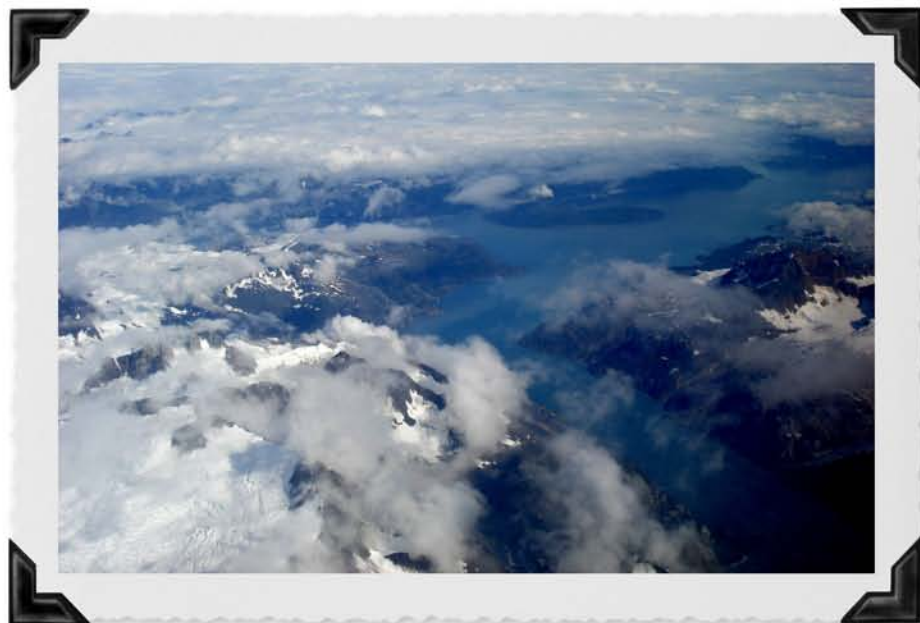




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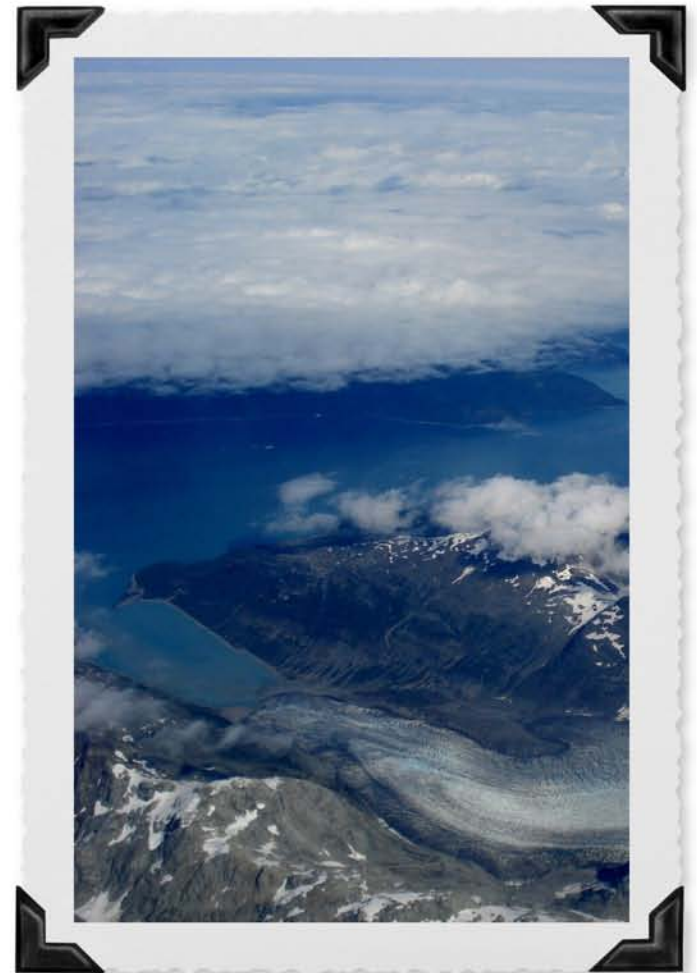


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Glacier Bay

~ Southeast Alaska ~

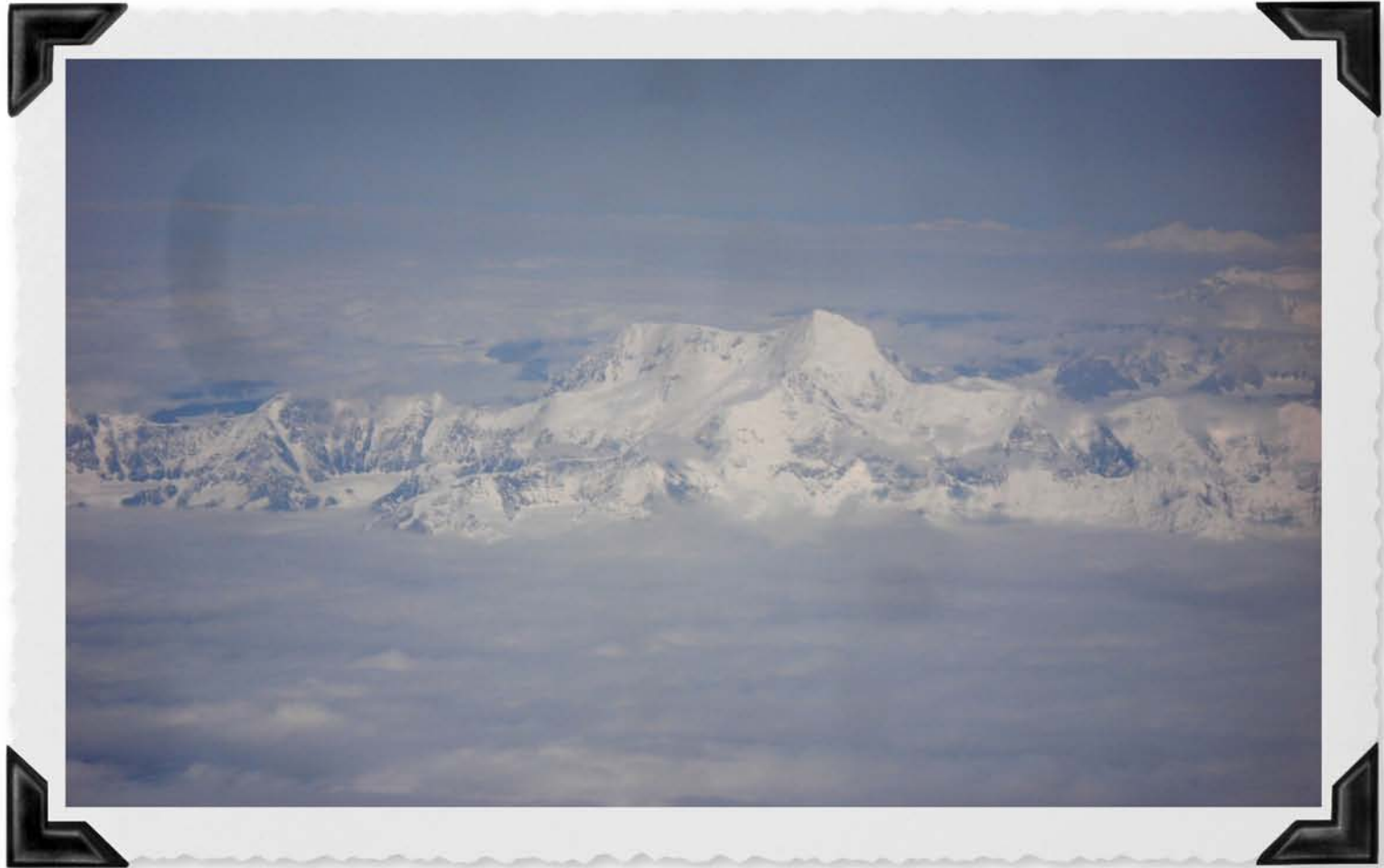


## Southeast Alaska Glacier Bay

Cruise Ship along the "Inside Passage"



## ∞ St Elias Range ∞



Mt Logan - 19,850 feet - Canada's Highest Peak