

Guide to

Alpine Ridge Trail in Kachemak Bay State Park



Trail Description:

A popular, quick route to alpine areas, this trail begins near the high point on the Saddle Trail and steeply follows a ridge through spruce and alder to alpine tundra, ending on a treeless knoll (near 2100 feet), with spectacular views of Grewingk Glacier and a deep glacial valley. Alpine tundra above treeline invites further exploration of the ridge.

Park Access:

Kachemak Bay State Park is accessed via boat from the Homer Harbor. Local water taxis can provide transportation to most park trailheads.

Camping:

No campsites at or near trailhead; no developed sites, backcountry camping above timberline. Alpine areas are extremely fragile; please practice no trace camping, no campfires.

Water Availability:

Limited water, no streams; seasonal pools beyond trail end. Use water purification techniques for drinking water to avoid contracting Giardiasis (beaver fever).



Trail Access: Saddle Trailhead: Saddle Trail to

Lagoon Trail

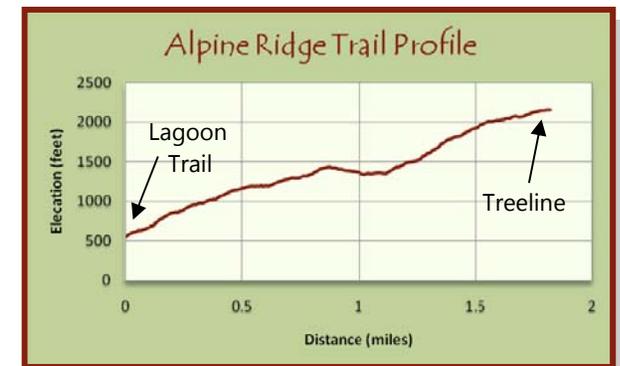
Allowable Uses: Hiking

Distance: 1.9 miles

Elevation Gain: 1600 feet

Difficulty: Moderate to Difficult;
long, steep climbs

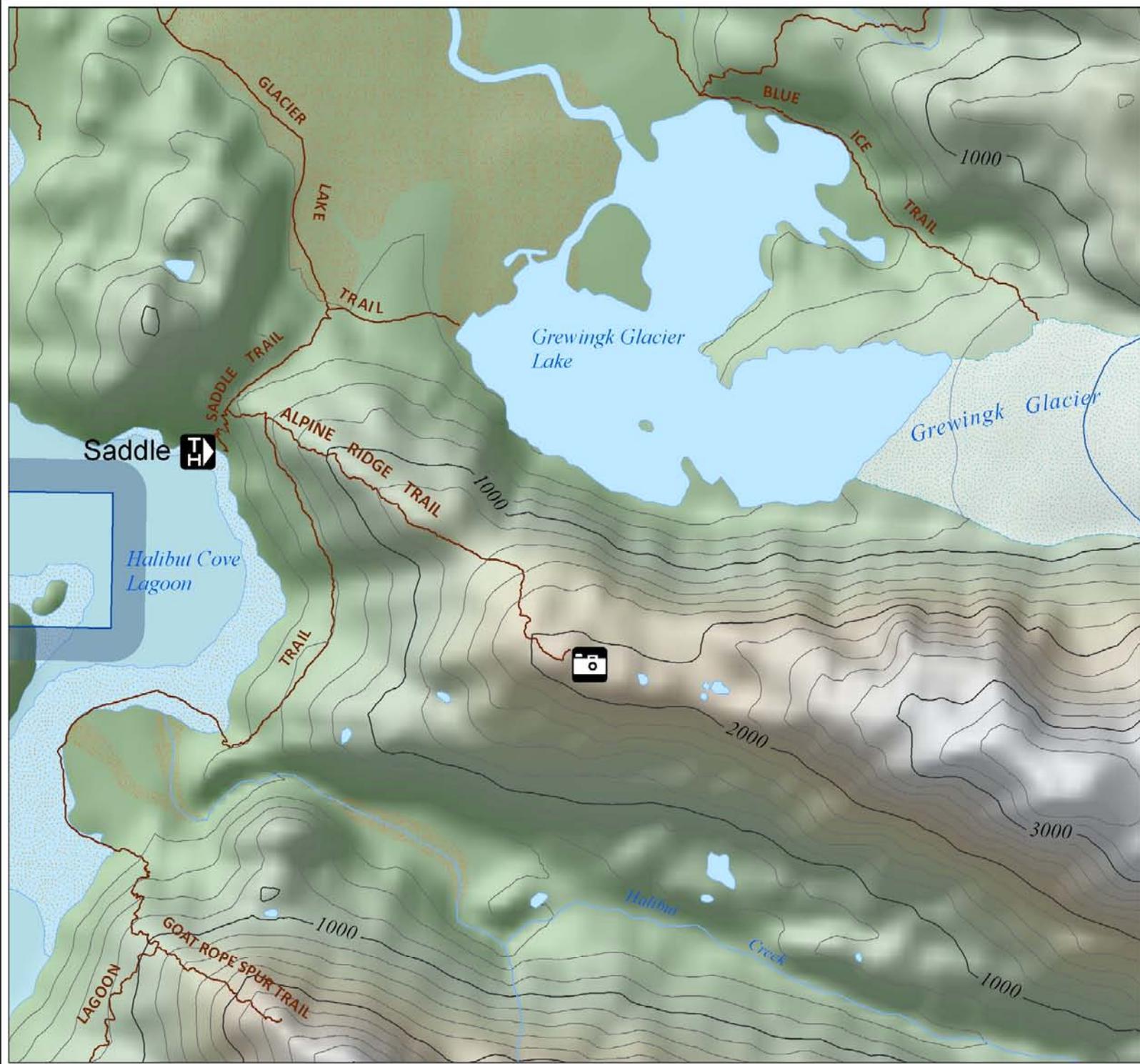
Hiking Time: 2 hours (to treeline)



Park Rules: Visit <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/units/kbay/kbay.htm> for a complete set of park rules.

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Legend

Kachemak Bay State Park	Trail
K-Bay State Wilderness Park	Stream
Lake	Trailhead
Glacier	Scenic Viewpoint
Wetland	
Moraine	

0 0.25 0.5 Miles

0 0.25 0.5 Kilometers

Contour Interval = 200ft

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