Welcome

Welcome to Tombstone Territorial Park, Yukon's most northerly park, where you can step into the history of the Klondike Gold Rush and the Ulitimit, one of the last great inland trails in North America. Experience the rugged beauty and rich cultural heritage of the Yukon.

Hunting in the park

You may encounter First Nation subsistence hunters or licensed recreational hunters within park boundaries, usually in the fall. When you see hunters, please be respectful. You are witnessing an important part of northern culture.

If you are a hunter, please respect other park users.

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You can purchase maps at the Tombstone Interpretive Centre:

- A Hiking Map of Tombstone Territorial Park
- North Fork Pass

You can purchase maps at the Yukon Parks Online Store:

- Tombstone River (sheet 1168B)
- Upper Klondike River (sheet 1168B)

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Yukon’s Tombstone Territorial Park protects a unique wilderness of rugged peaks, permafrost landforms and abundant wildlife, all reflected in a rich First Nations culture.

The park is a legacy of the Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in land claims agreement and lies entirely within their traditional territory.

The Tombstone Interpretive Centre is a 1.5-hour drive from Dawson City, 7 hours from Whitehorse and 12 hours from Inuvik.

On the Yukon portion of the Dempster Highway, gas is available only at the junction of the North Klondike and Dempster highways and at Eagle Plains, 369 km farther north. Food and lodging are only available at Eagle Plains Lodge.

Keep it wild
Plan ahead. Prepare to leave no trace.

Travel and camp on durable surfaces. Use existing trails and campsites in pristine areas, spread out on durable ground.

Dispose of waste properly. Fill it in, pack it out. Wildlife ovens are not available, resource human waste in a small hole 60 metres from water, grey water disposal and outhouses. Reserve your campsite online at Yukon.ca where you will be directed to an online, mandatory, backcountry registration and orientation.

Minimize campfire impacts. Fires are not permitted anywhere in Tombstone’s backcountry. Use lightweight camp stoves.


Backcountry camping
Registration is required for all backcountry camping in the park. Register backcountry trips at the Tombstone Interpretive Centre.

Permits are required for the Grazulis Divide and Talus lakes backcountry campgrounds. These campgrounds have tent pads, cooking platforms, grey water disposal and outhouses. Reserve your campsite online at Yukon.ca where you will be directed to an online, mandatory, backcountry registration and orientation.

Follow leave no trace principles. For bear safety, separate camping, cooking and food storage by 100 meters. Store food and garbage in bear-proof containers, for loan at the centre.

We strongly advise you to leave a trip record with a reliable friend or family member. Include your planned routes and stops on a map, your expected date of return and when to notify the authorities if you don’t show up. You can fill out an online trip plan at adventuresmart.ca.

Facilities
Tombstone Interpretive Centre
km 71.5
Open May 1 to September 30, seven days a week, including holidays. Connected to Tombstone Mountain Campground by a nature walking trail, the centre offers displays on the cultural and natural history of the area and the highway. Centre staff offer free interpretive talks and walks on a posted schedule.

Tombstone Mountain Campground
km 72
Just north of the centre, the campground offers firepits, picnic tables, outhouses, water and a picnic shelter. All campers must obtain a permit and register.

Hiking
Hiking in Tombstone is no “walk in the park.” Enjoying its incredible backcountry means taking responsibility for your own safety, and respecting the experience of others. This is a remote park with few established trails. Even if you plan on a day hike, prepare for rough terrain and drastic weather changes.

Read Into the Yukon wilderness and check the status of trails, weather and wildlife sightings at the centre.

Stay safe in Bear Country
Bear safety starts with the following basics.

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