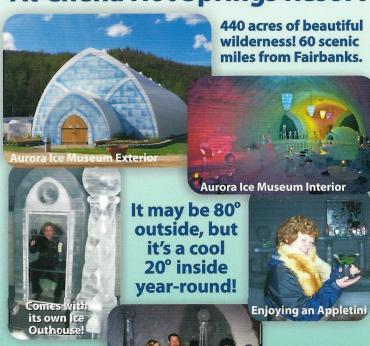
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As seen on CNN, Travel Channel, Discovery Channel, WGN and Fox!

At Chena Hot Springs Resort



Daily Tours

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11AM, 1PM, 3PM, 5PM, 7PM & 9PM*

*9PM not available year-round

Tour Pricing:

Dream Wedding Location .

Adults \$15 (ages 13+), Youth \$7.50 (ages 6-12 years), Children FREE (ages 5 & under)

> Ice-Carved Appletini \$15 (ages 21+) \$15 in addition to purchased tour

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AURORA ICE MUSEUM

Birth of a Dream

The original Aurora Ice Hotel was built in the fall of 2003. It had a gothic cathedral architectural theme with vaulted arches and massive ice blocks. It opened in early January 2004 and was an instant success. It was built by using an insulated exoskeleton over the ice structure and embedding refrigeration tubing into the ice walls. However, in June 2004 the first Ice Hotel was lost to Fairbanks' 24 hour daylight and warm temperatures. The existing Aurora Ice Museum was built in the fall of 2004 and remains today in all its glory.

The Magic of Ice

There are two kinds of ice used in ice carving: "Alaska Diamond" for its beautiful clarity and "Alaska Marble" formed by overflow water running over the surface of the Resort's beaver pond after freeze-up and mixing with snow to form a slush-like consistency. Typically the white upper layer of ice is too thin to be used and is thrown away however Steve Brice our 13-time world-champion ice carver used the white overflow ice in the museum with remarkable results.

The Galleries

The Aurora Ice Museum has an open layout with arched cathedral ceilings and gothic architecture. Five breathtaking overhead ice chandeliers with 80 carved ice crystals change color every 10 seconds to mimic the colors of the aurora borealis. Fiber optic lighting is used to create this feature. All other lighting is LED based which transmits no heat. There is an ice fireplace complete with a roaring ice fire, ice tables and caribou hide covered ice stools. A two-story ice tower castle and life-size jousters on horseback reside in the main gallery, in addition to a large animal-themed chess set, a 12 ft. high polar bear, ice igloo and an ice altar for weddings or special occasions. There are four themed bedroom galleries all fitting their description; Polar Bear, Christmas, Turret, and the Queen Anne which includes the ice outhouse. Themes and ice sculptures change often so be sure to visit again to see what's new.



The Ice Bar

The ice bar was the most popular element of the first Ice Hotel so it was doubled in size for the Aurora Ice Museum. All elements throughout the ice museum are made of ice; martini glasses, two ornamental vodka luges, beds, tables, stools, outhouse and sculptures. Our signature "Appletini" beverage comes in an individually-carved ice martini glass for \$15 (ages 21+) in addition to the \$15 price of the tour. Each ice martini glass is a work of art, your souvenir to take with you!

Chena Absorption Refrigeration System

The Aurora Ice Museum stays "on ice" year-round by using our hot water resources. That was the only way we could afford to keep it cool during our warm summer months. We teamed up with Energy Concepts to design and build a two-stage ammonia absorption refrigeration system to meet our needs—the first absorption refrigeration system of its kind using geothermal heat in the world! Chena Hot Springs Resort is "off the grid" located 30 miles from the nearest power source so we generate our own power. We have installed a geothermal power plant which helps with the high costs. Free daily geothermal tours are available at 6PM for anyone interested in learning more about the Resort's renewable energy projects.

Ice Sculpting Workshop

Steve Brice, master ice carver, offers a three night ice sculpting workshop for beginners at Chena Hot Springs Resort. Two person minimum, four person maximum. Includes Moose Lodge accommodations. \$1,800 per person.

Special Events/Weddings

Hold your wedding or special event at the Aurora Ice Museum. Daily rental appointment schedule: 12PM, 2PM, 4PM & 6PM. After-hours may be arranged for additional fee. Number of guests 0-35 \$500, 36-100 \$750, 101-150 \$1,000. Faux-fur mink capes are available in black or white for an additional \$50 rental fee.



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