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### **Mt. Goode, North Ridge**

Alaska, Chugach Mountains

**On April 11, Matt Kogel and I flew into the central Chugach and completed the first recorded ascent of the north ridge of Mt. Goode (10,610').** The peak lies at the head of the Knik Glacier, approximately 40 miles southeast of Palmer, and this striking ridge beckons to be climbed.

We found moderate snow and ice climbing up to 60°, and from the summit we managed an engaging ski descent over sastrugi and around crevasses down the standard east ridge route.

Two days later, we summited and skied Mt. Marcus Baker (13,176'), the highest peak in the Chugach. Over the following three days, we traversed the length of the Knik Glacier, skiing and hiking 46 quite adventurous miles to return to my front door in Knik.

— Travis Powell

## Images



Mt. Goode (10,610') in Alaska's Chugach Mountains. The north ridge follows the right-hand sun/shade line.



Matt Kogel heading up the lower north ridge of Mt. Goode. Mt. Marcus Baker (13,176'), the highest peak in the Chugach, is the tallest peak in the background, above Matt's ski tips.



Looking up the north ridge of Mt. Goode during the first known ascent. After summiting, Matt Kogel and Travis Powell skied down the east ridge.



Matt Kogel approaching the summit of Mt. Goode in blustery conditions after climbing the peak's north ridge.



Hiking out the ice canyon below the Knik Glacier. After climbing and skiing Mt. Goode and Mt. Marcus Baker, Matt Kogel and Travis Powell descended the length of the Knik Glacier drainage, ending the trip at Travis' front door in the town of Knik.

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