**Athabascan**

**REFERENCE BOOKS**
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- *Handbook of North American Indians, volume 5* [AK-R 970.00497 HANDBOO]
- *History, Ethnology, and Anthropology of the Aleut* [AK-R 572.8 JOCHELS]
- *Native Cultures in Alaska* [AK-R 306.089 NATIV]
- *The Native People of Alaska* [AK-R 306.089 LANGDON]

**BOOKS**
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- **Athapaskan Adaptations : Hunters and Fishermen of the Subarctic Forests**
  Explores the subsistence base, social institutions, religion, and culture of Athabascan Indians.
  N 970.3 VANSTON

- **Athapaskan Clothing and Related Objects in the Collections of Field Museum of Natural History**
  Presents an analysis of Athabascan clothing construction and adornment.
  N 301.208 VANSTON

- **The Athabaskans : People of the Boreal Forest = Ts’ibaa laalta hut’aana**.
  Contains excellent information about traditional life, kinship, clothing, shelter, knowledge of the environment, and village life.
  N 970.00497 NELSON

- **The Athapaskans : Strangers of the North**.
  Includes photos of Athabascan clothing, hunting and fishing implements, baskets and beadwork, with a brief overview of traditional and seasonal Athabascan lifestyles, ceremonies, trade, and missions.
  N 970.004 NAT

- **Bakk’aatugh Ts’uhuniy = Stories We Live By**
  Traditional Koyukon Athabaskan stories are grouped into five categories: power and compassion, power, love and jealousy, death, and war.
  N 398.20899720798 ATTLA

- **A Dena’ina Legacy : The Collected Writings of Peter Kalifornsky = K’tl’egh’i sukdu**.
  In this important contribution an Alaska Native writes down the oral literature of his people.
  N 398.2097983 KALIFOR

- **The Ethnography of the Tanaina**.
  Provides detailed information on food, dress, shelter, travel, implements, war, arts and amusements, religion, and mythology.
  N 970.3 OSGOOD
From Skins, Trees, Quills and Beads: the Work of Nine Athabascans.
Connects the personal stories of the craftspeople with the natural material and processes used in their work.
N 745.51 FROM

A History of Alaskan Athapaskans.
The author has taken some of the sub-groups of the Athabascans and written about them specifically. Photos are black and white with some excellent line drawings throughout.
N 979.800497 SIMEONE

Make Prayers to Raven: A Koyukun View of the Northern Forest.
The author lived among the Koyukon people of western Alaska while studying their intimate relationship with the animals and the land. He writes an eloquent account of the relationship between the people and their surrounding world.
N 304.209798 NELSON

Northern Athapaskan Art: A Beadwork Tradition.
This work is illustrated with colorful photos of the beadwork and costume ornamentation.
N 746.508997 DUNCAN

On the Trail of Eklutna.
Tells the history of the Tanaina Athabascan village of Eklutna, northeast of Anchorage.
N 979.830497 CHANDON

Rifles, Blankets, and Beads: Identity, History, and the Northern Athapaskan Potlatch.
Discusses life in the village of Tanacross, historically as well as contemporarily, as it relates to the potlatch.
N 979.800497 SIMEONE

Tales From the Dena: Indian Stories from the Tanana, Koyukuk, and Yukon Rivers.
Tells of the life, tribal subdivisions, religion, shamanism and storytelling of the Dena Indians, strikingly illustrated with woodcuts by Dale DeArmond.
N 398.2089 TALES

SEARCH THE CATALOG
To find additional titles, try these subject headings:
- Athapascan Indians
- Indians of North America – Alaska – Art

For more results, try a keyword search on these variant spellings and subgroup names:
- Ahtna
- Athapaskan
- Athabaskan
- Athabascan
- Dena’ina (Tanaina)
- Gwich’inn (Kutchin)
- Ingalk
- Koyukon
- Tanana
- Upper Tanana
Some authors who have written about the Aleut:
- John W. Chapman
- Richard K. Nelson
- Cornelius Osgood
- William E. Simeone
- James W. VanStone
- Velma Wallis

MAGAZINES & JOURNALS
These are good sources for Alaska Native information:
- *Alaska Journal of Anthropology*
- *Anthropological Papers of the University of Alaska*
- *Arctic Anthropology*

COMPUTER DATABASES
- For full-text documents as well as other formats, search *EbscoHost, Gale Resource Center, or Facts on File News Digest* online databases.
- For Alaska newspaper articles search the *Anchorage Daily News Archives* (1985-present) or *NewsBank Inc.* for Alaska newspapers (Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau)

ALASKA VERTICAL FILES
The Alaska Vertical Files located in Loussac Library’s Alaska Collection-Level 3, is an additional source of information.
- Look under files “Indians of North America—Alaska”

MEDIA
*Hitting Sticks, Healing Hearts*. [Video]
VHS 979.8600497 HITTING

VHS 304.209798 MAKE

*Matter of Respect*. [Video]
VHS 979.800497 MATTER

*Songs in Minto Life*. [Video]
VHS 979.800497 SONGS

*Tubughna, the Beach People*. [Video]
VHS 970.4983 TUBUGHN

*Two Old Women*. [Sound cassette] *not held at Loussac*
TC N 398.2089972 WALLIS

SELECTED INTERNET SOURCES
Alaska Digital Archive: Alaska Native History & Cultures
http://vilda.alaska.edu/
Alaska Humanities Forum: Athabascans  

Alaska Native Knowledge Network: Athabascan  
http://ankn.uaf.edu/ANCR/athabascan.html

Alaska Native Heritage Center: Athabascans  
http://alaskanative.genclik.ca/en/main_nav/education/culture_alaska/athabascan/

Alaska Native Languages  
http://www.uaf.edu/anlc/languages.html

Alaska/Polar Periodicals Index via University of Fairbanks Goldmine Library Catalog  
http://goldmine.uaf.edu/uhtbin/cgisirsi.exe/x/0/0/49/

Alaskool (Institute of Social & Economic Research, University of Alaska Anchorage)  
http://www.alaskool.org/alaska.htm

National Science Foundation – Dena’ina Qenaga  
http://qenaga.org/index.cfm

SLED – Alaska Native and Indigenous Peoples  
http://sled.alaska.edu/native.html

Smithsonian Museum of Natural History - Crossroads of Continents  
http://www.mnh.si.edu/arctic/features/croads/

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