

savoonga /1/ nome

Suppose you **were looking for** a **fun** vacation **destination** in winter. And **also**, that you **were out of your mind**. Now, what you might do is you **might pull out** a map of Alaska, **look up** Anchorage, **its** largest city, and then decide that this just isn't **crazy enough** and let your finger **wander** north and west, **across** mountain ranges, **through** millions of acres of wilderness, until you **ran out of** dirt. You would be in Nome. Nome **is said to be** home to the **desperate**, the **cutthroats** and the half dead. Nome, the end of the Earth.

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Nome **is thought to be** the end of the Earth and it **does look the part. Only** it isn't. You can see that, right on the map. To get to the **actual** end of the Earth from Nome you **would have to get on** a small plane and **head** 130 miles out into the Bering Sea, **towards** Russia, where you would land on an island so far from Alaska that it is **actually** closer to Russia than the U.S. mainland. The island's name is St.Lawrence Island. **To** the people of Siberia, this island is **the middle of nowhere. On it, according to** the map, is a village named Savoonga.