



Ilulissat

Where the icebergs start

4 or 5 Days in West Greenland
Overnight in Reykjavik post tour

2010

West Greenland for 4 or 5 days!

You have some choice how long to stay in west Greenland - but all options have a similar structure - you leave the US on an overnight flight to Iceland, arriving at Keflavik airport, and board an Air Iceland flight to Ilulissat. Once landed you'll be in the care of guides who will get you between the airport and hotel, and help you decide upon and book the optional excursions.

Why West Greenland?

Most visitors to Ilulissat - with 4,000 people and more than 5,000 sled dogs, find themselves marveling at sights they had never expected to experience. Between the dogs, the volumes of ice, the history, and the elements of an ancient respected culture, Ilulissat truly is a unique destination. If you appreciate the almost mystical qualities of light found in high latitudes, this place, naturally, flaunts those, too! From May 25 until July 23 the Midnight Sun shines on Ilulissat. From May to September walking and sailing tours are the main options for excursions. Helicopter tours to the world-famous Kangia glacier are available all year round. The sight and sound of dogs is an eloquent statement of the importance of the dogsled as a means of transport, even in a large modern town as Ilulissat. The harbor is filled with fishing vessels showing the importance of fishing in the area. Only a couple of kilometers from town is the lush valley of Sermermiut which extends down to the ice fjord. In 1727, this was the site of Greenland's then largest settlement with 250 people. Later excavations have shown that this beautiful valley has been inhabited for thousands of years.

Day Tours Available

The location of Ilulissat is breathtaking - all year round huge icebergs raising more than hundred meters above sea level are stranded at the mouth of the fiord. These icebergs are all products of the mighty and most productive glacier in the northern hemisphere; The Ilulissat Glacier gives birth daily to 20 million tons of ice which also explains why it is included on the World Heritage list. *The indicated prices are per person unless otherwise stated. Prices may change without prior notice due to specific conditions at the time and place of the excursion. Please note that not all excursions are available during every tour-program that includes this destination. Check the tour-program for a list of excursions available on that particular tour.*

City Walk Ilulissat

During a walk through town the guide tells about the history of Ilulissat. You'll visit the old part of town and see buildings from the very start of the Danish trading station, the busy fishing harbor, the old church and the museum. Lunch at a local restaurant. *Duration: 4 hours Price: DKK 400 including lunch*

The Icebergs of Sermermiut

By bus as far as the road goes. A beautiful walk along the UNESCO designated Ilulissat Ice Fjord to Sermermiut where traces from the 3 old Eskimo cultures still can be seen. Sermermiut is a fertile valley next to the Ice Fjord; here you can enjoy the flowers as well as the fantastic icebergs. *Duration: 3 hours Price: DKK 300 including refreshment*

Hunter's Settlement - Rodebay

By boat to the small settlement Oqaitut/Rodebay with a local population of about 40 persons totally depending upon fishing and hunting - a quite different world compared to the nearby town of Ilulissat. Guided walk through the village before you enjoy lunch at the old trading station. *Duration: 6 hours Price: DKK 1000 including lunch*

Midnight Cruise to the Ice Fjord

The midnight sun and the warm red colors reflecting in the gigantic icebergs is a fantastic sight. Cruise between the icebergs and enjoy a late Martini on "the real rocks"! Season for midnight sun is approx. 22 May-24 Jul. Outside this season the excursion is operated as an evening cruise with the beautiful sunset reflecting over the icebergs. *Duration: 3 hours Price: DKK 500*

4 Days in Illulissat, Greenland

Friday: evening: Leave US.

Saturday: after early arrival at Iceland's Keflavik Airport, depart for Illulissat (lunch on flight). Upon arrival you're met by Arctic Adventure guide, who will get you to your hotel and explain the program.

Saturday thru Monday: You'll have a room with private bath. Tours available every day. Breakfast at the hotel every day. Choose among optional excursions, or take time on your own to explore.

Tuesday: Breakfast at the hotel and then head to the airport for midday flight back to Reykjavik - lunch during flight.

Tuesday: Overnight in Reykjavik at a hotel, which is included in the price

Wednesday: return home with Icelandair, or continue with more Iceland adventures.

5 Days in Illulissat, Greenland

Monday: evening: leave US.

Tuesday: after early arrival at Iceland's Keflavik Airport, depart for Illulissat (lunch on flight). Upon arrival you're met by Arctic Adventure guide, who will get you to your hotel and explain the program.

Wednesday through Friday: You'll have a room with private bath. Choose among optional excursions, or take time on your own to explore.

Saturday: Breakfast at the hotel and then head to the airport for midday flight back to Reykjavik - lunch during flight.

Saturday: Overnight in Reykjavik at a hotel, which is included in the price

Sunday: Fly home in the afternoon, or continue with more Iceland adventures.



4 Day Tour

Tour Dates below are in Greenland, does not include travel days (call to add days!)

Prices Per person/double occupancy from US

Leave US on	Friday	Monday
Depart Iceland	Saturday	Tuesday
for Greenland		

Hotel Arctic (includes welcome dinner 1st night)

June 26-Aug 28	\$3723	June 22 to Aug. 24	\$3915
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Hotel Falk

June 26 to Aug 28	\$3565	June 22 to Aug. 24	\$3785
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Meals: Breakfast

Return to Iceland Tuesday

Ask about land only prices.

5 Day Tour

Tour Dates below are in Greenland, does not include travel days (call to add days!)

Prices

Per person/double occupancy from US

Leave US on

Monday

Depart Iceland

Tuesday

for Greenland

Breakfast

Saturday

Please note: All bookings in Greenland are subject to Special Conditions, to which you must agree when booking!

Special Conditions! Arctic weather and limited capacity in Greenland may cause traffic delays resulting in interruptions, limitations or changes in the itinerary. This may result in extra expenses to cover meals, hotel accommodation and/or transportation not foreseen in the program. Such expenses have to be paid directly by travelers themselves. The tour operator cannot accept any responsibility, economic or otherwise for such changes.

2010 Price includes round trip airfare to Iceland, including fuel surcharge and departure taxes, from Boston, New York, Minneapolis (ask about prices from Toronto, Halifax and Europe) Add \$110 per person from Seattle. Also includes most airport transfers, flights to and from Greenland, hotels with private baths, breakfast every day, English speaking guides. **Not** included in the price are meals other than breakfast, optional tours or excursions in Iceland and Greenland.

Day tours are booked, and paid for, once you are in Greenland.

Prices for local tours are listed in Danish Kronur, (DKK) as that's the currency used in Greenland. See www.xe.com for latest conversions from \$US to DKK. Most tours and purchases can be made by credit card.

Flying is the only way to travel between communities in most of Greenland. The aircraft that serve Greenland fly from one remote area to another and any delays at one airport is telegraphed through the system. Because of this, we build some flexibility into any Greenland program. Travel between Iceland and Greenland can be uncertain as well, so we never schedule a flight back to the US from Iceland on the same day as you return from Greenland. Most packages include a final night's accommodations in Iceland - and if not, we'll be happy to arrange that for you.

By Helicopter to the Ice Cap

During your stay in Ilulissat the guide will try to arrange an excursion by helicopter - including a ground stop where you can leave the helicopter!

During the flight we cruise in low altitude over the Ilulissat Ice Fjord which is now on the UNESCO World Heritage list.

Operation is depending on the weather and helicopter capacity. Can only be booked locally!

30min. flight + 30min. ground stop DKK 2350, 55min. flight + 30min. ground stop DKK 2850

Hunter's Settlement - Ilimanaq

By boat to the settlement of Ilimanaq, which is situated just south of the Kangia Ice Fjord. Ilimanaq has a population of approx. 80 persons mainly depending upon fishing and hunting. A completely different world compared to the town of Ilulissat. Upon arrival you'll have a guided tour of the settlement before enjoying lunch with a local family.

Can also be operated by night at a smaller surcharge of DKK 250 per person.

Duration: 6 hours (approx.) Price: DKK 1000 including lunch

Home Visit

Visit a Greenland home, enjoy the "Coffee-Mik" (a cup of coffee which by tradition is served to all visitors) and learn about Greenland and its population.

Duration: 2 hours (approx.), Price: DKK 175

Eqip - The Calving Glacier

Eqip glacier is the only glacier in the Ilulissat area where you can often experience a glacier calving. Cruise in front of the 5 km wide glacier - enjoying lunch - and hope for the unique sight of an iceberg "delivery". A lot of seabirds know from experience that any calving from the glacier will result in a huge meal as the new iceberg turns in the water, bringing a lot of sea animals to the surface.

Hotel Hvide Falk

Hvide Falk is a modern 3 star hotel based in Ilulissat. The hotel is situated at the waterfront of the world famous Icefjord with an impressive view over the Disko Bay.

Each room is beautifully furnished and has a telephone, television and wireless internet access as standard equipment. For your comfort you are welcome to visit the solarium.

During your stay at Hotel Hvide Falk the staff can help you to arrange different tours in the area.

Hotel Arctic

The warm and welcoming four-star Hotel Arctic is set in the dramatic surroundings just outside Ilulissat and 1.5 kilometers from the airport. Most rooms have a magnificent view of the town and the fjord with its impressive icebergs. The hotel has been awarded the Green Key Award in recognition of its environmentally friendly management and has a professional, but relaxed atmosphere

Restaurant, brassiere and bar with a panoramic view over the Ilulissat Ice fjord.

The hotel bus shuttles regularly between the hotel and the town.



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