

Polar Circle Marathon

OPTIONAL EXTENSION PACKAGE ILULISSAT 28 – 31 October 2024

Approx. Prices Per Person	Double-share	Single
Hotel Hvide Falk - Standard room	R 25 345	R 29 595
Hotel Hvide Falk - Bayview room	R 28 645	R 33 945

What makes Greenland a truly unique destination is the combination of wild nature and the Inuit culture that has adapted to it through generations. It is in the towns and settlements that we find the "real" Greenland. Small colourful houses cling to mountainsides Culture and architecture are both enriched and limited by nature, and if you take just a few steps outside the town you'll find yourself almost completely isolated, surrounded by one of the world's last and largest wildernesses. Ilulissat founded more than 250 years ago, is the third largest town in Greenland with just under 5000 residents.

⇒ Day 1 – 28 October 2024: Kangerlussuaq to Ilulissat

You will check in for Air Greenland's flight to Ilulissat. Upon arrival and transfer to the town where you check in at Hotel Hvide Falk. The hotel is situated at the waterfront with an impressive view over the Disco Bay where stray icebergs from the Icefjord, located just south of town. Restaurants, museums, shops and the harbour are all within walking distance.

The town of Ilulissat is picturesque, lively, and inviting. By Greenlandic standards, it offers many cultural sights that include a hunting and fishing museum and a fine collection of paintings by Emanuel A. Petersen. Your tour leader will guide you on a walking tour through the town, showing you iconic sights such as the Zion Church and the fish market, and giving you an overall introduction to the town and all the possible activities to be done in the area.

Meals: Breakfast

⇒ Day 2 – 29 October 2024: Ilulissat and the Icefjord

Ilulissat is rightfully called the Capital of Icebergs. South of the city, the enormous Icefjord cuts its way through the landscape. It starts 32km further inland, where the huge Sermeq Kujalleq Glacier is calving icebergs with a speed of 25 meters per day. It is responsible for the production of 10% of all Greenland's icebergs, making it the most productive glacier outside of Antarctica. These icebergs float down the fjord and out into Disco Bay, where the icy giants linger.

Its importance to glacial science and the stunning natural settings have put the Icefjord on UNESCO's World Heritage list. After breakfast, you will walk to the harbour and embark on a 2½ hours boat trip on the Icefjord where you will get an up close and personal view of the impressive "floating mountains." The afternoon is free to shop or walk to one of the nearby hilltops overlooking the Icefjord. Alternatively, you can go on some of the optional excursions if weather permits.

Meals: Breakfast

⇒ Day 3 – 30 October 2024: Ilulissat

This morning, after breakfast at your hotel, you will go for a walk to the Sermermiut Valley. The hike is a must-do activity in the region and will take you approximately 2 kilometers south of Ilulissat, beginning at the old heliport. From there, you enter the UNESCO-area on a wooden path toward the famous ruins of Sermermiut. Sermermiut is an ancient settlement that has been home to many different Inuit people for more than 4000 years. The stone ruins of old turf houses are scattered on various hilltops that you will be able to see as you walk. You continue through the old settlement to Nakkaavik, a cliff whose name means 'the place to fall.' You can ask your guide about the origin of this haunted name. From here, you are treated to a breathtaking view of the Kangia, another name for the famous Ilulissat Icefjord with its many massive icebergs.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 4 – 31 October 2024: Ilulissat - Kangerlussuaq - Copenhagen

In the morning, you will head to the airport and take a domestic flight to Kangerlussuaq. From there, you board a flight to Copenhagen, where you will arrive in the evening. Due to connection times, we do not recommend booking a same day flight home. Post-nights can be booked at the Hebron Hotel in central Copenhagen.

Meals: Breakfast and a flight meal

For reservations, please contact

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