Optional Extension Ilulissat

30 October to 02 November 2023



TWIN SHARE

SINGLE ROOM

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

FROM \$2060 AUD

FROM \$2405AUD

Ilulissat is one of Greenland's most picturesque towns and the best place to see one of nature's true wonders – the Ice Fjord. What makes Greenland a truly unique destination is the combination of wild nature & the Inuit culture adapted to it through hundreds of generations. It is along the coast the people of Greenland live and it is in the towns and settlements that we find "the real Greenland. Small colourful houses cling to mountainsides, culture and architecture enriched and limited by nature. Just outside the town is complete isolation, surrounded by one of the world's last and biggest wildernesses. Optional tours are available such as helicopter or small plane ride over the Ice Fjord is a stunning experience or if there is enough snow you may see the dog sleds in operation..



PACKAGE INCLUDE:

- Return airfares and taxes from Kangerlussauq to Ilulissat
- 3 nights at Hotel Hvide Falk Check-In 30 Oct | Check-Out 02 Nov
- Breakfast Daily
- English speaking tour leader
- · Guided city walk in Ilulissat
- Boat trip to the Ice Fjord

Day 1 - Monday 30 October: Kangerlussuag to Ilulissat

Check in for Air Greenland's flight to Ilulissat in the morning. After arrival and transfer to the town you will check in as a group at Hotel Hvide Falk. The hotel is situated at the waterfront of the world-famous Ice fjord with an impressive view over the Disko Bay. Restaurants, museums, shops and the harbour are all within walking distance. Ilulissat is situated in the heart of the famed Disko Bay, an area of great natural beauty. By Greenland standards, the town offers many cultural sights that - apart from the birthplace and museum of arctic explorer Knud Rasmussen - includes a Hunting and Fishing museum and the fine collection of paintings of Emanuel A. Petersen. Since the foundation of Ilulissat, more than 250 years ago, it is Greenland's third largest city with more than 4000 inhabitants. The main occupation is fishing. The tour leader will guide you on a walking tour, giving an overall introduction to the town. Breakfast is included.

Day 2 - Tuesday 31 October: Ilulissat and the Ice fjord

Ilulissat is rightfully called the capital of icebergs. In the Disko Bay, just off the coast of Ilulissat, the gigantic icebergs linger. South of the city the enormous Ice fjord cuts its way through the country. It starts 32 kilometers further inland, where the huge Sermeq Kujalleq Glacier, with a front more than 5 kilometers wide and several hundred meters high, is calving icebergs with a speed of 25 metres per day, equivalent to 20 million tons of ice or more than 10% of all icebergs in Greenland. This makes the glacier the most productive outside Antarctica. These facts and the stunning setting have put the Ice fjord on UNESCO's World Heritage list. After breakfast, you will walk to the harbour and embark for a 2½ hours boat trip on the Ice fjord where you will see the spectacular icebergs. You will get quite close to the impressive "floating mountains" and see their true greatness. Remember to bring warm clothes. The afternoon is free to shop or walk to one of the nearby hilltops overlooking the Ice fjord or go on some of the optional excursions if available. Breakfast is included.

Day 3 - Wednesday 01 November: Ilulissat

The guide will walk you down to the Sermermiut Valley, approximately 2 kilometers south of Ilulissat. Sermermiut means "The People by the Ice", and the place has been inhabited from 1400 BC to 1737. In 1727 when the first Danish commercial expedition arrived at the Ice fjord and discovered Sermermiut, some 250 people were living there. You will then walk along the fjord and up onto the hills with a grand view of the Ice fjord. The rest of the day is at leisure with the opportunity to book one of the optional tours. Breakfast is included.

Day 4 - Thursday 02 November: Ilulissat back to Kangerlussuaq and on to Copenhagen

Transfer to Kangerlussuag airport for the flight to Copenhagen (evening arrival). Breakfast and a meal on the flight is included.

