

South Greenland 4 days - easy going

South Greenland is famous for its Norse history and blue icebergs, and you can easily reach both from the airport in Narsarsuaq. Explore the historic site of Brattahlid, the place where the intrepid and notorious Viking Eric the Red settled, and discover why he named it Greenland! Visit the charming village of Igaliku on a day trip through a luxuriant and idyllic part of Greenland. On the last day, we take you on an unforgettable boat ride into the Qooroq Ice Fjord, where 200,000 tons of ice calves from the glacier front every day.

Detailed itinerary

Day 1

Arrival in Narsarsuaq. In the afternoon you can take a little hike to the Signal Hill viewpoint (about 1 hour). From the top you can admire an impressive view of the glacier.

Accommodation in Narsarsuaq for 3 nights.

Day 2

Day trip to Igaliku. The trip goes through Erik's Fjord to Itilleq – the harbour that serves the settlement of Igaliku. You now have a short walk (4 km) on the King's Road (named after the Danish King's visit in 1952) to the small historic settlement of Igaliku, which is one of the most beautiful villages in Greenland. From the highest point on the road, you overlook the colourful houses, the green hills and the milky-blue fjord. On the other side of the fjord towers Illerfissalik Mountain with its snow-covered peak piercing the clear blue sky. Igaliku was the Episcopal seat during the Norse period and the ruins from that time are very impressive. Today the town thrives from sheep farming. There is a school, a church and a shop. You can enjoy lunch made with local products at the café in the Country Hotel. The return journey is by boat to Narsarsuaq in the late afternoon/evening.

Day 3

Day trip to Qassiarsuk. The village of Qassiarsuk is situated across the fjord approx. 15 minutes by boat from Narsarsuaq. Today sheep farmers cultivate exactly the same land that the Viking Eric the Red chose for his settlement more than 1,000 years ago. Take a stroll through the village, which beautifully combines ancient history and modern living, and visit the Brattahlid open-air museum (admission fee is not included), which consists of the replicas of Tjodhilde's Church and a Norse longhouse. You can also take an enjoyable hike from Qassiarsuk towards Sermilik Fjord on the other side of the peninsula. Halfway there you can enjoy an amazing view over both fjords; Sermilik is usually filled with ice floes. If you follow the gravel road all the way to the end, you will reach the Tasiusaq sheep farm (16 km return).

In the afternoon follows a boat trip to the Qooroq Ice Fjord. This is a boat trip among icebergs of all colours, sizes and shapes. When the glacier is in view, the boat engine is stopped, so you can enjoy the absolute silence and a drink chilled with glacier ice – more than 1000 years old!

Day 4

Check out of the room. You can spend the rest of your stay enjoying a cup of coffee at the cosy Blue Ice Café and/or visiting the museum in Narsarsuaq.

Departure Narsarsuaq.

In short

Arrivals/Departures in 2019

From Saturday to Tuesday from Iceland

Accommodation

Accommodation at hotel with private or shared facilities

Meals

Breakfast included

Dinner and lunch packets can be ordered at the hotels

Difficulty

No special requirements on this trip

Price

Private facilities

Double room: EUR 586 / DKK 4,250 per person

Single room: EUR 818 / DKK 5,930 per person

Shared facilities

Double room: EUR 446 / DKK 3,230 per person

Single room: EUR 570 / DKK 4,130 per person

25% discount for children 2-11 years

Price includes

All accommodations incl. breakfast

All boat transfers

Transport of luggage

Boat trip to the Qooroq Ice Fjord

Note! Flights are not included