SARFAQ ITTUK
ALONG THE WEST COAST
OF GREENLAND

Welcome aboard



# NORTHBOUND

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An amazing journey by ship with a guide onboard

The journey begins in the gentle and luxuriant southern Greenland, where the sheep is gracing pastures stretch right down to the fiord.

The guide onboard gives lectures in different topics about Greenland and makes sightseeing in some of the smaller cities/settlements.

Get close to the harbour environment in the smaller seaports, as all the locals often gather when a ship comes in. This is a nice interruption of everyday life in a small seaport, which is often blocked by ice several months at a time. The seaport is where families meet and part and where busy fishermen work on the catch of the day. There are great opportunities of seeing whales and seals during the journey, as they play under the surface of the sea and in between the icebergs.

During the sailing trip we cross the polar circle about 300 kilometers south of Ilulissat, where the midnight sun is until the middle of July. We reach Ilulissat after 1,200 kilometers at sea.

### **THURSDAY: Qaqortoq**

Hope you enjoyed your stay in Qaqortoq, went on a city tour; saw the beautiful stone sculptures which in several places have been carved right into the rock face. Took a stroll down to the center of town where the locals gather or went on a boat trip and visited the church ruins in one of the nearby settlements.

At 07:30 we board the coastal ship M/S Sarfaq Ittuk which departs at 08:00.

#### THURSDAY: Paamiut

Today we will be northbound on the ocean along the west coast. Now that we are out of the fiord the chances of seeing whales increase and much of the time, will be spent on the lookout for these giants of the sea.

The seaport visits today will be shortly in Paamiut at 22:45 to 23:15

#### FRIDAY: Qegertarsuatsiaat - Nuuk

As the capital of Greenland is the main port and afternoon layover, it provides you with an excellent opportunity to see the sights that Nuuk has to offer. Visit the National Museum of Greenland, home of the mummies found in the north of the country, Seat of the Parliament of Greenland or the Nuuk City Council chamber with the beautiful tapestries, our fabulous public pool Malik, our Institute of Natural Resources, Nuuk Art Museum, our culture center Katuaq or the fascinating statue of The Mother of the Sea and many more.

Seaport visits are in Qegertarsuatsiaat at 06:30 to 06:45 and Nuuk at 14:30 to 21:00.

#### SATURDAY: Maniitsog - Sisimiut

As we are approaching Maniitsoq, the steeper the mountain scenery becomes, and the area around Maniitsoq offers some of the most rough and beautiful nature in Greenland. The journey continues north as we pass the Arctic Circle. After departure from Maniitsoq you can experience the fantastic scenario of Hamburger Sund. During the visit in Sisimiut a good option is to take a guided tour of the town. Sisimiut is the most northern town to be free of ice all year round and at the same time the most southern town to house Greenlan-

dic sledge dogs. The tour offers plenty of opportunities to see the dogs, as they relax in their summer spots around town. Each winter these dogs will pull several hundred kilo heavy sledges. The town also known for its beautiful Greenland art crafts.

Today's seaport visits is in Maniitsoq at 07:00 to 08:00 and Sisimiut at 19:00 to 21:00.

#### **SUNDAY:** Aasiaat og Ilulissat

The area around Aasiaat offers rich opportunity to see humpback whales, so keep an eye on the surface of the sea. We arrive in the Disko Bay, where the view is marked by enormous icebergs. One iceberg leads to the next and depending on the time of day, the sun light bathes the icebergs in a fascinating range of colors from a cool blue to wonderful warm golden hues.

Shortly before arrival in Ilulissat, we pass by the impressive ice fiord Kangia where enormous icebergs only wait to be pushed out to sea. If you listen carefully you can hear the ice creak and crack. Contact the ship guide before arrival to Ilulissat for sightseeing tours. The ship guide is in contact with the incoming bureau in Ilulissat and can make contact between you and the incoming bureau before arrival.

Today's seaport visit starts with Aasiaat at 08:00 to 08:30 and Ilulissat which we arrive at 13:00.

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# SOUTHBOUND

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Similar scenery unfolds when the ship leaves port again, but this time smiles are often replaced by tears as loved ones and family members' part, maybe for a lengthy separation.

More often than not, cars will be honking on the pier as a goodbye to the departing vessel while the crowd cheers and waves shouting phrases such as "love you" and "have a safe journey".

There are great chances of seeing whales and seals during the journey, as they play under the surface of the sea and in between the icebergs. Southern Greenland is very green, with lush fiords, sheep farms and fields of growing produce like potatoes. This is garden of Greenland and farmers are able to grow some vegetables like cabbage, potatoes and tomatoes.

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#### **SUNDAY: Ilulissat - Aasiaat**

At 17:00 depart from Ilulissat. The area, which provides the very best opportunity of seeing humpback whales frolicking in the sea, is between Ilulissat and Aasiaat. Other than whales there is a variety of different seabirds which may be seen during the voyage. This area has the world's largest known colony of arctic terns. Today's seaport visit is Aasiaat at 21:30 to 22:00.

Though fishing is by far the most dominant occupation, the town is also host to one of North Greenland's upper secondary schools. Culturally speaking, the town has a lot to offer, including its old neighborhood, housing both the museum and the community center which is decorated with 24 paintings.

### **MONDAY: Sisimiut - Maniitsoq**

As the trip continues south, the day can be spent on deck watching for whales and enjoying the beautiful coastal scenery. The ship has now left the Disko Bay and the landscape becomes rougher and steeper. The landmark "Kællingehætten" stands behind the town of Sisimiut and creates a fascinating backdrop for the beautiful and colorful Greenlandic wooden houses, which the town is known for. During your visit you can go on a guided tour of the town. Leaving Sisimiut behind we venture out further south on our journey, past the Arctic Circle to arrive in Maniitsoq. The nature here is among the most beautiful in Greenland and the coastal line is very special with plenty of opportunity of experiencing the bountiful birdlife.

Today's seaport visit is in Sisimiut at 09:00 to 11:00 and in Maniitsog at 21:30 to 22:30.

#### **TUESDAY:** Nuuk - Qegertarsuatsiaat

Arriving in Nuuk, the capital city of Greenland, this is the main port for the ship, and the half day layover provides you with an excellent opportunity to see the sights that Nuuk has to offer. Take on a sightseeing tour of the town. Choose between visiting the National Museum of Greenland, home of the mummies found in the north of the country, Seat of the Parliament of Greenland or the Nuuk City Council chamber with the beautiful tapestries, our fabulous public pool Malik our Institute of Natural Resources, Nuuk Art Museum, our culture center Katuaq and the fascinating statue of The Mother of the Sea. Contact the ship guide before arrival who is in contact with the incoming bureau in Nuuk.

After the brief visit in Nuuk the ship continues on its journey South to Qeqertarsuatsiaat "the large quiet island" and its population of about 240 people – one of the largest settlements in Greenland.

Today's seaport visits will be in Nuuk at 07.30 to14:30, and Qegertarsuatsiaat at 22:30 to 22:45

## WEDNESDAY: Paamiut - Narsaq - Qaqortoq

Today the ship reaches southern Greenland which is known for its fertile and mild climate. Depending on the season the flowers will be blooming, and you will easily understand why the Vikings chose to settle down in this beautiful area.

Today's seaport visits will be in Paamiut 06:00 to 06:30 and Narsaq at 21:30 to 22:00, before arriving to Qaqortoq at 24:00.

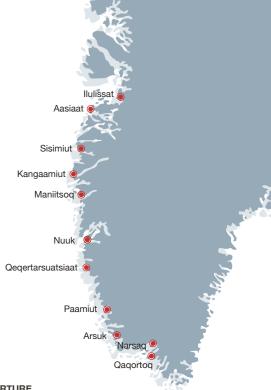
#### SARFAQ ITTUK

Vessel canacity

The vessel has a café, stern lounge with panorama windows and a playroom for children. The vessel was built in 1992 and modernized and lengthened in the winter of 1999/2000. She is now 73 meters long and 11 meters wide. With an engine of 2000 hp the vessels steams at a speed of 13 knots.

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vessel capacity	270 passerigers		
Length	73 meters		
Beam	11 meters		
Draught	4,2 meters		
Gross tonnage	2118 tons		
Cabin beds	104		
Couchettes	135		
Seats, café	90		
Seats, lounge	approx. 60		
Cruising speed	12 knots		
Crew	22		
Building/rebuilding year	1992/2000		



## **SCHEDULE 2016**

## **APRIL 29 - SEPTEMBER 2**

		ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
Nuuk	Friday		21:00
Maniitsoq	Saturday	07:00	08:00
Kangaamiut		11:30	11:45
Sisimiut		19:00	21:00
Aasiaat	Sunday	08:00	08:30
Ilulissat		13:00	17:00
Aasiaat		21:30	22:00
Sisimiut	Monday	09:00	11:00
Kangaamiut		17:45	18:00
Maniitsoq		21:30	22:30
Nuuk	Tuesday	07:30	14:30
Qeqertarsuatsiaat		22:30	22:45
Paamiut	Wednesday	06:00	06:30
Arsuk		12:45	13:00
Narsaq		21:30	22:00
Qaqortoq	Thursday	24:00	08:00
Arsuk		16:15	16:30
Paamiut		22:45	23:15
Qeqertarsuatsiaat	Friday	06:30	06:45
Nuuk		14:30	

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