

# **MS05** Camp East Greenland

CAMP NAME	Camp East Greenland – Give Greenlandic Children the time of their life
CAMP TYPE	Kids, Social, Cultural
DATES	Days in total: 32  Arrival:  Date: 8 <sup>th</sup> of July 2018  Time: See remarks under 'TRAVEL AND TICKETS'  Departure:  Date: 8 <sup>th</sup> of August 2018  Time: See remarks under 'TRAVEL AND TICKETS'
AGE GROUP	20-40 years.  You have to be at least 20 years old since we are working with vulnerable children and youngsters
NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	9
DISABILITY	Not physical disability. Minor hearing or sight disabilities might be possible if you can still do activities.
LOCATION	Ittoqqortoormiit
	The Danish NGO 'Association Greenlandic Children' has been making projects for children and youth in Greenland since 1924. <a href="www.fgb.dk">www.fgb.dk</a> (only in Danish) We have been doing work camps every summer since 2014.
	Association Greenland Children is cooperating with the local School in the town of Ittoqqortoormiit.
ORGANIZATION	Ittoqqortoormiit is a small town located on the east cost of Greenland with 375 inhabitants. 58 of these are children at the age of 6 to 16 years. Despite of the size of the town, Ittoqqortoormiit is in many ways a well-equipped town with a store, post office, school, kinder garden, church etc. However, in many ways Ittoqqortoormiit is also a very remote place.



It is isolated in northeast Greenland at 70 degrees north. The nearest neighbour to the north is the world's largest national park
"Greenland National Park" which contains 972,000 km². The nearest Greenlandic city is Tasiilaq, which lies 945 km. to the south.
Reykjavik in Iceland is approx. 700 km. from Ittoggortoormiit.

In 2018, it is only possible to get to Ittoqqortoormiit by flying through Iceland. This means that Ittoqqortoormiit has become even more cut off from the rest of Greenland, and it is quite expensive to travel back and forward to the city. The prize on air tickets also means that tourists rarely visit Ittoqqortoormiit. Therefore, the municipality of Ittoqqortoormiit gets no worldly inspiration, and children are bored and under-stimulated. Fishing and hunting for seals, whales, walrus and polar bears is Ittoqqortoormiit's main business together with tourism, where you can ride a dog sled in wintertime.

#### WORK

Association Greenlandic Children wants Camp East to give the children of Ittoqqortoormiit the best summer ever. The activities will take place five days a week 12.00-18.00, and will fall into these categories:

- Music
- Dance
- Singing
- Games
- Sports
- Excursions

The volunteers will decide which activities to offer during the camp. We will invite the entire population to a social event every saturday. This could be a night of music and dancing, teaching each other to play an instrument, cooking food from your home country, movie night etc.

You will only be given one day off each week; Sunday. On Sundays you are completely free to do whatever you want.

# ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

#### Accommodation:

The Greenlandic Children Association ensures that you will get a place to stay. We expect you to stay in a shared-bedroom with another volunteer of the same sex. Telephone coverage might be scarcely, and you might not be able to use the internet more than once a week for a very short time.



	Accommodation in Reykjavik is provided by the host from the $8^{th}$ – $11^{th}$ of July.
	Kitchen + bathroom facilities: Food can be scarce in the shop in Ittoqqortoormiit. Everything will have to be transported by ship, which can only take place during the two months of summer. Therefor you should be able to adapt to these local conditions or bring a small stock of goods yourself. It can be difficult to be vegetarian or vegan, since many meals in Greenland is based on meat and fish. Therefor you will have to bring some stuff yourself, if you need a special diet.
	We will make cooking and cleaning teams. The group is responsible for shopping, cooking, cleaning etc. which is also going to take up some of your time every day. So you should expect long days.
LOCATION AND LEISURE	The nature in Greenland is in general amazing. But in Ittoqqortoormiit there will always be a risk of meeting a polar bear, why leaving town will only take place on coordinated excursions where a local hunter will guide us.
	Hiking in the fells and the nearby glaciers is amazing and a unique experience. You can decide to organize a weekly leisure activity going hiking, fishing etc. on Sundays, which is your weekly day off.
	Hopefully the gym will be accessible to us around the clock. It will also be possible to play football or other sports with the community.
	Since Ittoqqortoormiit is on 70 degrees North, there will be broad daylight around the clock.
REMARKS (other information)	IMPORTANT!  Volunteers will travel as a group from Reykjavik to Greenland. You only buy ticket from your homeland to Reykjavik and back. Tickets from Reykjavik to Ittoqqortoormiit will be provided by FGB, but therefore you pay travel costs which will be subsidized in accordance to your home country.
	Travel costs:  4500 DKK / 600 EUR for people from non-European countries 6500 DKK / 870 EUR for people from European countries (+ USA and Canada) 8500 DKK / 1150 EUR for people from Scandinavian countries



#### **APPLY EARLY FOR THIS CAMP!**

All arrangements has to be settled before May 1st.

This is the final date for the host to book your personal ticket to Greenland. It means you need to have been accepted, get your visa approval, and have transferred the travel cost before May 1<sup>st</sup>. In case you need visa, you need to send the necessary information for the Visa Invitation Letter together with the application, so we can make the process as fast as possible. Greenland is not a part of the Schengen-agreement.

You will not be allowed to take photos of the children and families during the activities. You are free to take pictures in your spare time, walking in the streets, hiking etc. You can also get copies of our photographer's photos from the activities.

We do not allow the use of substances (alcohol etc.) the entire month in Qaanaag.

English, as a conversational level is necessary. You will be working with kids six hours a day, so you should find joy in spending time with children and know how to be patient with them. Most of the children do not understand English so you should be open to other ways of communicating.

#### TRAVEL AND TICKETS

#### DO NOT BUY PLANE TICKETS BEFORE MS ALLOWS IT.

## Meeting point and Time:

To go to this camp you are in for an exciting trip!

First you need to go from your home country to the capital of Iceland, Reykjavik. You will need to stay in Reykjavik from the 8<sup>th</sup> of July to the 11<sup>th</sup> of July. In Reykjavik you will learn much more about Greenland, meet the other volunteers, meet the camp leaders and be well informed regarding the upcoming camp.

The group will go to Ittoqqortoomiit on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July by plane and helicopter.

#### On the return:

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of August you will board the Air Iceland flight back to Reykjavik, where you will arrive in the evening. The Group will split up in Reykjavik.



When you order your plane ticket from your home country to Reykjavik it is a good idea to buy a "delayed arrival insurance" since the weather in Greenland is not very reliable. We suggest that you take at least two nights in Reykjavik, to be sure you make it back to Reykjavik on time to catch the flight back home.

### **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

A motivational letter and a copy of your clean criminal record is required.

In the motivational letter, please bear in mind that we value creative skills a lot on this camp. You are asked to answer following questions:

1. What are your creative skills?

2. What kind of sport activities can you be a part

of/lead?

4. What can you offer to the children?

5. How can you contribute to the volunteer team?













# **MS06 Camp West Greenland**

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CAMP TYPE	Kids, Social, Cultural
DATES	Days in total: 31  Arrival:  Date: 10 <sup>th</sup> of July 2018  Time: See remarks under 'TRAVEL AND TICKETS'  Departure:  Date: 9 <sup>th</sup> of August 2018  Time: See remarks under 'TRAVEL AND TICKETS'
	(Optional to stay in Copenhagen for "farewell dinner" on 10 <sup>th</sup> of August)
AGE GROUP	20-40 years. You have to be at least 20 years old since we are working with vulnerable children and youngsters
NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	12
DISABILITY	Not physical disability. Minor hearing or sight disabilities might be possible if you can still do activities.
LOCATION	Paamiut
	The Danish NGO Association for Greenlandic Children has been making projects for children and youth in Greenland since 1924. We are now doing projects for children and youngsters in Greenland, and for Greenlandic children, youngsters and their families in Denmark.  See www.fgb.dk (only in Danish)
	We have been doing work camps every summer since 2014. Association Greenland Children is cooperating with the local School in the town of Paamiut.
ORGANIZATION	Paamiut is located on the west coast of Greenland, approx. 170 km south of the capital, Nuuk. Paamiut contains 1447 inhabitants of whom 335 are children and young people under the age of 18.



	Among these are 117 children between 0-5 years, 199 are schoolchildren aged 6-16 years, and in addition, 235 young people are between 17 and 26 years old.  In recent decades there has been a great relocation from Paamiut, in particular, the number of children and young people are decreasing, while the number of older people are increasing. Most migrants settle in Nuuk or in South Greenland.
WORK	Association Greenlandic Children wants Camp West to give the children of Paamiut the best summer ever. The activities will take place five days a week 12.00-18.00, and will fall into these categories:  - Music - Dance - Singing - Games - Sports  The volunteers will decide which activities to offer, during the camp. We will also invite the entire population to a social gathering every Saturday. This could be a night of music and dancing, teaching each other to play an instrument, cooking food from your home country, movie night etc.  Sundays will be the weekly day off.
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD	Accomodation:  The Greenlandic Children Association ensures that you will get a place to stay. We expect you to stay in a shared-bedroom with another volunteer. Telephone coverage might be scarcely, and you might not be able to use the Internet more than once a while for a short time.  Accommodation in Copenhagen from the 10 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> July is provided by FGB. Volunteers need to arrange their own accommodation if they wish to stay after the return to Copenhagen on the 9 <sup>th</sup> of August. We recommend the Hostel run by MS volunteers: www.globalhagen.dk  Food and cooking:  It can be difficult to be vegetarian or vegan, since many meals in Greenland are based on meat and fish. Therefor you will have to bring some stuff yourself, if you need a special diet.



	We will make cooking and cleaning teams. The group is responsible for shopping, cooking, cleaning etc., which is also going to take up some of your time every day. So you should expect long days.
LOCATION AND LEISURE	The nature in Greenland is in general amazing.  Hiking in the fells and sailing in the big ocean is amazing and a unique experience. You can organize a weekly leisure activity going hiking, fishing etc., since you have a day off every Sunday.
	Hopefully the gym will be accessible to us around the clock. It will also be possible to play football or other sports with the community.
	Even though Paamiut do not have midnight sun, there will still nearly be broad daylight around the clock.
REMARKS (other information)	IMPORTANT!  Volunteers will travel as a group from Copenhagen to Greenland.  You only buy ticket from your homeland to Copenhagen and back.  Tickets from Copenhagen to Paamiut will be provided by FGB, but therefore you pay travel costs which will be subsidized in accordance to your home country.  Travel costs:  4500 DKK / 600 EUR for people from non-European countries 6500 DKK / 870 EUR for people from European countries
	APPLY EARLY FOR THIS CAMP!  All arrangements has to be settled before May 1 <sup>st</sup> .  This is the final date for the host to book your personal ticket to Greenland. It means you need to have been accepted, get your visa approval, and have transferred the travel cost before May 1 <sup>st</sup> . In case you need visa, you need to send the necessary information for the Visa Invitation Letter together with the application, so we can make the process as fast as possible. Greenland is not a part of the Schengen-agreement.  You will not be allowed to take photos of the children and families during the activities. You are free to take pictures in your spare time, walking in the streets, hiking etc. You can also get copies of our photographer's photos from the activities.



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TRAVEL AND TICKETS	DO NOT BUY PLANE TICKETS BEFORE MS ALLOWS IT.
	Meeting point and Time:  To go to this camp you are in for an exciting trip!
	First you need to go from your home country to the capital of Denmark, Copenhagen. In Copenhagen we meet the 10 <sup>th</sup> of July at 10.00. Here we will have a meeting where you will get the chance to meet the camp leaders and the rest of the group, before we leave for Greenland.
	On the morning the 11 <sup>th</sup> of July the group flies together from Copenhagen Airport to Greenland's Southernmost town, Narsarsuaq and then change into a smaller plane, to go to Paamiut.
	On the return:  On the 9 <sup>th</sup> of August we will board the flight back to Copenhagen, where you will arrive 23.50 (Danish time).
	On the 10 <sup>th</sup> of August we will arrange an evaluation meeting and a farewell dinner, that we hope you will take part in.
	The weather in Greenland is not very reliable. Therefor we recommend you to stay two extra days in Copenhagen to ensure that you will be able to catch your flight back home. You can also choose to buy a "delayed arrival insurance" when you order your plane ticket from your home country to Copenhagen.
SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS	A motivational letter and a copy of your clean criminal record is required.
	In the motivational letter, please bear in mind that we value creative skills a lot on this camp. You are asked to answer following questions:



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