

Illuminated by the midnight sun in summer and the dancing Northern Lights (aurora borealis) in winter, for those looking for an active holiday that gets them right up-close to nature, even if that is at the expense of a cold, red nose, Greenland will not disappoint and leave the visitor with unique and priceless memories.



spotting¹¹³ terns¹¹⁴, eider¹¹⁵ ducks, kittiwakes¹¹⁶ and fulmars¹¹⁷. On land, you might sight¹¹⁸ an Arctic fox or hare. Offshore¹¹⁹ from the mainland¹²⁰ on Disko Island, you can relax in one of Greenland's many natural hot springs¹²¹, which can be found throughout¹²² the country - although many are cool¹²³ so they need to be artificially¹²⁴ heated.

Ilulissat - the nearby town on the west coast is the ideal location to see the Ilulissat Icefjord, just 20 minutes away, where you can admire¹²⁵ and take pictures of enormous¹²⁶ icebergs¹²⁷. It is believed that it was from this area that the iceberg that sank¹²⁸ the Titanic originated¹²⁹.

The town is also close to the huge outlet¹³⁰ glacier¹³¹ variously¹³² known as the Jakobshavn, Ilulissat Glacier or Sermeq Kujalleq in Greenlandic. It is both spectacularly beautiful and tragic and provides compelling¹³³ evidence¹³⁴ of global warming. It is one of the fastest-moving glaciers in the world at over 45 metres per day. It has eroded¹³⁵ more in the past 10 years than it did in the previous 100. In 2012, two nature film-makers¹³⁶ captured¹³⁷ the world's largest caught-on-camera¹³⁸ glacial calving¹³⁹ in a 75-minute event during which

7.4 cubic¹⁴⁰ kilometres fell away and disappeared into the sea.

Elsewhere¹⁴¹, located just 25 km from Kangerlussuaq, where Greenland's main international airport is situated, Russell Glacier is one of the channels from which water from the massive ice sheet¹⁴² that covers 80 percent of the country drains off¹⁴³.

¹¹³ to spot sth *tə* spɒt 'sʌmθɪŋ dostrzec coś

¹¹⁴ tern *tɜːn* rybitwa

¹¹⁵ eider 'aɪdə(r) edredon (ptak wodny podobny do kaczki)

¹¹⁶ kittiwake 'kɪtɪweɪk mewa trójpalcza

¹¹⁷ fulmar 'fʊlmə(r) fulmar, petrel

¹¹⁸ to sight sth *tə* saɪt 'sʌmθɪŋ dostrzec coś, zauważyć (i odnotować)

¹¹⁹ offshore ,ɒfʃɔː(r) *tu:* poza linią brzegową, z dala od brzegu

¹²⁰ mainland 'meɪnlænd kontynent, kontynentalny

¹²¹ hot spring 'hɒt sprɪŋ termia, cieplica (gorące źródło)

¹²² throughout sth θruː'ɒt 'sʌmθɪŋ przez coś, w całym czymś (np. na całej powierzchni)

¹²³ cool kuːl chłodny, chłodnawy

¹²⁴ artificially ,ɑːtɪ'fɪʃli sztucznie

¹²⁵ to admire sth *tu* əd'maɪə(r) 'sʌmθɪŋ podziwiać coś

¹²⁶ enormous 'ɪnɔːməs ogromny

¹²⁷ iceberg 'aɪsbɜːg lodowiec, góra lodowa

¹²⁸ to sink sth *tə* sɪŋk 'sʌmθɪŋ utopić coś, zatopić

¹²⁹ to originate *tu* ə'ɪdʒɪneɪt zrodzić się z, pojawić się

¹³⁰ outlet 'aʊtlet *tu:* wylotowy, ujściowy (lodowiec)

¹³¹ glacier 'glæɪsɪə(r) lodowiec

¹³² variously 'veəriəsli rozmaicie, w różny sposób

¹³³ compelling 'kəm'pelɪŋ frapujący, fascynujący

¹³⁴ evidence 'eɪdɪns dowód, dowody

¹³⁵ to erode *tu* ɪ'rəʊd zerodować coś, wykruszyć (np. przez wiatr)

¹³⁶ film-maker 'fɪlm meɪkə(r) filmowiec

¹³⁷ to capture sth *tə* 'kæptʃə(r) 'sʌmθɪŋ uchwycić (obraz, zdjęcie)

¹³⁸ caught-on-camera 'kɔːt ɒn 'kæməərə zarejestrowany na taśmie, nagrany (tylko przed rzeczownikiem)

¹³⁹ calving 'kɔːvɪŋ *tu:* oderwanie się od lodowca

¹⁴⁰ cubic 'kjuːbɪk sześcienny

¹⁴¹ elsewhere ,els'weə(r) gdzie indziej

¹⁴² ice sheet aɪs ʃiːt tafła lodu, pokrywa lodowa

¹⁴³ to drain off *tə* drem ɒf odsączyć, odprowadzić wodę