

ALPINE PEAKS OF WEST GREENLAND - SKI & SAIL (MANIITSOQ - MANIITSOQ)

Alpine peaks of West Greenland. Explore the West of Greenland on your mountain ski's or snowshoes and spot wildlife aboard sailing vessel "Rembrandt van Rijn" or from the Greenland shores. This is a voyage for experienced ski mountaineers who climb snow covered alpine mountains and ski downhill. A typical ski day will involve climbs of 900 to 1200 m (on occasion as much as 1900 m). Non-skiers explore the valleys and lower peaks on snowshoes.



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Day 1: Maniitsog

We arrive in Maniitsoq from Kangerlussuaq by chartered plane (flight not included in the voyage cost). Embarkation starts at 16.00 hrs local time. Passengers who have arrived earlier will have time to do some independent and self-guided local outdoor sightseeing until the embarkation process starts (please bring warm and waterproof clothes). The town is nestled on an island at the mouth of a fjord surrounded by peaks above 2000 m. The port of Maniitsoq is ice free from late spring to early winter. It is a community where fishing and hunting form the backbone of the economy. There is a museum which portrays regional history and culture. The ship will depart in the early evening.

Day 2: Sermilinguaq Fjord

East of Hamborgerland we reach the fantastic landscapes of the Sermilinguaq Fjord. The Maniitsoq area offers the most rugged





scenery and mountain tops are flanked by impressive glaciers. The snowshoe hikers will explore the lower slopes and viewpoints. We continue sailing North.

Days 3 - 5: Evighedsfjorden (Eternity Fjord) and Kangerdluarssuat fjord

We spend quality time in the Evighedsfjorden (Eternity Fjord) and Kangerdluarssuat fjord. The skiers climb a 1000 m peak at the interior of Taaterat Glacier. The glacier itself comes all the way down to sea level. The snowshoe walkers choose one of the many hikes in the area, for instance near the Sermitsiaq glacier. The other days we aim for other high alpine peaks in the region. The view across Eternity Fjord from top of the mountains is magnificent. The Northern slopes of the mountains surrounding the Kangerdluarssuat fjord north of Kangaamiut will offer promising ski outings. The snowshoe walkers opt for an easy route whilst the ski mountaineers scale higher peaks and pick a downhill run. Once skiers and snowshoe walkers reassemble back on the ship we will sail through this beautiful alpine scenery and enjoy evening in relaxed atmosphere onboard.

Day 6: Kangerluarsuat

The slopes of the mountains surrounding Kangerluarsuat are attractive for skiers and snowshoe walkers. The snow conditions govern our best options for the day. We will spend the night North of Hamborgarland.

Day 7: Sermersuut

At the North side of Sermersuut (Hamborgerland) we ski for the last time into the glaciated interior of this beautiful and unique wilderness. North facing slopes become our playground for alpine descents. Snowshoe walkers will enjoy a coastal walk to a viewpoint. In the evening we will depart towards Maniitsoq and enjoy the evening hours at sea.

Day 8: Maniitsoq

We disembark in Maniitsoq. We board the charter plane from Maniitsoq to Kangerlussuaq, and onward scheduled flight to Copenhagen (flights not included in the voyage cost).





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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

S/V 'Rembrandt Van Rijn' was originally built as a herring lugger. The vessel was rebuilt as a three-masted passenger sailing schooner in The Netherlands in 1994 and sailed in Spitsbergen (1994 - 1996) and in Galapagos (1998 - 2001). The vessel underwent a complete rebuilding and refurbishment program in 2011. The communication and navigation equipment has been completely renewed according to the latest SOLAS regulations. The Rembrandt van Rijn measures 56 meters in length (168 ft.), 7 meters in width and has a draft of 2, 5 meters. The maximum engine speed is 9 knots She has an experienced crew of 12 on board including two tour guides The ship can accommodate a maximum of 33 passengers in 16 cabins ·1 Triple Private cabin with porthole (with shower and toilet) ·6 Twin Private Inside cabins (with shower and toilet, no porthole) 9 Twin Private cabins (with shower and toilet and porthole) The general interior public areas include a spacious restaurant area so that all meals can be taken together as well as separate bar area and reading table area There is room to relax, read and socialize The ship is well suited for expedition cruising among small islands and offers excellent open deck viewing areas, even when under sail. The two inflatable rubber crafts (zodiacs) enable landing

and wildlife viewing opportunities in otherwise

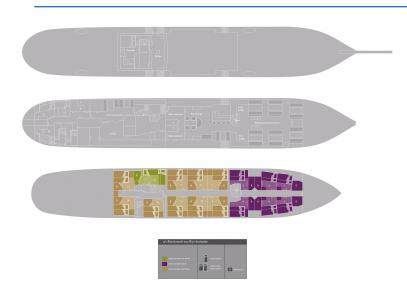


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