

# NORTHERN LIGHTS UNDER SAIL ON ELSI

Our voyage starts in Kulusuk – a small village on the east coast of Greenland.
There are regular flights from Reykjavik to Kulusuk and way back. It is important that the cost of the tickets is not included in the package. You do not need to buy tickets the day before and after the program, because the expedition strictly follows the flight schedule. We recommend purchasing them in advance.
When you arrive in Kulusuk, a transfer to the ship will be waiting for you at the airport. In the evening there will be embarkation, dinner and the briefing from the captain. The whole trip will last 11 days, including the day of embarkation on the sailboat and the day of disembarkation.

Schedule: from Reykjavik to Kulusuk 5:30 PM – 6:15 PM;
From Kulusuk to Reykjavik 7:00 PM – 9:45 PM
(Iceland UTC +0, Greenland UTC -2)

Approximate round trip plane tickets price: €600 – €1300 depending on departure day

- Regions / Countries: **Iceland** **Greenland**
- Duration: **9 Days / 8 Nights**
- Tags: **Village, Town**
- URL: **https://embarq.travel/boats/elsi/northern-lights-under-sail-on-elsi/**

# Day 1.1

*Reykjavik*



## Iceland / Embarkation & Flight from Reykjavík to Kulusuk

Reykjavik, the capital city of Iceland, is a vibrant port that mixes urban and natural landscapes. The colorful houses, street art, and music scene harmonize with the stunning volcanic landscapes and the world-famous Blue Lagoon. Discover a unique destination where the past and present meet in perfect harmony.

# Day 1.2



## Greenland / Kulusuk

Village

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### Kulusuk Museum

Museum, Historic, Culture, Traditional

# Day 2



## Greenland / Angmagssalik (Tasiilaq)

Town

Welcome to the beautiful and remote port of Angmagssalik, also known as Tasiilaq, located in eastern Greenland. This port is known for its stunning natural beauty, with majestic icebergs and rugged mountain peaks framing the picturesque town.



### Tasiilaq Museum

Museum, Culture, Traditional

Learn about the history and culture of the region at this museum, which features exhibits on traditional Inuit life, local wildlife, and more.

Here you can learn about Inuit life, practice balancing a kayak and see how life is organized in an Inuit home. This is a great place to buy souvenirs and postcards.

# Day 3



## Sermilik Fjord

Sermilik is the most ice-bearing fjord in the region, with huge icebergs the size of entire cities coming off its glaciers. The fjord overlooks the famous Greenland ice sheet and whales are often seen there. The fjord has four major tongue outcrops of the main Greenland Ice Shelf, and is almost always packed with huge icebergs of bizarre shapes.

The main "suppliers" of icebergs are the Helheimgletscher, Isgletscher, Midgardgletscher glaciers located in the northern part of the Sermilik fjord. We will try to get as close as possible to the nearest beautiful Harn glacier, look at the icefall, listen to the crackle of melting ice and if desired we can swim from the board of the sailing boat in icy melt water.



**Sermilik Fjord**

Sermilik fjord is well-known by its glaciers which create massive icebergs. Here you can witness the Greenlandic ice sheet. Whales visit this area regularly. Fjords are full of massive icebergs of different shapes. The major creators of icebergs are glaciers Helheimgletscher, Isgletscher, and Midgardgletscher that are located in the northern part of the Sermilik fjord.

# Day 4



## Greenland / Tiilerilaaq

Village

Old Inuit village of Tiilerilaaq is located in the Sermilik fjord. It is one of the most exciting and beautiful locations in Greenland. We can watch the gigantic odd-shaped icebergs floating in front of us and even pass by them on Zodiac boats to take some photographs, depending on the tide and according to the ice conditions.

Also Tiilerilaaq is a lovely place to have a walk and buy some souvenirs from local hunters and fishermen: they dry river trout and haddock.

## Day 5



### Greenland / Kuummiut

Village

Walk around the village, take pictures and, if you are lucky, meet the Inuit returning from hunting and sorting caught seals. Go deeper into the fjord, towards the Knud Rasmussen glacier. These areas are often referred to as "Greenland's Patagonia": huge gear mountains will soar above our ship. You can have a walk to the glacier along the fjord or go fishing.



# Bluie East Two

Blueie East Two is a small U.S. Air Force airfield at Ikkateq in eastern Greenland. Ikkateq was once a small village in southeast Greenland. Ikateq (which was the name of the village in the olden days) means "shallow water". This place is full of lakes worthy of our attention!
If the weather is good, we will try to get as close as possible to Ammassalik Fjord, which is famous for the whales swimming in the vicinity.



## Bluie East Two

Special, Historic

Abandoned US military airbase.

# Day 6

*The crossing to Kulusuk & Kulusuk Museum*



## At sea

Here we will spend some time in a non-stop crossing to Kulusuk, where our voyage will come to an end.

# Day 7

*At Sea*



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A visit to Kulusuk Museum will provide insights on the life of the Tunumi Inuit of the east coast of Greenland, inter-woven in a personal account of a local family.

## Day 8-9



### Disembarkation & Flight to Reykjavik


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