

250 KILOMETER  
NORD FOR POLARCIRKLEN  
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NORTH OF THE ARCTIC CIRCLE

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## *250 kilometer nord for Polar Cirklen*

Det er mange år siden. Tre dage i marts måned. Men jeg erindrer fortsat den interessante rejse til Ilulissat i 2012, og fotografierne fra dengang genopfrisker mine minder.

Det kolde, hvide sneklædte Nordgrønland er for mig det klassiske Grønland. Grønland er verdens største ø og på samme dag kan de mod syd gå rundt i skjortærmer, mens de mod nord kører hundeslæde indpakket i sælpels fra isse til tå.

Ilulissat ligger på Grønlands vestkyst. Nabo til den store smukke ø Disko. Byen ligger inde i en bugt lige nord for en af verdens mest aktive gletsjere. Bugten er i store dele af året et fantastisk skue af enorme isbjerger, havis og isskoser. En stor del af lokalbe-

folkningen lever af fiskeri. Hellefisken har en kæmpebestand ved de banker af sand og grus, som gletsjeren over tusinder år har skabt i bugten tæt på byen.

Gletsjeren og den omgivende skønne arktiske natur, har lokket mange turister til Ilulissat. Verdens ledere har besøgt byen for at betragte resultatet af klimaforandringerne og den smeltende isbræ lige syd for byen. Mange har prøvet en sejlads i en lille båd mellem de enorme isbjerger, og mange har haft glæden af en hundeslæde-tur ind i landskabet bag byen.

I dag lever 4.737 borgere i Ilulissat. I distriktet var der i år 2021 registreret 3.096 slædehunde.



## *250 kilometres north of the Arctic Circle*

This happened many years ago. Three days in the month of March. But I still remember the interesting trip to Ilulissat in 2012, and the photographs from the journey call to mind my memories.

The cold, white snowy North Greenland is for me the classic Greenland. Greenland is the world's largest island and on the same day they can walk around in shirt sleeves to the south, while they to the north drive dog sleds wrapped in seal fur from head to toe.

Ilulissat is located on the west coast of Greenland. Next door to the big, beautiful island of Disko. The town is located inside a bay just north of one of the world's most active glaciers. For much of the year, the bay is a fantastic view of huge icebergs, sea ice and

ice floes. A large part of the local population lives as fishermen. The Greenland halibut has a huge population at the banks of sand and gravel that the glacier over thousands of years has created close to the town in the bay.

The glacier and the surrounding beautiful Arctic nature have attracted many tourists to Ilulissat. World leaders have visited the town to observe the outcome of climate change and the melting glacier just south of the town. Many have tried sailing in a small boat between the huge icebergs, and many have had the pleasure of a sledge dog ride into the countryside behind the town.

Today, 4,737 citizens live in Ilulissat. In the year 2021, 3,096 sledge dogs were registered in the district.





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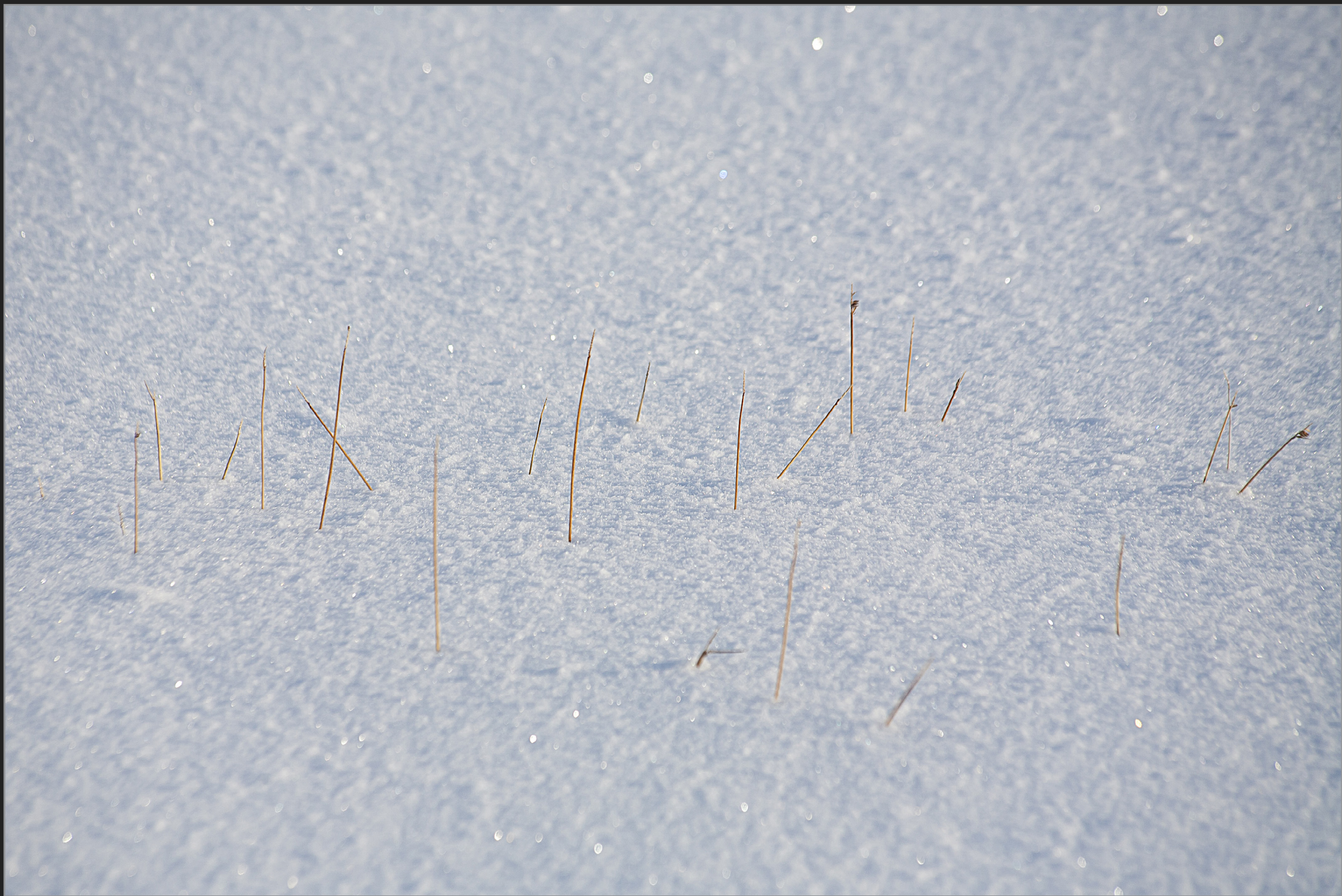




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