

Short season for exploration work

Many exploration activities for minerals are taking place in Greenland in these years. Everywhere companies are searching for valuable minerals in the subsoil.

The arctic summer is short, and it is only in the summer season the explorations can be carried out. The season starts with the approval of the exploration work in the season. The plans for the activities had to be approved by the authorities prior to May.

From the month of June the activities will start. Small ships and barges are bringing fuel and materials out to the exploration sites. The helicopters are buzzing as active bumblebees in a perpetual flow between the storage sites in the settlements and the exploration sites somewhere out in the wilderness.

All kinds of exploration activities are taking place. The exploration is ranging from the traditional geologist with backpack and tent, who moves out in the mountains where he uses his indispensable geology hammer and immerses him in the interesting geological phenomena to small teams of specially trained manpower who around the clock keeps advanced drilling rigs going.

One of the major areas for exploration in Greenland today is in and around the mountain Kvanefjeldet at the town Narsaq. This cold and snowy January the landscape is on the quiet side. The mountain hare, the ptarmigan and the arctic fox is again alone in the great wilderness. But a few months from now the exploration activities will be in full swing.



The mountain Kvanefjeld, January 2016