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Top 5 sights in... *Greenland*

From kayaking past icebergs to trying local traditions, *Kirsten Henton* explores the world's largest island

1 KAYAKING OFF DISKO ISLAND

Don a dry suit to embark on an unforgettable paddle adventure among the icebergs around Disko Island. Visitors can follow a guide in a double kayak, through the swell and patches of floating ice that line the rocky basalt coast, toward sheltered coves and bays, while seabirds swoop overhead and whales make a fleeting appearance.

2 NUUK LOCAL MUSEUM

The seafront museum in capital Nuuk offers an insight into Greenland's cultural heritage. Visitors will learn how life has evolved since the 1950s, and about the spirits and taboos that remain central to this Danish-Inuit society today.



3 THE ICEFJORD CENTRE

The magnificent Icefjord Centre in Greenland's second city of Ilulissat, set within the Arctic Circle, can't fail to impress. Through innovative multimedia displays, visitors can discover how ancient icebergs were formed and how they're helping with the study of climate change today. Round off a visit by following the wooden walkway to see the 25-mile-long, Unesco-listed Ilulissat Icefjord spilling into the sea.

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EXPERIENCE KAFFEMIK

Head to a *kaffemik* – a gathering where family, friends and neighbours celebrate a birthday or other good news by feasting the hours away. A *kaffemik* experience gives a good overview of Greenlandic traditions and home life, with coffee, Labrador tea, savoury dishes such as fish soup or reindeer stew, and crowberry-stuffed cakes and cream.



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MIDNIGHT SUN CRUISE

Travellers can enjoy the novelty of endless summer daylight on a midnight sun cruise along the edge of the icefjord. They'll sail past a dramatic wall of bergs bathed in sunlight or perhaps through eerie freezing fog, and may even spot whales.

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