

# *The nature around Nuuk - August II*



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*August is a great month to hike. Even here in the Arctic the month of July may be too hot to walk in. In August, the weather seems usually friendlier for walkers. The weather often changes and you have not always the sun in the sky always shining as a hot blitz.*

*In August the summer begins to be on decline. The average weather in August is rainy. Even the mosquitoes start having problems with especially the cold nights. Slowly the vegetation assumes the autumn colours red, brown and yellow. This is a visible result of the temperature at night drops below the freezing point.*

*After the first night frost the berries must be picked. The skin of the berries is stretched - filled with their tasty content of fruit sugar. The chicks of the snow buntings are now on the wings, and they fly around in large flocks. They often behave a little too frisky, and are you lucky, you can sit for hours and watch the small downy chicks while they jump around in front of your feet.*

*The mountains around Nuuk attain an altitude of more than a kilometre. Up here, there is virtually no vegetation. The rocks are bare or with a layer of lichen on their surface. It is a great way to get an understanding of the intense geological processes that once shaped the landscapes around Nuuk. The most common type of rock is the gneiss. Everywhere are rocks with colours and shapes that give the viewer the feeling that they are more beautiful than stonemason work of human beings.*



*Landscape with mountain lake at the back of the Mountain Lille Malene, August 2001*



*The mountain Sermitsiaq, August 2001*



*Cave into the mountain Store Malene,  
August 2003*



*Arctic Marsh willow – Malenelandet, August 2003*



*Willow on a rock, August 2001*



*A cup fungus, August 2001*



*Marsh with Arctic cottongrass and spaghnum, August 2003*



*Arctic cottongrass, August 2003*



*Unripe crowberries at the top of the mountain Store Malene, August 2003*



*Rock wall made of gneiss,  
the mountain Store Malene, August 2003*



*High-voltage transmission line,  
The mountain Store Malene,  
August 2003*



*600 metres above sea level - the mountain Store Malene without vegetation, August 2003*



*A rock, The mountain Store Malene,  
August 2003*



*Rock of gneiss,  
The mountain Store Malene,  
August 2003*



*Rocks made of gneiss,  
The mountain Store Malene,  
August 2003*



*Rocks and gravel,  
The mountain Store Malene,  
August 2003*

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