

Waiting for spring

In February and March, the light returns. But the winter will, as usual, hold us in its grip for at least two months.

The sun is strengthening. On these sunny, warmer days we get the feeling of spring. But the sun is unfaithful, and we still have a great risk of icy wintry weather, where only the hungry ravens and the seagulls move around out there.

In fact, the spring does not appear in the Arctic. Often, the winter seems directly to transform to the summer. I have several years get the bike out at the end of April. But I have also shaken myself in the icy cold, while listening to the endless, long speeches of the politicians on Labour Day on May 1, and on the Greenland National Day on June 21, I have listened to the mayor's festive speech in a snowfall.

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The company, which takes care of the regular service between the South Greenlandic settlements, has chosen to shut down the Targa-boat traffic due to the ice conditions. Over a period, the traffic is undertaken by a larger ship and the small helicopter.



The harbour of Qaqortoq, South Greenland, February 2018