

VANDFALDET

THE FALL

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En dag på fjorden er en dejlig oplevelse. Om morgenen sejler vi ud af havnen i Grønlands hovedstad Nuuk. Målet er ofte at komme ind til Isfjorden helt inde ved gletsjerne fra Indlandsisen.

Det er en tur, der byder på synet af isbjerge i alle størrelser og former, et imponerende fuglefjeld og udsigt til fjordens bjergrige omgivelser.

Det er næsten som om, at alt bliver sluppet løs for vores skyld. Hvalerne viser blås, og halerne løftes højt op over havoverfladen, inden de imponerende dyr forsvinder i dybet.

Havørnen svæver højt mellem de flyvende skyer. Overalt gør fuglene dagens dont. Selv flokke af sæler betragter os nysgerrigt. Er vi venner eller fjender?

Nuuk ligger ved udmunding af et af verdens største fjordsystemer. Byens vartegn er bjerget Sermitsiaq. Overalt i byen kan man se Sermitsiaqs karakteristiske bjergtinde. Bjerget ligger på en ø cirka femten kilometer nordøst for Nuuk.

På vores tur kommer vi forbi mange vandfald. Et af de mest imponerende er vandfaldet på bagsiden af Sermitsiaq. På grønlandsk betyder Sermitsiaq 'evig sne'. Fra en gletsjer højtbeliggende på det 1.207 meter høje bjerg fosser smeltevand ned over bjerget og afslutter sin rejse mod havet i et buldrende vandfald.

Med vores lille båd er det muligt at komme helt tæt på vandfaldet. Bådens fordæk bliver ramt af det fossende vand, og vi befinder os som midt i et heftigt regnskyl.

Jeg har altid vidst, at vand i naturen er som et grundelement for alt liv her på kloden.

Her under det buldrende vandfald oplever jeg i særdeles det livsbekræftende i at se på de våde, blanke klipper og de store vandmasser, som for få øjeblikke siden blev dannet fra den smeltende is i gletsjeren oppe på bjerget.

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A day on the fjord is a wonderful experience. In the morning we go out of the harbour in Greenland's capital Nuuk. Often the destination is to get to the Icefjord just outside the glaciers of The Greenlandic Ice Sheet.

It is a tour that offers the sight of icebergs of all sizes and shapes, an impressive bird cliff and views of the mountainous surroundings of the fjord.

It is almost like everything turn loose for our sake. The whales show a blow, and the tails are raised high above the sea surface before the impressive animals disappear into the deep.

The white-tailed eagle soars high between the flying clouds. Everywhere the birds do the day's work. Even flocks of seals curiously watch us. Are we friends or enemies?

Nuuk is located at the mouth of one of the world's largest fjord systems. The landmark of the town is the mountain Sermitsiaq. Everywhere in the town you can see the characteristic mountain peak of Sermitsiaq.

The mountain is located on an island about fifteen kilometres northeast of Nuuk.

On our trip we pass many waterfalls. One of the most impressive is the fall at the back of Sermitsiaq. In Greenlandic Sermitsiaq means "eternal snow". From a high-lying glacier on the 1,207-meter-high mountain, the melt water flows down the mountain side and ends its journey towards the sea in a rumbling waterfall.

It is possible to get very close to the waterfall in our small boat. The front deck of the boat is hit by the gushing water, and we find ourselves in the middle of a heavy shower.

I have always known that the water in nature is a basic element of all life on the planet.

Here, beneath the rumbling waterfall, I experience the life-affirming in looking at the wet, shiny rocks and the large volume of water, which a few moments ago were formed from the melting ice in the glacier up on the mountain.



Vandfald, Sermitsiaq, juli 2010

The fall, Sermitsiaq, July 2010



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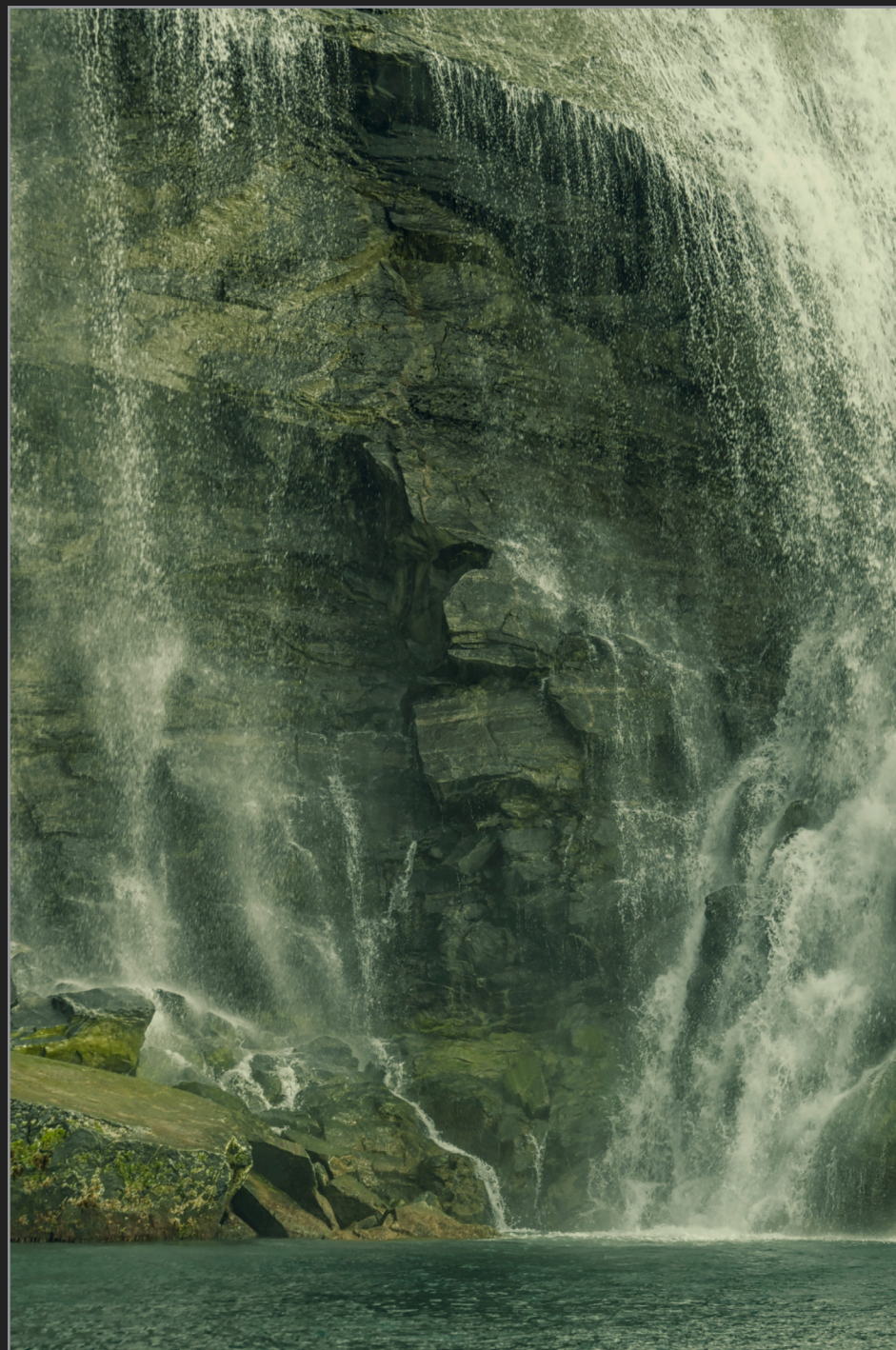
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