

Paamiut, Southwest Greenland

A quietly striking town at the edge of the world — red-painted wooden houses, a sea-eagle sky, and an early 20th-century wooden church that anchors a coastline most ships never reach.

-  Tender port (no cruise pier)
-  Typical call: 4–6 hrs
-  Danish Krone (DKK)
-  Greenlandic (Kalaallisut) / Danish

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to town quay

Walk to center: ~5 min from quay

Best For: Remote Arctic · Wildlife

Don't Miss: Frelserens Kirke (Church of Paamiut)

 Getting around:

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Frelserens Kirke & Town Walk** — The Church of Paamiut (Frelserens Kirke / Saviour's Church) is a beautifully preserved wooden church consecrated in 1909 — one of the most striking...
- Sea Eagle & Bird Watching** — The fjords and cliffs around Paamiut are prime habitat for white-tailed sea eagles — one of Greenland's great wildlife spectacles.
- Tundra Hike Above Town** — A short climb above Paamiut opens into open Arctic tundra with sweeping fjord views.
- Colonial & Inuit Heritage** — Founded as Frederikshåb in 1742 by the Danish-Norwegian mission, Paamiut has a layered past visible in its architecture and the old mission buildings.

BEST WALKS

- Quay to Frelserens Kirke** ~1 km · 30–45 min · easy — From the town quay, walk up through the main street past traditional painted houses to the Church of Paamiut (Frelserens Kirke).
- Hillside viewpoint above town** ~2 km · 1–1.5 hrs · moderate — Follow the rising ground above Paamiut to reach open tundra with panoramic views over the fjord and the ship at anchor.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		32°	24°	9d
Jun		46°	38°	11d
Aug		50°	43°	10d
Sep		44°	36°	13d
Oct		37°	28°	10d

 **DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 6:54AM–9:44PM · Aug 6:24AM–10:20PM · Sep 7:45AM–8:40PM · Oct 9:04AM–7:03PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Last tender matters. Paamiut has no hotels and no alternative transport — miss the last tender and you miss the ship. Note the final tender time when you go ashore and give yourself a buffer.
- Bring Danish Krone cash. ATM access is unreliable in Paamiut. Carry small-denomination DKK for any purchases; card readers may not work or may be unavailable.
- Look up for sea eagles. White-tailed sea eagles are regularly spotted soaring over the fjord cliffs. Bring binoculars — this is one of the best eagle-watching spots on the southwest Greenland coast.
- Dress for real Arctic weather. Even in summer, Paamiut can be cold, windy, and wet. Waterproof layers and sturdy footwear are essential — the tundra terrain is uneven and often damp.
- Connectivity is limited. Mobile data and Wi-Fi are scarce ashore. Download offline maps before you land and let people know your plans before leaving the tender.
- This is a living town, not a tourist stop. Paamiut residents go about their daily lives regardless of ship calls. Be respectful, ask before photographing people, and keep to public areas.

Paamiut, Southwest Greenland — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1

Paamiut Church Red wooden church overlooking the harbor, a landmark of this former Danish trading settlement.
- 2

Paamiut Old Colonial Harbor Historic 18th-century colonial buildings clustered around the original trading harbor of Paamiut.
- P

Cruise port / terminal