

# The Land of Snow

My name is Amogh and I am an Inuit living in Greenland. We call our country Kalaallit Nunaat & it means 'Land of People'.

We have an Arctic type of climate. Winters are long and cold. The temperature drops below the freezing point and it snows heavily during winter. Summer is short & cool. Even though there is sunlight it is very cold & I enjoy visiting coastal areas during summer.

We wear clothes made from the skin of seals. We wear a jacket called parkas and it has a hood to cover our head. We wear double trousers and high boots, also made of seal skin to keep us warm.

Our cuisine is based on meat from marine mammals, birds and fish. Our national dish is Suaasat which is a traditional soup made from seal or whale or seabirds. Sea is the source for most of the food & it includes fishes, mussels & shrimps.

Hiking & rock climbing are favorite sport for us. We also have excellent conditions for skiing and fishing in Greenland.

We live in snow – houses or igloos during winter season. We use large blocks of ice to construct the dome shaped igloo. A hole is made in the center of the dome to allow smoke and hot air to pass through whereas the floor is covered with skins and furs of animals. During summer, we live in tents called as tou pigs made from animal hide.