

Summary

Two different hiking options along the road to Lake Ferguson.

Follow the road all the way to the lake, or make a detour up a narrow but well-marked trail to visit Air Crash Site #2.

LEAVE NO TRACE

- Follow the marked trail
- Carry out all trash
- No fires. Be careful of cigarettes
- Do not disturb wildlife
- Respect the tranquility of nature



SAFETY FIRST

- All passage is at your own risk
- No cellphone reception on trail
- Refill water from any stream
- Watch the weather
- Be careful of slippery and unstable surfaces

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SOUTHERN TRAILS 1

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MODERATE	$\bullet \bullet \bullet \bigcirc \bigcirc$



TRAIL DESCRIPTION

Tasersuatsiaq / Lake Ferguson

Easy ••••• 8.4 km return 75 m max altitude

The trail begins at the bridge that crosses the river on the south side of town. From there, take the road that heads off to the right and has wonderful views over the sandy delta at the head of the Kangerlussuaq Fjord.

Follow the road until you arrive at the lake but be sure to keep a lookout for the memorial to "King Willy" the musk ox – the undisputed ruler of the airbase in the late 1960s – about halfway. You can read more about him in the Kangerlussuaq museum and also <u>listen to his song</u> on YouTube.

Pack yourself a picnic in Kangerlussuaq and enjoy it in the fresh air, or book a table at <u>Restaurant</u> <u>Roklubben</u> for a wonderful dining experience that uses only the freshest local ingredients. If you time it correctly, you could even indulge in their weekly Traditional Greenlandic Buffet.

Return to Kangerlussuaq along the same route, or extend your outing by combining this hike with the slightly more challenging hike to <u>Air Crash</u> <u>Site #2</u>.



Air Crash Site #2 Moderate ••• 5.5 km return 166m max altitude

In 1968, three US Air Force training jets crashed into the hills around Kangerlussuaq due to bad weather. This trail visits the wreckage of one of these aircraft, located at the edge of a small salt lake. The turnoff to the trail is ~1.3km along the road to Lake Ferguson. Follow the obvious trail up the hillside keeping an eye out for the blue dots (there are some sudden changes of direction).

Help us preserve what remains by not disturbing, altering or removing anything from the site.

From the wreck, it is possible to hike down an old 4x4 track to arrive at Tasersuatsiaq / Lake Ferguson instead of returning by the same route.

