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The Culture Of Greenland In Glimpses





Synopsis

A book for anyone who wants a brief introduction into the fascinating cultural traditions of Greenland. Via short articles illustrated with lots of beautiful photos from both past and present times the reader is guided through many different aspects of the original culture of Greenland - both the spiritual and the material. Read about angakkoqs (shamans), amulets, tupilaks, drums and masks, dress, dogsleds, kayaks and tools for the household and for hunting. A must for everybody visiting Greenland - or interested in the rich culture of the Inuit people in the Arctic. Contents: Foreword by Daniel Thorleifsen, Director of The National Museum of Greenland, Tupilak, Masks, Amulets, The Inuit Drum, The Shaman, The Winter House, The Soapstone Lamp, Water Pots from East Greenland, Amaat, The National Costume, Ulu - the Woman's Knife, Beads, Avittat - Leather Embroidery, The Kayak, Tuilik - the Kayak Spraysuit, The Harpoon, The Throwing Board, The Kayak Knife, The Bird Arrow, Umiaq - the Women's Boat, The Dog Sled, The Shooting Screen, Eye Shields and Shades, Additional Literature

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Ole G. Jensen is Danish, born 1947. He has worked with the art and culture of Greenland for 30 years. Ole G. Jensen came to Greenland in 1975 and has held, amongst others, the position of information officer/consultant with the Greenland Home Rule's Ministry of Culture. Most recent employment: leader of the museum in Tasiilaq in East Greenland (1995-2006) and in Qaqortoq in South Greenland (2006-). Most of the articles and photos in this book came into being during the long, inspiring stay in Tasiilaq. Ole G. Jensen has written and taken photos of Greenland for a wide

range of newspapers and periodicals.

Softcover with flaps, 79 pages, 8.75" x 7.75", 94 photos of the Greenland peoples and art in color and b/w. 1-Page bibliography. Author : Ole G. Jensen. Published by Milik Publishing 2007. A small but nice book on Greenland art and culture, featuring chapters on Tupilak (Small figures), Masks, Amulets, Inuit Drums, Shaman, Winter Houses, Soapstone Lamps, Water Pots, Amaat (Anorak), National Costume, Ulu (Woman's Knife), Beads, Avittat, (Leather Embroidery), Kayak, Tuilik (Kayak Spraysuit), Harpopons, Throwing Board, Kayak Knife, Bird Arrow, Umiaq (Women's Boat), Dog Sled, Shooting Screen, Eye Shields. The text is simple and easy to read, and as a whole the book does exactly what the title advertises : As advertised : Gives you a few glimpses of the culture of Greenland. My favorite Greenland art book :Â $Gr\tilde{A}f\hat{A}_{s}$ nlandske masker =: Greenlandic masks (Danish Edition)

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