ENCOUNTERING POLAR BEARS
while hiking in Greenland

THE EAST COAST
Want to see a polar bear in Greenland?

How likely is it to encounter a polar bear while hiking in Greenland?

ATTACKS
vs
CHANCES

16
Chances

2
Chances

0
Chances

In 2014, a polar bear attacked a 35-year-old man while hiking on the East Greenland Country Trail.

In 2010, two polar bears were sighted near the town of Sisimiut in Greenland.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU MEET ONE?

Here’s how you should act

1. Be calm and stand your ground.
2. Keep your back straight and do not run.
4. Keep your arms up and your fists clenched.
5. Talk firmly and use a deep voice.
6. Do not run away.
7. Do not feed the bear.
8. Do not touch the bear.

OTHER WILD ANIMALS
Where you should keep your distance

GREENLAND SLEEP DOG

TIGER BEAR

WALRUS

ARCTIC WOLF

Remember: Always keep a safe distance from wild animals.