

Preserved Greenland Skin Kayaks of the World

The following tables list Greenland skin kayaks that are preserved in museums, institutions or on private hands around the world. The location of some of the privately owned kayaks is not included due to privacy.

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Preserved Skin Kayaks in Greenland

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1		495/50	Tasiilaq Museum	East Greenland	ca. 1970-1985			
2		538/50	Tasiilaq Museum	East Greenland	ca. 1950			
3		540/53	Nanortalik Museum	South Greenland				
4		520/48	Nanortalik Museum	South Greenland				
5		565/50	Qaqortoq Museum		1940s			
6		552/50	Qaqortoq Museum		1950s			
7		540/52	Qaqortoq Museum		1950s			
8		527/50	Qaqortoq Museum		1970s			
9		530/53	Qaqortoq Museum					
10		500/49	Narssaq Museum					
11		520/55	Paamiut					
12		510/53	Paamiut		1968			
13		490/55	Paamiut					
14		485/51	Nuuk					
15		512/55	Nuuk		1978 Fibre			
16		513/48	Maniitsoq		1930			
17		515/50	Maniitsoq		1950			
18		464/46	Maniitsoq		1982			
19		525/52	Maniitsoq					
20		520/46	Sisimiut					
21		492/47	Sisimiut		1937			
22		530/48	Sisimiut		1967			
23		542/50	Sisimiut		1975			
24		460/51	Kangaatsiaq					
25		436/47	Aasiaat		1925			
26		460/52	Aasiaat		1930			
27		500/50	Aasiaat		1920			
28		500/50	Aasiaat		1920			
29		445/50	Qasigiannguuit					
30	Manasse	484/51	Ilulissat	East/West mix.	1971			
31		383/49	Ilulissat					
32		500/50	Ilulissat		1950			
33		510/50	Uummannaq		1934			
34		534/56	Upernavik		1950			
35		525/54	Upernavik		1950			
36		525/53	Upernavik		1950			
37	KNK 526	555/49	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
38	KNK 525	585/47	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
39	KNK 970	547/50	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
40	KNK 975	513/53	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
41	KNK F	514/51	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
42	KNK 1215	500/51	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk		1955			
43	KNK 528	592/54	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	Polar Greenland	1950s			
44	KNK 546	256/32	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk		1889	H. Golden		
45	KNK 524	273/35	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk		1969			
46	KNK 1161	542/38	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk		1600s	H. Golden		H. Golden
47	KNK A	538/54	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
48	KNK C	515/50	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk			H. Golden		
49	KNK D	512/51	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
50	KNK Hx10	496/52	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	West Greenland	20 th c?			
51	KNK B	487/51	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
52	KNK E	481/54	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk					
53	KNK Gx18	522/53	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	West Greenland				
54	KNK1990x	553/47	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	East Greenland	ca. 1950	H. Golden		B. Schulz
55	KNK 1849		Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	Child's kayak	ca. 1889			
56	KNK 2050	513/48	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	West Greenland		H. Golden		H. Golden
57	KNK 1007	500/56	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	North Greenland Thule	1909	H. Golden		H. Golden
58	KNK 2237	528/49	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	Upernavik	1930	H. Golden	Wooden Boats Jan./Feb. 2003	H. Golden
59		540/38	Nationalmuseet, Nuuk	West Greenland	pre 1859			
60		494/53	Bygderådet, Qeqertarsuaatsiaat		1950			

61			Privately owned	Upernavik				
62			Privately owned	Kangerluk				
63	Show kayak		Privately owned	Kulusuk				
64			Craft Shop	Kulusuk				
65		511/49	Qajaq Nuuk	Nuuk	1950s	H. Golden		
66	1966x1	271/32	Nuuk Nat. Mus.			H. Golden		

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Denmark

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1	L.19.157	568/48	Danish National Museum	East Greenland Tasiilaq	1932	J. Brand H. Golden		H. Golden
2	L.9726	590/51	Danish National Museum (magasin)	South Greenland Nanortalik	1928	H. Golden		H. Golden
3	L18.178	570/55	Danish National Museum (magasin)	West Greenland	1925 -1933			
4	Lb.101	567/45	Danish National Museum (magasin)	West Greenland (Baffin Bay)	1866			
5	No. Lc.148		Danish National Museum	East Greenland	1842	Jespersen, Larsen & Nielsen (1966) Brand Golden (2001)	Nissen, M. (2006)	
6		643/48	Danish National Museum	South Greenland?				
7	Lc.157	337/38	Danish National Museum	West Greenland (Child's kayak)	1843	J. Brand	Brand, J (1984)	
8	L17.125	612/53	Danish National Museum	North Greenland Thule Distrikt		Golden		
9	Lc.43	519/52	Danish National Museum (på magasin)	Frederikshåb Distrikt	1834	H. Golden		B. Schulz
10	Lb.546		Danish National Museum	West Greenland				
11	L18.273	525/55	Danish National Museum (magasin)	Upernavik	1968			
12	L.2083	560/53	Danish National Museum	East Greenland	1903			
13	VSM 810-34	541/49	The Viking Ship Museum, Roskilde	Nanortalik	1991			
14			Home Rule (mag)	East Greenland	ca. 1950-65	M. Nissen	Nissen, M. (2006)	
15	'Inuit Art kajakken'		Inuit Gallery Copenhagen	Disko Bay? West Greenland	ca. 1880			
16			Sundby Kajakklub	East Greenland	1960s			
17	Jakobs kayak		Hellerup Kajakklub		ca. 1950			
18	Knud Rasmussens kayak		Knud Rasmussens Hus, Hundested					
19	Thule kayak		Knud Rasmussens Hus	Thule				
20			Det Grønlandske Hus	Upernavik?				
21	The king's kayak	556/53	Handels og Søfartsmuseet	East Greenland	1968	C. Nielsen	Nissen, M. (2006)	
23	Danmarks Ekspedition en No. 2				ca. 1902			
24	Danmarks Ekspedition en No. 3				ca. 1902			
25	Knud Rasmussens sons kayak			West Greenland				
26	Rasmussen/ Freuchen kajakken							
27	Grønlandsk kajak							
28	Johannes Larsens kayak		Kerteminde Museum					
29	Sarah's kayak			East Greenland				
30	Child's kayak			East Greenland				
31				West Greenland?				
32					ca. 1950?			
33	JHS 4811		Jagt- og Skovbrugsmuseet	East Greenland	Pre. 1946			
34			Home Rule (mag.)	West Greenland (Child's kayak)				
35			Struer Museum					
36	Child's kayak		Ærø (private)	East Greenland	Ejner Mikkelsen			

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Great Brittan

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1		547/45	Marischal College, Aberdeen	West Greenland	17th century			
2	Med-chi	551/45	Medio-Chirurgical Society, Aberdeen			H. Golden		
3		533/51	Medio-Chirurgical Society, Aberdeen	East Greenland	1932			
4	1968-81-1	522/46	Library Museum, Dundee		1908			
5		527/43	Library Museum, Dundee					
6		619/68	Library Museum, Dundee	Frame only				
7	U.C. 764	540/44	Roc. Scot. Museum, Edinburgh	West Greenland	Pre 1865.	H. Golden		
8		538/61	Roy. Scot. Museum, Edinburgh		Pre 1865.			
9	A.1866.53	495/46	Roy. Scot. Museum, Edinburgh	West Greenland	1866.	H. Golden		
10	A.1995	548/43	Roy. Coll. Surgeons, Edinburgh	West Greenland		H. Golden		
11			Colinton Dreghorn School					
12	E. 0102	567/43	Hunterian Museum, Glasgow	West Greenland	1789	H. Golden	Wooden Boats Jan./Feb. 2003	H. Golden
13	E. 584	537/46	Hunterian Museum, Glasgow	West Greenland	c. 1819 (?)	H. Golden		
14	E. 585	549/45	Hunterian Museum, Glasgow	West Greenland	c. 1819 (?)	H. Golden		
15		541/50	Museum of Hull	Davis Strait?	1833			
16	'B'	554/44	Museum of Hull			H. Golden		
17		554/48	Museum of Hull					
18		655/61	Museum of Hull	Davis Strait?	1833			
19	'bKr -001a'	361/43	Trinity House, Hull	South-West Greenland	1613	Ranshaw & Brand	Brand, J. (1984)	
20	'A'	614/55	Trinity House			H. Golden		
21		564/41	Trinity House		1830			
22	W1X 2EX	535/47	British Museum, London	West Greenland Disko Bay?	1855	J. Brand	Brand, J. (1988)	H. Golden
23		533/55	Ethno. Dept. British Museum, London	East Greenland	1962	Ranshaw & Skilling	Brand, J. (1988)	
24	1953-AM.11	586	Ethno. Dept. British Museum, London	West Greenland?		Ranshaw, Skilling & Brand	Brand, J. (1987)	
25		561/45	Library and Museum, Montrose		Pre 1844			
26		343/43	Peterhead Museum	Disko Island	Pre 1852			
27		533/41	Scarborough Museum		1837			
28	WHITM:SC O1	579/43	Whitby Museum	West Greenland	Pre 1824	H. Golden		
29			Kelvingrove Museum Glasgow	West Greenland, Igdlorssuit	1959			
30		545/54	Scott Polar Institute	East Greenland	1930	J. Brand	Brand, J. (1988)	
31		501/51	Scott Polar Institute	East Greenland	1930	Banbridge & Brand	Brand, J. (1988)	
32	SPI NN1	560/48	Scott Polar Institute	East Greenland	1930			
33	RGS NN1	566/48	Royal Geographic Society	East Greenland	1931	Ranshaw & Brand	Brand, J. (1988)	
34	Z.15360	499/51	Uni. Museum of Anthro., Cambridge	West Greenland		Ranshaw & Brand	Brand, J. (1987)	
35	CM7 6YG	570/49	Town Hall, Essex	East Greenland	1930	J. Brand	Brand, J. (1988)	
36		517/50	Lancing College, Sussex	East Greenland	1930	J. Brand	Brand, J. (1988)	
37		529/48	Atlantic College, Wales	East Greenland	1932	J. Brand	Brand, J. (1988)	
38			Nat. Maritime Museum, Falmouth					
39	G.109	550/42	Hancock Museum		1837	H. Golden		
40	5736	582/43	Marischal College, Aberdeen			H. Golden		
41	1984.277	563/43	Nat. Museum Edinburgh			H. Golden		
42	1984-285	557/41	McManus galleries Dundee			H. Golden		
43	THN	507/43	Trinity House, Newcastle			H. Golden		
44	1968-81-1	522/46	McManus galleries Dundee			H. Golden		
45	1894.227	502/47	Nat museum, Scot. Edinburgh	West Greenland	1889	H. Golden		

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in France

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1			Nantes Museum	West Greenland	Ca. 1830			
2			Musée d l'Homme, Paris	East Greenland	1930s			
3			Musée d l'Homme, Paris					
4	1Bs.24	497/50	Musée de la Marine	West Greenland		H. Golden		D. Millar
5			Chateau i Sydfrankrig	West Greenland				
6	1Bs.15	505/44	Musée de la Marine					
7	1Bs.16	533/45	Musée de la Marine			H. Golden		
8	1Bs.8	539/44	Musée de la Marine			H. Golden		

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Sweden

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1		569/44	Skokloster	West Greenland	1606?	H. Collins		
2		534/57	Folkens Museum Stockholm	Disko Isl. West Greenland	1916			
3	Nr. 968.21	50/51	Folkens Museum Stockholm	East Greenland	1968	H. Collins		
4			Ethnographic Museum Stockholm	West Greenland, (child's kayak)				
5			Historiska museet Lund	West Greenland	1605-1720	B. Thomasson/ Martin Nissen		
6			Blentarp, Sjöbo	West Greenland				

Preserved Kayaks in Norway

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1			Fram Museum, Oslo	Nuuk	1888			
2	Nr. 176	543/52	Fram Museum, Oslo	Nuuk	1888	F. Sorvin	Sea kayaker Mag. August 2004	
3			Fram Museum, Oslo	Nuuk	1888			
4			Fram Museum, Oslo	Nuuk	1888			
5	Nr.29.881	560/46	Museum of Cultural history, Oslo	East Greenland	1924			
6	Nr. 95	546/49	Museum of Cultural history, Oslo	South Greenland	1857	Golden		
7		530/45	Bergen	West Greenland (Disko Bay?)	ca. 1850			
8			Museum of Fisheries, Bergen		1870? 1890?			
9			Oslo Kayak Club	West Greenland				
10			Museum of Tromsø					
11			Museum Salten Bodo	West Greenland				
12			Museum of Aalesund	East Greenland				
13			Ishavsmuseet, Brandal	West Greenland				
14			Whaling Museum Hvalfangstmuseet, Sandefjord					
15			Whaling Museum Hvalfangstmuseet Sandefjord	West Greenland				
16			Whaling Museum Hvalfangstmuseet Sandefjord	East Greenland				
17			Vitenskabsmuseet Museum of science, Trondhjem	West Greenland				
18			Vitenskabsmuseet Museum of science, Trondhjem		1888			
19			Bull Ski & Kajak, Oslo	West Greenland				
20			Oslo Kayak Club	West Greenland				

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Finland

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1	No. 5023	496/52	Finland National Museum, Helsinki.	Northwest Greenland	1923	Golden		

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Belgium

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1			Koninklijke Museum in Brussels					

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in the Nederland

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1	48057	588/49	Museum Den Haag	East Greenland Kuumiuut	1933	H. Golden	Sea Kayaker June 2000	H. Golden
2	57602	503/48	Museon, Den Haag	Tinitigilaq, EG	1968	H. Golden		
3	59876	476/50	Museon, Den Haag	Tinitigilaq	1970			
4	57992	509/52	Museon, Den Haag	West Greenland	(1969)			
5	690-1		Rijksmuseum voor volkenkunde, Leiden	West Greenland	1884?			
6	1076-1	521/43	Rijksmuseum voor volkenkunde, Leiden	South Greenland	1892?	H. Golden		H. Golden
7	2823-1	544/56	Rijksmuseum voor volkenkunde, Leiden	East Greenland (Kuumiuut)	1933			
8	Hollum	337/44	De 'Ouwe Polle'	Maniitsoq/Sisimiut	1857			
9	Hindeloopen	570/40	Gemeente Museum	Maniitsoq/Sisimiut	1919	H. Golden	Sea Kayaker Oct. 2002	H. Golden
10	Enkhuizen	554/45	Museum voor het Onderwijs, Haag	Nuuk	1972			
11	Hoom, 00232.1	560/55	West-Friesch Museum	Maniitsoq/Sisimiut	1874 (1600s)	H. Golden		H. Golden
12	De Rijp,	572/43	Rijper Museum	Nuuk	1845 (1600s)	H. Golden		H. Golden
13	Amsterdam	555/36	Museum vü volkerkunde, Frankfurt	Maniitsoq/Sisimiut	1663			
14	Haag	556/39	Rijksmuseum voor volkenkunde, Leiden	Maniitsoq/Sisimiut	pre 1858	H. Golden		
15	RVV 349	546/38	Rijksmuseum voor Volkenkunde, Leiden	West Greenland	Pre 1859 (1600?)	H. Golden	Sea Kayaker Oct. 2002	H. Golden
16	Brielle	550/39			1883			
17	Zierikzee no. 700	630/43	Gemeente Museum	Maniitsoq/Sisimiut	17 th century			
18	117798	210/40	Museon Den Haag			H. Golden		

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Germany

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1	'Amsterdam'	561/36	Museum für volkerkunde, Frankfurt	Maniitsoq/Sisimiut	1663	H. Golden		
2	Schiffergesellschaft	533/47	Schiffergesellschaft, Lübeck		1606	Gabblers H. Golden		H. Golden
3			Staatliches Museum für Völkerkunde, München.		1585			
4	'Herrnhut'		Völkerkunde Herrnhut	South Greenland	1900			
5			Ethnolog. Museum Berlin					
6			Ethnol. Museum Hamburg					
7			German museum Munich					
8			Franksche foundation Halle/Saale					
9			Rautenstrauch Museum Cologne					
10			Mannheim Museum					
11			Engelhorn Reiß					
12			Museum Halle, Saxony.					
13			Overseas-museum Bremen					
14			Grassi Museum Leipzig					
15	32848	548/43	Wereldmuseum, Rotterdam			H. Golden		

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Switzerland

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1	VI.197		Ethnographic Museum	East Greenland	1912			

			Neushatel	Tasilaq				
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Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Monaco

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1			Meeresmuseum Monaco					

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Japan

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1			Hakodate Museum					
2			Inuyama 'Little World'					

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in USA

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1	USNM 160388	530/57	U.S. National Museum	Thule		Chapelle	Adney & Chapelle (1964)	H. Golden
2	60.1/600 3A	591/50	American Museum of Natural History	East Greenland	1931			
3	USNM 160328	503/51	U. S. National Museum	South West Greenland	1883	Chapelle	Adney & Chapelle (1964)	
4	Skene	521/48	Peabody Museum, MA	South West Greenland		Chapelle	Adney & Chapelle (1964)	
5	USNM 72564		U. S. National Museum	Disco Bay, West Greenland	1882			
6		490/56	Museum of the American Indian	Thule		Chapelle	Adney & Chapelle (1964)	
7		602/58	Peabody Museum, MA	Thule		Chapelle	Adney & Chapelle (1964)	
8	USNM 160325	574/56	U. S. National Museum	Upernavik	1885			
9	AMNH 60.1/5053	482/42	American Museum of Natural History		1851			
10	AMNH 60/6172	516/48	American Museum of Natural History		1908			
11	60/6190	570/51	American Museum of Natural History	Sisimiut	1908			
12	17/1711 AP	549/47	Museum of the American Indian	East Greenland	1930			
13	8/2722		Museum of the American Indian	South Greenland	1918			
14	60/478	550/50	American Museum of Natural History	South Greenland	1895			
15	60/480	505/49	American Museum of Natural History	South Greenland	1895	H. Golden		
16	L-84-817		University Museum	Greenland	1936			
17			Adirondack Museum, N.Y					
18	35667	525/47	Nat. Museum of Nat. History. W.D.C		1878	H. Golden		
19	72564	512/50	Nat. Museum of Nat. History. W.D.C		1882	H. Golden		
20	4274cw	534/52	Michigan State University			H. Golden		
21	BF-47	417/46	Mariners Museum, Newport News VA	West Greenland	1901	H. Golden		
22	60.1/5253	245/32	American Museum of Nat. History	West Greenland	1917	H. Golden		
23	'EK 1959'	496/54	Private collection	West Greenland	1959			
24	165527	491/56	Nat. Mus. American In.	Polar Greenland	1891			
25	977.179	523/57	Nat. Mus. American In.	Polar Greenland	1909			
26	1964.1562	578/55	Polar Greenland, CN	Polar Greenland	1964			

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Australia

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1			Australian Museum, Sidney					
2	'Rymill'		(not located)	East Greenland	1930s			

Preserved Greenland Kayaks in Canada

Table No.	Name / No.	Length/ Beam (cm)	Location	Place of origin	Age	Surveyed or drawn by	Published by	Replicated by
1	IV-A-483	518/50	Canadian Museum of Civilization	Sisimiut, SWG	1935			
2	IV-A-375	502/43	Canadian Museum of Civilization	Disko Bay	1923			
3	IV-A-427	507/50	Canadian Museum of Civilization	Disko Bay	1921	Golden		
4	IV-A-428	533/54	Canadian Museum of Civilization	Disko Bay	1927	H. Golden		
5	76/13/88	466/47	Canadian Museum of Civilization	West Greenland				
6	IV-A-432	537/48	Canadian Museum of Civilization					
7	IV-A-447 (IV-X-216)	528/50	Canadian Museum of Civilization					
8	Expo Kayak	538/47	Montreal?	West Greenland, Nuuk	1967		Arima, E. (1991)	H. Golden
9	977.180	523/46	Canadian Canoe Museum		1927	H. Golden		
10	977.182	567/46	Canadian Canoe Museum	West Greenland	1918			
11	IV-A-375	499/51	Canadian Museum of Civilization	West Greenland	1931			
12	977.183	560/56	Canadian Canoe Museum	West Greenland	1941			
13	977.181	556/53	Canadian Canoe Museum	Polar Greenland				
14	950-219	545/55	Royal Ontario Mus.	Polar Greenland	1950	H. Golden		

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