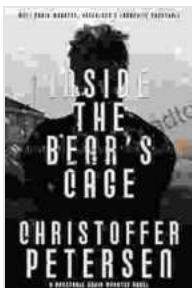


# Crime And Punishment In The Arctic Greenland Crime

In this groundbreaking book, true crime author and Arctic explorer Ann Bancroft uncovers the shocking history of crime and punishment in Greenland, the world's largest island. From the earliest Viking settlements to the present day, Bancroft reveals a dark and often hidden world of murder, rape, theft, and violence.

Bancroft's research is meticulous and her writing is gripping. She draws on a wealth of sources, including court records, police reports, and interviews with victims, perpetrators, and law enforcement officials. The result is a book that is both informative and deeply disturbing.



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reminder of the darkness that can lurk in even the most remote and beautiful places.

## **The Vikings**

The Vikings were the first Europeans to settle in Greenland, arriving in the 10th century. They brought with them their own laws and customs, which were often harsh and unforgiving. Murder was punishable by death, and theft was often met with severe beatings or mutilation.

The Vikings also introduced a system of slavery to Greenland. Slaves were often taken from neighboring Inuit communities, and they were forced to work in harsh conditions. Many slaves died from overwork, starvation, or disease.

## **The Danish Colonial Period**

In the 18th century, Greenland became a Danish colony. The Danish authorities imposed their own laws on the island, which were even harsher than the Viking laws. Murder was now punishable by beheading, and theft was often met with imprisonment or exile.

The Danish colonial period was a time of great hardship for the Greenlandic people. They were forced to give up their traditional way of life and adopt Danish customs. Many Greenlandic people were also subjected to abuse and exploitation by the Danish authorities.

## **The 20th Century**

In the 20th century, Greenland began to experience a period of social and economic change. The island's population grew rapidly, and the economy began to diversify. However, crime also increased during this period.

One of the most notorious crimes in Greenland's history occurred in 1951. A group of Danish hunters killed a group of Inuit hunters in a dispute over hunting rights. The hunters were convicted of murder and sentenced to death. However, the sentences were later commuted to life imprisonment.

## **The Present Day**

Greenland is now a self-governing territory within the Kingdom of Denmark. The island has its own laws and government, and it is responsible for its own law enforcement. However, crime remains a problem in Greenland, and the island has one of the highest crime rates in the Arctic.

The most common crimes in Greenland are theft, assault, and sexual assault. However, there have also been several high-profile murders in recent years. In 2016, a young woman was murdered by her ex-boyfriend. In 2017, a man was murdered by his neighbor in a dispute over land.

## **The Causes of Crime in Greenland**

There are many factors that contribute to crime in Greenland. One factor is the island's isolation. Greenland is located in the remote Arctic region, and it is difficult to get to and from the island. This isolation can make it difficult for law enforcement to respond to crime, and it can also make it difficult for victims to get help.

Another factor that contributes to crime in Greenland is the island's history of colonialism. The Danish colonial authorities imposed harsh laws on the Greenlandic people, and they also subjected the Greenlandic people to abuse and exploitation. This history of colonialism has left a legacy of mistrust between the Greenlandic people and the authorities.

Finally, Greenland is experiencing a period of rapid social and economic change. This change can be destabilizing, and it can lead to crime. For example, the Greenlandic people are increasingly moving from traditional hunting and fishing communities to urban areas. This can lead to a loss of cultural identity and a sense of alienation. These factors can contribute to crime.

## **The Punishment of Crime in Greenland**

The punishment of crime in Greenland is based on the Danish legal system. The Greenlandic authorities have the authority to impose a wide range of punishments, including fines, imprisonment, and even the death penalty. However, the death penalty has not been used in Greenland since the 1950s.

The most common punishment for crime in Greenland is imprisonment. Greenland has a high rate of imprisonment, and many Greenlandic prisoners are held in Danish prisons. This can be a problem for Greenlandic prisoners, as they may be far from their families and communities.

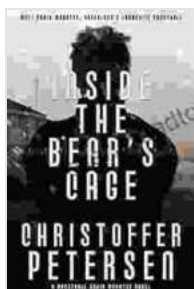
## **The Future of Crime and Punishment in Greenland**

The future of crime and punishment in Greenland is uncertain. The Greenlandic authorities are working to reduce crime, but they face a number of challenges. One challenge is the island's isolation. Another challenge is the island's history of colonialism. Finally, the Greenlandic authorities are facing the challenge of a rapidly changing society.

Despite these challenges, the Greenlandic authorities are committed to reducing crime and improving the justice system. They are working to

improve law enforcement, they are investing in education and social programs, and they are working to build trust between the Greenlandic people and the authorities.

Crime and punishment are complex issues in Greenland. The island's history of colonialism, its isolation, and its rapidly changing society all contribute to crime. However, the Greenlandic authorities are working to reduce crime and improve the justice system. They are facing a number of challenges, but they are committed to making Greenland a safer place for all.



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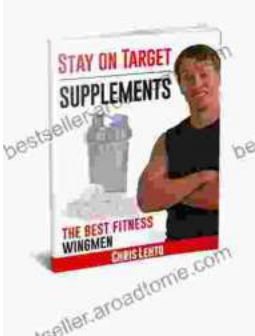
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