Pilotage Greenland 2010 (Names from Saga maps) Upernavik,

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Rocks

After several years and many traverses of the channel at the western end of the Torssût and north of Umiasugssuk, I am convinced the rock marked on the Danish charts in the centre of the channel (72^o 46.4N 55^o 57.3W) is NOT there. I guess they meant the rock which IS at 72^o 46.5N 55^o 56.4W

On the other hand there is a rock NOT marked on the chart, south of Qaesorssuaq (Sandersons Hope) near the island of Ikermia at approx 72^o 37.6N 56^o 00.4W

Anchorages

Torssút

72° 47N 55° 56W

Depth for anchoring in the bay to the north

72°46 55°54W

Pleasant anchorage in sand

Sortehul

It is worth pointing out that though there are a number of obvious fair weather anchorages in and around the Sortehul (Akornat) the only strong wind anchorage is at the northern end, either side of Qornoq kangigleq (72° 44'N) 55° 44'W) depending on wind direction.

A reasonable anchorage can also be made in the bay at Kingigtok (Iterdlagssuaq) at the southern end in northern winds, but the bottom is rocky

Further Inland (east) towards icecap

Naparsissunguaq

77°36N 55°39W

Pleasant anchorage by a sandy beach. Saves going into Tasiussaq opposite

Angmarqua Fjord

72°36N 55°23W

An intriguing hurricane hole guarded by three small islands, but with no depth for anchoring. Lines could be taken ashore.

Beware of isolated rock on approach from the south

Entry either well over on east side between island and the peninsular, or on the far west side

The inviting looking bay by Umanak to the north is in fact heavily silted up from the glacial river. It is possible to anchor before the silt bank further out but this is not so well sheltered.

Anitsoq Island

Nako

72°36N 55°09W

Delightful remote keyhole anchorage at the far end of the inlet. Depth for anchoring on northern side of keyhole bay. Beware however copious amounts of sea grass on bottom

Vaigat

70° 24N 54° 00W

The paucity of proper anchorages in the whole length of the Vaigat can be relieved by anchoring either side of the rock here on the northern side (source: Rich Haworth of High Latitudes).

Cape Farewell Area

The silt banks certainly come up very fast on approach in several of the havns on the map. However it is possible to anchor off the silt banks in lesser depths that the 40m mentioned in the Pilot (viz Stordalens Havn)!

Additional Anchorages

Quvnerit north

60°00N 44°06W

Anchor on silt bank, in our favour here

Qardlut

60°03N 43°59W

Pleasant inlet. Work the silt bank.

Igdlorssuit Havn (60° 10N 44° 04W)

Anchor far out (when it is high water) off silt bank

Ikerasasssuaq Weather Station (Prins Christian Sund)

60°04N 43°11W

Probably better to say:

Approach: follow down the leading marks till very close in and then turn sharply east for the harbour entrance.