

Iceland: Reykjavik & the Golden Circle

with 2-Night West Iceland & Reykjavik Extension

6 DAYS: Saturday, August 17-Thursday, August 22, 2019

\$3,409 per person double occupancy; \$3,999 for single reservations

Includes round-trip airfare, fuel surcharge and all air taxes and fees. Fuel surcharge, air taxes and fees subject to change. Passport required. Per person deposit is \$450.

Put yourself at the center of Iceland's untamed natural landscapes. Inhale fresh Icelandic air, tap into the country's natural restorative powers, and discover geysers and waterfalls on this adventure. From your home base in progressive Reykjavik, set out to see the inspiring Golden Circle, the otherworldly beauty of South Iceland, and the world-famous Blue Lagoon.



Your tour package includes

- 4 nights in handpicked hotels, 4 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 1 dinner with beer or wine
- 4 guided sightseeing tours, Expert Tour Director & local guides, Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

- Reykjavik, Great Geysir geothermal area, Thingvellir National Park, the Golden Waterfall, Gullfoss,
- Seljalandsfoss, Eyjafjallajökull volcano, the Blue Lagoon,

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for about 2 hours daily across moderately uneven terrain, including wet, slippery gravel, and paved paths with some uphill climbs.

Overnight Flight

Day 1: Travel day

Board an overnight flight to Reykjavik.

Reykjavik

Day 2: Arrival in Reykjavik

Included meals: Lunch

Welcome to Iceland! Meet your fellow travelers at a welcome lunch this afternoon. Then, get a feel for Reykjavik, often called "the greenest city on Earth," with your Tour Director leading the way. • See the iconic Höfði House, Perlan Restaurant, and the presidential residence at Bessastadir • Visit Hallgrim's Church and the University District • Pass the Old Town Center, Parliament House, and modern City Hall • Glimpse the artwork of Ásmundur Sveinsson and Einar Jónsson, both famous Icelandic artists

Day 3: The Golden Circle

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Leave the bustle of Reykjavik behind as you travel the Golden Circle, a ring of some of Iceland's most magnificent natural wonders. • Stop at Thingvellir National Park to see the Althing, an open-air governmental assembly that was established in 930 and continued to meet until 1798 • Explore the Great Geysir geothermal area, located in the Haukadalur Valley • Enjoy an included lunch with your group • Discover Gullfoss, or the Golden Waterfall, a natural wonder and one of the most powerful waterfalls in Europe

Day 4: The South Coast

Included meals: Breakfast

Embark on an excursion to the South Coast, a lowland region of lush farmland, striking waterfalls, beaches, glaciers and picturesque villages. • Stand behind the impressive Seljalandsfoss waterfall • View the Eyjafjallajökull volcano • Marvel at the beauty of the Sólheimajökull glacier (weather permitting) • Walk on the South Coast's black sands

Day 5: The Blue Lagoon

Included meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Spend the morning exploring on your own or add an excursion. This afternoon, travel to the Blue Lagoon, a famed geothermal spa known for its restorative properties. • Float weightlessly in the ethereal light-blue waters • Choose to purchase therapeutic spa treatments and massages Say goodbye to your group at a farewell dinner this evening.

Optional Excursion **Whale Watching Cruise** \$109/pp

On this three-hour cruise, you'll journey into the aquatic world of whales. Keep an eye out for minke whales, orcas, humpback whales and playful dolphins and porpoises. Where there are whales, sea birds are never far behind, including the gannet, puffin, guillemot razorbill, cormorant, kittiwake, sea gull, tern and many more. Please note: This excursion is seasonal and runs from May through September. Save \$10 when you book this excursion up to 3 days before your tour departs (On-tour price: \$119)

Day 6: Departure

Included meals: Breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Add an extension to West Iceland & Reykjavik *from \$729 2 nights*



West Iceland

Day 6: West Iceland & Langjökull Glacier

Included meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Travel to Husafell this morning, stopping en route to admire West Iceland's dramatically varied landscapes. • Marvel at Deildartunguhver, Europe's most powerful hot spring • Admire Hraunfossar, clear falls that stream over a lava field, and see the nearby cascades of Barnafoss • Visit Reykholt, a historic village that was home to medieval writer and chieftain Snorri Sturluson • Drive in a specially modified snow truck on the Langjökull Glacier, Iceland's second largest, and walk through the glacier's interior ice tunnels This evening, sit down to an included dinner with your group.

Reykjavik

Day 7: Reykjavik via Borgarnes

Included meals: Breakfast

On your way back to Reykjavik, stop in the town of Borgarnes to visit an Icelandic settlement exhibition and learn more about Viking history.

Day 8: Departure

Included meals: Breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.