

**Frozen I - Winter
9 days – 8 nights**

**Reykjavik, Geysir, Gullfoss, Skogar, Dyrholaey, Vik, Skaftafell National Park, Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon, Hofn, East Fjords, Egilsstadir, Lake Myvatn, Akureyri, Siglufjordur, Skagafjordur, Borgarnes, Borgarfjordur, Thingvellir
Ecology, Nature, Discovery, Relaxation**

**This program may be operated for individual or for groups
This is a suggested itinerary – Please call us to customize**

The tourist attraction of Iceland has never been so strong! They talk about it everywhere! In the blogosphere and elsewhere articles flourish. Not a day goes by without Iceland being mentioned somewhere as the destination not to be missed! Admire Iceland's natural wonders and majestic landscapes during the beautiful light and shadows of fall, winter and spring! Visit all Iceland's main attractions along the Ring Road escorted by a professional local guide.

Weather and Hours of daylight

Month	Temp.	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Average high	°F	36	37	40	44	50	54	57	57	52	45	37	36	45
Average low	°F	28	28	30	34	39	45	50	46	43	37	32	30	36.9
Hours of daylight		4	7	10	15	18	20-22	19	16	13	9	6	4	12

Day 1: Reykjavik

Upon arrival you'll be transferred to your hotel in Reykjavik. If your flight lands early in the day, a great suggestion is to explore Reykjavik, the largest municipality in Iceland. Ingolfur Arnarson, the first settler of Iceland, built his farm on the peninsula where Reykjavik stands today. The town got its name "Smoky Bay" after the columns of steam that rose from the hot springs in the area and made such a deep impression on the first settlers. Dinner is on your own. Reykjavik offers a multitude of restaurants and/or coffeehouses, making dinner a great way to get better acquainted with Iceland's capital. Please note that guaranteed early check-in is not included in the price. Most hotels begin check-in around 2:00pm. Overnight stay in Reykjavik.

Day 2: Geysir, Gullfoss, Skogar, Dyrholaey, Vik (Exploding Geysers – Waterfalls – Black Sand Beaches of the South Shore)

Breakfast at your hotel. Start the day with a short city sightseeing of Reykjavik. From Reykjavik head through the greenhouse village of Hveragerdi on to the Golden Circle natural wonders. Explore Gullfoss, the "Golden Waterfall", and the nearby Geysir hot spring area to see the famous Geysir and Strokkur, as well as numerous other hot springs and boiling mud pools. Continue along the south shore and stop to admire the waterfalls Seljalandsfoss and Skogafoss before continuing to Dyrholaey and the black sand beaches of Iceland's South Shore. Continue to the village of Vik. Dinner and overnight stay in the Vik area. [B/D]

Day 3: Skaftafell National Park, Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon, Hofn (Lava Fields – Glacial Lagoon with Icebergs – Europe's Largest Glacier)

Breakfast at your hotel. Continue your journey on the Ring Road crossing Eldhraun, the largest lava flow recorded on the planet in historical times. Visit Kirkjubaejarklaustur town, the former site of a 12th-century Catholic convent. The tour continues over Skeidararsandur sands to Skaftafell, a beautiful glacial area within Vatnajokull National Park. Continue to the stunning Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon to see the birthplace of icebergs. Throughout the day you will also enjoy magnificent views of the mighty Vatnajokull Glacier. Dinner and overnight stay in the Hofn area. [B/D]

Signature option: Super jeep tour on Vatnajökull Glacier (4 hours)

Day 4: Hofn, East Fjords, Egilsstaðir (Narrow Fjords – Steep Mountains – Picturesque Coastline – Mineral Collection)

Breakfast at your hotel. Drive from Hofn through the Almannaskard pass, stopping to admire the majestic coastline. Continue to the towering mountains plunging vertically into the sea that form the magnificent East Fjords. Explore Petra's renowned collection of local stones and minerals. Dinner and overnight stay in the Egilsstaðir area. [B/D]

Day 5: Lake Myvatn Area (Highland Desert – Bizarre Lava Formations – Geothermal & Volcanic Activity – Rich Birdlife – Protected Salmon River)

Breakfast at your hotel. Explore the empty vastness of the highland desert plateau Modrudalsoraefi as you head towards the Lake Myvatn area. On the way, stop at Dettifoss, Europe's most powerful waterfall. Continue onwards to Namaskard pass with its boiling mud pools and vibrant colours. Explore the natural beauty of the Lake Myvatn area, including the pseudo craters at Skutustadir and the Laxa Salmon River. Other volcanic features of Myvatn include the multi-coloured geothermal area of Namaskard, Krafla volcano and the dark lave citadels of Dimmuborgir.

Dinner and overnight stay in the Myvatn area.

Signature options: *Mývatn Nature Baths. - Horse riding in Myvatn (1-2 hours)*

Day 6: Lake Myvatn Area, Akureyri, Siglufjörður ("Waterfall of the Gods" – Folk Museum – The Beautiful Troll Peninsula)

Breakfast at your hotel. Start the day by exploring the peculiar lava formations at Dimmuborgir. Visit the magnificent Godafoss waterfall and the old turf farm Laufas. Afterwards, visit Akureyri, the colourful northern "capital" of Iceland. The town has charming buildings and beautiful view of the Eyjafjörður Fjord. After spending some time in Akureyri, continue along the coastal roads of Eyjafjörður and the Troll Peninsula. This is a beautiful drive along steep mountains with amazing views over the Arctic Sea and black sand coastline. The destination is Siglufjörður, set in a beautiful fjord of the same name. This town has some of the finest timber buildings in the country, beautifully restored to their original glory. The evening and dinner is on your own at one of the town's restaurants. Siglufjörður is a very enjoyable and friendly town for an evening stroll.

Dinner and overnight in Siglufjörður.

Signature option: *Northern Lights Boat trip / Sea angling / Whale watching (dep. on season) in North Iceland (3-3.5 hours)*

Day 7: Skagafjörður, Borgarnes (Fertile Farmlands – Glacial Rivers – Unique Viking Horse Demonstration)

Breakfast at your hotel. This morning visit Siglufjörður's award-winning Herring-Era Museum. The museum recreates the atmosphere of the early 20th century, when Siglufjörður was transformed into a herring boomtown, thanks to a large migration of herring. Afterwards, head along majestic mountains and narrow passes to Skagafjörður, considered to be one of the finest places in Iceland for horse breeding. Enjoy an introduction to the unique Icelandic horse breed with its special fifth gait - the tölt. Continue towards the village of Blönduós built on both sides of the river Blanda. Hrútey Island, a protected nature reserve, sits within the center of this popular Salmon River. Cross the Holtavorduheiði plateau through Borgarfjörður to the beautiful town of Borgarnes. Dinner and overnight stay in Borgarnes area. [B/D]

Day 8: Borgarfjörður, Thingvellir, Reykjavík (Europe's Largest Hot Spring – Picturesque Waterfalls – National Park with Geological Wonders UNESCO)

Breakfast at your hotel. Drive to Deildartunguhver, the most powerful hot spring in Europe. Stop to admire the beautiful Hraunfossar waterfalls before continuing via Hvalfjörður fjord to Lake Thingvallavatn, Iceland's largest lake and Thingvellir National Park. This UNESCO heritage site is where the world's oldest continuing parliamentary government was founded in the 10th century. It is also the place where the North American and European tectonic plates meet. Dinner is on your own. Overnight stay in Reykjavík. [B]

Day 9: Reykjavik, USA

Breakfast at your hotel. Transfer to the airport. We advise departing your hotel no later than three hours before your international flight. If you did not visit the Blue Lagoon on your arrival day, you might use the opportunity to stop there now on your way to the airport.

Signature option: *Non-guided tour to the Blue Lagoon on arrival/departure (2-4 hours). Book in advance. Price depends on availability*

[B] = Breakfast | [B/D] = Breakfast and Dinner

Your Tour Includes

- Round-trip airfare USA-Reykjavik
- Private round-trip transfers
- 8 nights' accommodation:
 - 2 nights w/facilities in Reykjavik
 - 6 nights w/facilities in countryside
- 7-day guided tour as per itinerary
- Meals:
 - Breakfast daily except arrival day
 - 6 dinners in the countryside
- Exploding Geysers
- Waterfalls
- Lava Fields
- Glacial Lagoon with Icebergs
- Europe's Largest Glacier
- Narrow Fjords
- Highland Desert
- Geothermal & Volcanic Activity
- Rich Birdlife
- Protected Salmon River
- Waterfall of the Gods

- Troll Peninsula
- Glacial Rivers
- Unique Viking Horse Demonstration
- Entrance to Petra's Stone collection
- Entrance to Laufas Folk Museum incl. refreshments
- Horse Show in Skagafjordur
- Entrance to the Herring Museum

Tour does not Include:

- Any taxes and surcharges relating to airfares
- Travel insurance
- Wi-Fi at hotels
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks
- Other meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- Extras and gratuities
- Early check-in, late check-out
- Expenses of personal nature
- Portorage at airport and hotels
- Optional tours and activities
- Any service not specifically listed under "included"
- Swimsuit at the Blue Lagoon (can be rented on site)

Recommended hotels in your Tour:

City	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
Superior Tourist Class		
Reykjavik	Skuggi	4.5
Vik	Farmhouse Lodge	4.5
Hofn	Hrafnaveilir Guest House	5
Egilsstadir	Gistihusid Lake	4.5
Myvatn	Asar Guesthouse	5
Siglufjordur	Rjupa Guesthouse	5
Borgarnes	Kria Guesthouse	5
First Class		
Reykjavik	Reykjavil Konsulat	4.5
Vik	Black Beach Suites	5
Hofn	Haukabergr House	5
Egilsstadir	1001 Nott	5
Myvatn	Laugar Guesthouse	5
Siglufjordur	The Herring House	5
Borgarnes	Gistiheimilid Eyvindarholt	5

Hotels will be confirmed at time of booking



Tour Prices

From: \$2,179 including airfare

Add-ons available from all US gateways.

Prices are per person and may change without notice

These programs can be customized for individuals and for groups

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

Airfare

- We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

Program

- You may add or remove;
 - Trip days
 - Cities and sites
 - Meals

Other options

- The program was designed with private services; however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

Quotation

- Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

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Other Options:

- The options suggested in the itinerary will be quoted at time of booking
- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

Optional tours and activities:

Day	Description	Length
Day 1 or 8	Non guided tour to the Blue Lagoon on arrival/departure	Flexible
Day 3	Boat tour on the glacial lagoon	45 Mins.
	Super jeep tour on Vatnajökull glacier	4 Hours
Day 5	Mývatn Nature Baths	Flexible
	Horse riding in Myvatn/Safarihestar	2 Hours
Day 6	Sailing / Sea angling / Whale watching depending on season	3-3 ½ Hours

Booked via your guide at the start of your tour.

Group Quotations

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS) or use the web [Group Quote Request](#).

- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the land journey.
- Booking both air and land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and longtime relationship with the airlines.
- We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.