



Blue Lagoon. Photo credit: Roderick Eime



Skogafoss. Photo credit: Mitchel Jones

Experience the country that has stolen many hearts. On this 9-day tour, enjoy the raw beauty of volcanoes, geysers, hot springs, lava fields, glaciers and fjords. Let your troubles drift away as you soak in natural and manmade hot springs. Tour a geothermal plant and find out about this renewable energy source that powers 70% of the country. See the famous Blue Lagoon. Attend a service at the Hallgrimskirkja Church. Seasoned travellers Allen & Gwenanne Jorgenson will guide your exploration of the best that this Nordic island nation has to offer. The Jorgensons have been to Iceland twice and are mesmerized by the landscape, warm water and Viking history. "God's creation is powerful, mystical and primal. This land of fire and ice stirs one's soul."—Gwenanne Jorgenson

Itinerary

Friday, June 14 Reykjavik

Transfer to your hotel in Reykjavik. Enjoy the sights in this striking capital city on a walking tour led by a local guide. You may even get the chance to learn some Icelandic during a language lesson with a local family. Tonight, share a meal with your travel companions and learn more about the days to come.

Saturday, June 15 Reykjavik

The Blue Lagoon in the Reykjanes Peninsula is one of the most celebrated attractions in the country. With crystal-blue waters and temperatures reaching close to 40°C, the lagoon is not only an attractive Icelandic landmark, but has been used as a research centre to help find cures for skin ailments using its mineral-rich water. Also visit the Hellisheiði Power Plant Geothermal Energy Exhibition, where you'll learn about the history and current geothermal energy in Iceland through multimedia displays that even include an earthquake simulator. Evening activities may include a concert at the Harpa Concert Hall.

Sunday, June 16 Reykjavik

Attend a morning service at Hallgrimskirkja Church, both an architectural marvel and one of the tallest buildings in Iceland. After lunch, take some time to explore Reykjavik at your leisure. Possible sightseeing opportunities include climbing the tower of Hallgrimskirkja, exploring Lake Tjörninn, and seeing City Hall.

Monday, June 17 Akureyri

Today, travel to the town of Akureyri, and stop for lunch at a local cantina. Spend the afternoon exploring the city, and perhaps attend an optional whale-watching excursion in the evening.

Tuesday, June 18 Borgarfjörður

En route to Mývatn Lake, stop at Goðafoss Waterfall, which translates to "Waterfall of the gods." Explore the lava formations of Dimmuborgir, and the geothermal area of Námaskarð. This barren landscape might make

you think you're strolling on Mars! On your way to Borgarfjörður for the night, see the Dettifoss Waterfall, one of the most powerful waterfalls in all of Europe.

Wednesday, June 19 Höfn

Depart beautiful Borgarfjörður for a trip down the coast, driving through the majestic eastern fjords. On our way to Höfn, catch a glimpse of Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest ice cap.

Thursday, June 20 Vik

While at the Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon, you might spot seals sunbathing on the ice and icebergs floating on the lagoon's clear, blue waters. An optional boat excursion will take you deeper into the lagoon. Continue on to Skaftafell National Park, where you can hike on a range of trails. See mountains, glaciers, and unique flora and fauna while in the park.

Friday, June 21 Reykjavik

Reynisfjara Beach, with its enormous basalt stacks and roaring waves, is a beautiful example of the black sand beaches of Iceland. Continue along Iceland's Golden Circle trail to Drumbó, making stops at the Seljalandsfoss and Skógafoss waterfalls, where you can explore a small cave that lies behind the mouth of the waterfall. Finally, make your way to the Geysir Hot Springs. These highly active hot springs spout water 30 feet into the air every few minutes! Cap off an exciting day of sightseeing at Thingvellir National Park, where you may see the ruins of the Thingvellir Church and ruins of old stone shelters. Arrive in Reykjavik for your last evening in Iceland.

Saturday, June 22 Depart for home

Depart for your home countries with exciting stories and memories that are sure to last a lifetime.

Fare per person:

CAD: Double Occupancy \$5,435; Single Supplement \$1,639

USD: Double Occupancy \$4,280; Single Supplement \$1,290.55

Fare includes

- All transportation within the tour
- Hotel accommodations
- Entrance fees included in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, 2 dinners
- Expert tour leaders & knowledgeable local guides
- Gratuities for drivers & guides

Fare excludes

- International airfare & airport transfers
- All lunches, 6 dinners
- Optional activities and entrances as listed in the itinerary
- Travel medical (out-of-country emergency) and cancellation/interruption insurance

Insurance

Travel medical (out-of-country emergency) and cancellation/interruption insurance are not mandatory but are highly recommended.

Payments

Rates shown are in effect 03/18. Though every effort is made to maintain established prices, TM reserves the right to adjust prices should it become necessary. The price is guaranteed when paid in full. We accept cheque and credit card payments. Credit card payments are charged a 3% fee.

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