

10 Day Iceland Glaciers and Northern Lights Tour with Flights

Reykjavik - Kirkjubaejarklaustur - Western Iceland

From **\$4,499** Typically \$6,499 ✈️ pp twin share



Roundtrip international flights from Australia included

Small-group tour of only 16 travellers

Daily departures in February, March & November 2020!

Book now with only 50% deposit

Description



The group size for this tour is a maximum of 16 travellers.

Daily departures available in February, March & November 2020! Select departures in October 2020.

Prepare to be absolutely awestruck as you traverse through some of the most spectacular sceneries in Iceland and see the breathtaking Northern Lights!

Begin your adventure in Reykjavik where you will have the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful Icelandic countryside and visit the Seljalandsfoss waterfall, which is located beneath the Eyjafjallajokull volcano. Make pit stops at stunning but secret waterfalls of Kvernufoss and Írafoss and take some time to appreciate the heavenly views.

See the black sand beach nestled under Mt. Reynisfjall and witness the famous Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon, filled with chunks of ice that have cracked off humongous glaciers and float out to sea. Explore the magical blue ice caves, see the iconic geysers and visit the majestic Kirkjufell mountain over the next few days of your trip. Make sure you don't miss out on standing with your right foot in Europe and the left in America when you visit the Thingvellir National Park.

As your trip draws closer to the end, explore the Vidgelmir lava cave and take in the sights at Deildartunguhver, the highest flow hot spring in Europe. Last but not least on the agenda for you is a visit to Krauma with its natural geothermal baths & spa - the perfect way to end an unimaginable tour!

Itinerary

Day 1

Australia ✈ Iceland

Your adventure starts today with your flight to Reykjavik.

Meals included: inflight only

Day 2

Reykjavik Arrival

Welcome to Reykjavik! Transfer from the airport to your hotel and settle in.

Accommodation: FOSS Hotel or similar, Reykjavik

Meals included: inflight only

Day 3

Reykjavik

Explore Reykjavik at your leisure.

Accommodation: FOSS Hotel or similar, Reykjavik

Meals included: breakfast

Day 4

South Coast, the Five Waterfalls and Reynisfjara's black sand beach

Setting out from Reykjavík, you will drive along route 1 passing through small towns and enjoying the beauty of the Icelandic countryside. Your first stop will be at the famous Seljalandsfoss waterfall, which is located beneath the Eyjafjallajökull volcano. Remember to ask your tour guide all about the colossal eruption back in 2010. Close by is the beautiful but less known waterfall Gjúfrabúi. Next up is the stunning Skogafoss, a drop of 60 m (200ft) of natural raw power that must be seen to be believed. You will then have the additional pleasure of visiting the secret waterfalls of Kvernufoss and Írafoss.

Then it is on to Reynisfjara, a black sand beach nestling under Mt. Reynisfjall – seasonal home to numerous puffins that dive from its cliffs out to sea. Black basalt has been shaped into amazing different formations, most notably the famous Reynisdrangar. Beware the might of the Atlantic Ocean which looms with its powerful waves. At the end of the day, your accommodation awaits in hotel Geirland, a lovely country hotel located next to the village of Kirkjubæjarklaustur. On the way there and during the night, we will look out for the Northern Lights if conditions are favourable to see them.

Accommodation: Will be confirmed 14 days prior to departure

Meals included: breakfast

Day 5

Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon and the Blue Ice cave

Today, you set off in the morning for a totally unique experience. A visit to a natural stunning Blue Ice cave will be the highlight of the day. You start by driving to the Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon. This famous lagoon is filled with huge chunks of ice that have cracked off Breiðamerkurjökull glacier and float slowly out to sea. Some icebergs wash on shore, lying on the vivid black sand like diamonds on satin and from there, your Ice cave adventure will begin.

The ice caves only form in the winter when glacial water freezes to create this unique natural phenomenon. Each season, the local glacier experts find the best caves to visit in an enjoyable and safe way. From the glacier lagoon, they drive you through the best of Icelandic highlands in a special Super Jeep to the ice cave. There you will have about an hour to explore and enjoy the magical blue caves. Please do not forget to bring your camera!

After this unforgettable adventure, you drive back to the Jokulsarlon where you join the bus again. From there, you drive to the Skaftafell national park where the amazing views will take your breath away! On the way back to Reykjavik, you will of course be able to enjoy the beautiful nature of the South Coast and to make a quick stop in Vik village for some refreshments, while keeping an eye out for the Northern lights if conditions are right.

Accommodation: FOSS Hotel or similar, Reykjavik

Meals included: breakfast

Day 6

The Golden Circle and Kerið Volcanic Crater

After spending the night in an accommodation in the Reykjavik area, you will visit the world famous Golden Circle of Geysers, Gullfoss and Thingvellir. We want to add something unique to your experience and that's why we will also visit the Volcanic Crater Kerid. First on the agenda is a visit to Thingvellir National park. It lies within the belt of volcanic activity and fissures which pass across Iceland, a part of the mid-Atlantic ridge, the junction of the American and Eurasian tectonic plates. It is a nice feeling to stand with your right foot in Europe and the left one in America. This amazing place is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is shrouded in the history of Iceland and the Vikings of the past.

Next stop is the Geysir – the biggest geysers of Haukadalur are Strokkur and Geysir itself, which gives the others their name. Strokkur erupts every 5 to 10 minutes, throwing a column of water into the air to a height of 20 to 30 meters. Here you can also buy some refreshments or lunch.

From Geysir we drive to Gullfoss. Known as the Golden Waterfall, this is one of the most amazing waterfalls in Iceland, powerful and beautiful as it rushes down from two tiers into an ancient valley. Last on the agenda is a visit to the Volcanic Crater Kerid. The crater is 270 m wide and more than 55 m deep. There is a lake in the bottom of the crater which gives it a magical and colourful appearance. After enjoying this fantastic creation of nature, you return to your accommodation in the Reykjavik area.

Accommodation: FOSS Hotel or similar, Reykjavik

Meals included: breakfast

Day 7

Snæfellsjökull National Park

The day begins with a drive along the west coast through the town of Borgarnes all the way to the beach in Ytri Tunga which is a well-known seal colony. The seals are friendly and curious and will climb up on the rocks near the sandy beach. The next stop is the fishing hamlet Arnarstapi and then Hellnar where you will have time to walk along the cliffs for half an hour; the view to the sea from this hike is breathtaking.

In Djúpalónssandur you will discover incredible rock formations. The beaches are covered with small black stones which are unique. You will hike to one of the most impressive formations called Lóndrangar, which are a pair of rock pinnacles made of basalt approximately 70 m high. Stop next to the majestic Kirkjufell mountain, which is one of the most popular photo stops in Iceland. If you have not used your camera before on the tour then this one is a must!

At the end of the day, you will finish with a drive through three small fishing villages on the way to your accommodation in the Western part of Iceland. The rooms are cozy and comfortable with private bathrooms.

Accommodation: Will be confirmed 14 days prior to departure

Meals included: breakfast

Day 8

Lava Cave, Hot Springs and Waterfalls

After a refreshing rest and having breakfast at the hotel, you will drive towards the historic Borgarfjordur area where you will see the great Hraunfossar, a series of waterfalls formed by rivulets streaming over a distance of about 900 m (almost 300 ft!) across the Hallmundarhraun lava field, which flow from an eruption of one of the volcanoes lying under the glacier Langjökull. The waterfalls pour into the Hvítá River from ledges created by less porous rock in the lava.

Literally a stone's throw upstream from Hraunfossar, you will visit another waterfall called Barnafoss. Its name, "the waterfall of the children," comes from an accident which is said to have taken place here in a previous century. There was a natural stone bridge over the waterfall, and two children from a nearby farm fell to their deaths crossing the river on the bridge. Afterwards, the grief-stricken mother had the bridge destroyed.

After enjoying the many amazing sites above ground level it is now time to journey towards the Center of the Earth! You will go caving in the Vidgelmir lava cave where you can see the tumult of the volcanic landscape up close. During this 1.5 hour long expedition you will have a chance to see one of the largest lava caves in Iceland with its stunning lava stalactites and stalagmites. The area surrounding the entrance to the cave will allow you to realize how powerful eruptions of volcano can be. Take in the sights at Deildartunguhver, the highest-flow hot spring in Europe, providing 180 liters per second of 100 C hot water! Thread the path carefully while watching and hearing the powerful energy of the hot spring at work. Last but not least on the agenda for you is a visit to Krauma, the new natural geothermal baths & spa next to Deildartunguhver with admission fee included. There you can enjoy great facilities including five relaxing geothermal baths, a cold tub, and two saunas. A perfect way to end a great tour.

After this adventure exploring the Wild West of Iceland for two unforgettable days, you set off back to Reykjavik arriving there in time to enjoy the rest of your night while reflecting on the beauty of the Icelandic nature.

Accommodation: FOSS Hotel or similar, Reykjavik

Meals included: breakfast

Day 9

Reykjavik ✈ Australia

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home to Australia.

Meals included: breakfast and inflight

Day 10

Australia

Arrive home today

Meals included: inflight only

Inclusions & Exclusions

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- Return economy class airfare from Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Perth, Adelaide*, Hobart* and Canberra* (*surcharges apply)
- International flights with Emirates Airlines, British Airways, Qatar Airways, Icelandair or Scandinavian Airlines (subject to availability)
- Roundtrip airport to hotel transfers
- 7 nights hotel accommodation on a twin share basis with private bathroom facilities
- Meals as indicated: 7 breakfasts
- Transport in modern air-conditioned coach
- Services of an English speaking tour guide
- Activities as per the itinerary
 - Blue Ice Cave visit with all safety gear provided
 - Entry to Kerid Volcanic Crater
 - Entry to Vidgelmir Lava Cave with all safety gear provided

Accommodation

Reykjavik - FOSS Hotel or similar

Kirkjubaejarklaustur and Western Iceland - confirmed 14 days prior to departure

Fine Print

Please note that only small carry on luggage such as backpacks are suitable when travelling outside of Reykjavík. There are luggage storage facilities available if required.

Exclusions

- Any visas as required
- Meals not mentioned
- Drinks
- Any additional requests.
- Tips

Child Policy

Children must be at least 8 years of age to participate in this tour and must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Single Supplement

The additional supplement for a single traveller is \$1500.

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