



Reykjavik City Break Highlights & Highlands of South Iceland 5 days / 4 nights

Available: 01 July – 28 September 2020

Departures: daily**

This tour package includes visits to the must see highland attractions of South Iceland – Þorsmörk, Landmannalaugar and Golden Circle area with a bath in the Secret lagoon. Visit beautiful Þorsmörk valley, the spectacular Landmannalaugar highland with the colourful rhyolite mountains, and Golden Circle Highlights, often called Iceland in a nutshell.

Highlights:

- Drive into Þorsmörk & drive through the black sand beach along the coast
- Seljalandsfoss & Skogafoss waterfall
- Landmannalaugar nature reserve
- Hjalparfoss waterfall
- Golden Circle attractions Þingvellir, Geysir and Gullfoss
- Secret lagoon

INCLUDED

- 4 nights with breakfast in a 3* or 4* hotel in central Reykjavik
- Airport return transfer with Hotel drop off and pick up
- Eyjafjallajökull & Þorsmörk Super Jeep day tour – guided in English
- Landmannalaugar highland bus tour – guided in English
- Golden Circle & secret Lagoon bus tour – guided in English

Excluded

- Meals besides breakfast
- Other tours, activities and entrance fees than mentioned in the itinerary

Prices:

Valid 15 June – 28 September 2021

3 Star Hotel	4 Star Hotel	
131.300 ISK	146.600 ISK	per person in double room
168.700 ISK	197.200 ISK	per person in single room

* Prices are subject to hotel availability.

** The Jeep tour has a minimum of 2 participants. If the minimum is not reached, tours might be on a different date, or jeep tour has to be paid for 2 pax, additional fee applies.

** Landmannalaugar bus tour is operated on Mon, Wed, Sat. The itinerary will be adjusted accordingly.



Extras/Upgrades

- Extra nights available on request
- All nights are in standard rooms – upgrades available on request
- Landmannalaugar tour can be in Jeep, BUT has a minimum of 3 pax until 15 June and from 01 October, and with a 2 pax minimum 16 June to 30 September. Price on request.
- Additional tours available see www.grayline.is

ITINERARY :

Day 1: Arrival

Arrival in Iceland. Start your visit with shuttle transfer to your hotel in Reykjavik.

Overnight in Reykjavik.

Day 2: Eyjafjallajökull & Þorsmörk Super Jeep tour

Duration 8 – 10 hours.

Highlights

- Seljalandfoss & Skogafoss waterfall
- Gjlufrabúi – the hidden waterfall OR Natuhúsagil gorge
- Driving through rivers and highland road
- Gigjökull glacier tongue
- Sólheimasandur – the black sand beach

Please note

- Bring loose change for toilet fees, a camera and some snacks for the ride. The driver will be stopping at service stations should you wish to purchase something there.
- Dress according to the weather. Please wear/bring warm, comfortable clothing and waterproof outer layer, sturdy hiking boots, gloves and wool/fleece hat. Lunch and snacks can be bought during tour but are not included.



On the way to Þorsmörk



Seljalandfoss



Tour Itinerary

This is one of the most popular tours in Iceland and the setting for the infamous Eyjafjallajökull volcanic eruption in 2010.

During the eruption millions of liters of melted ice from Eyjafjallajökull came bursting down the mountainside causing massive destructive floods on its way to the Atlantic and changed the scenery for years to come.

The first stop of the day is at one of Iceland's loveliest waterfalls, Seljalandsfoss. Here the sure-footed can walk behind the thundering cascade but be careful as the trails is narrow and a bit slippery. Extra caution is especially needed during the winter and good footwear is recommended. This is one of the most photographed places in Iceland and for good reason. During the winter, the waterfall is lit up so you can enjoy it's magic all year round.

Then it's on to a spectacular hidden canyon rich with unique flora, green moss and a beautiful waterfall. Depending on conditions, we will either be making a stop at Gljúfrabúi or Nauthúsagil. Now it's time for more action as we head to Gigjökull glacier tongue. The driver will deflate the tires for some serious jeep action, including splashing through glacier rivers, so fasten your seatbelts and keep your windows closed and experience the fun! Before we leave for the black sands we enjoy a light lunch that's included in the tour price. This is a good opportunity to try the Icelandic meat soup made with lamb, rice and vegetables. This traditional soup is a hearty and popular meal that's kept Icelanders warm and energetic through the centuries when food was scarce.



Skogafoss waterfall



The black sand beach Skogarasandur

After lunch, the tour takes you for a fun action drive to the black volcano beaches of the south, where you have panoramic views in all directions with the Atlantic Ocean beating the shore on one side and glaciers and volcanos on the other. Our last stop of the day is one of the largest waterfalls in Iceland, the impressive Skógafoss. It brings water from the 2 glaciers surrounding it, Eyjafjallajökull and Mýrdalsjökull. Due to the amount of spray rainbows are usually visible on sunny days but the spray means you're likely to get wet if you get up close. But you should definitely take the extra steps as it's quite empowering standing close to it.



The Skógafoss area is also the starting point for those that wish to hike over Fimmvörðuháls over to Þórsmörk, one of the most popular hiking routes in Iceland.

Overnight in Reykjavík

Day 3: Landmannalaugar – guided bus tour to the pearl of the highlands

Duration 12 hours

Highlights:

- Experience the spectacular Landmannalaugar area
- Soak in natural geothermal springs
- Travel through a volcanic landscape of incredible colours
- Get up close to the beautiful Hjalparfoss waterfall
- Hnauapollur crater lake
- Take in the peaceful Iceland countryside

Please note:

- Bring a bathing suit and a towel if you want to take a dip into the Landmannalaugar natural warm spring
- Hiking in Landmannalaugar may involve changes in elevation and walk over rocky or uneven trails. Bring good hiking shoes and weatherproof clothing.
- Dress according to the weather. Please wear/bring warm, comfortable clothing and waterproof outer layer, sturdy hiking boots, gloves and wool/fleece hat. Lunch and snacks can be bought during tour but are not included.



Hnauapollur crater lake



Rhyolite mountains



Bathing in the geothermal water



Itinerary:

The Landmannalaugar tour takes you from Reykjavik up to the interior highlands of Iceland to Landmannalaugar area, often referred to as "The Pearl of the Central Highlands".

The Picturesque Hjalparfoss Waterfall

Travelling through the beautiful countryside of southern Iceland and into Þjórsárdalur valley, you get the chance to explore Hjalparfoss waterfall, one of Iceland's most picturesque waterfalls.

Stunning Scenery of Hnauapollur Crater Lake

From Hjalparfoss waterfall the route to Landmannalaugar takes you into the highlands and the next stop at Hnauapollur crater lake where turquoise blue water, black and red volcanic pumice and vegetated brims create a stunning scenery.

Landmannalaugar - The Pearl of the Highlands

Arriving in Landmannalaugar, the dramatic display of light, colours and rock formations will likely keep you and your camera busy for a while, but you can opt to go for a 2 hour guided hike into the colourful hills surrounding Landmannalaugar and afterwards enjoy a relaxing bath in a natural warm spring.

Back on the road from Landmannalaugar to Reykjavik, the tour passes by Mt. Hekla, one of Iceland's most formidable and infamous volcanoes.

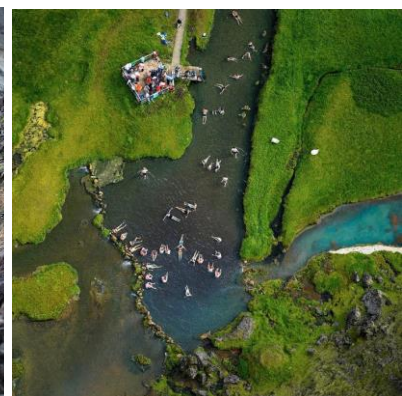
Overnight in Reykjavik.



Colourful Rhyolite



Grænagil – the green gorge



bathing in a natural pool

THIS IS LANDMANNALAUGAR!



Day 4: Golden Circle & Secret lagoon

Duration 8,5 hours

Round out your ultimate Iceland experience with knowing history during Golden Circle tour and a revitalizing soak in the Secret Lagoon set in a geothermal landscape in the quaint village of Flúðir.

Highlights:

- Þingvellir National Park
- Gullfoss waterfall
- Geysir hot spring area
- Secret Lagoon

Inclusions

- Admission to the Secret Lagoon
- Round Trip Transport
- Professional Tour Guide
- Free WiFi on the Bus
- Comfortable Coaches
- English Talking guide
- Golden Circle Tour
- 10% Discount at Gullfoss Café and Glima Restaurant (Geysir Hot Spring)*

Exclusions

- Towel and swimsuit are not included (but can be rented at the Secret Lagoon)

*Automatic 10% discount after showing the booking confirmation (received when booking this tour), valid only when buying refreshments, not at the gift shops



Secret Lagoon



Gullfoss waterfall



Geysir hot spring



Tour Itinerary:

Combining the Golden Circle and Secret Lagoon, this breathtaking tour takes you on a wondrous journey through Iceland's staggeringly raw beauty. It ends with the ultimate Icelandic indulgence: a luxurious soak in a geothermal pool under the open sky. Go on a journey that brings you the experiences of walking among geologic marvels, witnessing an erupting hot spring, discovering a magnificent waterfall, and unwinding in an outdoor geothermal pool.

A Historical & Geological Wonder

Pingvellir National Park is located in a rift valley where the Eurasian and North American tectonic plates meet. It is a site of great historical, geological and cultural significance and has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site. Pingvellir is the birthplace of the Althing Iceland's parliament founded in 930 AD, where the nation's most powerful leaders would meet to decide on legislation and carry out brutal Viking age justice.

An Awe-Inspiring Waterfall

The tour continues across an area of picturesque scenery to the mighty Gullfoss waterfall. Once there, you can take several paths around the two tiers of cascading water to explore several vantage points. Extra time is allotted at this location for a lunch break at Gullfoss Café, where food is available for purchase.

Bubbling with Excitement

Next up is the home of "The Great Geysir" hot spring, which all geysers are named after. This area is an impressive collage of bubbling mud pools, hissing steam vents, and colorful algae deposits. Strokkur geyser puts on quite the show every few minutes blasting boiling water high up into the air.

The Secret Lagoon

Just off the Golden Circle is the Secret Lagoon, a spring-fed pool located near the charming village of Flúðir in South Iceland. Mineral-rich geothermal waters from nearby hot springs stay at a steady temperature of 38° to 40°C, making the Secret Lagoon's water perfect for bathing and relaxation.

Icelandic Open-Air Bathing Experience

Over the years, the Secret Lagoon, or Gamla Laugin as it was referred to by the villagers, has been part of the local culture that is keeping alive the uniquely authentic experience of Icelandic open-air geothermal bathing.

Hot Springs & Geothermal Features

The Secret Lagoon offers neat and clean locker rooms, showers, and changing facilities, as well as a small bar and dining area. Boardwalks and footpaths surround the pool enable guests to explore the small hot springs and other geothermal features in the immediate area. After 2 hours of enjoying the Secret Lagoon's miraculous waters, we return to Reykjavík, rejuvenated and refreshed.



An Experience for the Mind, Body & Soul

While anyone of these stops makes incredible images for your Instagram feed, they also all have rich histories and fascinating tales, each told with their nuances by our knowledgeable guides. Touring the Golden Circle and soaking in the Secret Lagoon is an unforgettable way to experience Iceland's natural wonders for your body, mind, and soul.

Overnight in Reykjavik.

Day 5: Departure

Pick-up from hotel for an Airport Express shuttle transfer to Keflavik International Airport for your flight departure.

We reserve the rights to alter, change or cancel tours due to weather and road conditions.