

ICELAND CIRCUMNAVIGATION

Day 1 Reykjavik

Arrive in Reykjavik. Take time to experience the charm of this northernmost capital, before embarkation. With our [pre-programs](#) or our [car tour you](#) can enjoy the country of fire and ice before you leave. Your vessel awaits you just minutes from the city center – embarkation is at 4pm . At 8 pm the ship sets sail (so to speak).

Day 2 Stykkisholmur

Stykkisholmur is the starting point of our exploration on the Snaefellnes Peninsula. The area is often referred to as "Island in miniature", because its landscape diversity reflects almost all of Iceland's characters. Breidafjörður Bay is well known for its fascinating birdlife, unique basaltic rock formations and breathtaking views!

Optional Land excursions:

Option 1: BOOTSTOUR VIKING SUSHI

Highlights: Fascinating birdlife, breathtaking landscapes, fresh mussels.

Experience the flavor of fresh caught seafood sushi, prepared in "Viking Style". Enjoy a ride through beautiful fairy-tale landscapes and be mesmerized by a great variety of birds and incredible basalt rock formations. With luck, you may also spot a majestic white-tailed eagle.

Level of difficulty: Suitable for all guests; short 10-minute walk to the pier

Duration: 2 hours and 15 minutes

Min / Max: - / 30

Price: \$75

Notes: Warm wind and waterproof clothing and sunglasses; boat excursion

Option 2: TOUR THE SNAEFELLSNESS PENINSULA

Highlights: Introduction to the history and geology of Iceland, varied landscapes, visit the Hai Museum.



Due to its scenic and historical diversity, the peninsula Snaefellsness is often referred to as "Iceland in miniature". In this idyllic and varied environment, characterized by natural beauty, history and culture, there are many fascinating lava and rock formations, black sand beaches and a glacial landscapes. In the summer months, the bird life here is incredibly diverse. The Londrangar Rocks, remnants of a volcanic crater, are also a

highlight of this trip, which includes visits to the small fishing village of Arnarstapi and the Shark Museum in Bjarnarhöfn.

Difficulty: walk (about 45 minutes) on a dirt track, alternatively guests can wait in the bus

Duration: 7 hours

Min / Max: 20/45

Price: \$125

Notes: Packed lunch provided.

Option 3: GLACIER TOUR ON THE SNAEFELLSJÖKULL GLACIER

Highlights: Glacier tour in open snow groomer (Snow Cat).

This over 4,200 foot high glacier is considered one of the most beautiful and regular volcanoes in the country. An experienced guide will take you to the summit in a specially equipped snow groomer and, if the weather is fine, you will have a fantastic view over Hellissandur and Breidafjörður Bay, maybe even into the Westfjords. The glacier serves as the entrance to the "center of the earth" in Jules Verne's novel of the same name.

Level of difficulty: Walking on the glacier

Duration: 4-5 hrs

Min / Max: 20/30

Price: \$165



Notes: Warm clothing (including gloves and headgear) required; Sunglasses. Packed lunch is provided.



Day 3 Isafjordur

The idyllic town of Isafjörður is the capital of the Westfjords, a secluded peninsula that is only connected by a narrow strip of land with the rest of Iceland. Table mountains and dramatic fjords dominate the local landscape. Isafjörður is the ideal starting point for our optional excursions: enjoy the silence and solitude of kayaking, watch puffins on the small island of Vigur or visit Dynjandi Waterfall, the highest waterfall in the region.

Optional land excursions:

Option 1: TOUR FLATEYRI

Highlights: Impressive nature from the kayak

Enjoy an approx. 2-hour kayak tour, which will give you a new fascinating view of the unique bird life and the beautiful mountain scenery. This tour is suitable for both beginners and advanced kayakers. Enjoy the tranquility and the view of Isafjördur while your kayak glides through the impressive fjord landscape. Learn many interesting stories from your guide and with a little luck you'll see a seal or two.

Level of difficulty: Shorter walking distances, moderate fitness and agility required

Duration: 3 hrs

Min / Max: 4/16

Price: \$110

Notes: Warm clothing required; Sunglasses; water required; Kayak equipment included; not suitable for children under 12 years.

Option 2: BOAT TRIP TO VIGUR

Highlights: Fantastic nature, countless birds, Iceland's only windmill.

Enjoy a boat trip to Vigur Island or Paradise Island! The small island has only five human inhabitants, but offers excellent opportunities to observe countless birds, such as puffins, eider ducks, Arctic terns and guillemots, in their natural environment. On Vigur you will also find the only existing windmill and the smallest post office in Europe. The boat trip takes around 35 minutes each way.

Difficulty: approx. 60-minute walk

Duration: 3 hours

Min / Max: 25/35

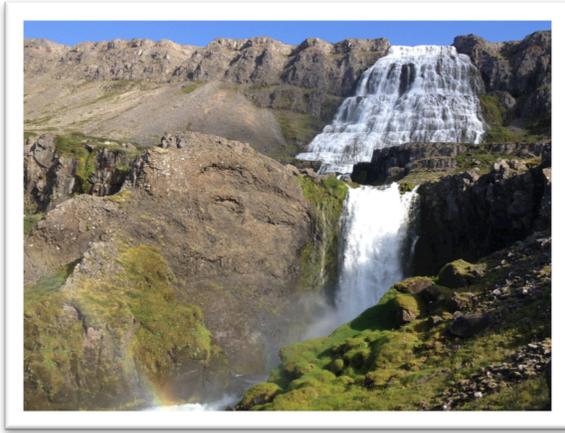
Price: \$99



Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Excursion boat with outdoor and indoor area; Small snack (coffee, tea and cake) included, this excursion is not included on the trips

Option 3: TOUR TO DYNJANDI WATERFALL

Highlights: Tour through rugged mountain landscapes to the impressive Dynjandi waterfall.



Discover the beauties of Iceland's mystical Westfjords, a region sparsely populated by even Icelandic standards. Experience breathtaking, rugged landscapes, lofty peaks and beautiful, deep fjords. Visit the historic village. Another highlight of today tour is one of the most beautiful and impressive waterfalls in Iceland - the Dynjandi waterfall. It consists of 6 different waterfalls laid out in a fan shape and, with at almost 300 ft high and 180 ft wide, it's a breathtaking natural beauty.

Difficulty: 20 minutes moderate walk to the waterfall. Guests who do not want to walk this route can also see the waterfall well from the parking area.

Duration: 6 hours

Min / Max: 20/45

Price: \$130

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions

Day 4 Siglufjörður and Grimsey

This morning we reach the town Siglufjörður, former center of the herring industry. An optional visit to the local herring museum revives the golden age of the herring boom. In the early afternoon we head to the island of Grimsey. Grimsey is located about 40 km north of Iceland, directly on the Arctic Circle. Here many species of birds can be observed, including puffins, lumbos and various species of gulls. If the weather does not permit a trip to Grimsey, we visit Hrisey, Iceland's second largest island. With only 153 inhabitants, the island is located in Eyjafjörður, about 35 kilometers north of Akureyri.

HERING MUSEUM WITH DEMONSTRATION

Highlights: The history and key role of the Icelandic herring industry including musical performance, herring and "Brennivín" tasting.

Immerse yourself in the erstwhile "Golden Herring Rush", which plays a key role in Iceland's recent history and society. For the first time, women were working outside their own homes, shoulder to shoulder with men and at the same wage. The herring museum illustrates in five exhibits the history of the industry, the processing of herring and the workings of a fish freezing facility. In the pier area visitors can get to see eleven different fishing boats. Watch a song and dance show with the "Herring Girls", demonstrating the process of herring salting.



Difficulty: approx. 15-minute walk to the museum

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions, this excursion is not included on the voyages 19OD13, 19OD14, 19OD15, 19OD16 and 19OD17

Duration: 2 hours

Min / Max: - / -

Booking Code: S1

Price: \$45

Day 5 Akureyri

Today our ship is waiting in the harbor of Akureyri while we explore the north of Iceland. Akureyri is the starting point for optional excursions: Take a bus ride to Myvatn Lake, one of the most beautiful areas in Northern Iceland, and visit the godafoss before a soothing dip in the Myvatn geothermal bath awaits you. Or visit the horseshoe-shaped Asbyrgi Canyon and Dettifoss, Europe's mightiest waterfall. Even if you want to explore the area individually with the car, we are happy to help.

Optional Land Excursions:

Option 1: BUSTOURYVATN LAKE

Highlights: Myvatn Lake, Godafoss Waterfall, Dimmuborgir, Myvatn Thermal Bath.



Enjoy one of the most beautiful areas of Northern Iceland. The unique local scenery is fascinating enough, but in the Lake Myvatn area you'll also see a huge diversity of bird species. Stop at Dimmuborgir's impressive black lava formations and visit the spectacular Godafoss Waterfall (Waterfall of the Gods). End the tour with a soothing bath at Myvatn geothermal springs. The thermal bath offers a unique composition of minerals, silicates and geothermal microorganisms. The warm, calming water

is beneficial to the body and mind, leaving a lasting effect after the visit. Look forward to a high-contrast trip through a unique area.

Level of difficulty: Easy short walking distances, max. Walking time per route: 20 min.

Duration: 8 hrs

Min / Max: 20/45

Price: \$180

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Do not forget swimwear, towel will be provided by the ship; Entrance to the thermal bath Myvatn inclusive

Option 2: BUS TOUR ISLANDIC NATURE AND CULTURE

Highlights: Waterfall Godafoss, Eyjafjord and Icelandic culture and history.

This half-day excursion combines scenic highlights such as the Eyjafjord, Vikurskard Mountain Pass and one of Iceland's most spectacular waterfalls, the Godafoss, with rich Icelandic history and culture. The well-preserved farm Laufás from the period around 1850 granted as a museum insights into the living conditions of the time. This farm was built from peat and sod grasslands and was home to the district pastor and his servants. He was considered one of the most prolific farms

Difficulty: Easy shorter walking distances, max. Walking time per route: 20 min.

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Entrance to the farm Laufás included.

Duration: 4 hours

Min / Max: 20/45

Price: \$85

Option 3: GOLF SOUTH OF THE POLAR CIRCLE

Highlights: Golfing on the world's northernmost 18-hole golf course.

Enjoy an unforgettable round of golf in a beautiful environment. It seems like you are in the midst of a moor and heath landscape. The golf course is not only famous for the annual "Arctic Open" but also because it ranks among the 100 best courses in Europe. Enjoy a round of golf on the world's northernmost 18-hole golf course!

Difficulty: Easy walking on rough terrain

Duration: 5-6 hrs

Min / Max: 2/8

Price: \$190,

Notes: Green fee, golf clubs, trolley and transfer included. Not included: golf balls (price approx. \$5 a piece), Handicap 36 required

Option 4: FLIGHT ON THE HIGHLIGHTS OF NORTH ISLANDS *

Highlights: Godafoss Waterfall, Dettifoss Waterfall, Myvatn Lake and much more

Difficulty level: short walk

Duration: 2 hrs

Min / Max: 5/8

Price: \$395

Notes: Only window seats; Transfer included (not offered on all sailings)

Day 6 Husavik

We reach Husavik early in the morning. Especially the north Icelandic coast attracts a variety of whale species! Look carefully for the giants of the sea. In the sheltered bay of Skjalfandi there are up to 15 different species of whales and dolphins.

Optional Land Excursions:

Option 1: WHALE WATCHING BY RIB BOAT

Highlights: Whale watching with the RIB boat (hard inflatable boat).

Husavik is the whale watching center in Iceland with a 99% guarantee to be able to encounter the gentle giants up close. On this tour we also pass the "Puffin Island" Lundy. Around 200,000 puffins and other bird species nest on the island during the breeding season. The speedboats not only give us an exciting adventure and a lot of fun, but also give us the opportunity to look for whales faster and more agile. So look forward to an unforgettable whale watching tour!



Level of difficulty: short about 10-minute walk to the feeder
Duration: 2 hours
Min / Max: 6/48
Price: USD 180

Notes: warm special suit including, scarf and hat is recommended. Not suitable for children under 7 years and people with back and knee problems. Not available on all sailings.

Option 2: HIKING IN THE ASBYRGI CANYON

Highlights: Hike to the viewpoint over the horseshoe-shaped Asbyrgi gorge.

Ásbyrgi is a natural wonder. According to legend, the origin of the gorge lies in a hoof print of the eight-legged horse Sleipnir - the horse with which Odin once rode through the air. The horseshoe-shaped ravine measures just under 3.5 kilometers long, 1.1 kilometers wide and has an average height of around 100 meters. We will climb a particularly striking rock formation in the middle of the gorge. The crest of the Eyjan, the name of the rock, extends over 250 meters and offers a magnificent view over the gorge and the black Sanderflächen in the north.

Degree of difficulty: ATTENTION! The hike leads over a natural stone staircase without railing! Approximately 6 km long 1.5-2 hour hike
Duration: 4 hours
Min / Max: 15/40
Price: \$95

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Take along drinks (water) required; Transfer (about 1 hour each way) included. Not available on all sailings.

Option 3: BUS TOUR - DIAMOND CIRCLE

Highlights: Europe's mightiest waterfall Dettifoss

Visit a number of Iceland's famous landmarks. The horseshoe-shaped Asbyrgi Canyon is considered a meeting place for pagan deities. The glacier canyon Jökulsargljúfur and the echo of the Hljodaklettur cliffs should not be missed on this trip. Another excursion highlight is the unique and impressive Dettifoss, Europe's mightiest waterfall.

Level of difficulty: walking distance of about 2.5 km (about 45 minutes round trip)

Duration: 8 hours

Min / Max: 20/45

Price: \$130

Notes: clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Lunch package aboard the vessel. Not available on all sailings.

Day 7 Seydisfjörður

Characteristic of the region are the picturesque fishing villages, the steep mountain slopes and the unique panoramic views. Take an optional horseback ride and watch the seals from the back of the horse.

Optional land excursions:

Option 1: HUSEY - SEA DOG OBSERVATION FROM THE HORSEBACK

The history of the Icelandic horse can be traced back to the first settlement of the country in the 9th century. Today there are about 80,000 horses in Iceland. The Icelandic horse is intelligent, good-natured and versatile. Husey is located about 60 km north of Egilsstaðir between two glacial rivers. From here you have a magnificent view of the surrounding mountains and very good horseback riding opportunities in the untouched nature. This leisurely two-hour horseback ride is a great opportunity to watch seals and enjoy the beautiful nature.



Highlights: Riding tour on Icelandic

horses Level of

difficulty: Easy, short stretches

Duration: 6 hours

Min / Max: 10/18

Price: \$180

Notes: No riding experience required. Helmet and rain jacket are provided. Comfortable shoes are recommended. For guests with max. Body weight of 100 kg. Lunch package aboard the vessel. This is not an option on all sailings.

Option 2: BUSTOUR-SCALANES NATURE RESERVE AREA

Highlights: visit to the remote nature reserve.

This tour offers a unique opportunity to visit one of the most remote places in Iceland. Even many Icelanders do not know this area. The trip begins with a drive to the archaeological site of Thorarinsstadir, which will give us an interesting insight into the Viking era. The ride then leads through mountain landscapes to the "Nature and Heritage Center", which extends over 1250 ha. The center is committed not only to sustainable tourism but also to the study of the environment and cultural history of Iceland. During the summer months, the area is also the habitat of around 50 different bird species. Take a short hike along the coastline with beautiful views of the fjord and the surrounding mountains. Afterwards, local delicacies are served in the Skalanes Haus,

Difficulty: walking distance of approx. 2.5 km (approx. 45 min. Return)

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Small snacks at the Skalanes Haus, this excursion on the trips 19OD15, 19OD16 and 19OD17

Duration: 3.5 hours

Min / Max: 25/37

Price: \$145

Option 3: WALKING INTO WATERFALLS

Highlights: Ascent along waterfalls between basalt columns, beautiful landscapes.

The only way to our starting point is fascinating - we drive past waterfalls, over a mountain pass, along Lake Lögurinn and even past Iceland's largest wooded area - the Hallormsstadaskogur. The walk leads along a stream and after about half of it you have a wonderful view of the canyon and of the basalt columns framed Litlanesfoss. Continue on to the beautiful Hengifoss, which falls from the edge of the plateau over rock walls into the cauldron. Descending on the same path, a stunning view over the vast Lake Lögurinn awaits you.

Difficulty: approx. 5 km long 1.5-2 h walk (255 m difference in altitude)

Duration: 4 hours

Min / Max: 15/40

Price: \$95

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Take along drinks (water) required; This excursion is ONLY in English. Transfer (about 1 hour each way) included. This tour is not included on all sailings.

Day 8 Djupivogur

Our destination today is the fishing village of Djupivogur, a good starting point for our optional excursion to the unique Jökulsarlon glacier lagoon. Experience how huge blocks of ice from the Breidamerkurjökull Glacier break into the water on a regular basis and drift around as icebergs on the lagoon.

Optional Land Excursions:

Option 1: BUS TOUR GLACIER LAGUNE / JÖKULSARLON

Highlights: Boat trip (amphibious boat) on the glacier lagoon, spectacular scenery.

This scenic bus tour takes you along the southeastern coastline of Iceland to the unique Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon. Experience how huge blocks of ice from the Breidamerkurjökull Glacier break into the water on a regular basis and drift around as icebergs on the lagoon. The lagoon is not particularly large, but it is up to 250 meters, the deepest lagoon in Iceland. Enjoy the boat trip and experience floating ice formations up close.

Difficulty: Easy, short stretches
Duration: 8-9 hours
Min / Max: 20/45
Booking code: D1
Price: \$195

Notes: Clothing for local weather conditions; scarf and cap is recommended. Approximately 2.5 hour bus journey each way with photo and toilet stops. Soup is included. Not available on all sailings.



Option 2: SNOWMOBILE TOUR VATNAJOKULL GLACIER

Highlights: 4x4 super jeeps on the glacier, about a one-hour snowmobile ride with the driver!

This tour gives you the unique opportunity to get up close and personal with Europe's largest glacier in a real adventure. The bus tour starts in Djúpivogur, before you are raised by a special four-wheel vehicle the largest glacier in Europe. Once at the top, the summit offers not only a unique view of glaciers, mountain valleys and the sea, but also an exciting snowmobile ride. The area has often served as a backdrop in various film productions, such. For example, in the opening scene in the James Bond classic "A View to a Kill." Even scenes from the popular TV series "Game of Thrones" were filmed here. Another highlight is a meal in the restaurant "Humarhöfnin".

Difficulty level: Short glacier trails, snowmobile driving requires good physical condition.
Duration: 8-9 hours
Min / Max: 10/18
Price: \$430

Notes: Warm clothing is required. Helmets, overalls and boots for the snowmobile ride are provided. Driving license required for the driver (2 persons per snowmobile). Including lunch in the lobster restaurant "Humarhöfnin" in Höfn. Not available on all sailings.

Option 3: SUPER JEEP ADVENTURE

Highlights: Driving in a 4x4 super jeep, mountains and gorges

Look forward to a super Jeep ride to hidden gems of nature that represent the pearls of Vatnajökull National Park. We will not only cross glacial rivers but also spectacular mountain landscapes. And you can expect narrow and steep gorges, thunderous waterfalls and dramatic mountain formations

Level of difficulty: Lightweight, short stretches

Duration: 5-6 hrs

Min / Max: 4/36

Price: \$290

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Lunch package aboard the Vessel. Not available on all sailings.



Day 9 Vestmannaeyjar (Westman Islands)

Vestmannaeyjar off the coast of Iceland, the Icelandic name of the Westman Islands, originated in submarine volcanic eruptions only about 10,000 years ago. In the port of Heimaey a shore leave is planned. On an optional bus tour you will get to know the history of the Westman Island.

Optional Land Excursions:

Option 1: BUSTOUR POMPEII OF THE NORTH - LAVATOUR

Highlights: Geologically and historically interesting bus tour, visit to the volcano museum

This bus tour around the island of Heimaey will take you not only to the volcanic crater of the island but also to semi-buried lava houses, relics of the volcanic eruption in 1973. Furthermore, the island offers a unique landscape and habitat for countless species of birds. The bus tour ends at the Volcano Museum, which not only tells the story of the outbreak more than 40 years ago, but also the origins of the island of Surtsey in 1963. Also, you will learn interesting facts about the geology of the Vestmannaeyjar Islands.

Level of difficulty: Easy walking

Duration: 3 hours

Min / Max: 10/45

Price: \$110

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Return transfer to the ship; Entry to the volcano museum included. Not available on all sailings.

Option 2: GOLF ON THE FOOT OF THE VOLCANO

Highlights: Golf course in the volcano crater

Take the chance for an unforgettable round of golf (duration approx. 5 hours) The famous golf course is picturesquely situated by the sea in a sunken volcano crater. The rugged coastal and volcanic landscape makes the 18-hole course unique. This golf course is not only one of the 100 best courses in Europe but is also one of the most beautiful golf courses in Iceland. You can look

forward to an atmosphere and environment that will take your breath away and make you amazed. This place is a must for any golf enthusiast!

Difficulty: Easy walking on uneven terrain

Duration: 5-6 hours

Min / Max: 2/8

Price: \$190

Notes: Green fee, golf clubs, trolley and transfer included. Not included: golf balls (price approx. USD 5 each), Handicap 36 required; Lunch package aboard the Vessel. Not available on all sailings.

Option 3: VOLCANO HIKING

Highlights: Climbing an active volcano, visiting the volcano museum

Throughout history countless catastrophes have hit the island of Heimaey and its inhabitants. But probably the worst incident is the volcanic eruption of 1973. Learn more about the geology and volcanology of Iceland on this approximately 3-hour hike to an active volcano. Once at the top you can also feel the warmth of this volcano activity. The hike ends at the Volcano Museum, which not only tells the story of the eruption more than 40 years ago, but also the origins of the island of Surtsey in 1963.

Difficulty: approx. 3-hour hike

Duration: 3-4 hours

Min / Max: 15/40

Price: \$45

Notes: Clothing adapted to local weather conditions; Take along drinks (water) required; Entry to the volcano museum included. Not available on all sailings.

Day 10 Reykjavik

This morning you'll sail into the port of Reykjavik. After breakfast, it's time to say goodbye. Alternatively you can extend your stay in Reykjavik and include the Golden circle bus tour (or self drive). Here you will discover fascinating natural wonders, such as the Gullfoss Waterfall or the active Strokkur Geyser Strokkur.



End of Cruise

(Code: B – Breakfast, L – Lunch, D – Dinner)