

ICELAND

Magical & Mysterious

Presented by Wendt Touring
September 26 – October 3, 2022
8 days ~ 7 nights



HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDED

Reykjavik Sights ~ Deildartunguhver Hot Spring ~ Unique Waterfall Duo
Viking Sushi Bay Cruise ~ Snaefelljokull National Park & Glacier
National Park with Geological Wonders ~ Famous Gullfoss Golden Falls
South Shore's Waterfalls & Glacial Views ~ Black Sand Beaches
Europe's Largest National Park & Glacier ~ Glacial Lagoon with Icebergs
Volcano Visitor Center ~ Greenhouse Village ~ Geothermal Lagoon

JOURNEY INCLUDES

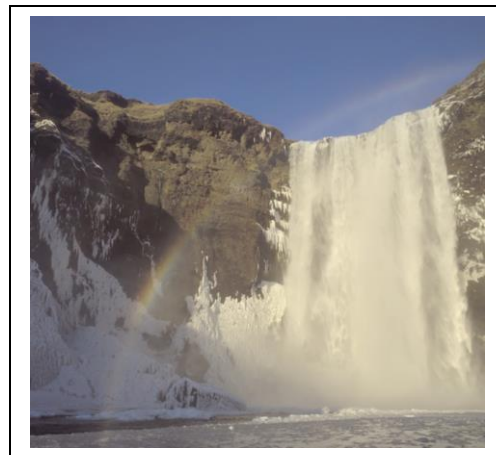
- ➔ Round trip air transportation
- ➔ Airport departure taxes
- ➔ Deluxe motorcoach transportation
- ➔ 11 meals – 6B & 5D
- ➔ Seven nights lodging
- ➔ All sightseeing & admissions
- ➔ English speaking guide in Iceland



TOUR FARE

\$3,199.00 per person double
\$4,099.00 per person single

Travel Arrangements made by
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Day 1: Depart for Iceland: Depart aboard a scheduled airline for an overnight flight to Iceland.

Day 2: Arrival – Reykjavík city tour – Borgarfjörður: Upon arrival discover first-hand the colourful capital of Reykjavík with a sightseeing tour. Catch the city's energetic vibe through top visitor attractions like the visually stunning Harpa Concert Hall and the Parliament on bustling Austurvöllur Square; and enjoy panoramic views from the city's main landmark, Hallgrímskirkja church. Depart Reykjavík and travel northwest via an undersea tunnel through Hvalfjörður (Whale Bay). Head to the friendly town of Akranes to visit the local Museum Centre, which preserves a comprehensive collection of geological and maritime exhibits. Afterwards, climb to the top of a lighthouse to enjoy spectacular views of the wild coastline. Arrive in the small village of Borgarnes for dinner and a two-night stay.

Day 3: Stykkishólmur - Snæfellsnes Peninsula – Borgarnes: After breakfast, head to the delightful town of Stykkishólmur. Here you'll embark on an adventurous sail in Breidafjörður Bay (UNESCO nominee) to encounter thousands of tiny islands and experience "Viking Sushi," a sampling of sea scallops, urchin, and crab drawn onto the boat straight from the pristine Icelandic waters. Along the rugged coastline of Snæfellsnes Peninsula encounter secluded fishing villages like Grundarfjörður with its landmark Kirkjufell Mountain and surrounding fjord teeming with herring and orca whales, and Hellnar with a year-round population of less than ten residents. The picturesque harbour village of Arnarstapi offers the opportunity to walk among columnar basalt rock formations and cliffs, swarming with colonies of seabirds. Throughout the day, savour the remote tranquillity of Snæfellsjökull National Park, which exhibits an astonishing variety of natural landscapes from moss-blanketed lava fields and pebbled beaches to the imposing cliffs and the palpable force of Snæfellsjökull glacier-volcano (last eruption: 250 AD). Return to our hotel for dinner and if conditions are favorable we will hunt for the elusive Aurora Borealis.

Day 4: Þingvellir - Geysir – Gullfoss: Breakfast at your hotel. Head to the bubbling waters of Deildartunguhver, Europe's most powerful hot spring, which provides heating for most of the area homes and businesses. Enjoy a scenic visit to a duo of exceptionally beautiful and unique waterfalls at Hraunfoss and Barnafoss. Each waterfall has a mysterious secret to reveal. Onwards to Þingvellir National Park where the world's oldest parliament met for centuries on the shores of Iceland's largest lake. Continue through farmland areas to the geothermal fields of Geysir with bubbling mud pools and the high-spouting Strokkur hot spring. Visit the dramatic two-tiered Gullfoss waterfall, a spectacular sight in winter when frozen mid-cascade. Stop at Skálholt, Iceland's capital during the Middle-Ages and now a culture centre with a beautiful church. During the day you will also visit Laugarvatnshellir cave where two Icelandic families built a cosy homestead and farm during the early 20th century. The furnishings and buildings in the cave have been restored to show how the residents once lived. Overnight and dinner in the south coast area.

Day 5: Iceland's South Shore: Breakfast at your hotel. Drive along the south shore, a beautiful area to view year-round in Iceland. This is also one of the main farm regions of the country, and the road will pass by typical Icelandic farms, often with Icelandic horses in the fields. This part of the country is home to the new Lava Centre, an interactive, high-tech educational exhibition depicting volcanic activity, earthquakes and the creation of Iceland over millions of years. Stop at the spectacular waterfalls Seljalandsfoss and Skógafoss before we head onwards, passing by Mýrdalsjökull Glacier. We visit Reynisfjara beach and take a walk on the black sands and admire the extraordinary rock formations as well as the thundering waves of the Atlantic Ocean. Enjoy dinner and a two-night stay in the Kirkjubæjarklaustur area.

Day 6: Skaftafell National Park – Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon: Breakfast at your hotel. Today we enter the area of Vatnajökull National Park, named after Europe's largest glacier. This national park is also the largest one in western Europe. The park's Skaftafell region is a site of outstanding natural beauty, dominated by Vatnajökull glacier. View Svinafellsjökull, one of the most beautiful of the glacial outlets emerging from Vatnajökull. Continue to Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon where you can enjoy a breath-taking sight of icebergs floating in the fantastic 180m (591 ft.) deep glacial lake. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 7: Volcanic Areas - Hveragerði - Blue Lagoon – Reykjavík: Breakfast at your hotel. Head towards the village of Hveragerði, which is one of the few sites in the world located directly in the middle of a geothermal area. Hveragerði is often called "The Flower Village" because of its many greenhouses heated by hot water from nearby springs. Follow along the coastline with its breath-taking waves and through a deserted community that once was a flourishing centre for the region. On to the Reykjanes peninsula, where you can enjoy a dip in the famous Blue Lagoon, a unique wonder of nature with pleasantly warm, mineral-rich water in the middle of a black lava field. Overnight in Reykjavík. Dinner is on your own.

DAY 8: Departure: Breakfast at your hotel. Transfer to Keflavík Airport for the return flight home.