

NORTHERN LIGHTS IN NORTHERNMOST ICELAND

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DAY 1: HERRING ERA MUSEUM & NORTHERN LIGHTS SAILING

Take it easy this morning so you have energy for all the maritime-themed activities today! Sleep in or take a walk around Siglufjörður, the town that was once the “herring capital of Iceland”. After lunch you will learn more about the town’s prime seafaring days with a guided tour of the Herring Era Museum.

Although you might be hungry for seafood (especially herring), you will instead feast on traditional Icelandic lamb this evening with dinner at the home of local hosts. Afterwards, you will be driven to the nearby town of Dalvík for a boat tour out on Eyjafjörður Bay, a wonderful place to look for northern lights dancing over the fjord.

Spend the night at Herring House in Siglufjörður.

HIGHLIGHTS: Eyjafjörður - Siglufjörður

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DAY 2: FJORD HIKE, ART WALK & NORTHERN LIGHTS HUNT

Today is an action-packed winter day, starting with a guided hiking tour along the snow avalanche barriers above the town. Along with learning more about avalanche prevention, this moderate hike offers you amazing views over the deep fjord of Siglufjörður. Afterwards, an easier guided walk offers you a different type of visual experience, with visits to local artist studios and galleries in town.

Tonight is one more chance for the northern lights to shine for you up north, before returning to the capital city tomorrow. After dinner at your local hosts, your guide will take you out in the countryside away from the town lights for the best opportunities to spot the aurora borealis.

Spend the night at Herring House in Siglufjörður.

HIGHLIGHTS: Siglufjörður

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DAY 3: BACK TO REYKJAVÍK & FREE TIME

After breakfast at the Herring House you will be transferred to Akureyri for your flight back to Akureyri. The rest of the afternoon and evening is open for your own sightseeing or optional activities in Reykjavík.

Depending on the weather, this might be a great day to take in some Icelandic culture or history at one of the city’s museums or small galleries. Or perhaps a bit of shopping for local handcrafts and design in the streets around Laugavegur and Skólavörðustígur. On a nice day, you might also want to explore the area along the seafront, around Harpa concert hall and the old harbour, or expand your views of the city with a sightseeing tour by boat or aircraft.

Spend the night in Reykjavik.

HIGHLIGHTS: Akureyri - Reykjavík

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DAY 4: BLUE FAREWELL TO ICELAND

Revitalize your mind and body the Icelandic way, with geothermal bathing! You've seen the amazing images of the Blue Lagoon, and now you'll finally get to experience its radiant blue waters, rich in skin-soothing minerals. After a nice soak with your complimentary silica mud mask, surrounded by steam and lava rocks, you will be relaxed and ready for check-in at Keflavik Airport.

Note: If your flight is in the morning, we will modify your travel itinerary accordingly.

HIGHLIGHTS: Blue Lagoon

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DAY 5: ARRIVAL TO REYKJAVÍK & AURORA SEARCH

Arrive at Keflavik Airport in Iceland, where you'll be greeted by a driver and transferred to your accommodation in Reykjavík. If you need a little energy boost, a steaming cup of coffee or hot cocoa from one of the city centre's cosy cafes should do the trick. Dinner is on your own tonight, and the downtown has many different restaurants to give you a great first impression of Icelandic cuisine.

Later this evening, if the weather is good, you will be taken for your first excursion out into the darkness of the countryside in search of the northern lights!

Spend the night in Reykjavik.

** Please note that the northern lights are a natural phenomenon, so sightings cannot be guaranteed.*

HIGHLIGHTS: Reykjavík

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DAY 6: NATURAL WONDERS OF THE GOLDEN CIRCLE

Visit some of Iceland's most famous attractions with a guided bus tour around the classic "Golden Circle" route in South Iceland. One of the major highlights on this journey is Þingvellir National Park, a place of great historical and geological significance that is also listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Other attractions include the beautiful two-tiered Gullfoss waterfall and spouting hot springs such as Geysir and Strokkur. On return to Reykjavik, you will also see the Skálholt church, the ancient seat of the Icelandic bishops, and Hveragerði, a small village with numerous geothermal-heated greenhouses.

Spend the night in Reykjavík.

HIGHLIGHTS: Geysir - Gullfoss - Langjökull Glacier - Þingvellir

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DAY 7: EXPLORE SIGLUFJÖRÐUR & AURORA BOREALIS

Today is time to head up north! From your hotel, head to Reykjavík Domestic Airport for the short flight to Akureyri. On arrival at Akureyri Airport a driver will greet you and transfer you to Siglufjörður via Tröllskagi ("Troll Peninsula"). In Siglufjörður you will meet your local hosts at the charming Herring House Guesthouse and get acquainted with the other guests over some light refreshments.

After some time to relax you'll join a guided walking tour around Siglufjörður, a nice introduction to the town and its rich heritage. Later, enjoy some hearty soup followed by a guided outing to look for northern lights. As Siglufjörður is located right below the Arctic Circle—where aurora borealis activity is strongest, it's an ideal place for viewing this natural phenomenon on a clear night.

During the evening it is ideal to relax in the hot tub at the Herring House with a chance of seeing the northern lights

Spend the next three nights at Herring Guesthouse (with shared facilities) in Siglufjörður.

HIGHLIGHTS: Akureyri - Siglufjörður

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