

NEW YEAR'S & NORTHERN LIGHTS

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DAY 1: WELCOME TO REYKJAVIK & NORTHERN LIGHTS

On arrival to Keflavik International Airport, you will be greeted by a professional driver who will take you to your accommodation in Reykjavik. After settling in, the rest of the day is free for you to explore Reykjavik. You can stroll the charming capital city, visit museums, and explore landmarks. Downtown Reykjavik offers numerous excellent restaurants, cafés, coffeehouses, and bars, for those who want to experience the renowned Reykjavik nightlife.

In the evening, get ready to search for the otherworldly northern lights. You will join a guided small group bus tour with a knowledgeable driver that will find a great spot to view the white, green and sometimes red lights dancing and flickering in the sky.*

Spend the next five nights in Reykjavik.

**Please note that the northern lights are a natural phenomenon, so sightings cannot be guaranteed. We book the Northern Lights Tour on your first day to optimise your chances of a sighting during your trip. Should the excursion be cancelled due to adverse weather, we can rebook you later on during your stay.*

Attractions: Reykjavik

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DAY 2: THE SOUTH COAST - GLACIERS AND BLACK SAND BEACHES

Enjoy a guided small group tour along the striking south coast of Iceland. The tour starts with a stop at the picturesque Seljalandsfoss waterfall. It is impressive standing at 40 metres high, but its main attraction, besides the scenery, is the pathway leading behind the waterfall. It gives visitors a chance to walk behind the falls and get a different perspective.

Next up is a view of the vast glacier Sólheimajökull before continuing to Reynisfjara, a hauntingly beautiful black sand beach. The last stop before heading back to Reykjavik is the graceful, 60-metre high Skógafoss waterfall. Enjoy the beautiful surroundings and pose for the perfect picture.

Spend the night in Reykjavik.

Attractions: Mýrdalsjökull, Katla & Sólheimajökull, Reynisfjara & Reynisdrangar, Seljalandsfoss, Skógafoss

DAY 3: THE GOLDEN CIRCLE - GEYSERS & WATERFALLS

Today you will visit some of Iceland's most famous attractions with a guided personal small group tour of the classic Golden Circle route in South Iceland. One of the many 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. Þingvellir is the site of the country's first parliament and is located along the edge of the great rift between the Eurasian and American tectonic plates.

Other attractions include the beautiful, two-tiered Gullfoss waterfall and the spouting hot springs of Geysir. While Geysir lies dormant, its neighbour Strokkur erupts every few minutes, gushing steam and water from the bowels of the earth. A taste of Icelandic food and drink is included during the tour.

Spend the night in Reykjavík.

Attractions: Geysir, Gullfoss, Þingvellir

DAY 4: NEW YEAR'S EVE FESTIVITIES IN REYKJAVÍK

This morning your Icelandic New Year's Eve experience begins with a local guide showing you some of the main highlights of downtown Reykjavík, allowing you to take part in local traditions. You will have a chance to taste some local food, admire the city's Christmas decorations and enjoy fireworks that the guide will set off. You then have the afternoon to spend at your leisure.

Tonight, you will attend an exclusive New Year's Eve party hosted by Nordic Visitor and Héðinn Kitchen & Bar. This New Year's celebration takes place at a beautiful venue in the Grandi district, in the heart of downtown Reykjavík. Mix and mingle with other guests over an apéritif and then enjoy a gourmet 3-course dinner, paired with selected wines, and live entertainment during your meal. Afterwards, you and fellow dinner guests will be taken to a large neighbourhood bonfire to celebrate with Icelanders. You will then return to Héðinn Kitchen & Bar for dessert, sparkling wine and the exciting countdown to the New Year. Once the event finishes, you can head to the city centre and continue the party, like the locals, with music and dancing late into the night.

Attractions: Exclusive New Year's Eve Party

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DAY 5: RELAX AT THE BLUE LAGOON

Today, you will be picked up for a visit to the famous Blue Lagoon. Relax in the heated geothermal pool, which is rich with silica and soothing for your skin. You can also enjoy some time in a sauna or steam bath as well as an array of spa services (which must be booked in advance).

If you are up for more adventure, you can book a northern lights excursion. For instance, you could take a northern lights boat tour to escape the bright city lights of Reykjavík and go hunting for the majestic lights dancing in the night sky.

Attractions: Blue Lagoon

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DAY 6: DEPARTURE FROM ICELAND

Your winter getaway to Iceland has come to an end, and you will have a semi-private transfer from your accommodation to Keflavik International Airport. If you are departing in the afternoon and are interested in adding an optional activity, please arrange with your travel consultant in advance, as there are a limited number of activities available due to the holiday.

Whatever your needs, we are here to help. If you have any questions about our packages or services, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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