

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.

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 the picturesque Seljalandsfoss waterfall, which is 40-metres high and its main attraction, besides the scenery, is the pathway leading behind the waterfall, giving visitors a chance to view the falls from within. 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 to enjoy the beautiful surroundings and pose for the perfect picture.

Please note: For arrivals on the 29th of December, we will adjust the tour so the South Coast bus tour will be moved from day 2 to day 5 of the itinerary.

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 created by the drifting of 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 Reykjavik.

Please note: *The set date for the Golden Circle tour is the 30th of December and cannot be altered. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your travel consultant.*

Attractions: Geysir, Gullfoss, Þingvellir

DAY 4: NEW YEAR'S EVE FESTIVITIES IN REYKJAVÍK

Enjoy an easy morning after yesterday's adventure. If you decide to venture out, please note that most businesses are generally open until 13:00 today. After lunch, your Icelandic New Year's Eve experience begins with a local guide showing you some of the main highlights of downtown Reykjavik, 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 have a chance to enjoy fireworks that the guide will set off.

Tonight, you will attend a festive New Year's Eve party at the sophisticated Grand Hotel in Reykjavik. Mix and mingle with other guests over an apéritif and then enjoy a gourmet 5-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 Grand Hotel 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 Years Eve Party

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DAY 5: RELAX AT THE BLUE LAGOON

Today, you will be picked for a visit to the famous Blue Lagoon. You have time to bathe in the heated geothermal pool, which is rich with silica and soothing for your skin. You can also enjoy a sauna or steambath and 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, where you could see the majestic lights flicker and dance in the sky, far from the bright city lights of Reykjavik.

Please note: For arrivals on the 27th of December, we will adjust the tour so the Blue Lagoon will be moved from day 5 to day 3 of the itinerary.

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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