

ICELAND LUXURY ESCAPE AT LEISURE - WINTER ITINERARY

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DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN ICELAND

Upon arrival at Keflavík International Airport, you will be greeted by a private chauffeur in the arrivals hall who will drive you to your well-appointed hotel in **Reykjavík**. If you are arriving early, you will have the option of an early check-in (this needs to be arranged with your travel consultant in advance). After settling in, take the opportunity to explore the vibrant city centre at your own pace. The high street, Laugavegur, offers a variety of shops, galleries, restaurants, coffee houses and bars to suit all tastes – all within an easy walk. Spend the rest of the evening at your leisure.

Spend the night at the **Canopy by Hilton Reykjavík City Center (King Junior Suite)**.

Average Driving Distance: 49 km / 30 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 50 Minutes

Included:

- Private VIP Airport Transfer

Attractions: Reykjavík

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DAY 2: WEST ICELAND: WONDROUS WATERFALLS

Start the day by meeting your private driver-guide after breakfast at your hotel and begin your journey to the idyllic Icelandic countryside. First, you'll pass by the bountiful **Borgarfjörður** area on the west coast of Iceland. For those interested in the history of Iceland, we recommend a visit to the Icelandic Settlement Centre in the town of Borgarnes.

You will then visit **Hraunfossar**, a series of waterfalls flowing from a stark lava field into a river below. Admire the neighbouring **Barnafoss** waterfall and later the **Deildartunguhver** hot spring. You might want to visit Krauma geothermal baths before you head to Hotel Húsafell, located in scenic surroundings.

At night, now that you're in the countryside, be sure to step outside your hotels each night and see if the northern lights decided to make an appearance. The remote location of most of your hotels is ideal!

Spend the night at **Hótel Húsafell (Deluxe)**.

Average Driving Distance: 196km / 121 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8-9 hours

Attractions: Borgarfjörður, Deildartunguhver, Hraunfossar & Barnafoss, Húsafell, Reykholt

DAY 3: GLACIER ADVENTURE & HÚSAFELL CANYON BATHS

Today you will visit **Langjökull** glacier where you will experience a truly icy adventure, venturing inside a glacier! During this unique tour, you will have the chance to experience the actual ice in Iceland, with a guided group tour inside the island's second largest glacier. An enormous modified truck, outfitted for the glacier, will transport you to the manmade tunnel, which exposes the beautiful blue ice and allows you to see crevasses and the glacier's unique characteristics.

After visiting the Ice tunnel, you will warm up at the heavenly Húsafell Canyon Baths. Its geothermal pools are nestled in a magnificent highland canyon. As you relax, you can admire and soak in the wilderness of Iceland in peace

Spend the night at **Hótel Húsafell (Deluxe)**.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 7-8 hours

Included:

- Group excursion: Into The Glacier Adventure on Langjökull (2-4 hours est).
- Group excursion: Húsafell Canyon Baths

Attractions: Into the Glacier, Langjökull Glacier

DAY 4: GOLDEN CIRCLE IN THE TRANQUILITY OF WINTER

Today's journey brings you up close and personal with some of Iceland's most popular south Iceland attractions along the classic Golden Circle route.

Start with a visit to the fascinating **Pingvellir National Park**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. If it's snowy you will see its charming winter look! Here, you can walk on a path in the rift valley between the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates and learn about the first site of Iceland's democracy.

Next on the route is the Haukadalur geothermal area, where you can see **Geysir** - the original "geyser" - and its more active neighbour Strokkur, which spouts water and steam metres into the air every few minutes. This natural sight is especially lovely in a winter setting.

End the day's adventure with a visit to the two-tiered, roaring **Gullfoss** waterfall, one of Iceland's most memorable sights, before journeying on to your premium hotel for the night.

Spend the night at **Hotel Geysir (Suite)**.

Average Driving Distance: 150 km / 94 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8-9 hours

Attractions: Geysir, Gullfoss, The Golden Circle, Pingvellir

DAY 5: LEISURE DAY IN THE GOLDEN CIRCLE

Today you create your own adventure. You can visit some sights of the **Golden Circle** that you missed or want to see again, or you could add on attractions like the Faxi waterfall and the charming Friðheimar farm.

At Friðheimar you can tour the tomato greenhouses, buy local products from the market, and even enjoy a tomato-based lunch (meal must be booked in advance). You can also choose to go on an optional activity like snorkelling in Þingvellir National Park.

Spend the night at **Hotel Geysir (Suite)**.

Attractions: The Golden Circle

DAY 6: SOUTH COAST, WATERFALLS & BLACK SAND BEACHES

This morning, get back on the road with your guide and take the scenic journey to two beautiful waterfalls along the south coast, **Seljalandsfoss** and **Skógafoss**, which are especially lovely in the soft winter light.

Seljalandsfoss is situated along the Seljalandsá river where the waterway plummets 40 metres over a cliff face. Seljalandsfoss is unique among waterfalls as the shape of the cliff allows visitors to walk behind the cascade via a footpath at the base of the falls. Be careful as it can be slippery in winter!

Meanwhile, Skógafoss is a magnificent 60-metre-high waterfall and one of Iceland's most photogenic landmarks. Before arriving at the village of **Vík**, you will visit the black volcanic beach south of the village, from where you can view the unique rock formations **Dyrhólaey and Reynisdrangar**.

Spend the night at **Hotel Magma (Deluxe)**.

Average Driving Distance: 250 km / 155 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8-9 hours

Attractions: Dyrhólaey, Reynisfjara & Reynisdrangar, Seljalandsfoss, Skógafoss, Skógar, Vík í Mýrdal

DAY 7: THE GLACIER LAGOON & DIAMOND BEACH

Today your guide will drive to the magnificent **Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon**, located in the far south-east corner of Iceland. It's a long drive but definitely worth the journey! This is one of Iceland's best known and most photographed locations where, from the shore, you can see large icebergs bobbing in the water. Afterwards you will stop by the **Diamond Beach**, where you will see chunks of ice glistening on the black sands. Travel back along Vatnajökull National Park towards Vík where you will spend another night.

Spend another night at **Hotel Magma (Deluxe)**.

Average Driving Distance: 300 km / 158 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8-9 hours

Attractions: Diamond Beach, Fjallsárlón, Jökulsárlón Glacier Lagoon, Skaftafell, Vatnajökull National Park

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DAY 8: INDULGENCE AT THE LUXURIOUS BLUE LAGOON RETREAT

After the last few days of adventure on the road, it's time to relax, unwind and enjoy the natural surroundings in the lava fields dotting the Reykjanes peninsula. You have the option of adding an exciting activity like a glacier walk or ATV ride, or you can head directly to the **Blue Lagoon** for a day filled with luxury at the Retreat Spa.

At the Retreat Spa you will be able to visit both the exclusive Retreat Lagoon and the world-renowned Blue Lagoon, as well as enjoy the Blue Lagoon skin care amenities. For more information about the Retreat, please see Tour Information.

Spend the night at **The Retreat Hotel at Blue Lagoon (Moss Junior Suite)**.*

**Please note that the Retreat accommodation is not pre-booked and it is dependent on availability.*

Average Driving Distance: 305 km / 189 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8-9 hours

Included:

- Entrance to the Blue Lagoon Retreat Spa
- Entrance to the Blue Lagoon

Attractions: Blue Lagoon Retreat, Reykjanes Peninsula, Seljalandsfoss, Skógafoss

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DAY 9: PAMPER AT THE BLUE LAGOON

Enjoy another amazing day at the luxurious Blue Lagoon Retreat. We recommend joining a yoga class and going for a walk in the surreal nature around the Blue Lagoon. You will also have the chance to visit the spa again. As you have access to both, take some time at the exclusive Retreat Lagoon and the Blue Lagoon, and enjoy the skin care amenities. We recommend treating yourself to a world-class meal at the Moss restaurant in the evening.

Spend the night at **The Retreat Hotel at Blue Lagoon (Moss Junior Suite)**.*

**Please note that the Retreat accommodation is not pre-booked and it is dependent on availability.*

Included:

- Entrance to the Blue Lagoon Retreat Spa
- Entrance to the Blue Lagoon

Attractions: Blue Lagoon, Blue Lagoon Retreat

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DAY 10: DEPARTURE FROM ICELAND

After this action-packed luxury tour in Iceland, enjoy a comfortable, private transfer to Keflavík International Airport in time for your flight back home. For those who are boarding an afternoon flight, we offer a late check-out at the Blue Lagoon Retreat including a reservation for a private room at the Retreat Hotel for an additional fee. There are also hiking trails in the area and yoga classes offered at the Retreat that you can join to reflect on your amazing time in Iceland.

Average Driving Distance: 25 km / 15 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 30 Minutes

Included:

- Private VIP transfer from the Blue Lagoon Retreat Hotel to Keflavík International Airport

Attractions: Blue Lagoon Retreat, Reykjanes Peninsula

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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