

SOUTH ICELAND AT LEISURE WINTER - PRIVATE ITINERARY

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DAY 1: WELCOME TO REYKJAVÍK

On arrival at Keflavik International Airport, you will be welcomed and driven to your accommodation in **Reykjavík**. After settling in, take the opportunity to explore the vibrant city centre at your own pace. The main street, **Laugavegur**, offers a variety of shops, galleries, restaurants, coffee houses and bars to explore. You're sure to find something to your taste, and it's all within a short distance. Spend the rest of the evening at your leisure.

Spend the night in Reykjavík.

Average Driving Distance: 49km / 30 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 50 Minutes

Attractions: Reykjavík

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DAY 2: THE SOUTH COAST & DRAMATIC WATERFALLS

This morning, your guide will pick you up from your hotel to start your Iceland adventure. Today, you will get to see some stunning scenery as well as some of the best-known attractions of the south coast.

First, take in the fairytale-like **Seljalandsfoss** waterfall. It's the only one of its kind in Iceland, where you can walk behind the cascade on a footpath! If you're feeling adventurous, your guide might also take you to another waterfall hidden in a canyon nearby, known as **Gljúfrabúi**. Further along, you'll also visit the magnificent 60-metre, free-falling **Skógafoss** waterfall in **Skógar**.

From there, the journey takes you past the beautiful Eyjafjöll mountain range. Tonight, if the weather is clear, keep an eye out on the sky for the northern lights. Your guide might take you on an aurora hunt.*

Spend the night in the Kirkjubæjarklaustur area

Average Driving Distance: 261 km / 162 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 7-8 hours.

**Please note that the northern lights are a natural phenomenon and cannot be guaranteed. Your guide will inform you if weather conditions and visibility are not favourable.*

Attractions: Seljalandsfoss, Skógafoss, Skógar

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DAY 3: SKAFTAFELL & THE GLACIER LAGOON

Today, you're in for another day of picture-perfect attractions. Your guide will first take you to the famous **Jökulsárlón** glacier lagoon. Next to the glacier lagoon, you will visit the **Diamond Beach**, where you will see chunks of sparkling ice dotting the shore like diamonds.

Later, you will head to the smaller **Fjallsárlón** glacier lagoon, before continuing to the beautiful **Skaftafell** area of the **Vatnajökull National Park**, named for Iceland's largest glacier. On your way back to the hotel you will make one more stop at **Dverghamrar**, a small but impressive canyon full of unusual hexagonal basalt columns.

Spend another night in Kirkjubæjarklaustur area.

Driving distance approx. 247 km / 153 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8-9 Hours

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

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DAY 4: THE SCENIC SOUTH COAST

Explore along the south coast today with your private guide and visit worthwhile stops along the way. This will include the volcanic **black sand beach** south of Vík, where you can see the dramatic rock formations of **Reynisdrangar** and **Dyrhólaey**. As you have the entire day to see the south coast, you could join an optional tour in the area, such as visiting an ice cave, glacier walking, snowmobiling or driving an ATV on the black sand beach (activities not included).

Spend the night in the Selfoss area.

Driving distance approx. 203 km / 126 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 7-8 Hours

Attractions: Dyrhólaey, Mýrdalsjökull, Katla & Sólheimajökull, Reynisfjara & Reynisdrangar, Vík í Mýrdal

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DAY 5: EXPLORE THE FAMOUS GOLDEN CIRCLE

You have a full day to visit the **Golden Circle** region, a popular route for viewing some of the best-known natural sites in Iceland. You'll get to wander around the great **Geysir** area, to see the bubbling mud pots and spouting Strokkur geyser. Then you'll have some time at the impressive **Gullfoss** waterfall. Your guide will complete the circle, bringing you to **Þingvellir** National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is significant to the founding of Icelandic democracy and a place of immense natural beauty. On the way back to your accommodation you could choose with your guide whether you'll stop at the **Kerið volcanic crater**, which is partially filled with bright blue water.

Spend another night in the Selfoss area.

Driving distance approx. 192 km / 119 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8-9 Hours

Attractions: Geysir, Gullfoss, Kerið, The Golden Circle, Þingvellir

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DAY 6: GEOTHERMAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REYKJANES PENINSULA

Your guide will take you to the volcanic **Reykjanes** peninsula. This is a region known for its geothermal attractions and activity, thanks to its location on a fissure zone created by the separation of the mid-Atlantic ridge running across Iceland. This is where you'll find Iceland's newest volcano Fagradalsfjall, which erupted in spring 2021 and summer 2022.

You could see the geothermal area of **Krýsuvík** and the geothermal field of **Seltún**, where volcanic fumeroles, mud pots and hot springs have formed over millennia. Nearby, you'll find **Kleifarvatn**, the third largest lake in southern Iceland. Next, you can visit the Blue Lagoon, a geothermal spa surrounded by interesting lava formations - an especially unique experience in the winter (pre-booking needed).

Spend the night in Reykjavik.

Driving distance approx. 174 km / 108 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 7-8 Hours

Attractions: Blue Lagoon, Kleifarvatn, Krýsuvík & Seltún geothermal area, Reykjanes Peninsula

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DAY 7: DEPARTURE DAY

When it's time for your Iceland getaway to come to an end, you will enjoy a private transfer back to the airport in time for your flight. If you're flying in the afternoon, you could add a bit more adventure to your itinerary. Book an optional activity (not included) such as going whale watching, visiting the Perlan museum, or going to relax at the Blue Lagoon geothermal spa.

Average Driving Distance: 49 km / 30 mi.

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 50 Minutes

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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