



## **Guided Iceland Circle - 8 days (#6176)**

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### **Overview**

Experience the best of Iceland in the shortest time on this guided circle tour around the island. Departing every other Friday, year-round!

Discover the enchanting beauty of Iceland in winter. This 8-day guided tour takes you through Iceland's most stunning winter landscapes, from snow-covered volcanoes and glaciers to icy waterfalls and black sand beaches.

This is the perfect time to search for the Northern Lights, with two excursions included in the tour. Throughout our journey, we'll visit prime locations for viewing this spectacular phenomenon, as the tour is tailored for optimal aurora sightings. Marvel as the aurora borealis illuminates the sky with vibrant colours. Enjoy cosy accommodations, warm Icelandic cuisine, and expert guidance on this unforgettable winter adventure.

### **Trip Highlights**

Volcano Crater - Fjords - Mountains - North Iceland - Lake Mývatn - Geothermal baths - Lava Labyrinth - Hot Springs - Vatnajökull National Park - Glacier Lagoon - Diamond Beach - South Coast - Icelandic Horses - Golden Circle



## Detailed Itinerary

### Day 01

#### Day 1 Welcome to Iceland

Individual transfer by Fly bus shuttle bus from Keflavik airport to your accommodation in Reykjavik. You may explore Iceland's capital city on your own if time allows.

Overnight location: Reykjavík Natura Berjaya Iceland Hotels or similar. Dinner is on your own. (50km / 31mi).

**Meal:** No Meal

### Day 02

#### Day 2 Volcano Crater, Fjords & Mountains

At 09:00, meet our tour guide at Reykjavík Natura Berjaya Iceland Hotels. Set off west along the scenic Hvalfjörður fjord and through the charming town of Borgarnes. Enjoy a leisurely hike up Grábrók volcano crater, surrounded by a green lava field. Continue north to explore Glaumbær, a beautiful turf house farm and folk museum. Travel through stunning fjords and across mountain passes to arrive in Akureyri, the capital of North Iceland. Enjoy an overnight stay and the opportunity to explore the lovely town of Akureyri.

Overnight location: Akureyri Berjaya Iceland Hotels or similar. Breakfast included. Lunch & dinner is on your own. (415km / 258mi).

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 03

#### Day 3 The Capital of North Iceland, Lake Mývatn & Geothermal baths

In the morning, discover the charm of Akureyri, often called the capital of North Iceland, and take in the panoramic views over the Eyjafjörður fjord.

Optional whale watching tours are available at 09:00. Available from April through October.

In the afternoon, visit Goðafoss, the majestic “waterfalls of the gods,” then explore the geological wonders of Lake Mývatn. Marvel at the lava formations at Kálfaströnd, the pseudo craters at Skútustaðir, and the tephra cone Hverfjall. Conclude your day by relaxing in the geothermal Mývatn Nature Baths, enjoying a breathtaking view of the entire area.



As night falls, the search for the Northern Lights begins. Join us in seeking out the best spots to witness the mesmerizing aurora borealis, a true spectacle of nature's beauty. Enjoy the peaceful night, surrounded by Iceland's stunning winter landscape, as you wait for the magical light show to appear in the sky.

Overnight location: Mývatn Berjaya Iceland Hotels. Breakfast included. Lunch & dinner is on your own. (120km / 75mi).

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 04

### Day 4 Lava Labyrinth, Hot Springs & Travel East

In the morning, wander through the lava labyrinth at Dimmuborgir, known as "the dark castles," where local legends say trolls reside. In the afternoon, explore the hot spring area of Námaskarð, with its bubbling mud pools and steaming solfataras. Travel through the uninhabited highlands, resembling a lunar landscape, to reach East Iceland.

Overnight location: Hérað Berjaya Iceland Hotels or similar. Breakfast included. Lunch & dinner is on your own. (250km / 155mi).

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 05

### Day 5 East Fjords

Spend the day admiring the dramatic fjord landscape and quaint fishing villages tucked away at the ends of winding roads in the East Fjords. Along the route, visit a fascinating stone and mineral collection. In the afternoon, marvel at Vatnajökull, Europe's largest glacier, which dominates Southeast Iceland's scenery. End the day at Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs. Explore this extraordinary site and possibly spot seals swimming in the icy waters.

Please note that the itinerary on this specific day can change due to seasonal factors, such as weather.

Overnight location: Fosshotel Glacier Lagoon or similar. Breakfast included. Lunch & dinner is on your own. (260km / 161mi).

**Meal:** Breakfast



### Day 06

#### Day 6 Vatnajökull National Park, Glacier Lagoon, Diamond Beach & South Coast

Travel along the southern edge of the Vatnajökull glacier, catching glimpses of Europe's second-largest national park, home to Iceland's highest mountains and vast alpine landscapes. In the afternoon, take a scenic drive through the Eldhraun lava field and the sandy deserts of the south coast, framed by towering cliffs, glaciers, and waterfalls. Witness the Icelandic Lava Show, where you can experience real lava being melted to a molten state.

Then walk along the black lava beach of Reynisfjara near Vík. Visit the impressive 60-meter high Skógafoss waterfall in Skógar and continue to Seljalandsfoss waterfall, where an exciting trail leads behind the cascading water. There is a possibility of seeing the Northern Lights during the evening from September to mid-April.

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Overnight location: Stracta Hotel Hella or similar. Breakfast included. Lunch & dinner is on your own. (380km / 235mi).

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 07

#### Day 7 Icelandic Horses & Golden Circle

Discover the classics today as we journey through the Golden Circle route. Begin at Friðheimar farm, where you'll learn about the unique Icelandic horse and visit a geothermal greenhouse. Next, arrive at the Geysir geothermal fields, where steam rises from various hot springs and bubbling pools. Watch Strokkur, "the Churn," erupt every 5-7 minutes. Continue to Gullfoss, the "golden falls," a stunning double waterfall that plunges 32 meters into the Hvítá river. Head inland to Thingvellir National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Upon returning to Reykjavík, enjoy a brief city tour highlighting the world's northernmost capital.

Northern Lights: Optional Northern Lights evening tours can be booked at the lobby of your hotel, should weather conditions be favourable.

Overnight location: Reykjavík Natura Berjaya Iceland Hotels. Breakfast included. Lunch & dinner is on your own. (160km / 99mi).

**Meal:** Breakfast



**Day 08**

**Day 8 Departure Home**

Individual transfer by Fly bus shuttle from your accommodation in Reykjavik to Keflavik airport.

Breakfast included. (50 km / 31 mi).

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Inclusions

- 7 nights accommodation with breakfast
- 6 days escorted bus tour with English-speaking guide/driver-guide
- Arrival & departure airport transfer by Flybus shuttle (no guide)
- 7x breakfast
- 2x evenings with Northern Lights Program
- Glaumbær Folk Museum
- Mývatn Nature Baths including towel
- Icelandic Lava Show
- Icelandic horse stables & geothermal greenhouse

### Complementaries

- Entrance fees
- Free Wi-Fi on the bus
- Use of snow & ice grippers spike (for winter departures)
- Use of flashlight (for winter departures)

## Exclusions

Any private expenses

Any additional services

All meals not listed under “included”

Single supplement (mandatory when in single room)

International airfares

Optional activities

Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program



Travel insurance  
Gratuities  
Voluntary tips for guides or drivers  
Travel and medical insurance  
Any items not mentioned as included

### Note

Availability : September - April

Max People : 25

#### Highlights & Experiences

Fully escorted tour around Iceland's Ring Road.

2x evenings with Northern Lights Program.

Explore two national parks.

The Golden Circle including Þingvellir, Geysir & Gullfoss.

Mývatn Nature Baths, including towel.

Visits to small local museums, cultural experiences, and soft adventures.

Visit to Icelandic horse stables & geothermal greenhouse.

Experience flowing lava at the Icelandic Lava Show.

Optional whale watching in Akureyri in the morning of day 3, April through October. \*subject to availability.

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NOTE: Accommodations are subject to change.

#### Additional Services

- Extra night in Reykjavik before/after the tour – on request
- Upgrade for private airport transfer

CHILDREN DISCOUNT: 20% discount for children 8-11 years of age if sharing a room with 2 adults. Tour is not recommended for children younger than eight years of age. Triple rooms are double rooms with an extra bed and are ideal for two adults and one child.



Start & End Location: Keflavik International Airport (Fly bus shuttle)

Tour Pick-up Time: 9:00 on day 2 from Icelandair Hotel Natura, Reykjavik (subject to change)

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## Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

## Departure Period

**01 Nov, 2024 to 31 Dec, 2024**

Comfort tourist class  
AUD 4,523 P P twin share  
AUD 5,728 P P single  
AVAILABLE

**01 Jan, 2025 to 30 Apr, 2025**

Comfort tourist class  
AUD 4,760 P P twin share  
AUD 6,084 P P single  
AVAILABLE

**01 Sep, 2025 to 30 Sep, 2025**

Comfort tourist class  
AUD 6,696 P P twin share  
AUD 9,185 P P single  
AVAILABLE

**01 Oct, 2025 to 31 Oct, 2025**

Comfort tourist class  
AUD 5,788 P P twin share  
AUD 7,407 P P single  
AVAILABLE

**01 Nov, 2025 to 31 Dec, 2025**

Comfort tourist class  
AUD 5,057 P P twin share  
AUD 6,301 P P single  
AVAILABLE

**01 Jan, 2026 to 30 Apr, 2026**

Comfort tourist class  
AUD 5,274 P P twin share  
AUD 6,756 P P single  
AVAILABLE

