

7 days | 6 nights
Best of the South-West



Available all year round

Day 1: Keflavík – Reykjavík | **Day 2:** Snæfellsnes Peninsula | **Day 3:** Borgarfjörður – Þingvellir – Laugarvatn/Selfoss
Day 4: Gullfoss – Geysir – Kirkjubæjarklaustur/Vík | **Day 5:** Skaftafell – Jökulsárlón – Kirkjubæjarklaustur/Vík
Day 6: The South Shore – Reykjavík | **Day 7:** Departure



Day 1: Welcome to Iceland

Your memorable Icelandic adventure begins the very moment you arrive at Keflavík Airport. Collect your rental vehicle and drive through the beautiful landscape all the way to the capital for your first night in the Land of Fire and Ice.

If you have an early arrival you might like to begin your journey with a visit to Iceland's world-famous Blue Lagoon. Enjoy the geothermal blue, warm and soothing waters of the lagoon before heading to your hotel.

Driving Distance: Approximately 50 km
 Overnight in Reykjavík

Day 2: Reykjavík – Snæfellsnes

From Reykjavík you head to the Borgarfjörður region on your way to Snæfellsnes Peninsula famous for the majestic Snæfell volcano/ glacier. Spend the day by exploring the

numerous places of interest including the basalt pillars of Gerðuberg, Búðir with its small wooden church surrounded by a lava field, and Arnarstapi, a small fishing village, where basalt columns have been eroded by the pounding waves. There are also bird cliffs, home of kittiwakes and arctic terns. Take a stroll on Djúpálónssandur, a black sand beach, and drive along the shore on the north of the peninsula passing through charming fishing villages.

Driving Distance: Approximately 280 km
 Overnight in Snæfellsnes area

Day 3: Borgarfjörður – Þingvellir – Laugarvatn/Selfoss

From Snæfellsnes you head back to the Borgarfjörður Region to explore this region better. You can make a stop at



Deildartunguhver hot spring (Europe's most powerful hot spring), Reykholt and the Hraunfossar waterfalls where the water flows out from beneath a lava field into the river below. You continue to Thingvellir National Park, considered a geological wonder of the world. This is a highly interesting area both from the geological and the historical point of view. Here you can see the effects of the tectonic plate movements which have opened cracks and fissures in the earth's crust.

Driving Distance: Approximately 300 km
 Overnight in Laugarvatn/Selfoss area

Day 4: Gullfoss – Geysir – Klaustur/ Vík

Now it is time to visit some of the most interesting and famous areas of Iceland. In the geothermal area of Geysir the hot spring Strokkur ejects its water column high into



the air every 5 – 10 minutes or so and here numerous small springs boil and bubble. Afterwards you only have a short drive to Gullfoss, which many regard as Iceland's most beautiful waterfall. On your way along the south coast you will pass the pass Seljalandsfoss waterfall and you can actually walk behind it. A little further you pass Skógafoss waterfall, one of the highest in Iceland. Next you can stop at the magnificent Dyrhólaey Cape. You can either take the road up to the top of the cape and have a look at the bird cliff there or drive to a beautiful black sand beach at the foot of the cape. (Please note that Dyrhólaey is closed during nesting season from May 15 til June 23 and from mid-August the puffins will have gone to sea!).

Driving Distance: Approximately 250 km
Overnight in Klaustur/Vík area

Day 5: Skaftafell – Jökulsárlón – Klaustur/Vík

Today you will drive across the impressive black sand plain Mýrdalssandur, the beautiful Eldhraun lava field and the immense and remarkable Skeiðarársandur outwash plains with lovely views of the outlet glaciers of the great Vatnajökull, the largest glacier in Europe. Make a stop to enjoy the breathtaking sights of the Skaftafell National Park, an oasis surrounded by glaciers and black sand with many hiking possibilities and at the spectacular Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon. Enormous icebergs drift on the the lagoon and you can take a 30-40 min boat trip around them before heading back to Vík.

Driving Distance: Approximately 380 km
Overnight in Klaustur/Vík area



Day 6: Selfoss – Blue Lagoon – Reykjavík

Drive back to Reykjavik through Selfoss and Hveragerði. Now you can either take some time to relax in Reykjavik or drive to the famous Blue Lagoon, on the Reykjanes Peninsula, where you can enjoy a relaxing swim in geothermal water.

Driving Distance: Approximately 270 km
Overnight in Reykjavík

Day 7: Departure

Now it is time to head back home, after an amazing journey through one of the world's most picturesque landscapes. You will drive back to Keflavik Airport for your flight back home. Depending on your flight time, you may be able to enjoy your last day strolling around Reykjavík. Or, even better, consider booking an extra night in Reykjavík to really give yourself time to experience all the amazing things Iceland's capital city has to offer

Driving Distance: Approximately 50 km

