

8 days | 7 nights

Hiking in South Iceland



Travel period:
July to August 2023
Group size: 8-19 pax

Day 1: Arrival- Reykjavík | **Day 2:** Golden circle | **Day 3:** Landmannalaugar- Klautur/Vík | **Day 4:** Skaftafell- Jökulsárlón- Klautur/ Vík | **Day 5:** South coast- Hvolsvöllur/Hella | **Day 6:** Thorsmörk - Hvolsvöllur/Hella | **Day 7:** Heimaey – Reykjavík | **Day 8:** Departure



Day 1: Arrival - Reykjavík

Arrival at Keflavik airport. Private transfer to the hotel or the closest bus stop in Reykjavík

Overnight in hotel in Reykjavík.

Day 2: Reykjavík – Golden Circle

From Reykjavík we drive up to the mountain Hengill and start our trip with a 3-4 hr. hike through the beautiful landscape around Nesjavellir. Then we continue to visit some well-known attractions of South Iceland along the “Golden Circle”, starting in Thingvellir National Park, where the settlers in Iceland founded their parliament in AD 930. The Geysir geothermal area and the beautiful Gullfoss waterfall are our next stops before we drive to our accommodation on the edge of the uninhabited highland in the area of Mt Hekla.

Driving Distance: Approximately 200 km.
Overnight in Selfoss/Hella area.

Day 3: Landmannalaugar

Today we make our way along a track through moonlike landscape to one of the most famous places in the southern highlands of Iceland, Landmannalaugar. Colorful rhyolite mountains and black obsidian lava fields are the scenery for our 3-4 hrs. We hike through this unique landscape. Afterwards you have the possibility to take a refreshing bath in a natural hot spring, before we drive the adventurous track “behind the mountains” to the south coast.

Driving Distance: Approximately 160 km.
Overnight in the area of Klautur/Vík.



Day 4: Skaftafell - Jökulsárlón

This day is dedicated to the area around the biggest glacier of Europe, Vatnajökull. We visit Skaftafell National Park where we enjoy a 4 hrs. hike in the picturesque landscape of glaciers between green hills and valleys. Further east we reach the famous Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon and take a fantastic boat tour between floating icebergs (included).

Driving Distance: Approximately 300 km.
Overnight in the area of Klautur/Vík.



Day 5: Skógar - Hvolsvöllur

We explore the South Coast around Skogar and Vik. A 2,5 hrs. hike over Vikurfjall mountain leads us to the magnificent black sand beach of Reynishverfi. Cape Dyrhólaey is another landmark of this area, where we explore birdcliffs on a 2 hrs. hike. We visit Skógafoss waterfall which is one of the highest in Iceland as well as the well known Seljalandsfoss waterfall on our way back to the hotel.

Driving Distance: Approximately 120 km.
Overnight in the area of Hvolsvöllur/Hella.



Day 6: Thorsmörk

A day tour brings us to one of the most renowned hiking areas of Iceland, the Thorsmörk valley. Crossing several rivers on our way we reach the nature reserve and take a 2 hrs. hike into the hidden gorge Stakkholtsgja. From one of the mountain huts in the area we go for another 2-3 hrs. hike up to a mountain that offers a magnificent view on Eyjafjallajökull and the glaciers and mountains around.

Driving Distance: Approximately 120 km.
Overnight in the area of Hvolsvöllur/Hella.

Day 7: Westman Islands - Reykjavik

We take the ferry to the Westman Islands off the south coast of Iceland. The biggest island of the archipelago, Heimaey, was fully covered under ash in a big eruption in 1973. Today the town of 4.000 inhabitants is again one of the most important fishing harbors of the country. We take a 3 hrs. hike up to the new volcano and trough the city. After we return to the mainland we drive back to Reykjavik and get to know the main attractions of the capital on a short sightseeing tour.

Driving Distance: Approximately 200 km.
Overnight in Reykjavik.



Day 8: Departure

Enjoy some time by yourself in Reykjavik for sightseeing, relaxing or shopping in the city center.

Private transfer from the hotel to Keflavik airport for departure (without guide).

