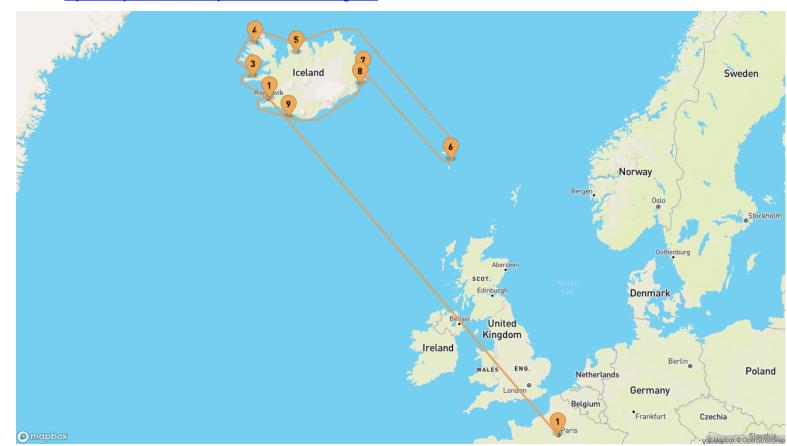


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DAY 1: GENEVA - REYKJAVIK (Iceland)

Departure on a scheduled flight to Reykjavik or on a scheduled flight to Paris then on a special flight to Reykjavik. Upon arrival in Reykjavik, transfer to the port, embarkation and installation on board the World Explorer. Dinner on board.



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DAY 2: REYKJAMK

Reykjavik, or "the Bay of Smokes", was named in 874 by the first Scandinavian settler, Ingolfur Arnarson, after seeing the steam coming from the hot springs. The capital of Iceland is home to nearly 70% of the island's population. It is the northernmost capital in the world. The city,

despite a late development in the 19th century, does not have old buildings but beautiful colorful houses where the charm works right away. City on a human scale, we take pleasure in strolling in its streets. From there, you can reach the Golden Circle which brings together three exceptional natural sites: the Gullfoss falls, the thermal area of Geysir and Thingvellir, the valley of the Parliament. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

THE GOLDEN CIRCLE (day with lunch)

On the way to Thingvellir National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Thingvellir is surrounded by mountains encircling a vast lava plain with wild vegetation. The Icelanders consider it a sacred place. Then, discovery of the Gullfoss Falls, also called "Golden Falls", among the most beautiful in Europe. This double waterfall often surrounded by a rainbow plunges into a chasm some 32 m below. Continuation of the excursion to the Great Geysir which gave its name to all the geysers in the world. Although it hardly raises its mountain of water any more, the site is grandiose by all the other volcanic phenomena to observe: solfataras, fumaroles, bubbling mud springs and geysers gushing in profusion.

Day with lunch - Price per person (from): €185

HISTORICAL REYKJAVIK

Short panoramic tour and discovery of the Arbaer open-air museum. This place brings together about twenty buildings, most of which were moved from the center of Reykjavik in order to preserve the architectural and historical heritage of the city. Continue to the Perlan Dome which has a magnificent view of the city before visiting the national museum. It traces the history and customs of Iceland from the Viking colonies to the present day. Finally, pass through the old town and the church of Hallgrimskirkja.

Half day - Price per person (from): €130

SWIMMING IN THE BLUE LAGOON OR THE SKY LAGOON

A true tradition in Iceland, bathing in hot springs is rooted in the local culture. The geothermal baths of the Sky Lagoon and the famous Blue Lagoon are renowned for their therapeutic benefits and offer a unique and relaxing environment.

Availability and price: contact us.

VOLCANISM SEEN FROM THE SKY

Fly over the region by helicopter and discover the volcanic landscapes from the sky.

Flight duration: approximately 40 to 60 min.

Availability and price: contact us.



Iceland / Grundafjord

Island, Village

DAY 3: GRUNDARFJORDUR

Fishing village located at the foot of Kirkufjell, literally translated as "church mountain". Gateway to the many geological sites and volcanic fields of the Snaefellsnes peninsula. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

THE SNAEFELLSNES PENINSULA

Leaving Grundarfjördur, the road winds through fishing villages towards the mythical glacial volcano Snæfellsjökull, made famous by Jules Verne. Stop and walk on the beach of Djupalonssandur. Along the cliffs of Londrangar, arrival in the small fishing village of Arnarstapi. Lunch then visit Budir and its small black wooden church built on the edge of a lava field and a beach of blond sand. On the way back, stop at Helgafell, the sacred mountain of Icelandic culture.

Day with lunch - Price per person (from): €270

VOLCANIC PENINSULA IN THE GRUNDARFJORDUR REGION

Discover the magnificent panoramas of the Snaefellsnes peninsula, a mythical region thanks to the presence of its Snaefellsjokull volcano. Jules Verne made it famous in his novel Journey to the Center of the Earth. The basalt cliffs of Londrangar, the beach of Djupalonssandur, the small fishing villages and the lava fields of Budir... everything on this peninsula is amazing!

Half day - Price per person (from): €170



Iceland / Isafjordur

Island, Village

DAY 4: ISAFJORDUR

You are at the geographical edge of Europe, in the wildest fjord region of Iceland. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

VIGUR'S SEABIRDS

Board a local boat to reach this seabird paradise. The island of Vigur is a true ornithological sanctuary where you can observe thousands of birds such as eiders, arctic terns, puffins, guillemots... Discovery on foot for about 1 hour to meet the wild fauna and flora of the island. Before returning to Isafjordur, a visit to the smallest post office in Europe is a must. Half day - Price per person (from): €175

ISAFJORDUR AND THE PICTURESQUE VILLAGES

Departure through the magnificent steep valleys of the Westfjords to discover the life of the inhabitants. Passage through the village of Bolungarvik and its small church, at the foot of a 600 m mountain. Discovery of the small open-air museum of Osvor, a reconstructed fishermen's hut. Return to Isafjordur via the Tungudalur valley and visit the maritime museum. Tasting of schnapps and fermented shark.

Half day - Price: €145

Iceland / Saudarkrokur

Village

DAY 5: SAUDARKROKUR

In the north of the island, the village of Saudarkrokur has been gradually built since the end of the 19th century to become a prosperous place where agriculture, fishing, tourism and services come together to serve the 2,600 inhabitants who live there. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

HERITAGE AND LANDSCAPES

Rich in history, the Skagafjordur fjord region is renowned for its equestrian culture. On the road through the splendid landscapes of the interior to reach a horse farm. Visit and equestrian show. After a light lunch, continue to the Reykjafoss waterfall and its multi-form waterfalls. Finally, visit the famous Glaumbær farm, belonging to the National Museum of Iceland and reconstructing an old 18th century village. Historical vestiges of rural and religious life, the buildings with turf roofs house period furniture, objects and tools. Great half-day with lunch - Limited places - Price per person (from): €240

DRANGEY ISLAND

Boarding local boats to Drangey. Discovering this volcanic island with steep cliffs on foot. Populated by many species of birds, it remains a privileged place for observing puffins and has a superb view of the Skagafjordur fjord. Very famous in Iceland, it was immortalized in the 10th century by the Saga of Grettir.

Half day - Limited places - Price per person (from): €190

HORSE RIDING (excursion in English)

Departure by coach to a horse farm. Instructions and preparation for the horse ride of approximately 1h30 through the fabulous landscapes of Icelandic nature. An integral part of Icelandic culture, the horse plays a major role in Norse history and mythology.

Limited places - Price per person (from): €170



Iceland / Husavik

Village, Island

DAY 6: HUSAVIK

Nestled on the edge of a bay, the city of Husavik is considered the European capital for whale watching. You will probably have the chance to observe some cetaceans: whales, white-beaked dolphins, porpoises... It is also the commercial and industrial center of a large area

agricultural: many dairy and meat products are processed on site. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

JEWELS OF THE NORTH

Discovery of a region with extraordinary landscapes where most volcanic phenomena are represented. Visit the site of Namaskard, with its mud pots, solfataras and fumaroles with the smell of sulfur. Then, road to Dimmuborgir whose name means "dark castles" for a walk within the strange lava formations of this unusual labyrinth. Continue to the crater lake of Myvatn, one of the most fascinating places in Iceland. After lunch, discovery of Godafoss, "the fall of the Gods". According to legend, Torgeir Torkelsson threw his pagan idols there and consecrated the adoption of Christianity in Iceland.

Day with lunch - Price per person (from): \leq 175

THE FACES OF VOLCANISM

Along the coast of the Tjornes peninsula, drive towards the plains of Kelduhverfi whose landscapes bear witness to the tectonic activity in Iceland. Discovery of the famous horseshoe-shaped canyon of Asbyrgi, a splendid natural curiosity in the heart of abundant vegetation before joining the basalt columns of Hljodaklettar for a walk among its spectacular rock formations. Packed lunch and continuation to the impressive Dettifoss waterfalls, the most powerful in Europe. On the way back, stop at Namaskard to admire fumaroles and other phenomena of the place, then visit the museum of Grenjadarstadur with its buildings with peat roofs.

Day with packed lunch - Price per person (from): €195

WHALE WATCHING

The small town of Husavik is considered the European capital for whale watching. Board local inflatable boats for a navigation of about 1 hour in the bay in search of whales and dolphins and then to join a colony of puffins.

Limited places - Price per person (from): €170

Iceland / Eskifjordur

Island, Village

DAY 7: ESKIFJORDUR

Surrounded by mountains, this small town of 1,100 inhabitants, located in the east of Iceland, stretches out in the hollow of the fjord of the same name. The region has long lived from the fishing trade and mining. Several museums trace the history of these industries. In the main street of Eskifjordur, a sculpture pays tribute to the sailors lost at sea. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

DISCOVERING ESKIFJORDUR ON FOOT

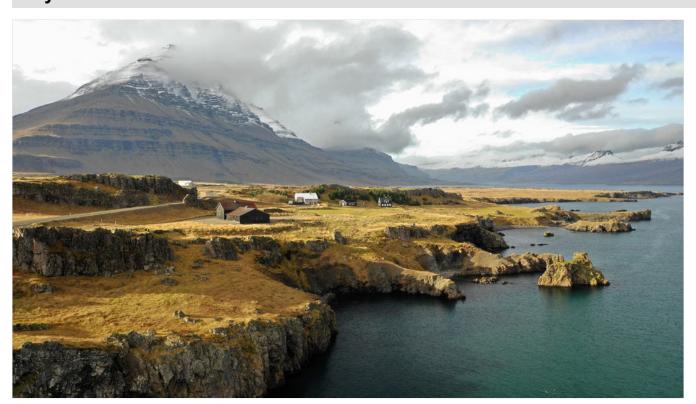
Walking tour of about 2h30 to discover Eskifjordur and its rich history dating back to Danish colonization. Visit the Maritime Museum, located in an 18th century building that traces the fishermen's lifestyle and local trade at that time. Refreshment at Randulf's Sea House, built by Norwegian herring fishermen in the early 20th century. Return to the boat after admiring the colorful houses of the city and the surrounding landscapes.

Price per person (from): €120

FASKRUDSFJORDUR, A FRENCH VILLAGE

Departure for Faskrudsfjordur, a surprising town with the appearance of a French village. Known for its spectacular site, Faskrudsfjordur is the easternmost fishing port in Iceland. Visit the museum of the old French hospital built at the beginning of the 19th century and then the French cemetery. On the way back, photo stop in front of the breathtaking landscapes of the Hólmanes peninsula.

Half day - Price per person (from): €130



Iceland / Djupivogur

Island, Village

DAY 8: DJUPIVOGUR

Situated in a deep bay, Djupivogur has been a trading post since 1589, when merchants from Hamburg were granted trading rights. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

JOKULSARLON GLACIER LAGOON

Jokulsarlon is the most famous and largest of Iceland's proglacial lakes. Departure by coach (approx. 3 hours) through the wild landscapes of southern Iceland, and stop en route at Hofn, a charming little town. Board local boats for an unforgettable experience in the heart of the white, blue and black icebergs of the lagoon fed by the calving of the Breidamerkurjokull glacier. At the origin of the birth of the lake, its very extensive glacial front offers a striking spectacle. Stop for lunch on the way back.

Day with lunch - Limited places - Price per person (from): €350

DJUPIVOGUR AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

Discovery on foot (about 2 hours) of the city and stop at the Bondavarda viewpoint. Then walk in the surrounding nature which offers a formidable ornithological wealth and constitutes a protected area. The expanses of marshes, ponds and beaches are ideal for bird nesting and the development of coastal fauna.

Limited places - Price per person (from): €65



Iceland / Vastmann Islands

Island, Village

DAY 9: HEIMAEY - VESTMANN ISLANDS

Heimaey is the only inhabited island in the Vestmannaeyjar archipelago. Its volcano, Eldfell, erupted suddenly on the night of January 22, 1973, producing a gigantic eruption. Free time or participation in optional excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board.

Optional excursions

POMPEILOF THE NORTH

Departure for the Herjolfsdalur valley and head west to see the different islands surrounding the archipelago. Classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the youngest of these islands, Surtsey, was born during a volcanic eruption. Stop to the cliffs of Storhofdi, which are home to a large colony of puffins and offer splendid panoramas. On the way back, we pass between two volcanoes, the Helgafell, 5,000 years old, and the Eldfell, made famous by its eruption in 1973. Discovery of the wooden church of Skansinn then visit of the Eldheimar museum.

Half day - Price per person (from): €130

HEIMAEY ISLAND BY BOAT

Heimaey is the largest of the Vestmann Islands and the only inhabited one. Departure on board local boats for about 1h30 to observe bird colonies along the cliffs. Among them, puffins, gannets, guillemots and many other species. Whales, orcas, fin whales and white-beaked dolphins can sometimes be seen. Finally, navigation in the caves of Fjosid and Klettshellir, which have exceptional acoustics.

Limited places - Price per person (from): €140

SPEED BOAT ADVENTURE (excursion in English)

Departure by inflatable boat (around 2 hours) to get as close as possible to the most difficult to access places and venture into the small Eider cave, which owes its name to the presence of a colony of eiders, these large migratory ducks whose down is highly sought after for stuffing clothes. Exploration of the Aegir cave, very deep, beautiful basalt columns decorate it. Finally, discovery of the Klettahellir cave which has incredible acoustics.

Limited places - Price per person (from): €195



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DAY 10: REYKJAVIK - GENEVA

Breakfast on board. Disembarkation and transfer to the airport. Flight to Geneva on a scheduled flight or to Paris on a special flight then to Geneva on a scheduled flight.

