Grandeur of Iceland

Inspiring Moments

► Thrill to the stirring beauty of the Golden Circle, where bubbling mud pools, geysers and waterfalls dot the landscape.
► Encounter Reykjavik, Iceland’s cultural capital, home to culinary ingenuity and colorful streetscapes.
► Discover how Iceland harnesses its vast geothermal resources at a state-of-the-art geothermal plant.
► Enjoy Saga Music, where Icelandic sagas are brought to life by a well-known musician and lyricist.
► Watch for magnificent breaching whales and darling puffins during a whale watching tour.
► Sit down to a homemade feast and learn about Icelandic horticulture at a family-run greenhouse and farm.
► Experience Pingvellir National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Included Features

Accommodations (with baggage handling)
- 7 nights in Reykjavik, Iceland, at the first-class Radisson Blu 1919 Hotel, Reykjavik.

Extensive Meal Program
- 8 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 3 dinners, including a Farewell Dinner; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey
- Discovery excursions highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led Enrichment programs enhance your insight into the region.
- AHI Sustainability Promise:
  We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- AHI Connects: Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome Reception.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Itinerary

Day 1
Depart gateway city.

Day 2
Arrive in Keflavik and transfer to hotel in Reykjavik.

Day 3
Reykjavik | Eyrarbakki

Day 4
Borgarnes | Reykholt

Day 5
Golden Circle | Pingvellir National Park

Day 6
Reykjavik

Day 7
Snæfellsnes Peninsula

Day 8
Reykjavik

Day 9
Transfer to Reykjavik airport and depart for gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Activity Level: We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program’s physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.

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**Reykjavik.** Provides electricity for the city of Reykjavik, immense magma chamber, the plant Nordic capital city. See important landmarks, pretty harbor, Harpa Concert Hall, swimming pool, colorful murals and many more sights.

**Renewable Energy.** Take an informative tour of Hellisheiði, one of the world’s biggest geothermal power plants. Located above an immense magma chamber, the plant provides electricity for the city of Reykjavik and its citizens. Learn how Iceland uses geothermal energy in a sustainable manner.

**Settlement Exhibition and Snorrastofa.** Centuries of Icelandic history is revealed today. Begin at the Settlement Exhibition in Borgarnes to learn about the discovery of Iceland and delve into the life of Viking and poet Egill Skalla-Grimson, one of Iceland’s first settlers. Travel to the historical site of Reykholt to visit Snorrastofa, a center founded in memory of Snorri Sturluson, Iceland’s greatest medieval writer, historian and chieftain. Learn about the legacy and literary contributions of this famous scholar. During your outing, visit two beautiful waterfalls and Europe’s largest hot spring.

**Golden Circle and Greenhouse Cultivation.** Discover Iceland’s crown jewel and a region of great historical and geological importance. Visit Pingvellir National Park, the original site of the world’s longest running parliament and the meeting point of the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates. Encounter the geothermally active Geyser area, gaze at the Strokkur geyser and see Gullfoss waterfall. Continue to a family-run greenhouse and learn about sustainable horticulture. Enjoy a traditional Icelandic lunch, followed by a stable visit.

**Whale Cruise.** Encounter some of the world’s most majestic beasts today during a whale watching cruise. Sail in the open water to observe whales in their native habitat. You may see minke whale, humpback whale, harbor porpoise and white-beaked dolphins as well as a variety of local birds.

**Snaefellsnes Peninsula.** This stunning peninsula is host to mesmerizing landscapes, unique land formations and the stunning Snaefellsjökull glacier. During your excursion, visit Stykkisholmur, a charming village, and explore natural wonders of Búðir, Arnarstapi and Djúpalónssandur.

**UNESCO World Heritage**

**Pingvellir National Park**

**Electives**

We’ve designed an engaging excursion to take you further afield.

**Blue Lagoon.** Delight in a visit to the beautiful Blue Lagoon, Iceland’s iconic natural wonder and most popular spa. Indulge your mind, body and soul while relaxing in geothermally heated water rich in minerals like silica, chloride and calcium.

Electives are available at an additional cost.

**Academics**

- **Geothermal Energy**
- **Snorri Sturluson: Writer, Poet and Politician**
- **Contemporary Iceland: Youthful Nation**

**Snæfellsjökull National Park**

**Social Impact** | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

**Economic Impact** | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, “shoulder seasons.”

**DIRECTIONS & PRICES**

**August 9-17, 2021**

**From Price** $4,245

**Special Price** $3,995

**Special Savings** $250

VAT is an additional $395 per person. All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated). Single accommodations are an additional $1,190 (limited availability).