

WESTMAN ISLANDS - Heimaey Island Tour

Duration: 2.5hours including private coach and an English speaking guide





The Westman Islands are situated just off the south coast of Iceland. We make our first stop at "Sprangan", a cliff where young islanders are taught the local sport of rope swinging. On we go to the Herjólfsdalur valley, where ruins of old farmhouses dating back to the year 650 AD are pointed out. The tour continues along the western part of the island, providing an opportunity to view the outer islands. Our drive back to the harbor takes us between two volcanoes, the 5,000 year old "Helgafell" and the considerably younger Eldfell whose history is somewhat more recent. At 2am on the night of January 23rd 1973, a massive eruption began in the eastern part of Heimaey. Almost all of the 5,000 inhabitants were safely evacuated to the mainland. Next stop is the viewpoint located at the base of this volcano. Our tour then continues over the new lava fields into the very centre of the volcano's crater. From the crater we drive directly into town passing the ruins of a house buried in the lava, continuing through the main streets of town. On our way back to the harbor we make a stop at the "Skansinn" wooden church, donated to the people of the Westman Islands by the state of Norway by way of commemorating the millennium of Christianity in Iceland.



AKRANES – Icelandic Viking Trails

Duration 7-8 hours including private coach, English speaking guide, Lunch, entrance to settlement center & Reykholt







Retrace Icelandic Viking footsteps by visiting the ancient Saga trails. During this full day excursion we retrace Viking footsteps along the ancient Saga trails of the Borgarfjordur district. It is in this area that many of the famous Viking acts from the 13th Century Icelandic saga "Egils Saga" took place. We leave Akranes and follow the coastline north to the township of Borgarnes where we make our first stop at the award winning Settlement Centre - here we learn about the settlement of Iceland by way of a multimedia show case. Refreshment stop at Hraunfossar & Barnafoss waterfalls. Onwards to Reykholt where Snorri Sturluson, Iceland's most celebrated writer, law speaker and historian of all time lived right up until his controversial death in 1241. Here we enjoy lunch followed by a guided visit to this profoundly interesting historical site. Following our visit to Reykholt, we continue to Europe's largest hot spring, Deildatunguhver, where you will witness 200 liters per second of 100°C water stream gush forth. Return to Akranes.



BÍLDUDALUR - Dynjandi Waterfall and Sea Monsters Museum

Duration Approx: 4 hours including private Coach, local guide & entrance to the museum.



The wonders of the West fjords! Breathtaking scenery, harsh landscape, sharp mountain ridges, deep and beautiful fjords where the farmers and the villages cuddle together on a narrow strip of land. The West fjords are a favorite among many and for those who experience those fjords for the first time, are completely amazed of this mesmerizing and mystical scenery. Drive to Dynjandi waterfall, one of the most beautiful waterfalls in Iceland. There is a bit of a walk up to the waterfall, but for those who want to see it up close are in for a treat, as they will also see smaller waterfalls surrounding Dynjandi. The bus takes us back to Bildudalur, where the elusive sea creatures have been given a worthy home at the Icelandic Sea Monster Museum. With a lively mix of words, images and videos, an action-packed multimedia display that culminates in a spectacular interactive plinth, the first of its kind in Iceland First-hand accounts from eye-witnesses, are joined on-screen by academic theories on the nature of sea monsters, while a variety of relics and artifacts relating to this mysterious branch of zoology appear throughout the museum as tangible evidence for their existence. From the museum a short walk will take us back to the ship through the little town of Bíldudalur.



ÍSAFJÖRÐUR - Life and Culture

Duration 4 hours including private coach, local guide, music program, entrance fee and taste at maritime museum.



Starting at Isafjordur harbor we drive through the center of Isafjordur and the first stop is made at the outdoor exhibit of Osvor just outside Bolungarvik. Osvor is an old fisherman's hut that was restored in 1988. Osvor is a perfect example of how life was for Icelandic fishermen until the beginning of the 20th century. From Osvor we drive to Bolungarvik for sightseeing in the village and visit the small church, were you'll enjoy a music program. From Bolungarvik we drive back to Isafjordur, on the way you will be able to see Buna River and a waterfall in Tunguskogur and sip fresh mountain water that flows down the stream clear and refreshing. We drive around the old streets of Isafjordur and end in the maritime and folk museum. The museum is situated in one of the oldest houses in Isafjordur, beside it are 3 other houses, all from the same area, around 1780, and all well preserved. Icelandic refreshments including a snaps, dried fish and shark (preserved Iceland style) are served on request. This tour gives a good view of the West fjords. It emphasizes on the human side of the struggle to survive in times gone by, the beautiful but sometimes harsh landscape of the West fjords and the life of the inhabitants in recent times.



SIGLUFJÖRÐUR - Herring Heyday & Siglufjörður

Duration Approx.: 4 hours including guided walk, smaller salt show, entrance fee & taste at Herring Museum & Folk Music Center





Welcome to Siglufjörður, the historic gold-rush-like atmosphere of the bustling herring town. Guests are invited to visit the award-winning Herring Era Museum, with a fun and energetic performance of the herring salting show. You step back in time as herring girls salt and pack herring into barrels under the watchful eye of the manager. Get caught up in the lively accordion music and ring dancing before sampling traditional rye bread, local herring and Icelandic schnapps! Guests will hear a short introduction to the history of the herring fishing industry and be invited to explore the museum's three buildings. Before heading to the ship we tour the Folk Music Center and learn about Reverend Bjarni's work in collecting and preserving the country's musical heritage. The Centre offers a chance to see and hear Icelandic musical instruments from centuries past and the performance of traditional Icelandic folk songs and rhymes.



HÚSAVÍK & AKUREYRI - Lake Myvatn from Husavik to Akureyri

Duration Approx.: 8 hours including private coach, local English speaking guide, 2 course lunch, toilet fees at Dimmuborgir.







Depart Husavik and head towards the gurgling purple and yellow sulphur cauldrons at the high temperature thermal field of Namaskard, which are so hot that they actually boil. After exploring the geothermal field we continue to Dimmuborgir lava labyrinth, a paradise of towering lava castles, natural arches and countless unexplored grottos. Driving along the shores of Lake Myvatn our next stop is by the unique craters at Skutustadir before enjoying lunch in the area. Afterwards we will visit Godafoss, Waterfall of the Gods - one of the most spectacular waterfalls in Iceland; the water of the river Skjalfandafljot falls from a height of 12 m over a width of 30 m. Once in town, enjoy a stroll up the colourful Artist's Alley to the church. Consecrated in 1940, Akureyri church is one of the town's proud symbols and enjoys a prominent position on the edge of the hill overlooking the town. The church houses many interesting artifacts, one of which, part of a stained glass window, stems from Coventry Cathedral in England - brought to Akureyri for safe keeping during the 2nd World War. Following the visit to the church, continue to explore the old midtown area under the expert guidance of your local tour guide, who will share stories of the town's local history and culture at various intervals



Shore excursions Rates per person in Euro

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Minimum 10 persons: € 61 p.p.

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10-14 pax	15-19 pax	20-24 pax	25-29 pax	30-MORE
€ 202	€ 185	€ 149	€ 135	€ 132

BÍLDUDALUR - Dynjandi Waterfall and Sea Monsters Museum

Minimum 10 persons: € 164 p.p.

ÍSAFJÖRÐUR - Life and Culture

Minimum 10 persons: € 105 p.p.

SIGLUFJÖRÐUR - Herring Heyday & Siglufjörður

Minimum 10 persons: € 90 p.p.

HÚSAVÍK & AKUREYRI - Lake Myvatn from Husavik to Akureyri

Minimum 10 persons: € 123 p.p.