



SCANDINAVIA AND ICELAND

CHASING NORTHERN LIGHTS IN ICELAND (TOUR CODE: 14441)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Reykjavik

TRAVEL PERIODS

01 Jan 25 - 31 Oct 25

EXPERIENCE

Walk & Hike
Wellness
Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Independent Holiday Packages

Chase the Northern Lights on a 6-day Icelandic adventure! Cruise under the stars, explore Reykjavik's history and local flavours, and thrill in a snowmobile ride on the Golden Circle. Experience Iceland's natural wonders, adventure, and relaxation in one unforgettable journey!

Highlights

- The **Northern Lights in Iceland** allows you to see a spectacular natural phenomenon which happens during the winter months. Northern Lights in Iceland are visible during the winter months, from September to April. An unforgettable experience that can be seen when staying in the countryside.
- Experience the thrill of snowmobiling across Iceland's **Golden Circle**
- Trek across the stunning Sólheimajökull Glacier
- Unwind at The Retreat Spa Lagoon

Embark on a captivating 6-day Icelandic adventure, chasing the spectacular Northern Lights, a natural wonder visible from September to April. This unforgettable journey begins with a small group Northern Lights cruise, setting sail under the stars to witness this awe-inspiring phenomenon in all its glory. Enjoy a private 3-hour walking and food tour in Reykjavik, where you'll dive into the history, culture, and local flavours of Iceland's vibrant capital.

Next, experience the thrill of a snowmobile adventure as you traverse the iconic Golden Circle, taking in sights like the geysers of Geysir and the majestic Gullfoss waterfall. Continue your exploration of Iceland's unique landscapes with a South Shore glacier hike, followed by a glacier walking tour on Sólheimajökull, where you'll venture across the stunning ice formations.

Finally, unwind and rejuvenate at The Retreat Spa Lagoon, an exclusive sanctuary at the Blue Lagoon, where you can relax in mineral-rich waters while soaking in panoramic views of the surrounding lava fields.

This is the ultimate Icelandic experience, combining thrilling adventures, scenic beauty, and relaxation in one extraordinary holiday.

INCLUSIONS

- 5 nights in Centrally Located Hotels
- Daily Breakfast
- Private transfers as per itinerary
- Small Group - Northern Lights cruise
- Private walking/food tour in Reykjavík (3-hrs)
- Golden Circle with Snowmobile Adventure
- South Shore with glacier hike adventure
- Glacier walking tour on Sólheimajökull glacier
- The Retreat Spa Lagoon with private changing room for two

ITINERARY

Day

1

Reykjavik

Upon arrival transfer from the airport to the hotel in Reykjavik in a private car with an English-speaking driver. Your driver will have a sign with your name on it in the arrival hall.

Afternoon at your own leisure.

At 10:00pm, join a small group for a **Northern Lights Cruise**. On this approximately 2.5-hour tour we encounter many other interesting sights. We cruise along the beautiful coastline and enjoy the city lights from a different view! When particles from the sun hit earth's atmosphere it creates a bright light with colours fluctuating in hues of green to red to sometimes purple. While our main goal in this tour is to see the Northern Lights, we can enjoy the clean ocean breeze and gaze at the starry night sky while we wait. We get to see Harpa Reykjavik Concert Hall & Conference Centre from another angle. Along the coastline we see the art sculpture Sun Voyager, a dream boat and an ode to the sun and the famous house Höfði, where the agreement to end the Cold War was signed in 1986.

Our experienced crew will keep an eye out for the Aurora Borealis activity to find the best route, while you enjoy the scenery from the vast darkness behind the small islands in Faxa bay (Faxaflói). Among them is one of Iceland's most famous Islands, **Viðey** where the Imagine Peace Tower by Yoko Ono's lights up the night sky from October 9th – December 8th and few other days. If it gets chilly you can wrap around you a warm blanket or purchase a hot beverage from our on-board shop where we offer a selection of light refreshments. On board you will find information and educational multimedia about the Northern Lights.

This deluxe cruise offers a more personal service and less crowded scenery with fewer passengers. With the new interior refitted 2018-19 you will experience the magnificent northern lights in a truly luxurious experience you will never forget!

After a wonderful evening and back at the Old Harbour, it is a short walk back to your hotel.

Overnight stay in Reykjavik at **The Edition**.



NORTHERN LIGHTS

Day **2**

Reykjavik

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before meeting your guide in the lobby for a 3-hour private walking/food tour. Led by an English-speaking local, the tour offers a fascinating introduction to Reykjavik's history, from its Viking roots to modern-day culture. Along the way, you'll hear about Icelandic folklore, food, nightlife, politics, and more, all presented in an engaging, light-hearted manner. Enjoy small stops with tasty food samples, including pastries, fish pan, famous hot dogs, lamb soup, lobster soup, and tapas of lamb and char.

Afternoon at your leisure.

There is an option to make a dinner reservation at Fish Market at 7:00 pm (pay directly). Please let our team know if you would like to include this in your plans.

Overnight stay in Reykjavik at **The Edition**.

Breakfast



REYKJAVIK

After breakfast, pick up from your hotel.

This morning you will be met by your own private **customized Super Jeep** with huge tires along with your knowledgeable English-speaking driver/guide for an all-day tour. Start your **Icelandic Odyssey** with driving a mountain track to Iceland's second largest glacier, **Langjokull**, where we will snowmobile and blaze across the white plains of the glacier for one hour. (2 snowmobile's – 1 to share and 1 for solo use).

Your journey continues east past the lava fields and to **Thingvellir national park**, where the Icelandic parliament was established in 930 AD and the Eurasian- and North American tectonic plates meet, which have formed a large crevice in the lava while slowly drifting apart. After a walk around the area, you continue onwards to the Geysir area where the enormous geothermal heat in the ground has formed several hot springs. Among them is Geysir, from which the English word geyser takes its meaning and Strokkur, which spouts boiling water 25-30 meters high in the air every 5 minutes or so. From Geysir it's a short drive to Gullfoss waterfall which cascades 32 meters down a canyon in two steps.

After an adventurous day you will be taken to your country-like lodge hotel.

Overnight stay in Skalakot at **Skalakot Manor**.

The Northern Lights, also called Aurora Borealis are one of the most spectacular shows on this earth and can frequently be seen in Iceland from September through early April on cold, clear and crisp nights.

Breakfast



Enjoy a breakfast at your hotel.

In the morning, embark on a **South Shore tour in a customised super jeep** with an English-speaking driver/guide.

First, visit **Seljalandsfoss**, one of Iceland's tallest waterfalls, where you can walk behind it and feel the spray. Continue to **Skogarfoss**, a beautiful waterfall surrounded by grass and mountains. Next, head to **Dyrholaey**, a cliff with a breathtaking view of Reynisdrangar lava formations, the ocean, and Myrdalsjokull glacier. Afterward, visit the town of Vik.

In the afternoon, **join a 2-hour glacier walk on Sólheimajökull glacier** (part of a small group tour). Walk safely with an expert guide through crevasses and glacier sculptures, experiencing the power of the living glacier. Included: glacier gear, helmets, ice axes, and crampons for safety.

Finish the day with a drop-off at your country hotel and a chance to see the Northern Lights.

Overnight stay in Skalakot at **Skalakot Manor**.

Breakfast



Day **5**

Skalakot Blue Lagoon Grindavík

After breakfast at your hotel, a private transfer will take you from Hotel Skálakot to Silica Hotel, where you'll drop off your bags before heading next door to **The Retreat**.

At the spa, you'll enjoy a *private changing room* for two from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, where you can relax in the warm, mineral-rich lagoon waters. The Retreat, built into an 800-year-old lava flow, is designed to harmonise nature, design, and geothermal seawater, providing a deluxe experience in a private part of the Blue Lagoon. The spa features various treatments, including dry heat, steam heat, and the **Blue Lagoon Ritual**, which uses the healing powers of silica, algae, and mineral salts to rejuvenate your skin and body. The Retreat also offers a cold air well, steam chambers, panoramic views, and a relaxation area with suspended chairs for complete comfort.

Lunch (not included) is available at the spa café from 11:00 am, allowing you to enjoy refreshments in your robes.

After your spa experience, you'll have access to the private lagoon and the facilities at Silica Hotel, which includes breathtaking views of the surrounding lava fields.

In the evening, you can enjoy a 7:00 pm dinner at the LAVA Restaurant (not included). *We recommend taking a stroll around the blue lagoon grounds after dinner to spot the Northern Lights.*

Overnight stay in Grindavík at **Silica Hotel**.

Breakfast



Day **6**

Grindavík Keflavík Airport

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and transfer to the airport in a private car with an English-speaking driver in time for your flight home.

End of services.

Breakfast

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Danish, Swedish, Norwegian, Icelandic, and Faroese

LOCAL CURRENCY

Danish Krone (DKK)

- Please note that this product is not part of our Flexible booking policy as the supplier terms and conditions apply. Our Team will advise you of the exact booking conditions at the time of the booking.
- All services are subject to availability and prices may fluctuate between the time your proposal is prepared and when the trip is confirmed. When a final itinerary is set, we will provide you with the final price for the trip.
- Please be advised that we can include dinner reservations in the itinerary; however, clients will need to pay directly on-site.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package