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**Amazing**

# Iceland



**JUNE 3 - 11, 2012**



**\$3,625.00**

PER PERSON  
PLUS TAXES OF \$370.00  
(SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$600.00)

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2 NIGHTS IN REYKJAVIK  
5 NIGHTS IN THE ICELAND COUNTRYSIDE  
BREAKFAST DAILY, 5 DINNERS  
GUIDED SIGHTSEEING ATTRACTIONS  
TOUR DIRECTOR: LYLE COUCH**

Deposit \$500.00 at booking. Final payment 60 days prior. All payments are non-refundable. Cancellation Insurance is available.

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**Day 1 - Departure from home.** Transfers to Pearson International. Overnight flight to Reykjavik

### **Day 2 - Arrival in Iceland**

Pick up from Airport and transfer to Reykjavik and accommodation at the centrally located Plaza Hotel. Walking tour.

### **Day 3 - Reykjavik - Gullfoss waterfall - Þingvellir - Hvalfjörður - Borgarfjörður**

Today we drive to Gullfoss, a rainbow-misted waterfall and Geysir area with many hot springs, mud pools and geysers, of which Strokkur, the world's most active, is likely to spout several times to heights of 100 feet. We continue our trip, passing Laugarvatn, over Lyngdalsheiði heath and reach Þingvellir National Park, the great lava area in a rift valley, where the Icelandic Parliament met for centuries from 930 AD onwards. Through Hvalfjörður to Borgarfjörður.

### **Day 4 - Borgarnes - Akureyri**

Today we drive through Borgarfjörður, a site of the old Sagas. We stop at the waterfalls Hraunfossar (Lavafalls) and Barnafossar before we continue our tour to the north. We pass the Skagafjörður district, famous for its horse breeding and history. Onwards to Akureyri, Iceland's main town in the north. Akureyri is only 100 km away from the Arctic circle and is a surprisingly green community with lots of vegetation and a famous Botanical Garden. By many people Akureyri is considered the country's most beautiful town.

### **Day 5 - Akureyri - Lake Mývatn - Whale watching**

Today we start with a short trip around Akureyri before we drive eastwards to Lake Mývatn. On the way we stop at the scenic Goðafoss waterfall, where the legend says the ancient Nordic gods Óðinn and Þór still watch over the country's well being. Lake Mývatn is a famous bird sanctuary, boasting one of the largest concentration of breeding ducks in the world, as well as hundreds of whopper swans. The magnificent surrounding landscape has many interesting geological and volcanic features. We will visit pseudo-craters, solfataras with boiling sulphuric mud-pools, a lava-labyrinth where strange lava formations provide shelter for an unexpectedly rich vegetation, and Grjótagjá, a fissure which formerly was the public bathing place of the area.

Optional: Whale watching tour from Húsavík.

### **Day 6 - Egilsstaðir - East Fjords - Djúpivogur**

From Mývatn we go to Dettifoss waterfall, Europe's mightiest waterfall. Then we continue eastwards over the barren and now unpopulated plateau of Jökuldalsheiði into the fertile Fljótisdalur district. We drive through Fagradalur valley to Stöðvarfjörður fjord where we have the chance to visit a known rock collection. The road then leads south to Djúpivogur.

### **Day 7 - Höfn - Skaftafell - Kirkjubæjarklaustur - Vík**

From Hornafjörður we drive south of Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest glacier, larger than all the rest of Europe's glaciers combined. We stop at a glacial lagoon full of icebergs before we continue to Skaftafell National Park and Skeiðarársandur, the biggest outwash plain of Iceland. We continue over the plain, pass Kirkjubæjarklaustur town and we drive over dramatic lava fields to Vík. Boat tour included.

### **Day 8 - Vík - South shore - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavik**

We will stop at Dyrhólaey cliff. Our next stop will be at the mighty Skógafoss waterfall and then Seljalandsfoss waterfall, before we continue the trip through the farmlands of the south. Continue to the Blue Lagoon for a refreshing bath or swim in the pleasantly warm mineral-rich water, reputed for its healing properties. Arrival in Reykjavik in the late afternoon.

### **Day 9 - Departure**

Transfer from the Hotel Plaza to Keflavik airport in time for check-in. Return transfers upon arrival in Toronto.

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