



Icelandic horses



Seljalandsfoss

## Untamed Iceland

**Iceland:** Selfoss, Stykkisholmur, Daeli, Akureyri, Reykjavik

14 days from \$7245 including international airfare from San Francisco or \$7545 including airfare from Los Angeles.

Single Supplement: **FREE**

**Departure Date:** September 4, 2024

**Activity Level:**

① ② ③ ④ ⑤ Moderately Easy

### ITINERARY SUMMARY

DAYS	DESTINATION
1	Fly to Reykjavik, Iceland
2-4	Selfoss
5-6	Stykkisholmur
7	Daeli
8-10	Akureyri
11-13	Reykjavik
14	Return to U.S.



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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 • Depart U.S.

Fly overnight from the U.S. to Keflavik, Iceland.

### DAY 2 • Keflavik, Iceland • Selfoss

Arrive in Keflavik, Iceland, in the early morning hours. Transfer to Selfoss, and meet fellow travelers who took our *Westman Islands: Volcanic Landscapes & Puffins* or New! *Copenhagen: Denmark's Hub of Contemporary Culture* pre-trip extension. Gather for a Welcome Dinner this evening.

### DAY 3 • Visit wool studio • Explore the Golden Circle

Visit a local wool studio for an interactive session on wool-dyeing, spinning, and knitting. We'll learn how natural ingredients are utilized throughout the production process, as well as why Icelanders have become so dependent on wool products over the centuries. Then discover Iceland's Golden Circle, a ring of natural highlights: Gullfoss waterfall, Geysir hot spring area, and Thingvellir National Park. This afternoon, return to Selfoss.

### DAY 4 • Discover Seljalandsfoss Waterfall • Super Jeep tour

Begin your day with a visit to Seljalandsfoss Waterfall, a 180-foot thundering cascade shrouded in great clouds of mist. Seeing this waterfall will show our small group the effects of climate change firsthand and the dangers of an ice-less Iceland. Later, travel to Vik Village and experience the rugged Icelandic landscape by Super Jeep.

### DAY 5 • Visit local greenhouse • Controversial Topic: The blood mares of Iceland

Transfer to the Snaefellsnes Peninsula today, stopping at a local greenhouse to learn about the challenges of growing vegetables in Iceland, and learning about the **Controversial Topic** of so-called "blood mare" farming—the practice of harvesting blood from pregnant horses to collect a fertility hormone. Iceland is one of the only countries in the world—and the only country in Europe—where this practice is legal. Increasingly, these "blood farms" have drawn the ire of animal rights activists who find the procedure cruel, and harmful to the mares that are subjected to it.

## IT'S INCLUDED

- 12 nights accommodation, plus 1 night in the U.S. on trips that return in September and October (does not apply to travelers whose final destination is New York or Boston)
- International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges unless you choose to make your own air arrangements (please note due to government actions taxes may change)
- All land transportation and 1 internal flight
- 28 meals—13 breakfasts, 9 lunches, and 6 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Dinner)
- 25 small group activities
- Services of a local O.A.T. Trip Experience Leader
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters
- 5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next adventure

### DAY 6 • Discover Snaefellsnes Peninsula

Explore the Snaefellsnes Peninsula. First, stop in the fishing village of Arnarstapi for a coastal hike. Later, visit Bjarnarhofn Shark Museum and sample a regional delicacy, *hakarl*, made from shark meat.

### DAY 7 • A Day in the Life of an Icelandic horse farm

Travel to a family-run farm in Daeli for our **A Day in the Life** overnight experience. Meet members of the owner's family and learn about their small businesses. You'll also have the opportunity to meet Icelandic horses first brought to the country by Viking settlers. Despite their size, they are known to be hardy and long-lived, and the government aims to maintain their good health by outlawing the import and export of horses, minimizing the risk of disease.

### DAY 8 • Akureyri • Herring Era Museum & Folksong Museum

Travel to Siglufjordur, a fishing village along the northern coast. Here, you'll visit two museums: the Herring Era Museum and the Folk Music Centre. Then, travel to Akureyri, Iceland's second-largest urban area.



Puffins



**DAY 9 • Visit Hverabraud & Namafjall • Walking tour of Dimmuborgir • Godafoss Waterfall • Home-Hosted Dinner**

Discover the Lake Myvatn area, the pseudo-crater field at Skutustadir, and the whimsical “black castle” lava formations of Dimmuborgir, where a lonely troll is said to have lived. Later, stop at a viewpoint overlooking the Námafjall geothermic area and Godafoss Waterfall before returning to Akureyri for a **Home-Hosted Dinner**.

**DAY 10 • Explore Dalvik • Whale-watching excursion**

Board a restored fishing vessel in Dalvik for a whale-watching excursion. Perhaps we’ll spot minke whales, white-beaked dolphins, harbor porpoises, and humpback whales. Later, return to Akureyri.

**DAY 11 • Fly to Reykjavik • Visit Perlan museum**

Fly back to Reykjavik and visit Perlan, a modern, interactive museum that showcases Iceland’s fascinating natural wonders, from the geothermal forces beneath the earth, to the icy glaciers that cover the surface.

**DAY 12 • Explore Reykjavik • Geothermal power plant visit • Árbæjarsafn open-air museum**

Visit the Hellisheidarvirkjun Geothermal Power Plant, where we’ll learn about energy production in Iceland. We’ll continue to the Árbæjarsafn open-air historical museum in Reykjavik to gain insight into the living and working conditions of Icelanders in the past.

**DAY 13 • Blue Lagoon**

Enjoy a relaxing dip in the famed Blue Lagoon, whose hot mineral waters are sought the world over for their soothing qualities.

**DAY 14 • Return to U.S.**

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or begin your *Greenland’s Natural Splendor & Inuit Culture* post-trip extension.

## 2024 Departure Dates & Prices

Additional departure cities are available

SEP 4, 2024

Small Group Adventure only	\$5,995
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### AIR ADD-ON

San Francisco (SFO)	\$1,250
Los Angeles (LAX)	\$1,550

Additional departure cities are available. Call for details.

**Deposit:** \$350 Deposit per person.

**Single Supplement:** FREE. Single accommodations are limited. If single rooms are full, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

### RESERVATIONS & INFORMATION:

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