

3 day excursion – Monday July 23 – Wednesday July 25

Included: Bus, guidance, lunches, ferry to and from the Vestmann Islands, accommodation and breakfast for two nights in a double room, entrance fee to the museums as mentioned in the itinerary.

Minimum participation 25 pax – if the minimum will not be reached the excursion will be cancelled and the participation already booked refunded.

Monday July 23

The first day we start early with departure at 07:30 from Reykjavik. We drive to Landeyjar harbor on the south cost of Iceland for the ferry to the Westmann Islands.

The trip with the ferry takes only 35 minutes.

We will take an easy hike up to Helgafell where the view over the islands is spectacular.

After lunch we will visit [Eldheimar](#) museum, a volcanic museum of remembrance of the eruption in the Vestmann Islands 1973.

The ferry brings us back to the mainland in the afternoon where we will stay for the night.



Vestmann Islands



Kirkjubaejarklaustur

Tuesday July 24

We start the day at 09:00 and drive to Vik I Myrdal valley. There we explore the beach and a cave with a good view of Reynisdrangar and Dyrholaey.

From there we stop at Skogarfoss waterfall.

After lunch at Moldnupur we head to Seljalandsfoss and they who would like, can walk behind the waterfall.

We will visit the [Lave Centre](#) at Hvolsvollur where we will get a view of the earth's inner forces

Examine the various volcanos—eruptions and lava flows, volcanic and rift systems, faults and glacial floods that make Iceland a showcase of volcanism.

The centre introduces the Katla Geopark plus Iceland's elaborate monitoring system for surveying volcanos and earthquake zones.

We will stay at Stracta Hotel Hella.



Reynisdrangar



Dyrhólaey



Skogafoss



Seljalandsfoss

Wednesday July 25

We will start at 08:00 this last day and head straight to the [Secret Lagoon](#) where those who want will bathe in this natural hot spring that is also the oldest swimming pool in Iceland. The pool's natural surroundings and steam rising into the air gives the place a magical feeling. The warm water stays at 38-40 Celsius all year. In the whole area there are several geothermal spots and a little Geysir which erupts every 5 minutes, showing off for the guests relaxing in the hot spring.

We recommend that you bring your bathing suit and just dive in!

After this relaxing time we drive to Gullfoss waterfall and from there to the Geysir hot springs.

After a short stop there we head to [Fridheimar](#). Friðheimar greenhouse cultivation centre is one of Iceland's biggest greenhouses. We will learn about the magic behind growing delicious, pesticide-free tomatoes with the aid of geothermal heat which Iceland has in abundance. Friðheimar uses pure Icelandic cold water for irrigation and gets help from about 600 bumblebees to pollinate the tomatoes. Their famous tomato soup will be served for lunch.

We will then head to Thingvellir with a short stop at Kerid.

The crater [Kerið](#) was formed about 6,500 years ago and lies at the northern end of a row of craters known as Tjarnarhólar. It is oval, about 270 m long, 170 m wide and 55 m deep: the depth of the water at the bottom varies between 7 and 14 m. According to an old tradition, a rise in the water level here is accompanied by a corresponding fall in the pond on Búrfell in Grímsnes and vice versa. Kerið lies in the Iceland's Western Volcanic Zone, which runs through the Reykjanes peninsula and the glacier Langjökull. Traces of volcanism are not very obvious, since most of the eruption sites are low-lying and many of the craters are hidden by vegetation, but three craters in the Grímsnes area are clearly discernable and well-known features: Kerið, Seyðishólar and Kerhóll.

The UNESCO site [Þingvellir National Park](#) is geologically and historically significant. Apart from being the location of the oldest parliament in the world, Alþingi, it is also a place where you can see the

Mid-Atlantic ridge above ground. The Eurasian and North-American tectonic plates pull the country apart by a couple of centimetres per year.

We will then head to Reykjavik.



Secret Lagoon



Geysir



Thingvellir