

NORWAY CRUISE & ICELAND TOUR



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Norway Fjords Cruise with Iceland Tour & Flights

Duration: 21 days

Departs: June to September 2023

Stay: 12 nights hotels, 7 nights cruise

Travel style: Escorted tour & cruise with flights

Booking code: CRNWIL21M

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21 Days Norway Cruise, Iceland Tour & Flights

About the holiday

Experience the breathtaking beauty of Denmark, Norway and Iceland on this exciting cruise and tour package!

In Copenhagen, set sail on a MSC cruise to the thrilling Land of the Trolls, with the first stop in Hellesylt/Geiranger, Norway. Cruise to Alesund and the picturesque port of Flaam. In Germany, visit the ancient port city of Kiel to reach the lovely medieval town of Lubeck before returning to Copenhagen.

Fly into Reykjavik, Iceland, where the focus turns to Viking history, geothermal landscapes and stunning waterfalls. Experience Gullfoss' spectacular waterfall, Thingvellir National Park, Solheimajokull glacier, the must-see Black Beach of Reynisfjara, Snaefellsnes Peninsula and much more in this thrill-packed island nation.

Nature lovers are spoiled for choice, with everything from glaciers, to lava caves and blue lagoons waiting to be discovered. Those who love an adventure will be equally pleased and for anyone who enjoys a spectacular cruise with everything taken care of, this amazing holiday ticks all the boxes.

Why you'll love this trip...

It's a best-in-market package for a Scandinavia & Iceland experience

Local guides give you a great introduction to Denmark, Norway & Iceland

Flights are included from a choice of cities in Australia

Travel dates

2023 - Departs Fridays from 9 June to 1 September

Note: Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price may vary depending on your travel date. Contact us for travel at other times of the year

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Package includes:

Flights - Return economy class airfares to Copenhagen & from Reykjavik

One-way flight from Copenhagen to Reykjavik

Flying with a full-service airline, including baggage

Cruise - 7 nights MSC Norwegian Cruise, round trip from Copenhagen

Choice of cabin aboard MSC Euribia

All meals & non-chargeable entertainment on board the ship

Accommodation - 2 nights Copenhagen, Scandic Hotel or similar

6 nights Reykjavik, Hotel Fron or similar

4 nights on Iceland tour, standard rooms based on twin share

Night 1: Hótel Borgarnes, Borgarnes

Night 2: Fosshótel Barón, Reykjavík

Night 3: Hótel Örk, Hveragerði

Night 4: Hótel Smyrlabjörg, Jökulsárlón

Meals - Breakfast daily, all meals while on the cruise only

Sightseeing - Reykjavik City Tour

Day tour to the Volcanic Eruption in Meradalir

Blue Lagoon Tour

Whale Watching tour from Reykjavik

Escorted Tour - 5-day Summer in Iceland Tour

Professional tour guided in English

Minibus transportation

Pick up and drop off within Reykjavik

Accommodation for 4 nights in a double or a twin room with private bathroom

Glacier Hike with all the safety equipment provided

Amphibious Boat Tour at Jökulsárlón

Lava Caving Expedition with all the safety equipment provided

Entry fee to Kerid Volcanic Crater

*Subject to confirmation by airlines, hotels, cruise line, tour company
& local operators.*

Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.

Package excludes:

COVID-19 pre-departure tests, where required

Airport transfers

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Cruise shore excursions & gratuities

Optional tours & activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc.

Gratuities for guides, representatives & drivers

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

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Itinerary:

DAY 1

Depart Australia for Norway and Iceland Adventure.

DAY 2

Arrive Copenhagen and catch a taxi to your overnight hotel. Remainder of the day is free to explore Copenhagen at leisure.

DAY 3

Copenhagen walking Tour

See the must-see sights of Copenhagen on this tour, and explore some lesser-known areas. Visit churches, palaces, shopping streets, and more. Your local guide will give you an insider's perspective of the city, and show you things that you'd probably miss if sightseeing alone.

DAY 4

Norway Fjords cruise on MSC Cruise ship MSC EURIBIA

Please catch a taxi to Copenhagen cruise port to board **MSC EURIBIA** for your seven nights Norway Cruise

DAY	PORT	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
4	Copenhagen, Denmark	-	17:00
5	At Sea	-	-

6	Hellesylt/Geiranger, Norway	08:00	19:00
7	Alesund, Norway	07:00	17:00
8	Flaam, Norway	07:00	17:00
9	At Sea	-	-
10	Kiel, Germany	09:00	18:00
11	Copenhagen, Denmark	07:00	-

DAY 11

Fly Copenhagen to Iceland

Cruise arrives back in Copenhagen. Please catch a taxi to the airport for your flights to Iceland. Arrive in Reykjavik, the world's most northerly capital, surrounded by incredible landscapes and countless natural wonders. Make your own way from the airport to your hotel. Overnight in this amazing country for 10 nights. Remainder of the day is free for you to explore at leisure.

DAY 12

Reykjavik City Tour

Your tour begins with a refreshing light breakfast and orientation meeting at Harpa Concert Hall. Your discovery of this modern city begins with a drive past the Old Town Centre, Parliament, the cathedral and the bustling harbor area. See Hofdi House, site of the 1986 Iceland Summit where Reagan and Gorbachev met to end the Cold War.

Meals: Breakfast

DAYS 13 to 17

Iceland 5 days Escorted Tour Overview

On the first day you will tackle to the famous **Golden Circle** route to witness the active geothermal area Geysir, the golden waterfall Gullfoss and Thingvellir - a UNESCO World Heritage site where the old Icelandic parliament was gathering inside the rift between Eurasian and American tectonic plates. Just before heading to your cozy accommodation on the South Coast you will stop at the colourful Kerid Volcanic Crater.

For the next two days your adventure continues along the **South Coast**, where you will discover stunning waterfalls, lava fields, black sand beaches and famous **Jokulsarlon glacier lagoon**. During these days there are two very exiting activities planned - a **Blue Ice Glacier Walk on Solheimajokull Glacier** and an amphibian boat tour among icebergs at the Jokulsarlon glacier Lagoon. Remember to keep your head up for the seals swimming around you and resting on the ice. You will also visit the **river canyon at Fjadrargljufur** - an astonishing place, a winding green gorge about a hundred meters deep and nearly two kilometres long. Then you will go back to Reykjavik for one night.

The final two days of the tour take place in the West of Iceland and on the **Snaefellsnes peninsula**. The Snaefellsnes peninsula, listed on **Lonely Planet TOP 10 Regions in World 2015**, is a fairy-tale land full of beautiful cliffs, charming fishing villages, fjords, wildlife, volcanic landscapes and craters combined with stunning waterfalls and mountains. The **Borgarfjordur** area is in the opinion of many Icelanders the most beautiful countryside in Iceland. Among the highlights during these days are a **caving expedition inside Vidgelmir**, the biggest known lava tunnel in Iceland.

DAY 13 | Golden Circle & Kerid Volcanic Crater

After a complimentary pick up service in Reykjavik your journey begins with the classic Golden Circle - the most famous sightseeing route in Southern Part of Iceland. First stop is at Thingvellir National Park - a unique place where nature meets with the history. While walking between the American and Eurasian tectonic plates, it is hard not to think about the history of this place. Thingvellir (“the field of parliament”) became home to the Icelandic general assembly from around the year 930 and continued until 1798. At the end of the path between cliffs you will notice Oxararfoss waterfall. It is rather small one – around 13 meters high, but well worth seeing.

Next on the agenda is a visit at Gullfoss - the Golden waterfall. The waters of the mighty Hvíta (white) river are swept into a 70 meters deep canyon giving visitors one of the most spectacular views in Iceland. Powerful and beautiful waterfall rushes down from two tiers into an ancient valley.

Third stop is at Haukadalur Geothermal Area, better known as Geysir - home to many bubbling hot springs and geysers – one of them is the very active Strokkur that throws up boiling water up to a height of 40 meters every 5-10 minutes. These three famous sights are the classic ones that form the Golden Circle but to add even more to this experience, your last stop of the day is at unique Kerid Volcanic Crater. The crater made of a characteristic red volcanic rock is 270 m wide and more than 55 m deep. There is a lake in the bottom of the crater which is a little bit of magic.

DAY 14 | South Coast Waterfalls & Black Beach

The day begins with two great waterfalls of the south coast, Seljalandsfoss and Skógafoss, as well as visiting lesser known, more secret waterfall Glufrabui. Seljalandsfoss is single cascade fall from 60 meters tall cliff located beneath the Eyjafjallajökull volcano. It is one of the most intriguing waterfalls in Iceland and definitely one of the most famous ones, as it can be fully encircled by foot. Just remember to put your waterproof clothing and hiking shoes on before starting hike! As we continue, we will drive under the great Eyjafjallajökull glacier volcano and the Mýrdalsjökull glacier cap, where we take a Glacier Hike for about 1,5 hours and have a closer look at the Solheimajokull glacier. Our certified glacier guides know the best hiking trails on the glaciers in Iceland, so following them guarantees spending a really nice time there.

Before we reach the accommodation for well-deserved rest, we will stop at the “must see” Black Beach of Reynisfjara, where the sea crashes upon black sands and hexagonal basalt columns and rock stacks tower over the surroundings. Last stop on the second day will be at lovely village of Vik.

DAY 15 | Glacier Lagoon & Fjadrargljufur Canyon

Today, you will take a close look at majestic glaciers, ice lagoons and majestic Fjadrargljufur Canyon.

The day starts with visit at the amazing Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon where you will enjoy a boat tour, sailing on the glacier lagoon. The lagoon is full of huge chunks of ice which crack off Breiðamerkurjökull glacier and float slowly out to sea. Some icebergs wash on shore, lying on the vivid black sand like diamonds on satin, giving the Diamond Beach its name. There is a good possibility of seeing seals swimming around the huge icebergs.

After this visual feast we will make a short stop at Hofskirkja, which was the last church of this type to be built in Iceland, dating back to the 19th century. Deep layers of turf make up the roof of the church here, which is also surrounded by moss-covered burial mounds.

Next on the agenda is a visit to the river canyon at Fjadrargljufur. It is an astonishing place, a winding green gorge about a hundred meters deep and nearly two kilometres long. It's an extraordinary natural environment, deeply carpeted with fragile mosses. The canyon was formed a few thousand years ago during a glacial period, leaving a snaking river behind when the ice sheet retreated. We will stay at this marvellous place for an hour.

After enjoying this wonderful experience, you head back in the afternoon towards Reykjavik where we estimate to arrive around 21:30 (09:30 pm). There you will get some rest before heading to the Western Iceland for another two days of adventure.

DAY 16 | Silver Circle with Lava Caving

Today we'll take you to Borgarfjordur, thought to be the location for many of the famous Icelandic Sagas.

Deep in the heart of the wild landscapes here, you'll see Deildartunguhver - the most powerful hot springs in Europe, which pumps out more than 180 liters of boiling water every second.

Awe-inspiring waterfalls at Hraunfossar are next on the itinerary. Magnificent stretch of waterfalls that runs for nearly a kilometer over a rugged lava field. There is another waterfall nearby, known as Barnafoss, or the "waterfall of the children". Once there was a stone arch making a natural bridge over the Hvita river here. Many years ago, two children from a nearby farm were drowned when they tried to cross it. Their heartbroken mother had the bridge destroyed to save others from the same sad end.

Then you'll explore an astonishing lava cave system at Vidgelmir that was created over a thousand years ago, filled with stalactites, stalagmites and fascinating ice formations. The Vidgelmir Lava Cave is an incredibly colourful underworld, measuring 1585 meters long, nearly 16 meters high, and 16 meters wide. That means it's easily the largest lava tunnel in the country.

For lunch you will stop at Husafell. Set between two glaciers, Husafell is an entrancing place filled with Viking history, with traditional turf houses and little elf huts to amuse the children too. This is a charming spot, with thick birch tree forests and pretty waterfalls, and it has been an inspiration for local artists. As well as that, the "Husafell Stone" can be found here, a legendary "lifting stone", once used to test the strength of the locals and still used in strongman competitions today. Last stop will be at Reykholt, which is an historic site in Iceland's folklore, featured in the writings of Snorri Sturluson, a famous poet and local chieftain. Snorralaug (Snorri's Pool) is an old-time hot spring, where locals have bathed for hundreds of years. Snorralaug is now a protected archaeological treasure, and there is also a traditional timber church here to look at too.

You'll stay overnight in Borgarnes, which was one of the original settlement sites for the first Icelanders a thousand years ago. You can learn more about the story of those pioneers with an optional visit to the excellent Settlement Center, which features interactive displays and intriguing stories from the Icelandic Sagas. Borgarnes is situated in a stunning location on a beautiful peninsula with amazing views of nearby Hafnarfjall (the Harbour mountain) and Skessuhorn mountain, which appeared in Game of Thrones as "Bulls Horn". This is also an ideal place to look out for the Northern Lights when they are active.

DAY 17 | Snæfellsnes peninsula

The final day of the tour begins with a scenic drive towards the Snæfellsnes Peninsula - by many called "Iceland in miniature". There are not many places here in Iceland where you can see so many kinds of geology packed into such a small area. There are very good reasons why Snæfellsnes was on the Lonely Planet TOP 10 Regions in World 2015 list. While driving along shores of the peninsula you will pass by lovely and charming fishing villages, biggest strato-volcano in Iceland called Snæfellsjokull, walk on top of the cliffs and have an opportunity to spot wild seals resting at the Ytri-Tunga Beach. Djúpalónssandur is another gorgeous black sand beach, where the air is filled with the sounds of birds circling the cliffs and the ocean waves hitting the sand. The most recognizable spot on the peninsula is Kirkjufell (Church) mountain accompanied by a small, but iconic falls. Make sure to have your camera ready to take a picture for your collection! On the way to Reykjavík you will pass by the Whale Fiord (Hvalfjordur) and the tunnel laying 165 meters below it. Overnight Reykjavik

DAY 18

Day tour to the Volcanic Eruption in Meradalir

The perfect day tour to experience the raw power of nature by the volcanic eruption in Meradalir. Don't miss this once in a lifetime experience! After being shaken for months the ground has opened up again after the last eruption in 2021, and a new eruption has begun. Witnessing an erupting volcano is a once in a lifetime opportunity and gives you a chance to experience the power of our planet. The hike takes approximately 2 hours each way. Keep in mind that the sites around the volcano are constantly changing due to freely flowing lava and the duration of the hike can change. Don't miss out on this unique experience and witness the raw power of lava erupting out of the trembling ground. The volcanic landscape can be uneven and challenging. Therefore, good hiking shoes and warm clothing is mandatory. There is no running water on the way to fill a water bottle, so please bring plenty of water and a hearty lunch.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 19

Blue Lagoon Tour

The Blue Lagoon is one of Iceland's most famous tourist attractions and considered by many to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience, as well as an unmissable part of any visit to Iceland.

The Blue Lagoon is surrounded by a mossy lava field, offering incredible scenery, with state of the art facilities, a unique atmosphere and silica masks and water that make your skin extra firm, yet incredibly soft! For these reasons and many more, visitors from all over the world visit the Blue Lagoon daily, and many return here again and again.

DAY 20

Whale Watching from Reykjavik

On a Whale Watching tour from Reykjavik with Special Tours Wildlife Adventures you will be able to experience some of Iceland's rich and thriving bird life, as well as visit our large variety of sea-life, including minke whales, humpback whales, harbour porpoises and white-beaked dolphins among other whale species. Our focus is on comfort, unique experiences and personal service while making sure the environment is protected and respected in every way possible. Enjoy a sail out in one of the largest whale watching boats in Iceland. Our big and sturdy whale watching boat Andrea, provides you with extra comfort, fantastic interior and seating areas, large outside viewing decks, a safe family friendly environment and a café & souvenir shop on-board. Our expert guides and friendly crew will welcome you aboard, share with you interesting information about different kinds of whales and seabirds you may expect to see on your tour and will teach you how to spot whales out in the bay. With an on-board display of whale teeth, bones, baleen, plankton nets and a microscope, this tour truly is a hands-on floating Whale Watching classroom with educational & interactive focus!

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 21

Depart Iceland

Depart Iceland. Make your way to the airport to board your onward flights.

Meals: Breakfast

Please note: The day by day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, ocean conditions, road access, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.

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