Iceland

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WHEN YOU REALIZE YOU JUST FELL HARD FOR A WATERFALL

You know the charge you get when you come upon something wild and unexpected, something rare and beautiful? We sail to the end of the earth to find those moments and share them with our guests.

THAT’S THE EXHILARATION OF DISCOVERY
EXPLORE THE WILD SIDE OF ICELAND

When visitors dive deeper into Iceland, they find so much more than they intended or expected. It is one of the few destinations in the world that has a little bit of everything. But many only see Reykjavik and its outer environs. While these iconic sites are worthy destinations which we will call on, the real heart of the country is in its remote landscapes, vast interior, and hard-to-reach coastal gems where we center our explorations. There are exhilarating discoveries to be made in this remarkable region: stunningly beautiful landscapes from brilliant green hillsides to stark, imposing mountains; geological marvels like bubbling mudpots and explosive geysers; incredible birdlife; ancient history; modern-day culture; and fascinating locals who can trace their lineage back to the settlement of their country. We invite you to experience this lesser-known side of Iceland on one of three itineraries embarking next summer.

LOCAL LUMINARIES

Each Iceland expedition features opportunities to meet and hear from interesting locals aboard ship, including:

SILJA ÓMARSÓTTIR
Professor of International Affairs. Focused on Icelandic society and politics, reproductive rights, Iceland’s foreign and security policy, and feminist international relations. Served as chair of Iceland’s Gender Equality Council and on the Constitutional Council of 2011.

THÓRA ARNÓRSÓTTIR
Investigative journalist, documentary film producer, candidate for Icelandic president in 2012. Lecturer at University of Iceland on International Relations and holds degrees in Philosophy and International Economics & Development.

RAGNA ÁRNADÓTTIR
First woman to hold the position of Secretary General of Althingi, the Icelandic Parliament; former CEO Iceland’s National Power Company that produces 75% of the country’s electricity.

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Cover: Overlooking Jokulsarlon ice lagoon.
Ships’ Registry: Bahamas
We saw Ösp Eldjárn and also the group Árstíðir. Both were phenomenal and I purchased several of their CDs. What a treat to listen to their amazing voices and harmonies. This music enhances my memories of a wonderful trip!

—Kathi Durst Hansen

Our ethnomusicologist, Jacob Edgar, always invites a sterling group of Icelandic artists to perform aboard ship or in local venues. The following are examples of artists who've performed for us in the past:

HAUNTING HARMONIES: **YLJA**, comprising two female singer/guitarists, performs moving melodies in Icelandic.

STORIES AND SONGS: Known for his charming stage persona, **SVAVAR KNÚTUR** weaves compelling tales about rural Icelandic life.

A SINGULAR VOICE: Acclaimed singer **SIGRÍÐUR THORLACIUS** will be joined by some of the country’s best musicians to perform classics and originals.

AN ETHEREAL EXPERIENCE: Reykjavík-based **MYRRA RÓS** is known for her exquisite voice and enthralling live shows.

CLASSIC YET MODERN: **ÁRSTÍÐIR** blends classical influences with folk rock and chamber pop, sending audiences on a compelling journey.

NORTH STAR: Hailing from a valley in northern Iceland, singer/songwriter **ÖSP ELDJÁRN** is known for concerts of striking emotional power.

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ENCOUNTER UNCOMMONLY COOL GEOLOGY
Two exciting new excursions bring Iceland’s world-class geology front and center. An intimate nature walk in Djupivogur highlights the country’s abundant—and dramatic—black sand beaches. While a trip to the volcanic Lake Mývatn area gets you up close with spectacular Goðafoss Falls, an ethereal lava labyrinth, and bubbling sulphur cauldrons. The adventure caps off with a rejuvenating soak in the GeoSea Baths overlooking views of the Arctic Circle on the horizon.

SAVOR, SIP & DISCOVER LOCAL FLAVORS
Iceland’s food is as unique as its landscape. In the charming town of Ísafjördur join our expert guide on a walk full of culinary surprises. Count on stops in local establishments, plus an intimate home visit, as you get a taste of both traditional and modern fare. Beer lovers will say ‘cheers’ to the tour at Brothers Brewery, nestled on tiny Westman Islands. The energetic staff introduce us to one-of-a-kind brews flavored with unusual local ingredients: a seaweed called dulse and fragrant Icelandic thyme.

ENJOY BREATHTAKING VIEWS & A BREATH OF FRESH AIR
There are plenty of hiking opportunities to be had on this voyage but our newest is longer and particularly scenic. Discover quirky sites like the Eggs of Merry Bay sculpture and the ‘elf church’ rock formation as you hike towards your end goal—the short but steep path up Hálsar mountain.
EXPLORATION YOUR WAY

Our compelling 360° exploration provides some rare experiences. Hiking or Zodiac cruising to the base of spectacular Dynjandi Waterfall. Walking through the historic village of Flatey Island and the colorful town of Ísafjördur. Photographing puffins at Grimsey on the Arctic Circle. And for the 2023 season we’ve curated even more rewarding options to help you discover this island nation with all your senses—from culinary tours and an active hike or bike ride to a closer look at the region’s remarkable geology. Whichever you choose, our team will do whatever it takes to make every experience unforgettable.

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A National Geographic photography expert is aboard to inspire and guide you, to capture the non-stop photo ops with your camera or smartphone. Thanks to our partnership with renowned specialist, B&H, you can borrow top gear from our onboard B&H Gear Locker: camera bodies, big glass & more.

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**FJORD EXPLORER**
Travel the Westfjords including Ísafjörður, still a center of traditions like eiderdown production.

**RIVETING REYKJAVÍK**
Visit the world’s northernmost capital. See its charming Old Town and Hallgrímskirkja Cathedral, learn about Norse Culture at the National Museum, and take a soak in the iconic Blue Lagoon.

**HERRING AND HISTORY**
Siglufjörður: Experience the one and only Herring Museum, plus the beautifully maintained town of Akureyri.

**ALL-STAR GEOLOGY**
Mývatn brings boiling mud pools, an explosion crater at Krafla, and Goðafoss, the waterfall of the Gods. Make an official crossing of the Arctic Circle at Grimsey.

**LAVA’S CREATIONS**
See the world’s newest island—forged by a volcanic explosion in 1963—and walk on a crater where the earth is still hot.

**ICELAND**
SUSTAINABLE DINING
Our chef makes it a priority to source seafood and produce from sustainable local providers—opening yet another window onto Icelandic culture for you.

A CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF ICELAND
11 DAYS / FROM $12,520*
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National Geographic Explorer and National Geographic Resolution

EXPEDITION DETAILS
DATES: National Geographic Explorer: 2023 Jul. 11, 20
National Geographic Resolution: 2023 Jul. 2

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE
Day 1 U.S./Fly To Reykjavík, Iceland
Day 2 Reykjavík/Embark
Day 3 Flatey Island
Day 4 Exploring Northwestern Iceland
Day 5 Ísafjördur
Day 6 Sigufjörður and Akureyri

Day 7 Lake Mývatn & Húsavík
Day 8 Exploring Eastern Iceland
Day 9 Djúpivogur
Day 10 Islands of Heimaey & Surtsey, Westman Islands
Day 11 Reykjavík/Disembark/ Home

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS
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SOARING WATERFALLS
Sail or hike along a fjord to the towering Dynjandi waterfall in Arnafjörður.

TUNDRA TO FJORDS
Venture to a seldom-visited corner of the Westfjords in Djúpavík, isolated by its remoteness and boasting spectacularly beautiful tundra and fjords that we’ll hike, plus learn its rich fisheries history.

NORTHERNMOST CAPITAL
Begin and end in Reykjavík, the world’s sophisticated, northermmost capital, which sits just below the Arctic Circle and receives 22 hours of daylight at the height of summer.

VOYEST ISLAND
Sail past Surtsey, formed by volcanoes in 1963, it is a newly designated UNESCO World Heritage Site and a place of important research into how organisms colonize islands.

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GO FARThER
Add an inland adventure to your coastal expedition to see and do more in Iceland—choose from five thrilling extensions.

FEEl THE HEAT
Hike up the Eldfell volcano over still-hot ground to see a vista of the city and harbor it nearly destroyed in a 1973 eruption, plus explore the ruins of a Viking longhouse dating to 900 AD.
EXPEDITION DETAILS
DATES: 2023 Jul. 11, 15

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE
Days 1 & 2  U.S./Reykjavík, Iceland/Embark
Day 3      Djúpavík
Day 4      Arnafjörður Dynjandi
Day 5      Islands of Surtsey & Heimaey, Westman Islands
Day 6      Reykjavík/Disembark/U.S.

EXPLORE BY SEA, THEN CHOOSE YOUR OWN LAND ADVENTURE
Our compact 6-day voyage at sea just scratches the surface of Iceland’s wonders. Create your own custom Iceland adventure with one of three uniquely crafted land extensions. For a more active exploration, join our 3-day trips, *Iceland’s Volcanic Northeast* and *Snæfellsnes: Fire & Ice*, both illuminate the region’s breathtaking geology—from lava tubes and volcanos to hot springs and waterfalls. Or, if your time is limited, spend one day taking in the iconic sites of Reykjavik’s *Golden Circle & Blue Lagoon*. Visit expeditions.com/wildiceext or see pages 12-13 for more details.
ISLAND CULTURE
The Faroe Islands have unique island life: visit puffin nesting grounds, stroll through a village of turf-roofed houses, and explore historic settlements and Viking sites.

FJORDS
Ísafjörður is surrounded by water on three sides and is a great place to view the stunning fjord landscape and photograph tiny flowering plants.

ICE LAGOON
Drive the coast to explore the vast Vatnajökull icecap and get up close to deep blue icebergs via small boat.

ARCTIC CIRCLE
Go ashore at Grímsey, home to nesting sea birds, and enjoy a celebratory toast on the Arctic Circle.

BIRDS AND PONIES
Our ship glides past the towering bird cliffs of Noss for views of murres and kittiwakes. Visit the Jarlshof archaeological site and see the famous Shetland ponies.

ARCHAEOLOGY
See the standing stones at the Ring of Brodgar and the stoneslab village of Skara Brae. Step into the world of the Vikings at the red sandstone cathedral of St. Magnus, built in 1137.
LEGENDARY NORTHERN ISLES: SCOTLAND, FAROES & ICELAND

14 DAYS/FROM: $12,740
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National Geographic Explorer

EXPEDITION DETAILS
2023 Date: June 29

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE
Days 1 & 2: U.S./Bergen, Norway/Embark
Day 3: Orkney, Scotland
Day 4: Shetland Islands
Days 5-7: Exploring the Faroe Islands
Day 8: Djúpivogur, Iceland
Day 9: At Sea/Grimsey
Day 10: Lake Mývatn/Akureyri
Day 11: Ísafjörður
Day 12: Flatey Island
Day 13: Surtsey & Heimaey, Westman Islands
Day 14: Reykjavík/Disembark/U.S.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS
Add a one-day pre-voyage extension to explore Bergen; or a three-day post-voyage extension exploring Natural Wonders. Visit expeditions.com/legendext or see pages 12-13 for more details.

HANSEATIC ARCHITECTURE
Hansa merchants operated in the historic Bryggen Wharf area, filled with wooden buildings from the Middle Ages.
OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

REYKJAVÍK’S GOLDEN CIRCLE
PRE- OR POST-VOYAGE/1 DAY/1 NIGHT
2023*: From $1,590 per person, double occupancy.
Enjoy the surreal Blue Lagoon, and have a guided experience along the famed Golden Circle with its boiling pools and geysers. Add it before A Circumnavigation of Iceland, Wild Iceland Escape or after Legendary Northern Isles.

NORWEGIAN FJORDS
PRE-VOYAGE/5 DAYS/5 NIGHTS
2023*: From $4,680 per person, double occupancy.
The rich landscapes of southern Norway, including Sognefjord—the longest and deepest fjord in Norway, plus a tour aboard the legendary Flåm Rail—are the ideal additions to your adventures. Thundering waterfalls and snowy peaks offer wonderful photo ops. This extension can be taken before Legendary Northern Isles.

SNÆFELLSNES: FIRE & ICE
POST-VOYAGE | 3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS
2023*: From $3,480 per person, double occupancy.
Enter Langjökull Glacier’s aquamarine Ice Cave and venture inside Viðgelmir lava tube cave. Drive and walk parts of the coastline of the stunning Snæfellsnes National Park to see black pebble beaches, basalt sea stack columns, and perhaps a glimpse of the imposing Snæfellsjökull Mountain. Add it after Wild Iceland Escape or A Circumnavigation of Iceland.

*Airfare is not included on all extensions.
BERGEN
PRE-VOYAGE/1 DAY/1 NIGHT
2023: Call for pricing
Explore this once bustling seaport town situated between fjords in southwestern Norway. Bergen is at once modern and medieval, and the Hanseatic League’s influence is still evident in its colorful wooden clapboard wharf. Tour the waterfront, the Maritime Museum, and dine atop Fløyen Mountain with panoramic views.

ICELAND’S VOLCANIC NORTHEAST
POST-VOYAGE/3 DAYS/3 NIGHTS
2023*: From $3,550 per person, double occupancy.
Explore the volcanic Lake Mývatn region. Walk through Dimmuborgir lava field of stacks and caves, hike the black sand of Hverfjall Crater, hear the thundering roar of Dettifoss Waterfall, Iceland’s largest. Venture into Asbyrgi canyon. Relax in two different geothermal spas. Add it after Wild Iceland Escape.
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