JEEP DAY TOURS

WITH LOCAL GUIDES





















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THE GOLDEN CIRCLE

Season: All year round

Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure: 9:00am Duration: 8 to 10 hours

What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to weather Pick up service: Free pick-up service from your hotel

in the capital area and in South Iceland.

The Golden Circle is one of Iceland's most popular day tours. You can observe the beauty of Iceland's nature and learn about the country's history, dating back to the settlement era. We begin the day by driving to Skalholt where the first bishop, Isleifur Gissurarson, was ordained in 1056.



This route may vary according to your stay.

Skalholt was the bishopric of South Iceland and a cultural and educational centre for 700 years. From Skalholt we drive to to the waterfall Faxi and then to one of the world's most active geothermal fields, the Geothermal field at Haukadalur, where plenty of boiling springs and hot mud pots are to be found. The Great Geyser is what this geological phenomenon is named by. Strokkur, another famous geyser nearby, erupts every few minutes, shooting a tower of water and steam 30 meters into the air. Following, we will visit The Golden Falls, one of the most impressive cascades in Europe. There we can view the history of Sigridur Tomasdottir from Brattholt. It is suspected that Sigridur managed to prevent the harnessing of the waterfall, which had been planned for electricity generating purposes. The last destination on this trip is Thingvellir, where we will review the nation's history. At Thingvellir, Althingi – the national parliament – was founded around 930, and continued to convene there until 1798. Many major historical events in the Icelandic history have taken place at Thingvellir. Today, Thingvellir is a national park, which is meant to remain in public ownership and be protected by Althingi forever. From Thingvellir we go to the eruption crater Kerid. The crater Kerid 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. From there we return back to yur hotel.



- Skálholt church.
- Faxi waterfall.
- Thingvellir National Park.

The fissure between continents.

The viking parliament.

- The Geothermal area at Haukadalur.

The Great Geysir.

Strokkur, erupting every 5 - 10 min.

- Gullfoss waterfall.
- Kerið eruption crater.





Thingvellir National Park





Faxi water fall



The Golden Falls



The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driver guide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 5 persons per tour.





JEEP DAY TOURS WITH LOCAL GUIDES

THE GOLDEN CIRCLE AND SWIM IN THE SECRET LAGOON

Season: All year round

Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure: 9:00am Duration: 9 to 10 hours

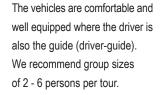
What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to

weather. Swimming suit and towel.

Golden Circle and swim in the Secret Lagoon jeep tour is a unique day tour where you will observe the beauty of Iceland's nature and learn about the country's history, dating back to the settlement era. In addition we will relax in the Secret Lagoon, a geothermal pool that was made 1891 and is the oldest pool in Iceland made for



swimming. We begin the day by driving to the National Park Thingvellir, where we will review the nation's history. At Thingvellir, Althingi – the national parliament - was founded around 930, and continued to convene there until 1798. Many major historical events in the Icelandic history have taken place at Thingvellir. Today, Thingvellir is a national park, which is meant to remain in public ownership and be protected by Althingi forever. Now we move on to one of the world's most active geothermal fields, the Geothermal field at Haukadalur, where plenty of boiling springs and hot mud pots are to be found. The Great Geyser is what this geological phenomenon is named by. Strokkur, another famous geyser nearby, erupts every few minutes, shooting a tower of water and steam 30 meters into the air. Following, we will visit The Golden Falls, one of the most impressive cascades in Europe. There we can view the history of Sigridur Tomasdottir from Brattholt. It is suspected that Sigridur managed to prevent the harnessing of the waterfall, which had been planned for electricity generating purposes. Our next destination is the waterfall Faxi and then we will be ready for bathing in a geothermal hot pool called The Secret Lagoon. This pool was made 1891 and is the oldest pool in Iceland made for swimming. The pools natural surroundings and steam rising into the air gives the place a magical feeling. The warm water holds 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. After the bath we will visit the church Skalholt, where the first bishop Isleifur Gissurarson was ordained in 1056. Skalholt was the bishopric of South Iceland and a cultural and educational centre for 700 years. At last we go to the eruption crater Kerid. The crater Kerid 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. Now we return back to where we picked you up in the beginning. Golden Circle and swim in the Secret Lagoon jeep tour is a tour for all ages, for families, groups and individuals.









The Secret Lagoon



Thingvellir National Park





Cerid eruption crate





The Golden Falls, Photo: Almar Sigurdsson

The highlights of the tour:

- Thingvellir National Park. The fissure between continents. The viking parliament.
- The Geothermal area at Haukadalur. The Great Geysir.

Strokkur, erupting every 5 - 10 min.

- Gullfoss waterfall.
- Faxi waterfall.
- The Secret Lagoon geothermal swimming pool
- Kerið eruption crater.
- Skálholt church





JEEP DAY TOURS WITH LOCAL GUIDES

THE SOUTH COAST

Season: All year round

Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure: 9:00am Duration: 8 to 10 hours

What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to weather Pick up service: Free pick-up service from your hotel

in the capital area and in South Iceland.

A popular day tour in Iceland, which offers a magnificent and diverse experience of Icelandic nature, is the South Coast tour. The black sand beaches, the ocean and the coastline, the glaciers, the bird life during summer and the nation's history are just examples of what you will experience during this tour. We begin the day by driving to the waterfall Urridafoss. Urriðafoss is This route may vary according to your stay. a waterfall located in the river Thiorsa



in southwest Iceland and is the watermost waterfall in Iceland. From there we drive towards east and throughout the historical area Rangarvallasysla, the setting of the medieval saga Njalssaga. We will drive to Seljalandsfoss, a beautiful, high waterfall we can walk behind. Now we will continue the trip to the eruption visitor centre below the volcano Eyjafjallajokull. The Þorvaldseyri Visitor Centre is divided into two exhibit rooms. From your first step inside, you see clear, colorful graphics and dramatic photos that both explain the volcanic and geologic forces and summarize major volcanic and historical events. This room also has a small souvenir section with a wide variety of local items. We can watch film about the volcano eruption and how the family at Thorvaldseyri coped with it. When the film is not showing, this room is a second exhibit hall, with huge, exciting photos of the eruption on display. The short film portrays the spectacular natural event, and the hectic times and incredible challenges met by the family farm of Thorvaldseyri. It's a dramatic 20-minute film, showing the power of Nature and how the farm "rose from the ashes." The Þorvaldseyri Visitor Centre is only open during summer. From there we continue the trip to Skogar, where there is another big waterfall, Skogafoss. Now we drive to Dyrholaey, a promontory reaching out into the ocean, displaying magnificient birdlife. From Dyrholaey we drive to Vik in Myrdal where we rest for a while. At Vik we can drive or walk by the coastline and visit a souvenir shop, which specializes in woolen clothes. On the way back we will visit Reynisfjara beach, a beautiful black sand beach under Reynisfjall mountain where there is a large vaulted cavern called Hálsanefeshellir. The cave is not deep, but its really beautiful surrounded with amazing basalt columns. In the end we return back to your hotel.



- Urridafoss water fall
- Skogafoss water fall
- Seljalandsfoss waterfall
- Eyjafjallajokull volcano visitor centre
- Eyjafjallajokull volcano glacier sights
- Solheimajokull glacier
- DC-3 airplane on the black beach
- Dyrholaey bird cliff
- Reynisfjara black beach





Selialandsfoss waterfall

Skógafoss waterfall



C-3 airplane on the black heach

Sólheimajokull glacie





The South Coast black beach

Eyjafjallajokull volcano glacier sights



The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driver guide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 5 persons per tour.





JEEP DAY TOURS WITH LOCAL GUIDES

THE SOUTH COAST, THAKGIL

Season: During summer, from 1st of June Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure: 9:00am Duration: 9 to 11 hours

What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to weather Pick up service: Free pick-up service from your hotel

in South Iceland.

This is a long day tour where we can combine driving and hiking together. We can hike up to Rjupnagilsbrunir, close to the volcano Katla.

We begin the day by driving to the waterfall Urridafoss. Urriðafoss is a waterfall located in the river Thjorsa in southwest Iceland and



is the watermost waterfall in Iceland. This route may vary according to your stay. From there we drive towards east and throughout the historical area Rangarvallasysla, the setting of the medieval saga Njalssaga. We will drive to Seljalandsfoss, a beautiful, high waterfall we can walk behind. Now we will continue the trip to the eruption visitor centre below the volcano Eyjafjallajokull. The Þorvaldseyri Visitor Centre is divided into two exhibit rooms. From your first step inside, you see clear, colorful graphics and dramatic photos that both explain the volcanic and geologic forces and summarize major volcanic and historical events. This room also has a small souvenir section with a wide variety of local items. We can watch film about the volcano eruption and how the family at Thorvaldseyri coped with it. When the film is not showing, this room is a second exhibit hall, with huge, exciting photos of the eruption on display. The short film portrays the spectacular natural event, and the hectic times and incredible challenges met by the family farm of Thorvaldseyri. It's a dramatic 20-minute film, showing the power of Nature and how the farm "rose from the ashes." The Þorvaldseyri Visitor Centre is only open during summer. From there we continue the trip to Skogar, where there is another big waterfall, Skogafoss. From the waterfall we drive to Vik in Myrdal where we rest for a while. At Vik we can drive or walk by the coastline and visit a souvenir shop, which specializes in woolen clothes. After resting we keep on and turn to north off road nr. 1 and drive to Thakgil. The name can be translated as "the canyon with a roof". As we get there we can hike two or three hours on one of the many walk paths. On the way back to Reykjavik we will visit Reynisfjara beach, a beautiful black sand beach under Reynisfjall mountain where there is a large vaulted cavern called Hálsanefeshellir. The cave is not deep, but it's really beautiful surrounded with amazing basalt columns.

The highlights of the tour:

- Urridafoss water fall (not in all tours)
- Skogafoss water fall
- Seljalandsfoss waterfall
- Eyjafjallajokull volcano visitor centre
- Eyjafjallajokull volcano glacier sights
- DC-3 airplane on the black beach
- Thakgil, "the canyon with a roof".
- Reynisfjara black beach





Skógafoss waterfall





DC-3 airplane on the black beach



The South Coast black beach



On the way to Thakqil.



The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driver guide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 5 persons per tour.





JEEP DAY TOURS WITH LOCAL GUIDES

LANDMANNALAUGAR

Season: From 20th of June

Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure:

9:00am from hotels in South Iceland 8:00am from hotels in Reykjavik

Duration: 8 to 11 hours

What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to weather.

Swimming suit if you are going for the swim.

Landmannalaugar jeep day tour is our most popular tour during summer.

Landmannalaugar, the pearl of the interior is situated in a valley between colorful mountains at the dark edge of the rhyolite lava field Laugahraun. Many hot and cold springs create a warm bathing brook, in the middle This route may vary according to your stay. of this spectacular setting.



We begin with driving east to the rock ledge Gaukshofdi. There, we have a good view towards the active volcano Mt. Hekla and also over the valley Thjorsardalur which once became deserted following one of Hekla's eruptions. From there we drive to the waterfall Hjalp. The Basalt Figures around the waterfall is beautiful frame of foaming water. Now we will drive to Stöng where there are ruins of a real Viking settlement farm. The farm is believed to have been buried under the volcanic ash in 1104 following the eruption of the volcano Hekla. The Viking Gaukur Þrándilsson lived at Stöng. Our next destination is the small valley Gjáin with its small waterfalls, ponds, and volcanic structures. From there, we drive up to the highland towards a crater formed in a 15th century eruption, Ljotipollur (Ugly pool) or Hnausapollur. As we will be ready at this point for bathing in a hot natural pool or wanting to go hiking, which ever you feel like doing, we now drive to Landmannalaugar. Once we feel energized enough to move on, we drive down Domadalur, a luscious valley just north of the volcano Hekla, and back to your hotel. In this day tour we will see unusual landscape, in some cases like on the moon. We can expect to see colorful mountains and craters formed in a eruption on the 15th century. Our feeling is, Landmannalaugar jeep day tour is more important than anyone else during summer. The road to Landmannalaugar is only open during the summer months.

The highlights of the tour:

- Hjálparfoss waterfall
- Gjáin canyon
- Ljótipollur or Hnausapollur eruption craters.
- Frostastaðavatn highland lake
- Landmannalaugar
- Geothermal hot swimm
- Hekla volcano sights

And other interesting places according to time and drivers and guests ideas and interests.



Landmannalaugar geothermal hot pool





Brandsgil canyon at Landmannalauga



Giáin canyon



Frostastaðavatn highland lake



Liótipollur eruption crate



River crossing near Landmannalaugar



The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driver guide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 5 persons per tour.





JEEP DAY TOURS WITH LOCAL GUIDES

LANDMANNALAUGAR - FJALLABAK

Season: From 25th of June

Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure:

8:00am from hotels in South Iceland

Duration: 11 to 12 hours

What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to weather.

Swimming suit if you are going for the swim.

Fjallabak Nature Reserve was established in 1979. The Nature reserve is 47.000 hectares and is over 500 meters above see level. The land is mountainous, sculptured by volcanoes and geothermal activity, covered by lavas, sands, rivers and lakes. The Fjallabak region takes its



This route may vary according to your stay.

name from the numerous wild and rugged mountains with deeply incised valleys, which are found there. The topography of the Torfajokull, central volcano found within the Fjallabak Nature Reserve, is a direct result of the region being the largest rhyolite area in Iceland and the largest geothermal area (after Grimsvotn in Vatnajokull).

We begin driving east to the rock ledge Gaukshofdi. There, we have a good view towards the active volcano Mt. Hekla and also over the valley Thjorsardalur which once became deserted following one of Hekla's eruptions. From there we drive to the waterfall Hjalp. Our next destination is the small valley Gjáin with its small waterfalls, ponds, and volcanic structures. From there, we drive up to the highland towards Ljotipollur (Ugly pool), a crater formed in a 15th century eruption. As we will be ready at this point for bathing in a hot natural pool or wanting to go hiking, which ever you feel like doing, we now drive to Landmannalaugar. Once we feel energized enough to move on, we drive to Eldgja, or "The Fire Fissure", which is 40 km long and stretches from the glacier Myrdalsjokull to the low mountain Gjatindur and beyond it further northeast. It is a unique natural phenomenon, which was created during a tremendous eruption around the year 900. In places it is 600 m wide and very deep. From there we drive to Vik in Myrdal and then the South Coast back to where we began. This is a long day tour where you can expect to see colorful and unusual landscapes. The road to Landmannalaugar and Fjallabak is only open during the summer months.

The highlights of the tour:

- Hjálparfoss waterfall
- Gjáin canyon
- Hekla volcano sights
- Ljótipollur or Hnausapollur eruption craters.
- Frostastaðavatn highland lake
- Landmannalaugar
- Swim in a natural geothermal hot pool
- Eldgjá canyon

We do not offer this tour from Reykjavik due to long driving.



River crossing at Landmannalauga





Hiálparfoss waterfall.

Colorfull mountains at Landmannalaugar





Gjáin canyon.

Frostastaðavatn highland lake.





Ljótipollur eruption crater

Landmannalaugar geothermal hot swimming pool.



The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driver guide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 5 persons per tour.





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THORSMORK

Season: During summer, from 1st of June Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure: 9:00am
Duration: 8 to 10 hours

What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to weather

Thorsmork is, from a natural perspective, one of Iceland's highlights, and therefore a very popular hiking area. It's not easy to get there due to hardly existing roads and unbridged rivers. Therefore, a four wheel drive vehicle is



an absolute necessity. This route may vary according to your stay.

We begin the day by driving to the waterfall Urridafoss. Urridafoss is a waterfall located in the river Thjorsa in southwest Iceland and is the watermost waterfall in Iceland. In the early days of power companies, plans were to build a power plant in Urriðafoss and make a railway to Reykjavík from the waterfall. It did not happen but now Landsvirkjun Power is planning to build hydropower stations on the lower part of Þjórsár river, at Urriðafoss and Núpur. The proposed Urriðafoss Power Plant is expected to have a capacity of approximately 125 MW and a power-generating capacity of 930 GWh per year. The powerhouse will be underground and a tunnel leading from the powerhouse will open out into Þjórsá river below Urriðafoss waterfall. The waterfall is expected to disappear. From Urriðafoss we drive towards east throughout the historical area Rangarvallasysla, where the medieval saga Nalssaga took place. We will stop at Hvolsvollur for a while and then drive to Seljalandsfoss. a beautiful, high waterfall we can walk behind. From there, we will be driving over small rivers and creeks towards our next destination, which is the glacier lagoon at Gigjokull. This eruption threw volcanic ash several kilometres up in the atmosphere which led to air travel disruption in northwest Europe and caused meltwater flood to rush down the glacier Gigjokull. When we arrive at Thorsmork we can hike through the diverse landscape at the glaciers' roots. From Thorsmork we head back the same road and stop at Stakkholtsgja for a short while. This is an exciting and unforgettable day tour, bringing you good memories of Iceland's nature.

The highlights of the tour:

- Urridafoss waterfall (not in all tours)
- Seljalandsfoss waterfall
- Gljufrabui waterfall
- Gigjökull glacier.
- Stakkholtsgja canyon
- Básar or Langidalur Thorsmork
- Nauthusagil canyon

And other interesting places according to time and drivers and guests ideas and interests.



Rásar Goðalandi Þórsmörk



Selialandsfoss waterfall







Gígjökull glacier.

Gljúfrabúi waterfall





Crossing river near Þórsmörk

Under the waterfall Selialandsfoss.



The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driver guide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 5 persons per tour.





JEEP DAY TOURS WITH LOCAL GUIDES

JOKULSARLON

Season: All year round

Days of week: Every day up on request

Departure: 8:00am Duration: 9 to 11 hours

What to bring: Clothes and shoes according to weather

Pick up service: Free pick-up service from your hotel

in South Iceland.

The day tour to the lagoon Jokulsarlon is a long day tour which offers a magnificent and diverse experience of Icelandic nature. The black sand beaches, the ocean and the coastline, the glaciers, the birdlife and the nation's history are just examples of what you will experience during this tour.



This route may vary according to your stay.

We begin the day by driving towards east and throughout the historical area Rangarvallasysla, the setting of the medieval saga Njalssaga. We will stop at Hvolsvollur for a while and then drive to Seljalandsfoss, a beautiful, high waterfall we can walk behind. From there we continue the trip to Skogar, where there is another big waterfall, Skogafoss. From Skogafoss we drive to Vik in Myrdal where we can visit a souvenir shop, which specializes in woolen clothes. Now we drive to Kirkjubaejarklaustur and then further east and over the glacier river Skeidara. The highest peak in Iceland, Oraefajokull is there dominating the nature and from there we drive to the glacier lagoon Jokulsarlon. Jokulsarlon (literally "glacial river lagoon") is a large glacial lagoon in southeast Iceland, on the borders of Vatnajokull National Park. Situated at the head of Breidamerkurjokull, it evolved into a lagoon after the glacier started receding from the edge of the Atlantic Ocean. The lake has grown since then at varying rates because of melting of the Icelandic glaciers. The lagoon now stands 1.5 kilometres (0.93 mi) away from the ocean's edge and recently became the deepest lake in Iceland at over 248 metres (814 ft) depth as glacial retreat extended its boundaries. The size of the lagoon has increased fourfold since the 1970s. It is considered as one of the natural wonders of Iceland. Jokulsarlon has been a setting for four Hollywood movies — A View to a Kill, Die Another Day, Tomb Raider and Batman Begins — in addition to the reality-TV series Amazing Race. After ca. one hour stop we return to Reykjavik via the same route. During summer we can arrange boat tour on the lagoon that takes 1 – 2 hours.

The highlights of the tour:

- Seljalandsfoss waterfall
- Skógafoss waterfall
- Vík in Mýrdalur village
- Skaftafell National Park
- Sight to Öræfajökul highest peak in Iceland
- Iceburgs melting on the black beach
- Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon
- Boat ride on the lagoon optional for additional price

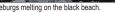




Selialandsfoss waterfall

Skógafoss waterfall







Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon.



The South Coast black beach





The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driver guide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 5 persons per tour.

We do not offer this tour from Reykjavik due to long driving.





PRIVATE GUIDED DAY TOUR ON FOUR WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE

THE WESTMAN ISLANDS

- FROM SOUTH ICELAND
- Pick up at your hotel.
- Driving distance ca. 300 km.
- Duration ca. 9 10 hours.

South Iceland's new harbour creates new possibilities for travelers. A day tour from Selfoss to Westman Islands, includes a boat trip with Viking Tour to near islands. We begin the day by driving to the waterfall Urridafoss.



Urridafoss is a waterfall located in the river Thjorsa in southwest Iceland and is the watermost waterfall in Iceland. In the early days of power companies plans were to build a power plant in Urriðafoss and make a railway to Reykjavík from the waterfall. It did not happen but now Landsvirkjun Power is planning to build hydropower stations on the lower part of Þjórsár river, at Urriðafoss and Núpur. The proposed Urriðafoss Power Plant is expected to have a capacity of approximately 125 MW and a power-generating capacity of 930 GWh per year. The powerhouse will be underground and a tunnel leading from the powerhouse will open out into Þjórsá river below Urriðafoss waterfall. The waterfall is expected to disappear. From there we drive towards east and throughout the historical area Rangarvallasysla, the setting of the medieval saga Njalssaga. From the waterfall Urridarfoss we drive to Seljalandsfoss, a beautiful, high waterfall we can walk behind. From there, we drive to the harbour at Bakki and take the ferry Herjolfur to Westman Islands. At the islands, we observe the new mountain Eldfell, that formed in an eruption in 1973 and the busy fishermen's life at the harbour. We will have a look at the aquarium and the Scandinavian church at Skansinn and small shops located at the main island centre that sell handmade souvenirs. We can take a walk along Iceland's most recent lava field, which is located high above the street level. There are also signposts indicating the former locations of buildings that used to be and to aid your imagination. We will sail from the island Heimaey, with the tour operator Viking tour and to a near islands, the roundtrip takes about 90 minutes. During summer you will be able to observe the birdlife up close and personal and if we are lucky, we might see whales playing a variety of games. At last, we will take the ferry back to the harbour in South Iceland and drive the same route back to your hotel.



Guide Association.

The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped where the driver is also the guide (driverguide). We recommend group sizes of 2 - 6 persons per tour.



Prices to The Westmann Islands from South Iceland: Please contact email: info@isct.is for prices.



The Westman Islands, Photo: Almar Sigurdssor



The Westman Islands, Photo: Einar Elíasson



Selialandsfoss, Photo: Almar Sigurdsson,





The boat tour with Viking tour, Photo: Almar Sigurdsson.



The ferry Herjólfur. Photo: Einar Elíasson.



The harbour at Westman Islands. Photo: Einar Elíasson.





The Scandinavian church. Photo: Almar Sigurdsson



The aguarium, Photo: Almar Sigurdsson