# The Travel & Cruise Center presents... Iceland's Magical Northern Lights March 25 – 31, 2025



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7 Days • 11 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Reykjavík, Northern Lights Cruise, Search for the Northern Lights, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Gullfoss, Lava Exhibition Center, Vik, Seljalandsfoss, Skógar Museum, Skógafoss, Skaftafell National Park, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Sólheimajökull Glacier, Blue Lagoon

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
Days 3 – 5	Hotel Dyrholaey, Vik
Day 6	Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
	On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

**Day 1: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 Overnight Flight** You're on your way to Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Where steaming lava fields and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords. In this land of many natural wonders, enjoy the rare opportunity to search for the aurora borealis — one of nature's most dazzling light displays, also known as the northern lights.\*

**Day 2: Wednesday, March 26, 2025 Reykjavík, Iceland - Tour Begins** Your tour opens in Reykjavík, Iceland's capital city. Make yourself comfortable at your hotel upon arrival, as your rooms are ready for an early check-in and breakfast awaits you.\*\* This afternoon, get acquainted with old town Reykjavík with a local guide on a walking tour featuring the harbor, city hall, the Parliament building, and the nearby cathedral, dating back to 1796. Gather with your fellow travelers at a popular restaurant for dinner featuring Icelandic cuisine. This evening, take an exhilarating northern lights cruise\*\*\* and sail into the darkness of Faxaflói Bay in search of the aurora borealis.\* (*B*, *D*)

**Day 3: Thursday, March 27, 2025 Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Vík** This morning, travel the Golden Circle to experience natural wonders, including the explosive Geysir thermal area and the double-cascade Gullfoss waterfall. You'll also experience the famous Thingvellir National Park, where you'll stand upon the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. In the afternoon, stop at the Lava Exhibition Center and delve into Iceland's past and present volcanic eruptions. Afterward, witness Seljalandsfoss, a rushing waterfall where you may walk behind the water for unique views from the inside out. Next, continue onto Vík. Drive or venture on foot into the stillness of rural Iceland in search of the northern lights. You'll enjoy three nights of searching to increase your likelihood of catching a glimpse of these elusive lights.\* *(B, D)* 

Day 4: Friday, March 28, 2025 Vík - Dyrhólaey - Vík Begin your day with journey to Reynisfjara, a volcanic sandy beach surrounded by basalt formations and home to thousands of nesting sea birds. Look out over the natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey, a small peninsula of volcanic origin towering over the ocean. Next, visit the Skógar Museum and discover its turf-built homes and artifacts. Afterward, stand in awe before the impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of Iceland's biggest and most beautiful waterfalls. Cap off your day with a visit to Sólheimajökull Glacier, Iceland's fourth largest glacier. After dinner, gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights.\* (*B*, *D*)

**Day 5: Saturday, March 29, 2025 Vík - Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon - Vík** Travel through Skaftefell National Park, gateway to Vatnajökull Glacier known for having Iceland's highest mountains and Europe's largest ice cap. Travel to Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs. Explore this extraordinary landscape and search for seals swimming in cold waters. After dinner, continue searching for the northern lights dancing across the night sky.\* (*B, D*)

**Day 6: Sunday, March 30, 2025 Vík - Reykjavík** Drive along the south shore towards the Reykjanes Peninsula. Known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, and numerous hot springs, the peninsula is home to the Blue Lagoon. Take a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the heart of a dramatic lava field. Return to Reykjavík for your farewell dinner and overnight stay. *(B, D)* 

**Day 7: Monday, March 31, 2025 Reykjavík - Tour Ends** Depart for home with many incredible memories. *(B)* 





# **Book Now & Save \$250 Per Person:**

Double <del>\$4,449</del>; Single <del>\$5,049</del>; Triple <del>\$4,399</del> Double \$4,199\* Single \$4,799; Triple \$4,149

### For bookings made after Sep 26, 2024 call for rates.

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Minneapolis St Paul Intl, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$549 per person

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from MSP

### Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$3,290

• \* Elite Air pricing (Premium Economy, Business Class or First class) is valid until 8 months prior to departure, after which rates are subject to change and will be quoted based upon availability.

#### † Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

**IMPORTANT CONDITIONS**: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. (See registration form for consent.)

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Sep 26, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only. The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with freetime to recharge or set out on your own adventure. While you are searching for the northern lights, you will be walking and waiting outdoors. It is recommended that you wear sturdy non-slip snow footwear and warm clothing including thermals, hat, scarf and gloves. Most natural sites such as waterfalls, beaches, and lava fields require walking on unpaved, uneven surfaces rendered slippery by ice and rain. Sturdy footwear and ice crampons are required if you plan to walk in these areas or approach the waterfalls.

## Travel with a group size of an average of 37 travelers, up to a maximum of 44 travelers.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

This tour takes place in the winter. You can expect varying weather conditions with brisk days and limited daylight. We seek to best utilize your time while on tour; to account for the potential for adverse weather, some activities or days may need to be altered, shifted, or cancelled. In addition, museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays.

\*The northern lights are in the Northern Hemisphere from September through April and are only visible when the sky is clear and free of clouds. As this tour is weather dependent, sightings of the northern lights are not guaranteed.

\*\*\*The northern lights cruise is weather dependent and may be postponed or cancelled in the event of adverse weather or sea conditions.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

\*\*Hotel check-in will be immediately available upon arrival. If your flight arrives in the early morning, breakfast will be included once you arrive to the hotel. Early check-in is not guaranteed for pre-night arrivals.

Coaches which may not be lavatory equipped may be used on this program. In this case, stops are made during travel periods. Due to the remoteness of the sites we visit, the travel time between restrooms may be up to 2 hours.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

#### **Experience It! The Northern Lights**

Each year, during the winter months, travelers journey to Iceland and venture out into the dark to see the magical but elusive northern lights (aurora borealis). This natural phenomenon is the product of collisions between electrically charged particles from the sun that enter the earth's atmosphere; the results are spectacular. Streaks of colorful light appear across the sky. The colors can vary from white to pink or purple and, most commonly, green. It is known that the best time to witness the lights in Iceland is from late September to mid-April, when the nights are the longest. This light show is truly dazzling and worth the pursuit.

# For more information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1261489

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Due to flight schedules, a post night may be required in some Icelandair gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit

www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel in May 2025, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS visa waiver, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit https://www.etiasvisa.com/

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

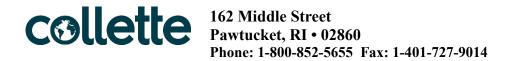
A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of September 19, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by December 26, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until September 26, 2024.

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NOTES:



For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1261489. You can also find this information on your tour documents.



If paying by credit card, please complete this form and return to The Travel & Cruise Center. We can only charge your credit card for the amount noted if the signature, address and phone number are listed below. Thank you!

### **CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM**

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**The Travel & Cruise Center** Attn: Gail Levine 429 N Riverfront Dr Mankato, MN 56001-3400

Or by Fax to: (507) 625-2789

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