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## **Iceland Getaway Independent Adventure**

4 days, Reykjavik to Reykjavik

Trip code TELIIN

### **What's included**

- September 15th to April 15th: Super Jeep tour to view Northern Lights
- April 16th to September 14th: Guided glacier hike

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**VALIDITY:** Valid for all trips departing January 1st, 2015 - December 31st, 2016

## Itinerary

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**NOTE:** Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1

## Reykjavik

Arrive at any time.

Meet the G adventures representative at the joining point in town. They can help arrange any optional activities you're interested in for the next few days at that time.

See "Joining Instructions" for details on how to reach the meeting point.

Day 2

## Reykjavik

Enjoy an included tour by Super Jeep to view the Northern Lights.

Opt to take part in winter activities like lava caving, glacier walking and ice climbing, and a Golden Circle tour during free time.



### Meals included

Breakfast



### Optional Activities - Day 2

Glacier Hiking on Sólheimajökull (from Reykjavík)

Reykjavik

24990ISK

Learn how to walk safely on the ice of the Sólheimajökull Glacier, explore the ice formations and crevices, and try your hand at climbing an ice wall. The ice flows from the larger Myrdalsjökull glacier to Sólheimajökull, an outlet glacier. The icy landscape with bright, blue caves and ridges is a unique hiking experience, one that is rapidly changing due to climate change. This activity involves approximately 4-5 hours of travel time roundtrip.

Day 3

## Reykjavik

Head out and enjoy this gorgeous area with a full free day.

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Free Time

Reykjavik

Explore the city or go further afield.

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### Optional Activities - Day 3

Golden Circle Tour

Reykjavik

19990ISK

5h-6h

Enjoy a tour of Iceland's most famous natural attractions. Tours typically start out with Þingvellir National Park, one of Iceland's most historic sites. From there make your way to the geothermal area near the Geysir hot spring. After, visit Gullfoss waterfall then hop on a snow machine to tour Langokull, Iceland's second largest glacier.

Lava Caving by the Blue Mountains

Thingvellir

Go beneath the earth's surface to discover how Iceland was created. Walk and crawl through the Raufarholshellir cave that was carved out by flowing volcanic lava, and marvel at the multi-coloured rock formations left in its path.

Depart at any time.

If you'd like to stay a little longer, we can offer you post-accommodation to extend your stay in this stunning region.



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## **What important notes should I be aware of before the trip?**

The Northern Lights (Aurora Borealis) is a natural phenomena and is highly weather dependent. During the winter season, the ability to view the Northern Lights during your trip will be dependent on the appropriate weather/atmospheric conditions.

## **What is the group leader like?**

This is an Independent itinerary which is operated on behalf of G Adventures by one of our local agents. This tour is not escorted by a G Adventures leader. All the information given in this itinerary is intended as a guide only. G Adventures or their agent cannot be held responsible for any changes that may occur due to local conditions or circumstances beyond their control including festivals and public holidays that may affect the itinerary.

## **What meals are included in this trip?**

3 breakfasts

## **What are the meals like on this trip?**

Eating is a big part of travelling. Travelling with G Adventures you experience the vast array of wonderful food that is available out in the world. Generally meals are not included in the trip price when there is a choice of eating options, to give you the maximum flexibility in deciding where to eat. Given the nature of an Independent-style tour, our G Representative can suggest restaurants during your trip but may not escort you.

## **What are the modes of transportation on my trip?**

Private minivan/bus, walking.

## **Is there an extra cost for travelling solo?**

This is an Independent tour, and you will be travelling only with the people you have booked with. If you have booked this tour as a solo traveller, only you will be taking part in the included activities, along with your (our?) G Representative. Anything not included (dinners, optional activities, etc) will be on your own or with your booking companions (if applicable). Please ensure this is the experience you are looking for before purchasing this trip.

## **Where will we stay during the trip?**

Standard hotels (3 nts).

## **What are the joining instructions?**

Please note that day 1 is an arrival day and no activities have been planned on this day. Upon arrival to your Reykjavik hotel on day 1, please be sure to contact the number on your welcome note to speak to a representative about your included activity on Day 2 and booking other activities for your stay.

## **What happens if I experience problems when arriving?**

We don't expect any problems, and nor should you, but if for any reason you are unable to commence your trip as scheduled, please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier and contact us as soon as possible.

## **What should I take on my trip?**

We recommend using a backpack for your convenience, or a medium-sized suitcase if you prefer. A daypack is also essential for carrying everyday items. Space is limited on transportation, so there is a limit of one main piece of luggage per person. You will be responsible for carrying your own luggage. You must be prepared to carry your luggage up and down stairs, on and off transportation, and to hotels (max 15-20 mins.)

Dressing in layers is recommended as weather can change dramatically, without notice.

## What should be on my packing list?

- Documents
- Passport (with photocopies)
- Travel insurance (with photocopies)
- Airline tickets (with photocopies)
- Cash
- Credit or debit card (see personal spending money)
- Pre-departure information and trip details
- Any entry visas or vaccination certificates if required
- Fleece top
- Windproof/waterproof jacket
- Small towel and swim wear
- shirts/t-shirts
- Sun hat
- long trousers
- 1 pair hiking pants/track pants
- 1 smart outfit for special evenings
- hand sanitizers/ antibacterial wipes
- Hiking boots/sturdy walking shoes
- Socks
- Sunblock
- Sunglasses
- Toiletries
- Watch or alarm clock
- First-aid kit (should contain lip salve, Aspirin, Band Aids, anti-histamine, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, re-hydration powder, extra prescription drugs you may be taking).
- Day pack
- Camera with extra memory cards and batteries
- Personal Entertainment
- Binoculars
- Waterproof backpack cover
- Flashlight/Torch
- Outlet adapter
- Insect Repellent
- Moneybelt
- Antibacterial wipes/gel
- Reusable water bottle
- Pocketknife

## When can I do my laundry on this trip?

Laundry facilities are offered by some of our hotels for a charge. There will be times when you may want to or have to do your own laundry so we suggest you bring non-polluting/biodegradable soap.

## What the visas and entry requirements for my trip?

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

## How much spending money do I need for my trip?

Every traveller is different and therefore spending money requirements will vary. Some travellers may drink more than others while other travellers like to purchase more souvenirs than most. Please consider your own spending habits when it comes to allowing for drinks, shopping and tipping. Please also remember the following specific recommendations when planning your trip.

## What should I know about currency, credit cards, and exchanging money while on this tour?

The currency in Iceland is the Icelandic Krona (ISK).

It is recommended to bring a combination of cash, credit and debit cards.

## How much emergency money should I bring on this trip?

Please also make sure you have access to at least an additional USD \$200 (or equivalent) as an 'emergency' fund, to be used when circumstances outside our control (ex. a natural disaster) require a change to our planned route. This is a rare occurrence!

## Should I be tipping on my trip?

Tipping in Iceland is not customary. In many cases, a service charge is added to the bill which means that it is not necessary to add a tip. If you wish to express your satisfaction with the service in a bar or restaurant, then a gratuity of 10% or to round up the amount of the bill is perfectly acceptable.

Tipping during the tour program is similarly not expected, but it can be a way to express satisfaction with the persons who have assisted on your tour. Recommendations for tipping local guides would range from the equivalent of \$3-5 USD per day depending on the quality and length of the service; ask your CEO for specific recommendations based on the circumstances and culture.

At the end of each trip if you felt your G Adventures CEO did an outstanding job, tipping is appreciated. The amount is entirely a personal preference, however as a guideline €30-40 per person, per week can be used.

## What activities are optional on this trip?

### Reykjavik

- Glacier Hiking on  
Sólheimajökull (from Reykjavík)  
(24990ISK per person)
- Golden Circle Tour (19990ISK  
per person)

### Thingvellir

- Lava Caving by the Blue  
Mountains

## Are there any health considerations I should know before travelling?

Please note inoculations may be required for the country visited. It is your responsibility to consult with your travel doctor for up to date medical travel information well before departure.

You should consult your doctor for up-to-date medical travel information well before departure. We recommend that you carry a First Aid kit and hand sanitizers / antibacterial wipes as well as any personal medical requirements. Please be aware that quite often we are in remote areas and away from medical facilities, and for legal reasons our leaders are prohibited from administering any type of drug including headache tablets, antibiotics, etc. When selecting your trip please carefully read the brochure and itinerary and assess your ability to cope with our style of travel. Please refer to the Physical Demand rating in this dossier for trip specific information. For travellers over 70 years a completed Medical Form is required. G Adventures reserves the right to exclude any traveller from all or part of a trip without refund if in the reasonable opinion of our CEO they are unable to complete the itinerary without undue risk to themselves and/or the rest of the group.

## **What do I need to know to about safety and security on my trip?**

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on an Independent tour, please note that the G representative has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if deemed necessary due to safety concerns. Please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgement when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions. Read more about travel safety for ways to further enhance your personal safety while travelling.

## **What rules should I know before joining this trip?**

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the you at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter, and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of prostitutes is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our G representative has the right to terminate the tour if drugs are found in anyone's possession or if anyone uses prostitutes.

## **Is travel insurance required for my trip?**

Travel insurance is compulsory in order to participate on any of our trips. When travelling on a group trip, you will not be permitted to join the group until evidence of travel insurance has been sighted by your leader, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy we require that at a minimum you are covered for medical expenses including emergency evacuation and repatriation. A minimum coverage of USD200,000 is required. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. Some tours include adventure activities that require extra coverage (e.g. crampon use); please review your itinerary and make sure that you are covered for all included activities. If you have credit card insurance we require proof of purchase of the trip (a receipt of credit card statement) with a credit card in your name. Contact your bank for details of their participating insurer, the level of coverage and emergency contact telephone number.

## What is Planeterra?

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries globally.

G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

Make every day count by donating \$1/day for the length of your trip, and join us in empowering the communities you will visit when you travel. 100% of your donation goes directly to Planeterra projects.

## How should I dress to respect local customs during the tour?

Weather can change dramatically, even in the summer months. It is best to layer clothing to ensure you are prepared for any extremes.

## How can I share feedback about my trip experience?

After your travels, we want to hear from you! Your feedback information is so important to us that we'll give you 5% off the price of your next G Adventures trip if your feedback is completed on-line within 30 days of finishing your trip. Your tour evaluation will be e-mailed to you 24 hours after the conclusion of your trip. If you do not receive the tour evaluation link in the days after your tour has finished, please drop us a line at [customersolutions@gadventures.com](mailto:customersolutions@gadventures.com) and we will send it on to you.

## Does G Adventures have an email newsletter I can subscribe to?

Our adventure travel e-newsletter is full of travel news, trip information, interesting stories and contests. To avoid missing out on special offers and updates from G Adventures, subscribe at [www.gadventures.com/newsletters/](http://www.gadventures.com/newsletters/)

Stay current on how our company invests in our global community through our foundation – Planeterra. Sign up for [Planeterra's monthly news](#) to learn more about how to give back and support the people and places we love to visit.

## How old must I be to join this trip?

You must be 18 to travel unaccompanied on a G Adventures tour. For minors travelling with a guardian over 21 years old, the minimum age is 12.

## **Are international flights included in this trip?**

No, international flights are generally not included in the price of your tour.

However, on some combo tours travelling between two different countries, international flights are included as part of the itinerary and price of the tour. Please speak to your GCO or booking agent for further details.

In addition, check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.

## **What should LGBTQ+ travellers know about safety and travel considerations on this trip?**

The safety and well-being of all of our travelers is a priority at G Adventures and that includes our travelers who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. We recognize that there are specific concerns and questions you may have about your adventure in terms of safety and security. We encourage you to visit our [LGBTQ+ page](#) for useful resources to ensure you feel safe and comfortable throughout the duration of your trip. The Equaldex tool linked on this page can be of particular help when deciding where you may want to visit next.

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