

Join the **WFU Alumni Travel Program** to explore:

# Iceland

June 8 - 15, 2019

Daily Itinerary (subject to change):

## Day 1: Depart USA

We depart from the U.S. on our **overnight transatlantic flight** to Reykjavik. Meal and snacks are served on board.

## Day 2: Arrive Reykjavik

Upon arrival in Reykjavik, we meet our **World Cultural Tours Professional Tour Manager** and board our private motor coach. Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, sits on a peninsula surrounded by mountains and the Atlantic Ocean. Being so far north, one would expect the area to be continually cold, but underground thermal springs affect both the temperatures and the foliage of the island, providing both a temperate climate and a vibrant green appearance. We depart the airport for the opportunity to grab breakfast on our own in a village nearby. As we reach the city center, we enjoy a **guided orientation walking tour**, beginning at the Harpa and continuing through the old town center to see the Parliament, the Cathedral, the harbor, the Pearl, the National Museum, and Höfði House, where the summit of 1986 took place. We continue to our hotel for check in and have our **Welcome Dinner** together this evening.

(D) Hotel Hilton Nordica or similar

## Day 3: Reykjavik - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavik

This afternoon, we **travel along the coastline** with its breathtaking views of the sea waves and through a deserted community that once was a flourishing center for the region. Upon our arrival to the **Reykjanes peninsula**, we enjoy a dip in the famous **Blue Lagoon**, a unique wonder of nature with pleasantly warm, mineral rich water in the middle of a black lava field. As we return to Reykjavik, we enjoy a **Viking feast at a local restaurant** accompanied by folk music.

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## Day 4: Reykjavik - Optional Cave Exploration

This morning we enjoy free time and independent exploration. We have the **option to explore caves, tunnels, lava rivers, and stalactites** frozen in black basalt and mixed with colorful oxides. Our local guide helps us to discover the marvels of this extensive cave system. Dinner is on our own this evening.

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## Day 5: Reykjavik/Cooking Class- Optional Horseback Riding

We have free time this morning to explore Reykjavik on our own. Those interested may enjoy an **optional guided tour by horseback through the lava fields** around Mt. Helgafell or Lake Hvaleyrarvatn. The Bláfjöll mountains tower above the horizon and riders of all experience levels can participate in this tour. Later this afternoon, we participate in a **hands-on cooking experience** at Salt Eldhus, using local ingredients and learning from skilled Scandinavian chefs.

We have dinner on our own this evening.

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## 8 - Day Tour Includes:

- ◆ Roundtrip Airfare
  - ◆ Including air taxes up to \$350
- ◆ Six (6) Nights Accommodation
- ◆ Luxury Motor Coach Throughout
- ◆ Professional Tour Manager
- ◆ Full Breakfast Daily
- ◆ Three (3) Dinners
  - ◆ Welcome Dinner
  - ◆ One (1) Additional Dinner
  - ◆ Farewell Dinner
- ◆ Sightseeing per Itinerary
  - ◆ Cooking Demonstration
- ◆ Gratuities



**\$4,599 P/P Dbl. Occ.**

(Plus Fuel Surcharges/Air Taxes Exceeding \$350,  
Pending Air Confirmation)



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## Day 6: Reykjavik - Geysir - Gullfoss - Selfoss

Following breakfast this morning, we **tour the Golden Circle**. Our stops today include a visit to **Þingvellir National Park**. This UNESCO World Heritage site is where the world's oldest parliament met for centuries on the shores of Iceland's largest lake. We continue to **Laugarvatn Fontana**, where we experience a geothermal bakery and dig up bread that has been cooked underground. We continue through farmland areas to the geothermal fields of **Geysir**, with bubbling mud pools and the highspouting **Strokkur hot spring**. Next, we visit the dramatic two tiered **Gullfoss waterfall**, a spectacular sight in winter when frozen mid-cascade before ending with a visit to the **Friðheimar Cultivation Farm** for an interesting introduction on cultivation in combination with greenhouses and geothermal energy. We arrive at our hotel in **Selfoss** this evening for check in and dinner on our own.

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## Day 7: Selfoss - South Shore Adventure - Selfoss

After breakfast, we spend the day exploring the South Shore and begin with spectacular views of **Seljalandsfoss Waterfall**, where we can walk behind this magnificent wall of water. The exquisite scenery continues as we pass by **Myrdalsjökull Glacier** to **Reynisfjara Beach**. We take a walk on the black sands, admiring the extraordinary rock formations and thundering waves of the Atlantic Ocean. We stop at **Skógafoss Waterfall** with a visit to the towering strato-volcano **Eyjafjallajökull**; the Volcano visitor center in **Thorvaldseyri Farm** gives us a chance to view both pictures and films about the 2010 eruption and it's impact on the countryside, the country and the whole world. We have our **Farewell Dinner** together this evening for our final night in Iceland.

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## Day 8: Selfoss - Depart Reykjavik - Arrive USA

We have our last breakfast this morning and check-out from our hotel. As we transfer to the airport we enjoy a visit to **Strandarkirkja**, a church popularly believed to have a special power to aid success or provide good luck. We continue along the coast to make our way towards the **volcanic peninsula of Reykjanes**, an area of great volcanic activity with several dormant volcanoes and many extensive lava fields. We continue onward to the fishing village of **Grindavik** with its bustling harbor area before arriving at Keflavik Airport for our return flight home. *(B)*



### TERMS & CONDITIONS

**RESPONSIBILITY: A VALID PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR ALL INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS** and must be valid at least six months after your tour return date. Please note that passport cards are not considered valid for international travel. For domestic travel within the continental USA, a passport is not required for US Citizens; however, an unexpired form of local or federal government-issued photo ID (passport, driver's license, military ID) is required for all adult passengers (18 and over). Please send, with each deposit & registration form, a copy of each registrant's passport (or government-issued photo ID for domestic tours), if applicable. Failure to submit a copy of your valid passport (if applicable) may result in penalties or additional fees charged by the airline/participating partners to make corrections to your reservation. **A TRAVEL VISA MAY BE REQUIRED FOR NON-US CITIZENS (TRAVELERS WITHOUT AN AMERICAN PASSPORT)**, who are traveling internationally. It is the responsibility of the traveler to contact the embassy of any countries that will be visited during the tour (including countries visited during flight layovers) to determine whether a travel visa is required, and for further information about the application process. Any visas must be obtained as the sole responsibility of the individual traveler. If you need a travel visa, World Cultural Tours (WCT) requires that you submit written verification that a visa has been obtained or a photocopy of your visa, no later than 15 days prior to the departure date of your tour. World Cultural Tours (WCT) and other participating affiliates act solely as agents in arranging transportation, hotel accommodations, and other services. We do not assume, and in fact, we expressly disclaim, any liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, consequences resulting from cancellations and/or delays including, but not limited to, schedule changes, strikes, war, political conflict, riots, inclement weather or acts of God. Likewise, we assume no liability for any act, negligence or default of tour guides, including their agents and employees, or any company or person engaged in the transport of passengers, rendering of any service, or conducting arrangements for any tour. WCT reserves the right to cancel any tour or alter the tour price due to insufficient participation. In the event that a group must cancel in full due to lack of materialization or the inability to meet the minimum number of participants that the tour price was based on, tour members will receive a full refund, less a \$150 administration fee and/or any non-refundable penalties owed or paid on behalf of the tour (this includes penalties for airline deposits, hotel deposits, transportation deposits, non-refundable entrance fees or performance tickets). Furthermore, WCT reserves the right, at our sole discretion, to modify any itinerary or arrangements based on unprecedented situations that may arise. In the event modifications should become necessary, alterations may be made without penalty to the operator; additional costs, if any, shall be incurred by the traveler. All registrants are invoiced with single occupancy rates if no roommate is specified. We will adjust rooming lists & invoices accordingly upon written notification of roommate preferences. It is the responsibility of the individual traveler to find a roommate, or group organizer to match unpaired individuals.

**DEVIATION:** If any passenger wishes to deviate from the group by extending their tour or by making any alterations to the included group travel arrangements, please visit [www.worldculturaltours.com](http://www.worldculturaltours.com) to submit a **Deviation Request** through our **Contact Us Page** or by emailing: [CustomerService@worldculturaltours.com](mailto:CustomerService@worldculturaltours.com). Include as much information as possible in each request. A non-refundable deviation administration fee (\$150 P/P) applies, plus any additional fees charged by the airline, and may be submitted online at [www.worldculturaltours.com](http://www.worldculturaltours.com) no later than 91 days prior to departure. A Tour Consultant will contact you, therefore it is important to include telephone and/or email information.

**LAND-ONLY ARRANGEMENTS:** If you plan on making your own air arrangements, you must notify World Cultural Tours in writing, no later than 91 days prior to departure. All travelers are responsible for any travel arrangements not included in the tour program, including round trip arrival and departure transfers and any arrangements necessary to join the group at their first hotel accommodation. Your final invoice will reflect any applicable adjustments to the tour price.

**INSURANCE:** We strongly recommend travel insurance. We are happy to provide information for travel insurance. Please refer to [www.worldculturaltours.com/insurance](http://www.worldculturaltours.com/insurance) or call (877) 218-TOUR for more information. Please review the information carefully to understand coverage. **IMPORTANT:** The exclusion for Pre-Existing Conditions will be waived provided the premium is received no later than **fourteen (14) days** after the initial deposit for your trip and you are not disabled from travel at the time you submit your premium. Please note that travel insurance **cannot be purchased after final payment has been submitted**. For full disclosure of liability and a list of frequently asked questions, please refer to the following link: [www.tripmate.com/wpl438W/tic](http://www.tripmate.com/wpl438W/tic).

**TOUR PRICES:** All tour prices are based on costs, charges & exchange rates known at time of booking. In case of currency fluctuations (if applicable) of more than 3% WCT reserves the right to adjust the tour price accordingly. Any domestic and/or international residency taxes, departure or arrival taxes, security charges, baggage fees, and other types of air or airport or port taxes or any other surcharges not included in the tour price will be the responsibility of each passenger. Current fuel surcharges, carrier imposed fees, and air taxes are averaging between \$450-\$550 per person. Our preferred method of payment is in the form of a check; however, online individual payments can be made, using an electronic check with Intuit or using a credit card, through our website, [www.worldculturaltours.com](http://www.worldculturaltours.com). A non-refundable convenience fee of \$30 will be assessed, per transaction, for all credit card payments. A \$50 Returned Check Fee will be assessed for each returned check. A single check or credit card payment may be made for multiple registrants. Please note that WCT reserves the right to require final payment via credit card or electronic check in the event of a past-due balance that needs to be expedited. Furthermore, WCT reserves the right to cancel all tour arrangements for traveler(s) with past-due balances; however, WCT will make every effort to contact said traveler(s) prior to taking action.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Individual cancellations are effective on the date notification is received in writing. You may submit cancellation notices to the following email address: [Accounting@WorldCulturalTours.com](mailto:Accounting@WorldCulturalTours.com). Any unused travel insurance premiums or tour portions are non-refundable and any costs of services received while traveling are non-refundable. Up to 121 days prior to departure, full refund less a \$150 administration fee will be made. After that period, additional cancellation fees will be assessed as follows:

120-91 days prior to departure – loss of deposit  
60-46 days prior to departure – 50% of total tour price is forfeited

90-61 days prior to departure – 35% of total tour price is forfeited  
45-0 days prior to departure – 100% of total tour price is forfeited

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