# **THE ARCTIC** - ICELAND CIRCUMNAVIGATION 11



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| ACPEI11C |
| **DEPARTURE** |
| 01/08/2028 |
| **DURATION** |
| 11 Days |
| **LOCATIONS** |
| Iceland |

## INTRODUCTION

**Circumnavigate Iceland on an expedition cruise exploring the island's waterfalls, volcanic landscapes, wildlife and remote coastal regions.** Travel by ship and Zodiac to discover black-sand beaches, lava fields, fjords and geothermal areas, with guided walks and shore excursions offering opportunities to experience small fishing communities and watch for puffins, Arctic terns and thousands of seabirds along the rugged coastline.

Cross the Arctic Circle at Grimsey, experience some of Iceland's most impressive waterfalls and explore regions shaped by centuries of volcanic activity and maritime history. This full circumnavigation offers an in-depth way to experience Iceland's diverse landscapes, wildlife and local culture from coast to coast.

## ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrive Reykjavik

Our expedition begins in Reykjavík, a city that’s both authentically Icelandic and effortlessly cosmopolitan. Explore its lively streets, visit Hallgrímskirkja, discover local museums and galleries, or join locals in a geothermal pool —the true social heart of the city.



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DAY 2: Embarkation

Enjoy a leisurely morning beforeboarding the Sea Spirit in theafternoon. From this moment on,roads are no longer needed, and webegin our journey off the beatenpath to discover Iceland's manywonders.



DAY 3: Snaefellness

Often called "Iceland in Miniature," the Snæfellsnes Peninsula captures all the island's magic in one place —dramatic cliffs, black-sand beaches, lava fields, glaciers, and volcanic craters. We'll pass waterfalls and the famous Kirkjufell Mountain, known to Gameof Thrones fans as the "Arrowhead Mountain," with every view revealing a touch of Iceland's mystical soul.



DAY 4: Dynjandi Waterfall

We explore Iceland's remote Westfjords, the island's oldest and most untouched region. A Zodiac landing brings us to Dynjandi—the "Thunderous" waterfall —a 100-meter cascade spilling over basalt steps like a giant wedding cake. Later, we visit Suðureyri, a charming fishing village where we can enjoy authentic local flavors.



DAY 5: Siglufjordur and Grimsey Island - Day 5 & 6

Known as the "Herring Capital of the World" in its heyday, Siglufjörðuris rich in maritime history and local character. We'll visit the award-winning Herring Era Museum, taste fresh herring with Brennivín, and stop by Frida's famous chocolate shop and the local brewery. We take Zodiacs north to GrímseyIsland, which lies directly across the Arctic Circle. Here, steep cliffs teem with thousands of seabirds, emerald meadows stretch across the island, and a small 19th-century driftwood church stands as a unique Arctic landmark.



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DAY 7: Akureyri

Surrounded by snowcapped peaks and the deep blue Eyjafjörður, Akureyriis the vibrant heart of the north. From here we head to the volcanic landscapes of Lake Mývatn—steaming vents, lava fields, and surreal scenery. We visit Goðafoss, the “Waterfall of the Gods,” and continue to Dettifoss, Europe’s most powerful waterfall, an unforgettable force of nature.



DAY 8: Seyðisfjörður

Sailing along Iceland’s rugged eastern coast, we arrive in Seyðisfjörður—a hidden gem nestled among waterfalls and misty mountains. Its colorful wooden houses, built by XIX-century Norwegian traders, line the peaceful harbor, their reflections shimmering in the still fjord waters. Later, we visit Lake Urriðavatnto soak in a geothermal pool with sweeping views of the lake and surrounding peaks. As warm thermal waters meet the crisp mountain air, you’ll feel a close connection with Iceland’s raw and untouched beauty.



DAY 9: Djupivogur

We anchor near the peaceful fishing village of Djúpivogur, surrounded by rugged cliffs and calm fjords. A guided walk takes us along black-sand beaches and quiet lagoons, where puffins, Arctic terns, and other seabirds can be spotted.We explore small islands linked by natural sandbars, visit a traditional birdwatching hut, and enjoy the gentle rhythm of village life —a perfect way to experience Iceland’s serene coastal beauty.



DAY 10: Vestmannaeyjar

The volcanic Westman Islands are among Earth’s youngest landscapes, shaped by recent eruptions, dramatic cliffs, and thriving seabird colonies. On Heimaey, we see the impact of the 1973 Eldfelleruption, which buried part of the town in ash, and explore the EldheimarMuseum, where interactive exhibits bring this event to life.



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DAY 11: Disembarkation in Reykjavik

Our expedition ends in Reykjavík, but Iceland's fire-and-ice spirit lingers. Spend the morning exploring the city's galleries, shops, and cafés, or relax in a geothermal spa. Its vivid colors and dramatic landscapes make for a memorable farewell.



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## INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

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| **Inclusions** | **INCLUSIONS**<br>1 pre-voyage hotel night on Day 1 in a hotel in Reykjavik<br>Group transfer to the ship for embarkation on Day 2<br>Group transfer to Keflavik International Airport (KEF) or centrally located hotel for luggage storage right after disembarkation<br>Cabin on board the Sea Spirit<br>All meals on board throughout the voyage<br>All-inclusive beverage package that includes soft drinks, house wine and beer, and house spirits<br>AECO fees, governmental taxes, and port fees<br>24-hour tea and coffee station<br>Scheduled landings/excursions (subject to weather and ice conditions)<br>Leadership throughout the voyage by our experienced Expedition Leader & Expedition Team<br>Expeditions parka to keep<br>Rubber boots for use for shore landings during the cruise<br>Pre-departure materials<br>A Digital Voyage Log with photos and a memorable video from our expedition photographer<br>Wi-Fi on board<br><br>**EXCLUSIONS**<br>International or internal flights unless specified<br>Transfers from the airport to the hotel at beginning of the program<br>Visa fees (if applicable)<br>Personal expenses such as laundry and telecommunication charges<br>Travel insurance<br>Mandatory Emergency Evacuation Insurance to a minimum benefit of US$ 200,000 per person<br>Kayaking is an optional activity with limited availability and must be booked separately for an additional charge<br>Staff gratuities |
| **Difficulty Rating** | 2 (light adventure) |
| **Single Surcharge** | Subject to availability upon request, contact us for more details.<br>Sharing is available in Triple, Main Deck, Classic, and Superior Suites. If you prefer a cabin for yourself, the following categories are available with the single supplement at:<br>x1.7 for Main Deck, Classic, and Superior Suites<br>x2 for Deluxe, Premium, and Owner's Suite |

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| **Notes** | Prices are based on per person, and may be based off triple/or twin share cabins* (please contact us for more details).<br>Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.<br>Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.<br><br>In rare and unforeseen situations, an operator may apply a fuel surcharge after your booking has been confirmed and paid. This is outside our control and uncommon, but transparency with our travelers is important to us. |
| **Price Dependent upon** | Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and availability. |

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