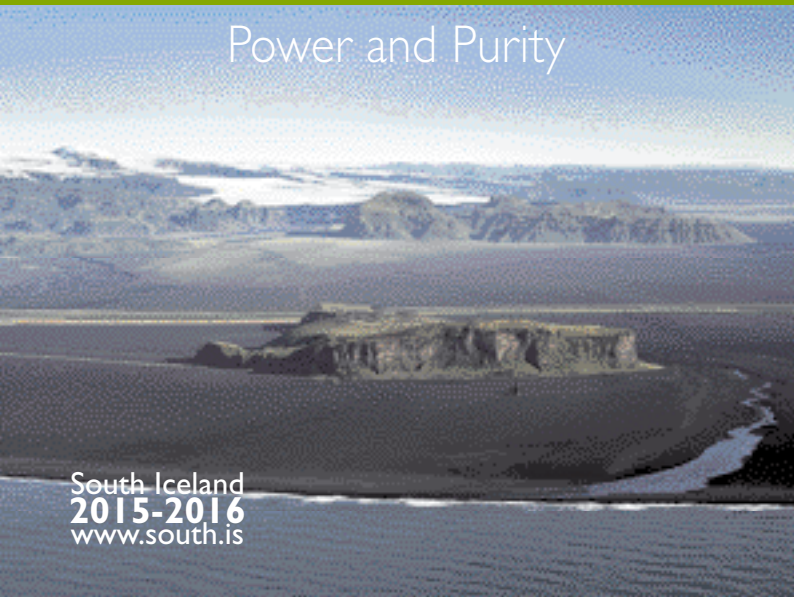




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Foreword

In this handbook you will find all information about South Iceland in order to ease your journey and make it a memorable experience. We hope you will find it useful. We also recommend our website: www.south.is where you will also find information about upcoming events in this area and much much more. We wish you an enjoyable stay in South Iceland!

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The South of Iceland is unique and it is the part of the country visited by far the greatest numbers of foreign travellers. Everything that makes Iceland interesting to visit can be found in South Iceland all the year round. History surrounds you everywhere, both ancient and recent. Other highlights are creative art, culture, flourishing trade and endless possibilities to enjoy outdoor life in all seasons. But above all there is the awesome and rugged nature stretching from the mountains and down to the sea.

In all seasons of the year tourists can find something to their liking. In winter the sun is reflected on the pearly white snow, on long dark winter nights the northern lights dance around the starlit sky and the moon wanders through the clouds. At such times beauty, peace and quiet reign, unforgettable to those who experience it. Trips across the highlands as well as the lowlands are an indescribable adventure during both summer and winter.

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Welcome to South Iceland, we'll be happy to see you.



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Hveragerði

Great numbers of people pass through or by Hveragerði each year. With a population of about 2300 and located only 45 km from Reykjavík, Hveragerði may be viewed from the vantage point of the Kambar mountain slope, as it spreads out across a 5000 year-old lava field. Throughout the year, pillars of steam may be seen rising up from the town and in summer it is truly a green community, with an abundance of trees. A green revolution is taking place as areas of woodland in and around Hveragerði expand, with the locals working together in order to develop their blossoming town further.

Certainly the most precious gem in the town of Hveragerði is the geothermal area, Geothermal Park. There are not many communities in the world with hot springs literally in their back yard. The Geothermal Park is open during the summer from May to the end of August. In the winter it can be visited by arrangement with the tourist information centre.

A new hot spring area emerged from the ground in the earthquake that shook the southern part of Iceland on 29th May 2008. It is situated on the hillside rising above the town. Several very active hot springs throw colourful mud and clear water up into the air and they are a spectacular sight.

Besides the hot springs, Hveragerði has much to offer. Trout and salmon swim in the Varmá river; berries are for picking on the heath to the west of the town, and the area has many excellent walking routes. Not to mention the swimming pool, hot baths, whirlpools, a natural sauna and a fitness centre. Also the NLFI Health and Rehabilitation Clinic offers opportunities to seek health and happiness.





Þorlákshöfn - Ölfus

Ölfus Municipality covers a total area of 750 km² and has a population of about 1700 people. The environment is beautiful with its lava fields, black sand beaches, magnificent mountain views, rich bird life and cliffs. Most inhabitants, or approximately 1500, live in the fishing village of Þorlákshöfn, named after Saint Þorlákur, bishop of Skálholt (1133–1193). The town is important as a port because it has the only viable harbour on Iceland's southern coast.

Fishing boats have put to sea from Þorlákshöfn for hundreds of years. During the days when fishermen rowed out to sea, a fleet of 20–30 boats was common, and the population swelled to three or four hundred during the fishing season. The modern town is young and grew around a fishery company in the 1950s with a population increase in the 1970s after the eruption of Heimaey. Information signs on the history of the town are placed near a walking path leading from the church. Further information and maps are available at the information centre in the Town Hall.



Today the industrial foundations in Þorlákshöfn are ship-outfitting and fish processing factories, together with business and service industries, while the most important industries in the rural part of Ölfus are agriculture, horse breeding and tourist services.

Leisure opportunities are excellent in Ölfus, with hiking and riding paths, the geothermal energy exhibition at mountain Hengill and in Þorlákshöfn an 18-hole golf course, a "football golf course" and a new modern, fully-equipped sports facility with a swimming pool, hot baths, a steam bath, a waterslide and a spa.

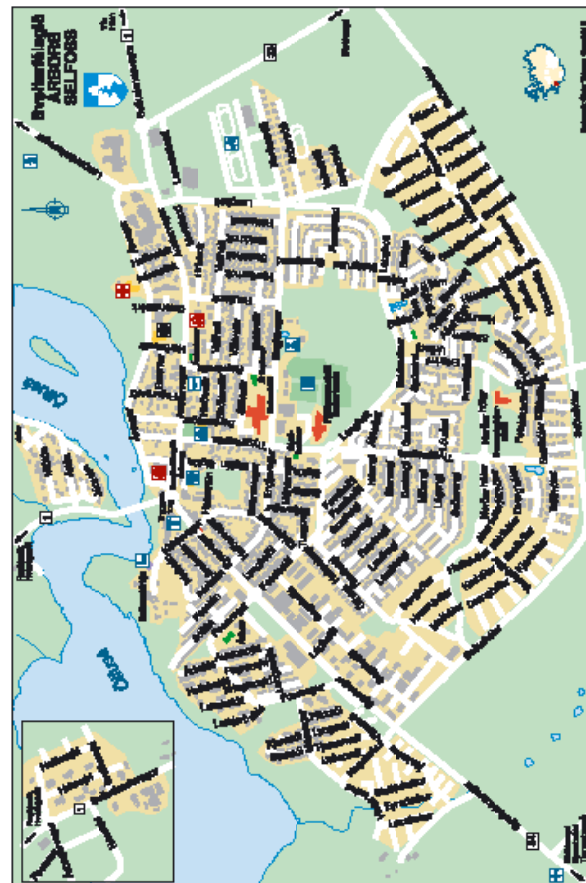




Selfoss - Árborg

With a population of over 6500 inhabitants Selfoss is the largest town in South Iceland and is a part of Árborg Municipality which was established in 1998. It also includes the villages Eyrbakki and Stokkseyri. The distance from Reykjavík is 57 km. In addition to the Ring Road, Iceland's main highway, which runs east and west through the town, roads lead from Selfoss in all directions, north to the Golden Circle / Keldur route and south to Stokkseyri / Eyrbakki / the Reykjanes peninsula.

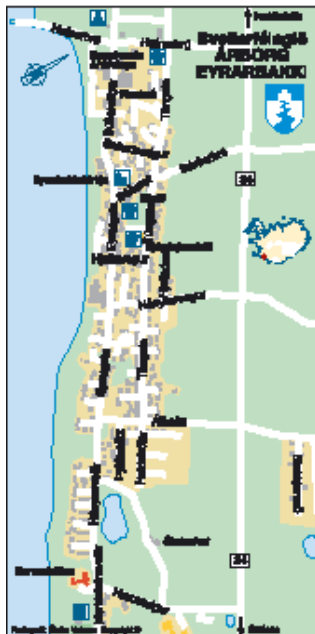
The town is an excellent centre for day tours to the many places of interest in the area. Some salmon is caught downriver from the Ölfusá bridge. All necessary services for tourists (including a hospital, pharmacies, banks, a shopping centre, restaurants and cafés, hotels, a golf course, a cinema, horse farms, a swimming pool, an airport, nice walking routes and much more) are available in Selfoss.





Eyrarbakki - Árborg

The friendly village of Eyrarbakki used to be the largest commercial community and the main harbour on the south coast of Iceland in earlier times. A large number of preserved houses from the period 1890-1920 are situated in Eyrarbakki and therefore a visit is like reverting a 100 years back in time. Other popular tourist attractions are the Eyrarbakki Maritime Museum and the Árnes-sýsla Folk Museum, located at the legendary "The House" in Eyrarbakki, built in 1765. In Eyrarbakki there is also a fine camping site, a guesthouse and a restaurant. On the rocky shore you can witness an amazing view of the Atlantic Ocean, as well as watch the surf break. It is an ideal spot for hiking and bird-watching. The Flói Bird Reserve lies northwest of Eyrarbakki and is an important nesting area.



Stokkseyri - Árborg

The small village of Stokkseyri is renowned for its beautiful seashore, breaking waves and birdlife. Rich handicraft and cultural life is held in high esteem in Stokkseyri. Workshops and galleries, a Ghost Center and the Elves, Trolls and Northern Lights Museum are all situated in a Cultural Centre – an old fish processing factory that has found a new role due to changes in the fishing industry. The Hunting Museum keeps a large collection of mounted animals and firearms and the bunkhouse Þurðarþúð shows an excellent example of how fishermen had to make use of what nature provided. Stokkseyri also offers a splendid seafood restaurant, the guesthouse Kvöldstjarnan, an outdoor swimming pool, kayak sailing tours, a family recreation park with animals and a camping site. Further east from Stokkseyri there is the Knarrarósviti lighthouse, whose architectural design is an interesting blend of functionalism and art nouveau.





Flóahreppur

Flóahreppur is a peaceful municipality situated in South Iceland, between the two large salmon rivers Hvítá and Þjórsá. Flóahreppur is famous for its wide panorama view in all directions, ranges of mountains, glaciers and islands. The area includes Iceland's most voluminous waterfall, Urriðafoss, where Þjórsá river falls off the margin of Þjórsárhraun, a lava field created about 8000 years ago that is one of the largest known lava flows anywhere on earth. Flóahreppur is a paradise for people who love nature and bird-watching. Bird-life around the area has great variety and is an interesting choice for bird-watchers. Here you can see Icelandic birds in their natural environment without any difficulties. Flóahreppur is also ideal for walking, cycling and riding.

Culture in the area has deep historical roots and great emphasis is placed on the preservation of cultural heritage, whether it is crafts, inventions, history, traditional farmhouses or churches. In Flóahreppur you will find a variety of recreational possibilities and services such as accommodation, museums, craft workshops, farm lodgings and country boutiques – to name but a few. Flóahreppur is a vibrant community with a diverse society, which offers a number of events and gatherings, both new and old traditional ones. Flóamanna Saga is one of the Icelandic sagas and preserves memories of this area.

During the period from mid-September until March / April, if you are lucky, you might see pink clouds dancing around up in the air; just like a symphony orchestra playing in the sky, a breathtaking and unforgettable performance. That is what we call the northern lights, but some call it Aurora borealis. That is just one of the winter-charms Flóahreppur has to offer. A visit to Flóahreppur is a unique experience that you will not forget. The people of Flóahreppur welcome you to experience their heritage, beautiful and peaceful environment, but first and foremost all the wonders of Flóahreppur.

Inland Árnessýsla - Uppsveitir

One of Iceland's most popular tourist areas, inland Árnessýsla boasts a wealth of natural wonders and well-marked historical sites. Hot springs and geothermal heat characterise the region and make their impact on the culture of the area, as well as on the historical sites marking milestones in the history of the country and society of Iceland. The inlands in Árnessýsla stretch from Þingvellir to the Þjórsá river and into the central highlands. The inhabitants are about 2600 and live in four municipalities: Bláskógabyggð, Grímsnes- and Grafingshreppur, Hrunamannahreppur and Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur.





Grímsnes- og Grafningshreppur

Borg is a small but growing village. There you will find a nice swimming pool, a campsite, a grocery store and a café. Úlfjótvatn is the centre for outdoor activities, leader training and summer camps for scouts in Iceland. A number of popular hiking trails are to be found around Hengill mountain. The Eco-village Sólheimar was founded in 1930 and is the first community of its kind in the world. There able and disabled people live and work together. Now it is a charming village of about 100 inhabitants. During the summer there is a program of events at Sólheimar, a very interesting place to visit.



Bláskógabyggð

Laugarvatn

Laugarvatn is a shallow lake, about 2 km² in size, and is located in the inland of Árnessýsla, midway between Þingvellir, Gullfoss and Geysir, 100 km from Reykjavík. Under its floor there are hot springs heating the lake so it is warm and suitable for bathing all year round. On its bank rests a village of over 300 inhabitants, also named Laugarvatn.

The Laugarvatnsfjall mountain with its birch-covered slopes on the west shelters the village and also adds to the charm and beauty of the place. Between the mountain and the lake, north of the village, there is a panoramic point (hringsjá) providing a good view over the lake and its surroundings. In addition, amongst the green hills and woods north of the lake the area is suitable for camping, pony-trekking and hiking. Nearby you will find marked hiking routes.

Just outside Laugarvatn there is a golf course and possibilities of angling in lakes and rivers in the area. Laugarvatn is a popular tourist resort for Icelanders, and it is also the site of educational institutions.





Laugarás

The development of the small village of Laugarás started when geothermal activity was discovered in the area. There are numerous horticultural farms in the region and various services, such as a campsite, a herb garden / farmers' market and the Domestic Animal Park. The Health Care Clinic for the area is located in Laugarás.



Reykholt

The development of the small village of Reykholt started in the first half of the 20th century, when geothermal activity was discovered in the area. There are numerous horticultural farms in the region and increasing services. Reykholt offers a grocery store, a swimming pool, guesthouses, a campsite, greenhouse visits and horse-shows for groups.





Flúðir - Hrunamannahreppur

Flúðir is a rapidly growing community in the centre of Hrunamannahreppur district, about 25 minutes off the main Ring Road. The area is considered to be very fertile and beautiful. Litla-Laxá, a clear spring river, runs through the village in an attractive basin. Miðfell, a small mountain, towers over Flúðir, and gives the surrounding area a distinctive look. Good walking and riding paths lie to the top of Miðfell. Up there you will find an impressive lake and from the top there is a great view over the area.

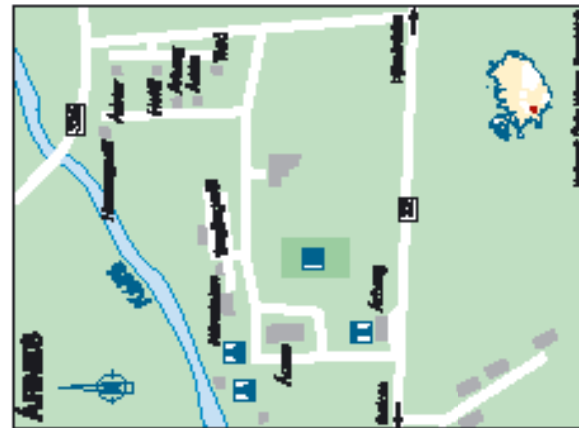
The main sources of employment in Flúðir are services, industry and horticulture. Geothermal heat is utilised for greenhouses, and here is the biggest mushroom factory in Iceland. The surrounding area is a popular location for summerhouses. Flúðir has excellent services available for visitors. Among those are a grocery store, restaurants, a swimming pool, accommodation in the three-star hotel Icelandair Hótel Flúðir, a camping ground, golf courses, a horse rental, and a small airfield.



Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur

The Þjórsá river valley (Þjórsárdalur) has been a well kept secret for a while but now things are changing. The objective of the Þjórsá Visitor Centre is to provide information on the land and nature, the people and the history of the Þjórsá region and the services available there, with the principal focus on the great Þjórsá river itself. The Þjórsá river valley is one of the most magnificent regions of South Iceland, with diverse nature and colourful history.

There is a medieval farm in Þjórsárdalur called Stöng. It has been estimated that Hekla mountain erupted for the first time in historical times in 1104 AD resulting in the devastation of a settlement of 20 farms in Þjórsárdalur. In 1939 archaeologists excavated the sites of some of these farms, among them the farm Stöng, which had been preserved in exceptionally good condition under thick layers of white volcanic ash. On the occasion of the 1100 years anniversary of the settlement of Iceland in 1974, it was decided to reconstruct a medieval Icelandic farm as they were between 1000-1200 AD. The farm Stöng was without question the best basis for such a reconstruction.





Ásahreppur

Ásahreppur is a community on the western edge of Rangárvallasýsla and takes its name from "the ásar", natural ridges in the area. On the Ring Road the community has its limits from the bridge of Þjórsá river in the west and to the east the boundary is about 500 m from Landvegamót. There has been a bridge across Þjórsá since 1895. Ásahreppur has about 200 inhabitants who have agriculture and service as their main employment. The nature varies between grassy swamps, reclaimable land, farm areas, hills and ridges. The biggest nesting place of the grey lag goose is in the swampy desolated area of Frakkavatn. The structure of habitation is mostly clusters of farms around the ridges, Veteifsholt cluster; Ás cluster; Ásmundarstaðir cluster; Hamrar cluster; Sumaliðabær cluster; and Kálfholt cluster. In the area of Ásahreppur there are many artificial caves, used as animal houses up to the 20th century, but in the first centuries after the settlement of Icenad it is said they were used for human habitation. Schools and other basic service for the inhabitants of Ásahreppur are kept up in good co-operation with their neighbouring communities in Rangárvallasýsla, Skaftharshreppur and Mýrdalshreppur.



Hella – Rangárþing ytra

Inhabitants in western Rangárþing (Rangárþing ytra) are about 1600. The borders of the district lie from Ásahreppur district, from Þjórsá river in the west to Vatnajökull glacier in the north. The south border lies from Mýrdalsjökull glacier to Eytri-Rangá river. In Rangárþing ytra agriculture flourishes. In the area you can find many well-known nature resources and historical places, for example the mountain of Hekla, Landmannalaugar and the saga-trail of Njáls Saga. The town of Hella is the biggest residential area with about 800 inhabitants. Hella's inhabitants are primarily occupied with services for the agriculture, their surrounding areas and the tourism industry. At Hella there is a bank, a post office, a tourist information centre, a hotel, guesthouses, camping sites, restaurants, shops, a pharmacy, a healthcare centre, a sports centre, a swimming pool, car services, a rescue team, gas stations and other businesses and public services.





Hvolsvöllur – Rangárþing eystra

Hvolsvöllur – Rangárþing eystra with a population of 1750, is a vast district in central South Iceland and ranges from the highlands to the sea. It boasts a great number of geological wonders, a fact which led the area to become part of Katla Geopark a part of the Unesco supported Global Geoparks Network in 2011 along with two other districts to the east: Mýrdalshreppur and Kirkjubæjarklaustur.

Hvolsvöllur is the region's largest town (860 inhabitants) and all operations relating to the eruption in Eyjafjallajökull in 2010 were organised from there. The main industries in the area are agriculture and tourism and Hvolsvöllur is in fact the only town in Iceland that was not established on the coast or by a river; but entirely as a centre of service for the area. Only 106 km from Reykjavík, Hvolsvöllur is surrounded by plentiful recreation areas and natural wonders, all within 15 minutes up to one hour's drive. Peaceful farmlands suddenly and dramatically give way to nearly vertical slopes that reach down to the main road. Kilometre after kilometre of endless black sand beaches hug the shoreline.

Hvolsvöllur is an excellent location as a base from which to explore South Iceland. Its central location makes it ideal for day trips in the region and then back for a good night's sleep in one of the area's many types of accommodation. The farmers' market in the town centre, next to the post office, is a great place to stop. Here you will find a variety of locally produced foodstuffs for sale, locally





produced hand-knitted items of all kinds, handicrafts by local artisans, original wooden toys and superb organic ice cream. A lovely green space for stretching one's legs and where the children can run around is adjacent to the farmers' market and hosts an outdoor exhibition by local photographers. There are camping-grounds, youth hostels, guest houses and hotels ranging from 1 to 4 stars. Ferry trips to the Westman Islands are now possible from the new harbour, Landeyjahöfn, which opened in July, 2010 and is just a 20 minutes drive from Hvalsöllum.

Eyjafjallajökull, that certain volcano with a ridiculously difficult-to-pronounce name that wrought havoc with air travel around most of Europe and even affected many flights to the United States, is located in the district of East Rangárþing and has become one of the area's main attractions, but by no means the only sight to see in the area. The district contains many natural treasures and is also the scene of one of the renowned Icelandic sagas, the Saga of the Burning of Njáll. Some of the most renowned places are for instance Skógar, with its amazingly picturesque Skógafoss waterfall, Seljalandsfoss waterfall, behind which it is possible to walk, and Þórsmörk, which is a beautiful and fertile mountain ridge north of Eyjafjallajökull with various trekking routes in the area and therefore very popular among hikers.

There is a great variety of activities in the area for those who wish to explore the sites with local guides.

Vestmannaeyjabær

There are places in Iceland that simply need to be experienced. Vestmannaeyjar (the Westman Islands) fill that group by virtue of their natural beauty, the bounty of their wildlife, particularly birds, and by being historically and geographically one of Iceland's most distinctive places. The islands are part of a young and still active submarine volcanic system, most of them coming into being 10-20.000 years ago. The passenger and car ferry Herjólfur makes the trip from Landeyjahöfn in 40 minutes. From Reykjavík the trip by air is only 20 minutes by Eagle Air.





Vík - Mýrdalshreppur

Vík is Iceland's most southerly village. Although this community of about 600 inhabitants faces the open Atlantic, Vík is the only seaside settlement in Iceland left without a harbour due to natural circumstances. Nevertheless, Vík's inhabitants go fishing with the help of their amphibious boats, which enable them to drive, literally, out to sea. The average precipitation in Vík is the highest in the whole of Iceland - which of course means that there is a lot of rain, snow, wind, sleet, hail and fog here. This is, however, not always the case as the weather here changes very rapidly; the sun comes back out, and therefore rainbows are probably more frequent and vivid here than anywhere else.

The natural beauty of the area is spectacular. There are many places of interest in the vicinity of Vík. Just east of the outskirts of the village lies one of Europe's biggest arctic tern breeding grounds. South of Vík there is a beautiful beach, which Lonely Planet revealed Europe's fifth best beach in 2015. A short hike within the close vicinity of Vík is sure to satisfy all serious nature lovers and bird-watchers. To the south of Reynisfjall mountain a spectacular set of rock columns called Reynisdrangar rise majestically out of the Atlantic Ocean.

Dyrhólaey, where the unique rock arch is found, is a 120 m high promontory in the western part of the Mýrdalur district. Dyrhólaey is Iceland's most southerly tip. North of Vík rises the bulk of the 700 km² Mýrdalsjökull glacier; Iceland's fourth largest. Approximately 600 metres below the ice lies the dormant sub-glacial volcano Katla. Katla is one of Iceland's most active volcanoes, and has on average erupted twice a century; the last occasion being in 1918.

Vík has good travel services and offers plenty of camping and hotel space (Edda Hotel). Among the many aspects of Vík that make it attractive to tourists are the increasingly popular sea-and-land trips in boats, sight-seeing flights, snowmobile trips, ice-climbing and dogsledding on Mýrdalsjökull glacier; excellent salmon and trout fishing; horseback riding, a wool centre and a fish farm / retail outlet of smoked salmon, to list but a few. Not many other places in Iceland offer as many contrasts of nature as Mýrdalur. The area is therefore an ideal place to visit for travellers who want to enjoy good service and the best of what the country's natural environment has to offer.





Skaftárhreppur



Skaftárhreppur district is the easternmost part of Katla Global Geopark with an array of internationally important geological features and the gateway to the western part of Vatnajökull National Park. This is the perfect location to stay while taking day tours to see many of Iceland's best known natural treasures. This is an area where saga meets lava and is easily accessible all year round. Through the app Locatify Smartguide you can find two audio-guides "The Laki eruption 1783-1784" and "Klaustur trail" and learn more about the history of the area.



Kirkjubæjarklaustur - Skaftárhreppur

Kirkjubæjarklaustur, abbreviated "Klaustur", lies just off the main road at a round-about and is the only place between Vík and Höfn which offers services, including a fuel station, a bank, a post office and a supermarket. The information center of the National Park and Katla Global Geopark is situated within the village. You can purchase the brochure "Klaustur trail" at the information center and do pay a visit to the local craft store in the basement of the same building.

"Klaustur" was known in earlier times as "Kirkjubær" (Church Farm) an important farming estate and a nunnery but has developed into a village of about 150 inhabitants. At the westernmost part of the village there is a particular and beautiful waterfall, Systrafoss, running from a lake situated above the seaworn cliffs with marked trails to follow for fairly easy walks. There is an educational trail around the lowland area including a lovely geosite close to the village, namely Kirkjugólf (Church Floor), a protected natural monument of basalt columns, eroded and shaped by wind and waves, giving the appearance of a paved church floor:

Other geosites of the area include the Laki craters, the Eldgjá fissure, the protected moss covered Laki lava flow, Skaftáreldahraun, and pseudocraters deriving from Eldgjá fissure eruption. The Laki road, just west of Kirkjubæjarklaustur, leads into the highlands and to the magnificent geosite Fjaðrárgljúfur gorge. The circular Landbrot/Meðalland road takes you along the protected pseudocraters of Landbrothólar with many geological and historical treasures along the road. The Álfaver road is a circular route in the west leading through the pseudocraters of Álfaver and past the convent ruins and church of Þykkvabæjarklaustur. All these attractions and more contribute to the popularity of Kirkjubæjarklaustur as a nature tourism destiny.





Realm of Vatnajökull

The realm of Vatnajökull is a cluster of companies formed with the support of the South East Innovation Centre. It incorporates not only travel companies but also cultural and food processing enterprises. Our goal is to entwine the operations of the 80 different companies that are part of this project. The region as a whole is marketed under the name Realm of Vatnajökull (Ríki Vatnajökuls) with emphasis on locally produced goods, culinary souvenirs that can be traced directly to the region, handicrafts, design and other exceptional things. In this region, like in other areas of Iceland, many farmers have shifted from traditional farming to earning a living by providing travel services. Others have combined the best of both worlds by welcoming visitors with food and lodging while still farming their lands. The realm of Vatnajökull offers services, activities and accommodation all year round.

The inhabitants of the region do not only live in proximity to the Vatnajökull glacier but also to the Atlantic Ocean. The region is therefore known to be one of the finest places for seafood – especially for the Icelandic langoustine – as fishing has always been an important industry in Hornafjörður. In addition to its famous and wholesome cuisine, the clean and unspoiled nature is a hallmark of the Vatnajökull region. Here in the realm of Vatnajökull National Park and the largest glacier in the world outside the arctics, we believe that there is no boundary to what we can achieve when working together.

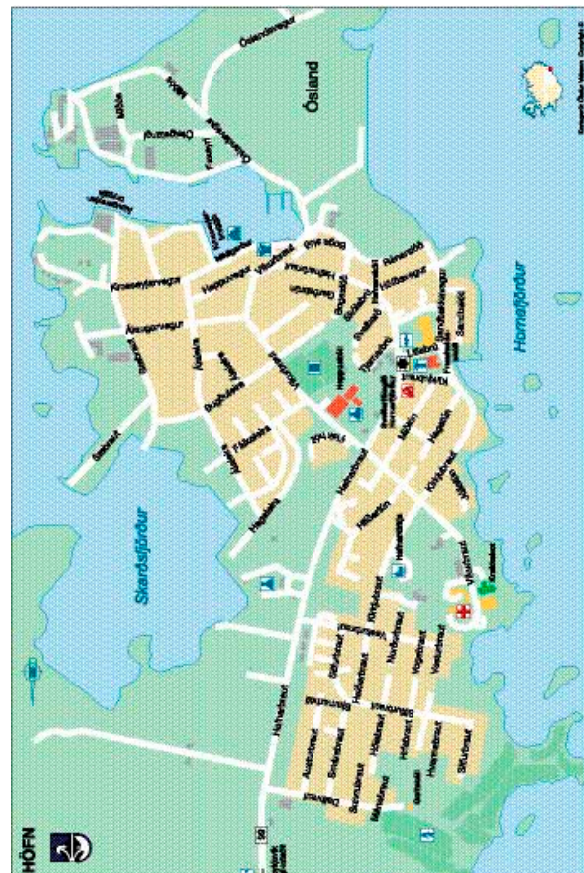




Höfn - Hornafjörður

Hornafjörður is a blooming community close to the largest glacier in Europe, Vatnajökull in the south eastern part of Iceland. The district's most densely populated area is Höfn, a lively fishing town in beautiful surroundings. In this region you are located at the base of Vatnajökull, and the scenery is breathtaking. Vatnajökull National Park is the largest national park in Europe, and the southern part of the park is situated in the community. In the last few decades tourism has grown enormously and is now a major economic sector in the community. Diverse services are provided, including hotels and other accommodation, camping sites, restaurants, shops, swimming pools, golf courses, marked hiking trails and various museums such as a maritime museum, Huldustein Mineral Collection, Þórbergsson Cultural Centre in Hali, and Gamlabúð exhibition in Vatnajökull National Park Visitor Centre in Höfn.

Höfn's growth in the 20th century from a small village to today's town was a result of the development of a relatively diverse fishing industry. The landed catch is now more varied than in other fishing towns, including high-value species such as the Norway lobster or langoustine, but a good part of the Icelandic lobster catch is landed in Höfn. In recent years the town has promoted lobster as a central part of its image, for instance with a "lobster festival" that is held each summer and you'll be sure to find this mouthwatering delicacy at different restaurants in town. Höfn, which actually means harbour, welcomes visitors and offers diverse services to its guests.





**1 The Geothermal Energy Exhibition**

Hellsheiðarvirkjun by Ringroad 1



+354 412-5800



All year round



orkusyn@orkusyn.is



www.orkusyn.is



The Geothermal Energy Exhibition at Hellsheiði Power Plant is a state-of-the-art look into the harnessing of geothermal energy in Iceland. The plant is a striking example of how geothermal energy is harnessed in a sustainable manner in Iceland and a showcase for the rest of the world.

2 The Geothermal Park Hveragerði

Hveramörk 13, 810 Hveragerði



+354 483-5062 / +354 660-3905



1st May – 15th September



tourinfo@hveragerdi.is



Hveragerði is undoubtedly one of the few populated places in the world located in a geothermal area of this kind. At the Geothermal Park visitors are invited to take a guided walk around the hot springs and learn a little about the geological history surrounding this unique area.

3 Earthquake Exhibition

Sunnmörk 2-4, 810 Hveragerði



+354 483-4601



All year round



tourinfo@hveragerdi.is



A powerful earthquake (6.3 Richter scale) struck the southern part of Iceland in 2008. The epicentre of the quake was close to Hveragerði and the exhibition presents the causes and the huge impact the earthquake caused in Hveragerði. It shows how it affected the buildings, the local environment and other damage.

**4 LÁ Art Museum**

- Austurmörk 21, 810 Hveragerði
- +354 483-1727
- 12:00-18:00 May-Sept. Daily / Oct.-Apr. Thursday-Sunday
- listasafn@listasafnamesinga.is
- www.listasafnamesinga.is



LÁ Art Museum (Listasafn Árnesinga) welcomes you. It runs ambitious and various shows of contemporary as well as modern art in its four spacious exhibitions rooms. The exhibitions reflect our cultural heritage and our contemporary change. The museum also houses a small café and the children's corner gives the museum's younger visitors a chance to enjoy themselves.

5 Hendur í Höfn - Glass art shop and café

- Unubakki 10-12, 815 Þorlákshöfn
- +354 848-3389
- All year round
- hendurihofn@hendurihofn.is
- www.hendurihofn.is



At Hendur í Höfn Glass art shop you can buy beautiful glass products, useable and decorative. Freshly baked cakes and bread will be offered daily as well as gluten-free goods. During the summertime the café is open daily and serves a light lunch every day.

6 Handverksskúrin

- Eyrarvegur 3, 800 Selfoss
- +354 898-1550
- All year round
- hskurinn@gmail.com



Handverksskúrin in Selfoss offers miscellaneous handicraft: Clay, glass, wool textile, quilt, knitting and crochet, jewelry and a variety of seasonally related products.

7 The Bobby Fischer Centre

- Austurvegur 21, 800 Selfoss
- +354 894-1275
- 15th May to 15th September / Wintertime by arrangement
- fischeretur@gmail.com
- www.fischeretur.is



At the Bobby Fischer Centre there are items related to the great chess genius Bobby Fischer on display. In his later years he settled in Iceland and a few hundred metres away from the Centre you can visit his grave, located at the Laugardællir cemetery.

8 Folk Museum in the Merchant's House at Eyrarbakki

- Húsið, 820 Eyrarbakki
- + 354 483-1504
- 1st May - 30th September daily / Wintertime: by arrangement
- husid@husid.com
- www.husid.com



At the Folk Museum's varied exhibitions in The House, visitors can experience past times and learn about the remarkable history of the building, which is one of the oldest in Iceland.

9 Þingborg Wool Centre

- By the Ring Road, 8 km east of Selfoss
- +354 482-1027 / +354 693-6509
- All year round
- gamlathingborg@gmail.com
- www.thingborg.net

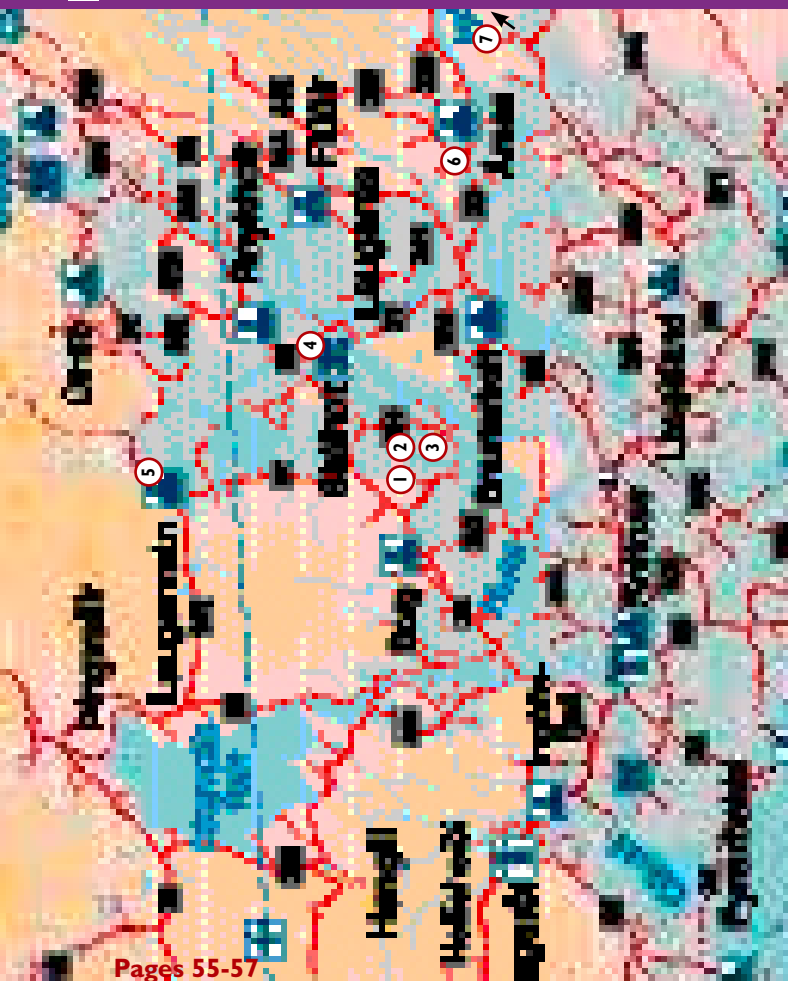


The oldest part of the house stems from 1927. A group of women started to meet there to work with the indigenous wool. A carding machine was custom-made for the Icelandic fleece and many articles took shape when dyeing the yarn and felting was added as well.



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 Sigríður Gestsdóttir Arts, +354 862-5077
 Árnessýsla Archives, +354 482-1259
 Selfoss Library and Listagjá Gallery, +354 480-1980
 Svandís Kandís, +354 823-7923 / +354 482-1065
 Eyrarbakki Library, +354 480-1991
 MenningarStaður, +354 898-4240
 Regina Handicraft Gallery, +354 483-1143
 Óðinshús og gamla rafstöðin Art Studio, +354 896-2866
 Maritime Museum, +354 483-1504
 Lista- og menningarverstöðin Cultural Centre, +354 486-1600
 Icelandic Wonders, +354 483-1202
 The Ghost Centre, +354 483-1202
 Aurora Experience, +354 895-0020
 The Wildlife Museum, +354 483-1558
 The Dairy Farm, +354 483-1082
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1 Eco-village Sólheimar

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www.solheimar.is



Sólheimar is a sustainable community where roughly 100 individuals live and work together. Sólheimar was established in 1930 by Sesselja Hreindís Sigmundsdóttir (1902-1974). The focus in the community is on the wellbeing of people and nature.

2 Sesselja House – sustainability centre at Sólheimar

Sólheimar, Grímsnes, 801 Grímsnes



+354 480-4400 / +354 898-4483



solheimar@solheimar.is



www.solheimar.is / www.sesseljuhus.is



Sesseljuhus Centre for Sustainable Development provides an educational experience focusing on sustainable buildings, environmental exhibitions, seminars and courses. In addition, there are excellent facilities for meetings and courses as well as conferences.

3 Vala art gallery at Sólheimar

Sólheimar, Grímsnes, 801 Grímsnes



+354 480-4450 / +354 856-0450



All year round



vala@solheimar.is



www.solheimar.is



Vala, the shopping centre of Sólheimar, provides merchandise produced in Sólheimar, certified organic products as well as traditional products. The Sólheimar Art Boutique is housed in the same building as the Vala shop. The gallery displays and sells crafts made by Sólheimar residents.

**4 Skálholt**

	Skálholt, 801 Bláskógabyggð
	+354 486-8870 / +354 486-8872
	skoli@skalholt.is / info@skalholt.is
	www.skalholt.is



Skálholt in Biskupstungur is one of Iceland's most important historical sites. The present school at Skálholt is an educational and cultural centre for the national protestant church. There are marked paths around Skálholt's historically rich cathedral and guided tours are available for groups.

5 Gallerí Laugarvatn

	Háholt 1, 840 Laugarvatn
	+354 486-1016 / +354 847-0805
	13-18 every day
	galleri@simnet.is
	www.gallerilaugarvatn.is



Gallerí Laugarvatn is a gallery and café offering Icelandic handicrafts and art, wool, clay, wood, glass and iron. Everything is handcrafted by the owners and people in the area. We are very well located on the golden circle.

6 The Þjórsá Visitor Centre at Árnes

	Félagshemilið Árnes, 801 Skeiða-og Gnúpverjahreppur
	+354 486-6115
	thjorsarstofa@skeidgnup.is
	www.thjorsarstofa.is



The objective of the Visitor Centre is to provide information on the land and its nature, the people and history of the Þjórsá region, and the services available there, with the principal focus on the great Þjórsá river itself. The Þjórsá river valley (Þjórsárdalur) is one of the most magnificent regions of South Iceland, with diverse nature and a colourful history, which is now made accessible to visitors through an exhibition, multimedia-presentation and other information at the Þjórsá Visitor Centre.

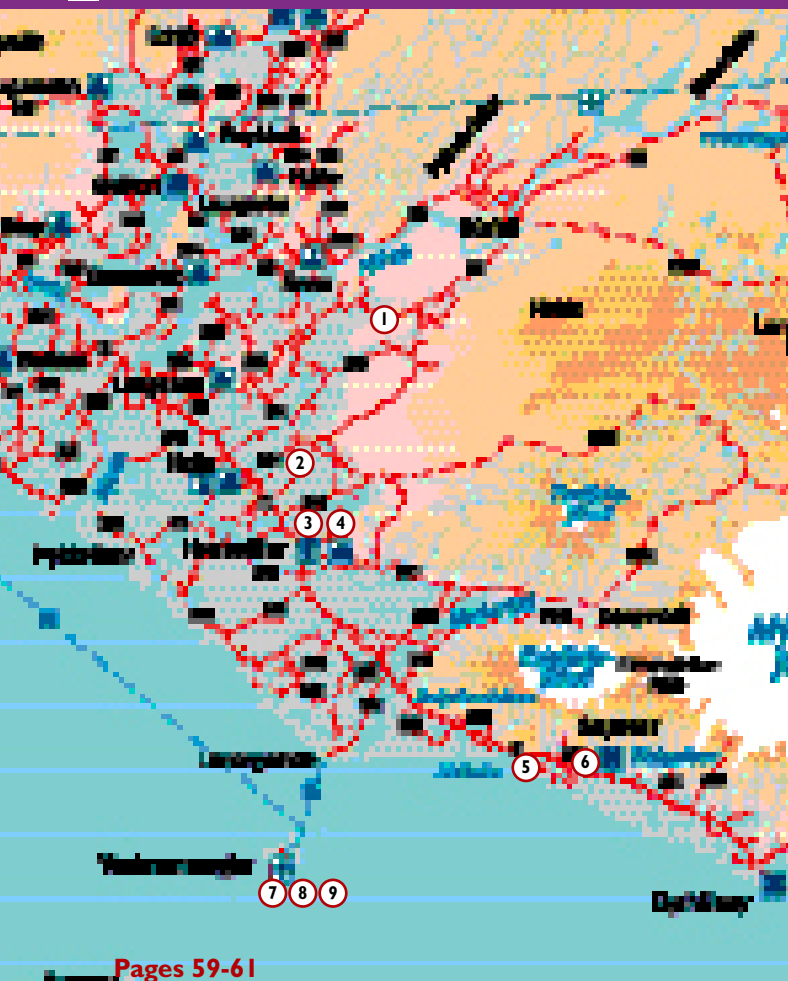
7 The Commonwealth Farm in Þjórsárdalur

	Þjórsárdalur, 801 Skeiða-og Gnúpverjahreppur
	+354 488-7713
	Open daily 10:00-18:00, June 1st – August 31st
	www.thjodveldisbaer.is



The farmhouse, built on the site of one of the manor farms of the Age of Settlement, is constructed as experts thought it would have been. Visitors have the opportunity of acquainting themselves with the buildings the Icelanders' ancestors lived in and of learning about the conditions they lived in and about their daily life. The Commonwealth Farm is based on the ruins of the former manor farm, Stöng in Þjórsárdalur, which is considered to have been abandoned after its destruction in the Hekla eruption in the year 1104.

Þingvellir Interpretive Centre, +354 482-3613
Geysir Centre, multimedia exhibition, +354 480-6800
Gröf, Emil Ásgeirsson Collection, +354 486-6634
Brágginn Leir og kaffi, +354 897-9923
Búrfell Hydropower Station, +354 488-7700
Saga-Age Farmhouse, +354 488-7713

**1 Hekla Centre**

	Leirubakki, 851 Hella
	+354 487-8700
	leirubakki@leirubakki.is
	www.leirubakki.is



The Hekla Centre houses a contemporary, multimedia exhibition on Hekla mountain. The exhibition emphasises the influence of the volcano on the inhabited areas close to it, the districts of Landsveit, Holt, and Rangárvellir.

2 Sagnagarður Visitor Centre

	Gunnarsholt, 851 Hella
	+354 488-3000
	1st June – 31st August, 09:00 – 17:00. Otherwise by request
	sagnagardur@land.is
	www.sagnagardur.land.is



Sagnagarður is the information- and visitor centre of the Soil Conservation Service of Iceland. The exhibition presents the battle against the harsh forces of nature and the consequences of volcanic eruptions and gives an account of the pioneers in land reclamation.

3 Eldstó Art Gallery

	Austurvegur 2, 860 Hvalsóllur
	+354 482-1011 / +354 691-3033
	May – August: 11 am until 10 pm (11-22) 7 days a week
	eldsto@eldsto.is
	www.eldsto.is



The couple Þór Sveinsson, potter, and G. Helga Ingadóttir singer / pottery artist are the proud owners of Eldstó Art Gallery as well as the Café and Guesthouse. Their appealing applied art creations are glazed with volcanic glaze, made from pumice and other volcanic substances from the volcanoes Hekla and Eyjafjallajökull and clay from Búðardalur in western Iceland.

**4 Saga Centre Hvolsvöllur**

- Hlíðarvegur 14, 860 Hvolsvöllur
- +354 487-8781
- May to September: every day 9 am to 18 pm
October to May: every weekend 10 am to 17 pm
- njala@njala.is
- www.njala.is



The Saga Centre is a pioneer of historical and cultural tourism in Iceland. Viking costumes and weapons for kids to play with. Guided tours around Njal's Saga region available.

5 Eyjafjallajökull Erupts Visitor Centre

- Þorvaldseyri, 861 Hvolsvöllur
- +354 487-5757
- All year round
- info@icelanderupts.is
- www.icelanderupts.is



The Þorvaldseyri Visitor Centre opened on April 14, 2011, exactly one year after the Eyjafjallajökull eruption started. As a family-run facility, the goal is to give visitors a personal look at what it is like to have a volcano at one's back door.

6 Skógar Museum

- Skógar, 861 Hvolsvöllur
- +354 487-8845
- All year round
- skogasafn@skogasafn.is
- http://www.skogasafn.is



Skógar Museum was founded in 1949 and preserves the cultural heritage of South Iceland. The collection took place at a turning point in the history of the Icelandic nation. The Museum of Transport and Communication has a spacious cafeteria and a beautiful souvenir shop.

7 Sagnheimar Folk Museum

- Safnahúsið við Ráðhúströð, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
- +354 488-2045
- Summer: 16th May - 15th Sept. Daily 11.00-17.00
Winter: 16th Sept. - 15th May Saturdays 13.00-16.00
- sagnheimar@sagnheimaris
- www.sagnheimaris



The museum tells the islands' history; the Pirate Raid in 1627; the volcanic eruption in 1973 with recordings of islanders describing their personal experiences; the fishermen's life – is this the most dangerous profession in the world?

8 Sæheimar: Aquarium and Museum of Natural History

- Hlíðarvegur 12, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
- +354-481-1997 / +354 863-8228
- Summer: 16th May - 15th Sept. Daily 11.00-17.00
Winter: 16th Sept. - 15th May Saturdays 13.00-16.00
- saeheimar@setur.is
- www.saeheimaris



In addition to live fish and other marine creatures, the museum includes a large collection of stuffed Icelandic birds and fish, along with a collection of Icelandic minerals.

9 Eldheimar

- Suðurvegur / Gerðisbraut 10 900 Vestmannaeyjar
- +354 488-2700
- All year round
- eldheimar@vestmannaeyjar.is
- www.eldheimaris



The exhibition focuses on the 1973 volcanic eruption in Vestmannaeyjar; without a doubt one of Iceland's biggest natural disasters. Visitors get a glimpse into people's lives on Heimaey before the eruption that would change their lives forever.



Dóru Gallery, Hákot, +354 487-5618
Keldur - An old farmhouse,
Hekla Gallery and Handicrafts, +354 487-1373
Hella Library, +354 487-5745
Hof in Fljótshlíð, +354 863-4662
Gallery Þrjónles, +354 487-8093
Gallery Þórunn Sigurðardóttir, +354 487-5090
Glófi Wool Outlet, +354 487-8294
Guðfinna Gallery, +354 487-6560
Kambur Gallery, +354 487-6554
Njálurefill, +354 861-8687 / +354 892-6902
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Skansinn Area, +354 488-2040
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Gallerí Steinu, +354 481-3208
Gallerí Þrýði, +354 481-1569
Vestmannaeyjar Archive, +354 481-3194
Þekkingarsetur Vestmannaeyja, +354 481-1111
Woolshop Studio 7, +354 481-2179



**1 Icelandwear / Víkurþrjón**

	Austurvegur 20, 870 Vík
	+354 487-1250
	All year round
	om@icewear.is
	www.icewear.is



Icelandwear / Víkurþrjón in Vík in Mýrdalur is one of the oldest wool production companies in Iceland. Víkurþrjón puts special emphasis on providing authentic products made entirely in Iceland. In fact, if you have any doubts you can simply take a tour of the factory while visiting the store.

2 Kátla Centre – Centre of Culture and Tourism

	Brydebúð, Víkurbraut 28, 870 Vík
	+354 487-1395
	info@vik.is
	www.visitvik.is



Kötlusetur is located in the heart of the village of Vík. Our location in Brydebúð, the oldest building of the village of Vík, houses an extensive Kátla-volcano exhibition and our giftshop, featuring local handicrafts and various books on Iceland, as well as the information desk.

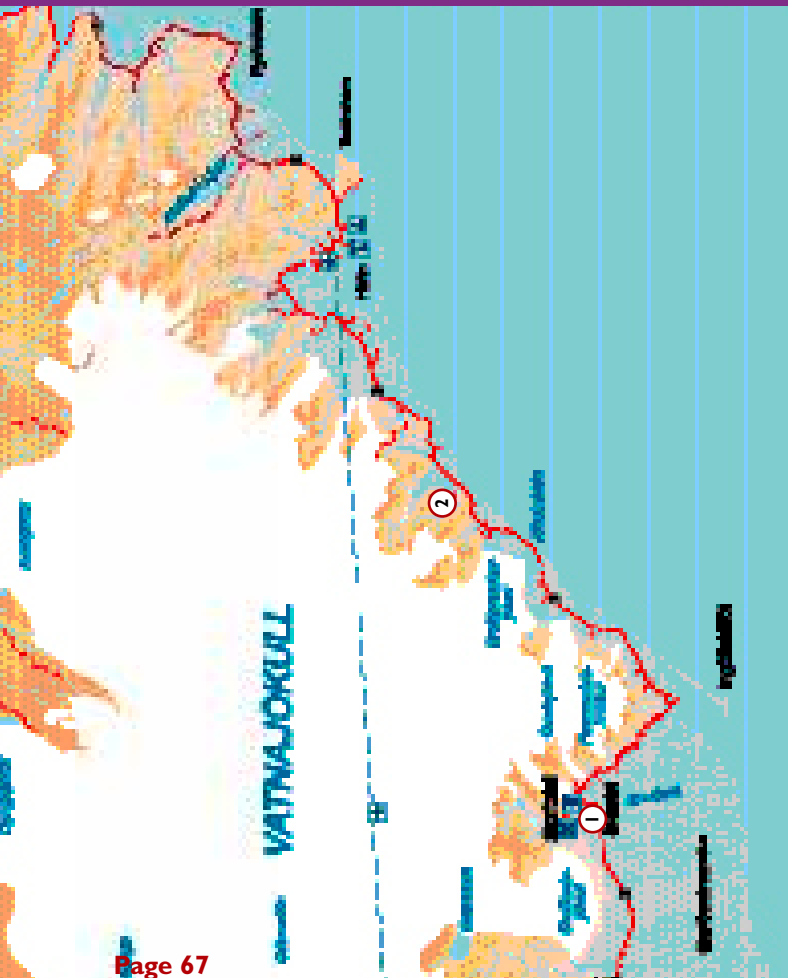
3 Kirkjubæjarstofa – Research and Cultural Centre

	Klausturvegur 2, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
	+354 487-4645
	June -August
	kbstofa@simnet.is
	www.kbkl.is



An exhibition and a study centre on the nature, history and culture of the region.

Kirkjubæjarklaustur Library, +354 487-4808

**1 Skaftafell - Visitor Centre**

Skaftafell, 785 Öræfi



+354 470-8300



skaftafell@vjp.is



www.vjp.is



An information and education centre about the Skaftafell area and Vatnajökull National Park: its nature, attractions, hiking trails, accommodation, nearby recreational options and more. An exhibition tells the story of local residents who through the ages have lived in close proximity of frequent volcanic eruptions and glacier outburst floods.

2 Þórbergissetur Cultural Centre

Suðursveit, 781 Hornafjörður



+354 478-1078



thorbergissetur@thorbergissetur.is



www.thorbergissetur.is



The Þórbergur Centre was established in memory of the famous Icelandic writer Þórbergur Þórðarsson (1888-1974), who was born in Hali in Suðursveit. The centre includes a heritage museum and unique exhibitions of the district Suðursveit and the writer Þórbergur Þórðarson, his life and work.

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Handraðinn, +354 868-7028

Nýheimar, +354 470-8050

Hornafjörður Cultural Centre, +354 470-8050

Skreiðarskemman, +354 470-8330

Mikligarður, +354 470-8330


Huldusteinn, +354 478-2240

Hornafjörður Art Museum, +354 470-8000






Laugaskarð Swimming Pool

 Laugaskarð, 810 Hveragerði

 +354 483-4113


 All year round



Selfoss Swimming Pool


 Bankavegur, 800 Selfoss

 +354 480-1960


 All year round



Þorlákshöfn Swimming Pool and Sports Centre


 Hafnarberg 1, 815 Þorlákshöfn


 +354 483-3807


 All year round



Stokkseyri Swimming Pool


 Eyrarbraut, 825 Stokkseyri


 +354 480-3260

 All year round



Borg Swimming Pool


 Borg, 801 Grímsnes


 +354 486-4402

 All year round



Reykholt Swimming Pool

 Aratunga, 801 Biskupstungur

 +354 486-8807


 All year round



Laugarvatn Swimming Pool

 Hverabraut 2, 840 Laugarvatn


 +354 486-1251


 All year round



Flúðir Swimming Pool

 845 Flúðir




 +354 486-6790

 All year round








Neslaug Swimming Pool

	Árnes, 801 Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur
	+354 486-6117
	All year round






Hvolsvöllur Swimming Pool

	Vallarbraut, 860 Hvolsvöllur
	+354 488-4295
	All year round






Skeiðalaug Swimming Pool

	Brautarholt, 801 Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur
	+354 486-5500
	All year round






Vík Swimming Pool

	Mánabraut 3, 870 Vík
	+354 487-1174
	All year round






Laugaland Swimming Pool

	Laugaland, 851 Hella
	+354 487-6545
	All year round






Kirkjubæjarklaustur Swimming Pool

	Klausturvegur 15, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
	+354 487-4656
	All year round






Hella Swimming Pool

	Útskálur 6, 850 Hella
	+354 488-7040
	All year round








Höfn Swimming Pool

	Víkurbraut 9, 780 Hornafjörður
	+354 470-8477
	All year round





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-  All year round
-  iceland@grayline.is
-  www.grayline.is



Enjoy Iceland with the leading tour operator in Iceland offering first class services, safety and flexibility. Whether you would like to join an activity tour, go to the airport, do some sightseeing or just relax, you can be sure to find a tour that suits your budget and time schedule in our large selection of tours!

Reykjavík Excursions

-  BSÍ Bus Terminal, 101 Reykjavík
-  +354 580-5400
-  All year round
-  main@re.is
-  www.re.is



Reykjavík Excursions (RE) is a well-established but progressive company in Icelandic tourism. For more than 30 years RE have successfully operated the Flybus between Keflavik airport and Reykjavik city or vice versa. The Flybus is fast, frequent and on schedule every day of the week, all the year round.

TREX Travel Experiences

-  Hesthåls 10, 110 Reykjavík
-  +354 587-6000
-  All year round
-  info@trex.is
-  www.trex.is



We are a coach rental service with a large number of coaches of all types and sizes. We specialise in organising coach tours and hiking tours for groups. There are daily departures to the attractive areas of Þórsörk and Landmannalaugar in the highlands during the summer.

Snæland Travel

-  Langholtiðvegur 115, 104 Reykjavík
-  +354 588-8660
-  All year round
-  snaeland@snaeland.is
-  www.snaeland.is



As well as offering coach tours, Snæland Travel gives you the opportunity to explore remote areas in a super jeep. A Super Jeep Safari is something travellers should add to their itinerary when visiting Iceland. Snæland Travel offers this exciting type of excursion for both individuals and groups.





Pink Iceland

-  Hverfisgata 39, 101 Reykjavík
-  +354 562-1919
-  All year round
-  pinkiceland@pinkiceland.is
-  www.pinkiceland.is



Pink Iceland is Iceland's first and foremost LGBT travel, wedding and events expert. Pink Iceland operates day tours for individuals and always has small groups, with gay & gay friendly guides and a lot of fun. Pink Iceland also plans weddings for gay and straight couples in Iceland as well as organising Iceland's Winter Pride festival Rainbow Reykjavik.

HL Adventure

-  Vesturvör 30b, 200 Kópavogur
-  +354 568-3030
-  All year round
-  info@hl.is
-  www.hl.is





HL Adventure is a Destination Management Company (DMC) and an authorised tour operator based in Iceland. As a DMC with first-hand knowledge of the local scene, HL Adventure handles all arrangements from start to finish, including accommodation, ground transfer, venue sourcing, entertainment, dining and much more.



Guide to Iceland

 Laugavegur 12, 101 Reykjavik

 +354 519-7999

 All year round

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 www.guidetoiceland.is



On our web site you can find the best nature and adventure tours in Iceland.





1 Iceland Activities



Mánamörk 3-5 810 Hveragerði



+354 777-6263



icelandactivities@icelandactivities.is



www.icelandactivities.is



Our goal is to take you out of the main tourist areas and into Iceland's unique nature and show you all the remarkable things that make Iceland so amazing. We offer various tours ranging from two hours up to a day trip, many of our tours are also available in the evening sun.

2 Volcano Horses



Vellir, 816 Ölfus



+354 480-4800



All year round



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www.eldhestar.is



Eldhestar / Volcano Horses offers the largest selection of riding tours in Iceland. Most of our half-day tours and day tours are available all the year round. Here everyone, individuals and groups, can experience the variety of the landscape, the history, the culture and the soul of the land and the people, as well as the special gait of the Icelandic horse - tölt.

3 Sólhestar



Borgargerði, 801 Selfoss



+354 892-3066



All year round



solhestar@solhestar.is



www.solhestar.is



Sólhestar is a horse rental that offers a broad variety of exciting riding tours. Sólhestar is located just 30 minutes (by car) from Reykjavík. The riding tours take place in the beautiful surroundings of Ölfus in the southern part of Iceland.



4 Fákasel

	Ingólfshvöll, 816 Ölfus
	+354 483 5050
	All year round
	fakasel@fakasel.is
	www.fakasel.is



Experience Iceland's only horse park where guests can mingle with locals, dine on fresh Icelandic food and, most importantly, get to know our unique breed of horse. At Fákasel, guests will be introduced to the unique story of the Icelandic horse, its distinctive features and its important role in Icelandic history and culture.

5 Easy Iceland

	800 Selfoss
	+354 776-1100
	All year round
	info@easyiceland.is
	www.easyiceland.is



Easy Iceland is a sightseeing and adventure travel operator located in Selfoss in South Iceland. We specialise in tours in the south of Iceland so that you can experience some of Iceland's unique nature.

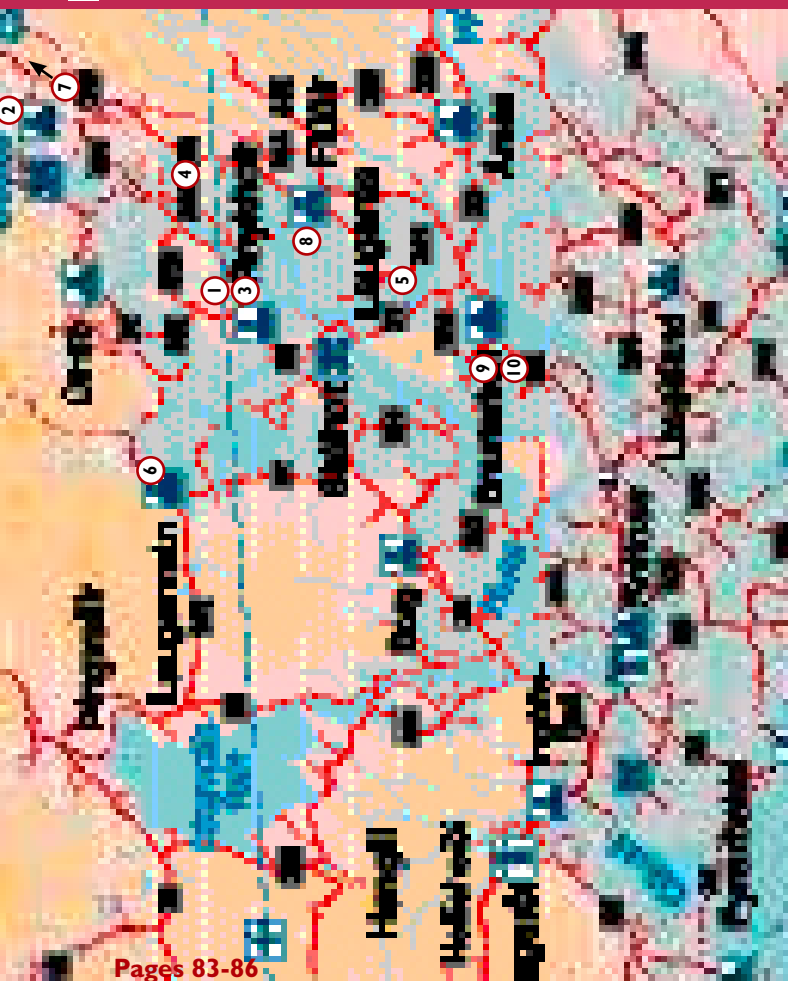
6 Iceland South Coast Travel

	Lambastaðir, 801 Flóahreppur
	+354 777-0705
	All year round
	info@isct.is
	www.isct.is



Iceland South Coast Travel is a family company specialised in organising guided day tours in South Iceland on four-wheel-drive vehicles. The vehicles are comfortable and well equipped and the driver is also the guide (driver-guide).

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 Iceland Naturalist, +354 483-4178
 IG Tours, +354 556-5566
 Horticultural College, +354 480-4300
 Aurora Experience, +354 895-0020
 Geiri á Bakkanum, +354 898-4240
 Þorlákshöfn Golf Club, +354 483-3009
 Shooting sports area near Þorlákshöfn
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 Fishing permits, Þorleifslækur, Ölfus, +354 557 -6100
 Fishing permits, Hlíðarvatn, Selvogur, +354 483-3848
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 Hvíta húsið Sports Bar and Club, +354 480-0109
 Frón Nightclub, +354 662-4867
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 Kayak trips, +354 896-5716
 Sveitakráin Krán Country Pub, +354 897-7643
 Dogsledding Iceland, +354 899-1791
 Hólaborg, +354 664-8080 / +354 664-8088
 Offroad Iceland, +354 891-8891
 Travel North, +354 588-0054
 Northern Explorer, +354 720-0023
 Paintball, +354 857-2000
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 K-Tours, +354 892-1340
 Hallandi fishing permits, +354 695-9833



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1 Friðheimar

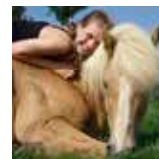
- Reykholt, 801 Bláskógabyggð
- +354 486-8894 or +354 897-1915
- All year round, advance booking
- fridheimar@fridheimar.is
- www.fridheimar.is



Friðheimar offers a greenhouse visit where guests are informed about how the Icelanders grow vegetables the whole year around with help from nature. A horse show is available where the history and gaits of the Icelandic horse is introduced in a light and professional way in a nice environment.

2 Geysir Hestar Horse Rental

- Kjóstaðir 2, 801 Bláskógabyggð
- +354 847-1046
- All year round
- asakjoa@visir.is
- www.geysirhestar.com



Our horse rental is located in the hottest spot in Iceland just between Gullfoss and Geysir. We can offer you private rides with stunning views. Our horses will take you along the steep canyon, up to Gullfoss waterfall or over rivers in the forest and around the Geysir area.

3 Iceland Riverjet

- Skólbraut 4, Reykholt, 801 Bláskógabyggð
- +354 863-4506
- April-October
- contact@icelandriverjet.is
- www.icelandriverjet.is



Prepare yourself for breathtaking excitement and visually stunning landscapes! Jet boat trips in Hvítá river are a thrill-seeking adventure suitable for everyone.







4 Arctic Rafting

-  Drumboddsstaðir, 801 Biskupstungur
-  +354 571-2200
-  1st of May - 1st of October
-  info@arcticrafting.is
-  www.arcticrafting.is



Arctic Rafting is an eco-adventure rafting company based in South Iceland, North Iceland and Reykjavik. Our roots lie in the first adventure company founded in Iceland. We have been rafting the same river from the same base camp for 28 years!

5 Guesthouse Syðra-Langholt

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-  +354 486-6574
-  All year round
-  sydralangholt@gmail.com
-  www.sydralangholt.is



At Syðra-Langholt we run a guesthouse, a camping site and a horse rental. The surrounding nature is beautiful and close to many "must-see" places, like Geysir, Gullfoss and Stöng.

6 Laugarvatn Fontana

-  Hverabraut 1, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354 486-1400
-  All year round - Every day
-  fontana@fontana.is
-  www.fontana.is



Laugarvatn Fontana geothermal baths have been used by locals since the settlement of Iceland. The geothermal activity provides endless natural steam and hot water from the grounds.

7 Mountaineers of Iceland

-  Skútuvogur 12 E, 104 Reykjavík
-  +354 580-9900
-  All year round
-  ice@moutaineers.is
-  www.mountaineers.is



The Ultimate Iceland Adventure. Mountaineers of Iceland offer exciting day tours and tailor made programs throughout the year. Specially built 4-wheel-drive vehicles are the ideal way to explore Iceland.




8 The golf course and farmers' market at Kaffi-Sel

-  Efra-Sel, 845 Flúðir
-  +354 486-6454 / +354 891-7811
-  15th April - 15th September and upon request for groups
-  info@kaffisel.is
-  www.kaffisel.is



The golf course "Selsvöllur" is located at the farm Efra-Sel, nearby the village Flúðir. It is an 18-hole golf course surrounded by trees, but also has a great view to the highlands. At Efra-Sel you will find a farmers' market which offers fresh agricultural products from local farmers, such as vegetables, meat and fish.

9 Vorsabær 2, farm visit, horse riding

-  Vorsabær 2, 801 Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur
-  +354 486-5522
-  All year round
-  bjornjo@vorsabae2.is
-  www.vorsabae2.is



Accommodation in a cosy house with a kitchen and a living room where up to 10 people can stay at a time. The view from the house is breathtaking and in the east the famous volcano Hekla dominates.



10 The Golf Course at Hótel Hekla



Brjansstaðir, 801 Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur



+354 486-5540



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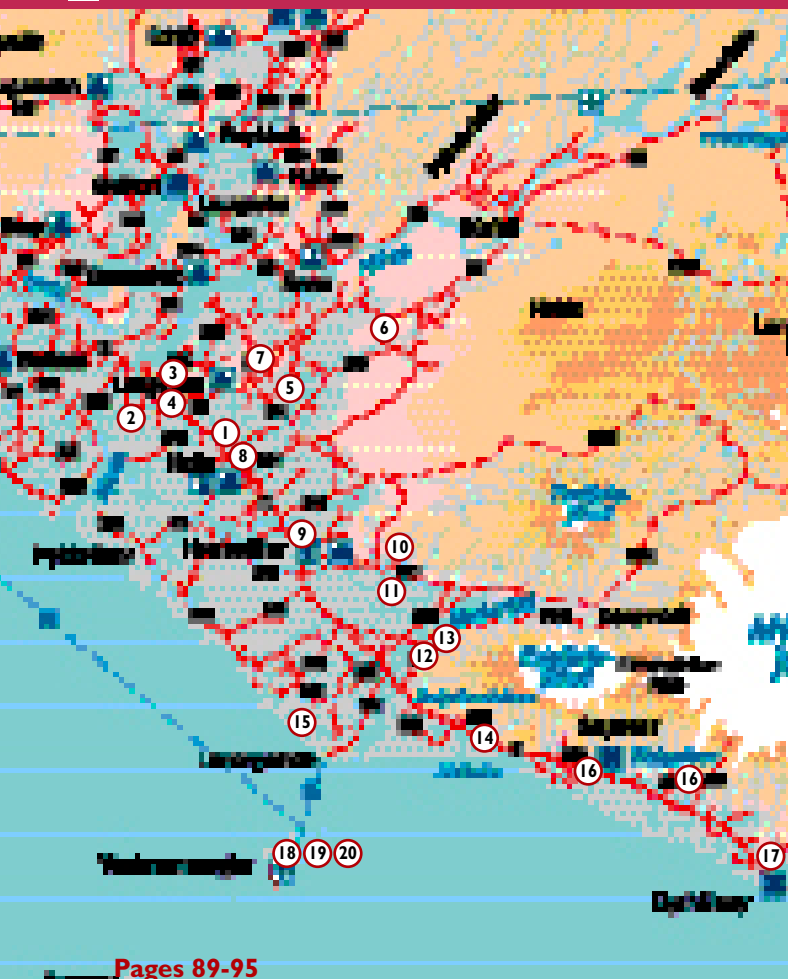
www.hotelhekla.is







A beautiful area for golfing. The golf range is situated around the hotel. From the golf course you get the clearest view in Iceland of the famous volcano Hekla.

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 Kíðjabergr Golf Course, +354 486-4495
 Öndverðarnes Golf Course, +354 482-3380
 IceBlue Lodge, +354 659-1000
 HÍÚFA, +354 866-4896
 Laugarvatn Adventure, +354 771-6869
 Miðdalur Golf Course, + 354 893-0210
 Hestakráin, +354 486-5616
 Slakki, +354 486-8783
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 Engi, +354 486-8913
 Espiflöt, +354 896-8720
 Hrosshagi, +354 861-1915
 Ásatún Golf Course+354 486-6601
 Secret Lagoon, +354 555-3351
 Arnarholt, +354 696-9824
 Paint Ball, +354 770-7830 / +354 699-8739
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 An art studio in a stable, +354 695-1541
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1 South Tour ehf

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 www.southtour.is



Having grown up and raised in the small southern town of Hella, we truly know the endless opportunities our area has to offer. Our goal is to treat you like one of our own and share with you some of those unique spots that no other company currently targets.

2 Kálfholt Riding Tours

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 All year round
 kalfholt@kalfholt.is
 www.kalfholt.is



At the breeding farm Kálfholt, located 70 km from Reykjavík, we proudly offer a wide range of good riding horses, suiting everyone from first-timers to experienced riders. From the farm you can take shorter day tours, lasting from one and up to five hours.

3 Herriðarhóll - farm, guesthouse and riding trips

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 +354 487-5252 / +354 899-1759
 June to September
 herridarholl@herridarholl.is
 www.herridarholl.is

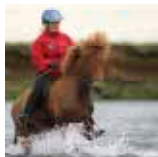


We offer accommodation in five cosy and comfortable double rooms, a big lounge, a beautiful garden and two jacuzzis. Our riding trips are from 1 hour (suitable for everybody) up to several days' rides in small groups



4 Hestheimar Farm holiday and riding tours

	Hestheimar, 851 Hella
	+354 487-6666 / +354 861-3738
	All year round, except December 20th – January 10th
	hestheimar@hestheimar.is
	www.hestheimar.is



Accommodation in 12 double rooms, 6 cosy cottages and an apartment with a private bathroom and a kitchenette. Sleeping bag accommodation for 20 persons in a cosy barn loft. 2 hot pots and a great view over the volcano Hekla and Eyjafjallajökull.

5 Hekluhestar Riding Tours

	Austvaðsholt, Holtá- og Landsveit, 851 Hella
	+354 487-6598
	hekluhestar@hekluhestar.is
	www.hekluhestar.is



Horses are the focal point of activity, bred and trained for guest use. They are perfectly adapted to their ground, from the grassy meadows and river ranges to the rugged desert highlands and volcanic fields.

6 Leirubakki Horse Farm

	Leirubakki, 851 Hella
	+354 487-8700
	leirubakki@leirubakki.is
	www.leirubakki.is



This is a new hotel with an outstanding restaurant. In the Hekla Centre you will find an information centre for tourists as well as an innovative and stylish exhibition on Iceland's most famous and active volcano, Hekla. In Leirubakki, guests can also enjoy a pleasant camping ground with access to a nature pool and riding tours tailor-made for each individual.

7 Icelandic Horse World - Visitor Centre

	Skeiðvellir, 851 Hella
	+354 899-5619 / +354 897-3648
	All year by bookings
	info@iceevents.is
	www.iceevents.is



The visitor centre is located on the horse breeding farm Skeiðvellir in South Iceland. In the visitor centre you can walk around in the spacious stable, touch and groom and pet the horses. Combine your visit with a 1 hour riding tour on our friendly horses. We also offer horse rental for young children in the riding hall where our guides lead them around.

8 Norðurflug – Helicopter Tours

	Reykjavík Domestic Airport - behind Icelandair Hotel Natura, 101 Reykjavík
	+354 562-2500
	All year round
	info@helicopter.is
	www.helicopter.is



Norðurflug Helicopter Tours is the largest helicopter service in Iceland and it has a long reputation of exceptional customer service and high operational standards. The company owns and operates an elegant fleet of black luxurious helicopters, flown by the most experienced pilots in the private sector.

9 South Iceland Adventure

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	+354 770 2030
	All year round
	info@siadv.is
	www.siadv.is



South Iceland Adventure is a premier, all-year-round travel agency and a tour operator able to both organise your whole trip to Iceland and take you on tours.



10 ATV Travel

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	All year round
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	www.atvtravel.is



Our beautiful and magnificent highlands all year round. Have an amazing trip of your choice to see for example Eyjafjallajökull, Hekla, Þórsörk, Markarfljótsgljúfur, Landmannalaugar, Vestmannaeyjar and more.

11 Hellishólar Golf Course, Golfschool, Fishing and Horse Rental

	Hellishólar Fjótshlíð, 861 Hvolsvöllur
	+354 487-8360
	hellisholar@hellisholar.is
	www.hellisholar.is



Hellishólar offers an 18-hole golf course. At Hellishólar you also find a horse rental for individuals or groups. Guided tours around the area are available and are suitable for people from any age group, skilled riders or first-timers. Fishing rods for children and grown-ups are for sale at Hellishólar.

12 Southcoast Adventure

	Skálakot, 861 Hvolsvöllur
	+354 867-3535
	All year around
	info@southadventure.is
	www.southadventure.is



Southcoast Adventure operates a wide selection of activities all year round in the Eyjafjallajökull region. Join us for a super jeep tour to the top of Eyjafjallajökull, into Þórsörk or Landmannalaugar.

13 Into the Wild

	Stóra-Mörk 2, 861 Hvolsvöllur
	+354 866-3301
	All year round
	info@intothewild.is
	www.intothewild.is



Into the Wild offers first class, tailor-made Super-jeep adventure tours. Would you like to take a walk through an underground river or stand face to face with a magnificent glacier while strolling up a mystical canyon? This adventure and even more are possible during an Into the Wild trip.

14 Skálakot Horse Rental

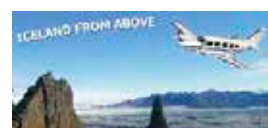
	Vestur-Eyjafjöll, 861 Hvolsvöllur
	+354 487-8953
	All year round
	info@skalakot.com
	www.skalakot.com



One thing that you must do – go horseback riding! We offer horse trips from one hour up to several days of riding. Good horses with experience, suitable for everyone. Great trails in a beautiful landscape. All further information about our tours is available on the homepage.

15 Atlantsflug

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	www.flightseeing.is



Atlantsflug offers sightseeing flights from Skaftafell National Park, Bakki Airport on the south coast and from Reykjavik Airport. Our tours vary from 30-75 minutes and up to a full day tour from Reykjavik or Bakki Airport to Skaftafell National Park. We provide service for professional photographers on especially equipped aircraft for aerial photography.



16 Icelandic Mountain Guides

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- mountainguides@mountainguides.is
- www.mountainguides.is



Icelandic Mountain Guides is an outdoor and adventure tour specialist in Iceland now in its 20th year of continuous operation. We offer a wide selection of day and multi-day tours of different levels, ensuring that we can provide adventure for all. Icelandic Mountain Guides are recognised for their innovation in outdoor activities, client-safety and for upholding an active environmental policy

17 True Adventure

- Norður-Vík, Suðurvíkuvægur 5, 870 Vík í Mýrdal
- +354 848-3222
- April - September
- trueadventure@trueadventure.is
- www.trueadventure.is



True Adventure is a team of the most experienced tandem paragliding pilots in the country. Join us for a day that you will never forget, and experience the magic of free flight.

18 Viking Tours

- Tangagata 7, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
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- All year round
- viking@vikingtours.is
- www.vikingtours.is



Viking tours is a fully licensed travel operator with many years of experience in Vestmannaeyjar, the Westman Islands. We can offer you a wide range of magnificent experiences in Vestmannaeyjar, like boat tours, bus tours, hiking tours and catering services.

19 Ribsafari

- Áshamar 48, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
- +354 661-1810
- info@ribsafari.is
- www.ribsafari.is



Experience Vestmannaeyjar in a new and exciting way.

20 Segway Tours

- Básaskersbryggja 2, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
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- www.segwaytours.is



Segway Tours, which was founded in 2010, is the first Segway PT rental in Iceland. The environment is very important to us at Segway Tours which makes touring the island by Segway PT the perfect choice, as they are environmentally friendly and silent.

Cave Tours, +354 487-6583
 Hraunhestar Horse Rental, +354 566-6693
 Horsetravel.is, +354 862-8101 / +354 772-8883
 Topperðir Snowcar Tours, +354 487-5530
 Hella Horse Rental, +354 864-5950
 Hekluferðir Hiking Tours, +354 487-6611
 Strandarvöllur Golf Course, +354 487-8208
 Ás Horse Farm, Horse Rental,
 +354 487-5064 / +354 897-3064
 Hekla Travel, +354 898-8300
 Torfastaðir - Horse Farm and Riding Tours,
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1 Hólasport

	Hótel Laki, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
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	All year round
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	www.holasport.is



We will take you out of the beaten track and see hidden places that are still undisturbed and untouched. Laki craters day tours on a heavily modified super-jeep is an unforgettable experience.

2 Geirland

	880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
	+354 487-4677 / +354 897-7618
	fax + 354 487-4815
	geirland@centrum.is
	www.geirland.is



Hótel Geirland offers two 7-8 hour day trips during the summer, with a driver-guide. Departure from the petrol station at Kirkjubæjarklaustur; every day at 9 o'clock. Take in the magnificent landscape at Langisjór lake, known as one of the most beautiful and unique places in Icelandic nature.

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 Dyrhólaey Tours, +354 4870-8500
 Vellir Horse Rental, +354 487-1312
 Golf Course in Vík, +354 862-5111
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 Katlatrack, +354 849-4404
 Slóðir, +354 852-2012
 Flandur Trips, +354 899-8767
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1 Icelandic Mountain Guides

	Skaftafell National Park
	+354 894-2959 / 587-9999
	All year round
	mountainguides@mountainguides.is
	www.mountainguides.is



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2 Glacier Guides

	Skaftafell
	+354 659-7000
	15th May - 15th September
	info@glacierguides.is
	www.glacierguides.is



At Glacier Guides our goal is to meet and exceed our guests' expectations by providing an extraordinary experience in an informative and personal way. Our team of dedicated, professional guides combines their wealth of mountain knowledge and local expertise to guide you through the terrain. We are internationally recognised and the American Mountain Guide Association (AMGA) has accredited our guiding operation.

3 Local Guide




	Fagurhólsmýri, 785 Örnefi
	+354 478-1682 / +354 894-0894
	All year round
	info@localguide.is
	www.localguide.is



We are a family company that has been running trips in the Vatnajökull region since 1991. In the summertime we offer our popular Puffintour to Ingólfs hófði, on a tractor-drawn hay cart and in the wintertime we organise daily trips to the ice caves located in Vatnajökull.



4 The Glacier Lagoon

-  By Breiðamerkurjökull glacier, 785 Örfæri
-  +354 478-2222
-  info@jokulsarlon.is
-  www.jokulsarlon.is



Jökulsárlón is a natural wonder with huge ice-blocks floating on the lagoon right by Road 1, the Ring Road! You can take a 30-40 minute guided boat tour on the amphibian boat or a 1 hour Zodiac tour.

5 Fallastakkur

-  Lækjarhús, 781 Höfn í Hornafirði
-  +354 478-1517
-  All year round
-  laekjarhus@simnet.is
-  www.fallastakkur.is



Fallastakkur is an all-round travel company that offers accommodation, Super Jeep tours to the glacier, mystery tours and sightseeing tours on small busses for smaller groups.






6 Farm Zoo Hólmur

-  Mýrar, 781 Hornafjörður
-  +354 478-1037
-  holmur@eldhorn.is
-  www.eldhorn.is/mg/gisting



This is a farm zoo with Icelandic domestic animals, but they are believed to be one of the purest breeds in the world, as they have been here since the settlement of Iceland. Icelandic sheep and lambs, horses, calves, goats, a pig and various kinds of birds and rabbits are to be found here.

7 Glacier World / Hoffell – adventure activities

-  Hoffell II, 781 Hornafjörður
-  +354 478-1514 / +354 867-7416
-  All year round
-  info@glacierworld.is
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Geology

Iceland lies astride the Mid-Atlantic Ridge where tectonic plates move apart from each other causing a rift zone. In addition a mantle plume is centred under the South of Iceland (Vatnajökull-glacier).

Katla Global Geopark covers about 9% of Iceland (9542 km²). The interaction between the rift zone and the mantle plume results in complex, diverse and frequent volcanic activity in the area, constantly changing the landscape and influencing the pattern of settlement. The Global Geopark is characterised by ice-capped central volcanoes. Outlet glaciers and glacial rivers flow from them resulting in glacial landforms such as moraines and ice-dammed lakes. Glacial outbursts associated with subglacial eruptions have formed outwash plains in the lowlands. Other internationally important geological features are rootless cones and lava fields, and the hyaloclastite ridges, eruptive craters and fissures which trend SW-NE, like the rift zone.

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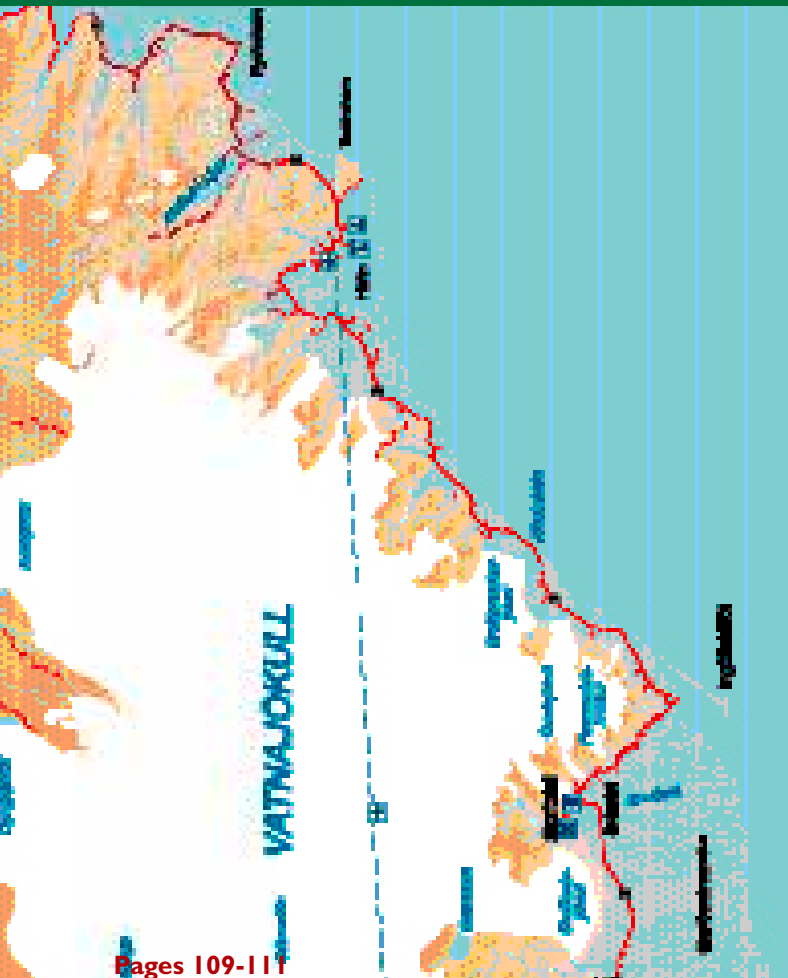
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Vatnajökull National Park

Introduction

Vatnajökull National Park, established in 2008, encompasses not only all of Vatnajökull glacier but also extensive areas surrounding it. These include the national parks previously existing at Skaftafell in the southwest and Jökulsárgljúfur in the north, so that the national park now covers 13% of Iceland and ranks as Europe's largest.

In general, national parks are protected areas which are considered unique because of their nature or cultural heritage. The unique qualities of Vatnajökull National Park are primarily its great variety of landscape features, created by the combined forces of rivers, glacial ice, and volcanic and geothermal activity.

Description

Vatnajökull is Europe's largest glacier; with a surface area of 8,100 km². Generally measuring 400-600 m in thickness and at the most 950 m, the glacial ice conceals a number of mountains, valleys and plateaus. It even hides some active central volcanoes, of which Bárðarbunga is the largest and Grímsvötn the most active. While the icecap rises at its highest to over 2,000 m above sea level, the glacier base reaches its lowest point 300 m below sea level. Nowhere in Iceland, with the exception of Mýrdalsjökull glacier, does more precipitation fall or more water drain to the sea than on the southern side of Vatnajökull. In fact, so much water is currently stored in Vatnajökull that the Icelandic river with the greatest flow, Ölfusá, would need over 200 years to carry this quantity of water to the sea.

The southern side of Vatnajökull is characterised by many high, majestic mountain ridges, with outlet glaciers descending between them down to the lowlands. The southernmost part of the glacier envelops the central volcano Örfajökull and Iceland's highest peak, Hvannadalshnúkur. Sheltered by the high ice, the vegetated oasis of Skaftafell overlooks the black sands deposited to its west by the river Skeiðará. These sands are mostly composed of ash which stems from the frequent eruptions in Grímsvötn and is carried to the coast by jökulhlaup, or glacial floods. Substantial volcanic activity also characterises the landscape west of Vatnajökull, where two of the world's greatest fissure and lava eruptions in historical times occurred, at Eldgjá in 934 and Lakagígar 1783-1784. Vonarskarð, northwest of the glacier, is a colourful high-temperature area and a watershed between North and South Iceland.

Preservation objectives

The objectives of designating Vatnajökull as a preservation area, along with the main regions it affects, are the following:

- To protect the nature of the region, including the landscape, biota and geological formations, as well as cultural features
- To allow the public to get to know and enjoy regional nature, culture and history
- To provide education on nature and nature conservation and on regional history, society and cultural features, as well as encouraging research to gain greater knowledge of these aspects
- To strengthen communities and business activity in the vicinity of the park.



Visitor centres and other tourist information offices working with the park

Visitor centres and other tourist information offices working with the park provide information and services for the park and its immediate environment. The following offices are situated along the south coast of Iceland:

Skaftá Visitor Centre | Kirkjubæjarklaustur | open during the summer

Skaftafell Visitor Centre | Skaftafell | open all year
(except 25th December and 1st January)

Skálafell farm | Suðursveit | varying hours – all year

Hólmur farm | Mýrar | varying hours – all year

Hoffell farm | Nes | varying hours – all year

Gamlabúð, Information and visitor centre | Höfn | all year





1. Reykjavík – Þingvellir –
Lyngdalsheiði – Laugarvatn
– Geysir – Gullfoss – Reykholt
– Hvítárbrú – Flúðir – Þjórsárdalur – Selfoss
– Reykjavík

2. Reykjavík – Þingvellir – Lyngdalsheiði – Laugarvatn –
Geysir – Gullfoss – Brúarhlöð – Flúðir – Hvítárbrú – Reykholt
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Þingvellir – Reykjavík

The Golden Circle

The Golden Circle, “Uppsveitir Árnessýslu”, is one of Iceland’s most popular tourist areas, rich in natural wonders and historical sites. To mention but a few places not to be missed while visiting: Þingvellir National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Geysir, the famous hot spring area, the golden waterfall of Gullfoss, the bishopry site in Skálholt, Þjórsárdalur valley and the Saga Age farm there, as well as Kerið, a volcanic crater. Also well worth a visit are several small charming villages, such as Flúðir, Laugarvatn and Sólheimar. The uplands stretch from Þingvellir National Park to the Þjórsá river and into the central highlands. The population of the area is about 2600 in four municipalities.

There is a great variety of services, accommodation, restaurants and activities in the area. Welcome!

The Golden Circle is now more like a Golden Chain, since new roads and bridges have opened up new opportunities. When travelling from Reykjavík there are several options, as follows:

The Blue Circle

The Blue Circle is a route from Keflavík through Selvogur, Þorlákshöfn, Eyrarbakki, Stokkseyri, Selfoss and Hveragerði. The area offers a lot of different activities for travellers, such as surfing in the ocean at Þorlákshöfn, kayaking in Stokkseyri, horseback riding in Ölfus, hiking and biking tours around the hills in Hveragerði and bathing in natural geothermal pools. You can also visit one of Hveragerði’s many greenhouses and the Geothermal Park, the old church and the lighthouse at Selvogur, the Folk Museum in the Merchant’s House in Eyrarbakki, the Icelandic Wonders Museum in Stokkseyri and the Geothermal Energy Exhibition at Hellisheiði Power Plant.



The Volcano Circle – Katla Global Geopark

The Volcano Circle gives you an opportunity to experience at first hand why Iceland is called the land of ice and fire and how the community adjusts to the volcanic activity. The Eyjafjallajökull area offers a great variety of natural sites, such as Þórsmörk, the new mountain peaks of Magni and Móði, Eyjafjallajökull, Katla, one of the largest central volcanoes in Iceland, covered by the glacier Mýrdalsjökull, Seljalandsfoss waterfall, Skógafoss waterfall, Sólheimajökull glacier, Dyrhólaey rock arch, Lakagígar volcanic area and endless black beaches. All the sites can be accessed by walking, climbing, ATV-tours, on horseback or in jeeps.

But take great care! Most of the sites are easily accessible and close to the main roads, but some routes can be more dangerous due to unbridged rivers and highland tracks. It is easy to add a day to this circle tour and visit Vestmannaeyjar islands.

The circular route includes a drive from Reykjavík to Hvolsvöllur (106 km) and the Eyjafjallajökull area to Vík (90 km).

The History and Culture Circle

The History and Culture Circle is a perfect route to experience Iceland's history and culture at first hand in a magnificent environment. The culture is just as diverse as the landscape. A broad variety of museums and exhibitions in the Katla Geopark area gives a unique view into the core of Icelandic culture and heritage, such as Skógar Museum, Katla Centre in Vík, Skaftárstofa at Kirkjubæjarklaustur, the Icelandic Saga Centre at Hvolsvöllur and the Visitor Centre at Þorvaldseyri. Make sure not to miss the local food available in many of the area's restaurants, originating directly from the surrounding nature.

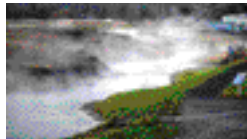
The Glacier Circle

The Glacier Circle is a magical route to experience the reason why Iceland got its name. The largest glacier outside the arctic, Vatnajökull, offers unique natural wonders, such as the magnificent Jökulsárlón (the Glacier Lagoon), where you can take a boat trip, and many spectacular glacier outlets, easily accessible for tourists, either walking, climbing, on ATV-tours, ski-doo's or jeeps. Make sure not to miss this fascinating experience while you are in Iceland.

The circular route includes a one hour flight from Reykjavík to Höfn and then a 450 km drive back from Höfn to Reykjavík with stops at glacier landmarks in the Vatnajökull Region.



1 Hveragerði Geothermal Park



Right inside the town of Hveragerði there is an area of hot springs from which the community derives its name (hver = hot spring). The hot springs of Hveragerði are among the most remarkable natural attractions of South Iceland. Visitors to the hot springs can learn about geothermal energy and the springs, which include Dynkur, spouting regularly, Ruslahver which has an interesting history, and many more.

2 Arnarker



Arnarker is an interesting cave in the Leitarhraun lava field. A marked path leads from the information sign by the road to the cave, and a ladder has been placed at its opening. Take great care when inspecting the cave.

3 Þingvellir National Park



At Þingvellir the national assembly was established around 930 and continued to convene there until 1798. Many crucial events in Icelandic history took place at Þingvellir and it is at the heart of Icelandic nationhood. No less remarkable is the geology of Þingvellir. Visitors can get an interpretation of the history and nature of Þingvellir and find hiking trails and camping grounds. Þingvellir is Iceland's oldest National Park and now on the UNESCO World Heritage List. It is listed as a national park (since 1928) because of the special tectonic and volcanic environment. The continental drift can be clearly seen in the cracks or faults which are traversing the region, the biggest one, Almannagjá, being a veritable canyon. This causes also the often measurable earthquakes in the area.

4 Kerið - Crater



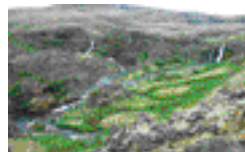
A 55 m deep volcanic crater, about 3000 years old. It is part of a group of volcanic hills called Tjarnarhólar and it is now filled with water.

5 Þjórsárdalur Valley



Þjórsárdalur valley was the site of a flourishing Settlement Age community that was later abandoned and then disappeared under ash in 1104, when the volcano Mount Hekla erupted for the first time in the history of Iceland.

6 Stöng and The Saga-Age Farm



Sites of about 40 buildings have been unearthed in the Þjórsárdalur valley and the best preserved and most remarkable is the farmhouse at Stöng excavated in 1939. Based upon the Stöng farmhouse a replica Saga-Age farmhouse was built in 1974 to mark the 1100th anniversary of the settlement of Iceland. Open to the public all summer.

7 Geysir



Geysir has lent its name to the English language in order to christen the phenomenon of the periodically spouting hot springs. You can walk around the Geysir area, a geothermal field where hot springs are in abundance, geysers explode and pools of mud bubble. Strokkur gives a performance every few minutes, shooting a tower of water and steam 30 metres into the air and Blesi with water the colour of turquoise delights the senses.

8 Gullfoss - Waterfall



Gullfoss is actually two separate waterfalls, the upper one has a drop of 11 metres and the lower one 21 metres. The rock of the river bed was formed during an interglacial period. For thousands of years the river has followed its course delighting tourists with beauty and power.

9 Urriðafoss - Waterfall



Urriðafoss is a voluminous waterfall in Þjórsá river, where the river falls off the margin of Þjórsárhraun lava field (360 m³/sec) in beautiful and peaceful surroundings. Þjórsárhraun lava field is the greatest lava flow on earth since the Ice Age. The waterfall is located right off highway.

10 Hekla - Volcano



One of the most famous volcanoes in the world, Hekla is believed to have erupted at least twenty times since the settlement of Iceland, and five times in the 20th century. The last eruption was in February 2000.

11 Landmannalaugar - Volcano region



Landmannalaugar is a region near the volcano Hekla in the southern section of Iceland's highlands. The area displays a number of unusual geological elements, like the multi-coloured rhyolite mountains and expansive lava fields. The mountains in the surrounding area display a wide spectrum of colours.

12 Seljalandsfoss - Waterfall



Seljalandsfoss is just over 60 metres high in a lovely location, surrounded by cliffs and green slopes. A footpath leads behind the waterfall.

13 Merkjárfoss/Gluggafoss - Waterfall



The Merkjá River has several beautiful waterfalls, but the most outstanding is Gluggafoss or Window Falls (also known as Merkjárfoss). The upper half of the cliff is palagonite or tuff rock and the lower ledge is basalt. The river has formed tunnels and grooves through the soft rock and a series of 'windows' in the tunnels, thereby earning the name 'Gluggafoss'.

14 Þórsmörk - Valley



Þórsmörk is a beautiful woodland nature reserve surrounded by rugged and majestic mountains, glaciers and glacial rivers. Þórsmörk can only be reached all year round on 4 x 4 and scheduled busses during the summer. Two unique hiking paths lead to Þórsmörk; Laugavegur from Landmannalaugar and Fimmvörðuháls from Skógar.

15 Skógafoss - Waterfall



One of Iceland's most splendid waterfalls, Skógafoss tumbles 60 metres from the cliffs by Skógar. Before cascading off the cliffs as Skógafoss, the river flows through the Skógargil gorge, which boasts more than twenty more waterfalls, each with its own charm.

16 Mýrdalsjökull - Glacier



Mýrdalsjökull's peak reaches 1493 metres and Katla Volcano inside the glacier erupts on average every 40-60 years. Sixteen eruptions have been recorded since the settlement of Iceland over 1100 years ago, the last one in 1918.

17 Sólheimajökull - Glacier



Sólheimajökull glacier flows south of Mýrdalsjökull glacier in a U-shaped valley. It is about 8 km long and 1-2 km wide. The glacier advanced about 900 metres during the last few centuries, but retreated greatly from 1930 to 1964.

18 Dyrhólaey - headland



Sheer headland rising 120 metres out of the sea with a huge natural arch near Vík í Mýrdal. Reynisdrangar sea stacks, Eldhraun lava fields and Mýrdalssandur sands are also magnificent sights. An amazing area of strength and beauty.

19 Hjørleifshöfði - headland



Hjørleifshöfði is a 221 meter high headland made of tuff. For a long time after the last ice age it was an island but by the time of the settlement it was an isthmus on the side of a fjord. Now it lies more than two kilometers from the sea.

20 Fjaðrárgljúfur - Canyon



Fjaðrárgljúfur is a magnificent and massive canyon, about 100 metres deep and about two kilometres long. The canyon has sheer walls, and is somewhat serpentine and narrow. The river Fjaðrá has its source in the mountain Geirlandshraun and falls off the heath edge in this stunning canyon until it makes it down into Skaftá river.

21 Lakagígur - Craters



Lakagígur (Laki Craters) lie in a row, 25 km in length, in Síðumannafréttur in the Highlands. The craters stretch from the tuff mountain Hnúta to the northeast through Mt. Laki (818 m above sea level), ending at Vatnajökull. Mt. Laki commands splendid views of the craters and the surrounding landscape. Lakagígur are a part of Vatnajökull National Park, the largest national park in Europe.

22 Eldgjá - Eruptive fissure



In Skaftártunguafréttur, in West-Skafta-fellssýsla, close to Kirkjubæjarklaustur, the eruptive fissure Eldgjá is to be found. Eldgjá is an approximately 40 km long eruptive fissure, approximately 600 metres wide in many places, and up to 200 metres deep. When it was formed, probably around 934, there were probably eruptions along the whole extent of it. Plans to make Eldgjá and its surrounding area a part of Vatnajökull National Park are in place.

23 Langisjór - Lake



Langisjór is a lake which is 20 km long and 2 km wide in some places. The lake is to the southwest of Vatnajökull, between the mountains Tungnáfjöll and Fögrufjöll, in a beautiful and picturesque landscape. Its square measure is 27 km², it reaches a depth of 75 m and the water surface is 670 m above sea level. The view of mountains at the lake is magnificent, the lake is among the purest mountain lakes in Iceland.

24 Vatnajökull National Park - Europe's largest



The national park includes the ice cap and its surroundings, with a total area of 13,600 km², or 13% of Iceland. Few places in the world exhibit such a wide range of natural phenomena. The battle between ice and fire still rages within the park boundaries. Much of Southeast Iceland lies within the realm of the park, giving quick access to the glacier. Vatnajökull - the world's biggest glacier outside of the arctic regions. The glacier seems so close to the people of Southeast Iceland that they sometimes refer to the ice as if it were part of their backyard. Each of the icefalls and glacier tongues flowing towards the lowlands possesses an individual character and offers a variety of scenes.

25 Skaftafell and Svartifoss - Waterfall



Öræfi was Iceland's most isolated district before the bridges to the west of it were completed in the early seventies. The natural contrasts are breathtaking: black sands below white glaciers, desolate wastes and green vegetation. Such a green oasis welcomes you at Skaftafell, just beside the broad desert of the Skeiðarársandur sands and the raging Skeiðará river. These contrasts and many more remind the visitor of nature's changeability.

26 Öræfajökull - Glacier



Extending south from the Vatnajökull ice cap and towering to 2115 m, Öræfajökull is Iceland's highest mountain. Its height actually depends on the season and the depth of snow, since the peak itself, Hvannadalshnjúkur, is topped by ice which is thickest in spring and thinnest in autumn. The mountain and its vicinity are very popular among hikers and skiers.

27 Ingólfshöfði - Headland



At the edge of the Atlantic Ocean, Ingólfshöfði is a headland which is isolated by black sands and perilous rivers from the rest of the mainland. However, it is home to thousands of nesting seabirds, especially puffins and the great skua. This historical cape is named after the first settler of Iceland, Ingólfur Arnarson, who spent his first winter there with his family after moving to Iceland, 874-875.

28 Jökulsárlón - Glacial lagoon



The size of the main lagoon, called Jökulsárlón, is about 20 square kilometres. In 1932 the same area was still covered by ice. Many species of fish are found there, as well as seals, which can number into the hundreds during winter.

29 Haukafell - Mountain



In 1985 the local Forestry Society started planting saplings at Haukafell. Not only are the trees now becoming established, but there are bountiful berries to be picked every August. This pleasant outdoor spot also has a good campsite and washing facilities.

30 Heinaberg - Mountain



The Heinaberg area is part of the national park, and offers interesting sets of basalt columns in addition to the glacier tongue Heinabergsjökull and the lagoon. The valley Heinabergsdalur, 7 km long, reaches to Vatnsdalur valley, which ice used to dam off and keep full of water. Nowadays, the view down into the valley is magnificent, since massive icebergs are often left stranded along its floor. You will find numerous hiking trails starting by the gabbro mountain named Geitafell, at the edge of the glacier.

31 Lónsöræfi / Stafellsfjöll - Mountains



The Stafellsfjöll mountains, today also called Lónsöræfi, dominate the skyline east of Vatnajökull glacier and have long included one of Iceland's most extensive protected areas. Besides the deep, rugged canyons, the landscape displays a wide range of colours due to rhyolite and other attractive rocks. In contrast, there are lushly vegetated, sheltered valleys, and a good chance of spotting reindeer. The numerous trails make this a perfect hiking territory.

Birds of South Iceland

Birds of South Iceland is a program offering excellent year-round services for birdwatchers. South Iceland has a great deal to offer visiting birdwatchers with its wide variety of habitats, including wetlands, seabird colonies, highland oases and unique coastlines. The largest colonies of puffins, pink-footed geese and great skuas in the world are located within this region, together with Europe's largest leach's storm-petrel colony. South Iceland has a wide range of accommodation from camp sites to 4-star hotels and some within a short driving distance from Reykjavik.

Hornafjörður and Skarðsfjörður are shallow fjords or coastal lagoons on either side of the village of Höfn. The area is home to large numbers of birds all year around. Not only is it an important staging area on migration, but breeding birds are well represented in spring and summer and it is also the region's main wintering area for birds. A rich mosaic of wetlands stretches from Höfn all the way west to the glacial sands of Breiðamerkursandur.

The bird life of the great glacial sands of the south coast has a character all of its own. It is the kingdom of the great skua and home to the largest colony of this charismatic species on Earth. Wherever there is sufficient water, vegetation sprouts up and attracts a range of birds. The spectacular Skaftafell in Vatnajökull National Park contains woodlands and a variety of species.

Heiðagæs – Pink-footed goose



The areas Landbrot and Meðalland support a wide range of birds. The region's wetlands are varied and include flood-meadows, lakes, springs, streams and lava fields. Breeding birds include horned grebe and various ducks. The freshwater springs attract numerous birds in the winter and form important wintering grounds for barrow's goldeneye, common goldeneye and goosander. White-fronted geese

are common visitors on spring and autumn passage. Great skuas are conspicuous on the glacial sands.

The valley of Mýrdalur is a rich birding area, with Reynisfjall, Reynisdrangar and Dyrhólaey the chief birding sites. Puffins breed on the cliffs at Víkurhamrar above the village of Vík (the furthest colony from the sea in the world), on Reynisfjall mountain and the headland Dyrhólaey, while common guillemot and razor-bill breed at the sea stacks Reynisdrangar and at Dyrhólaey. There is a huge arctic tern colony at Vík and a smaller one at Dyrhólaey.



Lundi – Puffin

Þjórsárver to the south of the glacier Hofsjökull is the most expansive oasis in the central highlands. It is an area of spectacular scenery, with rich swathes of vegetation alternating with barren sands and glaciers. The area represents very important breeding and moulting grounds for pink-footed geese. Other breeders include the great northern diver, the whooper swan, the long-tailed duck, the purple sandpiper, the red-necked phalarope, the arctic tern and the snow bunting. Part of Þjórsárver is protected and a Ramsar site.

Another key birding location in the highlands is the chain of lakes called Veiðivötn. This beautiful and unusual landscape has been shaped by repeated volcanic activity and most of the lakes

Himbrimi – Great northern diver





Straumönd – Harlequin duck

and surroundings, Oddaflóð (protected) and lake Lambhagavatn. Large numbers of wildfowl and waders breed in the area and pass through in the spring and autumn.

Two of the larger lakes in the area, Apavatn and Laugarvatn, along with adjoining wetlands and rivers, are among the best sites for ducks in South Iceland. Barrow's goldeneye, common goldeneye and goosander winter here.

Kríá – Arctic tern



are located in craters. Great northern divers are particularly common, and other breeding birds include the whooper swan, the pink-footed goose, the scaup, the long-tailed duck, the harlequin duck, the ringed plover, the purple sandpiper, the arctic tern and the snow bunting. Barrow's goldeneye winters here and has recently bred.

Lakes, ponds and marshes can be found across the lowland areas of Landeyjar and Rangárvellir. Some of the best birding sites are the lake Skúmsstaðavatn

Sogið, the river which flows out of lake Þingvallavatn, is one of Iceland's best locations for winter ducks. It is home to the largest flock of barrow's goldeneye outside Mývatn and is the main winter site for the common goldeneye in Iceland. Goosander,

red-breasted merganser and tufted duck are common. White-tailed eagles are often seen in winter and harlequin ducks move up the river in spring. Lake Þingvallavatn itself is known for its breeding great northern divers.

The coastline between the mouths of the great glacial rivers Ölfusá and Þjórsá is the largest lava shoreline in Iceland and forms the southern end of the vast Þjórsárhraun lava field which flowed 8000 years ago and is the largest post ice age lava flow on Earth. Inland there are myriad lakes and ponds. The area hosts an array of birds all year and it is of particular importance for migrants such as knot, dunlin, sanderling, turnstone, brent goose, Eurasian wigeon and various other ducks.

On either side of the estuary of the river Ölfusá there are two large wetlands: BirdLife Iceland's reserve at Flói on the east bank, and Ölfusforir on the west bank. Both are large expanses of pools and lakes which attract numerous birds in the breeding season and on passage alike. The red-throated diver is the characteristic bird of the Flói reserve and dunlin and black-tailed godwit are particularly common here. Ölfusforir is an excellent birding location in winter, attracting large flocks of teal, mallard and goosander, as well as Iceland's largest concentration of the grey heron.

www.facebook.com/birdsofsouthiceland



Jaðrakan – Black-tailed godwit



**1 Hótel Ör / Hveragerði**

	Breiðumörk 1c 810 Hveragerði
	+354 483-4700
	Open all year round
	info@hotelork.is
	www.hotelork.is



Hótel Ör offers friendly accommodation in 85 spacious and well furnished rooms as well as great facilities such as a swimming pool, hot tubs and sauna. Open all year except 24th and 25th of December.

2 Frumskógar Guesthouse

	Frumskógar 3, 810 Hveragerði
	+354 896-2780
	All year round
	info@frumskogar.is
	www.frumskogar.is



Frumskógar Guesthouse is located in the old art district of Hveragerði, in a peaceful environment. We offer spacy apartments with cooking and bathroom facilities and bright and comfortable rooms with shared bathrooms and breakfast, as well as good outdoor facilities, including a hot tub and a steam bath.

3 Frost and Fire Hotel

	Hverhamar, 810 Hveragerði
	+354 483-4959
	All year round
	info@frostogfiri.is
	www.frostandfire.is



We welcome both individual travellers and groups and aim to ensure a pleasant and rewarding stay, whether you plan to spend a romantic weekend, talk business or simply relax away from the busy routine. Accommodation is in well appointed rooms decorated with Icelandic works of art, with a swimming pool, sauna and jacuzzis on the premises.



4 Hótel Eldhestar

	Vellir, 816 Ölfus
	+354 480-4800
	All year round
	info@eldhestar.is
	www.eldhestar.is



We have dedicated our hotel to the Icelandic horse - our most useful servant for centuries. You can also experience that on Eldhestar's longer riding tours - in the same way as the Icelanders have done for thousands of years. Hótel Eldhestar offers many opportunities to combine your stay with activities.

5 Núpár

	Núpár, 816 Ölfus
	+354 857-2040
	All year round
	nupar@nupar.is
	www.nupar.is



There are 8 beautiful cottages at Núpár. They are located right outside Hveragerði and are a dream-come-true for everyone who wishes to be in quiet and comforting surroundings, but yet close to all services. Every cottage has his own hot tub and grill.

6 Hjarðarból Guesthouse

	Hjarðarból, 816 Ölfus
	+354 567-0045
	All year round
	info@hjarðarbol.is
	www.hjarðarbol.is



Many rooms at Hjarðarból Guesthouse have a private bathroom with shower. Some also include a sofa. Guests can prepare their own meals in the shared kitchen. Local handicrafts are sold at the souvenir shop.

7 Hótel S,oss

	Eyravegur 2, 800 Selfoss
	+354 480-2500
	All year round
	info@hotelfselfoss.is
	www.hotelfselfoss.is



Hótel Selfoss is located on the banks of the majestic Ölfusá river in the town of Selfoss. The hotel embraces a soothing water theme ever present in the tasteful architectural features that run through the hotel's bright and modern design element.

8 Selfoss Hostel

	Austurvegur 28, 800 Selfoss
	+354 482-1600 & +354 660-6999
	Open all year round
	selfoss@hostel.is
	www.selfosshostel.is



Selfoss Hostel is located in central Selfoss on road no.1. The hostel offers a large guest kitchen, free WiFi, a cosy living room with TV and a great garden with a hot tub / Jacuzzi. Be welcome

9 Guesthouse Selfoss – guesthouse and camping ground

	Engjavegur 56, 800 Selfoss
	+354 482-3585
	All year round
	gesthus@gesthus.is
	www.gesthus.is



Guesthouse Selfoss is a group of bungalows in a green area in the middle of Selfoss. The camping ground has all facilities like WC, shower, kitchen and dining room.



10 Menam Guesthouse

	Eyravegur 8, 800 Selfoss
	+354 482-4099
	All year round
	menam@menam.is
	www.menam.is



Menam Guesthouse is located on the 2nd floor, above the Menam Restaurant, in central Selfoss. The Menam brand is a local, Thai-influenced family business. We offer you a "home away from home" in our small and peaceful four-room guesthouse.

11 Hreiðurborg Country House

	Kaldaðarnes, 801 Selfoss
	+354 892-0372
	All year round
	info@hreiðurborg.is
	www.hreiðurborg.is



The house has a living room, kitchen, laundry room, two bathrooms, two showers, four bedrooms and an attic. It includes a kitchen fully equipped. The laundry room comes with a washing machine and dryer. WiFi access. Outdoor grill and furniture.

12 Sea Side Cottages

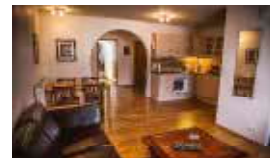
	Eyrargata 37a, 820 Eyrarbakki
	+354 898-1197 / +354 482-1197
	info@seasidecottages.is
	www.seasidecottages.is



Sea Side Cottages offers two beautiful and romantic self-catering cottages in Eyrarbakki, Suðurgata, 80 square metres, and Vesturgata, 23 square metres. The cottages are well equipped with a private patio for each cottage, garden furniture and a BBQ.

13 Bakki Hostel & Apartments

	Eyrargata 51-53, 820 Eyrarbakki
	+ 354 483-3333
	All year round
	info@bakkihostel.is
	www.bakkihostel.is



Located in the quaint seaside town of Eyrarbakki. The two spacious, fully-equipped apartments (64 & 69 square metres) provide all modern conveniences and wireless internet and each sleeps up to four persons.

14 Guesthouse Kvöldstjarnan / Stokkseyri

	Stjörnusteinar 7, 825 Stokkseyri
	+354 483-1800
	All year round
	kvoldstjarnan@simnet.is
	www.kvoldstjarnan.is



The Guesthouse Kvöldstjarnan stands on the rim of the great Þjórsá lava, which the Atlantic Ocean has moulded into a shore renowned for its beauty. Stokkseyri has a lot to offer in recreation: museums, a restaurant, kayak sailing etc. and it is becoming evermore attractive every year.

15 Guesthouse Gaulverjaskóli

	Gaulverjaskóli, 801 Flóahreppur
	+354 865-2121
	1st February to 31st October
	gaulverjar@gmail.com
	www.gaulverjar.com



The hostel is in a renovated school in the low-lying agricultural region of South Iceland. The location is in the heart of the countryside on Road 33. A dining room and kitchen facilities for guests are available.



ACCOMMODATION

16 Countryhotel Vatnsholt

	Vatnsholt 1-2, 801 Flóahreppur
	+354 482-4829 / +354 899-7748
	All year round
	info@stayiniceland.is
	www.hotelvatnsholt.is



Vatnsholt is a newly renovated country lodge and restaurant in a beautiful setting above the lake of Villingaholt, only 70 km from Reykjavik. In Vatnsholt you can go fishing, rent a bike, look at the animals on the farm or use the playground area with highest quality play equipment.

17 Guesthouse Lambastaðir

	Lambastaðir, 801 Flóahreppur
	+354 777-0705
	All year round
	info@lambastadir.is
	www.lambastadir.is



Guesthouse Lambastadir is located 7 miles east of Selfoss on Ring Road 1, one hour away from the capital, Reykjavik. There are eleven rooms in the guesthouse, all with private bathrooms. Rooms are available in single, double or triple.

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 The Guesthouse, +354 483-5500
 Hotel Hot Springs, +354 483-0300
 Hótel Hlíð, +354-5444
 T-bær Accommodation, +354 483-3150
 Camping Ground Þorlákshöfn, +354 483-3807
 Guesthouse Bergskáli, +354 868-7250
 Hjá Jonna Guesthouse, +354 483-5292
 Gljúfurbústaðir Summer Cottages,
 +354 483-4461

Akurgerði Summer Cottages, +354 483-4449
 Áfangar ehf. Summer Huts, +354 845-9500
 Sólvangur Summer Houses, +354 554-5959
 Rein Guesthouse, +354 693-3543
 Eyrarbakki Camping Ground, +354 661-7002
 Stokkseyri Camping Ground, +354 661-7002
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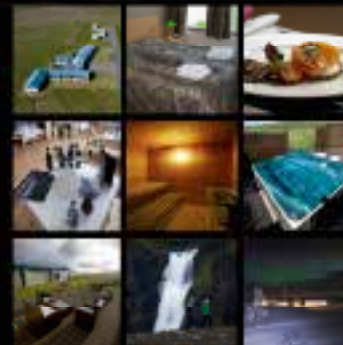


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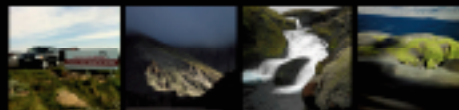
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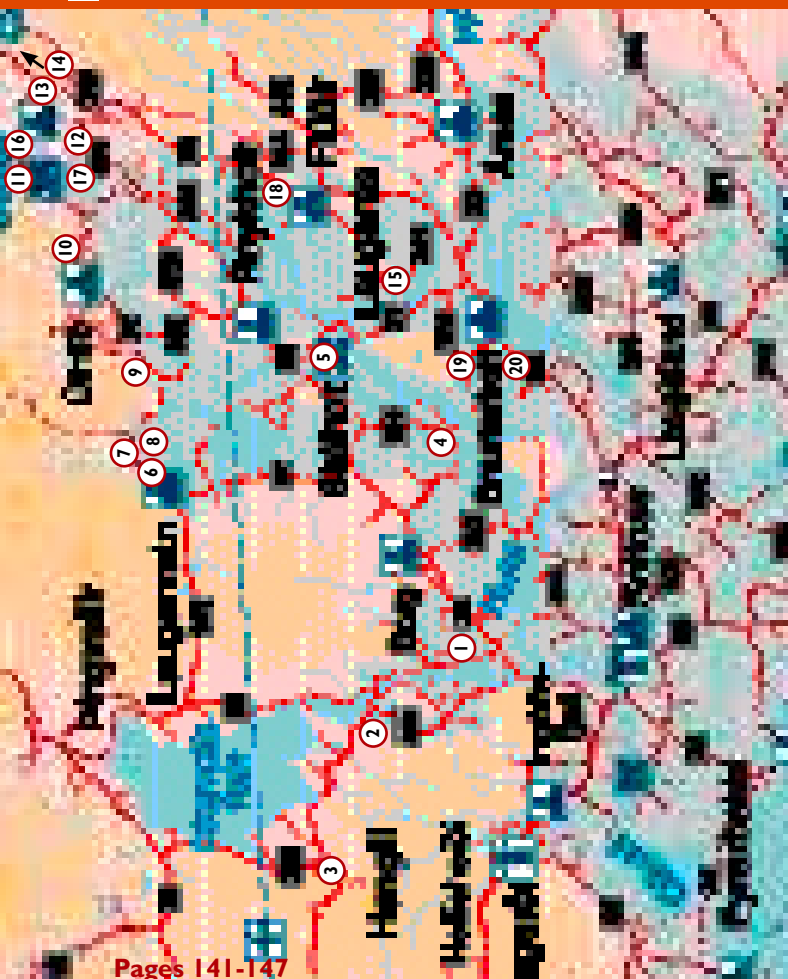
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1 Grímsborgir Luxury Hotel & Restaurant

	Ásborgir 30, 801 Grímsnes
	+354 897-6802 / +354 555-7878
	All year round
	info@grimsborgir.is
	www.grimsborgir.is



Grímsborgir offers accommodation in beautiful double rooms with a private bathroom and veranda, and apartments with up to five bedrooms with a good kitchen, a spacious living room, an outside hot tub and a gas grill.

2 Útílífsmiðstöðin Úlfjótstvatn Hostel and Camping Ground

	Lake Úlfjótstvatn, 801 Grímsnes
	+354 482-2674
	All year round
	ulfjotstvatn@skataris
	www.ulfjotstvatn.is



Útílífsmiðstöð skáta by Úlfjótstvatn is the major outdoor scout centre in Iceland, but is also open to the public. We offer indoor accommodation in our hostel all the year round and a 5-star camping site during the summer.

3 Ion Luxury Adventure Hotel

	Nesjavellir by Þingvallavatn, 801 Grímsnes
	+354 482-3415
	All year round
	reservations@ionice.land.is
	www.ionice.land.is



ION Hotel offers everything from a gourmet restaurant based on the Icelandic slow food concept, four star accommodation, spa with massage and beauty treatments, as well as a glamorous bar.








4 Sólheimar Guesthouse

-  Sólheimar, 801 Grímsnes
-  +354 480-4483 / +354 898-4483
-  All year round
-  gisting@solheimaris
-  www.solheimar.is



The Sólheimar Guesthouse offers great accommodation in rooms in two buildings, Brekkukot and Veghús, for up to 37 people. The accommodation in both houses includes a kitchen and a lounge, with access to the pool and the church.

5 Skálholtsskóli, hotel and cottages

-  801 Bláskógabyggð
-  + 354 486-8870
-  All year round
-  skoli@skalholt.is
-  www.skalholt.is



Skálholtsskóli – the centre for education, culture and interaction between the church and society – welcomes individuals and families as well as larger groups of different kinds for a longer or shorter stay all year round, offering accommodation and restaurant services. We have excellent facilities for conferences, workshops, retreats and educational and cultural tourism.






6 Gallerí Laugarvatn

-  Háholt 1, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354 486-1016 / +354 847-0805
-  All year round
-  galleri@simnet.is
-  www.gallerilaugarvatn.is



Gallerí Laugarvatn offers bed and breakfast with five beautiful double rooms, three with shared bathrooms and two with private bathrooms and a veranda. In the gallery café next door, where we have our breakfast buffet you can find rye bread that we bake in the hot spring, freshly baked waffles and home made jam.






7 Golden Circle Apartments

-  Laugarbraut 1, 3 & 5, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354 533-4060
-  All year round
-  goldencircle@welcome.is
-  www.goldencircleapartments.is



Modern luxury apartments with beautiful lake and mountain views in South Iceland, along the most popular tourist route - the Golden Circle. Each apartment has a private bathroom with shower, a TV and a fully equipped kitchen.


8 Héraðsskólinn Hostel & Travel Centre

-  Héraðsskólinn, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354 537-8060
-  All year round
-  booking@heradsskolinn.is
-  www.heradsskolinn.is



This historical building is 1600 m² in size (17200 sq feet) and was designed by Iceland's most famous architect, Guðjón Samúelsson, in 1928 as a school. Here you can find all types of accommodation. 10+ dorms, family rooms, suites, single and double standard rooms.

9 Farmhotel Efstidalur 2

-  Efstidalur 2, 801 Laugarvatn
-  +354 486-1186
-  All year round
-  info@efstidalur.is
-  www.efstidalur.is



Efstidalur 2 is a well-located cattle and dairy farm, close to many of the most popular natural wonders of Iceland. Guests can sit down in the café for homemade waffles, homemade ice cream, coffee and cake, or have a lovely dinner in the restaurant on the second floor, where the theme is local food from the farm and the area.



10 Úthlíð Cottages and Travel Service

	Bláskógabyggð
	+354 468-8780 / +354 486-8770
	uthlid@uthlid.is
	www.uthlid.is



Úthlíð is a rare gem to be found in a largely unspoiled Icelandic landscape. Cottages for rent, various sizes and types, a swimming pool with hot tubs and shower, a grill bar, a restaurant, a camping site with grill facilities, a convenience store and a gas station, a 9-hole golf course and a horse rental for shorter and longer trips.

11 Hótel Geysir – Geysir Centre

	Geysir, 801 Bláskógabyggð
	+354 480-6800
	Open all year round
	geysir@geysircenter.is
	www.geysircenter.is



Our hotel is just across from the hot spring area. You can choose between rooms in a bungalow or in one wing of the hotel. You can also choose between having a room with a view to the great Geysir or towards our countryside.

12 Guesthouse Skálinn Myrkholt

	Between Gullfoss and Geysir
	+354 895-9500
	gljasteinn@gljasteinn.is
	www.gljasteinn.is



Skálinn can accommodate up to 32 people in eight rooms. In Skálinn there are good facilities with showers, a large kitchen and a dining area, as well as a nice living room. If necessary we can offer stables, a fence for horses and hay for horses with the aroma of fresh Icelandic grass.

13 Hótel Gullfoss

	Brattiholt, 801 Bláskógabyggð
	+354 486-8979
	info@hotelgullfoss.is
	www.hotelgullfoss.is



Hótel Gullfoss lies within a comfortable distance from Reykjavík on Road 35. It is located between the two most popular tourist destinations in Iceland, Geysir and Gullfoss, and is ideally located for highland travellers who are crossing Kjölur, a mountain road that connects the north and the south of Iceland.

14 Kerlingarfjöll

	Kjölur Highland Road
	+354 664-7878
	All year round
	info@kerlingarfjoll.is
	www.kerlingarfjoll.is



Kerlingarfjöll Mountain Resort is a true pearl to all lovers of unspoiled nature and outdoor activities. During the summer it is accessible by all types of cars but during winter only by 4 x 4 superjeeps. At the resort, accommodation is available in smaller and larger mountain huts, in sleeping bags or made-up beds. There is also a camping area.

15 Guesthouse Syðra-Langholt






	Syðra-Langholt 1, 845 Flúðir
	+354 486-6574 / 894-8974
	All year round
	sydralangholt@gmail.com
	www.sydralangholt.is



At Syðra-Langholt we run a guesthouse, a camping site and a horse rental. We are situated in a beautiful natural landscape and are close to many "must-see" places, like Geysir, Gullfoss and Stöng.



16 Geysir Hestar Accommodation

-  Kjóstaðir 2, 801 Bláskógabyggð
-  +354 847-1046
-  All year round
-  asakjoa@visir.is
-  www.geysirhestar.com



Our accommodation is located in the hottest spot in Iceland, just between Gullfoss and Geysir. We can offer you to rent one of our private, cosy huts or to stay in a room in our guesthouse.






17 Mengi Kjarnholt

-  Kjarnholt III
-  +354 896-1988
-  May - September
-  mengi.kjarnholt@gmail.com
-  www.mengi-kjarnholt.is



The house, which is on three floors, has seven double rooms, two family rooms (max four people), one single room and a large dining room. On the patio there is a large jacuzzi that takes up to eight people.






18 Icelandair Hótel Flúðir

-  Vesturbrún 1, 845 Flúðir
-  +354 486-6630
-  All year round
-  fludir@icehotels.is
-  www.hotelfludir.is / www.icehotels.is



In South Iceland, just an hour's drive from the capital city of Reykjavík, Hótel Flúðir offers quality three-star accommodation in a modern, one-storey building.





19 Vorsabær 2 Cottage, Horse riding

-  Vorsabær 2, 801 Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur
-  +354 486-5522
-  All year round
-  bjornjo@vorsabae2.is
-  www.vorsabae2.is



Accommodation in a cosy house with a kitchen and a living room where up to ten people can stay at a time. The view from the house is breathtaking and in the east the famous volcano Hekla dominates. We provide horse riding and visits to the animals on the farm.

20 Fosshótel Hekla

-  Brjánsstaðir, 801 Skeiða- og Gnúpverjahreppur
-  +354 486-5540
-  hekla@fosshotel.is
-  www.hotelhekla.is



Fosshótel Hekla is a charming country hotel with a relaxing environment in an ideal location near some of Iceland's most stunning sights. The hotel has 46 well-equipped rooms, a renowned restaurant, a lounge bar with a fireplace, meeting room, hot tubs, a steam bath and free high speed Wi-Fi internet.

**Gljásteynn Mountain Huts****Hólaskógur Mountain Hut**

 Skeiða-og Gnúpverjahreppur

 +354 895-9500

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 www.gljasteinn.is

**Fremstaver Mountain Hut**

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**Gíslaskáli Mountain Hut**

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Minni-Borgir Cottages, +354 486-1500

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Hótel Edda ML, +354 444-4810

Hótel Edda ÍKÍ, +354 444-4820

Laugarvatn Camping Ground, +354 771-6869 / +354 862-5614

Nature-Spa Guesthouse, +354 692-4094

Fagrilundur, +354 486-8701

Goðatún Cottage, 354 892-0947

Guesthouse Hestakráin, +354 486-5616

Camping Ground Brautarholt, +354 486-5500 / +354 897-2612

Icelandic-Cottages Hraunmörk, +354 898-0728 / +354 567-0728

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Skálabrekka, +354 892-7110

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Dalbær III, +354 486-6770

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Guesthouse Árnes, +354 486-6048

Camping Ground Sandártunga, +354 893-8889

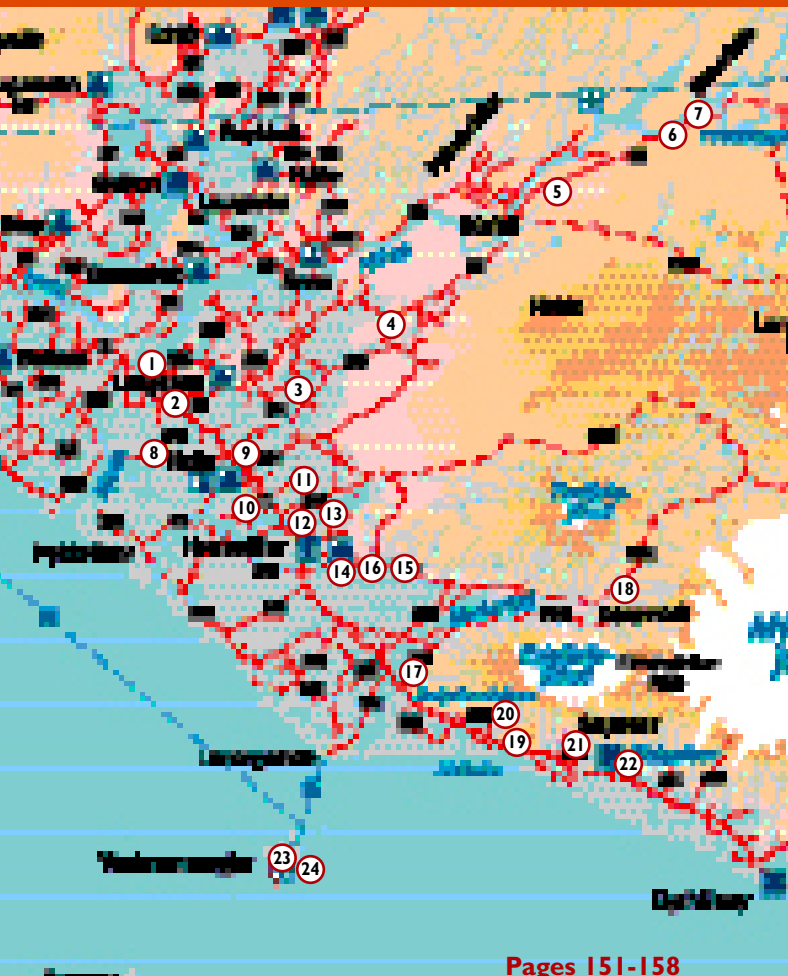
Fjall, +354 897-8960

Steinsholt, +354 486-6096 / +354 863-8270

Fossnes, +354 486-6079

Denami, +354 698-7090

Hótel Borealis, +354 897-6549

**1 Herriðarhóll – farm, guesthouse and riding trips**

	Herriðarhóll, 851 Hella
	+ 354 487-5252 / + 354 899-1759
	June - September
	herridarholl@herridarholl.is
	www.herridarholl.is



We offer accommodation in five cosy and comfortable double rooms, a big lounge, a beautiful garden and two jacuzzis. Riding trips are from 1 hour up to several days in very individual small groups.

2 Hestheimar Farm holiday and riding tours

	Hestheimar, 851 Hella
	+354 487-6666 / +354 861-3738
	All year round, except December 20th - January 10th
	hestheimar@hestheimar.is
	www.hestheimar.is



Accommodation in 12 double rooms, 6 cosy cottages and an apartment with a private bathroom and a kitchenette. Sleeping bag accommodation for 20 persons in a cosy barn loft. 2 hot tubs and a great view over volcano Hekla and Eyjafjallajökull. Wireless Internet

3 Guesthouse Hekluhestar

	Austvaðsholt, 851 Hella
	+354 487-6598
	All year round
	hekluestar@hekluestar.is
	www.hekluestar.is



The guesthouse was built in 1990 in the old traditional Icelandic style. We offer sleeping bag accommodation in a private house with self-catering for individuals and small groups up to 18 persons.

**4 Hótel Leirubakki and Camping Ground**

-  Holta- og Landsveit, 851 Hella
-  +354 487-8700
-  leirubakki@leirubakki.is
-  www.leirubakki.is



This is a new hotel with an outstanding restaurant and facilities for meetings and conferences. In Leirubakki guests can also enjoy a pleasant camping ground with access to a natural pool and riding tours tailor-made for each individual.






5 Hekla Cabins - Rjúpnaveilir

-  Landsveit (road 26), 851 Hella
-  +354 892-0409
-  All year round
-  info@rjupnavellir.is
-  www.rjupnavellir.is



Hekla Cabins, Rjúpnaveilir in Landsveit, is a small and comfortable resort in the south of Iceland. At Hekla Cabins there is a sleeping bag accommodation for 44 people in two comfortable cabins and 2 cottages for 6 people each.






6 Hrauneyjar Guesthouse

-  Hrauneyjar, Sprengisandur Road F26, 851 Hella
-  +354 487-7782
-  All year round
-  hrauneyjar@hrauneyjar.is
-  www.hrauneyjar.is



The Hrauneyjar Guesthouse is situated at the edge of the country's most impressive and active volcanic area. It is the last stop before entering the vast and untouched interior of Iceland.






7 Hotel Highland

-  Hotel Highland, Sprengisandur Road F26, 851 Hella
-  +354 487-7782
-  1st of June till 30th of September; open for groups from 1st of October till 31st of May
-  hrauneyjar@hrauneyjar.is
-  www.hotelhighland.is



Hotel Highland is a perfect base for exploring the Icelandic highlands, and a great destination for viewing the northern lights.

8 Farmer's Guesthouse - Meiri-Tunga I

-  Meiri-Tunga I, 851 Hella (Road 275)
-  +354 868-4226 / +354 897-0890
-  All year round
-  info@meiritunga.is
-  www.meiritunga.is



The second floor consists of 4 bedrooms, each equipped with two beds, a lounge and a bathroom with a shower. The first floor consists of a living room, a restroom and a kitchen with a dining room. The living room is furnished with two convertible sleeper sofas.

9 Stracta Hotel Hella






-  Rangárfloa 4, 850 Hella
-  +354 531-8010
-  All year round
-  info@stractahotels.is
-  www.stractahotels.is



Stracta Hotel Hella offers a wide variety of accommodation options, ranging from traditional two-person rooms with en suite to chalets and suites. The hotel buildings surround the garden, providing excellent shelter so our guests can enjoy the hot tubs and sauna during the long Icelandic summer nights or excellent Northern lights in winter.



10 Hotel Rangá

-  By Suðurlandsvegur, 851 Hella
-  +354 487-5700
-  All year round
-  hotelranga@hotelranga.is
-  www.hotelranga.is



Hotel Rangá is a luxury countryside hotel and offers an optimal atmosphere to meet every travellers need whether they be relaxation, pleasure, adventure or business.





11 Hótel Lækur

-  Hróarslækur, 851 Hella
-  +354 466-3930
-  All year round
-  laekur@hotellaekur.is
-  www.hotellaekur.is



Hótel Lækur is a small and cosy family-run country hotel in a renovated old barn. Accommodation is in 13 bright and modern rooms with private facilities. Family rooms are available. There is a restaurant seating up to 40 people and a lounge area with breathtaking mountain views.







12 Eldstö Guesthouse

-  Austurvegur 2, 860 Hvalsöllum
-  +354 482-1011 / +354 691-3033
-  All year round
-  eldsto@eldsto.is
-  www.eldsto.is



There are 5 rooms for 2-4 people and 2 bathrooms, each with a shower. A small kitchenette and a sitting room are accessible to guests. Beds are made up. Breakfast is available in the café. Please make reservations for dinner in advance.



13 Hótel Hvalsöllum

-  Hlíðarvegur 7, 860 Hvalsöllum
-  +354-487-8050
-  All year round, except 15th December to 1st February
-  info@hotelhvalsollur.is
-  www.hotelhvalsollur.is
-  Wireless internet



The hotel has 64 rooms in total, all with private facilities. Each room is equipped with a TV, an alarm clock, a hairdryer and free Wi-Fi. Two outdoor jacuzzis are located on the rooftop. We have a hotel restaurant and a bar.






14 Langbrók Café

-  Kirkjúlækur, 861 Hvalsöllum
-  +354 487-8333
-  brokin@visir.is
-  www.rang.is/langbrok/



Café Langbrók is a coffee house and campsite in Fljótshlíð, 10 km east of Hvalsöllum: At the campsite there are facilities for toilet waste disposal, and public toilets for all guests.

15 Hótel Fljótshlíð

-  Smáratún, 861 Hvalsöllum
-  +354 487-1416
-  All year round
-  smaraton@smaraton.is
-  www.smaraton.is



The hotel has 14 large rooms with heated floors and all modern conveniences. There is a cable TV and access to a wireless network. Breakfast is included in the price.








16 Hellishólar Summer Cottages and Camping Ground

-  Fljótshlíð, 861 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354 487-8360
-  hellisholar@hellisholar.is
-  www.hellisholar.is



We offer three sizes of cottages. Large houses, suitable for 6 persons (40 m²), medium houses for 4-6 persons (20 m²) and small houses suitable for 3-5 persons (15 m²). There are bathrooms and showers, hot tubs, washing machines and driers, as well as a large children's playground.






17 Hamragarðar Camping

-  Skálakot, 861 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354 866-7532 / +354 867-3553
-  April 1st – September 30th.
-  info@southadventure.is
-  www.southadventure.is



The camping site at Hamragarðar is without doubt one of the most beautiful camping grounds in Iceland. In the service house by the lower area there are toilets, washing machines and cooking facilities, as well as the reception, where you can also buy some coffee and more.





18 Volcano Huts Þórsörk

-  Þórsörk via road nr. F249
-  +354 552-8300
-  May 1st - October 15th / Oct - May by request
-  volcanohuts@volcanohuts.com
-  www.volcanohuts.com



The Volcano Huts are located in the Þórsörk Nature Reserve, between majestic volcanoes and glaciers. Accommodation is available in small cottages, private bedrooms, shared cabin dorms and camping grounds.






19 Country Hotel Anna

-  Moldnúpur, 861 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354 487-8950
-  All year round
-  hotelanna@hotelanna.is
-  www.hotelanna.is



The smallest 3-star hotel in the country bids you the largest welcome. The hotel's charm is displayed in the form of 7 well-appointed and romantically furnished rooms. The restaurant offers outstanding home-cooked fare, using only the freshest of local produce whenever possible.

20 Skálakot

-  Vestur-Eyjafjöll, 861 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354 487-8953
-  All year round
-  info@skalakot.com
-  www.skalakot.com



We offer sleeping bag accommodation for 18 persons in a dorm, but we also have one private room for three persons. We have a well equipped kitchen and a dining room for 25 persons. The jacuzzi and the sauna are outside the house, where it is perfect to relax after a long day.

21 Welcome Hotel Lambafell

-  Lambafell, 861 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354 533-4060
-  All year round
-  info@lambafell.is
-  www.lambafell.is



Welcome Hotel Lambafell is set at the foot of the infamous Eyjafallajökull glacier. The hotel offers log cabin-style rooms, an outdoor hot tub and a furnished terrace. Parking and public area Wi-Fi are free.



22 Hótel Skógafoss

	Skógar, 861 Hvolsvöllur
	+354 899-0850
	All year round
	hotelskogafoss@hotelskogafoss.is
	www.hotelskogafoss.is



The hotel is located next to the Skógar Hostel, and consequently has a direct view of Eyjafjallajökull volcano / ice cap and Skógafoss waterfall. It will have 20 rooms: 17 double rooms and 3 family rooms, all with ensuite bathrooms and showers. 11 of the rooms, as well as the restaurant, face the waterfall and the mountains.

23 Hótel Vestmannaeyjar

	Vestmannabraut 28, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
	+354 481-2900
	All year round
	booking@hotelvestmannaeyjar.is
	www.hotelvestmannaeyjar.is



There are 43 rooms in the hotel, 24 of which are in the new wing that was opened in the summer of 2014. During summer the restaurant is open every day for lunch and dinner and for dinner in the winter. A spa is located on the bottom floor of the hotel and offers jacuzzis and a sauna.

24 Hótel Eyjar

	Bárustígur 2, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
	+354 481-3636
	All year round
	hoteleyjar@eyjar.is
	www.hoteleyjar.eyjar.is



Hótel Eyjar offers 11 comfortable apartments and facilities for small conferences. All the suites include a TV, free internet access and a kitchen. Guests also have access to the conference room, located on the 2nd floor, with a beautiful view over the town.

Áshestar Sleeping Bag Accommodation,
+354 487-5064

Brenna Guesthouse, +354 487-5532

Hótel Hella, +354 487-4800

Árhús, +354 487-5577

Guesthouse Nonni, +354 894-9953

Hótel Selið, +354 867-5574

Áning Camping Site, +354 483-1611

Fjallaskálar Guesthouse and Camping Site,
+354 893-9966

Laugaland Restaurant and Camping Site,
+354 895-6543

Heimaland Guesthouse, +354 487-5787

Hrólfstaðarhellir Guesthouse, +354 487-6590

Galtalækur II Summer Huts, +354 487-6528

Galtalækjarskógur Camping Site, +354 487-6505

Þykkvabær Camping Site, +354 488-7000

Hvanngil Guesthouse, +354 568-2533

Þórístungur, +354 487-6501

Rangárlúðir, +354 487-5070

Garðsauki Guesthouse, +354 487-8078

Hvolsvöllur Camping Site, +354 487-8078

Ásgarður Guesthouse / Camping Site,

+354 487-1440

Hvolsvöllur Guesthouse, +354 696-0459

BORG Apartments, +354 664-5091

Breiðabólstaður, +354 487-8010

Goðaland Guesthouse, +354 848-9758

Guesthouse Húsið, +354 892-3817

Fagralið House Rental, +354 564-6663

Fjöltsdalur Hostel, +354 487-8489

Bólstaður Mountain Hut, +354 487-8407

Fell Mountain Hut, +354 487-8319

Ármót Guesthouse, +354 487-5131

Grandvör Camping Site, +354 898-8888

Bergþórshvöll Guesthouse,

+354 487-7715 / +354 863-5901

Búðarhöll Guesthouse – farm holidays,
+354 487-8578

Stóra-Mörk III Guesthouse, +354 487-8903

Ásólfsskáli Summer Houses, +354 861-7489

Edinborg Guesthouse, +354 846-1384

Drangshlíð I Guesthouse, 354 487-8869

Skógar Hostel, +354 487-8801

Skógar Camping Site, +354 487-8801

Hótel Edda, +354 444-4830

Hótel Skógar, +354 487-4880

Guesthouse Hamar, +354 481-3400

Guesthouse Sunnuhöll, +354 481-2900

Guesthouse Hvíð, +354 481-1230

Guesthouse Heimir, +354 846-6500

Guesthouse Ármý, +354 481-2082

Guesthouse Hreiðrið, +354 481-1045

Guesthouse Kirkjuveg, +354 864-4020

RB-apartments, +354 481-1569

Eyjabústaðir Summer Cottages, +354 864-2064

Camping Grounds, Herjólfssalur, +354 692-6952

Vestmannaeyjar Hostel, +354 481-2900

GM Gisting, +354 695-1019 / +354 481-3017

Heimaging Jóhönnu Maríu, +354 698-2962

The Icelandic Touring Association

+354 568-2533





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1 Welcome Hotel in Vík

Víkurbraut 26, 870 Vík



+354 487-1212



All year round



vik@welcome.is



www.vikhotel.is



The hotel offers accommodation in 22 comfortable and modern rooms with private facilities. The rooms are decorated tastefully and with the beautiful surroundings in mind.

2 Welcome Puffin Hostel

Víkurbraut 24a, 870 Vík



+354 487-1212



All year round



vik@welcome.is



www.vikhotel.is



Welcome Puffin Hostel offers simple sleeping bag accommodation and made-up beds in 11 private rooms with shared facilities. This charming house has a lot of history to it, as it is one of the oldest buildings in the village.

3 Icelandair Hotel Vík

Klettsvegur 1, 870 Vík



+354 487-1480



All year round



vik@icehotels.is



www.icelandairhotels.com



Icelandair Hotel Vík is a new hotel, built in 2013. The hotel has 36 double rooms, all with a private bathroom, TV, telephone and coffee tray. We also offer Wi-Fi in the rooms.



4 Hótel Katla - Höfðabrekka

	Höfðabrekka, 871 Vík
	+354 487-1208
	All year round
	info@hotelkatla.is
	www.hotelkatla.is



In the beautiful vicinity of Vík, occupying a scenic countryside location there is Hotel Katla - Höfðabrekka with 72 en-suite double rooms with TV, hairdryers and WiFi. It also offers a restaurant, a bar and outdoor hot tubs filled with warm natural water, excellent for relaxation.

5 Þakgil – camping site and cottages

	Höfðabrekkuafreittur, 870 Vík
	+354 893-4889
	1st June - 31st August
	helga@thakgil.is
	www.thakgil.is



Þakgil is located in a beautiful valley, surrounded by mountains, 20 km from Vík by road 214. These conditions make the weather in Þakgil very mild and calm, and a lovely little freshwater stream trickles through the camping site and in front of the houses.

6 Hólaskjól Mountain Huts

	Lambaskarðshólar
	+354 855-5812
	All year round
	holaskjol@holaskjol.com
	www.eldgjia.is



At Hólaskjól there is a main lodge on two floors, with sleeping bag accommodation in bunks for 71 persons. There are WCs and showers on both floors, as well as cooking facilities with gas-stoves and utensils for cooking and eating. Also available are three huts, each with bunks for 6 persons.

7 Blágil Hut

	Highland
	+354 487-4840 / +354 487-4842
	All year round
	klaustur@klaustur.is



The mountain hut in Blágil is located 15 km south of Lakagígur. The hut has sleeping bag facilities for 18 people. There are kitchen- and dining facilities and the hut is heated with gas. The toilet is located outside the hut. Outside the hut there is also a camping area.

8 Guesthouse Hunkubakkar

	Hunkubakkar, 800 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
	+354 487-4681
	5th January – 20th December
	hunkubakkar@simnet.is
	www.hunkubakkar.is



Hunkubakkar guesthouse is located 6 km west of the village Kirkjubæjarklaustur on road 206 to Lakagígur. Hunkubakkar offers accommodation in cottages. There are 12 rooms with private facilities and 8 with shared facilities. Double, single and family rooms. Restaurant and bar.

9 Hótel Laki

	Efri-Vík, 800 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
	+354 487-4694
	All year round
	hotellaki@hotellaki.is
	www.hotellaki.is



Hótel Laki is located 5 km from the village of Kirkjubæjarklaustur. We have 64 hotel rooms with a bathroom and 15 cottages. We offer an ideal location to relax and allow us to pamper you while exploring the natural treasures of the south coast. Hótel Laki is open all year. Welcome!








10 Hótel Geirland

-  Geirland 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 487-4677 / + 354 897-7618
fax + 354 487-4815
-  All year round
-  geirland@centrum.is
-  www.geirland.is



Hótel Geirland is located 2 km from Ring Road 1. The hotel offers accommodation in 40 rooms with bathrooms. We have a restaurant and a bar. During the summer tours are provided to such locations as Laki, Eldgjá, Landmannalaugar and Skaftafell. Hótel Geirland is open all year.






11 Icelandair Hótel Klaustur

-  Klausturvegur 6, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 487-4900
-  All year round
-  klaustur@icehotels.is
-  www.icelandairhotels.com



Icelandair Hotel Klaustur is ideally located for trips in the realm of the great Vatnajökull. At the end of an eventful day, Icelandair Hotel Klaustur awaits you with an excellent restaurant and a friendly atmosphere.

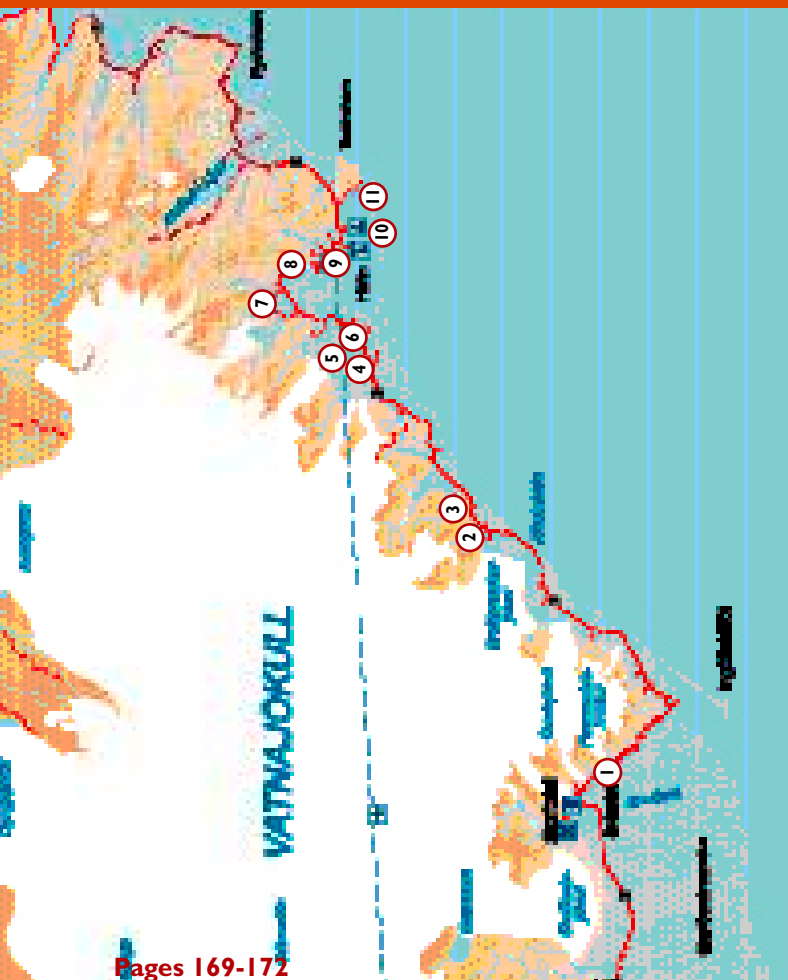
12 Fosshótel Núpar

-  Núpar, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 517-3060
-  All year round
-  nupar@fosshotel.is
-  www.fosshotel.is





Panoramic views of Vatnajökull's lava fields. Fosshótel Núpar is a comfortable and perfectly located hotel in one of the most panoramic landscapes in Iceland. The hotel is surrounded by lava fields and has a spectacular view of Vatnajökull, Europe's largest glacier

Volcano Hotel, +354 486-1200
 Hótel Dyrhólaey, +354 487-1333
 Guesthouse Eystri-Sólheimar, +354 487-1316
 Guesthouse Vellir, +354 487-1312 / +354 849-9204
 Guesthouse Steig, +354 487-1324
 Smáhýsið í Görðum, 871 Vík, +354 487-1260
 Sólheimahjáleiga, +354 487-1320
 Giljur, +354 866-0176
 Guesthouse Reynir, +354 867-0766 / +354 487-1434
 Grand Guesthouse +354 894-2877
 Guesthouse Norður-Vík, 870 Vík, + 354 487-1106
 Guesthouse Ársalir, +354 487-1400
 Hötturinn Summer Cottages, +354 487-1345
 Camping Ground in Vík, +354 487-1345
 Like Vík Guesthouse, +354 551-8668
 Hvoll Cottages, +354 863-3238
 Vestri-Pétursey II Farmholidays, +354 487-1307
 Hostel Hvoll, +354 487-4785
 Herjólfsstaðaskóli, +354 487-1390
 Félagsheimilið Tungusel, +354 487-1354
 Hörgsland Summer Houses, +354 487-6655
 Hrífunes Guesthouse, +354 660-3705
 Guesthouse Klaustur-Hof, +354 892-0220
 Hrífunes House Rental, +354 770-0123
 Nonna og Brynjúhús, +354 487-1446
 Kirkjubær II Camping Site, +354 487-4612
 Kleifar Camping Site, +354 487-4675
 Guesthouse at Seglbúðir, +354 487-4810
 Dalshöfði Guesthouse, +354 487-4781 / +354 861-4781
 Klausturhof Guesthouse, +354 567-7600



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1 Hótel Skaftafell

	Freysnes, 785 Öræfi
	+354 478-1945
	All year round
	info@hotelskaftafell.is
	www.hotelskaftafell.is



Hótel Skaftafell is a family run hotel with 60 bedrooms, a good resort for those who choose to visit and enjoy the outdoors south of Vatnajökull. In close vicinity there is the Skaftafell National Park (5 km) where you can find many enjoyable hiking trails and the Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon (57 km).






2 Guesthouse Gerði

	Suðursveit, 781 Hornafjörður
	+354 846-0641
	All year round
	bjornborg@centrum.is
	www.farmholidays.is



Accommodation in a two storey building: 8 double rooms, 2 triple and 1 single room. Breakfast and dinner are on option. Cooking facilities are available during the winter.

3 Guesthouse Hali

	Suðursveit, 781 Hornafjörður
	+354 478-1073
	All year round
	hali@hali.is
	www.hali.is



Guesthouse Hali is the nearest guesthouse to Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon with comfortable accommodation in South East Iceland. The guesthouse is in the middle of the region of Vatnajökull.

**4 Guesthouse Hólmur**

	Mýrar, 781 Hornafjörður
	+354 478-1037 / +354 478-2063 / +354 861-5959
	All year round
	holmur@eldhorn.is
	www.eldhorn.is/mg/gisting/



Hólmur offers accommodation with 6 double bedrooms and 2 shared bathrooms. Good cooking facilities are at hand and a dining area. We also have 2 double rooms at the farmhouse. Breakfast is available, and dinner if booked in advance.

5 Lambhús – Cottages

	Lambleiksstaðir, 781 Hornafjörður
	+354 662-1029
	1st June – 31st August
	info@lambhus.is
	www.lambhus.is



A family run accommodation in hand-built wooden cabins with three glaciers panorama. The cabins have room for up to 5 persons in one room, a private bathroom and a kitchenette.





6 Guesthouse Brunnhóll

	Mýrar, 781 Hornafjörður
	+354 478-1029
	1st April - 31st October
	brunnholl@brunnholl.is
	www.brunnholl.is



The guesthouse has accommodation for over 40 people and most rooms have their own bathroom. We offer breakfast and dinner. The next generation of the family lives at the neighbouring farm of Árbær, along with cows, horses, dogs and cats, providing visitors with a fascinating insight into traditional farming.






7 Guesthouse Hoffell / Glacier World

	Hofell II, 781 Hornafjörður
	+354 478-1514 / +354 867-7416
	All year round
	info@glacierworld.is
	www.glacierworld.is



In two of the houses there is accommodation with shared facilities and the third house was opened in the summer of 2014 with eight beautiful rooms with private facilities on the 2nd floor. On the 1st floor there is a breakfast area with a spectacular view to Vatnajökull glacier. Our guests also have access to our geothermal baths free of charge.

8 Fosshotel Vatnajökull

	Lindarbakk, 781 Hornafjörður
	+354 478-2555
	Summerhotel
	bokun@fosshotel.is
	www.fosshotel.is



Our facilities include a TV-lounge, an internet station in the lobby and free parking. All guestrooms and restaurant / bar facilities are non-smoking. We have a restaurant and a bar offering a panoramic view of Vatnajökull glacier.

9 Hótel Jökull

	Nesjum, 781 Höfn
	+354 478-1400
	Summer hotel
	info@hoteljokull.is
	www.hoteljokull.is



Our hotel, which used to be a public school, is well positioned by Iceland's Ring Road 1. It is only 8 kilometres from Höfn in Hornafjörður and 453 kilometres from Reykjavík.








10 Höfn camping and cottages

	Hafnarbraut 52, 780 Höfn
	+354 478-1606
	May – October
	camping@simnet.is
	www.campsite.is



Höfn Camping and Cottages offers you an excellent camping site and accommodation in cottages. We provide good facilities for campers along with a beautiful view over the glaciers and mountains that surround Höfn.

11 Hótel Höfn

	Víkurbraut, 780 Höfn
	+354 478-1240
	All year round
	hotelhofn@hotelhofn.is
	www.hotelhofn.is



Hótel Höfn is a 3-star hotel with 68 comfortable rooms, all equipped with a TV, a radio, a telephone, computer access and a private bathroom. A dining room / board room, seating 140 guests, is situated at the top floor. A smaller restaurant, "Ösinn", featuring courses such as lobster, steak and pizza, is on the ground floor.

Guesthouse Svínafell and Camping Ground, +354 478-1765
Vesturhús, +354 474-1200

Hrollaugsstaðir, +354 846-0641

Guesthouse Lækjarhús, +354 478-1517

Guesthouse Vagnsstaðir, +354 478-1048

Guesthouse Skálafell, +354 478-1041

Guesthouse Ármanes, +354 478-1550

Guesthouse Hafnarnes, +354 426-7515

Stafafell Travel Service, +354 478-1717

Nýpugarðar, +354 893-1826

Gistiheimilið Stekkatún, +354 474-1255

Guesthouse Birkifell, +354 478-2171

Brekka Guesthouse, +354 849-3589

Litla-Hof, +354 478-1670

Skaftafell, Vatnajökull National Park, camping ground, +354 470-8300

Nýibaer Hostel, +354 478-1503

Guesthouse Hvammur, +354 478-1503

Guesthouse Ásgarður, +354 478-1365

Höfn Hostel, +354 478-1736 / +354 864-2159

Bakki Guesthouse, +354 848-2003

Guesthouse Dyngja, +354 690-0203

Guesthouse Hafnarnes, +354 426-7515

Höfn Inn, +354 478-1544






Hótel Edda Höfn, +354 444 4850





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1 Café Kolviðarhóll

-  The Geothermal Energy Exhibition at Hellisheiði Power Plant
-  +354 412-5800
-  All year round
-  orkusyn@orkusyn.is
-  www.orkusyn.is



Enjoy our coffee shop and browse through a selection of educational material in the souvenir corner. Open daily from 09:00 to 17:00. We are about a 20 minute drive from Reykjavik on Ring Road 1 towards Hveragerði.

2 Restaurant Árgerði / Hótel Örk, Hveragerði

-  Breiðumörk 1c, 810 Hveragerði
-  +354 483-4700
-  Open all year round
-  info@hotelork.is
-  www.hotelork.is



Restaurant Árgerði at Hótel Örk is open for all, we offer good service and a good a la carte menu as well as an excellent children's menu. Open daily all year around except 24th and 25th December.






3 Frost and Fire Hotel - Restaurant Varmá

-  Hverhamar, 810 Hveragerði
-  +354 483-4959
-  All year round
-  info@frostogfuni.is
-  www.frostandfire.is



Our new a la carte restaurant opened in June 2013. We serve Icelandic local food based on the Slow Food concept. While dining our guests will enjoy a lovely view over the river and the hot springs.

4 Hoflandsetrið Restaurant

-  Breiðamörk 2b, 810 Hveragerði
-  +354 483-4467
-  All year round
-  linda@hoflandsetrid.is
-  www.hoflandsetrid.is



This is a comfortable restaurant in the heart of Hveragerði offering varieties of foods. On our menu there are hamburgers, sandwiches, steaks, fish and of course our famous pizza and much more. On all weekdays we offer traditional Icelandic home-cooked meals, one hot course, soup, bread and coffee, available from 12-13:30.

5 Dalakaffi

-  Jökutanga, Vorsabæjarvöllum 810, Hveragerði
-  +354 862-8522
-  dalakaffi@gmail.com
-  www.dalakaffi.is



Hidden away in the Reykjadalur valley there is an absolute gem of a coffee house. With freshly made cakes, deliciously brewed coffee, hot chocolate topped off with whipped cream, this is a haven for all visitors to the area.


6 Fákasel

-  Ingólfshvoll, 816 Ölfus
-  +354 483 5050
-  fakasel@fakasel.is
-  www.fakasel.is



Original Icelandic gourmet restaurant. Our restaurant offers an original Icelandic gourmet menu with a great variety of delicious food. The surroundings create a unique, warm and cosy atmosphere and our staff adds that special Icelandic touch which will make you feel right at home.




7 Hótel Selfoss

-  Eyravegur 2, 800 Selfoss
-  +354 480-2500
-  All year round
-  info@hotelfselfoss.is
-  www.hotelfselfoss.is



The hotel's Riverside restaurant delivers a superb dining experience in one of Iceland's most architecturally celebrated spaces. Elegantly decorated in low key soft leather furnishings, the dining room is complemented with a relaxing lounge / bar area and an inviting open fire place.






8 Menam Restaurant

-  Eyravegur 8, 800 Selfoss
-  +354 482-4099
-  All year round
-  menam@menam.is
-  www.menam.is



Menam Restaurant is located in the heart of Selfoss. We offer classic Thai and international cuisine, using the best available ingredients. We serve a selection of vegetarian dishes.






9 Hendur í Höfn - Glass art shop and café

-  Unubakki 10-12, 815 Þorlákshöfn
-  +354 848-3389
-  All year round
-  hendurihofn@hendurihofn.is
-  www.hendurihofn.is



At Hendur í Höfn Glass Art you can buy beautiful glass products, useable and decorative. All food is home-made and local. Freshly baked cakes and bread will be offered daily as well as gluten free goods.


10 Restaurant Rauða húsið

-  Búðarstígur 4, 820 Eyrarbakki
-  +354 483-3330
-  All year round
-  Raudahusid@raudahusid.is
-  www.raudahusid.is



Offering up some of the country's best lobster and seafood, Icelandic lamb, and vegetarian dishes in a lovingly-restored historic house, The Red House is a treat for the senses.




11 Restaurant Fjöruborðið Stokkseyri

-  Eyrarbraut 3a, 825 Stokkseyri
-  +354 483-1550
-  All year round
-  info@fjorubordid.is
-  www.fjorubordid.is



The seashore restaurant in the village of Stokkseyri is an enchanting place of delight. There is only positive magic inside, tickling both your stomach and your soul.

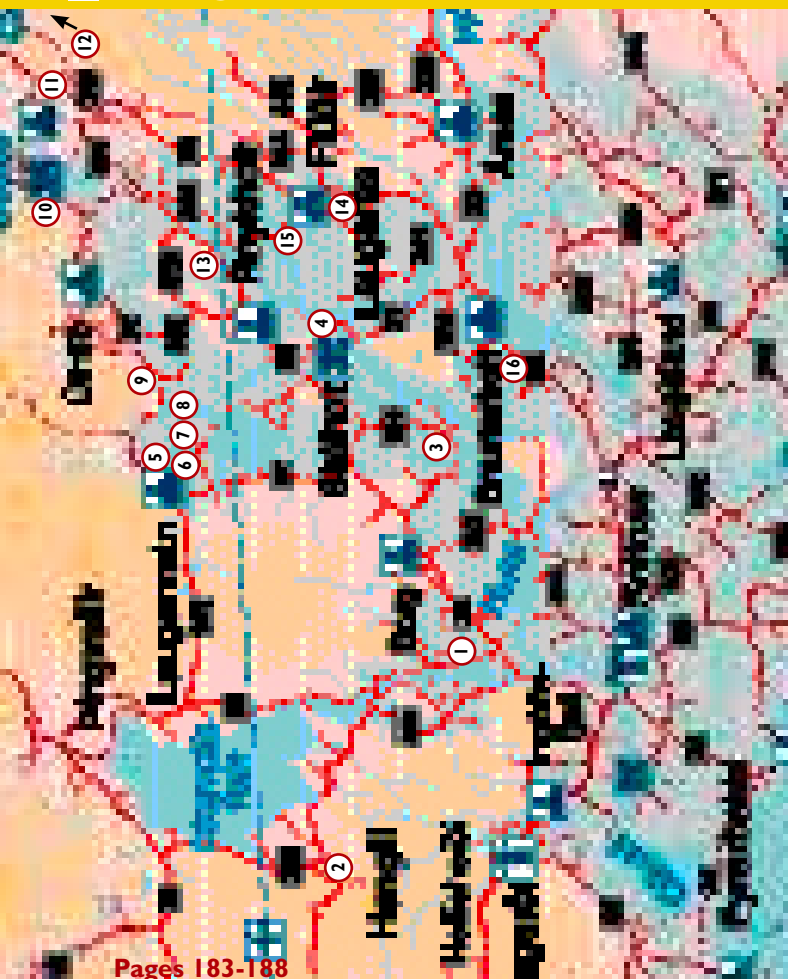
12 Countryhotel Vatnsholt

-  Vatnsholt 1-2, 801 Flóahreppur
-  +354 482-4829 / +354 899-7748
-  All year round
-  info@stayiniceland.is
-  www.hotelvatnsholt.is








Vatnsholt is a newly renovated country lodge and restaurant in a beautiful setting above the lake of Villingaholt, only 70 km from Reykjavík. In Vatnsholt you can go fishing, rent a bike, look at the animals on the farm or use the playground area with highest quality play equipment.

Bakery Hverabakari / Mæran, +354 483-4879
 Bakery Almar, +354 483-1919
 NILFI Spa and Medical Clinic, +354 483-030058
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 Básin Ingólfsskáli, +354 483-4160
 Happy Hour, +354 483-3363
 Restaurant Hafið bláa, +354 483-1000 / +354 511-3100
 Viking Pizza, +354 483-5950
 Skíðaskálinn, +354 567-2020
 Kaffi – Krús +354 482-1266
 Tryggvaskáli +354 482-1390
 Kaktus Restaurant, 354 482-2899
 Subway, +354 482-7877
 Dominos Pizza, +354 581-2345
 KFC, +354 482-3466
 Hamborgarabúlla Tómasar, +354 571-8288
 Pylsuvagninn Fast Food, +354 482-1782
 Blómakaffi Café, +354 480-0830
 Sunnlenska bókakaffið +354 482-3079
 Guðnabakari, +354 482-1755
 Almar bakery, +354 482-2829
 Eldhúsið Restaurant, +354 482-1770
 Café Corazón, +354 482-1239
 Hlíðlabátar Fast Food, +354 898-5378
 Shellskálinn Fast Food, +354 483-1485
 Seylon, oriental catering, +354 661-4161








1 Grímsborgir Restaurant

	Ásborgir 30, 801 Grímsnes
	+354 897-6802 / +354 555-7878
	All year round
	info@grimsborgir.is
	www.grimsborgir.is



Grímsborgir restaurant & café is located close to the beautiful river Sog on the road to Þingvellir. This small cosy restaurant offers outstanding traditional home-made food, all breads and pastries are baked on site.





2 Ion Luxury Adventure Hotel

	Nesjavellir by Þingvallavatn, 801 Grímsnes
	+354 482-3415
	All year round
	reservations@ionice.land.is
	www.ionice.land.is



At ION's Silfra Restaurant and Northern Lights Bar we subscribe to the philosophy of offering a menu of fresh local ingredients, served with a twist and accompanied by an array of beers, liqueurs and spirits from Iceland's many micro-breweries. Silfra Restaurant embodies the local flavour and spirit of Iceland, offering seasonal and contemporary dishes with an emphasis on sustainable, farm-fresh ingredients from our close surroundings.






3 Græna kannan Coffee Shop at Sólheimar

	Sólheimar, 801 Grímsnes
	+354 480-4483 / +354 898-4483
	vala@solheimar.is
	www.solheimar.is



The Sólheimar coffee shop, Græna kannan, sells exclusively products made from organically cultivated raw materials, most of them made in the Nærandi bakery.






4 Skálholtsskóli, hotel and cottages

-  801 Bláskógabyggð
-  +354 486-8870
-  All year round
-  skoli@skalholt.is
-  www.skalholt.is



We offer excellent facilities for conferences, workshops, retreats and educational and cultural tourism. The dining hall can serve 120 people and offers, among other things, traditional Icelandic food made with recipes from the 12th century.


5 Restaurant Lindin

-  Lindarbraut 2, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354-4861262
-  All year round
-  linden@laugarvatn.is
-  www.laugarvatn.is



Lindin is the best restaurant for miles. Its menu uses local and seasonal ingredients – fresh char from the lake, reindeer, goose and guillemot, and quiet jazz and candlelight creates a relaxing atmosphere. Its Belgian dark chocolate mousse with raspberry purée and watermelon pieces is allegedly the best in the world.






6 Laugarvatn Fontana

-  Hverabraut 1, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354 486 1400
-  All year round
-  fontana@fontana.is
-  www.fontana.is



At Laugarvatn geothermal activity is used to bake rye bread in the boiling grounds and the bread is served with trout caught in the lake. Our kitchen also serves items from local farmers in our café.






7 Gallerí Laugarvatn Café

-  Háholt 1, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354 486-1016 / +354 847-0805
-  Daily from 15th May to 15th September, weekends wintertime
-  galleri@simnet.is
-  www.galleri.laugarvatn.is



Gallerí Laugarvatn Café is a charming combination of a café and art gallery. We offer a light local menu where you can find rye bread that we bake in the hot spring and smoked trout from our lake and freshly baked waffles with home-made jam and cream.






8 Héraðsskólinn Hostel & Travel Centre

-  Héraðsskólinn, 840 Laugarvatn
-  +354 537-8060
-  All year round
-  booking@heradsskolinn.is
-  www.heradsskolinn.is



In Héraðsskólinn you can relax and try some Icelandic cuisine in the dining room or have a locally brewed beer or coffee in the library. You can also book all your activities and tours in Héraðsskólinn's tourist information centre, so don't hesitate to try out our booking system or just talk to our friendly staff that will guide you through the process.






9 Farmhotel Efstidalur 2

-  Efstidalur 2, 801 Laugarvatn
-  +354 486-1186
-  All year round
-  info@efstidalur.is
-  www.efstidalur.is



Guests can sit down in the café for home-made waffles, home-made ice cream, coffee and cake, or have a lovely dinner in the restaurant on the second floor where the theme is local food from the farm and the surrounding area.






10 Hótel Geysir – Geysir Centre

	Geysir, 801 Bláskógabyggð
	+354 480-6800
	All year round
	geysir@geysircenter.is
	www.geysircenter.is



The restaurant at Hótel Geysir is an a la carte restaurant that offers various dishes. There you can find everything from light dishes, Icelandic seafood and international dishes to a three-course dinner. On our wine menu there is a wide selection of international wines. We also have a great selection of Icelandic beer.

11 Hótel Gullfoss

	Brattiholt, 801 Bláskógabyggð
	+354 486-8979
	All year round
	info@hotelgullfoss.is
	www.hotelgullfoss.is



Hótel Gullfoss lies within a comfortable distance from Reykjavík on Road 35. Hótel Gullfoss is known for its friendly atmosphere, country style cooking and quiet surroundings that are ideal for relations.






12 Kerlingarfjöll Restaurant

	Kjölur Highland Road
	+354 664-7878
	15th June – 31st September
	info@kerlingarfjoll.is
	www.kerlingarfjoll.is



Kerlingarfjöll Restaurant is accessible all the year round in 4-WD cars and in good conditions accessible in all types of cars. Accommodation is available in houses and on camping sites for a fair price, included is the use of bathing facilities. Hot showers, a restaurant and a gas station are available at Kerlingarfjöll.





13 Friðheimar

	Reykholt, 801 Bláskógabyggð
	+354 897-1915
	Open all year round from 12:00 – 16:00
	fridheimar@fridheimar.is
	www.fridheimar.is



In Friðheimar farm we create a pleasant food experience, where lunch is enjoyed among the tomato plants. Visitors can enjoy the special experience of entering a greenhouse with its fragrance of tomato plants and sitting down to a feast of the famous Friðheimar tomato soup with fresh baked bread.






14 Icelandair Hótel Flúðir

	Vesturbrún 1, 845 Flúðir
	+354 486-6630
	All year round
	fludir@icehotels.is
	www.hotelfludir.is, and www.icehotels.is



In an elegant and peaceful atmosphere, you can enjoy both your meal and the view before you as you look out at the extraordinary landscape. For further relaxation, a cosy bar and sitting area are also open to you, where you can sip a drink and socialise after an exciting day's activity. The restaurant is open from 18.30 to 21.00.

15 Kaffi-Sel pizzeria / restaurant

	Efra-Sel, 845 Flúðir
	+354 486-6454 / +354 891-7811
	15/4 – 15/9 and upon request for groups
	info@kaffisel.is
	www.kaffisel.is



Kaffi-Sel is a family-owned restaurant, farmers' market and an 18-hole golf course located at the farm Efra-Sel nearby the village Flúðir. Kaffi-Sel is a gourmet pizza restaurant, but also offers hamburgers, fish, salad dishes, coffee, cakes and bread dishes.

**16 Hótel Hekla**

Brjánsstaðir, 801 Skeiða- og Gnúpsverjahreppur



+354 486-5540



All year round



info@hotelhekla.is



www.hotelhekla.is



At the hotel's restaurant, our chefs proudly serve fine dinners made with quality produce. Hótel Hekla is renowned for its delicious food, and prides itself in using fresh local produce, such as Icelandic fish, fresh from the harbour, mountain lamb, and vegetables from its own garden or local farmers.

Þingvellir Service Centre, +354 482-3606

Þröstalundur Restaurant and Camping Ground, +354 482-2010

Gamla-Borg Café, +354 863-8814

Hótel Edda ML, +354 444-4810

Hótel Edda ÍKÍ, +354 444-4820

Pizzafabrikkan, +354 511-4455 / +354 696-9696

Geysir Gilma, +354 481-3003

Gullfoss kaffi, +354 486-6500

Café Mika, +354 896-6450

Slakki, +354 486-8783

Hestakráin, +354 486-5560

Snússuskáli, Golf Course at Ásatún, +354 486-6601

Gistiheimilið Flúðum, +354 552-6962

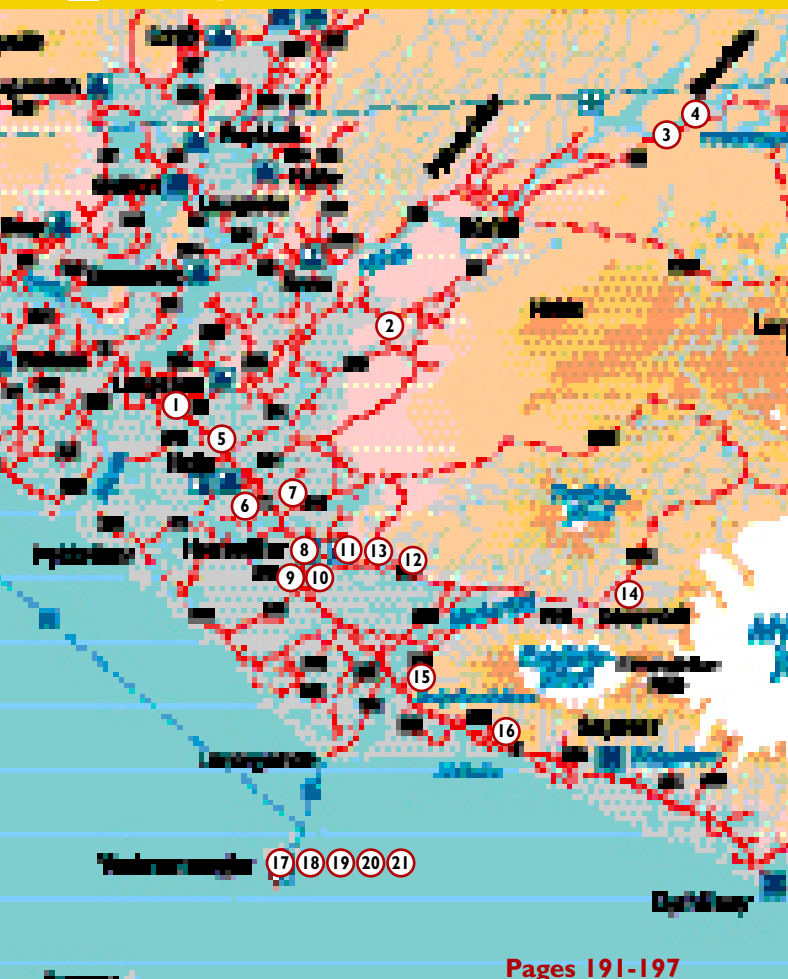
Útlaginn Flúðum, +354 486 6425

Gistiheimilið Geysir, +354 486-8733

Árborg, +354 486-6006

Minilik, +354 846-9798





1 Hestheimar, Farm holiday and riding tours

📍	Hestheimar, 851 Hella
☎	+354 487-6666 / +354 861-3738
🕒	All year round, except December 20th – January 10th
✉	hestheimar@hestheimar.is
🌐	www.hestheimar.is



Hestheimar offers a homey buffet style restaurant. All breads and cakes are home-baked. Three-course dinners are available during summer and for groups all year round.

2 Hótel Leirubakki, Restaurant and Camping Site

📍	Holta- og Landsveit, 851 Hella
☎	+354 487-8700
🕒	All year round
✉	leirubakki@leirubakki.is
🌐	www.leirubakki.is



This is a new hotel with an outstanding restaurant and facilities for meetings and conferences. In the Hekla Centre you will find an information centre for tourists as well as an innovative and stylish exhibition. In Leirubakki guests can also enjoy a pleasant camping ground with access to a natural pool and riding tours tailor-made for each individual.

3 Hrauneyjar Guesthouse

📍	Hotel Highland, Sprengisandur Road F26, 851 Hella
☎	+354 487-7782
🕒	All year round
✉	hrauneyjar@hrauneyjar.is
🌐	www.hrauneyjar.is



Hrauneyjar Guesthouse has a well-known restaurant with heartwarming food serving up to 180 guests. The menu includes a selection of hamburgers, sandwiches, and the daily special.



4 Hotel Highland Restaurant

-  Hotel Highland, Sprengisandur Road F26, 851 Hella
-  +354 487-7782
-  From 1st of June till 30th of September; open for groups from 1st October till 31st of May
-  hrauneyjar@hrauneyjar.is
-  www.hotelhighland.is



Hotel Highland offers a gourmet a la carte restaurant on site and a bar and lounge area.






5 Restaurant Garður, Stracta Hotel Hella

-  Rangárflatir 4, 850 Hella
-  +354 531-8010
-  All year round
-  info@stractahotels.is
-  www.stractahotels.is



At the Stracta Hotel Hella, you will find the restaurant Garður on the second floor, where guests can enjoy a wide choice of delicious, mouth-watering, healthy dishes from local produce. Buffet lunches and dinners are available at the restaurant and the bistro bar on the ground floor and the hotel serves light healthy meals and snacks in beautiful surroundings.

6 Hotel Rangá

-  By Suðurlandsvegur, 851 Hella
-  +354 487-5700
-  All year round
-  hotelranga@hotelranga.is
-  www.hotelranga.is



The restaurant at Hotel Rangá is an acclaimed gourmet restaurant overlooking one of Iceland's finest salmon rivers, East-Rangá river. The restaurant's motto is the concept of a "Farmers' Market" - in effect using predominantly local ingredients of the highest quality and freshness - following seasonal availability.





7 Hótel Lækur

-  Hróarslækur, 851 Hella
-  +354 466-3930
-  All year round
-  laekur@hotellaekur.is
-  www.hotellaekur.is



The hotel is located only 100 km from Reykjavík and 10 km from the Ring Road, in the heart of South Iceland. The restaurant seats up to 40 people and there is a lounge area with breathtaking mountain views. Hótel Lækur is a good location for viewing the northern lights due to the lack of light pollution.






8 Hótel Hvolsvöllur

-  Hlíðarvegur 7-11, 860 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354-487-8050
-  All year round
-  info@hotelhvolsvollur.is
-  www.hotelhvolsvollur.is
-  @ Wireless internet



Hotel Hvolsvöllur is a 3-star hotel located in South Iceland. The hotel has a restaurant and a bar. Hótel Hvolsvöllur provides excellent facilities for meetings, conferences and all kinds of events.

9 Eldstö Art Café & Bistro

-  Austurvegur 2, 860 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354 482-1011 / +354 691-3033
-  May - August: 11 am until 10 pm (11-22) 7 days a week
-  eldsto@eldsto.is
-  www.eldsto.is



Located in the old post office, Eldstö Art Café & Bistro serves its bistro-style meat and fish courses in unique hand-thrown dishes by owners / artists Þór Sveinsson, potter; and G. Helga Ingadóttir, ceramic artist and singer. All soups, breads and cakes, as well as the vegetable quiche, the perfect choice for vegetarians, are made on the premises.



10 Björk, Mini-market and restaurant

-  Austurvegur 10, 860 Hvalsóvöllur
-  +354 487-8670
-  All year round
-  Sbjorkin@simnet.is
-  www.sbjorkin.com



Björk is a family-owned place located by the main road when you enter the town of Hvalsóvöllur; shop, supermarket, gas station and restaurant all in one. On our menu there are delicious pizzas, hamburgers, sandwiches, fish, chicken and much more. Icelandic home cooking for lunch Monday to Friday.






11 Langbrók Café

-  Kirkjulækur, 861 Hvalsóvöllur
-  +354 487-8333
-  brokin@visir.is
-  www.rang.is/langbrok/



Café Langbrók is a coffee house and campsite in Fljótshlíð, 10 km east of Hvalsóvöllur. The café can accommodate groups for food and coffee, and it is popular with groups to visit the Virgin Temple of Mother Earth, which is a turf house on site.

12 Hótel Fljótshlíð Restaurant – The Barn

-  Smáratún, 861 Hvalsóvöllur
-  +354 487-1416
-  All year round
-  smaratur@smaratur.is
-  www.smaratur.is



The restaurant at Hótel Fljótshlíð is called The Barn, as it is actually situated in a building that used to be a barn. The Barn is now an elegant restaurant which seats 130 guests.






13 Hellishólar Restaurant

-  Fljótshlíð, 861 Hvalsóvöllur
-  +354 487-8360
-  hellisholar@hellisholar.is
-  www.hellisholar.is



Our restaurant and conference room can seat up to 180 people. It is an ideal venue for all kinds of gatherings, for example birthdays, weddings, meetings and conferences. It also houses a regular restaurant over the summer season and is open from day till night.


14 Volcano Huts Þórsmörk

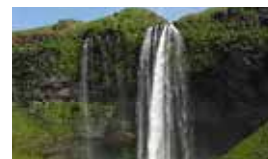
-  Þórsmörk via road nr. F249
-  +354 552-8300
-  May 1st - October 15th / October - May by request
-  volcanohuts@volcanohuts.com
-  www.volcanohuts.com



The Volcano Huts Restaurant & Bar in the Þórsmörk Nature Reserve offers home-made cuisine with ingredients from local Icelandic producers. You can have your meal inside our restaurant or take away a picnic lunch to enjoy while you explore the Þórsmörk Nature Reserve.

15 Seljalandsfoss Shop

-  By Seljalandsfoss, 861 Hvalsóvöllur
-  +354 660-0688
-  March – November
-  seljalandsfoss@seljalandsfoss.is
-  www.seljalandsfoss.is



This shop is owned by two Icelandic families who spend their early mornings preparing fresh sandwiches, cakes and traditional soup for the day. Beverages are served as well, and using local products of high quality is a priority for the owners.






16 Country Hótel Anna

-  Moldnúpur, 861 Hvolsvöllur
-  +354 487-8950
-  All year round
-  hotelanna@hotelanna.is
-  www.hotelanna.is



The smallest 3-star hotel in the country bids you the largest welcome. The restaurant offers outstanding home-cooked fare using only the freshest of the local produce whenever possible.




17 Café Kró

-  Tangagata 7, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
-  +354 488-4884
-  In the summertime 09.00 – 21.00
-  viking@vikingtours.is
-  www.vikingtours.is



On our menu there are pizzas, hamburgers, sandwiches, soup and fresh baked bread, cakes and coffee. Internetcafé, wireless internet, a volcano show and information about the islands.






18 Hótel Eyjar

-  Bárustigur 2, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
-  +354 481-3636
-  All year round
-  hoteleyjar@eyjar.is
-  www.hoteleyjar.eyjar.is



Hótel Eyjar is situated in the centre of the town of Vestmannaeyjar. On the ground floor you can enjoy the delightful book-café and souvenir shop Eymundsson. Make Hótel Eyjar your home in Vestmannaeyjar.




19 Einsí kaldí

-  Vestmannabraut 28, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
-  +354 481-1415 / +354 698-2572
-  All year round
-  einsikaldi@einsikaldi.is
-  www.einsikaldi.is



The restaurant Einsí kaldí is located on the ground floor of Hótel Vestmannaeyjar. The owner of the restaurant Einar Björn Árnason, "Einsí kaldí", lays a great emphasis on obtaining his products locally, such as cliff- and seabirds along with various herbs picked on the island.






20 Slippurinn Eatery

-  Strandvegur 76, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
-  +354 481-1515
-  May – September
-  info@slippurinn.com
-  www.slippurinn.com



The highly ambitious kitchen, run by chef Gísli Matthías Auðunsson, serves the freshest catch from the sea around the island and has outstanding meat dishes as well. The cuisine could be classified as new Nordic and aims at making carefully crafted dishes for the casual setting of the eatery.

21 Höllin / Háaloftið

-  Strembugötu 13, 900 Vestmannaeyjar
-  +354 896-6818 +354 481-3200
-  All year round
-  daddi@hollin.is
-  www.hollin.is



Visit us at Háaloftið! Háaloftið is a concert and piano bar situated on the second floor of Höllin, which hosts regular concerts by interesting performers and groups. The hall can also be rented for various events, ranging from small meetings to larger company parties, birthdays or weddings.








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Árhús, +354 487-5577
Hlíðarendi Restaurant, +354 487-8643
Gallery Pizza, +354 487-8440
Fossbúð, +354 487-8843
Café María, +354 481-3160
Fjólan, +354 481-3663
Pizza 67, +354 481-1567
Ísjakinn, +354 481-2920
Skýlið Fast Food, +354 481-1445
Toppurinn, +354 481-3313
Toppizzur, +354 482-1000
Tvisturinn, +354 481-3141
Vilberg Bakery, +354 481-2664
Arnór Bakery, +354 481-2424
Volcano Café, +354 481-2101





1 Black Beach / Svarta fjaran

-  Reynisfjara, 871 Vík
-  +354 659 7141
-  All year round
-  blackbeach@blackbeach.is
-  www.blackbeach.is



The Black Beach restaurant and coffee house is located in one of the most amazing nature highlights of the south, Reynisfjara. The coffee house offers hot soup, freshly made cakes and sandwiches, local dishes such as waffles with local ice cream, soft drinks, coffee and tea. The restaurant offers traditional Icelandic food, such as lamb, beef and fish.






2 Halldórskafti

-  Víkurbraut 28, 870 Vík
-  +354 487-1202 / +354 847-8844
-  All year round
-  halldorskafti@gmail.com
-  www.halldorskafti.is



Halldórskafti is a nice little restaurant / bar located in the small village Vík in Mýrdalur on the south coast of Iceland. We have seats for 50 persons in our dining hall, and on a sunny day our guests are welcome to dine outside. Welcome to Halldórskafti, we look forward to meeting you.






3 Welcome Hotel in Vík - Restaurant

-  Víkurbraut 26, 870 Vík
-  +354 487-1212
-  All year round
-  vik@welcome.is
-  www.vikhotel.is



Located in the heart of Vík, Welcome Hotel in Vík Restaurant specialises in traditional Icelandic food with a modern touch. We offer an ambitious yet simple menu using local and fresh ingredients. The restaurant has seating for 60 people. Group menus available; please contact us for more information.



4 Restaurant Ströndin Bistro & Bar

-  Austurvegur 18, 870 Vík
-  +354 487-1230
-  All year round
-  elias@vikurskali.is
-  www.strondin.is



In our a-la-carte restaurant you can choose from our extended menu where you will find courses ranging from traditional Icelandic food to pizzas. We highly recommend that you try our excellent traditional Icelandic food; smoked lamb, Icelandic fish stew and the Icelandic speciality "rotten" shark.






5 Icelandair Hotel Vík

-  Klettsvegur 1, 870 Vík
-  +354 487-1480
-  All year round
-  vik@icehotels.is
-  www.icelandairhotels.com



Icelandair Hotel Vík is a new hotel, built in 2013. The hotel is located on a great spot in the village of Vík. The view from the hotel is fantastic over the black beach of the south coast and to the famous Reynisdrangar columns.






6 Hótel Katla - Höfðabrekka

-  Höfðabrekka 871 Vík
-  +354-4871208
-  All year round
-  info@hotelkatla.is
-  www.hotelkatla.is



Hótel Katla - Höfðabrekka is a hotel with 72 en-suite double rooms with TV, hairdryers and WiFi. It also offers a restaurant, a bar and outdoor hot tubs filled with warm natural water; excellent for relaxation.






7 Guesthouse Hunkubakkar

-  Hunkubakkar, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 487-4681
-  All year round
-  hunkubakkar@simnet.is
-  www.hunkubakkar.is



Hunkubakkar Guesthouse is located on road 206 to Lakagígur. Hunkubakkar offers accommodation in cottages, 12 rooms with private facilities and 8 without private facilities. Double, single and family rooms. A restaurant and a bar.

8 Hótel Laki

-  Efri-Vík, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 487-4694
-  All year round
-  hotellaki@hotellaki.is
-  www.hotellaki.is



Hótel Laki is located 5 km from the village of Kirkjubæjarklaustur. We have 64 hotel rooms with a bathroom and 15 cottages. We offer an ideal location to relax and allow us to pamper you while exploring the natural treasures of the south coast.


9 Hótel Geirland

-  Geirland, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 487-4677 / + 354 897-7618
-  fax + 354 487-4815
-  All year round
-  geirland@centrum.is
-  www.geirland.is



Hótel Geirland is located 2 km from Ring Road 1. The hotel offers accommodation in 40 rooms with baths. There is a restaurant and a bar. During the summer tours are provided to such locations as Laki, Eldgjá, Landmannalaugar and Skaftafell.





10 Icelandair Hótel Klaustur

-  Klausturvegur 6, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 487-4900
-  All year round
-  klaustur@icehotels.is
-  www.icehotels.is



Icelandair Hotel Klaustur's restaurant seats as many as 150 people so is ideal for both quiet meals and large gatherings. Lamb and trout, often locally sourced, are just some of the delicious dishes on offer so, with first-class lunch and dinner menus, the restaurant provides the perfect dining experience.

11 Fosshótel Núpar

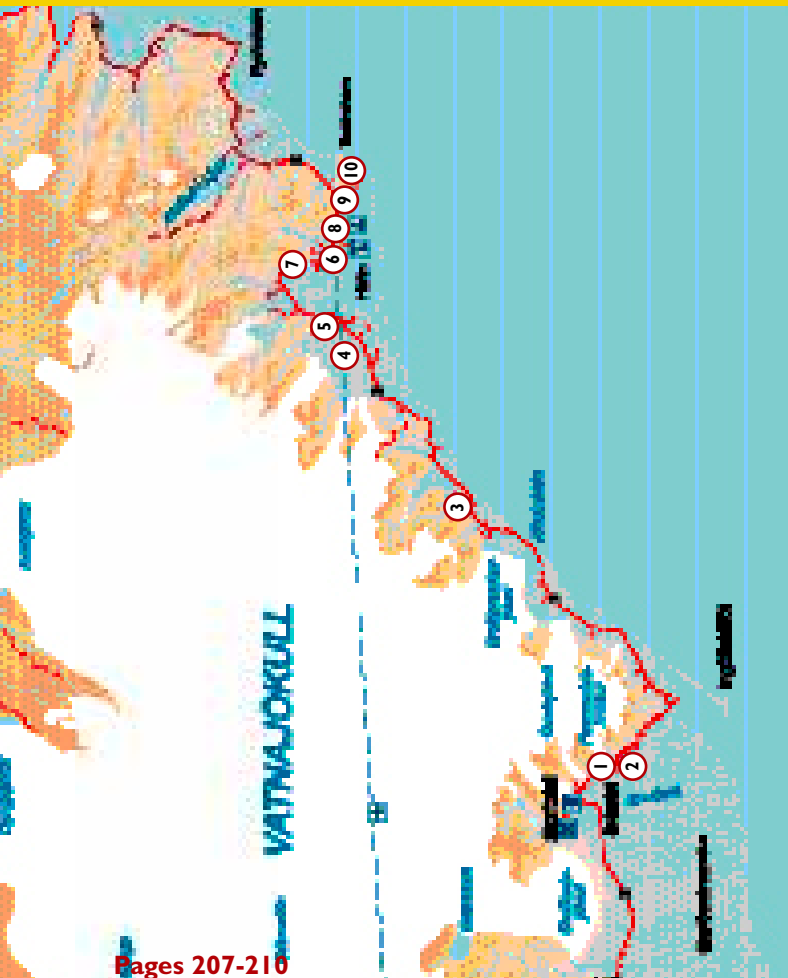
-  Núpar, 880 Kirkjubæjarklaustur
-  +354 517-3060
-  All year round
-  nupar@fosshotel.is
-  www.fosshotel.is



The Fosshótel Núpar restaurant and bar offer unspoiled views of the lava fields and the spectacular Vatnajökull glacier. On the dinner menu guests can find selected Icelandic lamb, fish dishes, soups, desserts and wines.

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 Systrakaffi, +354 487-4848
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 Kaffi Munkar +354 892-0220







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1 Hótel Skaftafell

 Freysnes, 785 Öræfi

 +354 478-1945

 All year round

 info@hotelskaftafell.is

 www.hotelskaftafell.is




Hótel Skaftafell is a family-run hotel with 60 bedrooms, a good resort for those who choose to visit and enjoy the outdoors south of Vatnajökull. In close vicinity there is the Skaftafell National Park (5 km) where you can find many enjoyable hiking trails and the Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon (57 km)

2 Freysnes – shop & grill

 Freysnes, 785 Öræfi

 +354 478-2242

 All year round

 bsfreysnes@skeljungur.is




Freysnes is a restaurant for around 80 people that offers homey food for lunch and dinner. They also have a grill where you can get hamburgers, sandwiches and more.

3 Restaurant Hali in Þórbergssetur – Cultural Museum

 Suðursveit, 781 Hornafjörður

 +354 478-1073

 All year round

 hali@hali.is

 www.hali.is



Our fully licensed restaurant is located in the cultural heritage centre at Þórbergssetur, with seating for over 60 guests. From 1st July to 1st September the restaurant offers a buffet including traditional local food, soup, starters, arctic char, lamb and dessert at a reasonable price. During the wintertime breakfast and dinner reservations are necessary.

4 Fjósið restaurant

-  Hólmur, 871 Hornafjörður
-  +354 478-2063
-  All year round
-  holmur@eldhorn.is
-  www.eldhorn.is/mg/gisting/



A small restaurant, rebuilt from an old cowhouse. Traditional Icelandic food. Light meals, coffee and cakes during the day. Dinner in the evening.






5 Brunnhóll Restaurant

-  Mýrar, 781 Hornafjörður
-  +354 478-1029
-  1st April-31st October
-  brunnholl@brunnholl.is
-  www.brunnholl.is



Brunnhóll Icelandic Farm Holidays is a guesthouse and restaurant enjoying unparalleled views of the glacier. Brunnhóll offers appetizing home-cooked buffet meals in the style of the lady of the house.

6 Fosshótel Vatnajökull

-  Lindarbakk, 781 Hornafjörður
-  +354 478-2555
-  Summer hotel
-  bokun@fosshotel.is
-  www.fosshotel.is



We have a restaurant and a bar offering a panoramic view of Vatnajökull glacier. During the after-dinner Viking hour we serve shark meat and "brennivín" snaps. Other facilities include a TV-lounge, an internet station in the lobby and free parking.






7 Hótel Jökull

-  Nesjum, 781 Höfn
-  +354 478-1400
-  Summer hotel
-  info@hoteljokull.is
-  www.hoteljokull.is



Our hotel, which used to be a public school, is well positioned by Iceland's Ring Road 1. It is only 8 kilometres from Höfn in Hornafjörður and 453 kilometres from Reykjavík. The spectacular natural scenery is absolutely unique and surely it is enough to point out locations, such as Skaftafell, Jökulsárlón, Skálafellsjökull, Geitafell and Lónsöræfi.






8 Húmarhöfnin Restaurant

-  Hafnarbraut 4, 780 Höfn
-  +354 478-1200
-  1 April - 1 Oct
-  info@humarhofnin.is
-  www.humarhofnin.is



Experience the unique taste of the local Icelandic lobster, lamb and arctic char in the charming restaurant Húmarhöfnin by the harbour in the small fishing town Höfn in Hornafjörður, often referred to as the lobster capital of the north.

9 Kaffi Nýhöfn Nordic Bistro

-  Hafnarbraut 2, 780 Höfn
-  +354 478 1818 / +354 865-2489
-  Open in summer
-  ot@nyhofn.is
-  www.nyhofn.is



Kaffi Nýhöfn is located by the harbour and offers Danish open sandwiches, small courses, beer and snaps along with coffee and cakes.



DINING

10 Ósinn, Hótel Höfn



Víkurbraut, 780 Höfn



+354 478-1240



hotelhofn@hotelhofn.is



www.hotelhofn.is



Located in the centre of town. A dining room / board room, seating 140 guests is situated at the top floor. A smaller restaurant "Ósinn", featuring courses such as lobster, steak and pizza, is on the ground floor.

Hof-I Hotel, +354 478-2260

Country Hotel Smyrlabjörg, +354 478-1074

Jöklael Restaurant, +354 478-1000

Café Hornið, +354 478-2600

Café Tulinus (open only in summer), +354 869-9340

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