



Cruise Details

Name:	Circumnavigating Iceland & Crossing the Arctic Circle
Reference:	SCENIC611N050725-1
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse
Regions:	Northern Europe
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Departs On:	05 Jul 25
Departs From:	Reykjavík
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Arrives On:	15 Jul 25
Arrives At:	Reykjavík
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Cruise Nights:	10
Total Vacation Days:	11

Itinerary

Day 1: Reykjavík (Iceland)

Welcome to Reykjavík, the world's northernmost capital city. Your journey begins here in Iceland's unique and imaginative spirit. This afternoon, you'll meet the Captain and crew of your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht. Be welcomed on board with a glass of Champagne and explore your spacious suite. Meet your fellow guests for a drink in the Scenic Lounge as you toast to the start of an unforgettable journey. Please book your flight to arrive into Reykjavik prior to 02:00 PM.

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Day 2: Grundarfjörður (Iceland)

Perched on the breathtaking northern coast of Iceland's Snaefellsnes peninsula, the charming village of Grundarfjörður invites you to discover its natural wonders. Towering above the town, the iconic Kirkjufell mountain creates an unforgettable backdrop, perfect for photographers

and adventurers alike.

Explore the magic of the Snæfellsnes peninsula, often called "Iceland in miniature" for its unparalleled beauty. At its heart stands the legendary Snæfellsjökull volcano, the inspiration behind Jules Verne's Journey to the Center of the Earth.

Freechoice: Snæfellsnes Express tour: Explore Djúpalónssandur's rock formations, Malarrif's iconic lighthouse, Lóndrangar sea stacks, and Arnarstapi's dramatic cliffs, where Icelandic legends come to life.

Caves Craters and Coves tour: Embark on an unforgettable adventure along iconic coastal trails, paired with a thrilling 45-minute cave exploration—all in the shadow of the legendary Snæfellsjökull glacier!

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Day 3: Patreksfjörður (Iceland)

Known as the fjord of adventures, Patreksfjörður is the largest town along the southern part of the Westfjords region. See millions of seabirds nesting on the dramatic Látrabjarg bird cliffs. Walk along its spectacular beaches, where the sand ranges from powder white to rich gold.

Weather permitting, this afternoon you will visit the jewel of the Westfjords, Dynjandi Waterfall. Feel the cold mist on your face as you admire the cascading bridal veil falls and discover why it was nicknamed 'the thunder'. Tumbling down seven tiers over 100 metres, it is one of the most beautiful waterfalls in Iceland.

Freechoice:

Fishing Tasting & Walking Tour: Explore Patreksfjörður, a fishing village known for eco-friendly practices. Walk through the harbor, tasting various fresh fish, visiting a fish factory, and learning about traditional fish drying methods with tastings of dried fish and Icelandic butter.

Látrabjarg Cliff & Hnjótur Museum: Visit Europe's largest bird cliff, Látrabjarg, and witness incredible bird life, including puffins. Enjoy breathtaking views and photography opportunities. Stop at Hnjótur Museum to learn about the local history and rescue efforts for stranded fishermen.

Raudasandur Beach Hike (led by Discovery Team): Discover Rauðasandur Beach, renowned for its red sands, after a 2.7-kilometer hike from Patreksfjörður. This tranquil spot in Iceland's Westfjords offers stunning contrasts of red sands, blue sea, and dark cliffs.

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Day 4: Vigur Island (Iceland)

Welcome to Vigur Island, a tranquil oasis where time seems to stand still. This private island is a wildlife sanctuary and protects an enormous colony of birds, including puffins, Arctic

terns, eider ducks, black guillemots and razorbills, many of which you can appreciate from a distance on a guided tour.

Explore this remote sanctuary, dotted with charming houses and lush landscapes, and take in panoramic views of the surrounding fjords. The island is home to the smallest post office in Europe and you can sample a traditional hjónabandssæla cake at the small cafe.

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Day 5: Skagafjörður (Iceland)

The friendly town of Sauðárkrókur is located in a fertile valley along the south-western shore of Skagafjörður Fjord. Although Sauðárkrókur was officially settled in 1871, it is linked to history dating back to the ancient Grettir's Saga of the 13th century. It's the largest town in northwest Iceland, though is home to just over 2,500 people. The charming downtown will welcome you as you stroll through the small collection of distinctive, traditional buildings where the past seems to be brought back to life.

A true culinary journey awaits every day on board with up to 10 extraordinary all-inclusive dining experiences and nine bars and lounges. As dusk falls, choose between steak and seafood at Elements, channel the spirit of Asia at Koko's or journey to France at Lumière.

Freechoice:

- Drangey Island & bird watching: Explore Drangey Island, a birdwatcher's paradise, home to puffins and other seabirds. Enjoy a hike, stunning views, and ancient legends of Iceland.
- Town Walk & Battle Exhibition: Discover Skagafjörður's history through a town walk and interactive exhibition on Iceland's bloody Sturlungur Era.
- Hiking in Sauðárkrókur: Explore the mystical beauty of Tindastoll, a mountain rich in legends and stunning landscapes. Let your guided hike unveil tales of trolls and mythical creatures as you journey through this enchanting terrain.
- Discovery:** Enjoy immersive Discovery experiences such as kayaking and zodiac cruising, subject to weather conditions and harbour master approval.

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Day 6: Akureyri (Iceland)

Akureyri is the country's second largest settlement after Reykjavik, but with only around 20,000 residents it still feels like a friendly small town. Though it sits just 60km below the Arctic Circle, the climate is pleasantly mild and picturesque, with colourful homes set on green hills at the base of a volcanic mountain chain.

See the striking Akureyri Church and stroll through one of the world's most northerly botanic gardens, home to endemic Icelandic flora and hardy foreign species. Keep an eye out for the elves and hidden people that are said to dwell in the town.

Freechoice:

- Leisurely Akureyri & Godafoss Waterfall: Explore Akureyri, the "capital of the North," enjoy its charming architecture and Botanical Gardens, and visit the stunning Goðafoss Waterfall.
- Whale Watching Akureyri: Witness

humpback whales performing acrobatics in Eyjafjörður Bay, along with other marine wildlife.
Panoramic City and Forest Lagoon: Enjoy a city tour of Akureyri and relax in the geothermal spa at Vaðlaskógur forest.
Jewels of the North: Discover hot springs and lava fields around Lake Mývatn, including Dimmuborgir's lunar-like lava formations.

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Day 7: Grímsey Island (Iceland)

Grímsey is a small island north of the Icelandic mainland, home to only 100 people and one million seabirds. Nesting on the high cliffs that surround the whole island, the chatter of seabirds here is constant, especially during the 24 hours of sunshine in summer. This grassy outcrop straddles the Arctic Circle, making it one of the few places on earth where you can cross the Arctic Circle on foot – truly a once in a lifetime experience.

Your Discovery Yacht will set sail just after lunchtime to across the Arctic Circle on your way to Vopnafjörður.

Freechoice: Guided Walk: Explore this remote and beautiful island, hear tales of folklore and legend, and receive a certificate for crossing the Arctic Circle.

Passenger Train: Ride around the tiny island on a petite passenger train that loop around the lighthouse, through the village and past the Arctic Circle Monument.

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Day 8: Vopnafjörður (Iceland)

Vopnafjörður is a hidden gem along Iceland's stunning eastern coast. It's long been a busy trading port and is still a flourishing village, home to around 600 people. Many people with Icelandic heritage can trace their history here as it was the largest emigration point for North America in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

The highlight here is the sprawling, pristine fjordlands that wind along the coast. Embark on outdoor experiences like hiking and birdwatching in the surrounding mountains, offering a true taste of Icelandic wilderness.

Freechoice: Canyons & Cliffs Hike: Hike along the scenic Gljúfursá river on the Drangnes peninsula, taking in breathtaking views of the Gljúfursárfoss waterfall and the dramatic coastline.

Burstarfell Turf House Visit & Walk: Explore Bustarfell Museum, a beautifully preserved turf house showcasing Icelandic life from the 18th to mid-20th century.

Leisure Walk around Vopnafjörður: Experience the charming village of Vopnafjörður with a local guide, exploring abandoned houses, learning about local folklore, visiting the first settlement and church, and enjoying traditional Icelandic refreshments.

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<p>In a country with an abundance of natural drama, Seyðisfjörður may steal the show. Set at the mouth of a beautiful fjord, this is East Iceland's heart of culture, heritage and hospitality – and then there's the architecture. The centre of town is known for 19th-century timber houses perched on the side of the lagoon, built by fisherfolk when the region was booming.</p><p>There's plenty of culture to go with the small-town country charm, complemented by plentiful wildlife, including reindeer and porpoises drawn by the verdant setting of cascading waterfalls and snow-capped mountains. </p><p>Freechoice:
Chasing Waterfalls – Hike: Experience a breathtaking hiking adventure through the scenic Vestdalur Valley, showcasing stunning landscapes like waterfalls, meadows, wetlands, and ancient human settlements over a thousand years ago.

Vök Baths: Plunge into Iceland's purest hot spring water that comes from naturally heated springs deep below a frozen lake.

History and Heritage Walk: Visit Fjörður's archaeological site and stroll through the town's historic district. Enjoy refreshments at Skaftfell Bistro and explore the Technical Museum.
Nature walk Skalanes: Explore an archaeological site and Skálanes nature center, spotting diverse wildlife. Enjoy scenic views and local refreshments.

RIB Boat Tour - Discover Seyðisfjörður by RIB boat, with wildlife sightings and local stories.</p><p>Discovery:
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Day 10: Heimaey Island (Iceland)

<p>The earth is always rumbling beneath Iceland. Today, you'll see a perfect example of nature's ability to both create and destroy. When the volcano Eldfell, meaning 'Hill of Fire', erupted here in 1973, parts of the island were covered in lava and ash, sealing them in a virtual time capsule. Walking through the town, you'll be able to see signs of the eruption and fallout.</p><p>Keep your eyes open for our black and white friends, with more Atlantic puffins nesting here than anywhere else in the world.</p><p>This is your final day on board your Discovery Yacht, so take the time to return to your favourite spots. That might mean one last treatment# in the luxurious Senses Spa or stretching out in a class at the

PURE: Yoga & Pilates Studio.

Freechoice:

Boat Tour of Heimaey: Explore the Westman Islands, spot puffins and caves, and enjoy a unique musical experience in Klettshellir.

Volcanic Hike & Eldheimar Museum: Hike Eldfell volcano, learn its impact on the town and visit the Eldheimar Museum.

Bus Tour & Eldheimar Museum: Join a guided bus tour to see island sights, including the Eldheimar Museum.

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Day 11: Reykjavík (Iceland)

Today you will return to Reykjavik. This is a city that never disappoints – a busy, buzzy capital with a creative soul, wild nightlife and a population of cool, quirky Reykvíkingurs. Choose to stay longer to explore its stylish restaurants, chic boutiques, innovative galleries and fascinating museums.

After one final breakfast on board, you'll disembark your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht. Farewell the crew and your fellow guests, taking with you a memories of an unforgettable voyage.

Please book your flight to depart out of Reykjavik after 12:00 PM.

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