We are on our way to Iceland! A land and culture forged by fire and ice where steaming lava fields and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords. In this land of many natural wonders, enjoy the rare opportunity to see the aurora borealis — one of nature’s most dazzling light displays, also known as the Northern Lights.*

**The Northern Lights**

Each year, between Sept. & April, travelers journey to Iceland and venture out into the dark to see the magical but elusive northern lights (aurora borealis). This natural phenomenon is the product of collisions between electrically charged particles from the sun that enter the earth’s atmosphere; the results are spectacular! Streaks of colorful light appear across the sky. The colors can vary from white to pink or purple and, most commonly, green. It is known that the best time to witness the lights in Iceland is from late September to mid-April, when the nights are the longest. This light show is truly dazzling and worth the pursuit.
Iceland - Full Itinerary

Day 1: Oct. 15 - Depart Grand Rapids Gerald R Ford International Airport (or other of your choosing**) for overnight flight to Iceland.

Day 2: Oct. 16 - Reykjavík - Your tour opens in Reykjavík, Iceland’s capital city. Get acquainted with old town Reykjavík on a walking tour featuring Hallgrímskirkja church, city hall, the harbor, and the Parliament building. Tonight, gather with your fellow travelers at a popular restaurant for dinner featuring Icelandic cuisine. Then, take an exhilarating northern lights cruise.** Leave behind the bright city lights and sail into the darkness of Faxaflói Bay in search of the aurora borealis – or northern lights – one of nature’s wonders. If revealed, you’ll be dazzled by the flickering light display of bursting color that unfolds before your eyes.* (D)

Day 3: Oct. 17 - Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Lava Exhibition Center – Vik – Using Vik as a hub, we travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation’s most historic area, where Icelanders gathered in 930 AD and established what is considered one of the world’s first parliaments. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe’s most geologically significant landscapes,
Thingvellir’s rugged rift valley. This UNESCO World Heritage site marks the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Experience the eruptive energy of the Icelandic landscape with a stop at the geothermal fields of Geysir and Strokkur. Then, marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Next, stop at the Lava Exhibition Center to learn about Iceland’s historic eruptions and current lava flows that make the island a showcase of volcanism. Continue southeast to Vik, the southernmost village in Iceland, surrounded by beautiful valleys, beaches, cliffs and mountains. For each of your three nights in Vik, weather permitting, you’ll set out into the peace and stillness of rural Iceland in search of the aurora borealis – the elusive northern lights.* On foot, or with the assistance of our motor coach and driver, you will venture out away from the light pollution to where the views of the sky are ideal. Three nights of searching means three times the likelihood that you’ll find this incredible natural light show.* (B, D)

Day 4: Oct. 18 - Vik - Seljalandsfoss - Skógar Museum - Vik – Another day trip from Vik, we will journey to the mesmerizing Seljalandsfoss, one of Iceland’s most famous and picturesque waterfalls with a walkway behind it. Visit Skógar Museum with its turf-built homes and outstanding collection of artifacts covering all aspects of Icelandic life. Nearby, view the impressive Skógarfoss waterfall, one of the tallest in Iceland. Later, see Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach surrounded by basalt formations, cliffs scattered with caves, and rich bird life including the Fulmar, Black Guillemot, Razorbill, Gannet and various types of seagulls. See the unique natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey. Later this afternoon, challenge your taste buds when you try samples of the traditional Icelandic delicacies Hákarl and Brennivín (Icelandic schnapps). After dinner, gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights,* a truly spectacular sight. (B, D)

Travel to Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs. Explore this extraordinary landscape and perhaps see seals swimming in Arctic waters. Travel to Skaftafell, gateway to Vatnajökull National Park, the largest national park in Europe. Vatnajökull is known for having Iceland’s highest mountains, an Alpine environment, and the Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest. After dinner, continue searching for the shimmering northern lights dancing across the night sky.* (B, D)

Day 6: Oct. 20 - Vík - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavík
Drive along the south shore towards the Reykjanes Peninsula. Known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, and numerous hot springs, the peninsula is home of the **Blue Lagoon**. Take a dip in the pleasantly warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the middle of a dramatic lava field. Return to Reykjavík for your farewell dinner and overnight stay. *(B, D)*

Day 7: Oct. 21 - Reykjavík - Tour Ends
Depart for home with many incredible memories. *(B)*

*The northern lights are in the Northern Hemisphere from September through April and are only visible when the sky is clear and free of clouds. **As this tour is weather dependent, sightings of the northern lights are not guaranteed.**

**The northern lights cruise is weather dependent and may be cancelled in the event of serious weather.**

***Depart from airport of your choosing, additional cost may apply.*

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**Important Travel Notes:**

We will make every effort to accommodate your travel needs and make sure you have the best possible vacation. At the same time, it is important to note the following advisories:

- **Terrain & Transportation**: Walking over uneven walking surfaces, and ground. Travel by passenger coach.
- **Northern Lights**: Are a fall/winter event, you will be walking and waiting outdoors while looking for them. Recommend snow footwear and warm clothing including thermals, hat, scarf and gloves.
- **Climate**: Average high 43° & low 36°. Summer high is only 12° warmer with NO Northern Lights.
- **Passport & Visa Information**: U.S. citizens do not need a visa for this trip. Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your scheduled return to the U.S. It must have blank pages. Pages must be labeled “Visas” at the top. Pages labeled “Amendments and Endorsements” are not acceptable.
- **Vaccinations**: None
- **Disclaimer**: weTravel reserves the right to adjust pricing due to cost increases regarding changes in airfares, cruise fares, taxes, fuel surcharges, promotional changes. Trip dates and itinerary are subject to change due to trip availability.
- **weTravel**: Reserves the right to cancel this tour due to insufficient registration. Full refund of deposit if tour is canceled.
- The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.
**Highlights:** Reykjavík, Northern Lights Cruise, Search for the Northern Lights, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Geysir, Gullfoss Waterfall, Lava Exhibition Center, Vik, Seljalandsfoss, Skógar Museum, Skógafoss, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Skaftafell National Park, Vatnajökull Glacier, Blue Lagoon.

**Collette Experiences:**
~ Explore Skógar Museum, covering all aspects of Icelandic life.
~ Experience the energy at the geothermal fields of Geysir and Strokkur.
~ Learn about the volcanic nature of the island of Iceland during a visit to the Lava Exhibition Center

**Culinary Inclusions:**
~ Savor gourmet Icelandic cuisine at a popular local restaurant.
~ Challenge your taste buds with a sample of traditional Hákarl and Brennivín (Icelandic schnapps).

**Must-See Inclusions:**
~ Search for nature's dazzling display on a northern lights cruise in Reykjavik.
~ Venture out into the countryside outside of Vik for three nights in search of more aurora borealis sightings.
~ See Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs.
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Day 2 – Arrive Reykjavik, Iceland
Day 3 – Explore Golden Circle
Day 4 – Iceland’s waterfalls & beaches
Day 5 – Glacial Lagoon & Park
Day 6 – Blue Lagoon
Day 7 – Tour Ends - Return to GR

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Day 2 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
Days 3 – 5 Hotel Katla by Kea, Vik
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