



Iceland Eastern Fjords Hiking

The Viknaslodir Trail & Highlights of the Southern Ring Road

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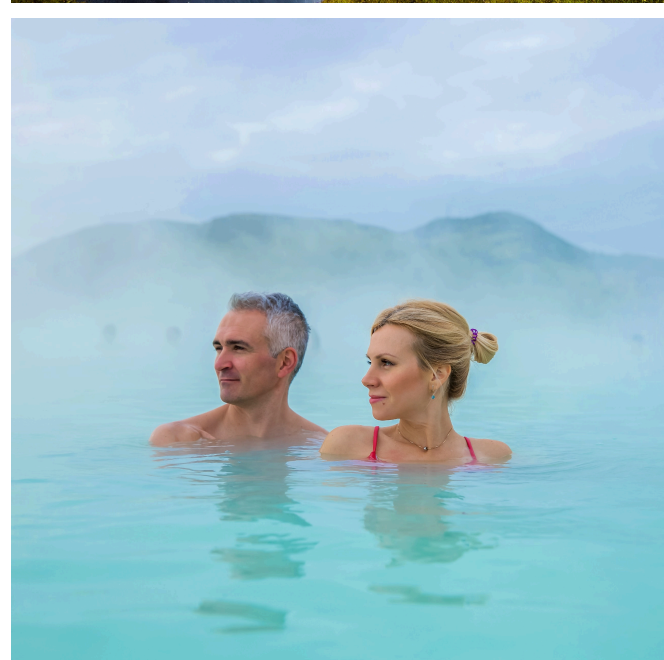
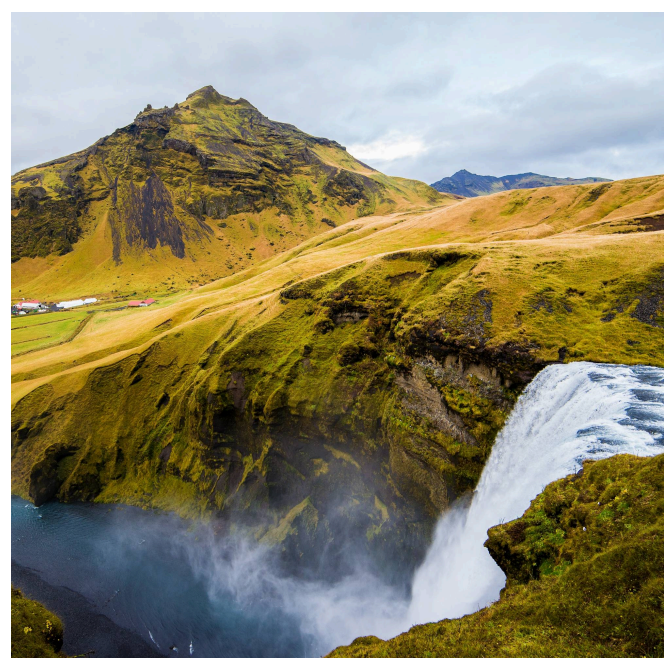
MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Tour Company in 2022 by USA Today's 10 Best Readers' Choice Awards.

Unique Trip Design

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail — the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

Small Groups

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.





Leading the Way

World-Class Local Guides

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.





Why take this trip with us?

REASON 1

MT Sobek has crafted a unique adventure that pairs 3 days of remote, vehicle-less hiking, with the iconic must-see highlights of the southern Ring Road!

REASON 2

We are the only North American operator to trek in the eastern fjords - a raw, remote, and remarkable place!

REASON 3

There's no better finale to this magical adventure than a soak in the famed Blue Lagoon, right before departing for your homeward-bound flight.

At A Glance

ACTIVITIES

Hiking along volcanic mountains, cruising among glaciers and fjords, scenic flights, and rejuvenating soaks in geothermal spas.



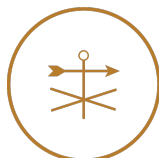
LODGING

Modern, stylish country and city hotels packed with amenities, clean comfortable wilderness huts in remote locations, and simple, friendly guesthouses.



CLIMATE

Iceland's weather motto is "Expect Everything!" Rain is possible at any time, but bring your sunglasses and shorts too!



KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

Accommodation

On this trip you spend 3 nights in wilderness huts with communal (side-by-side) sleeping arrangements. The huts are bright and clean, but there are no private rooms. You will also spend 1 night at a guesthouse (Night 5) with shared bathroom facilities. Singles will have to share a room on these 4 nights.



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Experience lava fields, gigantic glaciers, waterfalls, snowcapped peaks, remote sandy beaches, and an array of geothermal spectacles all on the same trip in Iceland. Begin with a hut-to-hut hiking adventure along the eastern fjords, following the spectacular Viknaslodir Trail. Then tick off all the highlights of Iceland's southern Ring Road. Boat among mesmerizing icebergs, stroll black sand beaches, be awed by the famous geyser of the Golden Circle. Take in Iceland's cosmopolitan coastal capital, Reykjavik, and wrap up with a soak in the Blue Lagoon - Iceland's famed geothermal spa.

10 Days

Start: Reykjavik, Iceland

End: Reykjavik, Iceland

Departing: June, July, August

Activities: Hiking & Trekking

Lodging: Comfortable Hotels, Rustic Lodging

Group Size: 6-16 Guests

ACTIVITY:



Check [mtsobek.com](https://www.mtsobek.com) for date-specific pricing.

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“I met an Icelander on the plane and he was surprised at our route, saying that it's mostly locals, not tourists. Indeed, we didn't see any other groups and we all loved that!”

- Elizabeth W.

The Itinerary

DAY 01

Arrive in Iceland

After an early morning arrival at the airport, your MT Sobek trip leader will transfer you to the hotel, where you start the day with breakfast. Take the rest of today to relax and explore the capital city. Tonight, meet up with the rest of the group for a welcome dinner.

MEALS: Breakfast | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 40-minute private bus transfer

DAY 02

Fly to Egilsstaðir & Hike to Lodmundarfjörður

After breakfast, transfer to the Reykjavik domestic airport for an awe-inspiring flight over the highlands to Egilsstaðir in eastern Iceland, departing at 9:15am (subject to change). The 60-minute flight includes spectacular views of Mount Hekla, the Vatnajökull ice cap, and Mount Askja. From Egilsstaðir, drive to the deep fjord harboring the coastal village of Seydisfjörður, to begin the hike. Set out over green mountains and plateaus down to the uninhabited Lodmundarfjörður, which was, for many years, one of the most isolated and inaccessible communities in Iceland. Luggage for the next 3 nights will be delivered by four-wheel-drive vehicle.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1-hour flight transfer

ACTIVITY: 5–7 hours/7 miles hiking with 1,970' elevation gain/loss

DAY 03

Hike from Lodmundarfjörður to Husavík

Take a morning walk to the old chapel at the foot of the beautiful fjord, then along the north seashore of Lodmundarfjörður and down to Husavík (House Bay). Loðmundarfjörður fjord is an impressive valley that was once home to 100 people at the turn of the 20th century, thanks to rich farmlands and accessible fishing grounds. The hike leads through the massive Loðmundarskriður, formed thousands of years ago when the adjacent mountain literally burst forth.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 5–7 hours/9 miles hiking with 1,970' elevation gain/loss



DAY 04

Walk from Husavik to Breidavik

Wake for an enjoyable walk from Husavik to Breidavik over an impressive pass at the foot of 1,200-ft Mount Hvitserkur — an odd formation of white rhyolite with basalt intrusions. Descend toward Breidavik (Wide Bay), a majestic place with coastal marsh, black sandy beaches, and scattered Siberian driftwood. Curious seals often come around to observe hikers.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 5-7 hours/8 miles hiking with 1,800' elevation gain and 1,640' elevation loss

DAY 05

Walk from Breidavik to Borgarfjorður Eystri

From Breidavik, set out across the massive pastel rhyolite mountains that, depending on the way the sun catches them, turn from pink to blue to ochre. Continue the hike via Brunavik (Brown Bay) downhill to Borgarfjorður Eystri, a small picturesque inlet that faces the open sea, featuring shores dotted with charming, small houses.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 6 hours/8-10 miles hiking two passes at 1,000' and one pass at 1,300'



DAY
06

Hike in the Dyrfjoll Mountains & Head to Egilsstadir

Today hike in the Dyrfjoll Mountains, a perfect complement to the Borgarfjordur fjord. Have a short transfer to the trailhead just below the majestic faces of the Dyrfjoll cliffs, reaching the Storud (Big Rocky Ground), an enormous chaos of large boulders intersected by a glacial river. After marveling at this spectacular setting, continue the hike along the foothills of the mountains, meeting up with the bus for the scenic drive to Egilsstadir — and on to your hotel for the overnight.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1.5 hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 6 hours/8.5 miles hiking two passes at 300' and 1,000'



DAY
07

Take In the Hengifoss Waterfall & Head to Hofn

After breakfast, transfer to the Hengifoss Waterfall, where you enjoy a walk and picnic lunch before continuing south again. Drive over the Oxi pass down to Berufjorður fjord, stopping shortly at Djupivogur village for a short walk along this picturesque harbor. Then continue west past the Lonsvik lagoon, a gathering place for thousands of wild swans and a destination for many migratory birds. After the walk, enjoy the scenic drive that passes the Cape of Whales and the imposing glacial masses as the Vatnajokull ice cap flows down from the mountains.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 3.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 2 hours/3 miles hiking with 100' elevation gain



DAY
08

Cruise on Jokulsarlon Lagoon & Short Hike in Skaftafell National Park

Start the day with a drive along the south coast enjoying views of the immense Oræfajokull glacier as it crawls across black sand. Take a 60-minute zodiac tour among the black and blue icebergs of the Jokulsarlon lagoon. Continue westward and arrive in the Skaftafell National Park, the location of today's short hike to Svartifoss (The Black Waterfall), a famed waterfall in a horseshoe-shaped gorge. Continuing west again, come to the endless Eldhraun lava field covered with thick carpets of silvery moss.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 60-minute zodiac ride & 3.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 2-mile/1-hour easy hike



Skogafoss, Seljalandsfoss and Golden Circle

On this last day, stroll along the black sand beaches of Reynisfjara, and take in the beautiful waterfalls of Skogafoss and Seljalandsfoss. You'll explore the famous Golden Circle including the majestic Gullfoss waterfall and the spouting spring Geysir, witnessing its enormous eruptions. Finally, visit Thingvellir National Park and walk along the fault lines that make evident the rifting of the earth's crust. You'll hear about the major historic events that have taken place here and come to understand this is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Arrive in Reykjavik in the late afternoon and check into the hotel before your farewell dinner with the group.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 3.5-hour private van transfer

ACTIVITY: 1-2 miles/2-3 hours easy walking and touring



Soak in the Blue Lagoon & Depart from Reykjavik

After breakfast, enjoy a little time for shopping or exploring before departing Reykjavik at 11 am, transferring 45 minutes south to the famous Blue Lagoon geothermal spa. Located in a lava field, the lagoon holds six million liters of geothermal seawater, which is renewed every 40 hours. Soak in the steamy mineral waters, or get a natural massage under the powerful waterfalls, before showering up and transferring back to the Reykjavik-Keflavik Airport for departure flights home (please schedule flights after 5:00pm).

MEALS: Breakfast

TRANSPORTATION: 45-minute private van transfer



Where You'll Stay

These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.

Fosshotel Reykjavik

This stylish, centrally located hotel provides great city and waterfront views, and offers a luxury spa, fitness center, and free Wi-Fi. There's also an on-site beer garden and Haust, a top-rated restaurant offering fresh, innovative cuisine. Comfortable rooms are equipped with modern amenities, including a flat-screen TV, and a private bathroom with shower.

Loðmundarfjorður Hut

The scenic location is the highlight of the otherwise basic but clean and comfortable Loðmundarfjorður Hut, which has 38 sleeping spaces in side-by-side bunk-style beds. There's a wood stove for heating, a gas stove for cooking, a flush toilet and token-operated shower, plus the option to camp. The hut provides sleeping pads, but it's best to bring your own sleeping bag.

Husavik Mountain Hut

Located in an isolated coastal inlet, Husavik Mountain Hut offers 33 sleeping spaces in side-by-side bunk-style beds. It's equipped with a wood stove for heating, a gas stove for cooking, a flush toilet and token-operated shower, plus the option to camp. The hut provides sleeping pads, but it's best to bring your own sleeping bag.



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Breiðavík Mountain Hut

Scenically located amid a backdrop of rugged hills, the Breiðavík Mountain Hut offers 33 sleeping spaces in side-by-side bunk-style beds. There is a wood stove for heating, a gas stove for cooking, a flush toilet (but no shower), plus the option to camp. The hut provides sleeping pads, but it's best to bring your own sleeping bag.

Blabjorg Guesthouse

This simple, friendly guesthouse is located in the idyllic fishing village of Bakkagerði, and is surrounded by stunning mountains and nature. It has just four guest rooms, each featuring a bunk with upper twin and lower single, or double beds. Bathroom facilities, including one WC and two showers, are shared. The beds are equipped with a blanket and pillows, so you will not need your sleeping bag this night. The guesthouse has a rustic feel but is perfectly located for the nearby hiking trails.

Lake Hotel Egilsstadir

Lake Hotel Egilsstadir is a charming family run hotel on the banks of scenic Lagarfljot Lake, known for its legendary lake monster! The hotel's 50 comfortable rooms are equipped with en-suite bathrooms and modern amenities. Take a break in the sauna or hot tub, and try authentic Icelandic cuisine at the hotel's Eldhusio Restaurant.

Hotel Hofn

Located in the charming coastal town of Hofn, this comfortable hotel offers local cuisine and modern rooms with private bathrooms and flat-screen TVs. Guests can also enjoy free Wi-Fi.

Hotel Katla

Located near Vik i Myrdal, this country hotel features spacious guest rooms with stunning views of the Myrdalsjokull Glacier, outdoor geothermal hot tubs, and a fitness center. Guests can enjoy free Wi-Fi in the lobby area. A hotel bar is available for after dinner drinks.

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Departure Dates

This trip is available to run in: June, July, August

Book early for a greater choice of available dates.

Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

June 18-27, 2024

July 16-25, 2024

August 27-September 5, 2024

July 1-10, 2025

August 26-September 4, 2025

What's Included

PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and portorage

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
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- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
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