

ANZA-BORREGO DESERT NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS
A GUIDED TOUR OF



ICELAND



AUGUST 6 – 16, 2022



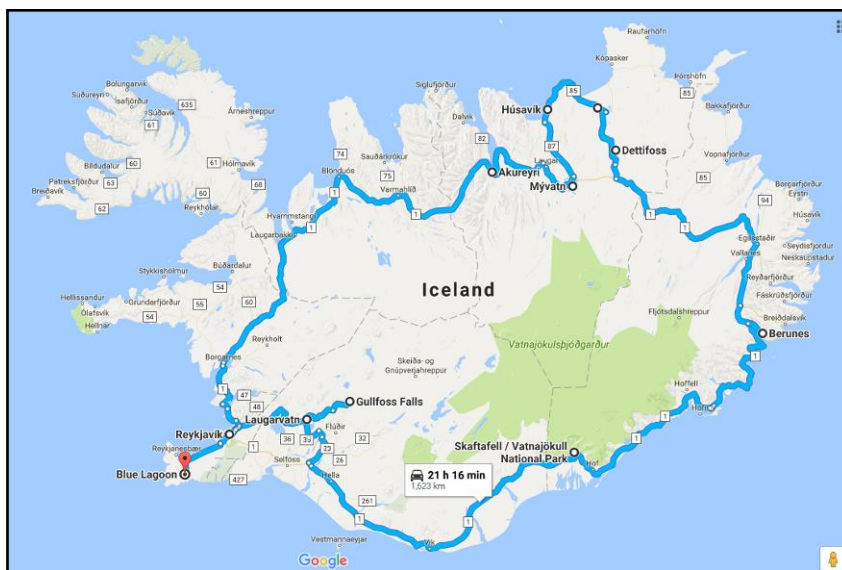
Join Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association and geologist Don Barrie on a grand tour of Iceland's natural wonders: waterfalls, glaciers, icebergs, volcanoes, geysers, hot springs, lakes, beaches, birdlife, and more. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the ABDNHA. Registration form is available at www.geotours.us/tour/abdnha-iceland-2022

LAND COST = \$2990 - includes lodging in a double/twin room, private tour bus, many entries and activities, Professor Don Barrie as group leader, GeoTours guide Matt Ebner, some breakfasts, high-quality digital photos of the entire tour.

AIRFARE is additional, and costs approximately \$1000 round-trip from Los Angeles or San Diego to Reykjavik.

INCLUDED ENTRIES/ACTIVITIES

- Reykjavik – Hallgrímskirkja Church Tower
- Kerid Volcanic Crater
- Strokkur Geyser
- Gullfoss Waterfalls
- Þingvellir – Rift zone between tectonic plates
- Lava Center – Museum of Iceland's geology
- Seljalandsfoss & Skógafoss Waterfall
- Reynisfjara - Black sand beach & volcanic cliffs
- Laki Craters
- Fjaðrargljúfur Canyon
- Vatnajökull National Park - Skaftafell section
- Svinafell Glacier
- Ingolfshofdi Nature Reserve – Puffins
- Fjallsárlón & Jokulsárlón - Iceberg lagoons
- Dettifoss Waterfall
- Viti Crater Lake
- Hverir - Bubbling mud pits and fumaroles
- Godafoss Waterfall
- Myvatn Nature Baths – soak in warm geothermal waters



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ABDNHA ICELAND TOUR – AUGUST 6-16, 2022

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AIRFARE = \$1000 - approximate cost round-trip to Reykjavik from San Diego or Los Angeles

Sat 8/6/22 Depart USA

Depart from San Diego or Los Angeles to Reykjavik, Iceland

Sun 8/7/22 Arrive Reykjavik, Iceland

Arrive Reykjavik, capital city of Iceland. Take a short walking tour of Reykjavik and visit Hallgrímskirkja church tower, with great views over Reykjavik. One night in Reykjavik at CenterHotel Arnarhvoll, excellently located in the city center across the street from Harpa Concert Hall.

Mon 8/8/22 Golden Circle

See some of Iceland's top highlights: Þingvellir National Park where the North American plate is pulling apart from the Eurasian plate, Kerid crater lake, Strokkur Geyser exploding every few minutes, and Gullfoss waterfalls. One night in the lakefront village of Laugarvatn. Option for an evening swim, soak, or sauna at Laugarvatn Fontana geothermal pools.

Tue 8/9/22 South Coast to Skogar

Visit the excellent Lava Center with high-tech exhibits of Iceland's geology. See 2 magnificent waterfalls: Seljalandsfoss (which you can walk behind) & thundering Skogafoss. Stroll along a black sand beach at Reynisfjara, backed by volcanic cliffs. Option to go horse riding in Vik (extra cost), or to hike to a clifftop for beautiful views. One night at Hotel Skogafoss in Skogar, steps away from one of Iceland's most beautiful waterfalls.

Wed 8/10/22 Skogar – Laki Craters - Hof Village

Travel 30 miles inland across several unbridged rivers to reach Laki Craters, site of devastating volcanic eruptions in the 1780s. Take a short walk at Fjadrargljúfur Canyon, a colorful gorge carved into the volcanic landscape. Two nights in Hof village near Vatnajökull National Park.

Thu 8/11/22 Vatnajökull National Park

Great hiking opportunities (up to 5 miles) in Vatnajökull National Park to see glaciers and waterfalls. In the afternoon marvel at Fjallsárlon, a lagoon with icebergs in front of a massive glacier.

Fri 8/12/22 Glacier Lagoons to Berunes

See puffins and other birdlife at Ingolfshöfði Nature Reserve. Visit Diamond Beach and Jokulsárlon lagoon, with icebergs in a lagoon. One night in Berunes at a farmhouse on a fjord.

Sat 8/13/22 Berunes to Husavik

Hike to impressive Dettifoss, Europe's largest waterfall. See the geological wonders around Lake Myvatn: Viti crater with a beautiful lake, Hverir geothermal area with bubbling mud pits and fumaroles, and Grjótagjá cave with an aquamarine pool inside. Soak in warm geothermal waters at Myvatn Nature Baths. Stay one night at Fosshotel in the beautiful fishing town of Husavik.

Sun 8/14/22 Husavik to Akureyri

Morning option to go whale watching in Husavik (extra cost), or visit the Whale Museum, or just sleep in and relax until mid-day. En route to Akureyri stop to see beautiful Godafoss waterfall. One night at Hotel Kea in Akureyri, Iceland's 2nd largest city, with free time to visit the botanical gardens, shop, swim, or relax.

Mon 8/15/22 Akureyri to Reykjavik

Return to Reykjavik by early afternoon with time for shopping. One final night in Iceland at CenterHotel Arnarhvoll.

Tue 8/16/22 Blue Lagoon and Depart Iceland

Visit the Blue Lagoon to see Iceland's most famous geothermal waters. Depart Reykjavik for the USA.



ABDNHA - ICELAND 2022



GENERAL INFORMATION – ABDNHA ICELAND TOUR 2022

Tour Dates

- Depart USA, Saturday, August 6, 2022; arrive Reykjavik in the morning, Sunday, August 7, 2022.
- Depart Reykjavik, Tuesday, August 16, 2022; arrive USA in the afternoon or evening, Tuesday, August 16, 2022.

Land Cost

- \$2990, including lodging, ground transport, many entries/activities, English-speaking guide, most breakfasts.
- A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association.
- Iceland is an expensive country. This trip has most breakfasts included. Restaurant meals are expensive (\$15-50 for dinners). Lunches (additional cost) will usually be simple (soup, sandwiches) at snack bars, small cafeterias, or markets. We will sometimes stay at places with kitchen facilities where you can cook your own meals if you like.

Airfare

- Additional cost (about \$1000) for round-trip to Reykjavik from San Diego or LAX. GeoTours will provide flight recommendations.

Registration Procedure

- Open to all ages; it is not necessary to be a member of Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association, but registration through August 31, 2021 is only open to ABDNHA members and their roommates.
- Registration will open 8:00 AM on MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2021.
 - The registration link will be found at: WWW.GEOTOURS.US/TOUR/ABDNHA-ICELAND-2022
- After completing the online registration form you must submit a \$500 deposit to GeoTours LLC by US mail or online within 7 days (instructions and payment options are on the registration form).
- If there are any problems registering online then you should contact GeoTours at 310-686-8171 or info@geotours.us.

Leader/Guide & Group Size

- ABDNHA board member and geologist Don Barrie will lead the group.
- GeoTours guide (Matt Ebner) will accompany, direct, and guide the tour.
- Group size will be around 20-24 people, plus Don Barrie, Matt Ebner, and an Icelandic driver.

Accommodations

- Price is based on double occupancy (sharing a room); if you don't have a preferred roommate we will try to match you with a roommate but this is not guaranteed. Single room supplement is +\$800.
- Lodging is at hotels, guesthouses, and cabins, sometimes with a shared bathroom. Accommodations are sometimes simple but always clean and usually in a beautiful location.

Transportation and Pace/Physical Effort

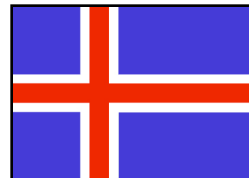
- Private tour bus (38 seats) with English-speaking driver.
- This trip has a moderate pace and participants should be able to walk up to 5 miles on the longest day.
- The average bus travel time is 3-4 hours per day, but a couple of days have 5-7 hours on the bus.
- The weather is cool in August (average high usually around 50-55°F) and light rain is likely about 3 days per week.

Any Questions? Please contact:

- ABDNHA board member and geologist Don Barrie - dbarriegeo@gmail.com; 619-208-6507
- GeoTours guide Matt Ebner – mattebner@geotours.us; 310-686-8171



Registration Form – ABDNHA Iceland Tour: August 6-16, 2021- LAND COST = \$2990
(Includes lodging, private transportation, entries/activities; International Airfare is extra)



REGISTRATION/PAYMENT PROCEDURE

1. It is recommended that you register ONLINE at WWW.GEOTOURS.US/TOUR/ABDNHA-ICELAND-2022
2. If you prefer to register on paper then complete this form and submit a scan or photo of it to GeoTours' phone number (310-686-8171) or email (info@geotours.us). Keep a copy of this completed form for your records.
3. Send a \$500 payment (check payable to GeoTours LLC) to GeoTours at the address below or submit payment online through Venmo or Zelle to payment@geotours.us or 310-686-8171 (GeoTours phone #).
4. Second payment of \$600 is due on October 31, 2021.
5. Third payment of \$700 is due on January 31, 2022.
6. Final payment is due April 30, 2022.
7. Payments made after May 15, 2022 will be assessed a \$100 late fee.

If paying by check (made payable to GeoTours LLC) then send to: **GeoTours, 1547 E. Puente Street, Covina, CA 91724**

CONTACTS:

Matt Ebner, GeoTours Trip Leader, mattebner@geotours.us; 310-686-8171
Don Barrie, Geologist & Group Leader, dbarriegeo@gmail.com; 619-208-6507

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION - Please print clearly and use your precise name as it appears on your passport

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Gender: _____

Address _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Are you a US citizen? Yes ___ No, I am a citizen of _____ Passport# _____ Passport Expiration _____

Email Address _____ Phone (_____) _____ Date of Birth _____

Are you a member of Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association? _____

ACCOMMODATION REQUEST - The program price is based on double occupancy. If you sign up without a roommate we will try to match you with a roommate, but this is not guaranteed. A single room incurs a supplement of +\$800.

Please check one: Sharing a Twin room (2 beds) _____ Sharing a Double room (1 large bed; if available) _____ Single Room _____

Name of preferred roommate (if any) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email Address _____

CANCELLATIONS

To cancel your participation, you need to inform GeoTours in writing or by email. Cancellation date is the date when GeoTours receives your written notice

Date of Cancellation	Cancellation Penalty	Date of Cancellation	Cancellation Penalty
On or before August 31, 2021	\$100	January 1 – February 28, 2022	\$500
September 1 – Oct 31, 2021	\$300	March 1 – April 30, 2022	\$600
November 1 – Dec 31, 2021	\$400	After May 1, 2022	No Refund

Responsibility The program participant agrees that GeoTours LLC and Anza-Borrego Desert Natural History Association (ABDNHA) assume no liability whatsoever for loss of property, injury, accident, illness, death, irregularity and delays during the duration of the tour. In addition, the program participant agrees to hold GeoTours LLC and ABDNHA harmless for damage, delay, or cancellation due to equipment problems, quarantine, declared or undeclared war and insurrection, terrorist and criminal activity, revolt, civil disturbance, hostility, military action, strikes, labor unrest, any "act of God" or nature and for any act of any third party. The participant, by registering for this tour, agrees that GeoTours LLC and ABDNHA are not responsible for delay, rerouting, omission and additional expense resulting from the passenger's improper travel documents such as passport, visa and health document. Any losses and expenses related to such circumstances are within the responsibility of the program participants and not of GeoTours LLC. GeoTours LLC and ABDNHA are not responsible for acts of any government authority. GeoTours LLC and ABDNHA reserve the right to adjust itinerary and contents and to substitute accommodation providers as deemed necessary. GeoTours LLC and ABDNHA reserve the right to accept or decline any person as a program participant as well as to refuse to retain any participant's membership in the program. Participants that do not participate in an activity or entry, or who leave the tour early or arrive late, will not be entitled to any refund. By registering for this tour, the participant agrees to all such terms and conditions.

I have carefully read and agree to the regulations above.

Participant Signature _____ Date _____

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