

Iceland

Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Iceland.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the US State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html>

US Embassy/Consulate

[354] 595-22-00; US Embassy in Reykjavik, , Engjateigur 7, 105 Reykjavík, Iceland; ReykjavikConsular@state.gov;

<https://is.usembassy.gov/>

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html>

Telephone Code

354

Local Emergency Phone

112

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Iceland: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, influenza, COVID-19. <http://www.who.int/>

Climate

Temperate; moderated by North Atlantic Current; mild, windy winters; damp, cool summers

Currency (Code)

Icelandic kronur (ISK)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F



Type C



Type F

Major Languages

Icelandic, English, Nordic languages, German

Major Religions

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland (official), Roman Catholic, Reykjavik Free Church, Hafnarfjordur Free Church, pagan worship, Icelandic Ethical Humanist

Time Difference

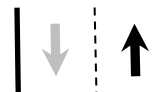
UTC 0 (5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Yes

International Driving Permit

Suggested



Road Driving Side

Right

Tourist Destinations

Blue Lagoon in Grindavík; Geysers in Strokkur; Thingvellir National Park; Reykjavik; whale watching from Reykjavik; Gullfoss Waterfall; Northern Lights; Landmannalaugar Nature Reserve; Maelifell Volcano; Myrdalsjökull Glacier

Major Sports

Handball, soccer, track and field, golf, basketball, tennis

Cultural Practices

Self-sufficiency, the work ethic, and independence are strongly valued here, and the brusque manners of Icelanders hide a friendly, helpful nature reflected in a dedication to the immediate community.

Tippling Guidelines

Tippling is not expected at hotels and restaurants since most bills include a service charge for gratuities. Round up taxi fares.

Souvenirs

Hand-knit wool items including blankets, sweaters, hats, coats, and mittens; pottery, local spirits, Viking themed items and dolls in traditional costumes; carved fish skin, lava rock, and driftwood items; felt stuffed animal toys

Traditional Cuisine

Lamb; Hákarl — cured (fermented) shark meat

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