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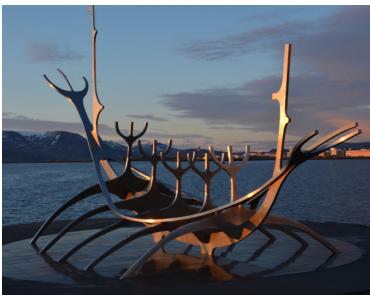
w/Nebraska Cattlemen Association

July 26 - August 2, 2024









Dear NC Members and Friends.

Annette and I are so excited to serve as travel hosts for this exceptional tour to Iceland.

Just a tad smaller than Kentucky, it's a thrilling destination for nature enthusiasts, outdoor lovers, and those just seeking the unexpected, set in soul-stirring scenery. You will also find the world's most northern capital city with the friendliest people you will ever encounter, making this trip even more joyful.

Our journey goes to an island anchored near the top of the globe, with a raw beauty sculpted by its volcanic nature. Rumbling ice-covered volcanoes, black sandy beaches, gigantic glaciers silently gnawing away at mountains, crystal clear lagoons speckled with glistening icebergs, gurgling hot springs, explosive geysers, fields punctuated with stoic Viking horses and long-haired sheep, thunderous waterfalls adorned with absurdly perfect rainbows, and ever-changing light. Wonders only experienced in Iceland!

We will listen to the stories of the Northern Gods and Goddesses, learn about Norse mythology, taste delicious and original local products, take an unforgettable journey into the heart of a glacier, a man-made ice cave, and have the opportunity to swim in the Blue Lagoon.

During our tour, we will visit a power plant exhibition, sustainable energy sources, local farms (sheep, goat, and Icelandic horse breeding), and a geothermal greenhouse. What an adventure, what an awe-inspiring destination!

Come join us, do not hesitate!

Sincerely,

Annette & Bill Rhea









Iceland is a place you must see to believe! Our adventure begins as we take an overnight flight to Reykjavik. Enjoy in-flight entertainment and meal service as you travel to this very special destination.

July 27, 2024 - Saturday Reykjavik

Upon our early arrival at Reykjavik airport, we will meet our English-speaking tour director, who will follow us throughout our journey. We are off on a short drive to Reykjavik to be introduced to this cute town. We make our way to Hallgrimskirkia, a Lutheran church and one of the highest structures in Iceland. The elevator will take us to the top to get the best views of the world's most northern capital. Soak in the colorful houses, blue waters, and mountains in the distance. Next. we stroll at our own pace down the bustling shopping street Laugavegur and make a stop for lunch at a local restaurant. We continue our walking tour along the lovely city lake Tjörnin before making our way to the Harpa Concert Hall by the water. We finish our tour by visiting the Sólfarið ("Sun Voyager") sculpture. It is time to check into our hotel, relax, and unwind for the remainder of the day. L

July 28, 2024 - Sunday
Into the Glacier - Goat Farm Visit
After a hearty breakfast, we are off to a
once-in-a-lifetime experience. We start



the journey from Reykjavik and head

towards the beautiful fjord of Hvalfjordur. Hvalfjordur means "Whale Fjord" because of the large number of whales in the surrounding waters. We will stop at the hot spring Deildartunguhver. Deildatunguhver churns out 180 liters of boiling water per second (a rate of flow that tops all other European hot springs). Some of the water from the hot spring is used for heating purposes and is piped to nearby villages. We arrive in Husafell, and our adventure leading us to the untouched beauty and raw nature of Langjokull, Iceland's second-largest glacier, begins. You will receive crampons to tie onto your shoes or boots. Next, we board a modified glacier vehicle to explore the glacier environment and enjoy the views as we drive atop the ice cap. Our specialist guide will teach us all about glaciers before going deep inside the man-made ice tunnels leading to the blue heart of the glacier. This is truly one of the many highlights of the journey. Lunch is served at a local restaurant before heading to Haafell Goat Farm, where goats have been bred since 1989. Until 2005, the owners lived with a mix of animals. Then, goats became the main stock. Emphasis has been placed on the development and marketing of goat products and the utilization of all raw materials. We are off our beautiful hotel in Grimsborgir, one of the best hotels Iceland offers. En route, we will stop at Hraunfossar and Barnafoss waterfalls. Camera out; these falls are stunning!



After a wonderful day, we will arrive at our hotel in time for dinner. Enjoy the outdoor hot tubs and the bright evenings and nights! Off to bed for a good rest. B | L | D

July 29, 2024 - Monday Golden Circle - Greenhouse Visit

After breakfast, we embark on a full-day tour of the Golden Circle, a route home to some of Iceland's most beautiful natural attractions. We make our way to visit the UNESCO-listed Thingvellir National Park, the site of a magnificent rift valley where the historical and geological wonders of the American and Eurasian tectonic plates are pulling apart at a rate of a few inches per year. It is clearly visible! This place is also the home of the largest natural lake in Iceland. Next, we will see the spectacular Gullfoss Waterfall before reaching the spouting geysers in the geothermally active valley of Haukadalur. It is time to enjoy yet another taste of Iceland's local delicacies; the rhye bread, made in the old traditional way by baking it underground using the natural geothermal heat found in the area. A heavenly bit is served with fresh butter and smoked trout. Our last stop is at Fridheimar Greenhouse to learn all about how to grow tomatoes in Iceland. A soul-warming Bloody Mary is served in the family-run country-style restaurant before we depart this special place. We return to our hotel in time for dinner. Take in the stunning views of the surrounding nature. B | T | D







July 30, 2024 - Tuesday Southern Tour - Farm Visit

After enjoying breakfast, we will tour the southern part of Iceland. Our views today will include farmlands, glaciers, volcanoes, and waterfalls. We will pass from the volcano Hekla and the glaciervolcano Eyjafjallajokull, which erupted in 2010, causing enormous disruption to air travel and affecting ten million travelers. Reaching the southern coast, we will see the Westman Islands rise from the sea. We will stop at the black beach of Reynisfjara, and you will witness the spectacular basalt columns at the hillside and the characteristic rock pillars - a nesting place for puffins and other seabirds during the summer season. You will have the opportunity to walk the path of the Seljalandsfoss waterfall, passing behind the falling waters. Another impressive waterfall is Skogafoss. You will feel the power being released in a cloud of spray once the water hits the pool at the bottom. Lunch is served at a local restaurant before we stop to visit a local farm. Dinner is at our wonderful hotel. Yet another day of "cameras out;" the photography opportunities are exceptional! B | L | D

July 31, 2024 - Wednesday Horse Breeding Farm - Power Plant

After breakfast, we will visit Syora-Langholt Breeding Farm. Family Jóhannesson has worked with horses all their lives and will introduce us to the finest Icelandic horses. You will have the opportunity to take a ride. Our lunch is served at Efstidalur II Farm, offering a variety of farm-to-table products, including the famous ice cream, skyr, feta cheese, and beef. Our last stop before reaching Hellisheidavirkjun Reykjavik is at Geothermal Power Plant. You will be given a unique and exciting opportunity to learn about geothermal power and sustainable energy in Iceland, including seeing the turbine halls and enjoying interactive and educational displays. Learn about the Plant's partnership with Carbfix, a leading solution for CO2 storage, and experience first-hand how electricity for the national grid and hot water for the capital region is produced. On our way into Reykjavik, you will be mesmerized by more geological wonders and witness some of the most dramatic and spectacular scenery at Gunnuhver fumarole and the "bridge between continents." The evening is yours to enjoy in charming Reykjavik. B|L

August 1, 2024 - Thursday Perlan - Blue Lagoon - Viking Feast

Our last day in Iceland offers a plethora of adventures. After breakfast, we will head out to yet another special place: the interactive Perlan Museum. The Museum, with its rotating glass dome, stands on top of a hill in Reykjavik, surrounded by a forest, and is one of the capital's most distinctive landmarks. Your ticket includes visiting the Planetarium show, observation deck, and ice cave experience. And then

...the world-famous Blue Lagoon! Located on an old lava field, it is considered one of the 25 Wonders of the World. Being a natural geothermal spa, the warm sea waters are rich in minerals and silica, which gives the water its mesmerizing bright blue appearance. Enjoy a swim and a free mud mask from the "Mud Bar," and order drinks on your electronic entrance wristband once in the water. Tonight, we have arranged for a special Viking Feast farewell dinner, including special Icelandic shots, the so-called "Black Death!" A good night's rest awaits! B | D

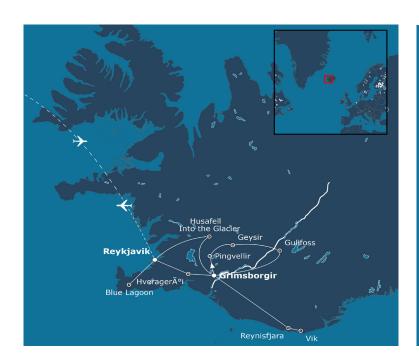
August 2, 2024 - Friday Return to the United States

After breakfast, we will transfer to Reykjavik airport in plenty of time to check in for our flight and to clear security. You may wish to do some last-minute shopping at the duty-free stores before boarding and flying west across the Atlantic Ocean back to the United States. B

The itinerary is subject to change.

B = Breakfast T = Tasting L = Lunch D = Dinner





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Package Price:

Per person in shared double room: \$4,995 Per person in a single room: \$6,495

An additional \$100 per person will apply for NCA non-members.

We offer "Pair & Share" service. Ask us to assist with finding your roommate, if you would like to share a room.

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is required upon signing up. The deposit can be paid by cash, check, or credit card. The balance is due on March 28, 2024, is non-refundable, and can be paid by cash or check. Credit card payment (any payments after the deposit) will access a 3.5% processing fee.

EARLY BIRD BONUS - ZERO CREDIT CARD FEES:

Pay for your tour in full upon registration and minimum six months prior to departure using your credit card!

SAVE 3.5%!

Tour Activity Level: LEVEL 1 2 3 4

This tour involves a considerable amount of walking, stairs, longer periods of standing, outdoor activities, and steep areas within the places visited. This trip is <u>not</u> recommended for guests with walking difficulties. Comfortable, sturdy shoes/boots are recommended.

Travel Insurance:

We recommend travel insurance to help protect you and your trip investment against the unexpected. For your convenience, we offer a plan provided by Travelex Insurance Services. For rates and plan highlights, please ask us. Travelex Insurance Services, Inc CA Agency License #0D10209. Travel Insurance is underwritten by Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance Company, NAIC #22276.

Group airfare:

Group airfare is available from Omaha and Denver. We refer to the separate insert/page 5.

This tour will be materialized with a minimum of 25 and a maximum of 30 travelers. Should the number fall below 25, all funds paid to Executive Travel will be refunded 90 days prior to departure.

Included:

- 6 nights accommodation
- 6 x full breakfast
- 4 x lunch
- 4 x dinner
- · Rhye bread baking and tasting
- · Greenhouse visit and tasting
- Ag. visits as per tour program
- All transportation as per tour program with private deluxe motorcoach
- Porterage at hotels (1 suitcase per person)
- Professional English-speaking tour guide during all days in Iceland
- Entrance fee to all mentioned sites
- All local taxes as per October 27, 2023

Excluded:

- Airfare
- Travel insurance
- Professional fees, \$75 per person due at the time of registration
- Gratuities (estimate a total of \$12-15 per person, per day)
- · Personal expenses
- · Meals other than mentioned in the tour program
- Entrance fees to monuments and/or museums other than mentioned
- Anything not mentioned in the inclusions

Hotel Accommodations (standard rooms):

- Reykjavik: Berjaya Natura Hotel, Midgardur Hotel or similar
- Golden Circle: Hotel Grimsborgir or similar

Final accommodations are confirmed with the delivery of your travel documents, 30 days prior to departure.

Forwarding registration and deposit signifies that you agree to the terms and conditions found at executivetravel.com/eti-home/vacation/escorted-tours

GROUP AIRFARE!

We have secured seats and offer group airfare with United Airlines and Icelandair.

July 26, 2024	Omaha* - Denver	9:15 AM - 9:53 AM
July 26, 2024	Denver - Reykjavik	4:45 PM - 6:00 AM (July 27, 2024)
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 August 2, 2024
 Reykjavik - Denver
 10:25 AM - 12:30 PM

 August 2, 2024
 Denver - Omaha*
 5:55 PM - 8:25 PM

Omaha travelers: \$1,195 per person including taxes and fees, economy class.

Denver travelers: \$875 per person including taxes and fees, economy class.

For the **Omaha** travelers:

Two airline tickets will be issued and all checked baggage must be claimed at Denver airport and re-checked with Icelandair on July 26. On the return, August 2, checked baggage must be claimed at Denver airport and rechecked with United Airlines for the domestic part of your journey.

Please note: Baggage fees are not included on the domestic part of your journey. Expect \$40 for your checked bags.

Icelandair allows one free checked bag up to 50 lbs. per person, additional checked bags will be charged \$95 per bag. Baggage fees are subject to change.

Icelandair allows one free carry-on bag. Details will follow in your travel documents handed out approximately three weeks prior to departure.

United Airlines, seat assignements:

Group airfare comes with seat assignments 30 days prior to departure. Executive Travel cannot confirm precise seat numbers earlier than 30 days prior to your departure and therefore cannot guarantee the availability of specific seating on the aircraft. We do our best to honor your preferences (window, aisle seat).

Icelandair, seat assignments:

Upgrades are based on availability and we are happy to assist with a quote for Saga Class seating. Please note, Icelandair is not a member of any alliance, thus you will not be able to use or gain frequent flier miles. Contact us if you have any questions, certain exceptions may exist.

Non-alcoholic beverages are offered free by both airlines. A snack is offered by United Airlines and snacks/food are available for purchase on board Icelandair.

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^{*}Ask us for airfare from a different hometown/state (a small difference in pricing may occur).