DAY 1

Description

Travel from Reykjavík to take your first winter walk in Thingvellir National Park, a World Heritage site | Explore a stunning valley in the Hengill geothermal hiking area, taking in views of frozen Lake Thingvallavatn, the largest natural lake in Iceland | Hike among steam vents and boreholes in Nesjavellir Valley, witnessing firsthand the power of renewable geothermal energy.

Accommodations

Ion Luxury Adventure Hotel, Iceland

ION Adventure Hotel

Nesjavellir

Casual Plus Hotel

This sleek, modern and award-winning hotel sits amid geothermal pools, near the shore of Lake Thingvallavatn. (pool)

DAYS 2-3

Description

Explore Flúðir, renowned for its hot springs and greenhouses, both heated with geothermal water | Hop in the saddle for some riding on the traditional Icelandic horse | Ride aboard a private Super Jeep to explore a remote and rocky road past frozen waterfalls and canyons near the active Katla Volcano | Discover hidden valleys and beaches on foot | After a day in this wintry wonderland, warm up with a relaxing soak in an outdoor geothermal hot tub.

Accommodations

Hotel Ranga, Iceland

Hotel Rangá

Hella

Premiere Hotel

A countryside log cabin-style resort with three geothermally heated hot tubs and views of mountains, glaciers and the Hekla Volcano. A Small Luxury Hotels of the World member.

DAYS 4-6

Description

With ice ax in hand, don crampons for an unforgettable glacier ice walk with our local mountain guides at Sólheimajökull Glacier | En route to the small fishing village of Vík, stop at Reynisfjara—a vast and stunning black-sand beach | Stroll along the coast, taking in views of sea stacks, black cliffs and Dyrhólaey's famous arch | At thundering Skógafoss waterfall, the Skóga River puts on a breathtaking winter spectacle as it plunges over nearly 200-foot-high ice-crusted cliffs | On the Reykjanes Peninsula, walk among natural hot pools and visit the fishing village of Grindavik.

Accommodations

Skálakot Manor, Hvolsvöllur

Skálakot Manor Hotel

Hvolsvöllur

Premiere Hotel

This elegant and cozy family-owned hotel and working farm with Icelandic horses and sheep is set in stunning countryside.