



A unique horse A unique horse culture

Experience them in this strangely beautiful land

Horse Trekking in Iceland is an ancient tradition full of new experiences.

In Iceland horse touring has been a staple part of horse and sheep farmers' lives for many, many years. It was not invented for the tourist trade. The idea of making it available to visiting riders has opened up a new world for many of us, a world full of new discoveries.

The first thing to discover is the gaits of Icelandic horses, and their amazing stamina. That's just the beginning of the fun and discoveries

On some rides you'll change to a fresh horse once or twice a day. That means that you'll have a herd of remounts riding free along with you. The experience of herding your remounts is something that few riders ever get a chance to do, and something that you will remember forever.

Treks vary by length, location, amount of riding, accommodations and comfort level.

In fifteen years of taking and sending riders to Iceland we've learned enough to help other riders select a riding tour that suits them

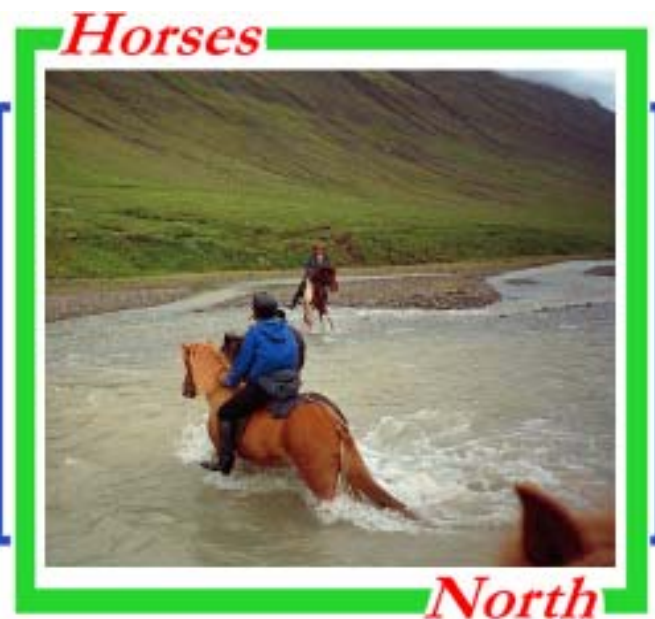
We can help just about anyone who is moderately to fit find a tour that suits their schedule, skills and interests.

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We've organized rides into general categories below, but there's some overlap between them. If there's some particular area you want to see or experience we can point you to the specific tours that should fulfill your desires. There's lots of riding opportunities in Iceland - we can't list them all here. Some tours have alternate departure dates with other outfitters -- so please check if you don't see what suits you best. Call toll free is 888 686-6784 or email - hn@icelandadventure.com

Short Rides:

From two days to four days, this is a nice way to get a bit of Icelandic horse experience into your trip to Iceland. Great for beginners or those who have ridden a bit and want to take the Icelandic Horse for a test drive!

Farm and Hotel Rides:

Ride out from a farm house or country hotel every day, and come back to the same comfy bed most night. Experience local flavors and good food, time for other fun - hiking, fishing, bird watching, golf. Great for families! Using traditional farms and country hotels.

Countryside Treks:

Our most popular offerings! Iceland's wild back country is not far off Highway 1, and these rides will get you there quickly. From 4-9 days, 20-40 km a day, home cooking, nights in sleeping bags (on mattresses) in beautiful surroundings. Most riding nights are in dorm style huts, guesthouses or farms - with an upgrade to a double or single room for pre and post ride nights.

Wilderness rides:

In the old days, Icelanders traveled across their country on tracks through the highlands. Long days tölting through those same vast landscapes make these great for experienced riders in good condition! Experience Iceland - in Icelandic style!

Price Note: Even the short tours include complete round trip airfare from the US; if you don't need this we can give you land only prices, and work with you to add them into other plans you already have for Iceland. Almost all of these tours include extras such as airport transfers, pre- and/or post-ride nights' accommodations and various upgrades- most riding tours include everything except a few meals. Prices are per person. The PDFs or printed tour itineraries list details. Call or Email us with questions!

Dates below are travel dates, not when tour starts in Iceland.
Number of days stated is the length of the tour in Iceland.



Short Rides

Day Tours are really good for a quick intro to the Icelandic horse. From an hour to a full day- see www.IcelandAdventure.com/one.html

Nature's Treasures Ride across the moors, take a dip in natural hot springs. Another day goes along the river Olfusa to a bird sanctuary. Comfy country hotel, flexible riding time, wonderful horses! Starts any day.

8a/4 days; Seasonal prices from \$1885 pp/do

8b/5 days; Seasonal prices from \$2143 pp/do

Volcano Contrasts A 2 day introduction to Iceland and its horses. Ride across the moors, take a dip in natural hot springs, ride along the river Olfusa to a bird sanctuary. Comfy country hotel, (with hot tub) wonderful horses!

2 days; year round; Seasonal prices from \$1624 pp/do

Viking Adventure: A 2 day ride on the Reykjanes Peninsula in south Iceland, where lava flows, water falls and glacial rivers show the forces of nature at work. Dinner and overnight at a Viking theme hotel in Hafnafjordur!

2 days; Wednesdays, March through October seasonal prices from \$1879 pp/do

Countryside Riding Adventure: A short sample of what's so grand about Icelandic horses. Ride from a comfortable farm in the south! **3 days; June 12, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14, 28 \$2422 pp/do**

Farm and Hotel Based Tours

Around the Volcano: A fine way to see why the Icelandic horse is so well suited to their homeland. Ride 4 days in volcanic mountains in the south, through glacial streams with marvelous vistas of Iceland. Nights are good, too - overnight at the comfortable Hotel Eldhestar.

4 Days; June 12, 26, July 15, 23, August 8, 16, 29 May 12, 19, 26, Sept 4, 11 \$2048 \$2315 pp/do

Trail of Hope Travel to northern horse country, then ride with the herd across the sands of Lake Hop. Nights at a comfortable farm house, then come back south via the highland route down the middle of the country!

5 days; June 18, July 9, 23, 29, Aug 6, 13, 20 \$2950 pp/do

Geysir - Gullfoss Special: A 4 day version of the Golden Circle tour. See southern Iceland's best known sights from the back of a horse. With made-up beds at 2 farm guesthouses with outdoor hot tubs, all in a fun, comfortable, short ride.

5 days; June 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6, 13, 20 \$2666 pp/do

River Bank Ride: **NEW**

Fly north, experience Iceland's snow-topped mountain ridges and broad river valleys, with a herd of Icelandic horses, all in 3 days. Enjoy horses and hospitality at a horse farm near lush Arctic valleys, with distant views of northern seas.

5 days; July 1, 24 Aug. 15 \$2735



Countryside Treks:

Golden Circle: Visit the famous sights of southern Iceland on horseback! Days of adventure, nights of comfort, in 2 farm guesthouses. Relaxed Pace, fun!
8 Days; June 11,18, 25, July 2, 9,16, 23,30, August 6 ,13,20 \$3414 pp/do

Autumn Colors & Northern Lights: The end of summer can bring great displays of Northern Lights. Fly north, stay with a great farm family for a week of fun riding and perhaps a chance to see the sheep round ups, in some very impressive scenery.
8 days; September 7, 14 \$2828

Around the Glacier: Start from a South Iceland horse farm, then through mountains into the rugged canyons and glacial sands of Iceland's saga country
9 days; June 23, August 3 \$3834 pp/do

Around the Lake: You'll ride over lava fields, volcanoes, valleys and mountains around Thingvallavatn - Iceland's most famous lake. Nice pace, good views and real riding!
7days; June 7, July 1, 30 \$2885 pp/do

Riding with Elves: **New** Head north for a ride through the hills and waterfalls around Lake Myvatn and Godafoss. Remote valleys, great northern views and fun horses.
8 days; June 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20 \$3262

Fascination of the North: Explore a range of landscapes from broad Eyjafjorður to the unique Lake Myvatn and back. Ride with the herd past snow-capped ridges, long glacial valleys, geothermal action, farm house nights

8 days; July 7, 16, 28, Aug 6 \$3822

Thorsmork: One of our most popular! Ride along the Markaflojt river, into an ancient valley between 3 glaciers dedicated to Thor. Oodles of waterfalls, forests and canyons, all on a great short ride with the herd!
6 days 4 riding days May 30, Sept 6, 14 \$2585 pp/do June 10,19, July 3, 27, Aug 14,25, \$ 2727

Wilderness Rides

Landmannalaugur: Ride past a river delta, through a wilderness and into the rhyolite mountains and valleys of one of Iceland's most colorful geothermal areas. Lots of unusual geology, and a great natural hot pool!
9 days/ 7 riding days; July 8, 17, August 3 \$3834 pp/do

Kjolar: the classic Icelandic riding tour! You'll start in the south, and ride on a series of ancient trails through lush green fields in the south, between glaciers, waterfalls and mountains in the deserted highlands, with a stop at a neat hot spring, into the mountainous wilds of north Iceland. For fit experienced riders!!
8 days /6 riding days. June 16, 24, July 12, 20, August 7, 15 \$3527 pp/do

Snaefellsnes – few places in Iceland have the remarkable diversity of landscape as the Snaefellsnes peninsula. This 8 day tour will take you over the river, through the mountains, past the volcano, and along the beach, with a great view of the glacier.
9 days – 6 days of riding June 18, 25, 30, August 6 \$3441

Snaefellsnes Beach Ride: this 4 day ride with the herd features the big highlight of any ride along Snaefellsnes – the golden sands and black lava beaches of this mysterious peninsula.
4 days; June 1, August 17, 27 \$2644

Golden Highlights of the South: A ride through and to some of southern Iceland's most vivid scenery - the Valley of Horses, Thingvellir, Gullfoss, Geysir, heather meadows and lava fields. It's lots of fun and lots of riding - 20 to 50 km daily!
9 days – 7 days of riding June 17, July 4, 18, 28, August 18, 27 \$3477 pp/d/o

(More Wilderness Rides)

The Volcano Hekla Ride **NEW**

Riding on grass-covered, sandy trails, through geologic history. Pass lava formations from the centuries of eruptions of Mt. Hekla **8 days – 6 days of riding June 25, July 4, August 1, 10 \$3344 pp/do**

Horse Drive

Help to drive young horses, mares and foals onto the remote pastures in the highlands. The herd controls the speed of this ride, eagerly rushing away from the farm. A tour for confident and accomplished riders.

5 days; July 16 \$2973 pp/do

Horse Roundup

In a land where the stories go back over a thousand years - this tradition still prevails. Ride into the wilderness to gather herds that have spent the summer on the lush Arctic grasses and bring them down to the *riett* to be sorted then herded back to their home farms for winter.

7 days; September 14, 27 \$2731 pp/do

Sprengisandur

From the soft green paths of the south, past the sand plains between Vatnajokull and Hofsjokull glaciers, this challenging ride through the heart of Iceland offers a memorable adventure through Europe's last large wilderness. 330 kilometers!

8 days; July 5, 14 \$3712 pp/do



Prices, air fare and accommodations

Prices listed here are per person double occupancy and most include airfare with fuel surcharge and departure taxes, from Boston, New York, and Minneapolis - Seattle is also available for an additional price - usually \$110. (Ask for prices from Toronto, Halifax or Europe) Tour prices also include airport transfers, the tour itself and any additional accommodations you'll need with breakfast.

NOT included are travel insurance and often meals on arrival and departure days. Accommodations range from very nice hotels to remote mountain huts without hot water. All accommodations, except on riding tours, come with private baths. While tour prices are per person double occupancy, some tours have single supplements available -although not all riding tours. Single supplements must be purchased at the time of booking.

The itinerary for each tour lists the elements, services, meals and such that the price includes, and should be clearly understood before you book your tour. We can mail or email copies to you, or you can find them on our website and PDF page. While these prices are available at press time, no price is final until we have received a deposit and booked your tour.

Full itineraries can be found at - www.icelandadventure.com - www.horsesnorth.com & www.greenlanddirect.com

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