



Landmannalaugur Riding Tour

*Through the Highlands
and geothermal areas*

**Ride with the Herd
Colorful wilderness
8Days,6 on horseback
...2015**

Landmannalaugar is one of the natural highlights of Southern Iceland. Bright rhyolite mountains and black lava fields form this unique area. Hot water streams are just the right temperature for a refreshing dip. This ride takes you alongside Mt Hekla volcano, through the highlands to Landmannahellir, then for a soak in the hot stream at Landmannalaugur, before heading back through old lava fields, back civilization. Landmannalaugur will awaken you to the amazing power of fire and ice, and show how they've shaped Iceland's landscape.

Day 0:

Iceland here we come!

Travelers from North America leave for Iceland on an overnight flight with an early morning arrival at Keflavik Airport in Iceland.

Day 1:

Welcome to Iceland !

Riders will arrive at Keflavik International Airport and then take the Flybus shuttle to the BSI bus terminal in Reykjavik. Luggage can be left here, you can get some breakfast, and then set out to explore a bit of Iceland's capital city. Around 5:30 PM, the outfitter will pick up riders at the BSI bus terminal, and take them to their farm in Hveragerdi, about an hour outside of the capital. The tour group meets over dinner and is given details of the tour ahead. Horses North clients are upgraded to a night in the comfortable Hotel Eldhestar.

Day 2:

Fellsmuli –Rjúpnaveilir

After breakfast, riders will be taken by car to the farm Fellsmuli where you'll meet horses and guides. You'll head out along Landvegur over towards the volcanic Mt Hekla. Your first days ride ends at Rjúpnaveilir, after about 18 km, and 4 hours.

Day 3:

Rjúpnaveilir – Landmannahellir

Your morning starts along the Ytri-Ranga river and then you'll cross again at Forrabrekkur. You'll next head to the spot well known for it's sheep round ups, Afangagil, and then along the Domadalsvegur to the mountains Langasata and Radufossafjoll. The night is spent at Friðland að Fjallabaki, in Landmannahellir, after a 37 km ride, lasting about 7-8 hours. Don't worry -

your horses will get you to these places of unpronounceable names - you won't have to tell them where to go!

Day 4:

Landmannahellir – Landmannalaugar- Landmannahellir

Today ride takes you into Landmannalaugar, one of Iceland's most well known spot for hiking, riding and enjoying Iceland's spectacular landscape. We'll ride through the colorful mountains on the way there, and will be able to soak in the hot springs that give the valley its name. Then it's back to the cabin at Landmannahellir. You'll ride about 38 km today, for about 8 - 9 hours.



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Day 5:

Landmannahellir – Þóristunga

The day starts heading west towards the mountain Loðmundi, and from there you'll take a trail path towards Dyngjuskarð and the ford Bjallavaði. The trail through the mountains offer spectacular views and then you ride northwest towards the lake Hrauneyjarlón and on to Þóristunga where the night is spent at the mountain hut Hrauneyjar., after 7-8 hours in the saddle, covering about 36 km;

Day 6:

Þóristunga – Rjúpnaveilir

Today you head back to Rjúpnaveilir. The day starts riding over the lava sheading south to the arm Hald. From there the trail takes us over an ancient alongside Vallafell which will leads back to Rjúpnaveilir, the final destination for today. 43km; 8 – 9 hours.

Day 7:

Landmannahellir - Ermstrur

Bidding farewell to Rjúpnaveilir you'll ride towards Mt. Búrfell, known to be home for a troll in the old days. Riding through a lava dessert for some miles over a dessert, we'll hear some tales form the old days an enjoy a here's a wonderful view of Þjófafoss (the waterfall of the Thieves) From there the trail takes you through the sandy forest at Skarð before the tour ends at the farm Fellsmuli, with its great view of Mt. Hekla. From Fellsmuli, you'll return to back to Eldhestar's farm Vellir with a break for coffee and cake before heading back to Reykjavik, after 6-7 hours riding, covering 30 km

Please note that some rides run with a reverse itinerary - that itinerary is available upon request. Other outfitters may have other departue dates available for a Landmannalaugur tour

Riders often go out to dinner together this evening in Reykjavik, but it's not included in the price.

Day 8:

Farewell to Iceland

You'll have a long morning to relax, explore Iceland's capital city, visit geothermal swimming pools, cafes, museums and shops, before taking the bus to Keflavik Airport in time for your flight back home.

Travel dates 2015:

This Landmannalaugur tour runs 2times during the summer of 2015.

Below are travel dates — we can arrange for an earlier arrival or later departure. Your arrival day in Iceland is always a transfer day, which allows you to rest from the short night of sleep on the flight, before you start riding on the second day.

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Mon, June 22 - Tues, June 30

Mon, June 29 - Tues, July 7

***Price:**

In 2015 the fully inclusive price for the 8 day Landmannalaugur tour is **\$4179*** per person/double occupancy. (pp/do), **\$4354** w/single supplement

Finer Print: Price includes international airfare from the US east coast*, airport transfers and the 8 night/7 day ride, with all meals, riding gear and helmets. Your first and last nights will be in double rooms with private baths, while the others will be on sleeping bags with good mattresses, in farm guesthouses and , mountain huts

You'll need to bring a sleeping bag. Your outfitter will provide a good mattress. Huts will have shared bathroom facilities. You'll stay in the outfitters farm hotel on the night before you start riding, and we've upgraded our riders to a downtown hotel for the last night of the tour back in Reykjavik.

***Flights Price includes** round trip airfare, including fuel surcharge and US departure taxes to Iceland, from Icelandair's east coast gateways - Boston, New York, Newark and Washington Dulles International. We can also book flights from Icelandair's other gateways: Minneapolis, Denver, Seattle, Portland, Anchorage, Toronto, Edmonton and Halifax, which may add to the price. Not all gateways have daily departures but we can arrange additional nights accommodations before or after your tour.

***Not included** are Travel Insurance, dinner on your last night back in Reykjavik, lunch on your pre-and post-tour days in Reykjavik, , and any additional expenses or travel you may choose.

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