

# Discover Iceland & Greenland

POST-CRUISE VACATION STRETCHER  
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Iceland is a Nordic island nation that is defined by its dramatic landscape of volcanoes, geysers, hot springs, and lava fields. It is a country of contrasts where fire and ice coexist, where the dark winter's northern lights give way to the summer's midnight sun and where an insular existence has spurred a rich and vibrant culture.

Though Reykjavik has its own draws, the area surrounding it boasts an incredible wealth of scenery and activities. While it isn't quite the whole country in microcosm, it comes close. Just a couple of hours outside of the city, you'll suddenly find yourself walking on lava rocks, with one foot on the European continent and the other on the North American continent. Experience the mist of a spectacular waterfall on your face, watch a geyser blow and then later take a dip in water created by that same geothermal activity. The land feels strangely unformed, caught in geological transition. The beauty is pure, raw, otherworldly and exciting!

Noted for its vast tundra and immense glaciers, Greenland lies between the North Atlantic and Arctic oceans and is considered the biggest island in the world. An autonomous Danish territory, Greenland sits on the North American continent but is geographically part of Europe. Two-thirds of the island extends above the Arctic Circle and most of its landscape is covered by a massive ice cap, second only to Antarctica's in size.

Long, deep fjords reach far into both the east and west coasts of Greenland in complex systems, offering magnificent, desolate scenery. Along many parts of the coast, the ice sheet sits on the edge of the coastline and large chunks of glacier will calve and slide into the water and emerge as icebergs.

Greenland is really all about the adventure and is a wonder that will take your thirst for adventure to the next level. This is your chance, your time, your experience. Don't miss this amazing opportunity to take your vacation with Olivia to the crescendo of all your vacations!

## 1-NIGHT REYKJAVIK & GOLDEN CIRCLE (AUG 30-31, 2022)

**\$669 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY—RUN OF HOUSE ROOM**

**\$899 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY—RUN OF HOUSE ROOM**

### INCLUDED

- 1 night at The Canopy by Hilton Reykjavik City Centre Hotel inclusive of an Icelandic buffet breakfast (check-in on August 30 is at 2 pm with checkout on August 31)
- Pick up from port terminal followed by the Golden Circle Tour (August 30)
- Group transfer from Canopy Hotel to the Keflavik International Airport (KEF) (August 31)
- Hotel dates are August 30-31, with checkout at 12 pm on August 31
- Meals as indicated on the itinerary
- Round-trip hotel luggage portage

- Olivia staff assistance throughout

### **NOT INCLUDED**

- International air and meals where not listed

### **ACTIVITY LEVEL REQUIREMENTS—IMPORTANT**

This Post-trip does require a high level of mobility, as the tour requires extensive walking for long distances and up and down hills and stairs and standing for extended periods of time. If you do have limited mobility and feel that you are still able to do the activity level requirements, you are required to travel with someone who can assist you.

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## **5-NIGHT REYKJAVIK & GREENLAND ADVENTURE (AUG 30–SEP 4, 2022)**

**\$6,599 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY—RUN OF HOUSE ROOM & UMIAQ ROOM**

**\$7,899 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY—RUN OF HOUSE ROOM & UMIAQ ROOM**

### **INCLUDED**

- 1 night at The Canopy by Hilton Reykjavik City Centre Hotel inclusive of an Icelandic buffet breakfast (check-in on August 30 is at 2 pm with checkout on August 31)
- Pick up from port terminal followed by the Gold Circle Tour (August 30)
- Transfer from hotel to Keflavik Airport (August 31)
- Roundtrip chartered flight from Keflavik Airport to Ilulissat Airport (August 31)\*
- 3 nights at the Hotel Arctic, inclusive of breakfast (check-in August 31 with checkout on September 3)
- Guided Ilulissat City Walking Tour (August 31)
- Evening sailing into Ilulissat Fjord (August 31)
- Old Greenland Experience to Hunter's Settlement by Boat inclusive of lunch (September 1)
- Sermermiut Valley, an Inuit Settlement inclusive of lunch (September 2)
- Flight from Ilulissat Airport to Reykjavik Airport (September 3)
- 1 night at the Hotel Berg, inclusive of breakfast (check-in September 3 with checkout on September 4)
- Meals as indicated on the itinerary
- Round-trip hotel luggage portage
- Olivia staff assistance throughout

*\*We suggest that you leave your big suitcase in Reykjavik and to just pack a small bag for the three nights you are in Greenland. Your big piece of luggage will be held in a secure room and brought to the Hotel Berg to meet you on September 3.*

### **NOT INCLUDED**

- International air, transfer from Hotel Berg to the Keflavik International Airport (KEF), and meals where not listed

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## ABOUT YOUR TOURS

*Thingvellir National Park*



*Geysir Hot Springs*



*Gullfoss Waterfalls*



### **Golden Circle Tour (1- and 5-Night Packages)**

After enjoying your final breakfast on board the ship, you will disembark the ship and board your coach for your next adventure to discover the natural wonders that lie just outside of Reykjavik. The Golden Circle is one of the most famous tours in Iceland and includes visits to Thingvellir National Park, Geysir Hot Springs and Gullfoss Waterfalls.

Your first stop today is Thingvellir National Park, the original site of the oldest existing parliament in the world, founded in the year 930. Thingvellir is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is situated on the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. Here, you will literally walk between the continents of Europe and North America. Situated in Thingvellir National Park is the impressive

Almannagja gorge. It is one of the park's most impressive and well known features and marks the eastern boundary of the North American Plate. After this, you'll be taken to a natural bakery, the Geothermal Bakery at Laugarvatn Lake. Here you will experience a geothermal bakery first hand and watch as a pot of fresh bread is dug out from the hot black sand, after baking for a full 24 hours. You'll get to taste this amazing Geysir Bread, piping hot, served hot from the ground with some butter...an Icelandic delicacy for sure!

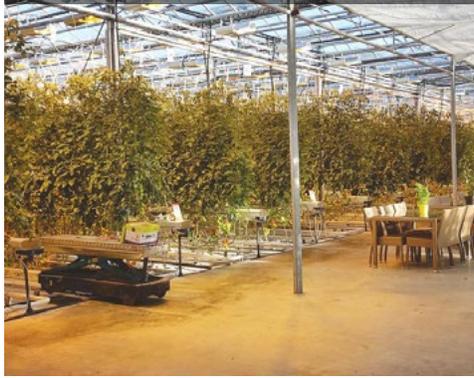
After, enjoying a tasty piece of this famous bread, you'll be taken by your coach to the Geysir geothermal area, with its boiling mud pools and exploding geysers, the most famous of which are Geysir and Strokkur. Geysir no longer erupts but the lively Strokkur is a mighty geyser, erupting every 4-8 minutes and reaching on average 65 feet into the air, and sometimes as high as 131 feet.

You'll work up an appetite so your next stop is Geysir Hotel Restaurant, halfway between Geysir and Gullfoss Waterfall, for a wonderful Icelandic buffet style lunch.

*Geysir Hotel Restaurant*



*Friðheimar Farm*



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The next stop is the powerful Gullfoss (Golden) Waterfall, on the popular rafting river, Hvítá (white) River, which is fed by Iceland's second biggest glacier, the Langjökull. Plummeting 104 feet into the river gorge, Gullfoss offers a spectacular view of the forces and beauty of untouched nature. This is Iceland's most famous waterfall and one of its most beautiful. You can even get close enough to feel the water spray on your face!

Our last stop of the day before going back to Reykjavik will be at Friðheimar Farm, where the theme is tomatoes, in many different forms, horticulture and horse breeding. Started in 1995 by Knutur and Helena, who wanted to combine their different areas of expertise—horses and horticulture,

Friðheimar is now a family affair with their five children all playing an active role in the family business. Here you will get a tour of the greenhouses and grounds before enjoying a taste of the crop!

After enjoying a tasty tomato snack, you'll board your coach for the drive back to Reykjavik. Upon arrival to the hotel you will check-in and make your way to your room where your luggage will be waiting for you.

You are free to enjoy Reykjavik on your own this evening.

*Ilulissat*



*Hotel Arctic*



*Disko Bay*



### **Flight to Ilulissat, Greenland & Guided Ilulissat City Walking Tour (5-Night Package Only)**

Today after breakfast, you'll get ready for the next chapter in your great journey! You'll meet in the lobby to board your coach to the Keflavik Airport where you will board your plane for your 3+ hour flight to Ilulissat, Greenland.

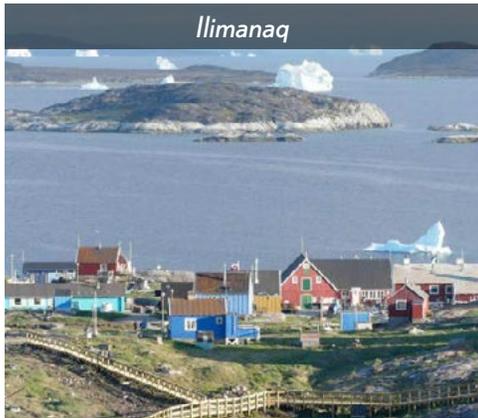
Upon arrival in Ilulissat, you will be taken to the Hotel Arctic, right away for check-in. The world's most northerly 4-star hotel, the Hotel Arctic sits right on the edge of the Ilulissat Icefjord, a wonder of world which is on the UNESCO World Heritage Site list.

After checking in you will be taken downtown for your Ilulissat City Tour with your local guide! Ilulissat is a coastal town in western Greenland that is best known for the Ilulissat Icefjord and the huge icebergs in Disko Bay from the Sermeq Kujalleq glacier. It is the third largest city in Greenland and is home to almost as many sled-dogs as people!

Your guided city walking tour will give you an introduction to Ilulissat and the everyday life as well as the town's history and the culture along with Greenland's history in general. You'll visit the historic part of town, back to the start of the Danish trading station, and the fishermen at the harbor by their trading post "Brædtet". You'll also learn about administration and politics in modern Greenland. As well as a visit to the Knud Rasmussen museum, a museum dedicated to the famous Danish explorer Knud Rasmussen, where you will find an educational exhibit as well as a traditional Greenlandic turf house.

After getting acquainted with Ilulissat and learning about the history and culture of this beautiful city, you will be taken back to the hotel to freshen up before your dinner. A three-course dinner will be served at the hotel this evening.

After dinner, you'll get dressed in warm clothes for your evening sailing out to the famous Ilulissat Icefjord, considered the world's largest ice sculpture park. Your experience will be awe-inspiring as you take in the sounds and changing light and colors of the ice!



### **Old Greenland Experience to Hunter's Settlement by boat inclusive of lunch (5-Night Package Only)**

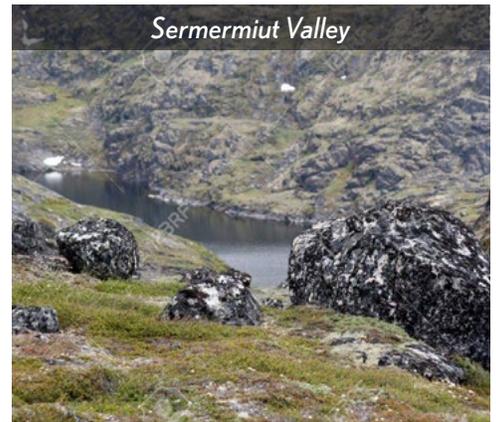
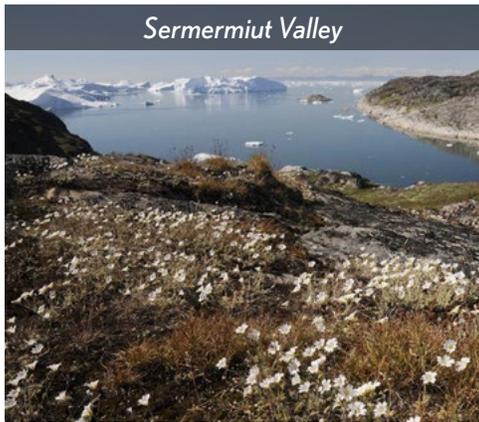
Today after breakfast at the hotel, you'll get a chance to visit, explore and enjoy a hunters' village by boat.

Today you'll go by boat to a small village of Llimanaq, a settlement in the Qaasuitsup municipality. Llimanaq is one of Greenland's oldest settlements, founded in 1741 and the name means "place of expectations", referring to the fact that Llimanaq was formerly a summer settlement with great fishing opportunities.

Llimanaq is located only a little over 9 miles from Ilulissat, and your journey from Ilulissat to Llimanaq is spectacular as you'll pass by the enormous icebergs from Kangia icefjord on the way. The settlement is clustered around the harbor and all the houses overlook Disko Bay Island. In the village you'll have a guided walking tour and will experience the "old Greenland" where the local population mainly depends upon fishing and hunting.

Today, after your walk around the town, you will enjoy lunch in the village with a local family where you will get the opportunity to learn more about their way of life and culture before cruising back to Ilulissat.

Upon arrival in Ilulissat, you will have the rest of the afternoon and evening to enjoy Ilulissat on your own. A three-course dinner will be served at the hotel this evening.



### **Sermermiut Valley, an Inuit Settlement inclusive of lunch (5-Night Package Only)**

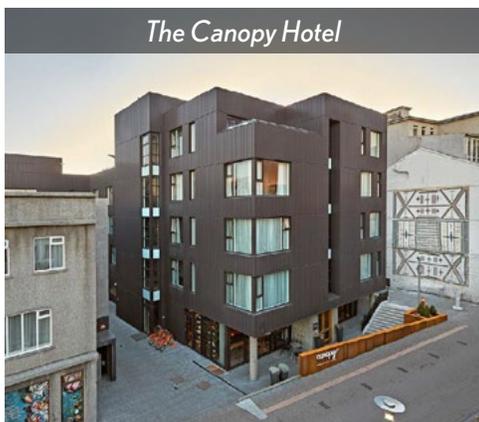
After enjoying breakfast at the hotel, you'll go by van to Sermermiut Valley. This ancient Inuit settlement has been home to many different Inuit cultures during the last 4000 years and today, you can still find artifacts from the time of inhabitation.

The van will drop you at the old Heliport where you will exit the van to explore the beautiful Sermermiut Valley with amazing views of the ice fjord and the gigantic icebergs on foot. You'll pass the ruins of Inuit dwellings as the guide shares with you about the different Inuit cultures that first settled in this valley, more than 4000 years ago. You'll make your way to a view point where warm drinks and cookies will be served with a viewpoint over the icefjord in Disko Bay.

You will then be taken back to the hotel for lunch before having the rest of the afternoon free to either explore the town of Ilulissat, take a hike along the Icefjord or take in an optional excursion.

A three-course dinner will be served at the hotel this evening.

## **ABOUT YOUR HOTELS**



### **THE CANOPY BY HILTON REYKJAVIK CITY CENTRE HOTEL**

Set in the urban heart of Iceland's capital, the Canopy by Hilton is the perfect location for exploring and experiencing the The Blue Lagoon Geothermal Spa The Blue Lagoon's Geothermal Seawater The Canopy Hotel Public Area Café cultural, culinary and retail neighborhood on foot (you can also check out one of the Canopy bikes and take your exploration a bit farther!).

In-room amenities include LCD television, espresso maker, hairdryer, iron/ironing board, blackout drapes, in-room safe, complimentary wifi, refrigerator, memory foam mattress and premium bedding. Hotel amenities include restaurant and bar/lounge, snack bar/deli, 24-hour fitness center, wifi in the lobby and complimentary Canopy bikes.



## **HOTEL ARCTIC**

Located right on the edge of the Ilulissat icefjord, a wonder of the world that is on the UNESCO World Heritage list, the Hotel Arctic is in the perfect place to take in the views, sounds and smells of the nature at its best!

In-room amenities include a television with cable, telephone, radio with alarm, mini-bar, coffee & tea maker, complimentary wifi, hairdryer, floor heating in the bathroom, iron & ironing board, mosquito net and toiletries. Hotel amenities include currency exchange onsite, restaurant & bar, fitness center, gift shop, complimentary wifi in public areas, room service, 24-hour front desk and laundry service.



## **HOTEL BERG**

Hotel Berg is a newly renovated four-star boutique hotel on two floors located above a small marina in Keflavik. Located close to the Blue Lagoon and Keflavik Airport, it is a perfect location for easy access to experience the Blue Lagoon or walk around the marina and shops of Keflavik.

In-room amenities include television with satellite, complimentary wifi, phone, hairdryer, toiletries, blackout drapes and hypo-allergenic comforters. Hotel amenities include restaurant, lobby bar/lounge, coffee/tea in common area, library, rooftop outdoor pool and free drop off to airport.

## NEED MORE INFO? READY TO BOOK?

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**Reserve early as this vacation is very popular and this is a popular time for this destination.**

**Any unused space will be released early!**

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