

HEIMAÆY ISLAND, ICELAND

Heimaey Island: An Island Tour of Heimaey

ACTIVITY LEVEL: EASY

This tour aims at introducing you to the main attractions of the main **Westman Island**. You will board your coach and drive into the **Herjolfsdalur Valley** where old farmhouses can be found. Continue along the scenic western part of the island with a beautiful view of the outer islands of the archipelago. Your next stop will be the site of the **largest colony of Atlantic puffins**, then on to **two volcanoes**, the 5,000-year-old Helgafell and the considerably younger Eldfell, which erupted in 1973. You will make a stop here to walk to an amazing **panoramic viewpoint**. Continue on over the new lava field, past the **Skansinn**, a fort where a wooden church was donated by Norway, before returning back to the pier.

Please note: Order of sites visited may vary.

PRICE\$75

Heimaey Island: Caves & Islands Rib Safari

ACTIVITY LEVEL: EASY

The Westman Islands are renowned for their **birdlife** and interesting geological history. You will walk to the RIB boat location where you will have a brief introduction to **RIBs** before your safari begins. You will travel into some of the caves around the area, such as the **Eider Duck Cave**, whose name derives from the eider duck colony nearby. You will visit a huge and **extremely deep cave** with beautiful basalt columns decorating the walls. You will also see a small cave where the **sunlight shines through**, creating a mesmerizing interplay of light and water. The final cave you will see is the roomy **Cliff Cave** with its excellent acoustics.

Please note: While wildlife sightings are not guaranteed, whales are sometimes sighted on this tour, including orca, dolphins and porpoises. Often seals make an appearance as well as sea birds such as cormorants, fulmars, gannets and puffins.

PRICE\$139

Heimaey Island: Pompeii of the North

ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE

You will board your coach and drive into the **Herjolfsdalus Valley** where old farmhouses can be found. Continue along the scenic western part of the island with a beautiful view of the outer islands of the archipelago. Your next stop will be the site of the **largest colony of Atlantic puffins**, then on to the 5,000-year-old **Helgafell**. You will make a stop here to walk to an amazing panoramic viewpoint. Continue on over the new lava field, past the **Skansinn**, a fort where a wooden church was donated by Norway. Then you will visit the new Eldheimar – **“Pompeii of the North” Museum** where the history and aftermath of the 1973 eruptions are explored. Head to the notorious **Eldfell volcano** before returning to your yacht.

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PRICE\$99

Heimaey Island: Volcanoes & Waterfalls Flightseeing

ACTIVITY LEVEL: EASY

This is a unique opportunity to see Iceland from the air. You will depart from the pier and drive to the airport to board your plane for a **flightseeing tour**. You will fly over **Landeyjar** with its fluorescent green moss and contrasting black sand, and see the popular **Seljalandsfoss Waterfall**. Approaching the highlands you will see **Porsmork**, a glorious oasis sheltered by three glaciers. You will head back toward Heimaey and on the way you will see **Skogarfoss Waterfall**, where a single or double rainbow is usually visible on sunny days. Fly over the glaciers of **Tindfjallajokull** and **Eyjafjallajokull** before returning to the airport.

Please note: Flights and flight routes are subject to weather conditions and may vary accordingly.

PRICE\$339

Heimaey Island: Walking Tour of Town & Lava Field

ACTIVITY LEVEL: STRENUOUS

The beautiful Westman Islands are rich in natural beauty. Your **walking tour with an informative guide** will begin at the naturally formed harbor which was almost destroyed in the 1973 eruption. You will walk to **Skansinn**, an old fort built by orders of the Danish King in the

17th century. You will see the wooden church near the fort and walk up the hill to the newly formed lava fields of Eldfell. You will walk along the edge of the lava field with a great view over the town. You will see signs of old houses that were buried during the eruption as you walk to the crater of **Eldfell** where you will appreciate more of the power of nature.

Please note: Wear comfortable walking shoes.

PRICE\$55