

ISAFJORDUR, ICELAND

Isafjordur: Arctic Foxes & Avalanches

ACTIVITY LEVEL: EASY

On this tour you will learn about Iceland's only native terrestrial mammal, the Arctic fox during a visit to the charming village of **Sudavik**. You will board a coach for the 25-minute scenic drive to Sudavik village. The village is divided into two halves – the old town and the new town. The old town was hit by an avalanche in 1995. In the middle is the **Arctic Fox Centre**, a non-profit research center and museum dedicated to the fox that you will visit. You will have time to have a **coffee break** at their lovely café. Next you will visit the local church to hear a **traditional Icelandic music program**. Continue your drive to **Langyri Peninsula** where you will see the remains of two whaling stations. On your way back to Isafjordur you will stop along the **Alftafjordur fjord** and then another short stop to visit the avalanche memorial sign.

Please note: Sites may be visited in a different order.

PRICE\$109

Isafjordur: Bird Paradise Island

ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE

Vigur is a lovely island and the nesting ground for countless birds and the home of farmers whose family has lived there since 1884. You will board a boat for the 30-minute trip to Vigur where you will take a leisurely walk around the island with a perfect opportunity to see birds like **Eider ducks** in their natural environment. The farmer protects the nests and uses the down that the ducks pluck from their chests. You will see **Iceland's oldest windmill**, built in 1840 and a 200-year-old rowboat still used to ferry sheep to the mainland. You will visit the **Viktorija House**, restored by the National Museum of Iceland where you will be served coffee and cakes and see one of the smallest post offices in Europe.

Please note: The sighting of sea birds cannot be guaranteed as it depends on the season and the weather. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

PRICE\$119

Isafjordur: Calm Fjord Kayaking

ACTIVITY LEVEL: STRENUOUS

Fjord kayaking is not only a healthy and rewarding way to spend some time, it's also a perfect way **to get to know Icelandic nature up close**. The **West Fjords** have earned a deserved reputation for being the nature- and adventure-lover's paradise. You will take a short walk to the kayak center and receive some instruction on kayaking before beginning your tour. You will **see the fjord's beauty right from the water** under the magnificent mountains towering over the area in this get-close-to-nature experience.

Please note: Wear comfortable shoes and clothing.

PRICE\$139

Isafjordur: Pagan Encounters

ACTIVITY LEVEL: EASY

This tour offers a chance to listen, learn, and experience Icelandic history firsthand. Your tour will depart by coach for the short drive to **Arnardalur Valley** where you will be welcomed with a pagan ceremony and a traditional feast. The chieftains will tell stories of the nation's past while recounting and enacting the rituals which formed paganism in Iceland and their **pagan ceremony** will consist of praying, soothing and celebrating the Norse gods. After the ceremony you will head to a former cowshed on a nearby farm where you will get to **taste local food**. The sharing of food was an essential part of the ceremony and you will be honoring an age-old tradition.

Please note: Wear comfortable walking shoes.

PRICE\$119

Isafjordur: Sea Angling Trip

ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE

Fishing has always been the major industry of the **West Fjords**. The excitement and joy of catching a fish, while experiencing the wild nature and marvelous landscape of the fjords makes this tour an unforgettable experience. A local guide will meet you at the pier and walk with you

to the **sea-angling boat**. There you will board and commence your journey as you sail away from the pier and into the majestic fjord. Your Captain will take you to the **perfect fishing spot** and assist beginners if necessary.

Please note: The most commonly caught fish are cod, cafish and haddock. On the rare and lucky occasion a halibut is caught.

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