# **Day tours from Akureyri**

Special trips for individuals or small groups. Different size of vehicles for different sizes of groups, depend on type of tour, circumstances and time of year

**On request – reservation is necessary.** 

For further information and booking please contact <u>info@fjallasyn.is</u>

# FS-001 Mývatn excursion - highlights

World renowned nature pearls.

Mývatn area (Mývatnssveit) is one of Iceland's most popular tourist destination and has been among those places that most people would like to visit, observe and explore.

Operated: All year round – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 5-6 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation



# FS-004 Mývatn wonders

World renowned nature pearls.

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Operated: All year round – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 8-9 hrs Included: Fully guided tour, transportation, and entrance fee for Sigurgeir's bird centre.

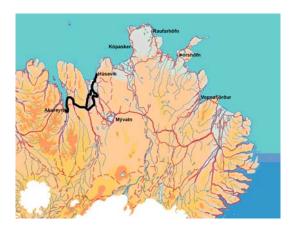


# FS-007 Húsavík excursion - highlights

Whale watching capital.

There are many good reasons for visiting Húsavík which has in the recent years become very popular place. An attractive and scenic natural environment, diverse recreation options, and activities like whale watching (from Spring to Autumn). Húsavík was the first town in Iceland to offer organized whale watching tours. Húsavík is often said to be first place name in Iceland as according to settlement stories a Swedish viking, Garðar Svavarsson, came 870 to Iceland, had stay with his crew over winter on a place he called Húsavík. In Húsavík are interesting and diverse exhibitions and some other options to enjoy.

*Operated: All year round – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 5-6 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation* 



# FS-009 Húsavík excursion – day tour

Whale watching capital.

From Akureyri we drive to Goðafoss, one of most popular waterfalls in Iceland with historical importance. From there we drive through the valleys Reykjadalur and Aðaldalur with their attractive environment, toward Húsavík where we stay for time. There are options for activities like whale watching (not in winter time) or other friendly and interesting service and circumstances in nice atmosphere.

*Operated: All year round – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 8 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation* 

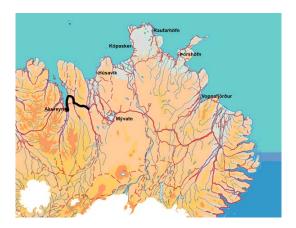


#### **FS-017 Goðafoss – nature and story** Waterfall of gods.

Goðafoss is in located in river Skjálfandafljót which runs through Bárðardalur and Kinn in Northeast Iceland, and is just off main ring road 1 by the farm Fosshóll. It is among Iceland's larger waterfalls and also very beautiful. Goðafoss is closely connected with one of the most important event in Icelandic history, the conversion to Christianity from heathendom or "the old custom" in the year 1000.

The tour is from Akureyri to Goðafoss where we have about half an hour stop and then back to Akureyri.

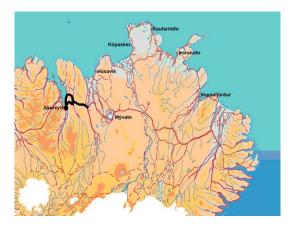
Operated: June-September – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 2 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation



### FS-018 Goðafoss – Vaðlaheiði

The tour is from Akureyri to Goðafoss where we have good stop, visit Þorgeirskirkja (church of Thorgeir). From there back to Fnjóskadalur and over Vaðlaheiði (heath) where we will have great view over Eyjafjordur, and end the tour in Akureyri.

Operated: June-September – daily on request, reservation is necessary Departure: Akureyri Duration: 3-4 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation





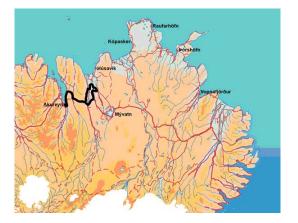
#### FS-020 The countryside: nature and culture

Culture of the countryside.

Pingeyjarsveit (community of Thingey) is rich with culture and history as well as there are numerous attractions. Farming is important for the area.

From Akureyri we drive along Eyjafjordur towards Thingeyjarsveit and get bit sense of circumstances and basic industries like farming and fishing. In the fertile valley of Fnjóskadalur runs Fnjóská, Iceland's longest spring fed river. We visit Þorgeirskirkja, a church which has been built dedicated to Þorgeir, chieftain of Ljósavatn, and the adoption of Christianity in Iceland the year 1000. Near is Goðafoss, which in located in river Skjálfandafljót. It is among Iceland's larger waterfalls and also very beautiful. From there we travel through Reykjadalur and Aðaldalur and visit Grenjaðarstaður, which is an ancient farm, church site and place which shows culture from earlier time The river Laxá flows from Lake Mývatn through the valleys of Laxárdalur and Aðaldalur in a particularly lush and attractive environment, characterised by varied bird life and diversity in vegetation. From Aðaldalur we turn back to Akureyri.

*Operated: May 15th-September 30th – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 4 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation* 





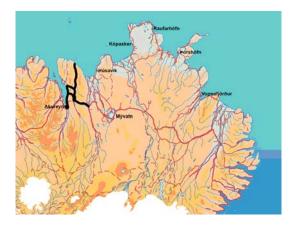
# FS-022

#### Goðafoss - Flateyjardalur

Pingeyjarsveit (community of Thingey) is rich with culture and history as well as there are numerous attractions. Goðafoss is located in river Skjálfandafljót. It is among Iceland's larger waterfalls and also very beautiful. Flateyjardalur (valley of Flatey) is about 30 km long and is located along the peninsula between Eyjafjordur and Skjálfandi bays. This peninsula shows spectacular nature and landscape which is strikingly beautiful and mostly untouched land.

We start this tour either from Akureyri or Húsavík. First stop is by Goðafoss. From there we go ahead to Flateyjardalur, into 4x4 road. On the way through the valley we enjoy the landscape and stories from earlier time. As we come closer to the end of the valley we see the coastline and ocean. The island Flatey lies outside of the mouth of the valley. Here is quietness, great for walk, interesting coast, very nice atmosphere. After enjoying this area for while, we drive back to Akureyri/Húsavík.

*Operated: June 20<sup>th</sup> - September 15<sup>th</sup> – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 7-8 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation Note: Only for jeep or bigger vehicle* 



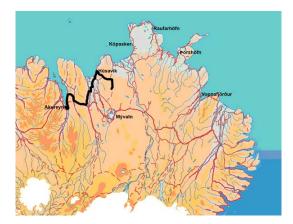


#### FS-011 Þeistareykir - geothermal field

Geology, geothermal, wilderness, contrasts.

Þeistareykir area is about 25 km from Húsavík. Known as geothermal area with colorful mud pits, and mountains, hills and lava fields around. Diverse in landscape where lava from different time play big role. There was a farm on Þeistareykir long time ago and the place has some interesting and even mystic stories to tell. The area is great for hikers and those who wants to enjoy nature but not been always on most popular places. There are plans about using geothermal energy to produce electricity. In Þeistareykir is a mountain hut, warm all year round because of geothermal outside.

Operated: All year round – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 6-7 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation Note: Only for jeep tour



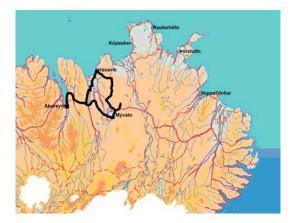


### FS-013 Þeistareykir – Mývatn, geothermal areas

Geothermal areas – natural attractions.

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Operated: All year round – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 8-9 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation Note: For jeep or special vehicle



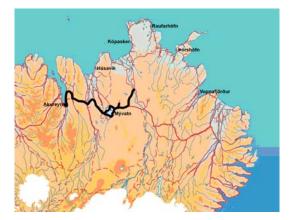


Powerful attractions.

Mývatn area (Mývatnssveit) is one of Iceland's most popular tourist destination and has been among those places that most people would like to visit, observe and explore. Dettifoss is Iceland's greatest and most majestic waterfall. It is also rated as Europe's most powerful waterfall, based on its magnitude.

The tour start from Akureyri or Húsavík and can be bit variable because of different season of year and therefore circumstances. On our way from Akureyri to Mývatn we make a stop by Goðafoss. As we come to Mývatn area we see Laxá and the lake (Mývatn) with its birdlife (depending on time of year), pseudocraters near Skútustaðir, interesting lava rock formation in Dimmuborgir, geothermal areas in Hverarönd and Krafla. From there is bit driving distance to the great waterfall, Dettifoss, which is in the glacial river Jökulsá á Fjöllum, which emerges from beneath Vatnajökull glacier. Coming back to Mývatn we might have opportunity and time to visit more interesting and enjoyable places before going back to the start point. In a day tour like this one will see amazing nature and landscape, as well as get bit sense of circumstances and local culture by local guidance.

Operated: All year round – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 8-9 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation Note: Due to weather/road condition there can be changes of the plan.





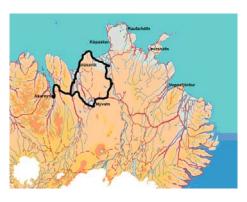
## FS-023 String of nature pearls

Whale watching capital – Most powerful waterfall - World renowned nature pearls

**Húsavík** is the largest town in Þingeyjarsýsla, a prosperous community by the eastern side of Skjálfandi bay. There are many good reasons why Húsavík is such a popular place to visit: an attractive and scenic natural environment, diverse recreation options, whale watching and proximity to the most highly regarded nature pearls of the region.

A National Park was established in **Jökulsárgljúfur** canyons and the surrounding area in 1973. When Vatnajökull National Park was established in 2008, Jökulsárgljúfur became a part it. For thousands of years, Jökulsá á Fjöllum, one of Iceland's largest rivers, has continued to flow from under the glacier Vatnajökull and wound its way through a landscape of diverse aspects for a distance of about 200 km until merging with the sea in Öxarfjörður bay. On its long journey, the river has carved numerous channels into the highland bedrock and to the west of Hólsfjöll it cascades from a tall rocky ledge, forming the huge waterfall Dettifoss, plunging into, magnificent canyons which extend all the way down to lowland. Jökulsárgljúfur (canyons), are approximately 25 km long, half a kilometer wide and in several locations they extend to a depth of over 100 meters.

From earliest times, **Mývatn** area has attracted strong interest and has been among those places that most people would like to visit, observe and explore. Mývatn is Iceland's fourth largest lake, 37 km2 in area, having a shoreline deeply incised by numerous small creeks and speckled with about 50 islands and small islets. Craters and volcanoes have sculpted the landscape of the Mývatn region, many of which are famous attractions and spots of special interest. Mývatn region is famed for its birdlife on and around the lake as the area is favoured by various species of duck and wetland birds. In summer, more species of duck have made their homes in the Mývatn region than in any other location on earth. Lake Mývatn is protected by law and has been placed on a register of internationally significant marshland areas, together with the river Laxá which flows from it.



From Akureyri we drive to Húsavík where is first stop. Then we head to Tjörnes peninsula, Kelduhverfi and to Ásbyrgi, which is undoubtedly one of Icelands most beloved nature pearls. From Ásbyrgi we follow the canyon (Jökulsárgljúfur) and see phenomena of nature; canyons, gullies, and rock formations of diverse shapes and sizes. At the south end of the canyons we visit Dettifoss which is Iceland's greatest and most majestic waterfall. It is also rated as Europe's most powerful waterfall, based

on its magnitude. From Dettifoss we to Mývatn area. In good weather we can have great view into the highland. In Mývatn area we see many interesting places and make short stops at some highlights like Hverarönd, Dimmuborgir and Skútustaðir. From Mývatn we drive towards Akureyri with stop by Goðafoss.

Operated: June - September – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 9 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation Note:Due to weather/road condition (in early summer), there can be changes of the plan.

### FS-031 View to the highlands – Laugafell

Geothermal area with hotsprings in the highlands.

Laugafell area is located on the highland northeast of Hofsjökull, which is the third largest glacier in Iceland. And about 20 km southwest from the end of Eyjafjarðardalur (valley of Eyjafjörður). There are huts for sleeping accommodation, warm all year round because of geothermal heat. Adjacent is small swimming pool.

Along Sprengisandur is a highland route which connect north and south parts.

Skjálfandafljót is rated as fourth longest river in Iceland, about 180 km. Flowing from under the glacier Vatnajökull to north along the highland to Bárðardalur and from there to the sea in Skjálfandi bay. In Skjálfandafljót are several attractive waterfalls.

From Akureyri we drive along Eyjafjarðardalir (valley of Eyjafjörður) until we reach the edge of the highland. From there we head to Laugafell. There is possible to take bath in the hot pool. After good stop at Laugafell we head to east to Sprengisandur route next to Skjálfandafljót. There we head to north and look at places like Kiðagil, Hrafnabjörg and Aldeyjarfoss. In Bárðardalur we make a stop at Kiðagil. Our last planned stop is Goðafoss (waterfall). . It is among Iceland's most popular waterfalls and is closely connected with one of the most important event in Icelandic history.

*Operated: July 1<sup>st</sup> – September 15<sup>th</sup> – daily on request, reservation is necessary Duration: 12 hrs Included: Fully guided tour and transportation, and service fee in Laugafell Note: Only for jeep or special vehicle.* 

