

# **GETAWAY TO ICELAND**

# A Long Weekend Escape to Reykjavik March 21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

Iceland . . . the Land of Fire and Ice is a country full of contrasts. From steamy hot springs to top-notch spas, spectacular scenery to art museums, this unique land is the perfect place to relax, recharge, and explore. Legends say that the ancient gods themselves guided Iceland's first settler, Ingolfur Arnarson, to make his home in Reykjavik ("Smoky Bay"), named after the geothermal steam he saw. Today this geothermal energy heats homes and outdoor swimming pools throughout the city — a pollution-free energy source that leaves the air outstandingly fresh, clean and clear.

On this exciting long weekend getaway, you will dine on Icelandic specialties, including delicious seafood, ocean-fresh from the morning's catch, highland lamb, and unusual varieties of game. It's purely natural food imaginatively served to delight the most discerning of diners. Reykjavik is also renowned as one of Europe's

hottest nightspots, where the action in the friendly pub and club scene lasts right through the long winter nights.

But perhaps the greatest draw is the Aurora Borealis – the Northern Lights. This is the best time of year to see them because it has to be totally dark to get the best effect – and this is a country where the sun never fully sets in the summer! In the evening of our arrival day, we'll head out to try and see the real thing (weather permitting). If the weather doesn't cooperate with us we'll try again the next

night . . and the next.

We will stay in the capital city, Reykjavik, to experience the city's vibrant culture, learn about the region's Viking heritage, and explore the unbelievable natural landscape, including magnificent waterfalls, lava fields, glaciers, and (with luck) the Northern Lights.

This weekend getaway gives you the opportunity to travel with fellow alums and explore this rugged and breathtaking country.



THE FIRST FIVE TUFTS

GRADUATES TO REGISTER FROM

CLASS YEARS 2003 - 2018 WILL RE
CEIVE \$300 OFF PER PERSON.

THE COST OF THIS ITINERARY, PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY, IS:

WITH AIR FROM BOSTON OR NEW YORK: \$2295
LAND ONLY: \$1645
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT \$390

Airfares are available from many other cities. Please call for details.

#### THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE INCLUDED:

AIRFARE: Round-trip airfare from Boston or New York, including all customs fees and airport taxes

**HOTELS:** 3 nights' accommodation in upgraded rooms at the

Radisson Blu Saga including all hotel taxes and

service charges

**COACHING:** All ground transportation as detailed in the itinerary

MEALS: 4 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 2 dinners
GUIDES: Discover Europe tour guide throughout

**ENTRANCES:** Entrance fees to all sites as detailed in the itinerary

Lectures: Lecture by your Tufts faculty host

Please note that travel insurance is not included on this tour. Insurance information will be sent to each registrant on receipt of deposit.





**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**<sup>st</sup> - Evening departure from your chosen gateway city, aboard your direct Iceland Air service to Iceland. **Overnight: Plane** 

FRIDAY, MARCH 22<sup>ND</sup> - Early morning arrival in Iceland where you will be met and escorted to your hotel in Reykjavik, where a sumptuous breakfast buffet awaits. This morning we have a bus tour of downtown Reykjavik for a wonderful introduction to Europe's smallest capital city! The tour covers the Old Town, the shopping districts, the Parliament, Hofdi House, Hallgrim's church, the Harpa concert hall and much more! Most hotels know that Americans arrive early and will do everything possible to help us check in upon arrival. However, this is not always possible and if the rooms are not ready, you will store your

luggage and go off on the city tour. When you return to the hotel after free time for lunch, you will then be able to go to your rooms and take a short nap before you gather for your introductory lecture. Dinner will be at the hotel and this evening after dinner, weather permitting, we will head out to attempt to view the Northern Lights. (B, D) Overnight: Reykjavik

SATURDAY, MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup> - Avoiding the tourist traps of the regular "Golden Circle" tour, Discover Europe has created a customized tour of the Iceland countryside. Leaving Reykjavik, your first stop is Þingvellir National Park, site of the world's first parliament. Here you can walk from America to Europe! You'll then stop at the Fontana spa at Laugarvatn, a naturally occurring hot spring bath, where you will spend some time relaxing in the waters and have time for lunch (included). Continuing on to the south coast, you'll visit the church at Skálholt, and stop to peer into the icy depths of Kerið volcanic crater. This evening, we will stop at the renowned Fjoruborðið restaurant in the village of Stokkseyri, where a traditional Icelandic lobster feast awaits us (more like Langoustine than Maine lobster) before returning to our hotel.



(B, L, D) Overnight: Reykjavik

**★** REYKJAVIK

SUNDAY, MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup> - A free day. Explore the galleries and museums of the city, enjoy the tax-free shopping or pamper yourself in one of the many local spas. There will also be a variety of optional activities available; from taking a snowmobile safari to the top of a glacier, to riding an Icelandic pony or going in search of whales. Our tour guide will also be offering an optional south coast excursion today, and details on other day tours will be provided before departure. (B) Overnight: Reykjavik

MONDAY, MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup> - This morning is free to take advantage of one of the many optional activities offered through the hotel tour desk - you can visit the Blue Lagoon, go on a whale watch, or ride an Icelandic horse, to mention just a few. Alternatively, you can visit some of the sights and museums around the city - or do a little shopping. You leave the hotel after lunch (at 2.00 pm) to transfer to the airport for your return flights to the US. (B)

*Key to included meals: B - breakfast, L - lunch, D - dinner* 





# **REGISTRATION FORM**

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1) Please type or print.
- 2) Make checks payable to Discover Europe, Ltd.
- 3) Be sure to read the Terms & Conditions and the Refund Policy contained on the reverse before signing.
- 4) Complete both sides of this form.
- 5) Detach the bottom section and mail it to Discover Europe with your deposit of \$500 per person. Keep the top section for your records.

#### **DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Name(s)**. Please make sure that your name appears on this form exactly as it does on your passport. Include your "Known As" or preferred name, if applicable.

Passport Details. Having your passport details ahead of time enables Discover Europe to speed up the check-in process at hotels and helps in the event of lost or stolen documents.

**Address.** If you have a different address, please provide us with the details, including dates that you are there, on a separate sheet.

**Special Dietary Requirements.** Please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements.

**Health Information.** A certain amount of walking is involved in this trip. Check the itinerary with your physician to ensure a safe and comfortable journey. Travelers requiring special assistance must be accompanied by a companion.

#### **EMERGENCY CONTACT**

This information is essential.

#### INDEPENDENT FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

If you are arranging your own flights, please provide your complete flight information, giving the following: dates of travel, airline(s), flight numbers, departure and arrival airports and departure and arrival times for all flight segments that you have booked. (Please note that extra charges for transportation to and from the destination airport may be incurred). If you need help arranging connecting flights from your local airport to an international departure city, we will be happy to arrange those for you. There is a nominal charge of \$40 per ticket for this service.

### ROOMING REQUIREMENTS

Please tick the appropriate boxes. We will book non-smoking rooms (where available) unless otherwise requested.

- i). If you are sharing a room, please let us know with whom. If you would like to share a room but do not have a roommate, we will be happy to try and match you up but unfortunately cannot guarantee that this will be possible. If no match is available, the single supplement will apply.
- ii). A twin room has two separate single beds in it. A double room has one large bed. Please let us know your preference.

### PASSENGER DETAILS 0321/TIG

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## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

### GENERAL

- 1. Please be sure to complete both sides of this form.
- 2. Instructions to aid you can be found on overleaf.
- 3. Space on this journey is limited and registrations are accepted strictly on a first come, first served basis.
- 4. Registration and payment imply acceptance of the terms and conditions described herein. This information, as well as your itinerary description regarding dates, inclusions and prices, form the basis of your individual contract with Discover Europe, Ltd.
- 5. Registration and payment waive and release Discover Europe, Ltd., Tufts University, their affiliates, directors, officers, employees, including any person or entity employed or utilized by them, from all claims arising from any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay or expense resulting from events beyond their control, including, without limitation: natural disasters, war, strikes, incidents of politically-motivated violence, sickness or quarantine, government restrictions or regulations, and in the absence of its own gross negligence, arising from the use of any vehicle or from any act of omission by any bus or car rental agency, airline, taxi or tour service, hotel, restaurant, or other firm, agency, company or individual.
- 6. Discover Europe, Ltd. reserves the right to substitute hotels, airlines, activities or excursions in response to changes in availability, local events or weather conditions, provided such substitutions do not adversely affect the overall quality of the tour. Such substitutions do not constitute grounds for withdrawal with full refund.
- 7. Conduct During the Tour: You are responsible for respecting the authority and following the directions of the tour guide and the laws of the countries in your itinerary. We may exclude you from participating in all or any part of the tour if, at our sole discretion, your condition or behavior renders you unfit for the tour or unfit for continuation once the tour has begun. Unfitness may include, without limitation, any behavior that, regardless of its cause, is inappropriate or offensive or interferes with the delivery of tour services, or may constitute a hazard or embarrassment. In such case, our liability shall be strictly limited to refund of the recoverable cost of any unused portion of the tour. Should you decide not to participate in certain parts of the tour or use certain goods included in the tour, no refunds will be made for those unused parts of the tour or goods.

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- 1. A deposit of \$500 must accompany this completed form.
- 2. The remaining balance will be billed and payable 90 days prior to departure.

#### TOUR COST ADJUSTMENTS

Discover Europe makes every effort to guarantee that the published cost of your chosen tour will not change. However we do reserve the right to

make adjustments in the following circumstances:

- 1. Exchange rates. Should the value of the dollar fall against the Icelandic Krona by more than 10% in the 6 months prior to trip departure.
- 2. Group size. This tour has been based on a group size of 25-30 participants. Should we end up with less than 25 people, Discover Europe will work with Tufts University to determine a course of action which will involve either paying a surcharge to keep the tour as is, or making adjustments to the tour in order to keep the cost the same.
- 3. Airfares. If your tour includes airfare, Discover Europe reserves the right to pass along increases in costs (taxes, airport fees, fuel surcharges, etc.) that are charged by the airline involved.

#### REFUND POLICY

- 1. Participants who withdraw more than 90 days prior to tour departure will receive a refund of all monies received by Discover Europe, Ltd., less a \$200 cancellation penalty.
- Participants who withdraw fewer than 90 days prior to tour departure will receive a refund of all monies received by Discover Europe, Ltd., less the following cancellation penalties:

90-61 days prior to departure: \$1000 per person

60 days - trip departure: no refund (unless traveler has insurance)

- 3. Please note that the final payment becomes due upon receipt of the final invoice and will remain payable, as per the above schedule, if your cancellation is received after this.
- 4. These cancellation penalty amounts do not include any airfares purchased on your behalf by Discover Europe Ltd. Note that the least expensive airfares are usually non-refundable. Refunds for airline tickets will be handled separately from the refund of the land tour package.
- 5. Comprehensive travel insurance is not included in your tour package. Discover Europe, Ltd., strongly advises that you purchase travel insurance for your upcoming trip. Information describing the services of a recommended travel insurance company will be made available to you upon registration.
- 6. All cancellation requests must be received in writing.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_

- 7. There is no provision for refund for any activities missed due to the participant's absence once the tour has started.
- 8. Your place on this tour is not transferrable.

### **INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS**

- 1. All inclusions on *Getaway to Iceland* are listed on the day-by-day itinerary and registration form.
- 2. The following are not included (unless specifically mentioned in the itinerary): travel insurance, transportation to and from the participant's chosen departure airport, passport fees, excess baggage charges, tips to couriers and tour bus drivers and items of a personal nature.

#### **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION** ROOMING REQUIREMENTS (Please check one) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ □ I would like a single room (see itinerary for supplement) Email: \_\_\_ □ I will be sharing with: Primary Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) We would like a □double □twin-bedded room FLIGHT INFORMATION Discover Europe may include my e-mail address on the tour (Please check one) passenger list. □Yes □No Do you want Discover Europe to book your flights : □Yes □No SIGNATURES The undersigned has read the tour itinerary and recognizes and accepts any risk inherent therein. The undersigned also understands and hereby agrees for and on behalf of his/her dependents, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to abide by the conditions set forth in the terms and conditions listed in this brochure and to release and hold harmless Tufts and any of their officers, trustees, agents, licensees, or representatives, from any and all liability for delays, injuries, or death or for the loss of or damage to his/her property however occurring during any portion of, or in relation to, the tour. From: □Boston □New York Flight details (if self-arranged): Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_